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9 February 2020

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



Hill top Village of Casperia

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MASSES: SAT: 5:00 PM; SUN: 8:00, 10:00 AM, 12:00, 4:00 PM; DAILY: 9:00 AM

CONFESIONS: Mon. - Sat. 8:30AM; Sat. 4:00-4:45 PM

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I have been to the movies. Like some of you, I am interested in knowing what they will be talking about when the Oscars are presented this evening.

There is a lot of buzz about the film *1917* which is set during World War I. Two British soldiers - Lance Cpl. Schofield and Lance Cpl. Blake - receive seemingly impossible orders. In a race against time, they must cross over into enemy territory to deliver a message that could potentially save 1,600 of their fellow comrades - including Blake's own brother. The film is based on a true story told to the director, Sam Mendes, by his grandfather.

Another film, this time set during World War II, is *Jojo Rabbit*. The central character, Jojo, is a lonely German boy who discovers that his single mother is hiding a Jewish girl in their attic. Aided only by his imaginary friend - Adolf Hitler - Jojo must confront his blind nationalism as World War II continues to rage on.

Both of those films are hard to watch in places because the filmmakers have so effectively shown us the gritty detail of life during a war, and the cost to those in the middle of it. In World War I there was, besides the bombs, a lot of rain. World War II was fired by the Nazi's fierce nationalism and desire for conquest that infected even the youngest of Germans.

Two German theologians, Johann Baptist Metz and Jürgen Moltmann were very much affected by their teen experiences during the Second World War. Together Metz, a Catholic, and Moltmann, a Calvinist, would collaborate on a political theology that confronted the legacy of Nazism.

As a teenager, Metz was drafted into the German military in 1944, towards the end of the Second World War. Six months before the end of the war, he was captured by the Americans and sent to prisoner of war camps in Maryland and then Virginia. After the war he returned to Germany.

Very movingly, Metz described his experience: "Now I could

only see dead and empty faces, where the day before I had shared childhood fears and laughter. I remember nothing but a wordless cry. This is how I see myself to this very day,



and behind this memory all of my childhood dreams crumble away.... What would happen if one took this sort of thing not to the psychologist but into the church, and if one would not allow oneself to be talked out of such unreconciled memories even by theology, but rather wanted to have faith with them, and with them to speak about God?"

Moltmann confronted the question of how we can have hope living in such a deformed world. Hope is central to his theology. "Whenever we base our hope on trust in the divine mystery, we feel deep down in our hearts: there is someone who is waiting

for you, who is hoping for you, who believes in you. We are waited for as the prodigal son in the parable is waited for by his father. We are accepted and received, as a mother takes her children into her arms and comforts them. God is our last hope because we are God's first love."

Many places in the world today are filled with saber-rattling and nationalist rhetoric. Prime Minister Modi of India has passed a law that allows migrants to become citizens so long as they are not Muslim, leading to large demonstrations. Iran is bellicose due to the killing of one of their top commanders by U.S. drones. Radical Sunnis and other groups continue to fight President Bashar al-Assad in Syria. And the war in Afghanistan is still raging after so many years. War is a horrible thing which changes those involved or on the sidelines irretrievably. Let us all work for justice and peace.

Msgr. Mike

Around our Parish

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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, March 2nd. For additional information, please contact Russell Stark at 949-527-0172.

"Help Us Help Those In Need"



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.

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Please join us for the Women's Silent Retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Alhambra April 3rd–5th, 2020. Sr. Marie Andre, Carmelite Director of the Sacred Heart Retreat House will be available to answer questions about this retreat after the 8 AM, 10 AM and Noon Masses on Sunday, February 16th. She can also tell you about the other work they do for school children and a wonderful senior home. Prayerfully consider attending. Additional information is in the vestibule or Contact: Lisa Cave 661-435-5379 or Maureen Pekar 562-235-3001 for more information.

WOMEN'S GUILD

All parishioners are invited to attend our next Women's Guild meeting on Monday, February 24th at 6:30 p.m. Come hear our guest speaker, Peggy Normandin, radio host of EWTN's "Call me Catholic". If you have questions call Desiree at 714-906-0996 or Jolinda at 714-655-6348.

PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

OUR FAITH, OUR FUTURE

You should have received your letter from our Pastor, Msgr. Mike and a PSA brochure and pledge form in the mail. Our call to action for this year's Pastoral Services Appeal is Our Faith, Our Future. By supporting the work of our Church and participating in this appeal we will continue to strengthen Our Faith and Our Future. No gift is too great or too small. Once we have met the goal for our parish's share (\$60,450) for diocesan services, your donation will be returned to our parish and used to improve our sound system as Msgr. Mike has noticed some of you cupping your ears during Mass. There are a few brochures left in the vestibule if you did not receive one. Please stop by or call the office as well so we may check that we have your correct mailing address. Once you have prayerfully considered your pledge/donation, simply fill out and tear at the perforated section of the brochure. Fold and seal, fill out your return address, stamp and mail directly to the Diocese of Orange.



PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

Our faith. Our future.

CAREER RENEWAL MINISTRY

Attention job seekers. On February 20th, Career Renewal guest speaker Arthur Gray will present "A Strategic Plan for Your Life". Learn how to capitalize on your strengths and build a network for success. All are invited. For more information contact Kathy Keller at 714-206-0885/keller.math@gmail.com or Ted Rozolis at 714-330-5067.

Registration Now Open!

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March 7, 2020

Shoreline Aquatic Park

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ENVIRONMENTAL TIPS

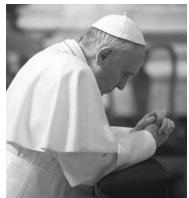
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Going shopping? Invest in reusable grocery bags, produce bags, bulk food bags, and any necessary containers to buy bulk items (olive oil, eggs, maple syrup, sugar, coffee). Many co-ops and Whole Foods have bulk aisles with a wide range of items. Avoid packaging whenever possible. If you buy packaged items, always choose paper/glass/metal over plastic.

ODCCW GENERAL GATHERING

FOR ALL CATHOLIC WOMEN

Please join us on Tuesday, February 18th at Christ Cathedral Campus for the second part of Pope Francis "Joy of the Gospel" presented by Father Walter Woods. Mass will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the Arboretum immediately following with registration on the third floor in the Cultural Center. Opening prayer will begin at 9:15 a.m. Your \$20 donation will include a continental breakfast and lunch. For reservations contact Pat Martin at 714-866-0633/jimandpatmartin@gmail.com.



THE POPES INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 2020

Listen to the Migrants' Cries:

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

- 2/10 †Daniel Flores
 2/11 Marilyn Mosher
 2/12 †Burke & Keating Families
 2/13 Linda Nichols
 2/14 †Tom Bolt
 2/15 †Janis Shekerlian
 (†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, Linda Bolt, Marlene Blackford, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, John Barnes, Mary Kunz, Katherine Irwin, Dixie Redfearn, Beverly Maybrier, Cathy Oliver, John Holland, Dorothy Ceballos, L. Tanguay, Ed Michaud, Bob Dutro, Nick Williams and Norma Reinhardt.

"Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a man go to Heaven."

– St. Camillus

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 about Faith Formation programs, please call 562-431-0721 ext. 16 or email faithformation@stannesealbeach.org.

Confirmation: For information about our Youth Ministry programs, please call 562-431-0721 ext. 15 or email 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.

Sacrament of the Sick: In case of serious illness, contact the Parish Office.

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.