



St. Anne's Catholic Church

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2024



Parish Office Hours

Monday - 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: CLOSED DUE TO BOOK SALE

WILL RE-OPEN AUGUST 21: 9am—12pm

Parish Staff

Pastor : Rev. Leonard L. Marrujo

Priest in Res.: Rev. George DaRoza

Office/Min Coord: Rachelle Harmon

Bookkeeper : Aileen Baker

Housekeeper: Martha Sanchez

Music Director: John Montanero

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

This past week was the start of the Olympic games in Paris and like many of you I was put off by the opening ceremony depicting Leonardo Da Vinci's famous painting of the Last Supper in a way that was rather disturbing and seemingly sacrilegious. Along with this scene a variety of Greek mythological figures were included in this spectacle, including many historical French figures which by themselves is fine and appropriate. But what many found troubling was how the Last Supper was presented and the perception that our Catholic, Christian faith was being mocked.

Indeed it was, but I wonder just why such a thing was allowed to be presented in the first place. What I find ironic in all of this is that France known as "the eldest daughter of the church", would go to such lengths to disrespect Christian adherents around the world. The title, as I mentioned above, was given to this great European nation for her devotion to Christ and His Church, but also because of the great devotion to the Blessed Mother the French people have for her; did you know France has more shrines dedicated to the Blessed Virgin than any other nation?

To understand France's position in the Catholic world one must understand her history. Here is just a brief explanation of why France has that distinction.

"Prior to the French Revolution, the Catholic Church had been the official state religion of France since the conversion to Christianity of Clovis I, leading to France being called 'the eldest daughter of the Church'".

To understand France's relationship to Catholicism and how her evolutionary change came about, one would have to look at the whole of Europe from The Enlightenment to the Protestant Reformation that engulfed all of Europe. France's transformation from a devoutly Catholic country to a secular nation is astonishing to me, if not worrisome.

Like the whole of Western Europe, France has embraced a secular and less Christian point of view, which in some respects is probably a good thing in that government and church should remain separate but grounded in our shared experiences and values.

I recall reading an article regarding St. John Paul II urging the European Union while writing their constitution to pay homage to the continent's Christian historical roots, and the contributions the church has made in the arts, particularly in literature, the sciences, and education which have developed and shaped Europe and Western culture as we know it today. To erase those historical markers Christianity has contributed over the millennia would be a disservice to those men and women whose countless sacrifices built a great society, a rich history based upon Christ, and the works of those who shaped our western culture.

Despite the opening ceremony and its questionable opening sequence, I will continue to watch, enjoy and support these men and women who have dedicated their lives to the love of their discipline. Remember, let's not evaluate a whole event based upon poor judgement from a few thoughtless individuals. God bless.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, August 10th— Sunday, August 11th

After 8:15 am mass on Saturday— 6:30 pm

After 9:00 am mass on Sunday— 2:00 pm

Book Sale

Parish Hall

Tuesdays, August 13th & August 27th

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am

Men's Ministry

Parish Hall

Thursday, August 15th

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Solemnity of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday, August 18th

After 9:00 am & 11: 00 am masses

Greeters Weekend

St. Anne's Courtyard

Wednesday, August 21st

1:00 pm

Faith Formation Movie: "The Holdovers"

Parish Hall

Thursday, August 22

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Our Lady Queen of the World
Principal Patroness of the Diocese



Is your info up-to-date? Take a few minutes & fill out a new registration card & drop off at the rectory after mass. Registration cards available near each entrance of the church.

September 5

Holy Hour with Benediction

1st Thursday of every month

9:00 am — 10:00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8/10	5:00 PM	Special Intention: Brandon Bailey
Sunday 8/11	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors Special Intention: Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Wilson
Monday 8/12	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Nicole Bailey
Tuesday 8/13	8:15 AM	† Rosemary Cevasco
Wednesday 8/14	8:15 AM	† Anunsacion Simisim
Thursday 8/15	8:15 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors
Friday 8/16	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Candice & Robert Santos
Saturday 8/17	8:15 AM	† Roger Quezada

MOVIES IN THE AFTERNOON



Join Fr. Leonard as he presents "The Holdovers" starring Paul Giamatti in the parish hall on 8/21.

Snacks available & discussion afterwards.

Sunday's Readings:

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Gospel: John 6:41-51



Note From The Librarian:

Volunteers needed breakdown 8/12.
Call Odile to help at (925) 937-2643.

MINISTRIES

Environment	Nancy Herney	925-932-2324 Parish Office
	Gloria Beckett	
	Laura Smith	
	Karen Roland	
Greeters Weekend	Mary Beth Hodge	925-954-1158
Homebound	Evelyn Noriega	510-386-1573
Library	Odile Crandall	925-937-2643
Facility/ Maintenance	Keith Crandall	925-932-2324 Parish Office
	Bob Martini	
	John Hertzner	
Men's Ministry	Martin Bailey	925-932-2324
Parish Council	Paul Molloy	925-323-0730
Parish Finance	Peter Newell	925-891-4479
St. Anne's Society	Joe Cellucci	843-870-6683
Ushers	Penny Corempas	925-938-3543

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Would you like to become a Eucharistic Minister? We are training weekday, weekend & Homebound Eucharistic Ministers.



New and returning Eucharistic Ministers are invited to join the retreat that runs from 9:30 am—12 pm in the parish hall on 9/11. Call the rectory office to Register by August 30.


PARISH FINANCIALS

July 2024

Plate collections, donations, gifts, and bequests

July Donation	\$	36,978
Budget Donation	\$	33,350
Excess / (shortfall)	\$	3,628
Year to date excess/(shortfall) *	\$	17,990
Development Fund July donation	\$	3,188
Dev Fund Year to date excess	\$	2,295

* includes bequests \$13,865

 September 8! Save the date & mark your calendars! Annual parish BBQ & Picnic coming up.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Alex Shupe-Shellooe	Cathy Bridges	Gerri Napier	Linda Podesta	Robert DeGraca
Ana Geiser	Daniel L. Cuban	Gregory Vervais	Lois Belmessieri	Robin Duggan
Andrea Puccini	David Laskin	Irene Haggerty	Mark Suprachauna	Robert Kraftschik
Ann Enright	Debbie Campbell	Jannet Tuvilla	Martha Ambrosini	Ron Barajas
Bea Virobik	Dresden John	Jeff Westerfield	Martin Keegan	Ron Wallace
Bill John	Dorothy Shellooe	Joe Cellucci	Mary Ellen Wallace	Tom & Vicki Hughes
Bob Fidler	Edward Regan	John McDonelle	Megan Smith	Tom Sullivan
Bob Pape	Elaine Chiou	John Overgaard	Michael Dunn	Wayne & Maria Sylvia
Bunk Sicotte	Ellen Stevens	Josay Hayes	Mike Abell	
Caroline George	Ev Eaton	Kathleen Rose	Pamela Maria	
Carter Whitlatch	Felice Santos	Karen Fraschieri	Phillip Jenkins	
Cathy Grimesey	Fr. Anthony Chang	Karen Salchett	Richard Bradbury	
Chris Ramirez	George Slinsen	Karl Kropp	Richard Daniels	

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



Have you lost a pair of glasses? Keys? An earring? A scarf? Visit our Lost & Found at the Church rectory in the main office Monday—Thursday.