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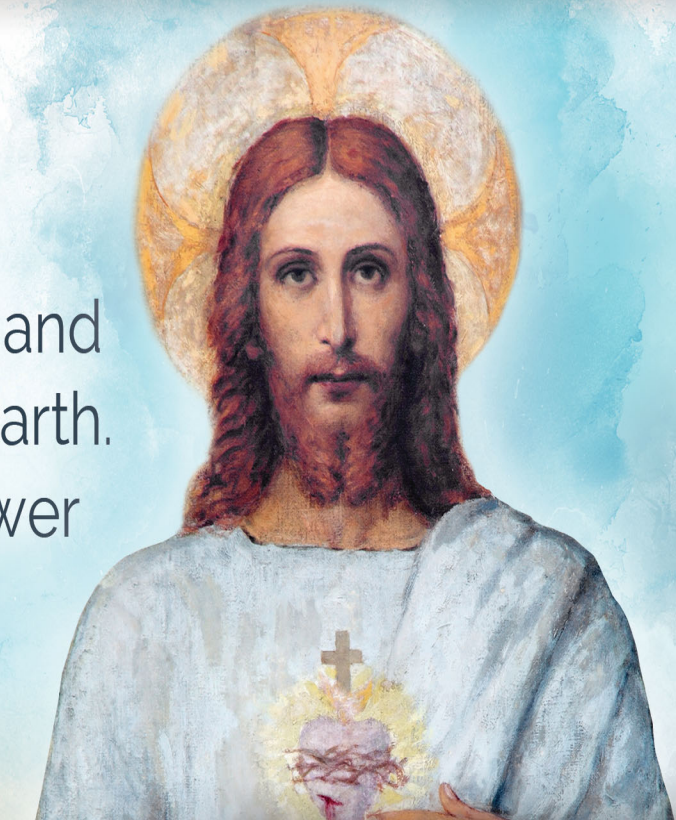
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus Christ is the
faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead and
ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him be glory and power
forever and ever.

Amen.

Revelation 1:5, 6



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November 21, 2021

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Leonard Marrujo

Priest in Residence: George Da Roza

Off./Min. Coordinator: Janet Money

Bookkeeper: Aileen Baker

Housekeeper : Martha Sanchez

Organist: Sheila Wilkins

Cantor : Gina Downen

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9am – 12pm and 1pm - 4:30pm

Library Hours

Wednesday 9am - 12 pm

Masses in Church

Monday - Friday 8:15 am

Saturday 8:15 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9 am & 11 am

Sacraments

Confession in Courtyard: Saturday 3:30pm- 4:00pm

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Jesus cures the blind in many of his miracles that he performs, but what is the deeper understanding of these gospel readings relating to the blind and to blindness.

I see these passages as metaphors to our own blindness and how we miss what truly is going on in our community and world.

Blindness is not necessarily a physical affliction, but can be a spiritual one as well; a blindness that keeps us from fully reaching out to our brothers and sisters in need. Sometimes we purposely blind ourselves from seeing things that may be too harsh, or sad or frightening, which can lead to apathy as we see in our society today. Blindness can also be directed even to our loved ones without us being aware of it. Jesus wants us to open our eyes, mind and heart to those around us and not cut ourselves out from the world in which we live. As it is written in scripture, "we are not an island unto ourselves." We are part of a larger picture, we are part of the human struggle that goes on day after day. Yes, with all its flaws, we belong in this chaotic and damaged world and our obligation is to make the best of it not just for ourselves, but others as well.

As we read the miracles Jesus performs for the blind, these physical cures symbolizes the opening of the person's mind and heart. The light that comes into the eyes of a blind person is really the light that fills the heart with faith and hope, it is the light of Christ.

In the gospel reading, the man's coming to the light is a witness to us about how we should approach our faith. The blind man's journey is not just his alone, but ours as well. We are encouraged to participate in the obligation we inherited from the baptismal promises made on our behalf. And this obligation is mandatory, set upon us by Christ through the commands he preached during his time on earth, and that is to love your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind, and to love your neighbor as you love yourself.

This transformation that the blind man goes through calls to mind for us the process we go through in our faith journey. St Paul tells us we are called to live as children of the light for light produces every kind of goodness. At baptism we receive the light of Christ symbolized by the paschal candle....we bring the light of Christ to where ever there is darkness. When we do, we transform our families, our communities and our workplaces---- all the while transforming ourselves. Clear our eyes from the debris that clutters our vision so that we can see clearly the vision the Father has for all of us. Amen.

