

# SAINT ANNE OF THE SUNSET

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

## Pastor's Column

**Santa Came to Our Town** – Right after the 10am mass last Sunday, as we were enjoying the food organized and provided by **Michelle Liwanag** and the volunteers from St Anne Parents Teachers Organization (SAPTO), **Santa** came into our midst. He must have slid down our chimney and onto the stage. Our Music Director, **Randell**, upon seeing his appearance, directed the choir to sing *Santa Claus is Coming to Town*. As he descended from the stage into the crowd, he went around greeting the children and they were all surprised and delighted to see him up close. Then he graciously made time to take pictures with the kids and their families for free. Each year, 2 Elves named **Wai and Min Min**, set up their camera, computer, screen and printer, to help capture this special moment with Santa. These Elves are so technologically savvy, that not only can they print a photograph of families with Santa, they also set up a download so you can get a digital copy of the picture on your phone to send to family and friends. While Santa is busy taking pictures with adoring fans, the parent volunteers also set up arts and crafts tables for children to make Christmas Trees, Advent Wreathes with candles, and so much more. The food prepared was also amazing, from healthy salads, to meatballs, noodles, rice and it was so well received, that it was all gone. It turned out to be a very successful party and fun was had by all. From all of us at the parish staff, we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

**Thanking Our Volunteers** – The success of any parish rests not only on the staff, but the many volunteers who make everything possible. The Athletic Program for example, from **Mie Mie**, the Athletic Director, to the coaches, everyone is a volunteer. The Music Program, the Religious Education program, aside from the directors, the choir members and the catechists are all volunteers. So, each year, in appreciation to all of our volunteers, we hold a Christmas Party in the rectory for them. This year, we held it on Fri, Dec 12 from 3:30pm-8pm, and 110 people RSVPed. Besides food, desserts and drinks, we had caroling. It was a good time connecting and catching up with our parish's most ardent supporters. To all of our volunteers, we appreciate your time, talent and dedication to serve God and our parish.

- Fr. Dan



Caroling at the Volunteers Party

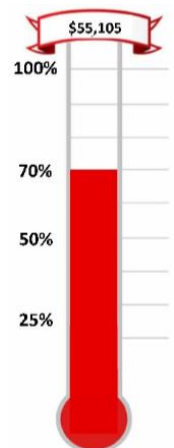


Pictures from the Parish's Christmas Party



## We're Getting There! –

Thank you for helping us reach 70%. We're almost there with only \$16,783 to go. The Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) is a collection for the Archdiocese. Their different departments like Schools, Property Maintenance and HR supports the parishes and schools and their ministries like scholarships, ethnic and social justice supports those in need. 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. - Fr. Dan



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of December 21– December 27, 2025

### Sunday, December 21

8:00AM Parishioners of St. Anne  
10:00AM Maria Rosa C. Rondolo (D)  
12:00PM Chun Mui Chu (D)

### Monday, December 22

8:45AM Corozon Sunga (D)

### Tuesday, December 23

8:45AM Personal Intentions for Christmas

### Wednesday, December 24

5:00PM Preciosa Agaton (D)  
8:00PM How Tak Lee (D)

### Thursday, December 25

8:00AM Parishioners of St. Anne  
10:00AM Vincent Vago (D)  
12:00PM Raymond Rotor (D)

### Friday, December 26

8:45AM Malacy Higgins (D)

### Saturday, December 27

8:45AM Confraternity of St. Anne  
5:00PM Malacy Higgins (D)

## Thank You!

### Previous Week's Collection

Sunday Offertory, – \$3,314.11

Second Collection – \$550 Retirement Fund for Religious

*This week's second collection: Property & Insurance*

### Giving Tree

We collected 146 - \$25 gift cards which will go to the Clients of Catholic Charities. Thank you for being someone's Secret Santa!!!

## Upcoming Events

### At St. Anne Church:

#### 12/21 Christmas Novena (Simbang Gabi)

Join us in a novena in preparation for Christmas.  
When: 12/15-23. M-F @ 6pm, Sat & Sun, 5pm  
Where: St Anne Convent Chapel, 1330-14<sup>th</sup> Ave

#### 1/1 New Year's Day Mass

Begin the New Year with prayer and gratitude to God. **Join us for mass at 10am.** It's a Holy Day of Obligation (or Opportunity).

### In the Archdiocese:

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

#### 12/23 Live Nativity

Join in the annual Live Nativity at the National Shrine of St. Francis in SF, from 5-8pm.

#### 1/18 Purified & Gender & Theology of your Body

Discover the beauty of God's plan for human love at St. Anthony, Novato, from 1:00 - 4:15pm.

Info: [eventcoach@chastity.com](mailto:eventcoach@chastity.com).

Tickets: [chastity.com/purified](http://chastity.com/purified), \$25.

#### 1/24 Walk for Life Events

Walk for Hope, Walk for Love & Walk for Life

9:30am – Mass w/Archbishop at Cathedral

12:30pm – Rally at Civic Center Plaza

1:30pm - Walk

## Contact Us!

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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

### 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. We are SO grateful for your help!



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## Christmas Mass Schedule

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# CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY FAMILY MASS

*Thank you for volunteering to be part of our Christmas Eve Nativity Family Mass. We truly appreciate your willingness to participate and help make this celebration meaningful and special for our parish community. Below is some helpful information to guide you as we prepare for the Mass.*

## TIME:

We're asking volunteers to arrive between 3:45pm-4:00pm to try on their costumes so we can make any adjustments. We will begin rehearsal at 4:15pm. We kindly ask that you meet us inside the church near the choir section.

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

To help everyone feel comfortable and prepared, we will have a rehearsal lasting approximately 30-40 minutes prior to Mass. This rehearsal will allow the children to practice their roles and understand where to go during the celebration.

[Christmas Eve Pageant Script](#)

## ROLES:

Please click the link below to see which role you will be performing

[Nativity Role](#)

## COSTUMES:

If you plan to use the St. Anne's costumes, please note that the costumes tend to run large, especially the Wise Men costumes. Safety pins and fabric tape will be provided to assist with minor adjustments as needed



If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please feel free to contact me at [Ahline.ching@gmail.com](mailto:Ahline.ching@gmail.com) or (850) 616-8840.