March 22, 2020 | Fourth Sunday of Lent

St. Anne Catholic Church

Liturical Schedule
- Morning Prayer-Rosary: 7:00 am
- Daily Mass: 8:00 am
- Saturdays: 8:00 am 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sundays: 8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm
- OLPH Novena & Mass: 6:30 PM — WED
- First Fridays: 8:00 am and 7:30 pm 24 hr Adoration
- Confessions: Saturdays @ 3:30 pm
- Youth Mass: 2nd and 4th Sundays 6:00 pm
- Spanish Mass: 2nd and Last Sundays @ 2PM
- Indonesian Mass: 3rd Sunday 1:00 pm

Sacramental
- Baptism: *Monthly
  *No baptisms or classes are held during Lent
  Must be scheduled with the Parish Office
- Funerals: Arranged in conjunction with the Mortuary
- Matrimony: By appointment. Call Parish Office at least 6 months ahead. Do not set any specific date without conferring with the Priest

Our Mission
We, the St. Anne Catholic Community, a transformed body of Christ with many parts, empowered by the Holy Spirit, will proclaim and spread the word of God:

+ by creating an environment that welcomes all,
+ by being faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure,
+ by celebrating God’s love committed to giving food to the hungry, water to the thirsty,
+ clothing to the naked, shelter to the homeless and
+ by being the sign of unity and peace in the kingdom of God.

How can we live out our mission?

Pastoral Team
- Rev. Rosendo Manalo, Jr.: Parochial Administrator
- Rev. Augusto Acob: Parochial Vicar
- Benigno Calub: Adult Faith Formation Coordinator
- Carlos Rabuy: Deacon
- Bernard Liwanag: Deacon
- Jim Soltu: Deacon
- Brandon Akiona: Director of Liturgy & Music
- Helen Rojas: Children’s Formation Coordinator
- Zella Yanos: Office Manager
- Bengil Ranillo: Bookkeeper
- Volunteer Chairpersons
- Helen Cabiles
- Jessica Torres
- Linda Canlas
- Finance Council Chairperson
- Facilities Committee Chairperson
- Pastoral Council Chairperson

We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment. We look forward to hearing from you!

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A Message from Fr. Jun

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On the fourth week of Lent we are invited to reflect on the situations or actions that lead us to blindness. The Gospel makes everything clear. It shows to us where the darkness lies. Where the guilt is. Where the truth can be found.

It is clear that Jesus confronts blindness. The frightful things as most of us experience shown as darkness which pretends to be the light; Ignorance that believes as knowledge or pride which thinks of itself as humility. It is frightening because it is very common sickness or problem in our society and it becomes common or becoming part of our system.

There always a “race to survive”… However, if we really believe that Jesus is the source of light, then we have to respond to the invitation of giving up anything that blinded us; like the blind man in the Gospel who was healed both physical and spiritual for receiving the real source of Light. His encounter incident led him to a deeper faith.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are encouraged to work harder to get rid of anything that blinded us. Together let us walk toward the joy of the Paschal Mystery.

Let this situation; the COVID 19 PANDEMIC CRISIS be another opportunity for us to be people of light and not of darkness. We need to pray for one another. We also pray, especially for those who work in the frontline protecting the lives of many. ”Be calm and pray always.”

“We may currently need to keep our physical distance from others, but that doesn’t mean we can’t facilitate togetherness. Human connections are what will get us through this crisis.”

We can eradicate this dilemma by focusing our attentions on the instructions given to us; by trusting our church leaders and finally let us pray together.

Join us in the live-stream daily mass at 12nn. Please check the new parish memorandum, as our response to the mandatory Shelter in Place. In the privacy of your room at home (as a family or individual) let us pray together the 3: O’clock habit. Pray the rosary as family.

Saint Michael, the Archangel protect us all!

Blessings,

Fr. Jun
March 21, 2020 - March 28, 2020

**Saturday, March 21**
5:00 pm  Bernard Joy Santa Isabel - Spe. Int.

**Sunday, March 22**
8:00 am  † Simplicio Soriano, Jr.
10:00 am  † Maria Alma Enriquez
12:00 pm  † Presentacion Pacay
6:00 pm  For the People

**Monday, March 23**
8:00 am  † Josephine Alcober-Garcia

**Tuesday, March 24**
8:00 am  † Eugene Baello

**Wednesday, March 25**
8:00 am  † Teresita Abad
7:00 pm  † Pedro Tang

**Thursday, March 26**
8:00 am  † Darlene Pagtakhan

**Friday, March 27**
8:00 am  Carl Eisendel Raneses - Spe. Int.

**Saturday, March 28**
8:00 am  Sharlene Carter - Spe. Int.
5:00 pm  For the People

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**Pray for...**

We lift up our sick and home bound in prayer:

