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Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

# Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



The Last Supper, Sadao Watanabe

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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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## BY MEANS OF OUR HANDS

This is what I remember: My shaking hands were taken into the bishop's confident hands. Then hands were placed on my head, the bishop's first and then the many hands of the priests who, by this action, made me one of theirs. The bishop soon anointed them and was not stingy with the oil; they smelled of Chrism all day.

Quickly my hands were used to embrace, extended in consecration, spread out in supplication, and put to work distributing communion. Before I knew it, they were used to bless bishops and parents, family and friends, and strangers too, who all gripped and held and kissed them because they had become a blessing.

The rest is a blur, quickly commonplace and surprisingly busy. These hands have stretched out to anoint small babies and dying saints, to absolve, to comfort, to strengthen, to bless marriages, and to pray for guidance at endless meetings and to beg God that cars won't crash and planes will land safely and surgeries will be successful. They have locked and unlocked countless doors and tabernacles and safes and storage sheds and car doors on early mornings on the way home from hospice or hospital.

My hands have pointed the way to heaven and to the nearest rest room.

They have picked up trash lying around the parking lot and cheerios left underneath the pews. They have quickly typed intercessions on Saturday afternoons and letters for the bulletin on Tuesdays. These hands have turned innumerable pages in sacramentaries, breviaries, lectionaries, bibles, memos, homiletic aids, spiritual and theological texts, flyers, newspapers and the quarterly financials of parish and school which, from time to time, were not in the black as one had hoped.

They have handed rings to nervous grooms, bowls of Eucharist to ministers, baskets to ushers, and missalettes

to parishioners. They have held bingo balls and winning raffle tickets, documents both civil and religious, apostolic blessings and lost purses, plates of spaghetti and flashlights when the security alarm went off in the church or hall.



These hands have counted hosts and collections, lit candles, poured incense into censers, fingered rosary beads and made the sign of the cross with monstrances. They have signed memos and petitions and certificates and letters, including lots of begging letters, and too many checks against too few deposit slips.

They have gestured wildly at times when words failed me or got lost or were in the wrong language or were not sufficiently cogent to make what originally seemed to me to be a very

simple point.

Their touch has calmed the trembling, stopped the impetuous, wiped away tears, dismissed worries, even my own. On the many times when my mind was empty and I didn't know what to do, these hands have cradled my face and helped me scratch my head.

Luckily, they have stayed in jacket pockets when, like Saint Peter, I would have preferred to strike out. They have often enough *not* typed an angry letter to the bishop or a curt email reply to an annoying parishioner. They have not slammed the door. They have not pointed fingers in angry judgment. Well, at least not nearly as often as I wanted to.

My hands are worn now, with marks and bumps and calluses. I should put some lotion on them, give them a rest, reward them for what they have done. But I don't; I can't, for there's much more still to do.

The priesthood is a craft as well as a sacrament. It is an art we priests practice lovingly by means of our hands.

Msgr. Mike

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## Around our Parish

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### 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 (blueberry or chocolate chip options available) 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.

#### 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

Please join the Women’s Guild on Monday, June 25th in the Parish Hall for our annual night of Bunco—a fun game of dice and chance. No skills or prior experience is necessary! All women of the parish are invited.

#### 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.

### USHERS NEEDED

Our Safety and Security Ministry would like to add more ushers to our ranks, and also find a volunteer to coordinate our ushers. If you are interested in becoming a part of this important ministry, please call Tom Ryan at 714-679-5300.

### MSGR’S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Join us in celebrating Msgr. Mike’s 40th Anniversary of Ordination at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 2nd.



We hope you are able to join us in congratulating and rejoicing with him on this special occasion at a reception in the hall after mass.



#### 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.

### CONCERN AMERICA

On the weekend of June 9 and 10 we welcome Rev. Jerome Herff, CM, who will be speaking on behalf of Concern America, a globally focused community development organization that transforms need into self-sufficiency. Based in Santa Ana, CA, Concern America trains people in Latin America to be health care providers, build water systems, be teachers, and form income-generating cooperatives in their own communities. There is not a second collection in Church, but parishioners are invited to give a donation. Please make Fr. Jerome feel welcome at St. Anne—stop and say hello to him outside after mass.

### CHILDREN’S LITURGY

Children’s Liturgy of the Word, geared towards ages 4–10, is offered year-round during the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. This is an opportunity for children to be with their peers and engaged in mass. The children begin Mass with their families until they are called forward with their Catechists for a blessing and to proceed to the Children’s Liturgy room in the hall. The Sunday readings are proclaimed using texts suited to the children’s ability to comprehend. Psalms are sung in response, reflection leads into catechetical experiences, and concludes with intercessory prayer. The children rejoin their families and our faith community in the Church for the presentation of the gifts. **It is not necessary to sign up or register for children to attend!** While our PreK-8th grade faith formation program is on summer vacation, children are encouraged to continue their faith journey at the Children’s Liturgy.

### HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Our Human Trafficking ministry is collecting baby shower gifts for a human trafficking survivor who has chosen life and is having a baby boy in August. She 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.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Offertory—5/27/18      \$8,358.  
Online Giving —5/27/18      \$690.

## Around the Diocese

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### SCOTT HAHN

Dr. Scott Hahn will be speaking at the Christ Cathedral Arboretum on Wednesday, June 13th. Join him and the St. Paul Center for a powerful morning presentation on our Catholic faith. Best selling author and renowned



biblical scholar, Scott Hahn will go deeper into the meaning of Scripture in the Church and our lives today. The event begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends around 11:45 a.m. For more information contact the St. Paul Center at 740-264-9535. Tickets are \$20 at <https://stpaulcenter.com/christcathedral>

### FR. GREG BOYLE PRESENTATION AND BOOK SIGNING

Fr. Greg Boyle, founder of Homeboy Industries has the largest gang intervention, rehabilitation, and re-entry program in the world. Join him on Saturday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Newport Beach for his presentation.

### PRIEST VS. SEMINARIAN BASKETBALL

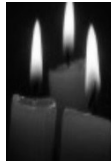
Here we go again! The Diocese of Orange Priests vs. Seminarians Annual Basketball Game will take place at Mater Dei High School on Friday, July 20th at 7:00 p.m. The Priests are hungry for a comeback, and the Seminarians are looking to continue with a winning streak. All funds raised go toward Seminarian education. Come early for a social and a meal from food trucks between 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. For more information, please contact the Vocations office at 714-282-3033. Tickets are being sold online at <https://ocpriestsvsseminarians2018.eventbrite.com> or <http://www.ocvocations.org/basketballgame>



## Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

### 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

- 6/4 †Warren Ortmann  
6/5 †Edward Frank Esparza  
6/6 Brian Cave  
6/7 †Wally Castellana  
6/8 †Ernestine McManus  
6/9 Ordinations to the Priesthood  
(†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, Janet Tedesco

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

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**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 Ordinations to the  
Priesthood and Ordinations to the Diaconate ceremonies.

### 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.