



St. Anne's Catholic Church

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DECEMBER 5, 2021

John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Luke 3:3



SECOND

Sunday

OF

Advent

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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

In the New Testament, the word for thanks means to be “thankful for God's grace.” The root word in Greek actually has the word grace in it. When you give thanks, you're responding to God's goodness and graciousness. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.”

In Merrion/Webster dictionary, the meaning of thankful is: “conscious of benefit received” This past week we celebrated one of two secular holiday traditions that are unique to our great nation, Thanksgiving and the other being the Fourth of July. The interesting thing about Thanksgiving is no matter what faith tradition you belong to or not, we as a people come together to show our gratitude for the things we have and share.

This year was my families first celebration of Thanksgiving without our beloved mother. Mom was always at the head of the table, presiding as it were, as the matriarch of our family. Her favorite part of this celebration was to see all of her children, and grandchildren come together to share laughs, and delicious food. And most importantly, to show our gratitude for the abundant treasure we share as a family, and that is LOVE.

No matter what, the family would come together to celebrate with food and drinks, and the food as always was delicious. My sister does a good job of cooking the turkey dinner, always moist and tasty, never dry. Although one Thanksgiving meal one of my brothers decided to deep fry the turkey in his new outdoor deep fryer... what a disaster that was. The turkey was more like pork cracklings than a succulent bird, (lesson learned).

What is Thanksgiving? Thanksgiving Day, a national holiday in the United States and Canada, is the celebration of the abundant harvest the farmers in our nation produce and as well as other blessings we received over the year. I am grateful for my family, friends and people who have helped me throughout my life. And I am also grateful for one more thing and that is for this wonderful community of St. Anne's parish. Bishop Barber has great confidence in my ability to shepherd you and others in the right direction. He's given me this assignment to evangelize and catechize you as well as you guiding me in my own priestly journey. The great many things I love about my priesthood are the people I meet and the lessons I learn from you. The latter is most important to me as it allows me to grow, providing me with the spiritual tools I need in order to help you in your journey.

Now that Thanksgiving is over, and another meal consumed, on to Advent and Christmas. As the new liturgical year begins, let us take some time to prepare ourselves for the coming of our saviors nativity and the abundance of his love to enter into our world. Remember Christmas isn't about presents, but about a baby born in a manger amongst the poverty of humanity. 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)

LOOKING AHEAD

December 4 & 5 St. Anne's Christmas Bazaar Festival

December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy day of Obligation) *Mass - 9am*

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.

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

We are delighted to welcome our newest members to St. Anne's Parish!

Say "Hello" to:

*Barbara Hughes
Kenneth Dulany
Madelyn Murphy*

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, December 6th, 2021

8:15 AM Living and deceased members of Sommers & Pfausch families

Tuesday, December 7th, 2021

8:15 AM † Elsa Yam

Wednesday, December 8th, 2021

9 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors

Thursday, December 9th, 2021

8:15 AM † Dennis Sinclitico

Friday December 10th, 2021

8:15 AM † Rita Da Roza

Saturday, December 11th, 2021

8:15 AM † Tanja Jijon

5:00 PM † Pat Mangan

Sunday, December 12th, 2021

9:00 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors

11:00 AM † Cirilo Roman

Holiday Schedules

mark your calendar!

Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)

December 24th, Friday Christmas Eve – 5 pm

December 25th, Saturday Christmas Day – 9 am (Only one mass)

December 25th, Saturday No 5pm Mass

Sunday Mass

December 26th Sunday 9am & 11am

Solemnity of Mary – New Year's Day

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

December 31st, Friday Solemnity of Mary – 5 pm

January 1st, 2022, Saturday Solemnity of Mary – 9 am (Only one mass)

January 1st, 2022, Saturday No 5pm Mass

Sunday Mass

January 2nd, 2022, Sunday 9am & 11am

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

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

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