Fr. Leonard Marrujo

PARISH FINANCIALS

Plate collection, donations, gifts, and bequests

October	\$50,367
September	\$33,837
Monthly Goal	\$38,900
Excess/(Shortfall) October	\$11,467
Year-to-date Excess/shortfall	(\$80,456)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Gloria Pearce	Marilyn Derdevanis	Karen Salchett
Andy Edwards	Dona Newell	Edward Regan
Janet Welter	Danielle Sanchez	Jane Kim

If you wish to be included or removed from our prayer list, please contact Fran Long at 925-939-5151

LOOKING AHEAD

November 22 nd 10am - 11 am	Homebound Ministers Retreat
November 25 th 9am	Thanksgiving Mass & Thanksgiving dinner bread & wine blessing
November 27 th 9am—12 pm	Encountering the Word Made Flesh By Sr. Nancy Usselmann
November 28 th 3pm - 4:30pm	Person to Person : A Mother Teresa project— Christin Jezak
December 4 & 5	St. Anne's Christmas Bazaar Festival

The St. Anne's Society Christmas Bazaar

TWO-DAY EVENT INCLUDES BOUTIQUE AND RAFFLE

The St. Anne's Society will sponsor a holiday gift bazaar on Saturday, December 4 from 10am till 7pm and on Sunday Dec 5th from 10am until the final auction and raffle at 2:30pm.

There will plenty of gift items, just in time to do your holiday shopping, including jewelry, holiday decorations, linens, toys and games, all at bargain prices! In addition, a silent auction will be held with gift baskets, and valuable prizes such as game tickets, gift certificates, and special treasures.

Donated articles are appreciated to support this bazaar. Some desired items are handmade gifts, such as knit hats and scarves, as well as creche or nativity sets, artwork, and jewelry, new, vintage or valuable. Any treasures for holiday gifts are much appreciated. You may drop off donations at the Parish Center on Wednesday, Dec 1 between 12 noon and 2pm, or Thursday, Dec 2 and Friday, Dec 3 between 10am and 2pm.

For more information for drop off or pick up, please call Gale Lydecker, 925-937-7748. Jewelry items need to be evaluated and priced, so please call Gale in advance for this.

Doors open on Saturday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. On Sunday, Dec. 5, the hours are from 10 a.m. until the final auction and raffle at 2:30 p.m. Come early to secure the best goods and choices.
All are welcome

MINISTRIES

Altar Care	Bernadette Liu	925-448-1536
Altar Servers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143
Bereavement Ministry	Sue Williams	925-216-8062
Eucharistic Ministers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143
Greeters Weekend	Mary Beth Hodge	925-954-1158
Homebound	Evelyn Noriega	510-386-1573
Lectors	Kathleen Kish	925-954-7560
Library	Odile Crandall	925-937-2643
Maintenance, Security	Keith Crandall Bob Martini	925-932-2324 Parish Office
Men's Ministry	Martin Bailey	510-292-9560
Parish Council	Paul Molloy	925-323-0730
Parish Finance Council	Peter Newell	925-891-4479
St. Anne's Society	Joe Cellucci	843-870-6683
Ushers	Fran Long	925-939-5151

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 22nd, 2021

8:15 AM † Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 23rd, 2021

8:15 AM † Robert DaRoza
† May Herrerias

Wednesday, November 24th, 2021

8:15 AM Mother Theresa of Jesus, OCD

Thursday, November 25th, 2021

8:15 AM † Frances & Derrick Ward

Friday, November 26th, 2021

8:15 AM † Elsa Yam

Saturday, November 27th, 2021

8:15 AM † Geraldine Inwards
5:00 PM † Natasha Bakovic

Sunday, November 28th, 2021

9:00 AM Sp. Int. Charles Johnson & Family
11:00 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors

God is with us

Parish Advent Mission

Mini-Retreat Encountering the Word made Flesh

with Sr. Nancy Usselmann, FSP

Saturday, November 27th
9:00AM - 12:00PM

St. Anne's Parish Hall



One-woman Play Person to Person: A Mother Teresa Project

with Christin Jezak, Actress



Sunday, November 28th
3:00PM - 4:30PM

St. Anne's Church

During Advent the Church invites us to prepare our hearts for the marvelous mystery of the incarnation, God in our midst. This parish mission involves all the senses and guides each person on a journey of encountering Christ anew, he who is the Word made Flesh.

Through presentations, prayer, visuals, and a theatrical performance, Sr. Nancy and Christin offer a transformative Advent experience that leaves participants convinced that Love alone will change the world!

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