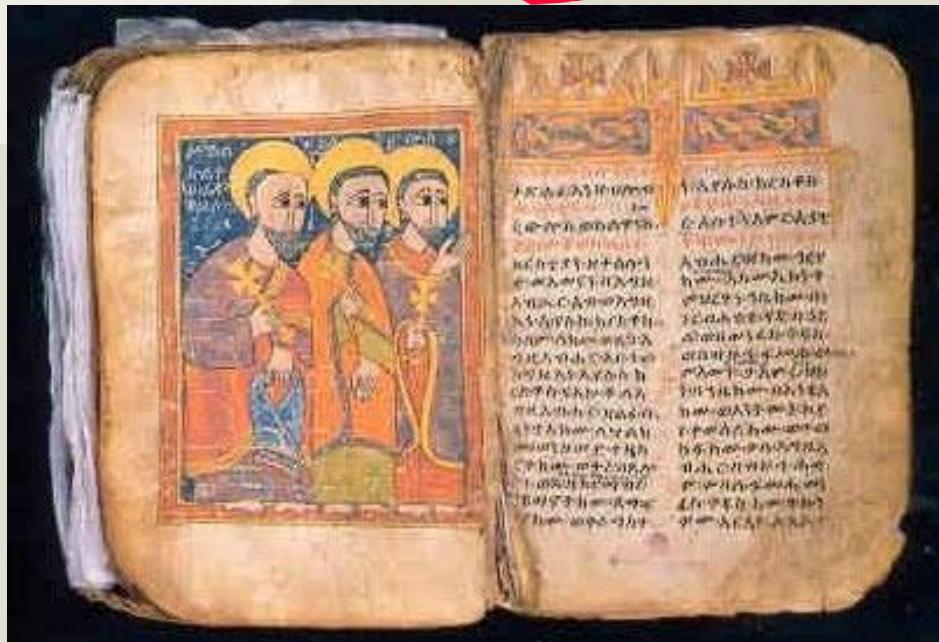


18 October 2020
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy illustration in a manuscript of the Letter to the Thessalonians

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ORTHODOXY

You can't just believe any old thing and call yourself a believer. Jews who adhere to all the traditions and commandments as legislated in the Talmud are called Orthodox Jews. Christians who adhere to the beliefs included in the scriptures and early creeds of the Church are considered orthodox. In particular, Christian Greek and Russian churches call themselves Orthodox.

The word orthodoxy comes from the Greek *όρθοδοξία*, *orthodoxia* which means righteous/correct opinion. It is composed of two Greek words—*orthos* and *doxa*. The word *orthos* literally means “straight.” In geometry we use the word *orthogonal*, which refers to something lying at a right angle. Orthodontics concerns itself with straight teeth and an orthopedist wants to make sure your skeleton is straight; literally *orthopedics* means “straight children.”

Doxa gives *orthodoxia* its double meaning, for *doxa* can mean both “opinion” and “glory.” Often, when we are thinking of orthodoxy, we think of what is a hard and fast, an unmovable set of teachings or opinions. Orthodoxy is very much about the straight, true teachings of the Church, teachings that cannot be changed. The glory meaning of *doxa* is tied to teachings that should not be changed because the orthodox faithful have a very favorable opinion of their teachings. To them they are a true splendor to behold.

A narrow understanding of orthodoxy would aim at being sure to say the traditional things correctly. But a wider appreciation of orthodoxy would include taking all the teachings to heart, making them your own, not just understanding them but treasuring them. Think of a beautiful painting that you make a big sacrifice to

purchase. You hang it prominently in your home and you never get tired of looking at it. You contemplate it every chance you get.



G. K. Chesterton

In 1908 Gilbert Keith Chesterton, one of the most celebrated and reverently esteemed figures in modern literature, wrote a whole book on *Orthodoxy* which became a classic of Christian apologetics. He considered this book a companion to his earlier work, *Heretics*. That work pointed out the mistakes in understanding that some held regarding Christian belief; his critics complained that it had been all

too negative. In his new work he states that the purpose was to "attempt an explanation, not of whether the Christian Faith can be believed, but of how he personally has come to believe it."

While we belong to a society that respects the right of each individual to his or her own opinions and beliefs, the backbone for the necessary thriving will be people who cherish their orthodoxy in all its majesty.

Msgr. Mike

MORE QUOTES FROM G. K. CHESTERTON

There are no uninteresting things, only uninterested people.

The way to love anything is to realize that it may be lost. The Bible tells us to love our neighbors, and also to love our enemies; probably because generally they are the same people.

I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought; and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder. The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried.

Do not be so open-minded that your brains fall out. Angels can fly because they can take themselves lightly.

