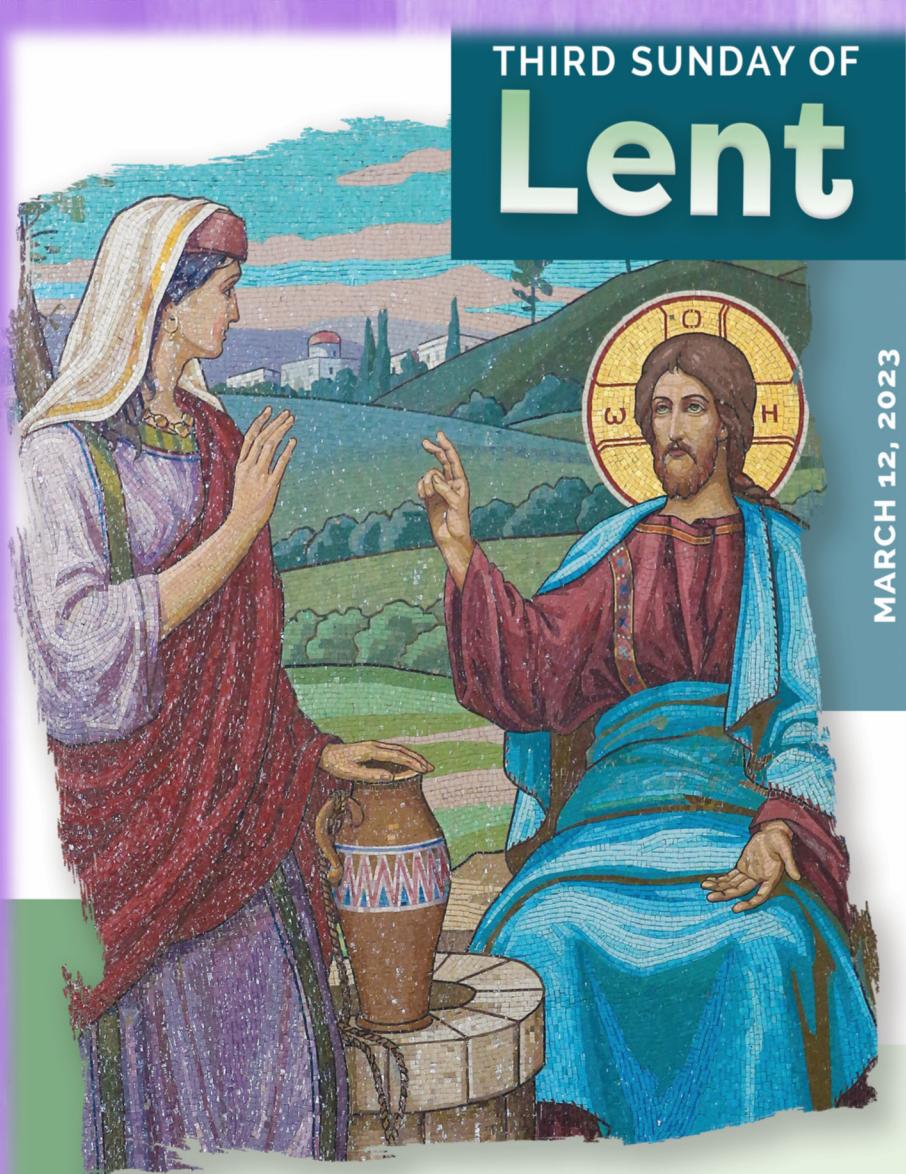




# Saint Anne Catholic Church



## THIRD SUNDAY OF **Lent**

MARCH 12, 2023

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John 4:14

### CONTACT

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday

Monday-Saturday: 8:00am  
Wednesday: 7:30 pm  
First Friday: 7:30 pm  
(except during Lent)

#### Weekend

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am  
12:00 pm & 5:00 pm

#### Youth Mass

Every 2nd and 4th Sundays  
at 5:00 pm

#### Spanish Mass

Every 2nd Sunday at 2:00 pm

#### Indonesian Mass

Every 3rd Sunday at 2:00 pm

#### Exposition and Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday after the end of  
8:00 am Mass to noon  
(except First Friday)

## Sacramental Information

### **Reconciliation**

**Saturdays at 3:30 PM**

Please proceed to the reconciliation room in the church or call the Rectory Office for appointment.

