



St. Anne's Catholic Church

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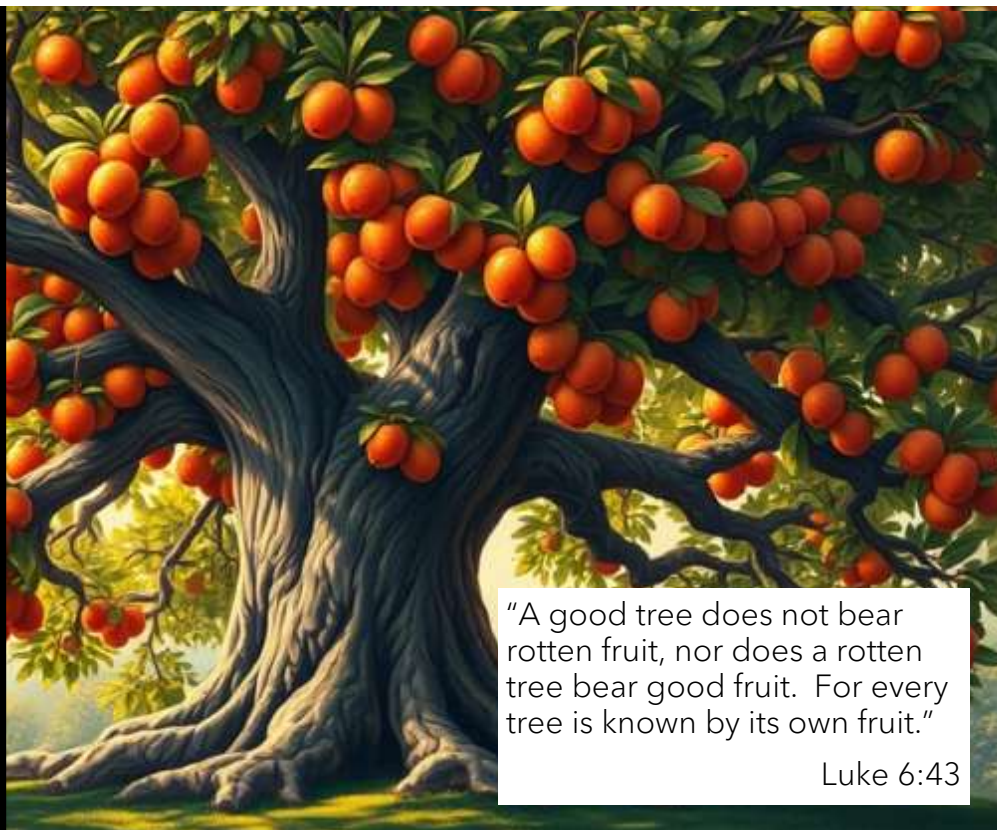
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**Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

March 2, 2025



"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit."

Luke 6:43

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

Ash Wednesday is coming up this week and I started thinking about what will I “give up” for Lent, but more importantly, what will I replace the thing I’m giving up?

Many, including myself, say things like, “I’m giving up chocolate, or coffee or some sort of food or activity I enjoy. All of these things are good, but I’d like to take this a step further, why not replace those things with something else.

The main purpose of “giving up” things in Lent is to bring us closer to God; to prioritize God; to put God in the center of our minds and lives; to make God the focal point. And what better way of doing that is to take up reading spiritual books or helping others in need that we haven’t done so before. The church offers many different devotions and meditations, it’s just a matter of searching those things out and then practicing them during this time. Catholics meditate and engage in mental prayer to be able have an intimate conversation and relationship with God. But it can be difficult to know how to do this or even where to begin. The desire to enter into a relationship with God is written on the hearts of everyone, as Saint Augustine writes in his Confessions, “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You.” Perhaps Augustine's most often quoted phrase, it captures something that resonates deep within the human person. Restlessness is that desire to be filled and fulfilled. We are hardwired to want to know something that is beyond ourselves, beyond the known world and to enter into something that is wholly different than what we are experiencing now.

God in His infinite wisdom and goodness calls each of us to interact with Him on a level that allows us to engage in some deeper meaning, and become one with Him, knowing Him intimately.

A dear friend of mine tells me her best time with God is in chapel, with a cup of coffee in hand and rosary beads in another. She likens this to hanging out with a good friend and conversing and praying together. As Catholics we understand that God is love, and the embodiment of truth. To know God is to know what love is and to understand truth. Additionally, the more you know who God is and the better relationship you have with Him, the better you know yourself as you are made in His image and likeness. Mental prayer is about growing in knowledge and admiration of God and in virtue.

With that, I am encouraging you to seek out, to search deep in your own mind, soul and heart, the direction you want to travel during this Season of Lent. It’s good you give up a material thing, but lets spend some time discerning something that will bring us closer to the Lord and the Creator. God bless.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 5th
Runs February 26th—April 9 on Wednesdays
10:00 am
Weekly Lenten Scripture Study
Parish Hall

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

Friday, March 7th
Every Friday during Lent/ March 7th—April 18th
9:00 am
Stations Of The Cross
St. Anne's Church

Sunday, March 9th



Tuesday, March 11th
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
10:00 am
Men's Ministry
Parish Hall

Next Tuesday we will prepare for Lent. Discuss a parallel schedule reading Genesis.



Do you plan on traveling this weekend, next week, next month, next Summer, during the holidays?

You can always find the nearest Roman Catholic church & their local mass times at masstimes.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 3/1	5:00 PM	† Eileen Brown
Sunday 3/2	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	† John and Anna Susich Parishioners & Benefactors
Monday 3/3	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Myra Martinez
Tuesday 3/4	8:15 AM	† Luiz & Aracy Nuccy & Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday 3/5	8:15 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors
Thursday 3/6	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Living & Deceased Members of the Da Roza & Rodrigues Families
Friday 3/7	8:15 AM	† Rev. Anthony Hannick
Saturday 3/8	8:15 AM	† Ricardo Ribeiro



Mark your calendars & save the date! Details coming soon!

Sunday's Readings:

1st Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

2nd Reading: Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45



DAILY
READINGS

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

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



Get the bulletin every week in your email before mass! Send a request to: rharmon@stanneswc.org



Lent | What Catholics Believe

Join Fr. Scott Bailey, a priest in the Archdiocese of Denver, as he answers some of the Internet's most asked questions about Lent. What is Lent? Why is it 40 days long? Or even, what should I give up for Lent? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

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Altar Servers are still needed for ALL MASSES. 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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ASH WEDNESDAY

LENT BEGINS

WHAT IS LENT?

The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by praying, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.

PRAYING FASTING ABSTINENCE



WHAT IS FASTING?



One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?



Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.

DAYS OF FAST?

Ash Wednesday Good Friday

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE?

Ash Wednesday All Fridays of Lent Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Catholics from age < 18 to 59 > The sick are excused from fasting

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Mandatory for everyone older than 14 years old

Source: Code of Canon Law

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