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Pentecost

Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



Pentecost by Jan Joest van Kalker

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

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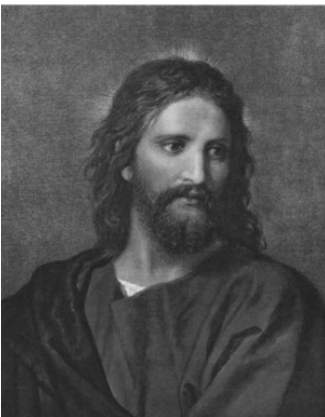
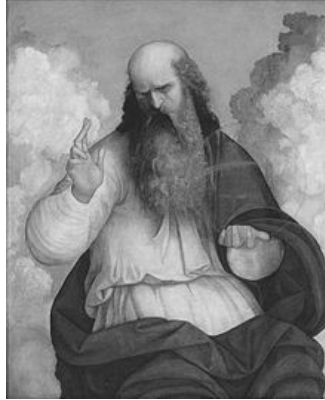
WILD, DANGEROUS, UNFETTERED AND FREE

On this Pentecost Sunday we do well to consider the nature of God.

“Every Catholic is raised to be devout and love the Gospels, but I was spoiled by the Old Testament,” says the writer Louise Erdrich. “I was very young when I started reading, and the Old Testament sucked me in. I was at the age of magical thinking and believed sticks could change to serpents, a voice might speak from a burning bush, angels wrestled with people.” Anyone who has spent time reading the Hebrew Bible will agree with her. You start to ask, “Where is God going to show up next? What else will he tell the prophet to proclaim?”

It doesn't get any clearer with the birth of Jesus. The gospels offer no dramatic framing for it. Joseph and Mary were on a journey to be counted in the Roman census, a trip they had to make or face the wrath of their oppressors, and the time for Jesus' birth arrives and he is born in a stable or a cave—we're not sure—but not a palace or temple or the kind of place where people will stand up and take notice. Only shepherds come over to see what had happened. At length kings or wise men—we're not sure—made a pilgrimage to see the newborn, bearing gifts. Then life went on until Jesus was an adult and began his saving ministry by being baptized by John. When, at last, hints and rumors swirled around that he was claiming to be the King of the Jews, the religious authorities conclude against him, had him arrested and turned over to Pilate who quickly had him crucified. Nobody thought that this was what divinity looked like: a naked man dying between two criminals. After his resurrection Jesus appeared before his disciples to explain to them that what had happened to him was how he had saved them; yes, after all that time with

him, they needed remedial lessons.



The most dramatic scene in the Bible is the arrival of the Holy Spirit when the disciples were all together. They heard the sound of a strong driving wind which came in and filled the place. Tongues of fire followed which rested on each one of them. Most importantly they were filled with the Holy Spirit; note the verb. The Holy Spirit did not appear before their eyes but filled the disciples, enabling them to proclaim the same good news that Jesus had preached. (That's why many call Pentecost the birthday of the Church.) But I suspect it was quite unsettling to the fearful disciples when it came to pass. Was the building burning down? Jesus was an outward sign made of flesh and blood but now God was revealed as an inner gift to the disciples.

We were taught in the seminary that God was not another *thing* among all the things of creation; there is not Lucy and Rickie, Fred and Ethel, and then God, followed by.... Yet, we believe God has revealed himself as One who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Every few years I consider the mystery of the Holy Trinity, but I usually am more confused at the end of it than when I started. It's the kind of thinking that can give me a headache.

I ran into a great sentence of the great American scripture scholar, Walter Brueggemann, that helped me gain a perspective: “We live our lives before the wild, dangerous, unfettered and free character of the living God.” Instead of trying to explain it all theologically, he described how we *experience* God and he was right to do so.

Msgr. Mike

Around our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 11th. For additional information, please contact J. Jones at 562.936.0164.

"Help Us Help Those In Need"

WOMEN'S GUILD



MARIAN ART AND MAY CROWNING

The Women's Guild is honored to host an Evening of Marian Art, Music and May Crowning. Msgr. Mike will present slides on Marian Art followed by Lina Saw crowning Mary while J. Jones provides music. This event will be on Monday, May 21st at the Guild's monthly general meeting. The social gathering will begin at 6:30 p.m. with presentations at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to attend.

MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

General meetings are usually the 4th Monday of each month in the Parish Hall. To support our events and speakers as a member, please contact Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

PARISHES IN COLLABORATION

This weekend we will take up a second collection for Parishes in Collaboration. The purpose of this collection is to assist parishes within our Diocese that exhibit ongoing needs that cannot be paid for by their ordinary income and have urgent needs such as repairs and maintenance. All money donated to this collection is put into a restricted fund that is administered by a group consisting of laity and clergy of the Diocese. Parishes with needs apply for grants from this fund to be used for their specific needs. Please write "Parishes in Collaboration" or "second collection" on your check to insure it is properly recorded.

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

For the Thursday, June 7th meeting at noon in the Parish Center we are reading a book about a few Old Testament women, David's three wives: Michal, Abigail and Bathsheba. The book is "Queenmaker: a novel of King David's Queen" by India Edghill. Each chapter begins with a scripture reference, e.g. 1 Samuel 18:8. Please read that bit from your bible along with the book remembering the book is a work of fiction by the author. This easy-to-read book should make for a great discussion. All are welcome.



