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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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On March 6th Lent will begin.

# What should I give up for Lent?

The Catechism invites Catholics to abstain from meat during the Fridays in Lent. Preparing meatless meals is a great Lenten activity for families. In addition to meatless Fridays, Catholics are also invited to offer daily sacrifices. By giving up little things—coffee, candies and more—we make room for God to act in our lives in new ways, and have the opportunity to give the money we save to those most in need.

#### Lenten Alms Change Lives

Our almsgiving has the power to transform the world. During Lent, CRS Rice Bowl invites you to reflect on some of the lives that are changed through Lenten almsgiving. Read stories of hope from Guatemala, Uganda, Sri Lanka, Sierra Leone and Gaza—and reflect with your family using their Lenten family resources.

### Almsgiving That Reaches to the Ends of the Earth



For more than 75 years, Catholic Relief Services has been providing expertise and compassion to the very poorest of our brothers and sisters in more than 100 countries. When you give, you help fill the bellies of young children so they can study hard in school. You help prevent trafficking and provide welcome kits for survivors. Your donations help mothers and babies around the world receive nutritional care and health exams. Refugees find safety and receive emergency assistance and trauma counseling. Farmers learn

innovative ways to plant and grow crops

despite drought or disease. And women find dignity in opportunities for savings and training.

A cardboard CRS Rice Bowl is a tool for families to use to collect their Lenten alms. Each bowl comes with a Lenten calendar with short reflections for each day of Lent. You'll also find recipes for meatless meals from around the world and Stories of Hope from families that benefit from your donation to CRS Rice Bowl. Take one CRS Rice Bowl per family and place the cardboard bowl somewhere prominent in your household. Read the daily reflection from the Lenten calendar together as a family each day during Lent. When you give, you change lives, families and communities.





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## Around our Parish

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

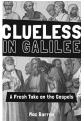
ST. PATRICK'S/ST. JOSEPH'S DAY PARISH POTLUCK

Save the date for this free annual dinner event on Saturday, March 9th at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Plan on a fun evening of parish fellowship with good music, Irish dancers, great food, beverages, door prizes and a raffle. Sign-Up sheets are posted in the front vestibule and by the side entrance of the Church. For more information, please contact Jim St. Omer Roy at 714-609-1297.

#### 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, March 4th. For more information, contact Paul at 657-245-3722. "Help Us Help Those In Need"

#### ST. ANNE BOOK CLUB



Please join us the first Thursday of each month from Noon to 1 PM in the Parish GALILEE Center living room. At our book club we learn a little about the author's background and then discuss different aspects of the book brought up by the particinants. Everyone is invited! Our book for

March 7th is "Clueless in Galilee: A Fresh Take on the Gospels" by Mac Barron. Mac Barron assures us that Jesus loves us, even though we are human. With its hilarious, sometimes irreverent, and always humble reflections, this book will make us laugh and help us look at the Bible, and ourselves, in a whole new way.

#### CAREER RENEWAL MINISTRY

Attention job seekers and volunteers! Thursday Career Renewal meetings continue weekly from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Parish Hall. On Feb. 28th, there will be training for volunteers interested in helping others at 6 p.m., before the 7 p.m. Career Renewal meeting. Retired business people, teachers, HR personnel, all are welcome! For more information on job help or becoming a volunteer, contact Ted Rozolis at 714-330-5067 or Kathy Keller at keller.math@gmail.com.



#### OUR MISSION:

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

#### WOMEN'S GUILD

#### PREPARING FOR LENT

Fr. Baca will be our guest speaker at our next Women's Guild meeting on Monday, February 25th at 6:30 p.m. His talk will be on preparing for Lent. The Lenten 'Little Books' will be distributed at the meeting.

#### MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

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 Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

#### ST. PADRE PIO HEALING MASS

Please join us on Monday, February 18th 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.

#### UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY

The eight-week series "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" begins on Thursday, March 7th, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The cost to attend is \$25 and includes a Bible Timeline Chart, and a study workbook. To register, pick up a registration form in the back of the church or from the parish office. For more information call Joseph at 562-343-8993.

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 18th.

#### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Offertory-2/10 \$7,038 Online giving week ending 2/10 \$4,370 Thank you to all who have prayerfully and generously donated in support of our Church!

## Around the Diocese

#### ST. HEDWIG OPEN HOUSE

There will be a TK and Kindergarten Open House at St. Hedwig School in Los Alamitos on Friday, February 22nd. From 8:30–9:30 a.m. parents are welcome to tour the classrooms and chat with teachers while the little ones are participating in craft activities. Please RSVP to Bonnie Finn at bfinn@sthedwigparish.org or call 562-296-9060.

#### CHRIST CATHEDRAL CONCERT

Organist David Ball will be playing works of Bach in the Arboretum on Friday, February 22nd at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature performances by John Romeri and others. Tickets are available at christcathedralmusic.org/christ-cathedral-concerts or 714-971-2141 ext. 5529.

#### CALLED AND GIFTED

To help lay Catholics discover their mission, a Called & Gifted workshop will be held on Saturday, March 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. Irenaeus in Cypress. The workshop guides individuals through a process of discernment in which they may recognize their charisms, gifts given by the Holy Spirit through baptism and confirmation. For more information go to https://tinyurl.com/cgirenaeus.

