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I have come to set
the earth on fire,
and how I wish
it were already blazing!

Luke 12:49

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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 14, 2022

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PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Leonard L. Marrujo

Priest in Residence: Rev. George DaRoza

Off./Min. Coordinator: Janet Money

Bookkeeper: Aileen Baker

Housekeeper: Martha Sanchez

Organist: Sheila Wilkins

Cantor: Gina Downen

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 am – 12 pm and 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

Eucharistic Adoration - Every Thursday 8:45 am - 12 pm

Sacraments

Confession : Saturday 3:30 pm- 4:00 pm

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Have you ever gotten up from your chair or sofa, wandered into the kitchen, and then forgotten why you got up in the first place? As I get older, I find that my short-term memory is not as sharp as it once was. And I often wonder whether I am suffering from a mind debilitating disorder... or am I just getting more absent-minded as I age? Many of you know of friends, spouses, and family who have gone through or are going through now with dementia or Alzheimer's disease. These are two very real and terrible diseases that zap the person's mind, personality, and body. It also creates anxiety and despair in those around them.

Why am I bringing this up? As we all know, we live in a community where we have all encountered this amongst friends, family, and neighbors. And we ask ourselves how I can help or will I suffer through this myself. These are questions I ask myself or many of you have spoken to me about. Quite frankly, I'm not sure how to answer these questions as I am not personally familiar with this disease and so I feel inadequate to address this in an intelligent way.

So with that, I am embarking to understand these two diseases in hope of comforting you and helping in your understanding of this disease so that you can accompany those you love on their journey.

As I was researching this topic, I came across this interesting abstract from the "**Journal of Aging Studies**". Here is an overview of how we can engage our religious beliefs with those who suffer from this cognitive impairment.

"Increasing attention in the scientific literature is being given to the relationships among religion, spirituality, and overall well-being. Moreover, research has repeatedly identified religion and spirituality as significant coping resources throughout the life course. For this study, a group of 20 Catholic and Protestant older adults were interviewed; half were caregivers of a spouse with Alzheimer's disease and half were non-caregivers. The informants were asked about their views on religion, spirituality, and how they integrated their faith into their lives. Qualitative analysis identified several themes reinforcing previous work that has shown religion and spirituality are important dimensions of the human experience. All the informants had integrated religious and spiritual beliefs and practices into their lives to help make sense of stressful situations. The findings underscore the need for further scientific inquiry that examines how religion and spirituality promote healthy adaptation to significant life events."

The above summary demonstrates how religion, or spirituality, can have a positive effect on coping with this disease. It also gives, not just the patient, but also the caregiver, comfort in their journey. Integrating a faith-based understanding with medical knowledge allows both the patient and caregiver comfort and peace. That our faith is an essential component in the healing this affliction causes. Prayer and faith provide the miracle we seek to ease ourselves into the inevitable.

God bless.

Fr. Leonard Marrujo

LOOKING AHEAD

August 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st

Book Sale

August 23rd Men's Ministry

10 AM - St. Anne's Library

August 31st Movie Afternoon

1:00 PM - "Bella"

PARISH FINANCIALS

July 2022

Plate collections, donations, gifts, and bequests

July donation **\$31,669**

Monthly Goal **\$38,450**

Excess/(Shortfall) July **(6,781)**

Year to date (Shortfall) **(24,827)**

Development Fund (YTD) **\$15,870**

St. Anne's Novena **\$3,365**

Thanks for your generous donations!

Mission Appeal Collection

Thank you for your generous donation to the Diocese of Guntur Orphanage. Together we collected over \$4600 in support of this mission.

Fr. Rajesh offers his gratitude to you for the very warm welcome at St. Anne's Parish. Please pray for his health and safety as he continues to other parishes for his mission.

St. Anne's Faith Formation

Bible study begins on Wednesday September 7th from 10 am - 11:30 am in the parish center. Registrations begin August 22nd. Cost is \$25 per person. Call the parish office to register.

