

# St. Anne's Catholic Church

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## The Second Sunday of Lent

## March 1, 2026



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### Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm  
Tuesday: 9:00 am—1:00 pm  
Wednesday: 9:00 am — 4:00 pm  
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

### Sunday's Readings/Music:

1. Readings begin on page 78.
  2. Hymns on page 338 (after the grey tabbed pages.)
  3. Psalms follow the readings or may be noted with a Psalm # that can be looked up in the missal past the hymns.
- Gathering: Have Mercy On Me, O God
  - 1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a
  - Responsorial Psalm: #130  
**R:** With the Lord there is mercy and the fullness of redemption. Call to Him in your trials, He will answer whenever you call.
  - 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
  - Gospel Acclamation
  - Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9
  - Presentation of the Gifts: #532  
There Is A Balm In Gilead
  - Holy: #865
  - Communion: #211 Humbly Lord, We Worship You
  - Sending: Praise To You, O Christ (Instrumental)

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## A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

During the season of Lent I often encourage you to discern what it means to fast during this time of abstaining from foods and actions that you love. But what is Lent really about and how can we as Catholics make a real sacrifice that has a substantial and meaningful effect on our Lenten conversion; what is a real sacrifice that matters most? What thing can we “give up” that is of significance and replace that with something more concrete that has real value to our spirituality as we journey to the day of resurrection.

His Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, sends a Lenten message to the people of God and the universal church titled: “Listening and Fasting”. Listening and Fasting are two vastly different things, but as the Holy Father asserts in his exhortation, they in conjunction with each other can assist and form us during our Lenten journey.

The Holy Father writes;

“Lent is a time in which the church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our heart from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life.”

He continues; “This year, I would like to consider the importance of making room for the word through listening. The willingness to listen is the first way we demonstrate our desire to enter into relationship with someone... hearing the cry of the oppressed is the beginning of a story of liberation... our God is one who seeks to involve us.”

If God is seeking us, as the Holy Father attests, especially during this time, how then can we seek God so that our lives are enriched and deepened. To listen is vastly different from “hearing”. Hearing is the passive, physiological process of perceiving sound waves with your ears, requiring no conscious effort. Listening, on the other hand, is an active, voluntary, and cognitive process involving focused attention, comprehension, and interpretation of those sounds. This is what is meant by Pope Leo’s letter. To hear the voice of God and then listen to what God wants of us is essential in understanding our mission as disciples of Christ. We are not a passive people, but a people willing and wanting to be a part Christ’s body. St. Paul’s concept of the Mystical Body of Christ describes the Church as an organic, spiritual unity where all baptized Christians are members of one body, with Jesus Christ as the head (1 Cor 12:12-31, Col 1:18). It highlights that Christians are interconnected, sharing in Christ’s life and suffering, and that they must support one another to grow in holiness.

The Holy Father continues stating; “...in order to foster this inner openness to listening, we must allow God to teach us how to listen as he does.”

Next week, I’ll continue with Pope Leo’s spiritual exhortation. Until then, I bid you peace.

*Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 3rd  
1st Tuesday of every month after 8:15 am mass

Anointing of the Sick

Tuesday, March 3rd  
Movies In The Afternoon: King of Kings  
1 pm  
Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 4th

Every Wednesday  
Bible Study  
10:30 am—11:30 am  
Parish Hall

Thursday, March 5th

1st Thursday of every Month at 9:00 am  
Holy Hour with Benediction

Friday, March 6th

Every Friday through Lent  
Stations of the Cross  
9:00 am

Tuesdays, March 10th & 24th  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month

10:00 am  
Men's Ministry  
Parish Hall

Wednesday, March 11th

Every Wednesday  
Bible Study  
10:30 am—11:30 am  
Parish Hall

Thursday, March 12th

Every Thursday except 1st Thursday of the month  
9:00 am—12:00 pm  
Adoration

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 2/28	5:00 PM	† Deceased Members of the Scotte-Brown Families
Sunday 3/1	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	† Ricardo Da Roza Parishioners & Benefactors
Monday 3/2	8:15 AM	† Dick McLean
Tuesday 3/3	8:15 AM	† Deceased Members of the Ornellis and Jake Families
Wednesday 3/4	8:15 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors
Thursday 3/5	8:15 AM	† Robert De Graca
Friday 3/6	8:15 AM	† Ricardo Ribeiro
Saturday 3/7	8:15 AM	† Parishioners & Benefactors

## SOUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you like to cook? Do you have a secret soup recipe that everyone loves?



St. Anne's needs volunteers to make soup (or salad!) for our upcoming weekly Lenten Talks on Mondays.

Sign up in the rectory office with your preferred dates!



Missing anything? Check our Lost & Found Monday—Thursday during office hours.



The 2026 Mass Intention Book is now open to all, including non-parishioners. If you are a long-time visitor, but not registered, you may find gold-colored registration cards at each entrance to the church to get yourself registered and have priority access to next year's mass intention book.

*Let us pray for all those who have recently passed away...*

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| † Dick McLean       | † Jim Stevens     |
| † Barbara Schurhoff | † Veronica Devlin |
| † Robert DeGraca    | † Gerry Cunha     |
| † Constance Lambert | † Joseph Disano   |
| † Chuck Cobb        | † Arlene Russell  |

## RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

**March 15th is the St. Patrick's Dinner!**

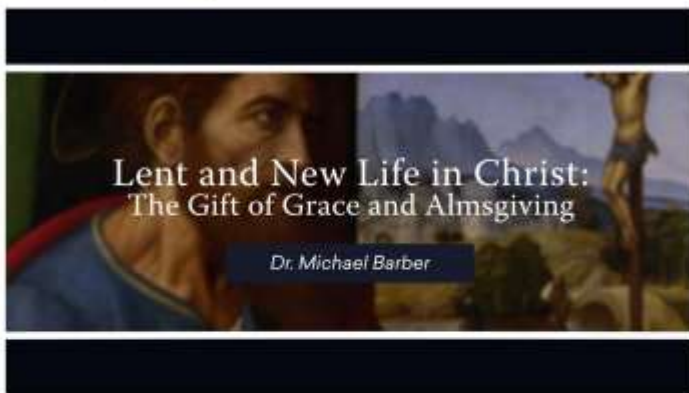
Reservations are already being submitted!

NOTE: TIME CHANGE for dinner has been moved to 5:30 pm

See today's bulletin insert!



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### Lent and New Life in Christ: The Gift of Grace

What is the importance of almsgiving? Dr. Michael Barber discusses the transformative power of almsgiving for your life.

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## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Andrea Puccini	Charles Krystofiak
Sheila Wilkins	Chuck Fontenot
Michael Dunn	Linda Dunn
Kathleen Rose	

**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.**

### Movies in the Afternoon Returns on March 3rd at 1 pm in the Parish Hall!



Come join us for our first feature "King of Kings".

Directed by Nicholas Ray, the 1961 epic "King of Kings" dramatizes the life of Jesus Christ against the backdrop of Roman-occupied Judea. It follows his birth, ministry, miracles, and crucifixion, while heavily featuring the political turmoil of the era and the revolutionary actions of Barabbas.

## LENTEN TALKS

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St. Anne's will host weekly Lenten Talks with a 12:30 soup luncheon every Monday and the talk at 1 pm.

Watch the bulletin for a note on upcoming guest speakers!

## 2nd Collection on 3/15



The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection supports the relief and economic development efforts of Catholic Relief Services. CRS is the flagship aid organization of the bishops of the United States, which brings the merciful love of Christ to victims of natural disaster, war, and environmental degradation throughout the world. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that serve the vulnerable and marginalized at home and abroad.