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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



The Lord's Prayer by James Tissot

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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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CALIFORNIA CALL TO CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Four years ago, Pope Francis published his first encyclical, *Laudato Si*, on the care of our common home. Now the bishops of California have published a pastoral statement, “God Calls Us All to Care for Our Common Home,” which is a reminder of what the Holy Father said and an application of its principles to our situation in California: “California’s landscape, climate, vegetation, indeed the great diversity of creatures all give praise and glory to God by their very existence. All have intrinsic value, just because they were made by God. How can we open our hearts so that creation moves us to this prayer as well? All Californians are called to read the book of nature, and thus learn the lessons of integral ecology.”

The term “integral ecology” was first used by St. Pope John Paul II but greatly developed by Pope Francis; it conveys the belief that “we are to live in harmonious relationships with our fellow human beings and with creation.”

The indigenous population of California were excellent stewards of the earth, as was St. Junipero Serra who was very much taken by the wild beauty of the state. He wrote in his diary, “... there are flowers in abundance and beautiful ones.... While I write this, I have in front of me a cutting from a rose tree with three roses in full bloom, others opening out, and more than six unpetalled... Blessed be He who created them.”

“People from around the country and the world have come to California for its promise of a better life, natural beauty, and economic opportunities in everything from farming and industry to Hollywood and

Silicon Valley.” The bishops point out that California is the top farm production state in the U.S., “generating more than twice the production of any other state.” But they add: “Californians as a whole will have to actively work together in solidarity, to achieve the ambitious transition toward a future where food is affordable, sustainable, and healthy.”

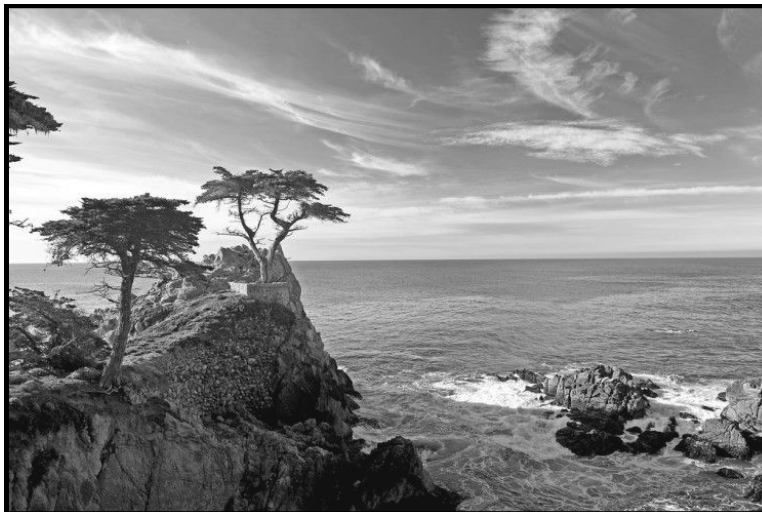
They draw our attention to how fire has shaped our landscape, particularly wildfires that have destroyed entire neighborhoods and cities. People’s lives, homes and livelihoods were lost. “The immediate causes are clear: Drought leads to dry vegetation, which is susceptible to burning. Lower-than-normal patterns of rain and snow prompt longer periods of lower humidity. Even though no single event can be attributed to climate change, the broad changes we see in fire behavior are consistent with scientific predictions dating back many years.”

“As California becomes warmer, the most alarming implication is appearing in our mountains, where

more precipitation is falling as rain, not snow. Increased winter runoff threatens more floods, and the Sierra snowpack is melting earlier, reducing water supplies. California’s four warmest years on record have all occurred since 2014....”

“California’s elected officials,” the Bishops say, “have shown good leadership ... establishing

policies to support renewable energy and phase out fossil fuels. These efforts are commendable, even exemplary.” They also acknowledge the steadfast work of environmental and social leaders throughout California. Now it is up to all of us in California to amplify these efforts, working together to fulfill the Pope Francis’ vision of *Laudato Si*. Msgr. Mike



Around our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

AL HENTGES MEMORIAL ALASKAN FISH DINNER

The 16th annual Al Hentges Alaskan Fish Dinner will be held on Sunday, August 4th. There will be a 5:00 PM and a 7:00 PM seating. The suggested donation is \$20 per person, with *all proceeds going directly to support local seminarians*. Tickets will be available after all masses this weekend. This event is fun and popular – tickets sell out early every year. For more information, please call Ed Harkins at 562-505-4535.

MONTHLY MEETING / MEMBERSHIP

All interested Catholic men are invited to attend our Council meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 5th. For more information, contact Russell Stark at 949-527-0172.

“Help Us Help Those In Need”

WOMEN’S GUILD

MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

Meetings are not scheduled for July and August. Our next meeting will be the Salad Supper on September 23rd! To support our events and speakers as a member, please contact Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

MISSION COOP APPEAL

Last weekend, Sister Eymard Flood, OSC, made an appeal on behalf of the Sewing Machine Project started in 2009 to assist widows in India. More recently embroidery classes for abused and orphaned girls were created. Sister outlined the need for these projects, and the ways we can assist her with this mission. Our parish collected \$9,460 for the Mission Coop Appeal.