### **Baptism**

**Monthly**

We offer the Rite of Baptism for Infants monthly (except during the Lenten season). Please visit [www.saintannecatholic.org/baptism](http://www.saintannecatholic.org/baptism) for all information. Registration must be made with the Parish Office. Space is limited on a first come per served basis.

### **Christian Burial**

**At Need**

Funerals and the Rite of Christian Burial are made in conjunction with the Mortuary of your choosing. Please contact the Mortuary first. Due to the current State and County Health Orders, restrictions may apply. Our clergy are available to celebrate Vigil services as well.

### **Holy Matrimony**

**Varies**

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to your wedding date to begin the marriage preparation required by the Diocese of Oakland. Due to the current State and County Health Orders, restrictions may apply.

### **Holy Orders**

**By Call**

Is God calling you to the Priesthood, Diaconate, or Religious Life? God doesn't call the qualified. He qualifies the called.

Call us today to setup a discussion with one of our clergy where you can continue discerning God's call.

### **Holy Communion**

**Ongoing**

We have a few programs available for those who have not yet received their First Eucharist. Please see our Faith Formation sections for more information.

### **Confirmation**

**Ongoing**

We have a few programs available for those who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please see our Faith Formation sections for more information.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

**Request**

If you or someone you know are in need of receiving the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call our parish office to schedule.

## Hours of Operation

### **Parish Office**

*Phone calls and in person visits*

*(outside counter)*

Monday-Thursday

9:00 AM-7:00 PM

Friday

9:00 AM-5:00PM

Please ring the red bell for service.

Come visit us for Mass Intentions, Votive Candles ,etc.  
We look forward to seeing you!

## **New to Saint Anne?**

**Welcome! To register, please visit our Parish Office or register online at [www.saintannecatholic.org](http://www.saintannecatholic.org)**

**We are here to serve you!**

## **Our Parish Vision**

**Patterned in the spirituality of Saint Anne, we aspire to be an all-embracing, Christ-centered Catholic community fostering collaboration, cooperation, and communion with each other.**

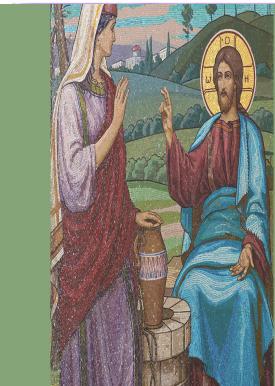
## **Our Parish Mission**

**We, the people of Saint Anne Parish are called to be witness of our Catholic Faith.**

- We are called to faithfully listen, live, and grow in our understanding; and evangelize the message of Jesus.
- United, we gather together to ensure that our Eucharistic celebrations are welcoming, vibrant and meaningful.
- We uphold the dignity of the human person, the importance of family, and the common good of our society, so that our nation may continue to be transformed by the saving power of Christ.
- By virtue of our common priesthood through Baptism, we carry out our missionary endeavor to share the gifts God has given us to the homeless, hungry, and underprivileged in our community.

## **Our Parish Prayer**

**Loving and eternal God, we gather in thanksgiving as your people of Saint Anne Parish, listening to your word and celebrating the presence of your Son, Jesus, in the bread and wine we share. Teach us to love and serve each other as Jesus loved and served us. Guide us with the Holy Spirit so that we may become worthy to be one in the Body of Christ. Amen.**



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## THIRST

There is thirst, as we feel when we need a glass of water, and then there is the sort of thirst about which Jesus speaks with the Samaritan woman at the well. The conversation started on the level of the sort of thirst that is quenched by a soothing drink. Yet, the conversation between Jesus and the woman quickly became about a deeper sort of thirst, the yearning for spiritual nourishment. The Israelites fussed about being thirsty, yet their thirst also had a spiritual dimension. Was the Lord with them or not, they wondered? On this Third Sunday of Lent, the elect participate in the first of three scrutinies as they prepare for the living waters of baptism. We share their thirst and open our hearts to the living water that Jesus offers, the water of life, hope, and peace.

