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THIRTIETH Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 18:14

October 23 2022

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Mass Times

"BIG CHURCH" MCKEAN RD

Sunday Mass:
8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass:

"LITTLE CHURCH" BERTRAM RD

Saturday Vigil:
4:00 P.M.

We welcome visitors and newcomers to St. Anthony Parish. We encourage new parishioners to register as parish members and become active in our parish community. Registration forms are available on Web Site.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank you all who came last weekend to church! For the first time in 2 years since the pandemic, we had ***Hospitality Sunday***, and we also held our **Ministry Fair**. If you were here last Sunday, you saw the many people who I invited to the front of the altar and heard me stressing the importance of volunteer work here at St. Anthony's Church. I thank you all who are involved in one way or another in the life of our parish, sharing with our community the gifts and talents you have received from God. **You are a true blessing!** I also want to thank all those who signed up for the different types of ministries at our church. We are very excited that so many of you decided to step in and make a difference in our parish. Some of you have seen two new ministries being presented: **Men's Club** and **Women's Club**. The idea of calling those two clubs into life came at the last moment before that Sunday. I will ask the Pastoral Council to help to provide a description of the purpose of those two clubs and I hope that the new members will truly enjoy belonging to these clubs.

There is one more thing I would like to share with you. A few people have contacted me asking **not to pray during the Mass** one of the Prayers of the Faithful, **"That we unite in prayer and action to defeat Prop 1. which proposes the most permissive abortion laws in the country. We pray to the Lord."** The reasoning of this request was: *we should not be political*; *there should be a separation of church and state, etc*. I would like to remind all concerned that this prayer is a response to a call coming from our spiritual leader, Bishop Oscar Cantu who called on *"all Catholics throughout the diocese* ***to unite in prayer and action to defeat Prop 1".*** Here is his letter from August 26, 2022:

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we continue our journey as a local Church here in our Diocese of San Jose, we are working to increase support for pregnant and parenting women, their children, and families and protect the sanctity of every human life at every stage. The state legislature passed a bill, which Governor Newsom has signed, which will be placed before voters on November 8th (or sooner, for mail-in ballots and early voting). Proposition 1 is both egregious and dangerous for two simple reasons: the bill's broad language enshrines a right to late-term abortions (which most Californians agree should be limited) in the state constitution; and it will use taxpayer funds to administer them.

The California Catholic Conference has joined a broad coalition of Californians to defeat Prop 1. Defeating Prop 1 will allow the present California abortion laws to stand, which are already among the most permissive in the country. Most Californians prefer the status quo in California rather than the extreme law that Prop 1 would enshrine.

I, therefore, call on all Catholics throughout the diocese to unite in prayer and action to defeat Prop 1. Please visit www.CAcatholic.org/Prop1 to find answers to common questions and resources to help defeat this misleading, expensive, and unnecessary ballot initiative. I invite all Catholics in the Diocese of San José to support this effort with prayers, fasting, financial contributions, sharing resources with friends and family, reaching out to your designated Parish Leads, and any other means possible. My brother bishops and I will be journeying with you in this effort as we take the prayerful lead in a novena for the defeat of Prop 1.

Yours in Christ, Most Rev. Oscar Cantú Bishop of San José

On top of this appeal made by our Bishop I would like the Catholic faithful to remember the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church that says in nr 2270 following: *"**Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person - among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life. Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you."*** That is the Church's position that recognizes the individual as human from conception until death and that position is supported by natural law.
In nr 2271 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, it says, ***"Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable."***

In our culture there is often a battle between objective and subjective morality. This clash doesn't occur on battlefields, but in legislatures, court rooms, schools, churches, workplaces, neighborhoods, and consciences. Each person - especially the unborn - is important in this struggle. **We Catholics should know and follow the Church's teaching regarding abortion, even take a stand for our convictions when necessary.** As a Catholic priest I do stand with my whole being behind this teaching (shouldn't we all?), as does our Bishop Oscar Cantu, and I will always respectfully refuse any requests – especially coming from the Catholics- for not praying in the church for the rights of the unborn.

