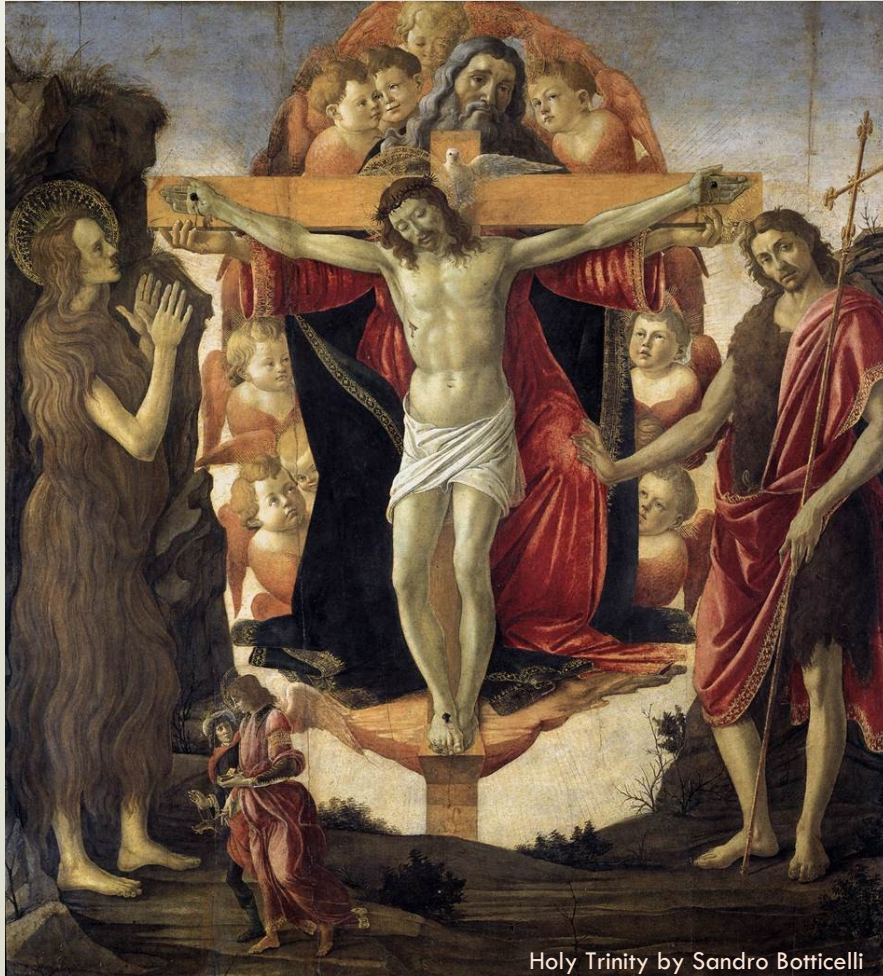


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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

# Saint Anne

SEAL BEACH



Holy Trinity by Sandro Botticelli

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## HORIZON

I am reading a book by Barry Lopez called *Horizon*. It is a suitable title for a book by one of America's best writers. Lopez is what used to be called a "globetrotter." In this book he takes readers with him from the Oregon coast to Skraeling Island in northern Canada to the Galapagos Islands in the Pacific, then from the Kenyan desert to Botany Bay in Australia, and finally to the changing ice shelves of the Antarctic. These places are some of the hottest, coldest and most desolate places in the world—places I am unlikely ever to visit—which he describes precisely and beautifully, even how human activities have imperiled even these distant places.

In the first chapter of the book of Genesis, God creates Adam and Eve but obliged them to "be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all living things that move on the earth." God continued: "See I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." On first reading, a contemporary reader might get the impression that God has given creation as a possession to be used however the humans see fit.

But when you continue to the second chapter in the book, the creation narrative is decidedly different. God is pictured as a gardener who, once he creates man, plants a garden for him to live in and a river rises in Eden to water the garden. Then God gives the garden

to man to cultivate and care for. Yes, he may eat of any of the produce of the garden (except from the tree of the knowledge of good and bad) but as God creates the various wild animals and birds, Adam gets to name them. But none of these creatures proved to be a suitable partner to the man and so, while the man was asleep, God took one of the man's ribs and fashioned out of it a woman whom the man immediately saw as bone of his bones and flesh of his flesh. But the responsibility of our first parents to cultivate and care for the garden remained.

What is our horizon? Are we homebodies, content to care for the people and pets of one's own family? Does our horizon extend only to those people who share our beliefs, culture, politics and income level? Are any



others therefore infidels or simply unimportant? We call ourselves Catholic, meaning that our religion is universal; it is available to all who receive the gift of faith. Missionaries have gone to the ends of the earth not only to make converts but to cultivate and care for those they meet on their journeys.

Who am I to worry about the wilderness or the deleterious effects of global warming? That's not my problem. No, read your Genesis: it is our God-given responsibility. We should extend our care and cultivation to the creatures and the creation the Creator has entrusted to us. We do this not only to preserve it for the use of our future generations but to preserve it because it is beautiful, the sky above and the earth below are God's gift, given to us to care for.

