

# SAINT ANNE

OF THE SUNSET

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)

November 2, 2025

## Pastor's Column

**Remembering All Souls** – How do you remember a loved one who has passed? It's common in our Catholic culture to offer a mass in remembrance of them, or to go to the cemetery to visit them. I can remember visiting my grandparents' cemetery and have a picnic lunch there with them. It's common also in Chinese families, to have an altar of remembrance in the home, and to offer them incense and food. Mexican culture also honors their deceased family members with an altar of remembrance. Their joyful and colorful celebration has resonated beyond Mexico and is now celebrated in many places including our own parish. Often seen in a Mexican Altar of Remembrance are the following symbols:

- **Papel Picado** – this is the colorful and delicate perforated paper cut with patterns and hung near the altar. Their fragility symbolizes the fragility of life. When the wind blows and they move, they let us know that our loved one is nearby.
- **Marigold flowers** – their vibrant color and strong scent are believed to lead the souls of the departed back to the altar. Their brightness contrast with mourning, emphasizing that death is not an end, but a continuation of love and memory.
- **Sugar skulls** – they remind us that death is a natural part of life and it's not something to fear. Made from sugar, they express the idea that even in death, there is beauty and sweetness.
- **Candles** – guide the spirits back to the world of the living. They also serve as a silent prayer and a sign that they are remembered and welcomed.
- **Cross** – reflects our belief that even in death, there is resurrection. It serves as a safeguard for the soul, invoking divine presence and blessing over our loved ones.
- **Water vessel** – placing water on the altar is a gesture of love and welcome, to quench the thirst of the spirits, refreshing them on their journey.
- **Pan de muerto** – a sweet bread offering for the dead. Sharing food is a gesture of love, hospitality and remembrance.

You are welcome to place a picture of a loved one on our altar by St. Anne's Shrine, with these meaningful symbols to welcome them and to let them know that they still have a place in our hearts.

**Thank You Festival Volunteers and Supporters** – In spite of the gray skies, the festival still turned out to be a success, thanks to the many volunteers and supporters. In particular, I'd like to thank the Chairs: Bev Perea & Adrienne Lew for coordinating this event; Tom Del Mundo and the Knights for BBQ on Saturday; Gus De Silva and the Scouts for the pancake breakfast and for setting & cleaning up; Mary Miley & Kathy Aclan for putting together the entertainment on Saturday afternoon; Theresa Chan for all the wonderful homemade foods sold Saturday inside Moriarty Hall & Joanne Ramos & Adriana Der for the lovely beer garden and so many volunteers who signed up to help make the carnival a fun experience for the children on Saturday. The Tacos & Bingo on Saturday night was also fabulous. Not only were the unlimited Tacos delicious, but everyone was so quiet concentrating, waiting for their number to be called so they can yell, BINGO!!! To the many volunteers who worked behind the scenes cooking, cleaning, washing, and putting things away, to you who sponsored the event, you are all amazing and thank you so very much. Thank you to all the ministries for their support!

- Fr. Dan



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of November 2– November 8, 2025

### Sunday, November 2

8:00AM Parishioners of St. Anne  
10:00AM All Souls & Karen Lekander (D)  
12 00PM Joseph Wong (D)

### Monday, November 3

8:45AM All Souls (D)

### Tuesday, November 4

8:45AM All Souls (D)

### Wednesday, November 5

8:45AM All Souls (D)

### Thursday, November 6

8:45AM All Souls (D)

### Friday, November 7

8:45AM All Souls & Vincent Vago (D)

### Saturday, November 8

8:45AM All Souls (D)  
5:00PM Parishioners of St. Anne

## Thank You!

### Previous Week's Collection

Sunday Offertory - not yet available

Second Collection – none

*This week's second collection: St. Patrick Seminary*

## Parish Festival – More Photos



## Upcoming Events

### At St. Anne Church:

11/2 **All Souls Remembrance Mass – 10am Mass**  
A special mass is offered at St. Anne Church in remembrance of all who have died in the past year.



### In the Archdiocese:

(Visit [www.sfarchdiocese.org/events](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org/events) for more info)

11/8 **Healing Mass for Infant Loss & Miscarriage**  
For anyone who has experienced the loss of an infant by miscarriage, still birth or early infant death. Mass is celebrated at 10:30am by Fr. Vito Perrone at Mater Dolorosa Church, SSF  
RSVP: [prolife@sfarch.org](mailto:prolife@sfarch.org)

11/14 **Life Giving Wounds Retreat**  
A retreat for adult children of divorced or separated parents. The retreat begins at 6pm Fri. 11/14 through Sun. 11/16, 3:30pm at Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park.  
Info: Ed Hopfner, [HopfnerE@sfarch.org](mailto:HopfnerE@sfarch.org)

11/20 **Donate & Deliver Meals at SF County Jails**  
Thanksgiving meals will be served to 1300 incarcerated people at SF County Jails. Help deliver or donate \$5, \$10 or \$20 for full meals.  
Info: Julio Escobar, [escobarj@sfarch.org](mailto:escobarj@sfarch.org) or 415-614-5572.

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**Daily Mass:** 8:45am

**Sunday Mass:** 5pm Vigil (Saturday), 8am, 10am and 12 pm in Chinese

**Confession:** 20 minutes before Saturday 5pm Vigil and before 8am & 10am Sunday Masses

**Pastoral Emergencies:** 415-866-6455

**Join the Parish:** If you'd like to join our Parish and be part of our community, please go to our website <http://www.stanne-sf.org/> and follow the tabs – **Home** and **Join the parish** *Welcome!*

**An easy digital payment option for Sunday donations!**  
Checks, cash, credit cards are still accepted. To donate using Zelle go to [stannesunset@gmail.com](mailto:stannesunset@gmail.com) or use the Venmo QR Code.



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# Healing Retreat

## for Adult Children of Divorce

**Nov 14 - 16, 2025**

**Vallombrosa Retreat Center  
250 Oak Grove Ave, Menlo Park, CA**

Weekend retreat will include Holy Mass, opportunities  
for Confession and Adoration.

For more information / registration visit:

[www.sfarch.org/lgw](http://www.sfarch.org/lgw)

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