Blessings of peace,
Fr. Tad

Mass Intentions ~ October 22 - October 28

Saturday, Oct 22	4:00 p.m.	All Parishioners of St Anthony
Sunday, Oct 23	8:30 a.m.	Dan Morrison †
Sunday, Oct 23	10:30 a.m.	Cecilia Tran (Si)
Tuesday, Oct 25	8:00 a.m.	Open
Wednesday, Oct 26	8:00 a.m.	Pat Gainor †
Thursday, Oct 27	8:00 a.m.	Catherine & Monica Nguyen (Si)
Friday, Oct 28	8:00 a.m.	Open

John Haugh, Joanne McMillen, Denzil Rout Jr, Stephanie Procker, Barbara Holtsnider, Mary Morrison, Heidi, Preston, Jeff Verne, Dustin Taylor, Kathy Thrash, Colleen Denver Walczykowski, MaryAnn Fox, Mary Jane Dias, Chris Thrash, Roger Rayundo, Todd Ericson, Mary Sheehan, Charles Roig, Tony Elliot, Diego Pelayo, Juanita Elizabeth Croker, Luca Colacino, Janice Page, Tracy Riffe, Carolyn Hackett, Kathy Zwibelman, Sean Banchero, Dale Anderson, Rose Flowers, Sally Pfeiffer, Matt Cesario, Jack Williams

To add a name to the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office: churchstanthony@dsj.org

ANOINTING & CARE OF THE SICK

† If you or someone you know is preparing for surgery, received a recent serious medical diagnosis, or is experiencing the burden of years, please call the Parish Office for Anointing of the Sick.

† Communion can be brought to anyone who is ill or homebound through our Pastoral Care Ministers **or every First Friday of the month by Fr. Tad**, please call the Parish

CELEBRATION OF LIFE - FRIENDLY REMINDER

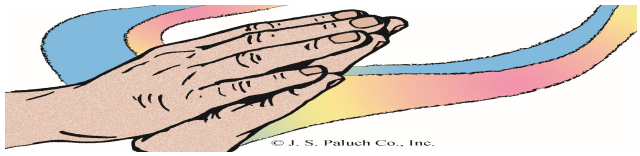
As Catholic Christians, our funeral and memorial celebrations enable the Christian community to mourn, as well as to hope by focusing on the mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ.

Please, first contact the Parish Office or Fr. Tad if you are planning a Funeral Mass or a Memorial Mass for a loved one at St. Anthony Church.

You will be provided with our necessary guidelines which are established to assist in effectively preparing the funeral rites with individuals and families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday:	Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Saturday:	Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday:	Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Mission Sunday
Monday:	St. Anthony Mary Claret
Friday:	Ss. Simon and Jude
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

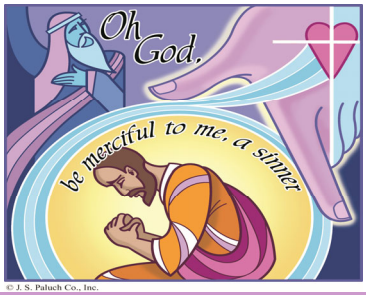
PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:
How would I change if my faith, hope, and charity were to increase? How would I behave differently?

ALWAYS FAITHFUL

Whether you like it or not, you will always grow apart from human beings. Christ is faithful and always with you. —St. John of God



All Saint's - November 1, 2022
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass at McKean Church
6:30 P.M.

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

October 23, 2022

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 | 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 | Lk 18:9-14

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I love baseball. Have you ever seen a batter strike out three times straight, only to hit a game-winning home run or base hit on his fourth at-bat? It doesn't happen often, but when it does, the victory is all the sweeter! I do not believe God actually influences the outcome of baseball games (well, maybe a little; I'm a Cubs fan after all). But I do believe ours is a God who stands by us even in the worst of slumps. Like St. Paul, the key is to keep the faith even when life throws us curveballs, as it inevitably will. If we approach the Lord with the perseverance of Paul and the humility of the tax collector, he will give us the strength we need to finish the race. We can make an effort to approach each day with gratitude, knowing the Lord is always at our side.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you heard of Blessed Solanus Casey? He became a Capuchin Franciscan priest, but because of his academic difficulties his ministry was limited. Ordained a "simplex priest," he could say Mass but not preach or hear confessions. And so he was assigned to become a porter, or "doorkeeper." Rather than complain, Father Solanus embraced this ministry. "He was always ready and willing to listen to anyone any time of the day or night," according to the biography read at his beatification in 2017. Because of his humility and holiness, people from all walks of life were drawn to him, often waiting hours to greet him at the door of St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit. Hearing today's reading about the prideful Pharisee and the humble tax collector brought his story to mind. Through this parable, Jesus challenges us to approach God and others with humility, understanding that all we are and all we do come from God. We don't have to be the "first," the "best," or the "brightest" – but simply need to ask God to help us grow in love and faith.