## ARE YOU THIRSTY?

Do you feel unsettled or sense that life is about more than the daily details that fill your time, energy, and attention? Are you anxious or worried and yearn for peace? Is there an ache in your heart that longs for relief? The thirst for meaning, purpose, peace, and solace is real. We humans have a tendency to seek relief from such thirst with wealth, material things, or social status, failing to recognize that these things are fleeting. We may distract ourselves with constant activity, keeping ourselves busy and preoccupied rather than allowing ourselves to acknowledge the yearning in our hearts. We fail to see that only Christ can quench our thirst.

## LET JESUS QUENCH YOUR THIRST

It was likely hot in the midday sun on the day that Jesus encountered the woman at the well. Scholars tell us that she must have been shunned by the other women in the community, leading her to avoid the cooler early morning time when others filled their jugs. Add to this that Jews and Samaritans shared longstanding animosity toward one another. No wonder she was surprised and perplexed when Jesus asked for a drink. Yet she did not run away. Jesus sought her out and she opened her heart and mind to his offer of salvation. Jesus seeks us out, too. Our Lord desires that we open our hearts and minds to the fullness of love, forgiveness, mercy, and peace that is only found in God. For what do you thirst at this time? Compassion, justice, consolation? Only Christ can truly quench your thirst. Jesus desires to do so. Open your heart today: "hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:5).

## TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17:3-7  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

## The Word of the Lord Weekly

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

**Psalm** — Listen to God's voice today; be not hard-hearted (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

**Gospel** — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	<u>Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab;</u> Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins
Friday:	St. Patrick; Abstinence
Saturday:	St. Cyril of Jerusalem

### OUR FASCINATING FAITH

#### The Three Lenten Disciplines: Prayer

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are not specifically Christian practices. Jewish piety, from which the primitive church developed, already included these three spiritual exercises. The Muslims also include these three in the five pillars of their Islamic faith. But it is Jesus himself who invites us to practice these three pillars of conversion. He reminds us that they are not done to "show off" that we are holier than everyone else. On the contrary, fasting, charitable works, and praying are done with humility (Matthew 6:1-6; 16-21). It is challenging, but we are not discouraged because the Holy Spirit comes to our aid.

The Lenten discipline of prayer can be thought of in two ways. For Christians, to pray in the first way is to speak like children to God, who loves us as mother, father, sibling, and friend. When speaking to God, we tell God what we have inside us, trusting that our words are the ones that most please God. The second approach to prayer means proclaiming with confidence our fears, problems, joys, and yearnings to God, knowing that God loves and hears us. Praying either way means spending time with God, at times talking, at times silent, but always with the assurance that we are loved.



### **St. Anne Confirmation**

St. Anne Confirmation candidates will meet this Sunday, March 12 at 2:30 p.m. Candidates are reminded that this is also a SPONSOR class as well, so be sure to have your Sponsor attend. Youth Mass will follow at 5:00 p.m.

### **St. Anne Youth Ministry**

St. Anne Youth Ministry will meet on Monday, March 13 with the theme for the third week of Lent: "We Thirst For God." All high school Youth Ministry students are reminded to bring their Lenten journals to the Youth Ministry meeting.



### **LENTEN OBSERVANCE**

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat and meat products. This law obliges everyone who is 14 years of age and older, **Good Friday** is a day of fast and abstinence (one full meal, two lesser meals, no meat, no eating between meals). The law of fasting obliges all persons who are between the ages of 18-59.



### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**PLEASE COME  
AND  
JOIN US  
THIS FRIDAY,  
MARCH 17, 2023  
AT 7:00 PM**

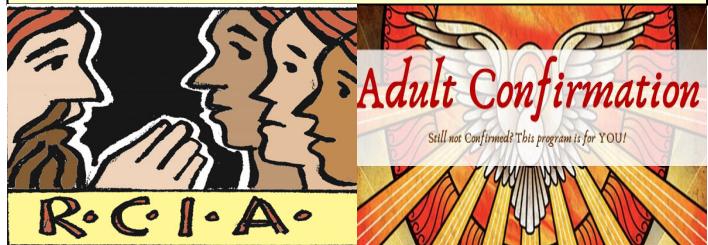
### **2022-2023 Children Faith Formation**

Children Faith Formation (Grades 1- 8)

