



St. Anne's Catholic Church

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**Twenty-Second
Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

September 1, 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:

Wednesday 9:00 am—12:00 pm

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

Apathy: “suggests a puzzling or deplorable inertness or lack of passion.

Empathy: “is generally described as the ability to take on another's perspective, to understand, feel, and possibly share and respond to their experience.”

According to theologian Pavel Gavriilyuk, to speak of God as impassible is to say that “He does not have the same emotions as the gods of the heathen; that his care for human beings is free from self-interest and any association with evil.” Impassibility means that God is not overwhelmed by emotions, and neither are his emotions affected by anything outside Himself.

Last week I wrote a piece on the above two words, Apathy and Empathy, and received from many of you positive feedback on this topic; I am always grateful when I do get positive responses of any sort.

What's so satisfying about these kind letters is they coincide with my retreat's topic: “Conversation as a sacrament”.

As a priest, I have learned over the years the gift of listening to people and their wants, needs and desires and those things which weigh them down; either with guilt, regret or sorrow. The retreat master, Fr. Denis, has given me the opportunity to sit back and reflect on the way in which I “listen” to people, not just in my everyday conversations with them, but really how to listen to those in the confessional or in spiritual direction.

To hear and listen are two very different ways on how to converse with people. Hearing is the process, the function, or power of perceiving sound. Listening, on the other hand, is paying attention to a message in order to hear it, understand it, and physically or verbally respond to it. Several things must happen in order for us to hear effectively:

1. Sound waves carry spoken words to our ears.
2. Sound travels through the outer ear canals (without obstruction) and then through the eardrum and middle ear without being distorted by fluid from colds, infection, or allergies.
3. Sound then travels from the middle ear through the inner ear (which must be functioning properly as well) along the auditory nerve to the brain.
4. Finally, the brain compares what it hears to previously stored sounds and words in order to make sense of the message and respond accordingly.

Listening is a critical part of communicating, just as much as speaking clearly and choosing the right words. One person sends a message and another receives it.

Listening is crucial to any kind of understanding, especially if one is a priest, therapist, diplomat or in the sciences. Since I am a priest, it is my vocation to listen, to hear deeply what the other person is saying and allow myself to relate to this person better if I am to provide this person the spiritual comfort he or she requires. Spiritual listening embodies all of our senses as we offer ourselves to another freely and without expectation, providing the opening for deep communion. It is an exchange from the deepest level of our humanity, we feel at home with one another, resting in the grace and peace of our relationship. As I have often said, the sacrament of reconciliation is my favorite of all the sacraments the church offers. This intimate moment with another provides for both the confessor and the penitent a shared time alone, opening up one's heart and soul and to trust the person listening and providing a safe place to open one's heart. And in exchange providing the tools necessary to combat the travails of the other. Listening deeply is an important act for all. God bless.

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>Tuesday, September 3rd</p> <p>1st Tuesday of every month after 8:15 mass</p> <p>Anointing of the Sick</p>
<p>Thursday, September 5th</p> <p>9:00 am — 10:00 am 1st Thursday of every month</p> <p>Holy Hour with Benediction</p>
<p>DEADLINE EXTENDED: Tuesday, September 3rd</p> <p>Sunday, September 8th</p> <p>5:00 pm — 7:00 pm</p> <p>St. Anne's Annual BBQ & Picnic</p> <p>Stanley Dollar Clubhouse</p>
<p>Tuesday, September 10th & 24th</p> <p>2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am</p> <p>Men's Ministry</p> <p>Parish Hall</p>
<p>Wednesday, September 11th</p> <p>9:00 am Breakfast, 9:30 am — 12:00 pm Retreat</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministry and Homebound/Adult Care Retreat</p> <p>Parish Hall</p>
<p>Monday, September 16th</p> <p>1:00 pm</p> <p>Faith Formation Movie: "The Visitor"</p> <p>Parish Hall</p>

Sunday's Readings:

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
 2nd Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
 Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 8/31	5:00 PM	† Theresa Lai Hing So
Sunday 9/1	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Parishioners & Benefactors † Lea Kelly
Monday 9/2	8:15 AM	Special Intention: All First Responders
Tuesday 9/3	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Danilo Noriega & Family
Wednesday 9/4	8:15 AM	† Living & Deceased Members of Burkhart & Hudacek Families
Thursday 9/5	8:15 AM	† Viera, Da Roza & Rodrigues Families
Friday 9/6	8:15 AM	† Esther Cadena
Saturday 9/7	8:15 AM	† Elsie and Anton Ribeiro

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 3!

St. Anne's Fall BBQ Picnic

Presented by the St. Anne's Society

ARRIVE EARLY TO AVOID PARKING ISSUES!

Please join us for our annual fall BBQ. We would love to have as many parishioners as possible. No picnic tables. Everyone can sit at a table and share at the dollar.

No more payments accepted via mail. Payment may be dropped off in the rectory office mail slot or dropped off at:

Attn: Karen Kelly
 3032 Rossmoor Parkway #8
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MINISTRIES

Environment	Nancy Herney Gloria Beckett Laura Smith	925-932-2324 Parish Office
Greeters Weekend	Mary Beth Hodge Lupe Roberts	925-954-1158 925-322-8798
Homebound	Evelyn Noriega	510-386-1573
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 Council	Paul Molloy	925-323-0730
Parish Finance Council	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. Continental breakfast will be served.

PARISH FINANCIALS

August 2024

Plate collections, donations, gifts, and bequests

August Donation	\$	30,008
Budget Donation	\$	29,750
Excess / (shortfall)	\$	258
Year to date excess/(shortfall) *	\$	18,606
Development Fund Aug donation	\$	1,406
Dev Fund Year to date excess	\$	1,701

* includes bequests \$13,865

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

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.