



St. Anne's Catholic Church

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**Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

February 23, 2025



Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Friday - Sunday CLOSED

Masses in Church

Monday - Friday 8:15 am

Saturday 8:15 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Sacrament of Confession

Tuesday 9:00 am—9:30 am

Saturday 3:30 pm—4:00 pm

Library Hours

Wednesday 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Parish Staff

Pastor : Rev. Leonard L. Marrujo

Priest in Res.: Rev. George DaRoza

Office/Ministry: Rachelle Harmon

Bookkeeper : Aileen Baker

Housekeeper: Martha Sanchez

Music Director: John Montanero

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

“Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God”.

Have you ever woken up in the morning with dread or a sense of foreboding? A feeling that the world just isn't right?

Most mornings, however, I look out my bedroom window and see trees, the sun rising from the east, the potted plants on my deck welcoming the warmth of the new morning, while shaking off the morning dew from their green leaves. There are mornings I feel that all is good and that The Creator is here with me now. But what does one do when that feeling of sorrow or apprehension enters into an otherwise beautiful morning as we often experience here in our part of this crazy world?

For myself when I feel this way, I go to my chapel and begin my morning prayers. The Breviary, or liturgy of the hours, is a book of prayers every priest and religious promise to recite when they are ordained or professed into religious life.

The Liturgy of the hours contain, amongst other writings, the beautifully composed and poetic book of The Psalms; here is where I find my comfort and joy. There is one particular passage I came across one morning whilst praying and reflecting, and that is, “What does this verse say to me?” Why did these words, *“put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God”* grab my attention? What was it that struck me so, that I would stop and reflect on these words? Perhaps the notion that God is with me at all times, never really leaving me, but attending to my every need. We take for granted that God is here, now, with us, and yet we tend to forget that he is with us. And sometimes, as many of us do, we feel God is distant, not caring or worse---doesn't really exist. When those thoughts enter my mind, that's when I know the evil one is tempting me and clouding my vision and taking me away from God the Father. This is when those words above bring me comfort and joy and shield me from further anguish my human failures might bring me.

As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, the living God. When can I enter and see the face of God? My tears have been my bread day and night, as they ask me every day, “Where is your God?” The Palmist writes eloquently the despair and joy we all feel when we are down, but then there is the day of rejoicing and finding that God hasn't abandoned us, He hasn't left us to our own devices, the Living God is here guiding us, protecting us and keeping us safe from harm's way.

As I reflect further on these passages, I begin to sense that peace and comfort, to know of God's mercy, love and His protecting arms surround me like that of a mother comforting her children. May you also find His comfort when life seems crazy and chaotic. Know that God is with us. God bless.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, February 25th
 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
 10:00 am
 Men's Ministry
 Parish Hall

Wednesday, February 26th
 Runs February 26th—April 9 on Wednesdays
 10:00 am
 Weekly Lenten Scripture Study
 Parish Hall

Thursday, February 27th
 Lecture: Whose Mass Is It?
 *Rescheduled from 2/19



1:00 pm
 Parish Hall

Monday, March 3rd
 5:00 pm
 Pizza Bingo
 Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 5th
 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
 9 am & 11 am masses
 12 pm Distribution of Ashes



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PARISH FINANCIALS

January

Plate collections, donations, gifts, and bequests

January Donation	\$	36,961
Budget Donation	\$	35,500
Excess / (shortfall)	\$	1,461
Dev. Fund January donation	\$	3,415

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 2/22	5:00 PM	† Zvonko Geiser and Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 2/23	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors † Elvio Ardilles
Monday 2/24	8:15 AM	† Tom Cuevas
Tuesday 2/25	8:15 AM	† Zvonko Geiser and Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday 2/26	8:15 AM	† Zvonko Geiser and Souls in Purgatory
Thursday 2/27	8:15 AM	† Jennifer Jessica Jake
Friday 2/28	8:15 AM	† Robert Earl Sanem
Saturday 3/1	8:15 AM	† Ricardo Da Roza

SAVE THE DATE! 3/3!

The next Pizza Bingo will be held on Monday, March 3rd!

Reservations are required as it is held in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5pm.

This popular and lively event is usually sold out! Deadline for reservations is **Monday, Feb 24th.**

Price of \$20/per person includes pizza, wine, beer or soft drinks, and one bingo card.

Additional bingo cards may be purchased. Tables will not be reserved.

Please include each attendee's name with check.

Make check **payable to St. Anne's Church** & mail to:
 Attn: Karen Kelly
 3032 Rossmoor Pkwy #8
 Walnut Creek, CA 94595



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sheila Wilkins	John Lydecker
Joe Cellucci	William Egan
Andrea Puccini	Dan Feikert
Bunk Sicotte	Edward Sheehan
George Pfautsch	Paul Kubacki
Martin Keegan	Tom Denniston
Cathy Bridges	Dale Breese
Felice Santos	Michael Dunn
Larry Maday	Kathleen Rose
Betty Vetro	

Names are on the list for 4 weeks. If you wish to be included, removed or continued for another 4 weeks, please contact Fran Long at 925-939-5151.



A GIANT "Thank You" and a grateful heart to Steve Tsai and his helpers for hosting Chinese New Year on Superbowl Sunday this last Sunday with all the delicious dim sum and fruit!



Father Michael McGivney: An American Blessed

In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE



Are you new? Moving? Leaving the parish? Drop off an updated parishioner registration card at the office or call to deactivate your registration.

Sunday's Readings:

1st Reading: Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
 Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

Has it been a while since you were an altar server? Have you never been an altar server? It's okay if it's been a while or you have no experience. We can train you!



What do altar servers do? Servers process with the cross. They carry the incense and censer or assist the priest when he receives the gifts from the people. Servers assist in the washing of hands by the priest, and assist the priest as necessary. In the absence of a sacristan, the servers may prepare the altar and sacred vessels before Mass.

If you are interested, call the rectory office or email rharmon@stanneswc.org for more information or to set up training.

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