

SAINT ANNE OF THE SUNSET

3rd Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

December 14, 2025

Pastor's Column

Rejoice (Gaudete) Sunday – The 3rd Sunday of Advent is known as *Gaudete* Sunday because our wait is almost over. In the early Church, the tone of Advent was similar to Lent. It was a time of penance and preparation for the coming of Christ both at the end of time and at His 1st coming. But after the 2nd Vatican Council in the 1960s, the tone of Advent changed to one of Joyful Hope. Although we are still called by John the Baptist to repent, but that's so we can welcome the Lord joyfully. And as we begin the 3rd week of Advent, our focus also shifts from one awaiting for Christ at the end of time, to welcoming Christ on Christmas day. So rejoice, for our wait is almost over and Christ is near!

A Spiritual Gift for You – Accompanying the theme of rejoicing this Sunday, the Parish has a gift for you. We have 2 books that you can choose from for Spiritual reading and they are both from Matthew Kelly.

- **Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy** – This is a personal, practical and warmly received book that invites readers to reclaim their lives from busyness and rediscover joy. Its reception has been positive, with readers appreciating both Kelly's vulnerability and the actionable wisdom he offers.
- **And The Forgotten Way** – This is a spiritual guide to holiness through disciplining our speech. Inspired by St. James, this small and easy to read book offers a "master plan" for holiness by being mindful of the way we speak. It has also been well received for its practical wisdom and accessible style.

We pray you will find them enriching for your own spiritual life.

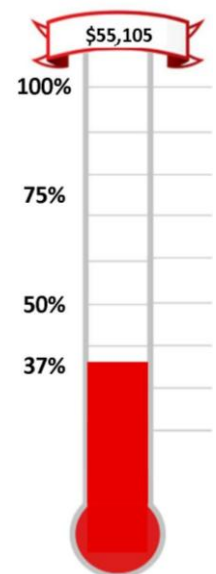
The Missionaries of Charity Thank You! –

Approximately 25 bags of food were collected from you last month and delivered to Mother Teresa's sisters last week. They have 2 houses nearby, one in San Francisco and the other in Pacifica. In SF, at their Queen of Peace Shelter, they run a small emergency shelter for mothers with children. And in Pacifica, at their Gift of Love Shelter, they run a residential facility for homeless men in need of hospice care. In addition, they also visit the homeless in the streets to bring them food, love and prayers. Thank you for supporting the work of the Sisters!



8th Grader Tomas DelMundo helped deliver the food to the Missionaries of Charity.

Striving to Reach our AAA Goal – Well, the good news is, so far, we've collected about \$20,000 for the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. The bad news is, we have another \$35,000 to go. What's the purpose of this Appeal? It supports ministries such as outreach to the incarcerated as well as to victims of crime, scholarships for students, retirement for priests. A portion of this appeal also supports Pope Leo and the Vatican. So join me if you can, in the 1% Club (\$550) or Half-a-Percent Club (\$275), by giving to this appeal. You'll be invited to a special brunch on the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, a Fat Sunday Brunch.



- Fr. Dan

Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of December 14– December 20, 2025

Sunday, December 14

8:00AM Luciano & Violeta Amutan (D)
10:00AM Michael & Melissa Mamon -
Thanksgiving

12 00PM Parishioners of St. Anne

Monday, December 15

8:45AM Rev. Mario Rossi (D)

Tuesday, December 16

8:45AM Jenny Chung (D)

Wednesday, December 17

8:45AM Ronald Ian Rondolo - *Thanksgiving*

Thursday, December 18

8:45AM Rev. Edward Reese (D)

Friday, December 19

8:45AM Maximo & Lucila Siao (D)

Saturday, December 20

8:45AM Confraternity of St. Anne
5:00PM Maximo & Lucila Siao (D)

Thank You!

Previous Week's Collection

Sunday Offertory, – \$2,755.11

Second Collection – none

This week's second collection: Retirement for Religious

St. Anne Giving Tree 2025



"Be a Blessing" Holiday Campaign, supporting those experiencing tough times this Holiday Season. Together, we can bring hope and warmth to those who need it most - and we need YOUR help to make that happen.

How You Can Be a Blessing:

1. **Choose an ornament from our Giving Tree.** Please take it home as our small token of appreciation for your generosity.

2. In return, we invite you to donate a **\$25 gift card** to **Target** or **Safeway**. You may:

- Hand your gift card to parish staff member or volunteer, **or**
- Drop it in the secure St. Anne rectory mailbox at **850 Judah St., San Francisco, CA 94122**

Donation Deadline: December 15, 2025

From the bottom of our hearts, **thank you for your kindness and generosity.** Together, we truly *can be a blessing* this Christmas. Contact Carmen Ng at St. Anne Religious Education, ngcarmen2013@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

At St. Anne Church:

12/15 Christmas Novena (Simbang Gabi)

Join us in the 9 days of prayer in preparation for Christmas, beginning 12/15 through 12/23.

Mon.-Fri. at 6pm, in St Anne Convent Chapel, 1330-14th Ave.

Sat & Sun, 5pm, in St. Anne Church

In the Archdiocese:

(Visit www.sfarchdiocese.org/events for more info)

12/18 Christmas Card Delivery to Incarcerated

For inmates in SF County Jails.

When & Where: 10:30am @ 475 7th St, SF & 12:45pm @ 1 Moreland Dr, San Bruno

Contact: Julio Escobar, escobarj@sfarch.org, 415-614-5572

12/20 Christmas Angel Program

Bring holiday joy to children whose families have been impacted by incarceration or crime. Help sort toys & write Christmas cards.

When: 12/20 & 21, 9:30am-4pm

Where: St. Mary's Cathedral Hall

Contact: Julio Escobar, escobarj@sfarch.org, 415-614-5572

Contact Us!

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:30am – 4:30pm
Office closed on Federal Holidays

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

An easy digital payment option for Sunday donations!

Checks, cash, credit cards are still accepted. To donate using Zelle go to stannesunset@gmail.com or use the Venmo QR Code. We are SO grateful for your help!



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