Our Parish



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.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

2ND COLLECTION

Today, on World Mission Sunday, we respond, "Here I Am, Send Me," to our baptismal call to mission, and we offer, at the Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of Jesus. Today we are "sent" out to witness to mission in the world through our prayers and sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. As little as \$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America, \$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa and \$100 assists families in sending their children to schools in Asia. Your prayers and financial help, offered today, WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, support mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ's witnesses to a world so in need of His healing, love, and peace.

ALL SOULS

On Monday, November 2nd at 9:00 AM a special Mass will be celebrated by the priest of our parish in memory of those who have died since November 2019. A scroll bearing the names of our beloved dead from St. Anne's this past year will be on the altar during this Mass and remain in the church until the end of the month. To include the names of relatives and friends who died elsewhere during the past year for our Book of Life, please call the Parish Center by October 30th. Due to Covid-19 we will not have the Book of Life out for those to enter their names of their loved ones themselves. All Souls envelopes will be handed out at Mass this weekend for those who did not receive them in their weekly offertory envelopes. The All Souls envelopes will remain on the altar until the end of the month.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONTHLY MEETING / MEMBERSHIP

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 2nd (Zoom or Live TBD). For additional information, please contact Brian Taylor at 949-378-7454.

BLOOD AND FOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Thank you St. Anne Parishioners for responding to the call to save lives by donating blood on October 7th. We collected 74 units of blood, 100% of our goal! This quantity of blood will save up to 222 lives, which is substantial as the Red Cross struggles to avoid a nationwide blood shortage. The food drive collected 1 ton of food and \$765 for those in dire need of life's essentials. Again, THANK YOU!

"Help Us Help Those In Need"

WOMEN'S GUILD

ZOOM GENERAL MEETING WITH FR. JOHN

All parishioners of the parish are invited to join the Women's Guild online for our October 26 general meeting from 6:30-8pm. Our new Parochial Vicar, Fr. John Shimotsu, will tell us about his past experiences as a priest, a rich, varied and interesting life! The meeting will be held over Zoom. To access, download the Zoom app to your phone, IPad or on your computer go to www.Zoom.com. The meeting ID is 949-6872-7844; Password: 720879.

WOMEN'S GUILD MEMBERSHIP

As a special incentive, we are offering free Women's Guild membership for the months of November and December if your annual dues are paid by the end of October. Dues are \$25 for the year of 2021 and can be sent to St. Anne's Church, 340 - 10th St., Seal Beach, CA 90740. Attention: Jolinda Mailangi, Women's Guild Membership. You may call Jolinda for more information at 714-655-6348.

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER LEADING US

Finally, put your leadership skills to good work and help out the Women's Guild by volunteering for one of the Guild Board positions available President or Vice President. You will get a lot of support from other Board members, meet new friends, and be of great service to your church. If interested, please call Monica Caliri at 562-761-1527.

Calendar

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCT. 18TH

8:00 Mass
10:00 Mass
4:00 Mass
5:00—Youth Ministry, C2

MONDAY, OCT. 19TH

8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass
9:45—1:30—Private Prayer in the Church
4:00—Faith Formation, grs. 6-8

TUESDAY, OCT. 20TH

8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass
9:45—1:30—Private Prayer in the Church
3:00—Faith Formation, grs. 1-5

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21ST

8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass
9:45—1:30—Private Prayer in the Church

THURSDAY, OCT. 22ND

8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass
9:45—1:30—Private Prayer in the Church

FRIDAY, OCT. 23RD

8:00—Holy Hour
8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass

SATURDAY, OCT. 24TH

8:30—Confessions
9:00 Mass
2:00 Wedding
5:00 Mass

EUCARISTIC EXPOSITION

“Exposition of the Holy Eucharist leads us to acknowledge Christ’s marvelous presence in the sacrament and invites us to the spiritual union with him that culminates in sacramental communion” (Ceremonial, 1102).

Exposition is offered in the Church at 8 AM every Friday with Benediction at 8:50 AM. As required by health directives, since it is inside, singing by a leader is permitted but not by the congregation. Prayers may be recited by persons with masks.

OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS

Answers to your questions about our obligation to attend Mass.

1. What is a “Dispensation”?

It is “the relaxation of a merely ecclesiastical (Church) law in a particular case.”

2. Who does the Bishop foresee possibly making use of the dispensation from physically attending Sunday Mass?

- *Those who are over the age of 65;*
- *Those who have an underlying health condition;*
- *Those who are truly fearful that they might contract the virus; in this case, “truly fearful” is defined as those who have not gone out to a restaurant or visited people with whom they do not live since March, 2020.*

3. What is expected of a Catholic who makes use of the dispensation for a legitimate reason?

Since the Bishop has no authority to dispense from a Divine Law, in this case, the commandment requiring us to keep the Lord’s Day holy, one may consider the Divine Law fulfilled if, from 4 p.m. the Saturday before or on Sunday itself he/she: watches a Sunday Mass on television or via live-stream (visit www.rcbo.org for a complete list); or spends at least 30 minutes in prayer, by saying the Rosary, reading the Scriptures or participating in another pious activity.

