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The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



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MASSSES: 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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REJOICE AND BE GLAD

A man I had never met before noticed that “Msgr.” was on my nametag. “Does that mean you are a monsignor?” he asked.

“Yes, it does,” I replied.

I was just about to ask him if he knew any other monsignors when he asked, “Did you know Msgr. Sammon?”

“Of course, I did. He was such a wonderful man, so friendly and happy and generous.”

“I met him when I was a firefighter,” he explained.

“He was our chaplain. Whenever anyone needed him, he was there for him.”

“Yes, I understand that he did many funerals, even those who weren’t Catholic,” I said, “because Msgr. Sammon had been the closest thing to religion they had known.”

Sammon had been the founding pastor of St. Cecilia’s Church in Tustin. Because he had such an affection for those who put their lives on the line to protect us and our property, he had been doing the chaplain work in his spare time. When the Diocese of Orange was formed in 1976, Bishop Johnson realized that Sammon was a perfect chaplain but not such a great administrator. So he asked him to give up the parish and work with the firefighters, police and Boy Scouts full time. Sammon hesitated because he had two big dogs that he loved and would have to give them up if he moved. But the needs of civil servants and scouts came first.

Years ago, another man had asked me if I knew Msgr. Sammon and then told me why he admired him so highly. Many times, he would accompany officers who had to tell a family that their son had been killed in a traffic accident or tell a firefighter’s wife that her husband would not be coming home. He explained, “We all believe that if he’s there, everything will be alright.”



I had John Sammon on my mind as I began reading Pope Francis’ newest apostolic exhortation, “Rejoice and Be Glad.” It is about holiness but there is nothing pious about it. While pointing out that the saints now in heaven “preserve their bonds of love and communion with us,” he has his eyes set on earth: “I like to contemplate the holiness present in the patience of God’s people: in those parents who raise their children with immense love, in those men and women who work hard to support their families, in the sick, in elderly religious who never lose their smile. In their daily perseverance I see the holiness of the Church militant. Very often it is a holiness found in our next-door neighbors....”

This perspective is a counter-balance to our tendency to focus on the saints who were remarkable: St. Francis of Assisi and Padre Pio received the wounds of Jesus crucified in their own bodies. Talking with priests in the sacristy, St. Paul of the Cross was so inflamed with the love of God that he levitated into the air. At one point in my childhood, I wanted to be a saint like these were. I was not sure about the open wounds—they probably hurt—but

think how jealous my friends would be if I levitated in church at Mass one Sunday. No more bullies! If they came after me, I’d just levitate my way up and away from them.

Instead of the miraculous, if you want to see signs of holiness, look for perseverance, patience and meekness, the Pope advises, but he also names joy and a sense of humor. With meekness, you might even laugh at yourself from time to time. Pope Francis reminds us, “If we allow the Lord to draw us out of our shell and change our lives, then we can do as St. Paul tells us: ‘Rejoice in the Lord always; I say it again, rejoice!’ (Phil 4:4).” Or, as Jesus says in Matthew’s gospel: Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.” (Mt. 5:12.) Msgr. Mike

Around our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join our Knights of Columbus on Sunday, June 10th following the 8:00 and 10:00 masses for our Parish Pancake Breakfast in the Hall. The Knights will be serving their “world famous” homemade buttermilk pancakes (with blueberry or chocolate chip options), along with eggs, sausage and fruit. Suggested donation is \$6 per person and \$20 per family with all proceeds going toward our Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trip. For more information, contact Steve Bradt at 714-418-7041.

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

BUNCO

Save the Date—June 25th!

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.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Only a few more spaces remain for the Confirmation 1 class beginning in September. If you have not picked up a registration packet, be sure to stop by the Parish Office as soon as possible.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for a Lock-In on Friday, June 1st from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit in Fountain Valley. There will be games, karaoke, food, adoration, an escape room, and much more! You won’t want to miss it! If you need more information, contact Jyllian at ym@stannesealbeach.org. Bring your permission slip and \$10.

ALTAR SERVERS HONORED



Congratulations to Mitchell Bradt, our altar server of the year! Thank you to all St Anne’s Altar Servers for their cheerful and dedicated contributions to this ministry. Bless you & your families for your commitment to serve at the Table of the Lord.



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.

MSGR. MIKE’S 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Please join us in presence and prayer for this joyous celebration honoring

Monsignor Michael Heher

40th Anniversary of Ordination

Saturday, June 2, 2018

5:00 p.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Reception

Parish Hall

St. Anne, Seal Beach

WEAR YOUR BEST BEACH ATTIRE!

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Our Human Trafficking ministry is collecting baby shower gifts for a human trafficking survivor who has chosen life and having a baby boy in August. She really needs a new (or nearly new) high chair, baby swing, and baby monitor. If you have one of these items, please call Karen at 562-592-2929. If you would like to donate a gift for the shower, please leave it at the Parish Office prior to June 20th.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 28th.

PARISHES IN COLLABORATION

Thank you for your generous contributions last weekend to the second collection for Parishes in Collaboration. We collected \$3,613.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Offertory—5/20/18 \$7196.

Online Giving —5/20/18 \$2,475.

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. When you present this flyer for dine-in, take-out or catering orders, St. Anne Youth Ministry will receive 20%!

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.

Tear off the flyer below and present it 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

- 5/28 ✠ Bruno Giacomi
- 5/29 ✠ Hap Pudewa
- 5/30 ✠ Irma Leffel
- 5/31 Mary Castagna
- 6/1 Seminarians
- 6/2 ✠ John Jensen
(✠ Rest in God's love and peace)

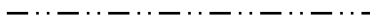


PLEASE PRAY FOR



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, Pat Giacomi

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



PLEASE NOTE: On Saturday, June 9th and Saturday, June 23rd, confessions will be heard at 8:00 a.m. and Mass will begin at 8:30 a.m. due to the Diocese of Orange Ordinations to the Priesthood and the Diaconate.

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.

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