ACT Read about Blessed Solanus and recite the "Canonization Prayer," which asks God: "May your will be done in my life today."

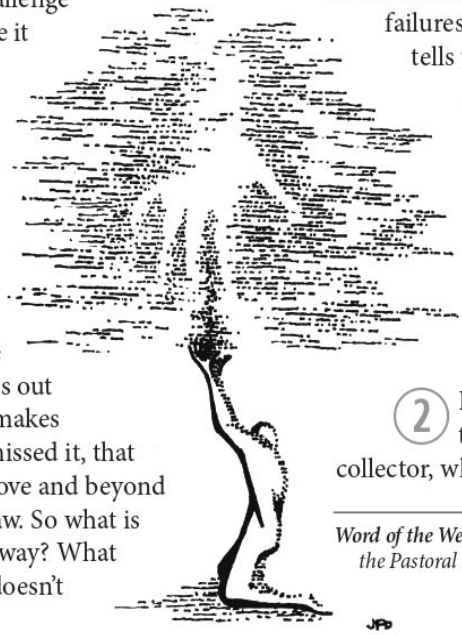
Confronting Arrogance

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 - The God of justice
- 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 - Reward for fidelity
- Luke 18:9-14 - The pharisee and the tax collector

After the Gospel passage last week in which Jesus reminded his disciples that God hears the cries of those who call out to him "day and night" (like the widow in the parable), the first reading today makes the same point. God hears the cry of the weak, the oppressed, and the vulnerable. However, Sirach insists God shows "no favorites" and is a God of justice. Jesus will drive that point home in the Gospel reading, once again reminding his hearers that human ways are not always God's ways.

Immediately we know who Jesus' audience is in this Gospel reading: "those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else," usually identified as the scribes and Pharisees. As in other places in the Gospels, Jesus is not shy about confronting arrogance and judgmentalism when he sees it. He consistently speaks to people what they need to hear, building them up when they have been beaten down by life, and taking people down a peg when they need that. Last week, his words offered encouragement for his followers to persist when life is difficult. This week it is a challenge to those who think they have it all together and don't need God's mercy because they do everything right.



Ironically, the "prayer" of the Pharisee in this parable isn't really even directed at God. He is speaking to himself and telling God how well he compares to the sinful tax collector he notices out of the corner of his eye. He makes sure to boast, lest God has missed it, that his fasting and tithing go above and beyond what is required by Jewish law. So what is the point of his "prayer" anyway? What does he want from God? It doesn't seem he has any need *for* God or anything *from* God. He is so full of himself and his own accomplishments; there is no room left in him for God. He goes home without receiving any gifts from God—because he doesn't think he needs any.

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"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Sheepish Question:

Without dressing myself up, how would I rate saint-wise?

The tax collector, on the other hand, knows his life is a mess and knows he needs God's mercy. His prayer is addressed straight to God, without comparing himself to the Pharisee nearby. He focuses on his own failures and asks for what he needs: mercy. Jesus tells us that he goes home having received the gift.

Questions of the Week

1. Which kind of message do you most need to hear from Jesus at this point in your life, encouragement or challenge? Or is there something else you need to hear more?

2. If you were to go to God in prayer today as honestly and humbly as the tax collector, what would you ask for?

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St. Anthony's Trunk Or Treat

Plan to join us on **Sunday, October 30th from 6:30pm to 8pm** for our Annual Trunk or Treat Community event. Flyers are available in the vestibule with instructions on how you can get involved. If you haven't ever participated in this fun event, please consider participating this year. More cars, means more candy for the kiddos, which results in a bigger impact on our community. We hope to see everyone there - either handing out candy from your car's trunk or dressed in costume - trunk or treating! **Remember everyone is welcome, bring your friends, family, and neighbors.**

Can't make it - consider donating a bag of candy!
Drop-offs can made at the Parish office

Last weekend was Hospitality Sunday and our Ministry Fair. Thank you all for a great response and turnout

YOUTH MINISTRY

Religious Education Program for 2nd - 5th!

