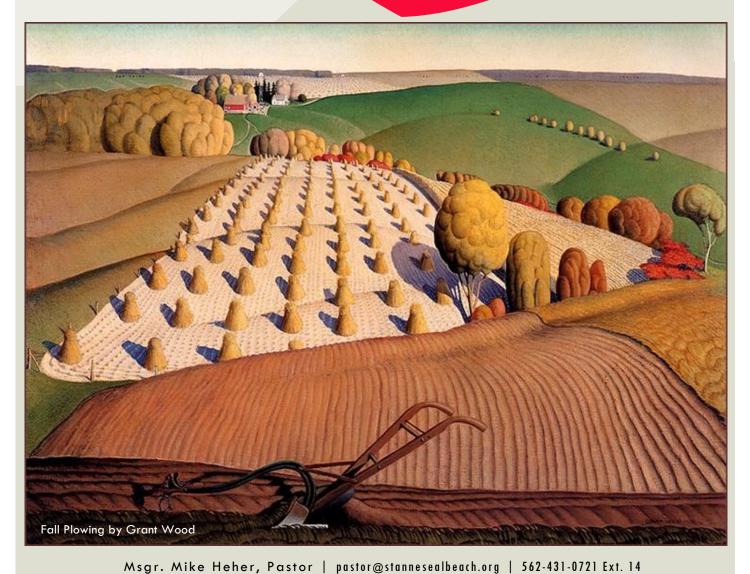
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# SEAL BEACH



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## FATHER BEN TRAN

This weekend we thank Father Ben for his four years of what we say and do. That's our ministry. That's why service here at Saint Anne's; it seems only yesterday that he came among us.

St John Paul II called on priests to be "heralds of the Gospel who are experts in humanity [and] who have shared to the full the iovs and sorrows of our day, but who at the same time are contemplatives in love with God." Fr. Ben loved to preach the Gospel but always from the depths of his own life and prayer among us. It is obvious he loves God and that he likes being among us too. He is no hermit.

An old monk once told a man just before his ordination, "You're taking a tremendous gamble offering your life to God as a priest. And God is taking an even bigger gamble accepting

you. You're just going to have to trust one another." I like that advice. When each of us were in the seminary preparing for ordination, we had the arrogance of inexperience: we thought we knew what being a priest was going to be like. We had hung around priests, studied under priests and many of us had friends who were priests. But once we got ordained, our lives turned out to actually be very different that what we had imagined. (I suspect married couples may have similar experiences.)

Priestly ministry is interactive. We start out by trying to change the minds and hearts of our parishioners by we studied many years in the seminary and continue our education after ordination. We are committed to

> serve you as well as possible. But it also works the other wav: our minds and hearts are changed by our encounters with our parishioners. So, on behalf of Fr. Ben, I want to thank you, our parishioners, for how you have shaped and stretched and inspired and irrevocably changed Fr. Ben, not to mention myself, Fr. Bob and Fr. Edward. It is a great gift that you give generously. Fr. Ben leaves a transformed person and priest because of you.

Once, when talking to priests, Pope Benedict described the work of parish priests as something they share together: "Today we

have cars which make traveling easier so that we can experience being together ever anew, learn from one another, mutually correct and help one another, cheer one another and comfort one another, so that in this communion of the presbyterate, together with the bishop, we can carry out our service to the local Church." If I know anything about Fr. Ben, he'll be back to visit often enough.

Next Sunday Father Timothy Nguyen will be here introducing himself.



# Around our Parish

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

St. Anne's Knight of Columbus will hold its Annual Blood Drive on Thursday, July 11th in the Parish Hall from 1:00-7:00 PM. Sign-ups to donate blood will be held after all weekend



Masses. You can also schedule an appointment online: www.redcrossblood.org, using our sponsor code: stannes. Walk-ins the day of the blood drive are also welcome! For more information, call Brian Taylor at 949-378-7454.

#### 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 Paul Pudenz at 657-245-3722.

"Help Us Help Those In Need"

## WOMEN'S GUILD

#### MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

General meetings are usually the 4th Monday of each month in the Parish Hall. Meetings are not scheduled for July and August. Our next meeting will be the Salad Supper in September! To support our events and speakers as a member, please contact Kathy Stoddard at 707-477-0104.

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration will <u>NOT</u> be held on Friday, July 5th.

## UNIVERSAL CHURCH COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection and Catholic Relief Service Collection! Our parish collected \$3,579. Our contributions, combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world, will help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/national collections.

# PARISH OFFICE CLOSED 7/4

Have a safe and happy Independence Day!



#### **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.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

#### **REGISTRATION**

If you haven't picked up a confirmation registration packet yet, but plan to participate in our program, please let us know.

#### SUMMER CALENDAR

All freshmen through seniors in high school are welcome to join us for our summer events!

July 19—Cathedral Dedication (1-5:30 PM)

July 23–Taco Tuesday (Noon-2 PM)

Aug. 2—Adoration/Reflection (7-8 PM)

Aug. 13—Taco Tuesday (Noon-2 PM)

Aug. 21—Outdoor Movie Night (7:30-9:30 PM) For more information about any of these events, email ym@stannesealbeach.org.

#### CAREER RENEWAL MEETING

We will not meet on July 4th. Our next meeting will be on July 11th in Rooms 1-2 of the Parish Hall. All are welcome to come and learn the skills you need to find the job you will love. To obtain job help or become a volunteer, contact Kathy Keller at 714-206-0885/keller.math@gmail.com.



"Well, can't you wear some sort of waterproof collar? I want some kinda warning that I'm talking to a priest."

# Around the Diocese

#### YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

St. Justin Martyr Young Adult Ministry would like to invite young adults, ages 18-39, to their annual retreat on July 12-14th. Enjoy meals, music, Mass and prayer from Friday at 7 PM to Sunday at 4 PM at St. Andrew's Abby, a Benedictine Monastery in Valyermo. The suggested donation is \$135, financial assistance is available. Register online at www.saintjustin.org/YA-retreat. For more information call or text Alejandra at 562-857-7261 or Jonathan at 714-605-4707.

#### YOUNG ADULT DANCE

Catholics in their 20s, 30s and 40s are invited to "Dance by the Sea" at St.
Vincent de Paul Church in Huntington
Beach on Saturday, August 3rd from
6-10 PM. The suggested donation to dance and enjoy conversation in the lounge with food is \$5 per person. Dressy/Casual summer evening attire. For more information: occatholic3040@gmail.com

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Processions are life's journey distilled. We move with companions, aware that Christ accompanies us, as we move to the altar for Communion or to the font for baptism, or carry a loved one to a place of rest. In Europe, the season of pilgrimage is beginning now, and tens of thousands of people are moving by foot on well-worn paths. Some take as long as six weeks to walk the last few hundred miles of the medieval pilgrimage route to the Shrine of St. James the Apostle in Compostella, in northern Spain.

Those who make the journey by foot, hiking, or by bicycle, have a kind of passport stamped at villages and monasteries on the road. When they present this document at the cathedral, they are given the emblem of a pilgrim, the scallop shell of St. James. High over their heads at Mass, a huge *botafumero* twirls clouds of sweet incense through the cathedral. Cynics say it is to mask the odor of smelly feet. The pilgrims know better. Seeing through the clouds the happy faces of those they met along the road, they recognize a fore-taste of the welcome into heaven, and the joy of meeting loved ones in the Kingdom of God.

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#### 9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

- 7/1 Daniel Herman

- 7/4 For the Country
- 7/5 Seminarians
- 7/6 Peter Truong

(Prest 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,

Linda Bolt, 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, Eddie Kearns, Dewey Linehan, Jean Ramirez, Mike Mauro, Jack O'Shea

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

"The patient and humble endurance of the cross—whatever nature it may be—is the highest work we have to do."

— St. Katharine Drexel

#### **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 packets, 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.