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Easter

# Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



Disciples Peter and John Rushing to the Sepulcher the Morning of the Resurrection by Eugene Burn

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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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## SURFER WANNABE

In my youth I wanted to be a surfer. I think we all did in those days. It was a virus transmitted by listening to the Beach Boys too much. Like the surfers, I wanted a tan, but my skin only burned. I bought trunks and shirts that I sensed a blond, tanned surfer would wear; a friend had to take me aside to point out that those colors clashed with my sunburned skin.

I've tried actually surfing a couple of times in Hawaii where the ocean is much warmer, but the act seemed to require of me a level of physical coordination that I didn't—and still don't—have. With a borrowed board under me, I caught the wave well enough, but when I tried to stand up, I would put my feet in the wrong places, tipping the board to the left or the right, hurling me into the water. I did better when I body surfed, though I ended up with lots of sand in places I didn't know I had.

Later I turned to running along the beach in the morning, along a path up above the sand in Huntington Beach. I would do it right after the early morning Mass, before the day got away from me. I should have done more stretching before I started, but I was ever eager then to get going. Because of that, the first five minutes of running were the worst. My feet and my back ached as I forced myself to keep going. My only

companions during those sunrise hours were dolphins and surfers. Even as I was just starting out there were some surfers who were already getting out of the water and changing out of their wet suits; I thought 'I wonder how early these guys get up. Do they surf in the dark? They must really love surfing.' One morning—for reasons that escape me—I went running before the early Mass, when it was still dark, and, yes, the surfers were surfing, next to the pier because the lights on the pier gave them enough illumination to negotiate the waves.

Soon I was in my groove. I ran as far as the pier, then turned around and ran back, which was harder because I was going uphill. But my mind cleared. The birds were watching me as they floated on the sea breeze above me. The sky glowed. All I had to think about was making sure I didn't stumble over anything. It was a form of prayer, though I wouldn't have called it that back then. I remember it now as a sacred ritual. I think both surfers and runners know that.

Msgr. Mike

## Around our Parish

### CRS RICE BOWL

Our sacrifice for Catholic Relief Services this Lent draws to a close today. Let us not forget our journey through the desert. Let us continue to bring the hope of the Resurrection to all those we encounter, reminding them of God's love. Please make sure any checks are made payable to Catholic Relief Services. Your Rice Bowl may be turned in to the Parish Office or placed in the CRS box in the church's vestibule.



### ALLELUIA! JESUS IS RISEN

Today (and for the next 8 days) the Church celebrates the Octave of Easter, which basically means that the celebration of Jesus' resurrection from the dead goes on for eight straight days! Here are a few inspiring quotes on the Resurrection to meditate on during the Octave...

- 1) "The Gospel of Easter is very clear: we need to go back there, to see Jesus risen, and to become witnesses of his Resurrection. This is not to go back in time; it is not a kind of nostalgia. It is returning to our first love, in order to receive the fire which Jesus has kindled in the world and to bring that fire to all people, to the very ends of the earth." (Pope Francis, Easter Vigil Homily, 2014)
- 2) "Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered." (Pope Benedict XVI, *Benedictus*, 128)

### WOMEN'S GUILD

#### MONTHLY MEETING

Please join us April 22nd for our social at 6:30 p.m. and our meeting at 7:00 p.m. Our guest speaker, Sr. Jeanne Fallon, CSJ, will guide us on a path of BioSpiritual Focusing—a starting point to wholeness in our own personal inner journey. Her presentation will encompass spiritual growth, creativity, healthcare, decision making and stress reduction. All women of St. Anne parish and their guests are welcome.

#### 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.



#### 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.

### ST. ANNE BOOK CLUB

Please join us the first Thursday of each month from Noon to 1 PM in the Parish Center. Everyone is invited! Our book for May 2nd is "The Ratzinger Report: an Extensive Interview on the State of the Church" by Vittorio Messori. The book consists of a series of interviews, collected over several days, given by Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger to Italian journalist Vittorio Messori. It focuses on the state of the Roman Catholic Church after the Second Vatican Council and has often been read in order to better understand the mind and the thinking of Pope Benedict XVI.

### PARISH MEMBER UPDATES

Please update any changes to your personal information including: phone number, email address, mailing address, deceased loved one, etc. Those members who have not contributed time, talent or treasure within the last two years will be inactivated. To update your information, or if you have been inactive but want to remain a parish member, please email [office@stannesealbeach.org](mailto:office@stannesealbeach.org).

### CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

April is national Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Lenten and Easter season as there is no better time than this when we experience renewal and growth that we celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God – our children. Our Diocese has policies and procedures to create a safe environment and protect children which includes annual safety training for children and youth, fingerprinting, background checks and Child Protection training for all adults working with minors. Learn how you can help create a culture of protection by visiting the Diocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection web page at: [www.rcbo.org/group/child-and-youth-protection/](http://www.rcbo.org/group/child-and-youth-protection/)

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## Around the Diocese

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### SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

The spring session of classes on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola begin the week of May 4–9th. The ten classes are offered at St. Peter Chanel on Saturdays at 11:00 AM, Sundays at 1:30 PM, Wednesdays at 7:00 PM OR Thursdays at 9:15 AM. The program and all materials provided are free. Donations are accepted. Each class last 2-2.5 hours. To register go to [www.spcomv.com](http://www.spcomv.com) or call Veronica at 562-924-7591.

### MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST

Joan Jacoby, Administrative Director for the Magis Institute, will be the featured speaker for the Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, May 4th from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Embassy Suites Anaheim-South in Garden Grove. Registration by mail must be post-marked by April 29th and mailed to Magnificat Ministry, P.O. box 4381, Orange, 92863. Your donation of \$28 per person includes a full plated breakfast as well as the speaker's program.

### MEMORY LOSS DISCUSSION

Caregivers or friends of a person with dementia are invited to an informational meeting offering resources for problem solving and emotional support on April 24 from 2:00–3:30 p.m. at the Diocese of Orange Pastoral Center. For more information call Patty at 714-349-5517.



### WHAT THE CHURCH SAYS ABOUT

All are invited to attend a series of speakers addressing current/moral issues. On Thursday, May 16th, the presentation is "Gender Issues" at the Cultural Center, 3rd floor. There is a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed at 7:00 p.m. with the program by Peter Cataldo, Senior Vice President, Providence St. Joseph Health. Please RSVP to Norah at [ndopudja@christcathedralca.org](mailto:ndopudja@christcathedralca.org).

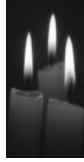
### ST ANNE SCHOOL DONATIONS

St. Anne School received over \$600 for the purchase of books requested by their teachers and \$68 from the sale of scones. Thank you!



## 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

4/22 †Kathryn Lang  
 4/23 †Ric Reynado  
 4/24 †Nely Munoz  
 4/25 †Anthony McWeeney  
 4/26 Ricardo Reyes & Family  
 4/27 †Truong Family  
 (†Rest in God's love and peace)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Brenda Malloy, Ken Hammond, 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, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, Mary Kiely, John Barnes, Katherine Irwin, Dcn. Gary Mucho, L. Tanguay, Madeline Watkins

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

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." - JOHN PAUL II

"A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act."

- MAHATMA GANDHI

## 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](mailto: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.

If you want information about any of our many active ministries, please pick up a brochure from the vestibule.