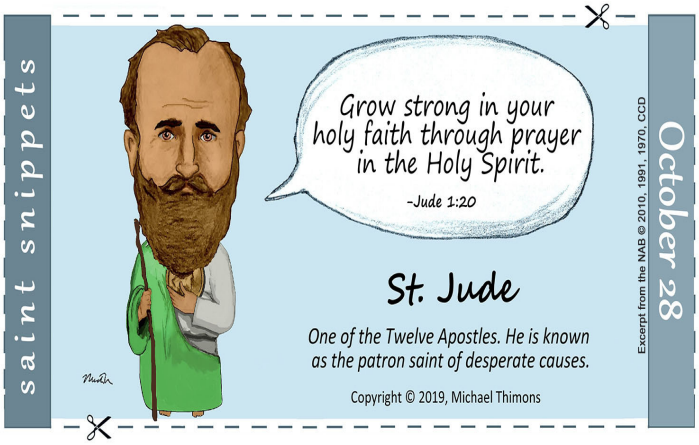
Contact the parish office to register today!

Registration Fees:
One Student - $80
Two Students - $160
Three or more Students - $240

Youth Ministry and Confirmation

Also, **join our Youth Ministry Group and Confirmation.** We gather at 7pm on Monday's at the Little Cottage. Contact the office for more information.

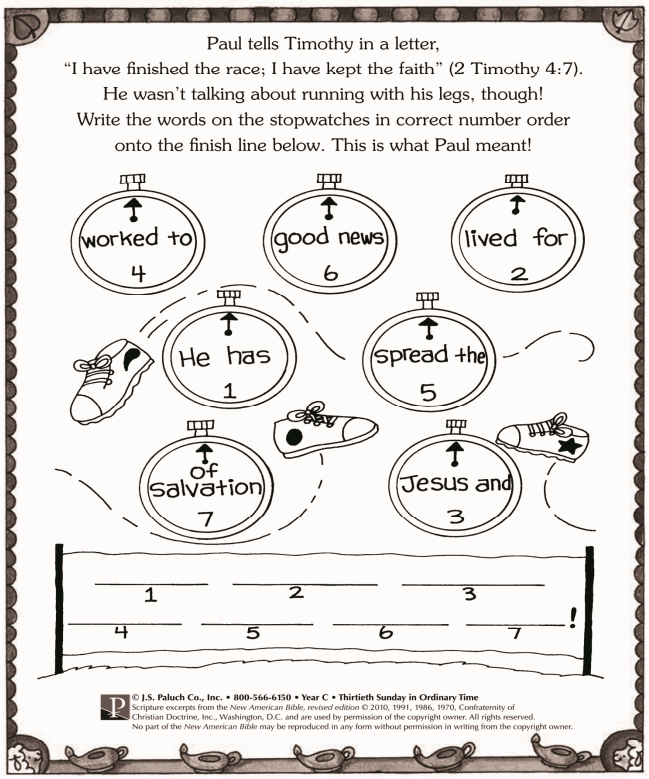
You are all Welcome!

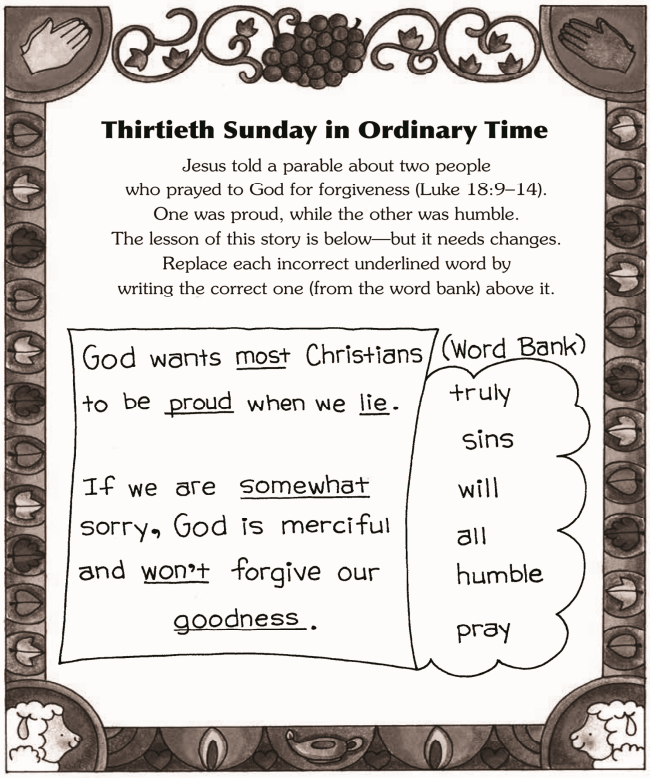


National Catholic Youth Conference
November 10-12, 2022

NCYC held on the West Coast! Join is a powerfully unique three-day experience of prayer, community, evangelization, catechesis, service, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (of high school age) and their adult chaperones. NCYC is the premiere Catholic youth event on a national scale that gathers people from all across America for a life-changing encounter with Christ. www.dsj.org/ncyc For registration email Mary at mary.jewell@dsj.org

God's Word for Children





A Year of Light or Perpetual Memorial Light for my loved one

You can remember a loved one in a special way by donating a perpetual candle in their name for 1 year in St. Anthony Church. Your loved one's name will be placed on a small metal plaque below your candle. Forms are available in the vestibule or you can call the parish office for information (408) 997-4800.

