

# St. Anne's Catholic Church

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## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 17, 2025



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

Luke 12:49-53

### 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 204.
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: #320 Gather Us In
- 1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10
- Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 40  
R: Lord, come to my aid.
- 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4
- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel: Luke 12:49-53
- Presentation of the Gifts: #663 Be Still, My Soul
- Communion: #370 Adore Te Devote
- Sending: #320 Gather Us In

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## A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

*“The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centered prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb.”*

*-St. John Paul II*



I recently read a very disturbing and misguided article featured in the “Atlantic” magazine on the subject of the Rosary and how this journalist depicts the rosary as an “extremist” symbol for the “right”. I thought to myself how unfortunate and wrongheaded the author of this article is about this devotion and those Catholics, including myself, who pray this devotion daily for the benefit of others.

By demonstrating his ignorance on this subject, he reveals the age-old anti-Catholic bigotry that still remains in our society today. It is especially disheartening when those of the left think of themselves as open-minded and less judgmental. Yet, this sort of journalism is most prevalent in the more liberal publications and news media in this country.

This point of view concerns me and others a great deal and I would like to address this issue with you so that you know how the media views a simple yet powerful tool in the spiritual warfare we are experiencing now.

A little personal history as to how I was introduced to this devotion to Our Lady. Just prior to my first communion, the Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima came to my parish and instructed us first communicants the tradition and power of the rosary. We were given a short history, instructions on how to recite the rosary and what powers the rosary has in combating the evil around us. This introduction by the Blue Army gave me a deeper understanding of my faith and Mary’s role in our salvation. Since that time, from the age eight to the present, I have devoted myself to this prayer nearly every day. For me and millions of others like me who pray this prayer daily, we know that the Blessed Mother will always be at our side, guiding us to her Son and interceding for us before God on our behalf. The rosary is nothing more than the Gospels in miniature, protecting us with the help of the Blessed Mother, from evil and providing us with comfort and peace of mind. How this journalist can construe this devotion in such a negative and fallacious way is beyond me. My only conclusion is, as I mentioned above, anti-Catholic bigotry is alive and well in a nation that is becoming more hostile towards men and women of faith and the institutions that influence them. It is my hope and desire this journalist in the near future will revisit his misinformed and slanderous piece by correcting his view and understand what and how this beautiful devotion is used by people of faith. It is not a tool for violence, or to divide, but rather a tool of love, peace and yes, a weapon to combat the evil one. I ask you all to do an additional rosary each day and pray for our nation. God bless.

*Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, August 16th— Sunday, August 17th

### Book Sale

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

After 9:00 am mass on Sunday— 2:00 pm

Tuesday, August 26th

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month

10:00 am

Men's Ministry

Tuesday, September 2nd

1st Tuesday of every month after 8:15 am mass

Anointing of the Sick



Thursday, September 4th

Holy Hour with Benediction

1st Thursday of every month

9:00 am — 10:00 am

Sunday, September 7th

St. Anne's Fall BBQ 2025

4:30 pm—7:00 pm

Parish Hall

SEPTEMBER  
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Missing anything? Check our Lost & Found  
Monday—Thursday during office hours.

## PARISH FINANCIALS

July

### Plate collections, donations, gifts, and bequests

July Donation *	\$	50,199
Budget Donation	\$	34,500
Excess / (shortfall)	\$	15,699
Year to date excess/(shortfall)	\$	36,347
Dev. Fund July donation	\$	2,335
Dev. Fund YTD excess/(shortfall)	\$	(4,457)

\* includes annual gift \$21,000

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8/16	5:00 PM	† Conrad W. Zimmer
Sunday 8/17	9:00 AM	Parishioners and Benefactors
	11:00 AM	† Joe Cellucci
Monday 8/18	8:15 AM	† Lois Johnson
Tuesday 8/19	8:15 AM	† Jeanie Fazio
Wednesday 8/20	8:15 AM	† Don Lazarchik
Thursday 8/21	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Nicole Bailey and Robert Kraftschik, Jr.
Friday 8/22	8:15 AM	† Roosevelt Franklin
Saturday 8/23	8:15 AM	† Cirilo Roman

*Let us pray for all  
those who have  
recently passed  
away...*



† Josephine Cardaci      † Raymond Gorski  
† Edward Emil Rinne      † Irene Gorski  
† Elizabeth Jane Wydner



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

MASSTIMES FOR TRAVEL



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](http://masstimes.org).

 A warm and hearty welcome to our newest parishioners!

*Welcome*  
Glad you're here!

Lori Stabli	Helen Yeh
Don & Gale Morneau	Sumner & Kristi Estes



The Grieving Ministry is on hiatus until October. In October, the meetings will then meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month, beginning 10/21.

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**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Andrea Puccini	Martin Keegan
Bunk Sicotte	Zenaida Duque
Sheila Wilkins	Jannet Truvilla
Pat Johnson	Lanton Yamashita
Risha Armstrong	Shawn Ilardi
David Heikka	Larry Maday
Lori Yassolino	Tom & Vicki Hughes
Steve Carozzi	Ann Enright
Cathy Villasenor	

**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.**

**Note From The Librarian:**



Volunteers needed for breakdown 8/18. Call Odile to help at (925) 937-2643.

**Book Sale Hours:**  
8/16: After 8:15 mass—6:30 pm  
8/17: After 9 am mass—2 pm



**The Queen Mother | Lectio: Mary | Episode 4**

Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.

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