#### **In Person Office Hours:**

Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM  
Monday & Wednesday – by appointment only  
Phone: (510) 471-7766 ext. 20

Email: [cff@saintannecatholic.org](mailto:cff@saintannecatholic.org)



### **RCIA/ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

March 11

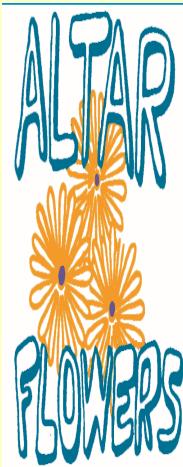
Catholic Social Teaching II

March 18

Last Things

March 25

Retreat - Confession



### **Art & Environment Group Flower Fund**

We are accepting all year round donations towards floral arrangements or potted plants to beautify our church sanctuary. You may drop off your donation at the Parish Office or send by mail. For information or special requests such as dates, colors, or events(e.g.,anniversary, birthday, memorial, etc.), please call Zella at the Rectory Office 510-471-7766. Thank you!!!

### **2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Please contact the parish office at 510-471-7766 if you would like a statement of your contributions made to the church for your income tax reports. Leave you name, address, phone number and email address and your statement will be emailed or mailed to you. Thank you!

### Prayer Corner



**March 11, 2023 - MARCH 18, 2023**

**Saturday, March 11**

5:00 pm † Teresita Merced

**Sunday, March 12**

8:00 am † Norberto Jovero, Sr.

10:00 am For the People

12:00 pm † Marciano Duterte

5:00 pm Gregory Cheng - Spe. Int.

**Monday, March 13**

8:00 am † Luzviminda Canuto Reyes

**Tuesday, March 14**

8:00 am † Irineo Yanos

**Wednesday, March 15**

8:00 am † Ranier Valdes

7:30pm † Beltram Hidalgo

**Thursday, March 16**

8:00 am † Danilo Yanga

**Friday, March 17**

8:00 am † Pedro Guillermo

**Saturday, March 18**

8:00 am † Fe Ignacio

5:00 pm † Maria Rezentes

**Pray for ...**

We lift up our sick and home bound in prayer:

Cindy Abapo	Cora Maganito Gutierrez	Edward Oliva
Fred Arante	Janet Lacap	Ruben Real
Rizalino De Ala	Rene Lacsina	Lourdes A. Reyes
Evangeline Co	Maela Geronino Lee	Leonardo Sabado
Cynthia Dang	Joel Libiran	Danny Sancho
Deven Decena	Marissa Magno	Anita Solis
Arlene Diaz	Francisco Mararac	Jocelyn D.Tibayan
Nancy French	Jovita Marquez	Deity Trocino
		Tomas Valenton III

**PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO INCLUDE NAMES AND PROVIDE A CONTACT SO OUR MINISTERS CAN FOLLOW-UP. NAMES WILL BE CLEARED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.**

To request Special Intentions of the Mass, Memorial intentions, intentions for the sick, or intentions for recently deceased, please contact the parish office.

### Stewardship Corner

**Sunday, MARCH 12, 2023**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Weekly Collection Goals**

Sunday, March 5, 2023	\$ 10,507.00
Online Giving	\$ 5,827.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,334.00</b>
Budget	\$ 14,000.00
Over (Under)	\$ 2,334.00

We appreciate your generous support of our parish.

**COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEKS OF**

	<b>Feb. 21 - 27</b>	<b>Feb. 28 - Mar. 6</b>
<b>Plate Collections</b>	\$ 8,472.61	\$ 10,507.00
<b>Online Giving</b>	\$ 3,955.00 (corrected)	\$ 5,827.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,427.61</b> (corrected)	<b>\$ 16,334.00</b>



**I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS**  
BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2023

The Bishop's Ministries Appeal supports the ministries that go out into the parishes: faith formation and evangelization, CYO sports, formation of priests to serve parishioners, care of the retired priests, and meeting the unexpected needs of schools and parishes. We invite you to learn more below about how your support makes a difference, and donate in a way that works for you – be it a recurring gift, a one-time gift, or a pledge.

**PRAY WITH US TO FURTHER CHRIST'S MISSION**

Loving and merciful God, we are your family, brothers and sisters entrusted with the mission of your Church in the Diocese of Oakland.

