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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES: SATURDAY 5:00 PM; SUNDAY 10:00 AM & 4:00 PM; DAILY 9:00 AM

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ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

In the book of Genesis, we encounter Jacob traveling from Beersheba and Haram. When the sun was setting, he found himself at the sacred site of Bethel. It will be quite a night for Jacob. When he went to sleep with a rock from the place as his pillow, he dreamed that there was a stairway there reaching up from the earth to the heavens with God's messengers climbing up and down it. The Lord was standing next to him promising him that this land would be his and his descendants. Jacob woke and said, "This place is nothing but ... the gateway to heaven!"

Press fast-forward to Jesus where one of his disciples asks him to teach them how to pray. Jesus says "Our Father who art in heaven ... Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven." The New Testament scholar has said, "God's new project [was] not to snatch people away from earth to heaven but to colonize earth with the life of heaven." So again the earthly and the heavenly are intertwined.

Jesus began his ministry asking the crowds "Repent! The kingdom of heaven is at hand." We may pray to go to heaven but many passages are asking us to bring heaven to earth. Our good works, he tells them, "glorifies your Father who is in heaven." He also says that the kingdom of heaven belongs to the poor in spirit and to those "who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness." Heaven comes to earth for the sake of the poor and suffering.



What is the kingdom of heaven like? Jesus says it is like a net thrown into the sea. When the fishermen pull up the net they find what is to be harvested and what is to be thrown away. Heaven on earth comes by means of discernment and judgement.

The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. He returned to the marketplace again and again, hiring more and more laborers all day long. At the end of the day all the workers were paid the same wage, regardless of how many hours they worked. The landowners answer: "Do I not have the right to do as I please with what is mine? Or are you envious because I am generous?" Heaven comes to earth by means of the generous.

The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king who gave his son a wedding feast. When he sent his servants out to invite those he wanted to feast with him, they refused, even mistreating and killing them. So the king sends out his servants again but this time to the highways and byways to invite whoever they found, bad and good alike. Heaven comes to earth to those who accept God's invitation. If I may add here that heaven come to earth by means of joyous feasting.

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls; when he finds a really rare pearl, he sells off all he had to obtain it. Heaven comes to earth

for those who know what is really of value.

Jesus tells his disciples to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you that you may be children of your Father in heaven for he causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous." We bring the mercy of heaven to the injustices on earth.

In *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau said that "Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads." He was a naturalist and so he means the heaven of nature. But obviously Jesus sees heaven not just in the beauty of nature but in the good works of all his disciples.

Next week more about heaven.

Msgr. Mike

Around our Parish

GETTING READY TO RETURN TO THE CHURCH

Who knows when the health officials will let us? But during this time when we don't meet in the church, we have been taking care of some needed upkeep. The walls have been patched and painted. The pews are out getting repaired and refinished and will be back by the end of the month. The cushions and kneeler pads that have been stained or ripped will be replaced. Before that the carpet will be replaced. (We had been cleaning it regularly but the stains don't come out anymore and the wear and tear is obvious.) Thanks for your financial support; that makes this all possible. When we do get to gather in the church again, it will sparkle. I promise. Msgr. Mike

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONTHLY MEETING/MEMBERSHIP

All interested Catholic men are invited to attend our council meetings. Our meetings are usually held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 14th (Zoom or Live TBD). For additional information, please contact Brian Taylor at 949-378-7454.

"Help Us Help Those In Need"

WOMEN'S GUILD

For membership information, please go to the St. Anne website at stannesealbeach.org. For more information, please call Jolinda Mailangi at 714-655-6348.

JOIN US FOR MASS

For your convenience here is the QR code for the livestream at stannesealbeach.org. Open your camera on your phone and scan the code to open the livestream. If you are unable to view it (some phones may not be compatible) you can also view the livestream on St. Anne's public Facebook page.



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.

MASS DURING COVID

Due to the COVID-19 virus, our Church, along with all other places of worship in the County, is unable to have services inside. However, outdoor worship is authorized if physical distancing guidelines and other mandated precautions are observed. Please kindly observe these guidelines. Self screen at home, if you have any symptoms stay home. Wear face coverings (mask or shield), except for those under the age of 2 or any conditions that prevent you from wearing them. Physical distance of 6' on church property. Hand sanitize, refrain from singing, shaking or holding hands if not in the same household.