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.

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Join us to celebrate this new feast day on Monday, May 21st at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

The Vatican announced that the Church will celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as "Mother of the Church" every year on the Monday after Pentecost, as a way to foster genuine Marian piety and the maternal sense of the Church.

The Marian title of "Mother of the Church," was given to the Blessed Mother by Bl. Pope Paul VI at the Second Vatican Council. Pope John Paul II, in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, stated that overall the title indicates the Blessed Virgin Mary's maternity of Christ's faithful, as deriving from her maternity of Christ in that "Mary is present in the Church as the Mother of Christ, and at the same time as that Mother whom Christ, in the mystery of Redemption, gave to humanity in the person of the Apostle John."

Pope Francis has decreed that the ancient devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Mother of the Church be inserted into the Roman Calendar.



WILLS AND TRUSTS AT ST. ANNE

St. Anne will be hosting a Diocesan Wills and Trusts session this Wednesday, May 23rd from 9:30–11:30 a.m. in our Parish Hall. Estate planning and having a Will or Trust in place are responsibilities that all of us should take seriously. All presenters are Catholic Estate Planning professionals. During the session, they will answer questions regarding estate taxes, probate, trusts, guardianship, selecting a personal representative, and steps on how to create or update your plans. Individuals and couples who attend will be offered a complimentary consultation to be used within six months. If you don't have a Will or Trust or you need to update yours, please try to join us. Refreshments will be served.

ST. PADRE PIO HEALING MASS

Please join us on Monday, May 21st at 1:00 p.m. for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary and Healing Mass. Individuals may receive personal blessings after the Mass. All are welcome! For more information, please call Janice Herlihy at 562-594-6357.

Youth Ministry Fundraiser

JOIN US AT CPK

Please support our teens by eating at California Pizza Kitchen on Wednesday, May 30th anytime between 11:00 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. This fundraiser will financially assist the teens attending our annual summer Mission Trip June 28–July 2. During the trip our teens serve those most in need in Orange County, receive missionary formation and leadership training.

When you present this flyer for dine-in, take-out or catering orders, St. Anne Youth Ministry will receive 20%! Tear off and give the flyer to your waiter, or at the take out counter. Feel free to take an extra bulletin and give the flyer to a friend! Thank you for your generosity and support!

*Only good at the CPK located at: 12171 Seal Beach Blvd.

TEAR THIS OFF AND TAKE IT WITH YOU!

Pizza with a purpose.

Bring in this flyer, present it to your server, and we'll donate **20%** of your check to the organization listed below. Purchases include dine in, take out, catering and all beverages.

FUNdraiser in support of:

St. Anne's Youth Ministry

Wednesday, May 30th , 2018

Thank you for the support.

We can't wait to see you.

11:00AM-9:30PM

Valid at the following location:

California Pizza Kitchen

12171 Seal Beach Blvd.

Seal Beach, CA 90740

562-430-2695

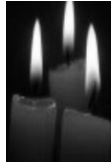
Join the **Pizza Dough™ Rewards program** on your next visit or at **cpk.com** and receive a **free** Small Plate for registering.



FUNdraiser offer valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK location identified on the flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profits schools are eligible to participate in CPK's FUNdraiser program. CPK will donate twenty percent of food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Offer valid for dine in, take out, online, catering or curbside orders. Not valid for delivery orders. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the FUNdraiser, please contact the organization directly.

9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

- 5/21 ✠Fr. Thomas Peacha
- 5/22 ✠Bob Conway
- 5/23 Tom Peckenpaugh
- 5/24 ✠Theresa Paris-Marchese
- 5/25 ✠Tom Donovan
- 5/26 ✠Ryan James Delfosse
(✠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, Don Miller,
Jim & Julie Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Merrill

Butler, Steven Lang, Linda Bolt, Bob Wagner, Gary
Rousselo, Sylvia Bartolomucci, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera,
Jean Barbazette, Mark Hepp, Noemi Baeza, Robert Dutro

*If you would like to have your name added or removed
from this list, please call the parish office.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Offertory-5/13/18 \$10.201
Online Giving week ending -5/13/18 \$1,295

SACRAMENTS

In order to celebrate the following Sacraments at St. Anne,
it is vital to be an active member of our Faith Community.

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office to arrange for baptism.
Baptisms are usually celebrated the first Saturday of the
month at 11:00 a.m. Baptism preparations classes for
parents and Godparents are held once a month on a
Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m.

PreK-8 Faith Formation: Applications for enrollment in
next year's faith formation programs are now available.

Confirmation: Students typically begin the Confirmation
process as a freshman in high school and complete the
process at the end of their sophomore year.

Marriage: An appointment with one of our priests to
begin marriage preparation must be made at least 6
months before the wedding celebration.

Funeral: Contact the parish office to arrange funerals.

Pastoral Care: If you, or someone you know, wishes to
have their name placed on our prayer net, or a visit and/or
Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of the Sick: In case of serious illness, contact
the parish office.

⇒ If you want information about any of our many
active ministries, please pick up a brochure from
the vestibule.