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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Saint Anne

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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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## HALLOWEEN

When you get right down to it, “trick or treating” is a form of extortion. You knock on someone’s door and, when they answer, you tell them, “Trick or treat,” meaning that if you don’t give me something good, I’m going to do something “tricky” to you, and I don’t mean magic. To get away with this shakedown, you dress up in various costumes so the one being extorted doesn’t know who you are. No chance for a police report. And we teach our kids to do this! What are we thinking? We also teach our kids not to talk to strangers but on that night they knock on strangers’ doors hoping to increase their take of candy and cookies. (A word to the wise: my long standing opinion has been that chocolate is best as a treat; remember, cookies easily crack making a mess of your pillowcase, leaving the cookie in many tiny pieces inside.)

Of course, there is another way to look at this: Children often wonder about who they will be when they grow up. At Halloween they get a chance to try out various possible identities: a princess, a ballerina, a soldier, a cowboy. Children are experts in pretend. Pretend expands the imagination and is a nutritious

form of play. Somehow, that is often lost in adults. Pity.

On the same day as our Halloween, the ancient Celts had a feast they called, Samhain, during which they lit bonfires and wore costumes to ward off ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1<sup>st</sup> as a feast of all the saints. In time the costumes and the bonfires of Samhain got incorporated into what became Halloween (meaning the vigil

of the feast of All Saints.) (Another word to the wise: Do not start a bonfire on your front lawn; the Orange County Fire Authority will thank you. Flashlights and sweaters will give you all the light and warmth you need.)

Maybe the problem is not with Halloween but with our culture. Too often neighbors don’t know one another. You just nod at them politely when you are going out and then on to your errands. That’s a pity. Let’s think of Halloween as a chance to get to know our neighbors by means of chocolate.

Msgr. Mike



## Around our Parish

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES FUNDRAISER

Please support our Knights of Columbus in their annual fundraiser for OC Catholic Charities to benefit Adults and Children with Intellectual Disabilities this last weekend, 10/26-27. Boxes of Tootsie Rolls for Halloween treats will be available after all masses for a suggested donation of \$10 per box. Individual Tootsie Rolls are also available for any donation. For additional information, please contact Steve Fanelli at 562-493-6021.



### 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 November 4th. For more information, please contact Russell at 949-527-0172

*"Help Us Help Those In Need"*

### WOMEN'S GUILD

#### MONTHLY MEETING

Our next general meeting is Monday, October 28th at 6:30 p.m. Our guest speaker is our own parochial vicar, Fr. Tim. He will talk about his spiritual journey to the priesthood. This will be a wonderful evening to get to know him and show our support and appreciation for his dedication and sacrifice to the holy Church. All parishioners are invited to attend.

#### MEMBERSHIP

For membership information, please pickup a Women's Guild brochure and membership application from the back of the church. For more information, please call Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

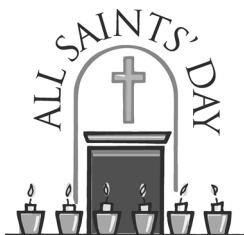
### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS



Remember to set your clock back next Saturday night!

### ALL SAINTS' DAY

All Saints' Day, November 1st, is a Holy Day of Obligation. St. Anne will celebrate masses on Oct. 31st at 5:00 p.m., and Nov. 1st at 9:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, and 7:00 p.m.



#### 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.

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you for being a voice for mission on World Mission Sunday. Our parish gave \$4,865 to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the missionary work of the Church. Please continue to pray for missionaries and for the people to whom they bring the "Good News" of Jesus.

### NATIONAL NEEDS COLLECTION

The National Needs Collection will be taken up next weekend in our Diocese. This collection combines four national collections into one: Catholic Campaign for Human Development (addresses the root causes of poverty in America through promotion and support of community-controlled, self help organizations and transformative education), Catholic Communication Campaign (contributes to the process of evangelization by fostering activities in relation to TV, radio and other media), Catholic Home Missions, and the Catholic University of America (funding for academic scholarships at the only Catholic University in the US with Pontifical faculties).

### REMEMBRANCE MASS

On Saturday, Nov. 2nd at 9:00 a.m. a special mass will be celebrated in memory of our loved ones who have died. All are invited to attend.

- A scroll bearing the names of loved ones who have died between 11/2/18 and 11/2/19 will be near the altar during the mass and remain in the church for the All Souls masses.
- A Remembrance book will be available in the vestibule of the church for names of those you wish to have remembered who have passed.
- All parishioners are invited to display a photo (8" X 10" or smaller) of their loved ones who have passed at the mass on November 2nd. Please place it on the table before 8:50 a.m.
- All Souls envelopes are available in the vestibule. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for the month of November.

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## Around the Diocese

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### HEALING EUCHARIST

The Charismatic Prayer Group at St. Angela Merici Church in Brea invites you to their Healing Mass. Many people have come and have been touched by the Holy Spirit. "Christ's Healing Presence" is the theme Fr. Steephen Viblanc will address on Monday, October 28th at 7:15 p.m. in their church. Individual prayer will follow the Eucharist and music will be by the Healing Eucharist Praise team.

### ROSARY ACADEMY

Rosary Academy is hosting an Open House on Monday, October 28th from 5:00-8:00 p.m. with presentations at 6:15 p.m. Rosary High School is located at 1340 N. Acacia Ave. in Fullerton.

### MATER DEI VISIT DAY

Mater Dei High School will hold a 7th and 8th grade visitation day from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 5th. Register to attend at [www.materdei.org/visitday](http://www.materdei.org/visitday).

### PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT

Come pray and see if God is calling you to be a priest! Join Fr. Brandon Dang on Tuesday, October 29th or Tuesday, November 5th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church located at 9 Hillgate in Irvine. For more information, contact Fr. Brandon at 714-282-3046 or [bdang@rcbo.org](mailto:bdang@rcbo.org).

### GRACE AND RECOVERY

The Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Palos Verdes invites you participate in a weekend retreat (7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1st to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3rd) of renewal and refreshment focusing on a 12 Step approach to the experience of grace. Utilizing the language of the heart, the process of recovery invites us into a fellowship that encourages ongoing spiritual growth. Bring your Big Book. The weekend will be facilitated by John McAndrew, formerly director of Spiritual Care at the Betty Ford Center in Rancho Mirage, currently offering spiritual counseling and coaching for clients and hospice patients. For more information call 310-377-4867.



## 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

10/28 †Marguerite Winne

10/29 †Dennis Coit

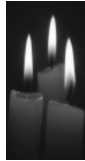
10/30 †Tony DiElsi

10/31 †Raphael Reyes

11/1 All Saints

11/2 All Souls

(†Rest in God's love and peace)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Kathy Purcell, Julia Poirier, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mary Kiely, Steven Lang, Linda Bolt, Marlene Blackford, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, John Barnes, Mary Kunz, Katherine Irwin, Dixie Redfean, Dewey Linehan, Beverly Maybrier, Cathy Oliver, John Holland, Dorothy Ceballos, L. Tanguay

"We have been called to heal wounds, to unite what has fallen apart, and to bring home those who have lost their way."  
— St. Francis of Assisi

## 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 email [faithformation@stannesealbeach.org](mailto:faithformation@stannesealbeach.org) or call 562-431-0721 ext. 16.

**Confirmation:** For more information about Youth Ministry programs, please call 562-431-0721 ext. 15 or email [ym@stannesealbeach.org](mailto:ym@stannesealbeach.org).

**Marriage:** An appointment with one of our priests to begin marriage preparation must be made at least six 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.