ST. ANNE SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Please join us the first Thursday of each month from Noon to 1 PM in the Parish Center living room. Our book for Thursday, August 1st is “Seeds of the Word: Finding God in the Culture” by Bishop Robert Barron. Everyone is invited to participate!

ADORATION

Adoration will be held on Friday, August 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to sign up for an hour or more on the sign-up sheets located in the vestibule of the church.



OUR MISSION:

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

MATTHEW: THE KING & HIS KINGDOM BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

The *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom* study program shows how Jesus fulfills God’s promises to Israel and establishes his kingdom on earth. Through references to the Old Testament promises of God to his people and the messages God sent them through the prophets, the *Matthew Bible study program* provides the key to understanding the rest of the New Testament and Christ as the fulfillment of God’s plan. Matthew portrays Jesus as the true King who fulfills the Law the people of Israel have failed to keep and who introduces the new law that will accompany the New Covenant. In this 24-part study of the Gospel of Matthew, presenter Jeff Cavins explains how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to a new level of holiness and shows how we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church, to live it.

Components of the *Matthew Bible study program* includes twenty-four 50-minute video presentations and the “*Matthew: The King and His Kingdom Workbook*,” which contains session summaries, home reading assignments, study questions & responses, and talk notes designed to accompany the videos. A link to the online video is made available for those who have to miss a class! Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church. The session begins Thursday, Sept. 5th and meets weekly (no class 10/31 or 11/28) through Dec. 12th. The cost is \$30 per person for the first 30 registrants and \$38 per person after that. If you turn in your registration form to the Parish Office, you will receive your book and schedule at that time. If you drop it through the mail slot, you will receive them at the first class.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for Adoration and Reflection on Friday, Aug. 2nd from 7:00-8:00 PM for our and evening of adoration, music and prayer.

Around the Diocese

HELP MEET THE NEEDS OF THOSE IN CRISIS AT THE BORDER

In his recent column, Bishop Vann wrote about the suffering of migrant children and separated families: “Not only is such treatment not required by law, nor in keeping with the best of American values, but – more importantly – it runs fundamentally counter to our Catholic faith” (more at occatholic.com/the-current-migration-crisis). Bishop Vann added that even as we lament the suffering of young brothers and sisters at the border, “there is important work to be done.” We have an opportunity to respond as the people of God and witness to a different way by lending a helping hand. Through Catholic Charities USA, we can help children in need! 100% of your donation at catholiccharitiesusa.org/border-crisis will help our agencies along the border meet basic needs and ensure that children are being treated with care.

CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP

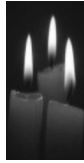
There is a new Catholic Bookstore and Gift Shop at the Cultural Center on the Christ Cathedral Campus featuring books, rosaries, bibles, gifts, statues, souvenirs, jewelry and art with special sections devoted to priests, the sacraments, saints, greeting cards, Spanish & Vietnamese languages and goods. The store is open 7 days a week from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

FREE DAY RETREAT

The Orange County chapter of the Dominican Laity, the lay branch of the Order of Preachers of St. Dominic, invites everyone to their annual retreat day on Saturday, August 10, in a parish classroom of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fullerton. Fr. Augustine Hilander, O.P., will lead the retreat on the 600th anniversary of the death of St. Vincent Ferrer as well as the lives of some other prominent Dominicans. The retreat will begin at 12 noon with lunch and close well before Holy Mass at 5:30 P.M. in the parish church. All are welcome! The retreat is free (a small donation is appreciated), but we would be grateful for a quick message on how many people will attend for our head count: call or text Michael at 714-471-3673 or email dlooc@saintmarysfullerton.org.

9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

7/29 A Friend's Healing
 7/30 †Tony DiElsi
 7/31 Nancy Cave
 8/1 †Kyle Mitchell
 8/2 Seminarians
 8/3 †Anthony Bradvica
 (†Rest in God's love and peace)



PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Kathy Purcell, Mike Pendleton, Julia Poirier, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mary Kiely, Steven Lang, Marlene Blackford, Linda Bolt, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, John Barnes, Katherine Irwin, Dcn. Gary Mucho, L. Tanguay, Dixie Redfean, Mary Kunz, Patrick Gallagher, Eddie Kearns, Dewey Linehan, Jean Ramirez, Mike Mauro

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

"Christian optimism is not a sugary optimism, nor is it a mere human confidence that everything will turn out all right. It is an optimism that sinks its roots into an awareness of our freedom, and the sure knowledge of the power of grace. It is an optimism that leads us to make demands on ourselves, to struggle to respond at every moment to God's call."

— St. Josemaria Escriva

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: For C1 or C2 registration, or for more information, please contact the Parish Office or email ym@stannesealbeach.org.

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.