

21 January 2018
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



Jonah the Prophet and the Whale

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MASSES: SAT: 5:00 PM; SUN: 8:00, 10:00 AM, 12:00, 4:00 PM; DAILY: 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Mon. - Sat. 8:30AM; Sat. 4:00-4:45 PM

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MEETING OUR NEW SISTER

Our parish now has a sister. She is Saint Anne's School in Santa Ana. Her principal is Sister Teresa Lynch who will be with us next weekend to make the appropriate introductions. Or you can go to www.SaintAnneSchool.net to check it out yourself. There you can read their mission statement: *Saint Anne School is an educational ministry of Saint Anne Parish, educating students in Grades Preschool through Grade Eight. The school serves Saint Anne Parish as well as neighboring parishes. Following the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph, we help students clarify and live out the values of the Catholic faith, cultivate skills in decision-making, and develop a sense of responsibility in a safe learning environment. We engage students in the quest for moral integrity, academic excellence and a Catholic identity which empowers them to work for social justice and which prepares them for the challenges of the future.*

A small group of us met recently with Sister Teresa to get the ball rolling. Her school is not a bare bones operation; it has been in business for more than 70 years. It is designed to educate top-notch students who will themselves be ready and able to complete high school and college. They have advanced math in grades 5-8, a weekly hands-on science lab, an award-winning decathlon team, a hot lunch program, art and physical education classes, folkloric dance in all grades, an iPad for

each student in grades 4-8. Sister Teresa has recently added a TK program to feed into the elementary school. They provide tuition assistance to families that need it, which is about 75% of their families. In other words, it is a great school but one which needs our help.

The yearly tuition for a student is just over \$4000. We have pledged to provide \$8000 each year so that they can provide assistance to families in need. (Every family pays something but tuition assistance will help with the rest.) Beyond that, next week we will have a second collection to raise funds to replace their worn out math textbooks. The books cost \$30 each and they have 244 students; I hope we can raise the \$7,320 it will cost to get them all.

"Their school is a dynamic campus with a dedicated principal and staff." Joann Rossi wrote in a report to me after visiting the school with a few more of our parishioners, "that are producing quality education to needy children with the promise of future success and love for their Catholic faith and relationship with God."

Msgr. Mike

Around our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Thanks once again to our parishioners for making our Annual Christmas Food Drive another great success. We provided 125 boxes of food, four boxes and \$140 each to 25 local families, with an additional 25 boxes divided between Interval House in Long Beach, centers for victims of domestic violence, and Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Santa Ana to help fire victims.

MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

All interested Catholic men are invited to attend our Council meetings. We typically meet the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 5th. For additional information, please contact J. Jones at 562.936.0164.

"Help Us Help Those In Need"

WOMEN'S GUILD

SPUDTACULAR DINNER

On Monday, January 22, all women of the parish are invited to attend our "Let it Snow" Potato Bar Supper. Hospitality begins at 6:00 p.m. Large baked potatoes and numerous delicious toppings will be provided. Guests may bring a dessert and favorite beverage. Sign-ups to attend and help with the event will take place after masses this weekend. For questions, call Jackie at 562-431-6092 or Christa at 714-799-0168.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Women from the St. Anne Women's Guild will be outside after all masses this weekend with brochures and registration forms for joining the Women's Guild. Please stop by with any questions and learn more about this wonderful organization. All women are welcome to join. General meetings are usually the 4th Monday of each month in the Parish Hall. To support our ministries and speakers as a member, please contact Joanne Groustra at 562-296-8705 or Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.



OUR MISSION:

Saint Anne Church exists to help us become disciples of Jesus Christ who connect with God, grow in faith, and serve in love.

PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

TODAY, St. Anne kicks off its annual PSA! Our call to action for this year's Pastoral Services Appeal is **WE ARE ONE—one in faith, one in love, one in service... one body in Christ**. Every household is encouraged to show that they are *Proud to be Catholic* by supporting the work of our Church through participating in this appeal and prayerfully considering how your family will respond to this call to carry out Christ's work in our community. Once we have met the goal for our parish's share (\$61,000) for diocesan services, your donation will be returned to our parish to help us with our 2018 goal of increasing the safety and security of our guests, parishioners, and children in faith formation and youth ministry. It will include an intercom system to alert people immediately if there is a compromise to our safety, adding locks on the doors of the hall that can be secured quickly from the inside, additional security cameras and better outdoor lighting. If you didn't receive a PSA information in the mail, envelopes are available in the vestibule of our church or on the shelf by the side entrance. Pledges can be made by mail or you can drop your pledge in the collection basket during Mass.

CAREER RENEWAL MINISTRY

Our new Career Renewal Ministry will hold meetings on Thursday evenings from 7:00—9:00 p.m. beginning on February 8th in the Parish Hall. People looking for work, and those who want to help guide them, are invited to attend! For more information, contact Ted Rozolis at 714-330-5067 or Kathy Keller at 714-206-0885.

OUR SISTER PARISH

Sr. Teresa Lynch, principal of St. Anne, Santa Ana, is bringing a group from her Children's Choir to sing at the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. masses on Sunday, January 28th. There will be a second collection taken up for the school.

Watch the bulletin for updates about this new liaison. If you would like more information, please contact JoAnn Rossi at 562-598-4967.



9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

I/22 †Robert Shearer
 I/23 †Ted Eckert
 I/24 †Josefina Reynoso
 I/25 †Shawn Kelly
 I/26 †Barbara Gonzalez
 I/27 †Grace Grotano
 († Rest in God's love and peace)



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Brenda Malloy, Kathleen Kastner, Kathy Purcell, Aurora Lavadia, Mike Pendleton, Jerome Gendron, Julia Poirier, Jim & Julie Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mike Maloney, Merrill Butler, Steven Lang, Kay Lang, Linda Bolt, Bob Wagner, Greg Roussele, Sylvia Bartolomucci, Bob Rattray

Around Our Diocese

IN AND OUT

In and Out wants to help end Human Trafficking where we live. Across all 50 states, victims of Human Trafficking silently cry for help. From 2015 to 2016, Human Trafficking rose 35.7 percent in the U.S. Through out January you can help fight this injustice and bring hope to thousands in our own community. In and Out is matching all donations made at the register to fight Human Trafficking 3 to 1 until the end of the month! Or you can donate through their foundation Slave2Nothing.org



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSES—JANUARY 28th

Our local Catholic Schools will be holding Open Houses on Sunday. Families are invited to visit the schools and experience the academic excellence provided in faith-filled environments. Dedicated faculties offer many special programs enhancing the schools educational and religious goals.

Our Lady of Refuge, TK—8th grade
 Stearns & Los Coyotes Diagonal in East Long Beach
 Open House: 10:30 AM to Noon
 Prospective parent meeting from 12:45 to 1:15 PM
St. Bonaventure, TK—8th grade
 Springdale Street in Huntington Beach
 Open House: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
St. Hedwig, TK—8th grade
 Los Alamitos Blvd. & Orangewood in Los Alamitos
 Open house: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM