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The Ascension of the Lord

# Saint Anne

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**NO MASSES OR CONFESSION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**LIVESTREAM MASS 10AM EVERY SUNDAY AT STANNESEALBEACH.ORG**

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL 562-431-0721, EXT 13 MESSAGES CHECKED DAILY**

## PSALM 10 (Part I)

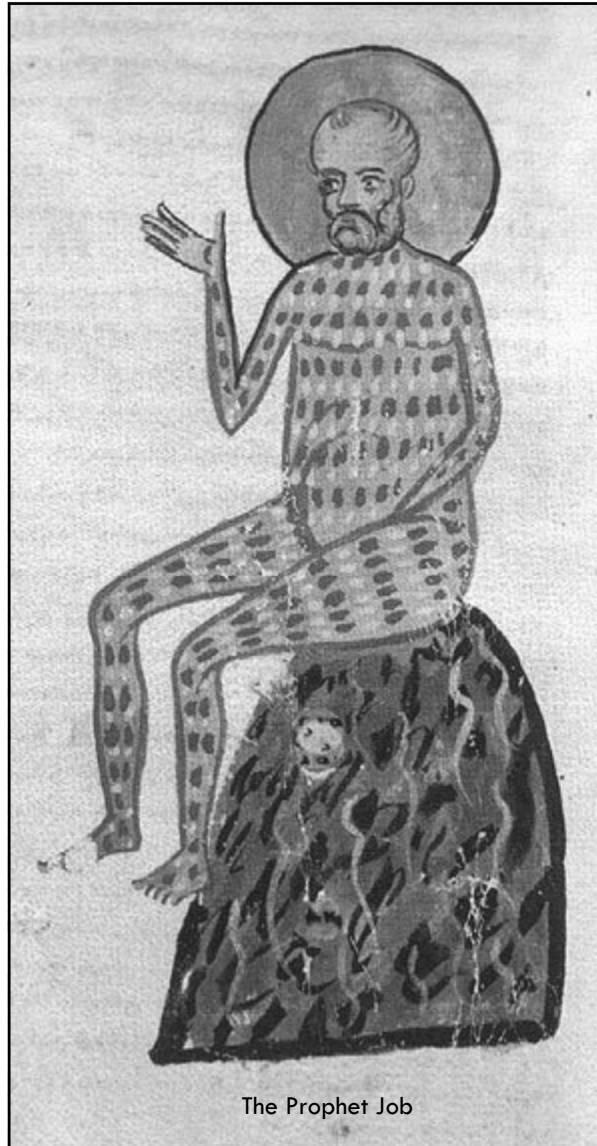
As a diocesan priest I am required to pray at various times each day for the people of God by using the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as “the Office.” When I first started praying it in the seminary, I liked it when we prayed, “The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.” It wasn’t exactly true; the Lord was my/our shepherd but I was still filled with relationships, plans and circumstances I *wanted* to work out. But lots of the other psalms seemed to be about circumstances that I, as a comfortable seminarian with plenty to eat and drink and a roof over my head, and lots that showed me I was indeed quite blessed.

What was I to make of Psalm 10, prayed by someone who was in trouble? He or she complains: “Why, LORD, do you stand afar and pay no heed in times of trouble?” The psalmist is not the only one in trouble: “Arrogant scoundrels pursue the poor; they trap them by their cunning schemes.”

The arrogance of those in high social position who oppress others is what depresses the Psalmist. “The wicked even boast of their greed; these robbers curse and scorn the LORD.”

Part of the Psalmist's complaint is that the wicked are giving his/her own God a bad name: “In their insolence the wicked boast: ‘God does not care; there is no God.’” The

psalmist wants to know: Why isn’t God hammering these wicked, arrogant so-and-sos? “Their affairs always succeed [though] they ignore your judgment on high; they sneer at all who oppose them.”



The Prophet Job

Then the Psalmist specifies the charges against his enemies: “Their mouths are full of oaths, violence, and lies; discord and evil are under their tongues. They wait in ambush near towns; their eyes watch for the helpless to murder the innocent in secret; they lurk in ambush like lions in a thicket, hide there to trap the poor, snare them and close the net. The helpless are crushed, laid low; they fall into the power of the wicked, who say in their hearts, ‘God has forgotten, shows no concern, never bothers to look.’”

The disciples of their God feel abandoned. Has God gone onto a vacation to Tahiti at this critical hour? The Psalmist tries to motivate God to act: “Rise up, LORD! God, lift up your hand! Do not forget the poor!”

The Psalmist does not believe the boast of his/her enemy and af-

firms his/her trust in God: “But you do see; you take note of misery and sorrow; you take the matter in hand. To you the helpless can entrust their cause; you are the defender of orphans.”

(To be continued next week)

## Around our Parish

### PRAYER AND DEVOTION

**U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops**

[www.usccb.org/about/communications/resources-for-catholics-at-home-during-covid-19.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/resources-for-catholics-at-home-during-covid-19.cfm)

**Bishop Robert Barron**

[www.wordonfire.com](http://www.wordonfire.com)

**Matthew Kelly**

[dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com)

### ARE YOU MISSING INFORMATION

In an effort to communicate with you during this time we have added phone/text communications. Emails are done through Constant Contact. If you have not received calls, texts or emails please call the church office at 562-431-0721 ext. 13 so we may update your records allowing us to connect with you.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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 (Zoom meeting) is scheduled for Monday, June 1st. For additional information, please contact Russell Stark at 949-527-0172.

*“Help Us Help Those In Need”*

### WOMEN’S GUILD

For membership information, please go to the St. Anne website at [stannesealbeach.org](http://stannesealbeach.org). For more information, please call Jolinda Mailangi (714) 655-6348.

### OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD

	2020	2019
<b>Sunday, March 29</b>		
Weekly Offering	\$11,657	\$15,200

Our sincere gratitude to all who faithfully support our parish and to those who have increased their donations during this time of uncertainty. You can continue to give online using WeShare. Visit our website at [stannesealbeach.org](http://stannesealbeach.org) and click on “Give Online” or call WeShare at 1-800-950-9952.



#### 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 CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#### THANK YOU

Everyone at Saint Anne School in Santa Ana are deeply grateful for your generous support of our families in need who are struggling with the decision of putting food on their table or giving their children the gift of a Catholic education. During this COVID crisis when parents have found out that their companies are closing, are getting laid off or furloughed, not sure if they will be able financially return to how it was before COVID, you are helping them have hope that their families will be OK. You are ensuring that their children will continue to grow academically in happy, stable family of our school. Words cannot adequately describe our gratitude well enough. Be sure of our grateful prayers for you and your parish. Sr. Teresa

### NEW HOPE CRISIS HOTLINE

**714-NEW HOPE (639-4673)**

The New Hope Crisis Hotline provides telephone crisis intervention and suicide prevention services in Orange County. Trained crisis workers at the Tower of Hope on the Christ Cathedral campus provide counseling to those who are struggling to cope with day-to-day life. Services are free and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

**[WWW.MHANATIONAL.ORG/MHA-WEBINARS](http://WWW.MHANATIONAL.ORG/MHA-WEBINARS)**

MHA is offering free online webinars twice a week on different topics specific to COVID-19 that help individuals support themselves and others. Sample topics include Wellness Routines for Uncertain Times, Suicide Prevention for Remote Workers and Gaming for Mental Health: Using Video and Board Games to Support Wellbeing.

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## Dynamic Faith

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### MASS RESOURCES

Daily Readings in English and Spanish from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: [http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm?utm\\_source=googleadwords&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_content=catholicbible&utm\\_campaign=NABRE](http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm?utm_source=googleadwords&utm_medium=cpc&utm_content=catholicbible&utm_campaign=NABRE)  
 Prayers, readings for Mass, and additional spiritual readings are available at: Magnificat publication, a spiritual guide that includes daily Mass: <https://us.magnificat.net/free>

### ENVIRONMENTAL TIPS

#### LAUDATO SI'

As the weather gets warmer and you spend more time outdoors, look for sunscreens and bug sprays made from natural ingredients. Bonus points for metal, glass or paper packaging!

### PRAYER DURING CORONAVIRUS

O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary,  
 We, your children of every nation,  
 Turn to you in this pandemic.  
 Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great.  
 Grant that we might deposit them at your feet,  
 Take refuge in your Immaculate Heart,  
 And obtain peace, healing, rescue,  
 And timely help in all our needs.  
 You are our Mother.  
 Pray for us to your Son.  
 Amen.

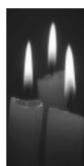


*"Love Mary! She is loveable, faithful, constant. She will never let herself be outdone in love, but will ever remain supreme. If you are in danger, she will hasten to free you. If you are troubled, she will console you. If you are sick, she will bring you relief. If you are in need, she will help you. She does not look to see what kind of person you have been. She simply comes to a heart that wants to love her."*

— St. Gabriel Possenti of Our Lady of Sorrows

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

5/25	✠Troy Lucille Osborne
5/26	✠Georgina Blelicki
5/27	✠Alfred Schuchner
5/28	✠Ann Roddy Normandin
5/29	✠Herman Hakala
5/30	Bob Dess
	(✠Rest in God's love and peace)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fr. Bob Vidal, Irene Bluth, Hal Noring, Sharon Casserly, Katia Bergstrom, Juanita Kho, Kathy Purcell, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mary Kiely, Linda Bolt, Jackie Chambers, Marlene Blackford, Bob Wagner, Bob Rattray, Julie Rivera, Pat Giacomi, Ernie Ramirez, Pat Clustka, Mike Harvey, John Barnes, Mary Kunz, Katherine Irwin, Dixie Redfearn, Beverly Maybrier, Cathy Oliver, Abilio Hernandez, John Holland, Dorothy Ceballos, L. Tanguay, Ed Michaud, Bob Dutro, Laurel Creasy Tenelshof, Dixie Redfearn and Nick Williams.

## 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 [faith\\_formation@stannesealbeach.org](mailto:faith_formation@stannesealbeach.org).

**Confirmation:** For information about our 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.

**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.

