

St. Anne's Catholic Church

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If you pull up the weeds, you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let the weeds and the wheat grow together until harvest.

Matthew 13:29-30

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Leonard L. MarrujoPriest in Residence:Rev. George DaRozaOff./Min. Coordinator:Janet MoneyBookkeeper:Aileen BakerHousekeeper:Martha SanchezOrganist:Sheila WilkinsCantor:Gina Dowen

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 <u>Library Hours</u>: 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 in God."

As we continue with this series of St. Bernard's understanding of the four stages of Love of God, I would like to point out as a whole, his writings on this subject are meant for times of reflection and contemplation, and should be a tool for you to use as part of your everyday prayers. So with that I encourage you to save these writings for future references.

The 2nd Degree of Love: Loving God for Your Own Blessing (Dependence on God)

People who are animal and carnal by instinct, who only know what it means to love themselves, can begin to love God for their own blessing.

[This second degree of love] means you now love God. Yet it is still love for your own benefit, not God's own sake. Nevertheless, it is wisdom to know what you can do by yourself and what you can only do with God's help to keep you from offending God by sin. If when sufferings occur and sins gain in frequency, then we are forced to turn to God for His unfailing love. Eventually will not even the cold heart of stone in a cast-iron cage be tenderized by the goodness of God's grace? Will this one then not be forced to love God — not selfishly — but because God is God?...

Let's respond with the psalmist, "O, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good" (Psalm 118:1). This is not a confession of being good to the Lord, but of the Lord being good to us. It is the love of God for our benefits. The person who is at the second degree of love will give thanks to God when He has shown him kindness.

The 3rd Degree of Love: Loving God for God's Own Sake (Intimacy with God)

Our frequent needs throw us back constantly upon God. By such continual dependence, we learn to enjoy God's presence. This intimacy with God becomes sweet as we learn to discover how wonderful God is. This experience thus promotes the love of God, so that it transcends over all our needs. Like the Samaritans, we are to respond that we know His goodness, not because we were told about it, but we have experienced it for ourselves (John 4:42). So too we tell our flesh, "we love God, not because of your needs, for we have tasted and known for ourselves the sweetness of the Lord" (see Psalm 34:8)...

Now we love God for what He really is. Our love is pure, and we obey out of a pure heart and in loving obedience (1 Peter 1:22). We love justly... This love is also pleasing because it is spontaneous. It is true love, because it is not just wordy, but it is demonstrated by deeds (1 John 3:18). It is righteous, because it gives as it receives.

The person who loves like this, truly loves the things of God... without self-interest (1 Corinthians 13:5). This is to love those things that belong to Jesus Christ, even as Christ sought our interests, or rather sought us, and never looked after His own [interest]... (To be continued).

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

LOOKING AHEAD

July 18th - 26th

St. Anne's Novena

Tuesday, July 25th - Men's Ministry 10 AM – St. Anne's Parish Hall

<u>Wednesday, July 26th</u> St. Anne's Feast Procession and reception following the mass

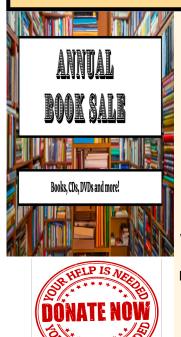
Wednesday, July 26th - Faith Formation 1 PM- Parish Hall Bishop Barron's "The Mass" Focus on the "Eucharist" - What is it & Why we believe

August 3rd

9am - Holy Hour with Benediction

<u>Thursday, August 24th - Movie Afternoon</u> 1 рм– Parish Hall "Keeping the Faith"

LIBRARY ANNUAL BOOK SALE



Annual Book Sale

Saturday August 5th & 12th from 10 am to 6:30 pm

and

Sunday August 6th & 13th 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!

Book donations are accepted on Wednesdays 9am-12pm or call

> Odile Crandall 925-937-2643

<u>St. Anne's Society</u>, 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.

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	Monday 07/24 to Wednesday 07/26	8:15 am	St. Anne's Novena Intentions	
	Thursday 07/27	8:15 ам	† Rev. James Clark	
	Friday 07/28	8:15 am	Sp. Int. Teresita Del Rosario	
	Saturday 07/29	8:15 ам 5:00 рм	† Lore Cuttle † June M. Ferreira	
	Sunday 07/30	9:00 ам 11:00 ам	† Louis Baker & Michael Baker Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors	
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PARISH FINANCIALS - June, 2023

Plate collections, donations,

gifts and bequests		\$40,273
Budget - June		\$38,400
Excess - June		\$ 1,873
YTD Excess - June		\$13,300
Developmt fund YTD June		\$14,010
YTD Shortfall Dev. Fund	(\$990)	

Thank you for your stewardship!



Are you willing to serve in the <u>capacity as an Usher</u>?

We are in desperate need of ushers for the 11 am Sunday Mass. When regular ushers are out ill or on vacation, we have no one to replace them.

If you are interested in helping out please call Fran Long @ 925-939-5151.

Thank you.

St. Anne's Faith Formation— Bible Study

Fall Registrations are open.

The bible study will consist of two parts.

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

Call the Parish office to reserve your spot.

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		
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		

PRAY FOR THE SICK				
Andrea Puccini	Jannet Tuvilla	Pamela Maria		
Bob Pape	Jason Navaro	Patricia Carey		
Bonnie Walsh	Jeanette Martini	Pat Roland		
Caroline George	Jeff Westerfield	Robert DeGraca		
Carolyn Collins	Joe Cellucci	Richard Daniels		
Carter Whitlatch	John Statz	Rick Williams		
Cathy Grimesey	Jordan Navaro	Robert Davenport		
Cheryl Spitz	Josay Hayes	Robert Kraftschik		
Chris Ramirez	Karen Salchett	Robin Duggan		
Debbie Campbell	Karl Kropp	Ron Barajas		
Edward Regan	Kathleen Clemons	Sandra Chafe		
Ellen Stevens	Larry Maday	Tom & Vicki Hughes		
Ev Eaton	Lisa Fiddler	Tom Mader		
Felice Santos	Martin Keegan	Vincent Riggio		
Fr. Anthony Chang	Michael Dunn			
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.

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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Are you a woman looking to deepen your faith? You are invited to join us for an evening **OR** afternoon event:

<u>Metanoia</u>: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion (a production of The Ministry of the Wild goose) <u>video</u>, <u>discussion and fellowship</u>

Where: St Mary's Church, 2059 Mt. Diablo Blvd., WC. Faith Formation Building next to Parish Office

When: Monday Evening July 24th 6:45-8:30 pm & July 31st 6:45-8:30 pm

OR Tuesday Afternoon July 25th 12:45-2:30pm & August 1st 12:45-2:30pm

Have Questions? Email: <u>stmarywwpministry@gmail.com</u>



THANK YOU!!

A note from St. Vincent de Paul:

Dear Fr. Leonard and St. Anne Parish,

Thank you so much for over \$3000 in gift cards for our SVdP pantry. We benefit so much from your continued generosity and partnership. Many of your parishioners are members in St. Mary SVdP. They are hard workers and faith-filled. They tell me about your enthusiastic support of the pantry!

Sincerely,

Barb Erickson and your friends at St. Mary-SVdP