PROTECTING THE HEALTH OF OUR PARISHIONERS

Please know that at St. Anne's we are committed to the health and safety of our parishioners. Some measures in place include:

- the ministry of specially trained ushers who implement our COVID-19 protocols.
- disinfecting our spaces and furnishings after each Mass with an electrostatic handheld sprayer using a chemical agent that is effective against the coronavirus.
- changing out the air filters in the air conditioning system from MERV 8 to MERV 13, which capture the largest number of particles being circulated.
- providing outdoor seating that follows the distancing guidelines, in our breezeways and patio. The breezeways are supported by speakers and the patio has a large screen, closed-circuit television.
- broadcasting to the parking lot via 90.5 FM so that parishioners can listen to the Mass from their vehicles and have the opportunity to line up for Holy Communion.

Thank you for your support, including observing our protocols on masks and distancing as well as cooperating with our ushers and staff.

Dynamic Faith

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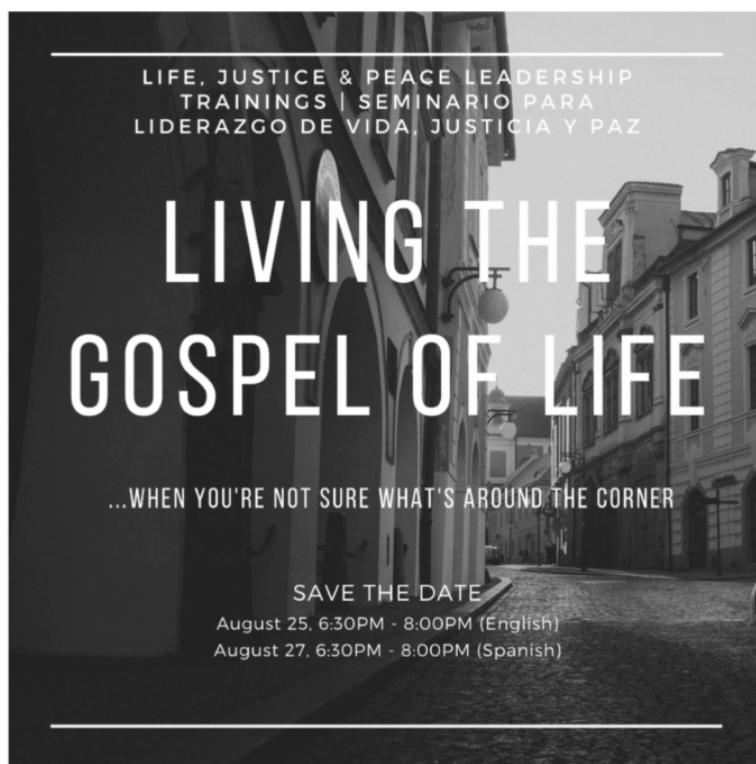
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LIFE, JUSTICE AND PEACE

How can we be most effective in our witness to life, dignity, justice, and the common good? What tools are available to engage these conversations? Where does this all fit into our central focus on evangelization?

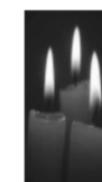


All those interested in the witness to life, justice, and peace in our parishes and communities are welcome to attend. Register today at: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07eh7sejq68d6c9405&oseq=&c=&ch=>

"If we really want to love, we must learn how to forgive."
– St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

9:00 AM MASS INTENTIONS

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| 8/17 | Michelle & Luan Lechau |
| 8/18 | †Harold Besancon |
| 8/19 | †Connie Orante Bersamira |
| 8/20 | †Bill Dasenbrock |
| 8/21 | Dan Bartolomucci |
| 8/22 | †Abilio Hernandez
(†Rest in God's love and peace) |



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Fr. Bob Vidal, Bob Ragland, Jack Kimminau, Jeff Ballas, Lynette Rausch, Irene Bluth, Hal Noring, Sharon Casserly, Katia Bergstrom, Michael Maloney, Jackie Maloney, Kathy Purcell, Jerome Gendron, Jim Ferguson, Mary Maskell, Mary Kiely, Linda Bolt, Jackie Chambers, 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, John Holland, Dorothy Ceballos, L. Tanguay, Ed Michaud, Laurel Creasy Tenelshof and Nick Williams.



SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office to arrange for baptism. Baptisms during Covid-19 are to be private and will be celebrated on Saturday's at 11:00 a.m. Baptism preparation classes for parents and Godparents are being done via Zoom. Please call the parish office for details and date availability.

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.

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