

St. Anne's Catholic Church

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13, 2025



Balthasar van Cortbemde. Parable of the Good Samaritan. 1647. <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=39346229>

Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am — 2:00 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 190.
 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 new missal past the hymns.
- Gathering: #530 Laudate, Laudate Dominum
 - 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14
 - Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 69
R: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.
 - 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20
 - Gospel Acclamation
 - Gospel: Luke 10:25-37
 - Presentation of the Gifts: #410 Be Thou My Vision
 - Communion: #356 Ang Katawang
 - Sending: #732 America The Beautiful

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

In the Catholic Church, compassion is understood as a deep awareness and understanding of another person's suffering, accompanied by a desire to alleviate it. It's not just a feeling of pity or sadness, but an active engagement with the other person's pain, often leading to a desire to help and support them.

The last two Sundays I have written on two important topics that reflect my thoughts on the current state of our country. The last few months we have witnessed chaos, rioting and displays of violence on every side. These scenes that are playing out in Los Angeles and other American cities is disheartening and concerning in that there seems to be no end in sight. When does it end and what might the outcome be? I'm not clairvoyant and I don't have a clue as to how it will all end up. What I am sure of is that this nation and the American people will prevail at the end. And hopefully we will learn lessons from this current situation so as not to repeat them in the future.

I will not engage in political discourse by siding with the "left" or the "right", instead I would rather engage all of us on what Christ taught the church and what the church conveys to us as people of God. Mark tells us, "As Jesus went ashore, he saw the large crowd, and Jesus had compassion on them." Compassion -- that is, I think, one of the most singular and important qualities, virtues of Jesus. What does it mean? It means to feel with others, enter into their circumstances, be one with them in their feelings, their pain, their hurt or joy and their excitement, but to be with them and enter into their framework. That's what it means to be compassionate. Sometimes it is difficult to get into a person's mind, to actually feel what the other person is feeling or experiencing when we ourselves have never or very limited experience in the type of suffering most people around the world experience, e.g., not enough to eat, decent or adequate shelter, education, access to medicines or other necessities that we in the West take for granted. Even in our own country we see some people go without the bare necessities and just getting by. That is when we, yes myself included, need to step back and look around at those who have less than us. To see beyond our own troubles and step into the shoes of our neighbor is essential and important if we are to call ourselves followers of Christ.

So, how do we combat this situation, this dilemma in a nation full of opportunities, a nation that produces more food than we can consume, a nation with an abundance of natural resources and yet with all of this, we continue seeing poverty of every kind, from a material impoverishment to a spiritual deprivation? I can remember driving along the Appalachian trail and seeing people of many colors and cultures barely eking out a living, and yet many were doing their "best" given their circumstances and the environment in which they live.

One of my favorite quotes from Harper Lee's "To Kill a Mockingbird", is when Atticus shares this thought with Scout, "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view ... Until you climb inside of his skin and walk around in it."

This is some of the best advice I have ever followed; that is to be compassionate and empathetic, is such a great gift and honor for all of us to embrace, not just for the sake of ourselves, but for the sake of the one suffering. Christ's message to us is to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. And to love God above all.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, July 16th

10:00 am

In-Person Safe Environment Training For All St. Anne's Ministers and Volunteers

Parish Hall

Thursday, July 17th

Every 3rd Thursday of the month

11:00 am



Grieving Ministry

St. Anne's Library

Friday, July 18th—July 26th

St. Anne's Novena

Tuesday, July 22nd

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month

10:00 am

Men's Ministry

Saturday, July 26th

St. Anne's Novena:
Mass/Feast Celebration & Procession

8:15 am



Missing anything? Visit our Lost & Found at the Church rectory in the main office Monday—Thursday during office hours.

GROCERY CARDS STILL NEEDED

Please continue purchasing grocery store gift cards for the St. Vincent De Paul food bank at St. Mary's in Walnut Creek.



Please note the dollar amount on each gift card. Gift cards can be

dropped in the mailbox near the parish office window. Non-gift card donations can be placed in the bin outside St. Anne's Church, near the courtyard entrance. Thank you for your generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7/12	5:00 PM	Special Intention: Joan and August Carella
Sunday 7/13	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	† Susan Malman & Charley Galloway Parishioners & Benefactors
Monday 7/14	8:15 AM	† Bill Roberts
Tuesday 7/15	8:15 AM	† Julie Carrol
Wednesday 7/16	8:15 AM	† Cecilia McGrath † Richard Williams
Thursday 7/17	8:15 AM	† Peter Da Roza
Friday 7/18	8:15 AM	St. Anne's Novena
Saturday 7/19	8:15 AM	St. Anne's Novena



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



A warm and hearty welcome to our newest parishioners!

John & Edith Lucas



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



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.



The Library is collecting books for its annual book sale! Donations are taken during library hours every Wednesday from 9 am—12 pm or swing by the office to drop off. Questions? Call Odile at 925-937-2643.

MOVIES IN THE AFTERNOON

Movies in the Afternoon have returned! Come join us! Refreshments available.

August 5: Patience



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Carmelite Spirituality: An Introduction

On July 16, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Learn more about Carmelite Spirituality and how you can live it in this incredible series on Formed.

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An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sheila Wilkins	Kathleen Rose
Andrea Puccini	Michael Dunn
Bunk Sicotte	Julie Andrews
William Egan	Pat Johnson
Dan Feikert	Fred & Sherry Nazarian
David Heikka	Lisa Powell
Lori Yassolino	Penny Corempas
Steve Carozzi	Geraldine Piglowski
Cathy Villasenor	Ruth Ilardi
Deacon Gary Wortham	Risha Armstrong
Martin Keegan	Judy Armstrong

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.

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

If you have not yet completed the Virtus Safe Environment training or did not attend the in person training offered in June, you are still required by the diocese to do so.

The Oakland Diocese is committed to ensuring a safe environment for all and as such is continuing to provide training to all who minister. All volunteers include Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Environment and Altar Care, Sacristans, Rectory Office Workers, Homebound Ministers, Altar Servers, Parish Council, etc. All ministers (volunteers, clergy and employees) are required to be educated about the nature of child sexual abuse and vulnerable adult abuse, how it is perpetrated, how to report it and strategies for prevention. Training is mandatory for all who minister- first before starting work or volunteering and then every three years thereafter.

All volunteers wishing to do the training online should go to www.virtus.org to register and complete the training, the training takes about 30-90 minutes. If you do not have internet access at home or wish to attend an in person training, there will be an additional in person session offered on Wednesday July 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All employees, clergy and volunteers with direct, ongoing contact with minors or vulnerable adults must be fingerprinted and cleared prior to ministry in the Diocese of Oakland. For questions about registering online or to register for the in person please contact Rachelle or Aileen in the Parish office.