We call upon our blessed Mother, Queen of the World and patroness of our Diocese, to guide us as a people committed to serving the needs of all God's people, to tend the flock entrusted to our care.

Look upon us, loving Shepherd, the sheep you have redeemed by your Precious Blood. We offer you our grateful prayer and ask your blessing on all our endeavors.

Amen.

Dios amoroso y misericordioso, somos tu familia - hermanos y hermanas encomendados con la misión de tu Iglesia en la Diócesis de Oakland.

Le hacemos un llamado a nuestra Santísima Madre, Reina del Mundo y patrona de nuestra Diócesis, para que nos guíe como pueblo comprometido al servicio de las necesidades de todo el pueblo de Dios, y así apacentar el rebaño confiado a nuestro cuidado.

Oh Buen Pastor, vuelve tu mirada hacia nosotros, las ovejas que has redimido con tu Preciosa Sangre. Te ofrecemos nuestra oración en acción de gracias y pedimos tu bendición en todos nuestros emprendimientos y esfuerzos. Amén.

## Around the Parish

### **PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO SPAIN & FRANCE**

Fr. Bart would like to invite you to a Pilgrimage Tour to the Marian Shrines in Spain and France such as Our Lady of Montserrat, Our Lady of the Pillar, Our Lady of Lourdes, Sagrada Familia Basilica, Loyola, Mont St. Michael, St. Therese De Lisieux & etc. on May 5-16, 2023. For more information and reservations, please contact: **Kri8 Tours Inc.**

Violy @510-673-4118

Ruby Wight call/text 323-875-8818  
email: ruby@kri8tours.com



St. Anne community will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary as a Parish and we ask everyone's help on the following:

1. Submit ideas how you want our community to celebrate this milestone.
2. Submit a digitally-created Logo design to commemorate the 50 years anniversary.
3. Volunteer to join the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee in the planning, preparation and implementation of events.

E-mail your ideas, Logo design, name to [50yearscommittee@saintannecatholic.org](mailto:50yearscommittee@saintannecatholic.org)



### **FREE SERVICES FOR TRI-CITY SENIORS**

We all want to thrive independently as we age, but sometimes we need a bit of support. LIFE ElderCare offers a range of services to help YOU stay healthy, independent, and connected to community. How can we help?

LIFE ElderCare provides:  
Nutritious, home-delivered meals  
(Meals on Wheels)

Assisted transportation Visits & companionship  
In-home exercise & minor home modifications. Help finding services, Medication management & more. For more information about our services or to sign up, please call 510-894-0370, [emailinfo@LifeElderCare.org](mailto:emailinfo@LifeElderCare.org), or visit [www.LifeElderCare.org](http://www.LifeElderCare.org)

## **Pastoral Team**

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**St. Anne Church**  
is inviting you  
to an evening of prayer, reflection,  
and music  
on Mondays of Lent at  
7 pm in the church.

Based on Henri Nouwen's  
*The Return of the Prodigal Son*,  
Fr. G will reflect with us on  
our own experiences of being lost,  
our search for home, and  
God's longing to have us back.

**Mar 13th: The Elder Son Leaves  
Lost in One's Own Home**

**Mar 20th: Will the Elder Son  
Return? "The Father came out  
and...urge him to come in."**

**Mar 27th: The God Who Waits  
Running to embrace his children  
half-way**



*This Lent, be refreshed, energized, and equipped  
by the power of the Holy Spirit!*

Join us on

**Saturday March 25, 2023, 8:30am-4pm  
St.Anne Parish Social Hall**

## **Life in Christ Seminar Retreat**

This is a free event sponsored by  
Missionary Families of Christ in collaboration with  
Servants of the Holy Eucharist

**Topics:** Jesus The Messiah, Called to Witness, Repentance and Faith,  
The Gift of the Holy Spirit, Growing in the Spirit

### **Session Speakers**



For more information contact:  
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Sr. Mary Peter, ASSF



Bro. Dennis Balyut,  
MFC



Bro. Ed Pineda, MFC



*Prepare the way of the Lord!*

**Lenten Reconciliation Services**

**All Fridays of Lent after the 8:00 am daily mass  
except when funeral services are scheduled.**