- Rachel Austria
- Apollo Bernabe
- Perla Brillantes
- Rosemarie Briones
- Jenelle Colte
- April Delay
- Rosemarie Doctor
- Maricris Dologmandin
- John Durban
- Jose Pepito Geronimo
- Ernie Ko
- Melchor Magat
- Manny Moya
- Rodolfo Munoz
- Antonio Nimis, Jr.
- Onofre Okialda
- Krisa Oppenheim
- Diety Trocino
- Pepito Palacios
- Siony Palacios
- Marilu Radcliff
- Ligaya Romero
- Danny Sancho
- Enzo Soriano
- Stephanie Tongson
- Diety Trocino

**PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO INCLUDE NAMES AND PROVIDE A CONTACT SO OUR MINISTERS CAN FOLLOW-UP. NAMES WILL BE CLEARED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH**

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**CHARITY**

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire.

—St. Vincent Ferrer

**FILL US**

Open wide the windows of our spirits and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and entertain Thee with all our powers of adoration.

—Christina Rossetti

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David
(1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8-14).

**Gospel** — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash
(John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 
Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** 
Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** 
Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Thursday:** 
Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** 
Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** 
Jr 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** 
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
**Saint Anne Youth Ministry & Saint Anne Confirmation**

Out of an abundance of caution, all Youth Ministry and Confirmation activities have been suspended through April 13th. Keep an eye on the bulletin for updates!

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**Knights of Columbus**
Saint Anne Council 8627

**Activities –March 2020**

"All of our remaining scheduled activities for MARCH, 2020 and ENSUING MONTHS are cancelled until further notice in line with the "MANDATORY SHELTER IN PLACE" St. Anne Parish latest Memorandum on March 16, 2020, and Supreme Knight Carl Anderson separate Messages on March 11 and March 16, 2020. I will promptly update status should there be any changes.

For any inquiry, please call or text message Manny Bernal, Grand Knight at (510) 386-8426

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**LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary is an association of Catholic men and women under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate Mediatrix of All Graces. True devotion and consecration to Mary is a sure hidden path to holiness.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact the following for more information.

Cora Angeles @ 510-675-9771 or
Genoveva Bagaoisan @ 510-471-9128

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**2019 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Please contact the parish office at 510-471-7766 if you would like a statement of your contributions made to the church for your income tax reports. Leave your name, address and phone number and your statement will be mailed to you. Thank you!

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**St. Anne School of Faith Formation**

(Grades 1-8)

**ALL CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION CLASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. CLASSES WILL RESUME AFTER SPRING BREAK & HOLY WEEK ON THE WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2020**

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**Adult Confirmation 2020**

Please sign up for FORMED as we continue to hold sessions online

adultfaithformation@saintannecatholic.org

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**LENTEN OBSERVANCE**

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat and meat products. This law obliges everyone who is 14 years of age and older, Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence (one full meal, two lesser meals, no meat, no eating between meals). The law of fasting obliges all persons who are between the ages of 18-59.
**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Weekly Collection Goals**

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Thank you, for your continued support of our parish!

Try online giving for your weekly contribution. Go to our website at saintannecatholic.org and click on the green **Online Giving** button. You will be launched to our portal where you can create your own account and select a secure payment method like credit card, checking or savings account. You can select your giving amount and how often you would like to give: weekly, quarterly, yearly, etc.

**SAINT TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO (1538-1606)**

March 23

In times of crisis, God always surprises the Church with unlikely saints, through whom Christ’s light radiates beyond their local communities to illumine the universal Church. Charles Borromeo was such a saint: appointed Archbishop of Milan at twenty-one by his papal uncle, epitomizing the corruption that the reformers condemned, Charles instead inspired a revival that reinvigorated a Church devastated by the Reformation. His less well-known contemporary, Turibius of Mongrovejo, was God’s “saintly surprise” in the New World. Spanish-born lawyer, professor, head of the feared Inquisition, Turibius was still a layman when a grateful king appointed him Archbishop of far-off Lima. Once in Peru, however, Turibius was appalled at the abuse of indigenous peoples by the occupying *conquistadores*—his fellow countrymen—and by the complicity of the clergy. He became the natives’ devoted advocate, building churches, schools, hospitals, and the first seminary in the Americas, publishing catechisms and prayerbooks in the native languages he painstakingly mastered. Four hundred years later, whenever Pope Benedict welcomed Latin American bishops to Rome, he always invoked “the shining example of San Toribio.”