# CATHOLIC CHARITIES WALKING PILGRIMAGES

Catholic Charities of California is excited to be hosting walking pilgrimages in Spain along the Camino de Santiago and in Italy along the Via Francigena, as well as non-walking pilgrimages visiting colonial Catholic Churches in Cuba and following in the footsteps of martyrs in Mexico. These pilgrimages will change your life and support the work of Catholic Charities of California. Please join them for a meeting on Saturday, March 16th at 10:00 AM at Our Lady Queen of Angles in Newport Beach or at 2:00 PM at St. Justin Martyr in Anaheim. To RSVP for the meeting, or for more information, call 916-706-1539 ext. 12 or email CCCpilgrim@catholiccharities.org.

#### 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

2/19 Partlene Baggott

2/21 Carmela Chiurazzi

2/22 骨Lloyd McPherson

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#### PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Brenda Malloy, Kathleen Kastner, Kathy Purcell, Aurora Lavadia, Mike Pendleton, Julia Poirier, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell,

Steven Lang, Linda Bolt, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Jean Barbazette, Pat Giacomi, Janet Tedesco, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, Mary Kiely, John Barnes, Carol Forbes, Catherine Tautges, Ken Hammond, Myrna Navarro, Jean Engel

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

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." — St. Catherine of Siena

#### SACRAMENTS

**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 preparation classes for parents and Godparents are held once a month on a Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m.

**PreK-8 Faith Formation:** For information and/or enrollment in faith formation programs, please contact faithformation@stannesealbeach.org.

**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.



February 17, 2019

Dear Monsignor Mike and the parish community of St. Anne Church,

It has been a little over a year since my first visit to your wonderful parish and so many amazing things have happened since that first time I met you. I am not even sure how to begin describing the transforming presence you have been within our school. The word 'presence' is the best way I can describe your gifts to our school.

You began by being 'present' in our school through the new math curriculum for Grades Kindergarten through Grade 8. This new curriculum has significantly increased our STAR Math Test Scores, from a below average score last year of 46% to a now average score of 57%. This is a 10% increase in the skill levels of our students school wide. This is not a small increase at all and it would not have happened but because of the loving 'presence' your parish community gave the students of Saint Anne School through the math curriculum. It will only get better with time.

A very important project was begun with Mrs. JoAnn Rossi, Maureen Habel, Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding, and women from the Women's Guild who came to Saint Anne School to visit and left with a commitment to come back and do something. They fell in love with our students. Thus, the "Ministry to St. Anne's School in Santa Ana" was formed to create a greater partnership and over 50 parishioners are now sponsoring 52 students and their families. Saint Anne's would have lost a fifth of our students during the course of the year without the 'presence' of very giving parishioners. Through your generosity these students are receiving a quality Catholic education that will enable them to succeed in life, thus ending the cycle of poverty for them and hopefully their families.

The Knights of Columbus of Saint Anne Parish have been a real 'presence' with our students as we have no Knights of Columbus group in Santa Ana. They came out in force to run the 'Pine Derby' for our 5th graders last year and they will come out again this year. Our students were thrilled and excited to learn something new in science and have that hands on experience of using the cars to race down the track. Probably, the best thing of all, was that our students felt loved and valued with these Knights of Columbus.

Father Ben gave our 7th and 8th graders a retreat experience they will never forget at your parish. More than 50 students came and gathered for great activities which led them to a deeper encounter with Christ and they even got a chance to go to the beach for more activities. We can't thank those who worked with Father Ben enough for this amazing retreat!

Our choir came and you clapped for them, making them feel so important and so loved by all of you. Our mothers and grandmothers came twice with their homemade tamales and again they felt valued and supported by you and quickly sold out. Our STEM science program got a real boost with over \$600 collected to purchase materials to be used by our 3rd through 5th grade science students.

This past Christmas the Faith Formation Program sponsored a family with six children, who have known homelessness and are always on the margins of not having enough to eat. They received Christmas gifts that made their Christmas the best they can ever remember, complete with bedding, food and toys. When the things were delivered to their apartment, we realized the two older boys had been sleeping on the floor because they had no bed. Another donor was found and a bed purchased so that they can both sleep well on a mattress. Your 'presence' is felt here also in this family.

Our Third graders came and were lectors during Mass. Although they were not 'perfect' you made them feel as if they were and made them feel important. Your loving 'presence' embraced them in their imperfections.

We invite you to come and visit our children and teachers. You are always welcome. Our students love to meet new people and share the joy they have in Jesus. You can let us know in advance if you wish or just come by if you are in the area. Our phone number is: 714-542-9328.

Saint Anne School is continuing to grow with new students and families, with new programs that impact student education, and I am able to sleep at night knowing that I will not have to turn a family away that needs help. When I have moments of quiet and am able to reflect on the relationship of your loving and generous parish with Saint Anne School, tears often come, because I realize that I am in the presence of a miracle, the presence of Christ in all of you. How can I thank you? Maybe the only way a thank you can be given is through my prayer and the many prayers of a grateful school community. Know you are always in our hearts and thoughts and your 'presence' is always felt by all of us.

Gratefully,

Sr. Teresa Lynch The Staff and Students of Saint Anne School