4. Is there anything else I should know?

Yes, the faithful are expected to adhere to the expectations laid out in canon 222 §1, that is, “to assist with the needs of the Church.” Financial support of one’s parish is essential whether one physically attends Mass or not.



“Mary was the most perfect among the saints only because she was always perfectly united to the will of God.”

— ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

Around our Diocese

HOPE AND HEALING

CRISIS HOTLINE 714-639-4673

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.

HOPE & HEALING AFTER ABORTION

This ministry provides emotional, spiritual, and sacramental support to women who have had an abortion, significant others who were part of the decision to abort, as well as professionals who may have assisted in this procedure. All conversations are held in the strictest confidence. To speak with a companion minister who has been specifically trained in this very sensitive area of ministry, please call 1-800-722-4356.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF OC

The Mental Health Association of Orange County is dedicated to improving the quality of life of Orange County residents impacted by mental illness through direct service, advocacy, education and information dissemination. 714-668-1530, www.mhaoc.org.



Contact Lucy Dominguez at
ldominguez@rcbo.org

Marriage Encounter Virtual Experience



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LET'S FALL IN LOVE
AGAIN.**

November 7 & 8, 2020
ocwwme.org



Worldwide Marriage Encounter OC invites married couples to a virtual marriage enrichment experience to Restore, Rekindle, and Renew your marriage! Due to the current public health crisis, the usual weekend retreat has been replaced by a virtual experience on November 7-8, 2020. It's the same great content to make marriage better, to improve communication, and to deepen the intimacy between husbands and wives.

To register, go to Worldwide Marriage Encounter's website or call 714-873-5136.

RESPECT LIFE WEBINAR

Although this year's October Respect Life Month will look different given ongoing precautions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are pleased to be able to provide a new and unique opportunity. We are co-sponsoring, along with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, a Respect Life Month Speaker Series of webinars. Speakers and topics include:

- “How Do Americans Think and Feel About Abortion?: Findings from the Notre Dame McGrath Institute Abortion Attitudes Study,” with Jessica Keating, 10/20, 10 a.m.
- “Addressing Mental Health Challenges During the COVID-19 Pandemic,” with Aaron Khieraty, 10/22, 6 p.m.
- “Care, Prepare, and Connect: Caring for the Whole Person at the End of Life’s Journey,” with Patty Barnett Mouton; 2 sessions: 10/24, 10 a.m., and 10/29 at 6 p.m.

For more information and to register for webinars, visit the RCBO [Respect Life Month website](#).

Our Faith

MASS INTENTIONS

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| 10/18 | 8am | †Troy Hardin |
| | 10am | For the Parish |
| 10/19 | 9am | †Coleta P. Garay |
| 10/20 | 9am | Ivan Nikolic |
| 10/21 | 9am | †Connie Orante Bersamira |
| 10/22 | 9am | †Don Alvarado |
| 10/23 | 9am | Joseph Biscan |
| 10/24 | 9am | †Mike Harvey |
| | 5pm | †Vicente G. Alcantara
(†Rest in God's love and peace) |

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



Fr. Bob Vidal, Greg Walgenbach, Katherine Anderson, Mike Dunn, Sherry Dunn, Phil Fisher, Margaret Bennett, Bob Ragland, Jack Kimminau, Jeff Ballas, Lynette Rausch, Hal Noring, Sharon Casserly, Katia Bergstrom, Jackie Maloney, 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, 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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK



The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is not just for the end of life. It is the Sacrament for the healing of body and soul that is administered to the faithful who begin to fall into danger because of illness, wounds, or the vulnerabilities of age. As we deal with the threat of COVID-19, those among the faithful whose risk of infection is higher due to underlying health conditions or being over the age of 65 are also encouraged to request the Sacrament of the Sick.

Please contact the parish via e-mail pv@stannesealbeach.org or phone (562) 431-0721 ext 13.

"You can't go to heaven hating somebody. Forgive now. Be compassionate now. Be patient now. Be grateful now. Love Jesus and Mary now. Accept God's will now."
— MOTHER ANGELICA

TENDING TO THE FLOCK

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.

Pastoral Care:

If you, or someone you know would like to have a pastoral visit or wish to have their name placed on our prayer net or in the bulletin please contact the Parish Office.

Confession:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered from 8:30 AM until 8:50 AM Monday through Saturday in room 1 in the parish hall.

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