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**LIGHT**

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light” (Ephesians 5:14). We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. As always, God never gives up on us, especially those who have “fallen asleep” along the road to conversion. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent. They have the power to shake us out of our sleep. Today’s Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind exposes the real blindness in the time of Christ—the blindness of the self-righteous religious leaders. In a few weeks, at the Easter Vigil, the Church will proclaim “Christ our Light” as the paschal candle is carried into darkened churches throughout the world. May the darkness of sin that still pervades our lives, communities, and world, be dispelled by the Christ who comes to bring sight to the blind and light to the world.

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

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**HELP NEEDED!!!!!!**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

St. Vincent de Paul Society is looking for volunteers for the following:

1. Volunteers to hand out clothes to those in need.
2. Volunteers to interview clients for service needs.
3. Volunteers to check-in clients for service delivery.

Please call 510-877-9252 for more information.
Parish Memorandum
Parish Response to the mandatory Shelter in Place resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic

Effective Immediately, all physical meetings, gatherings, events, and programs have been cancelled until further notice. This includes the public celebration of Holy Mass.

In response to the shelter in place from officials, Fr. Jun and the Pastoral Staff are immediately putting into effect the following actions:

- **Live Streaming (Facebook)** - Other sites to come and will be updated via the Parish Website
  - Holy Mass (Daily at 12PM)
  - Stations of the Cross (Fridays following the 12PM Mass)
  - Eucharistic Adoration (Sundays after the 12PM till 3PM)

- **Parish Office**
  - The Parish Office will be closed until further notice.
  - Voicemails will be checked periodically

- **Faith Formation**
  - All Children’s Faith Formation—Youth Ministry/Confirmation—Adult Confirmation classes are cancelled until further notice.
  - Coordinators may be sending resources out directly to participants for online study

- **Facility Usage**
  - NO Ministry Meetings, Gatherings, Devotional Prayer Meetings, Bible Studies, or Events will be taking place at the Parish
  - Leaders may be sending out e-resources via email

- **Church Opening**
  - The Church is closed until further notice

- **Communication**
  - All forms of communication with the parish are available via:
    - Email: stanne@sbcglobal.net
    - Website: www.saintannecatholic.org (updates will be posted on the homepage)
    - Facebook: www.facebook.com/saintanneuc (live streaming available—updates to be posted)
    - Phone: 510-471-7766 (voicemails will be checked periodically)

Updates will be forthcoming as the situation evolves. Let us remain united in prayer during this time!
FORMED On Demand is an online platform (that also includes an APP for iOS and Android users) that offers access to THOUSANDS of studies, films/short videos, audios/podcasts, ebooks and other digital media on our Catholic faith. Content on the platform comes from over 40 of the best Catholic content producers such as Ignatius Press, USCCB, EWTN, and many more.

This is a GREAT tool for ongoing formation for all ages.

Are you yearning to learn more about our great faith?
Do you have a child or Godchild that you want to better support in their faith life?
Do you attend one of our many faith formation programs, bible studies or sacramental preparation?
Are you are faced with questions on our faith and need support on how to effectively answer them?
Are you a busy person and just want to deepen your relationship with God on the go?
If so, THIS is for you!

FORMED has helped individuals and communities know, love, and share their Catholic faith.

Register today at www.saintannecatholic.formed.org using our Parish Registration Code:

R3FMY2

At Church, at home, on the road, anytime, anyplace... The Catholic Faith On Demand!
Lenten Greetings,

With so much uncertainty regarding the COVID-19 virus and increasing recommendations to avoid crowds and take proper safety precautions, we wanted to remind you that we have options in place now that you can use today. This option is an ideal way to support our parish and our mission as we shelter in place.

Online Giving is available for you to make contributions to the church. This option makes use of current technology and security standards and allows you to easily setup recurring contributions. It also enables our church to take advantage of new tools to become more efficient.

**Online Giving Parishioner Benefits**
- Secure and confidential. No need to share payment information with the church office.
- Efficient. Set up direct withdrawals from your checking, savings account or a credit card.
- Simple. Start, stop and change your contributions at any time.
- Convenient. No need to write a check or have cash available.
- Remote flexibility. You can give from virtually anywhere anytime.

Online Giving is intended to be a convenient tool for you to use, and we strongly support both Online Giving and Offering Envelopes for contributions to the parish. Online Giving is the electronic way to participate in weekly offertory.

Start giving online today!
1. Visit https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/2933 or our click the link on our website (www.saintannecatholic.org) to sign up
2. Set up and schedule your recurring gifts.
3. Create an account while setting up your payment.

Please prayerfully consider giving online. If you have any questions, contact the parish via stanne@sbcglobal.net

We thank you for your generosity and support of our faith community as we strive to serve you.

Stay safe and keep healthy!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Jon