Msgr. Mike

## Around our Parish

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### MONTHLY MEETING / MEMBERSHIP

All interested Catholic men are invited to attend our Council meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 1st. For more information, contact Paul Pudenz at 657-245-3722.

*“Help Us Help Those In Need”*

### WOMEN’S GUILD

#### BUNCO, BUNCO, BUNCO

Join in the fun and a chance to win a few bucks on Monday, June 24th! A suggested \$5 donation includes the game, snacks and prize opportunities. Sign ups will be held the weekends of June 15th and 22nd.

### UNIVERSAL CHURCH COLLECTION

Next weekend, we will have a second collection for the Universal Church. This special collection combines the Catholic Relief Services Collection and the Peter’s Pence Collection. The Peter’s Pence Collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. It promotes and supports the works of our Holy Father, enabling him to respond with emergency financial assistance to our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous.

### ST. PADRE PIO HEALING MASS

Please join us on Monday, June 17th 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 at 562-537-4526.

### PHOTOS OF FR. BEN

If you have any photos of Fr. Ben, please drop them off at the Parish Office or submit them to office@stannesealbeach.org for display at his celebration.

### LIGHTHOUSE REGISTRATION

We are currently accepting registrations for Lighthouse Ministry from High School juniors and seniors interested in serving in a leadership role for C1 and C2 teens.



#### 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.

### THANK YOU, FATHER BEN

Four years ago, Father Ben Tran came to St. Anne’s to replace Fr. Duy when his term was complete. Now Father Ben has completed his term and been assigned to St. Anthony Claret as a parochial vicar; Father Tim Nguyen will take his place here as parochial vicar. We wish Fr. Ben well, even as we prepare to welcome Father Tim. The thing most of us will remember best about Father Ben is “God is good. All the time.” That and his ever-ready smile; he lit up our Masses, the Women’s Guild, the Knights of Columbus and Youth Ministry activities. The fact that he was an excellent singer didn’t hurt either. The sick and the homebound were delighted when he visited. He did a very good job and we are grateful to him for the life he brought to us during his time among us.



THANK YOU!

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## Around the Diocese

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### HAPPINESS

An informational presentation sponsored by Christ Cathedral Adult Formation and JOY Ministry will feature Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ, speaking about “Happiness” on Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to NDopudja@ChristCathedralCA.org

### MEMORY LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

If you are a caregiver for someone with memory loss, this informal meeting offers resources for problem solving, educational information as well as emotional support. Come as you are and meet other caregivers with related concerns in an atmosphere of faith-based support. Refreshments will be served. The next meeting is Wednesday, June 26th from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at the Diocese of Orange Pastoral Center, Room 1D. For more information, please call Patty Mouton at 714-349-5517.

### SISTINE CHAPEL EXHIBITION

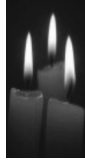
The exhibition focuses on Michelangelo’s contributions to the ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, recreating the awe and wonder of arguably one of mankind’s greatest artistic achievements. The overwhelming impression for the observer will be the details of the art, the closeness to the picture, and the modern style of the exhibition. It is an immersive showcase of museum-quality, near life-size reproductions of Michelangelo’s 34 frescos that adorn the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican. Now through January 11, 2020 visitors can see this art in a never before seen perspective at the Christ Cathedral Cultural Center. It is a perfect experience for those who have never been to Rome and want to see the art work and for those who have been to the Sistine Chapel and want a closer look and to learn more about each fresco. The exhibit is open Sunday -Thursday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and Friday-Saturday from 10 AM to 8 PM. Tickets are \$18 for general admission, \$12 for seniors/military/college students with ID, \$9 for children ages 7-18. For more information and tickets go to: <https://www.sistineexhibit.com>.





## 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

- 6/17 ✠Karen Laviola  
 6/18 Fr. Ed Bloom  
 6/19 Mikki Restucci  
 6/20 ✠Elizabeth Purtell  
 6/21 Justice and Protection for  
 Daughter and Grandson  
 6/22 Ordinations to the Diaconate  
 (✠Rest in God's love and peace)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



Fr. Bob Vidal, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Brenda Malloy, Kathy Purcell, Mike Pendleton, Julia Poirier, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mary Kiely, Steven Lang, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Mike Harvey, John Barnes, Katherine Irwin, Dcn. Gary Mucho, L. Tanguay, Mary Ann McCabe, Mary Kunz, Patrick Gallagher, Anthony DiElsi, Linda Bolt, 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.

"Reading the Holy Scriptures confers two benefits. It trains the mind to understand them; it turns man's attention from the follies of the world and leads him to the love of God."  
 — St. Isidore of Seville

"Cheerfulness prepares a glorious mind for all the noblest acts."— St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

## 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:** For more information, please contact our Youth Minister at [ym@stannesealbeach.org](mailto: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.