

# St. Anne's Catholic Church

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 am - 12:30 pm & 1 pm - 4:30 pm

Masses in Church

Monday - Friday 8:15 am

Saturday 8:15 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9 am & 11 am

**Sacrament of Confession:** 

Tuesday 9 am - 9:30 am

Saturday 3:30 pm- 4:00 pm

Library Hours: Wednesday 9 am - 12 pm

# A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

"God is love... Love comes from God..." 1) John 4.) To progress in [St.] Bernard's stages of love from selfish love to agapé love that wills good for God and others we must deny our selfish passions, grow in thankfulness for God's love to us, become captivated by God's nature of love, and ultimately lose ourselves n God.

"Love is the fountain of life, and the soul which does not drink from it cannot be called alive."

These are the ancient words of St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 - 1153), a great lover of God and considered the last of the Church Fathers. To be sure, as I was preparing for my upcoming retreat, I earnestly began searching for inspirational words to provide a foundation from which to contemplate and examine my own spirituality before embarking on my retreat in September. As a part of my preparation for this journey, I felt it was important to fill my quiver with the essential tools of God's Word if I am to achieve what I set out to do, that is to be one with God and to love God deeply as I know He loves me. But what is it to love God and to understand His love for His creation.

Thomas Merton refers to St. Bernard's understanding of what it is to love God and to love him more than a filial or eros type of love, but to love God in a supernatural way, agape love. To love God is beyond a love that is human, that which is transcendent, or mystical. And in turn God loves us unconditionally as only the Heavenly Father can love.

St. Bernard's devotional classic, "The Love of God", explains what divine love is and how we grow and develop in the perfect love of God which has come to us in Jesus Christ. In it St. Bernard presents his famous Four Degrees of Love, which are a model for spiritual development in Christlikeness. It is my thought to present to you in four parts these "Four Degrees of Love", as he presents them. Starting this week and continuing into the summer months, I will provide for your own spiritual journey some aspects of his understanding of what the love of God is and how we as creations of God can apply these thoughts into actions. As Christ commands us,

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another" (John 13:34). The apostle Paul goes on to tell us "Love does no wrong to a neighbor. Love, therefore, is the fulfillment of the law". (Rom)

These inspiring and wonderful words should be a part of our everyday meditation, to reflect upon and to execute in our everyday encounters with others.

Next week I will present excerpts from St. Bernard's "The Love of God". Until then, may the God of peace bring you comfort and love.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Tuesday, July 11th - Men's Ministry

10 AM - St. Anne's Parish Hall

Monday, July 17th - Faith Formation

1 PM- Parish Hall
Bishop Barron's "The Mass"

Focus on the "Eucharist" - What is it & Why we believe

July 18th - 26th

St. Anne's Novena

#### St. Anne's Faith Formation— Bible Study

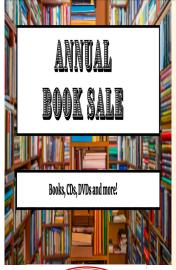
Fall Registrations are open.

The bible study will consist of two parts.

- In the Fall of 2023 Psalms 1-72.
- In Spring of 2024 Psalms 73-150.

Call the Parish office to reserve your spot.

#### LIBRARY ANNUAL BOOK SALE



#### **Annual Book Sale**

Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 6:30 pm

and

Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm

There will be an eclectic selection of books, jigsaw puzzles, CDs and DVDs available for you to browse and choose.

We will see you in the Parish Center!

<u>Bulletin:</u> If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin and highlight by email contact the parish office at **info@stanneswc.org.** Bulletin is also available on our website www.stanneswc.org



Monday 07/10	8:15 am	Living & Deceased members of Sommers & Pfautsch families
Tuesday 07/11	8:15 am	† Jeanne Cox
Wednesday 07/12	8:15 am	† June M. Ferreira
Thursday 07/13	8:15 am	† Kay Boyle
Friday 07/14	8:15 am	† Carole Zimmerman
Saturday	8:15 ам	† Cirilo Roman
07/15	5:00 рм	Sp. Int. Bernadette Liu
Sunday	9:00 ам	Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors
07/16	11:00 ам	† Cecilia McGrath

# Monday, July 17th - Faith Formation presents Bishop Robert Barron's - *The Mass*

Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and **be transformed** through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist.

The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

St. Anne's Society, Reminds to save your valuables and slightly-used items for the annual Christmas Bazaar, being held in St. Anne's Parish Hall the first week-end of December.

More information to follow.

MINISTRIES				
Altar Servers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143		
Eucharistic Ministers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143		
Greeters Weekend	Mary Beth Hodge	925-954-1158		
	Lupe Roberts	925-322-8798		
Homebound	Evelyn Noriega	510-386-1573		
Library	Odile Crandall	925-937-2643		
Facility Maintenance	Keith Crandall	925-932-2324		
	Bob Martini	Parish Office		
Men's Ministry	Martin Bailey	925-932-2324		
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PRAY FOR THE SICK				
Andrea Puccini	Jannet Tuvilla	Pamela Maria		
Bob Pape	Jason Navaro	Patricia Carey		
Bonnie Walsh	Jeff Westerfield	Pat Roland		
Caroline George	Joe Cellucci	Robert DeGraca		
Carolyn Collins	John Statz	Richard Daniels		
Carter Whitlatch	Jordan Navaro	Rick Williams		
Cathy Grimesey	Josay Hayes	Robert Davenport		
Cheryl Spitz	Karen Salchett	Robert Kraftschik		
Chris Ramirez	Karl Kropp	Robin Duggan		
Debbie Campbell	Kathleen Clemons	Ron Barajas		
Edward Regan	Larry Maday	Sandra Chafe		
Ellen Stevens	Lisa Fiddler	Tom & Vicki Hughes		
Felice Santos	Martin Keegan	Tom Mader		
Fr. Anthony Chang	Michael Dunn	Vincent Riggio		
Hogey Hogenboom	Mike Abell			

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

#### A BIG SHOUT OUT!

To our wonderful bulletin sponsors (they asked to remain anonymous). You have helped offset the cost of printing bulletins in-house. We are grateful.

THIS PARISH LIFE Please visit our parish website www.stanneswc.org for parish information, calendar of events, copy of the bulletin, lectures and audio recordings of "This Parish Life" by Fr. Leonard.



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### ST. ANNE'S NOVENA

JULY 18 - 26, 2023



# **WELCOME!**

Join us in our
Annual Celebration for the
Feast of St. Anne

Daily Masses at 8:15 am
Saturday Masses at 8:15 am & 5:00 pm
Sunday Masses at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Reverend Leonard Marrujo Reverend George DaRoza

Wednesday, July 26 Feast of St. Anne

Solemn Mass and Procession 8:15 am
Reception follows in the Parish Center

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#### **QUEEN OF HEAVEN FUNERAL & CEMETERY SERVICES**

Cordially invites you to attend one of our upcoming LUNCH & LEARN events.

If you are still undecided about casket burial or cremation, have questions, or just want to know what your options are, our staff at Queen of Heaven would like to help you.

All attendees will receive complimentary planning tools and we will be serving a wonderful lunch!

WHEN: July 14<sup>th</sup>,18<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup>

WHERE: Queen of Heaven 1965 Reliez Valley Rd. Lafayette, CA 94549 TIME: 12:00 PM-1:00 PM

Please R.S.V.P. by calling Kate Lane at (925) 932-0900 X 625

or email your R.S.V.P. to klane@cfcsoakland.org