One day Fall Retreat for our parish community on Friday, October 7th from 9 am - 2:30 pm. Fr. George will be the retreat facilitator. Registration begins on September 12th. Deadline for registration is September 26th.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	8:15 AM	Special Intentions of Robert and Candice Santos
Tuesday	8:15 AM	† Steven Marosi
Wednesday	8:15 AM	† Elsa Yam
Thursday	8:15 AM	† Anna Marosi
Friday	8:15 AM	† Ralph Finkas † Tom Spuracino
Saturday	8:15 AM	† Mark O'Grady
08/20	5:00 PM	† Claudia May Charles † Daniel V. Brown
Sunday	9:00 AM	† Wayne Harvey
08/21	11:00 AM	Sp. Int. Parishioners & Benefactors

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15, 2022 is the Solemnity of the Assumption. This is one of three feasts of Mary that are Holy Days of Obligation. (Note: this year, the holy day obligation is suspended in the United States because the Solemnity falls on a Monday.)

We will have our usual mass at 8:15 am with music. A gentle reminder to kindly drop your donation envelopes during the mass on Monday.

St. Anne's Society Fall Barbeque Picnic

Mark your calendar for Sunday September 25, 2022
from 5 PM - 8 PM



It will be held at the picnic grounds at the **Stanley Dollar Clubhouse**.

The buffet dinner will be catered by the popular "Back 40" Texas Barbeque, and entertainment will be provided by well-known accordionist Ed Gorzinski.

All parishioners, friends and Rossmoor residents are welcome!

There will be a flyer in future bulletins with detailed information on reservations and price.

Bulletin: If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Gloria Pearce	Karen Salchett	Jannet Tuvilla
Judith Russell	Dona Newell	Edward Regan
Melinda Love	Carolyn Collins	Penny Corempas
Cathy Grimesey	Chris Ramirez	Robert Kraftschik
Anne Bernstein	Kathleen Clemons	Bev Regan
Sandra Chafe	Tom & Vicki Hughes	Carol Hannon
Pamela Maria	Dr. Donald Dal Porto	John Lydecker
Caroline George	Hogey Hogenboom	Tom Mader
Kay Woodruff	Michael Dunn	Kevin Kelly
Peter Inwards	Vincent Riggio	Larry Maday
Pat Rollo		

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

Thanks to the sponsors of this week's bulletin

Our fellow parishioners, sponsored this bulletin.

We appreciate their generosity and extend our prayers to the family.

If you are interested to sponsor, kindly contact the parish office for details.



Please continue purchasing grocery store gift cards for the St. Vincent De Paul food bank at St. Mary's in Walnut Creek. Gift cards can be dropped in the mailbox near the parish office window. Because of your generosity and love of our brothers and sisters in need we were able to donate an additional \$1700 in gift cards.

Non - Gift card donations can be placed in the bin outside St. Anne's Church, near the courtyard entrance. Items needed are listed in the side of the bin and pamphlets are available in the church entrance.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please visit our parish website www.stanneswc.org for parish information, calendar of events, copy of the bulletin, lectures and audio recordings of Coffee chat with Fr. Leonard.

You can listen to Fr. Leonard's podcasts on Spotify and other Podcast platforms. "The Parish Life", is available in all podcast platforms.



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MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143
Eucharistic Ministers	Charles Cobb	925-705-7143
Greeters Weekend	Mary Beth Hodge Lupe Roberts	925-954-1158
Homebound	Evelyn Noriega	510-386-1573
Lectors	Kathleen Kish	925-954-7560
Library	Odile Crandall	925-937-2643
Facility Maintenance	Keith Crandall Bob Martini	925-932-2324 Parish Office
Men's Ministry	Martin Bailey	925-932-2324 Parish Office
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

LIBRARY NEWS

Annual Book Sale

Saturday, August 13th & 20th
from 10 am to 6:30 pm

and

Sunday, August 14th & 21st
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!



The following non-perishable items are needed at St Mary's St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry on a regular basis and are usually in short supply and not provided through the food bank:

Toilet Paper	Hand Soap	Ketchup
Shaving Items	Toothpaste	Coffee
Cup of Noodles	Top Ramen	Water
Paper Towels	Mustard	Tea
Cleansing Wipes	Toothbrushes	Mayo
Body wash	Shampoo	Conditioner
Laundry Detergent	Fruit Juice	New Socks

Canned foods are provided through the Food Bank