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CALLING ALL MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

The 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM choirs are looking to recruit more singers and musicians. We are especially looking for another pianist to help at our Masses. Please consider sharing your talent and joining us in praising God through music.

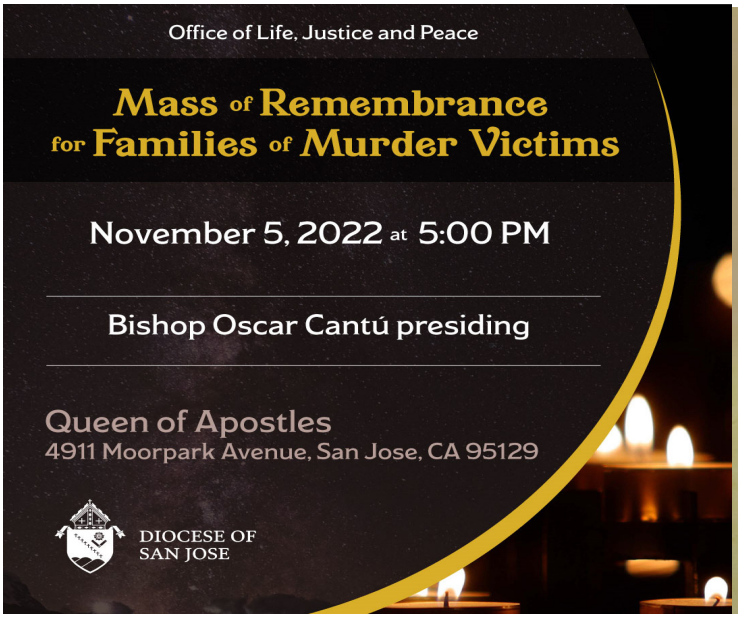
Rehearsals for the 8:30 AM Mass are on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM and Sundays before Mass at 7:30 AM. Rehearsals for the 10:30 AM Mass (The Band Fearless) are on Thursdays at 7:00 PM and Sundays before Mass at 9:45 AM.

For more information, contact Denise Delong at denisedelong68@gmail.com or speak to a choir member after Mass.

Starting A New Ministry of Brotherhood Bikers

All parishioners who have motorcycles are invited to join a new ministry at St. Anthony.
Together with Fr. Tad you will meet periodically at St. Anthony's church and plan a motorcycle trip to a not that far-off destination with beautiful scenery. The goal is to enjoy the trip itself, feel the gratitude for the beauty of scenery and for God's blessings in our lives.
Please reach out to Fr. Tad for more information.

We hope you consider joining this exciting ministry!



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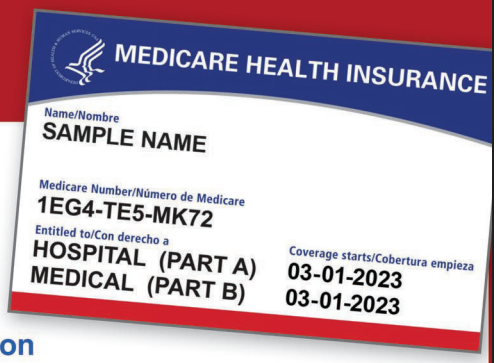

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SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEK: 10/16/2022

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All Saints & Souls Day
November 1, 2022

Our tradition encourages prayer for all the souls of those who have gone before us. Please remember these people in your prayers.

These loved ones and many others will be remembered in all Masses celebrated in our parish during the month of November and in a special novena of Masses beginning Tuesday, November 1st.

Please email or drop off your names at the office to add to the Book of the Names of the Dead.

Welcome to St. Anthony Catholic Church! We are so glad you joined us today.

Welcome

Would you like to register or learn more about our community? We would love to connect with you.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Preferred method of contact:

Home Phone: _____ ☐ Email ☐ Phone

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Please drop this card at the Information Table in the foyer.
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