

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
**1 Domingo de Adviento**

**November 29, 2009**  
**noviembre 29, 2009**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK/  
INTENCIONES SEMANALES**

**Sat:** 5:00 PM Youth of St. Anne  
**Sun:** 8:30 AM Judy Mendelson  
10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Anne  
12:30 PM Miembros vivos y difuntos de Sta. Ana  
**Mon:** 9:00 AM Elders of St. Anne  
**Tue:** 9:00 AM Youth of St. Anne  
**Wed:** 9:00 AM Families of St. Anne  
**Thurs:** 9:00 AM Edward J. Gresher  
**Sat:** 5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Anne  
**Sun:** 8:30 AM St. Vincent de Paul – St. Anne Council  
10:30 AM Elders of St. Anne  
12:30 PM Miembros vivos y difuntos de Sta. Ana

**THIS WEEK AT ST ANNE/  
ESTA SEMANA A ST. ANA 11/28/09– 12/06/09**

**Sat:** **Vigil – 1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
5:00 PM Baptism – Elijah Green  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – St. Vincent de Paul-St. Anne Conference  
**Sun:** **1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
9:30 AM Knights of Columbus  
**“PANCAKE BREAKFAST”**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – St. Vincent de Paul-St. Anne Conference  
**Mon:** 9:00 AM Hospital Communion/Sutter Delta Hospital  
5:00 PM Children’s Choir/Hall  
5:30 PM Children’s Guitar/Fireside  
6:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group/Chapel  
6:30 PM Family Faith Formation/CLC  
**Tues:** 7:00 PM Baptismal Prep/Room 2  
7:00 PM Knights of Columbus 1<sup>st</sup> Degree  
Ceremony/Fireside  
**Wed:** 12:00 PM Craft Club/Room 2  
7:00 PM Liturgy Meeting/Room 2  
7:00 PM Faith Formation Junior High/Fireside  
7:00 PM Teen Ministry/Room 1 & Hall  
7:00 PM Spanish Bible Study/Chapel  
**Thurs:** 6:00 PM Boys Ranch/Offsite  
7:00 PM Faith Community Nurses/Fireside Rm.  
7:00 PM Choir Practice/Hall  
7:30 PM Spanish Choir Practice/Chapel  
**Fri:** 7:00 PM Guadalupana Society/Room 2  
**Sat:** **Vigil – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
10:00 AM Labyrinth Walk/Hall  
5:00 PM Baptism – Hunter Busse  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Diocesan Commitment  
**Sun:** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
9:30 AM 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Prep/Room 1&2  
10:30 AM Baptism – Caleb & Chloe Elmore  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Diocesan Commitment  
Hospitality Sunday  
3:00 PM Giving Wreath Distribution

**LAST SUNDAY’S OFFERING/  
OFRENDAS DE LA SEMANA PASADA**

**“Weekly church collection results will no longer be posted in the bulletin. Instead, summary results for the previous month will be reported to the parish the first Sunday of each month.”**

St. Anne is a “Fair Share Parish.” As a Fair Share Parish we ask those who are able to give a weekly fair share offering of **\$48.00**. We also ask those who are able to prayerfully consider giving extra share for those who are unable to give. For your convenience, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) forms are available. This is an easy way to give your fair share each week. Forms are available in the foyer and office.

*Your generosity is your return to the Lord for his goodness to you. Make an investment in the reign of God today!*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS/  
LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA 11/30/09 – 12/06/09**

**Mon:** **ANDREW, APOSTLE**  
Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22  
**Tue:** **Advent Weekday**  
Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-17 Lk 10:21-24  
**Wed:** **Advent Weekday**  
Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37  
**Thurs:** **Francis Xavier, priest**  
Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1-27a Mt 7:21-27  
**Fri:** **Advent Weekday; John of Damascus, priest, doctor**  
Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1-14 Mt 9:27-31  
**Sat:** **Advent Weekday**  
Is 30:19-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35-10:1-8  
**Sun:** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-11 Lk 3:1-6

**PLEASE PRAY FOR/POR FAVOR  
REZAN POR:**

Claudia Mac Donald, Tanya, Art & Helen, Jeanette Michaelis, Rudy Silva, Jonathan Price, Donna Stone, Teresa, Eugene Machado, Christie Gouveia, Lidia Samoian, Jeanne Keyes, June Ramos, Dorothy Diaz, Patrick Buckles, Linda, Norma Macias, Pete DuBois, Bob Weber, Donna Koehler, Luisa Fong, Stan Nelson, Dominic Fruciano, Jeanette Schmid, Rick Peacock, Douglas Carr, Maureen, Gary Blackwell, Joan Wisniewski, Craig Standridge, Cynthia Morga, Narcisa Estrelles, Quincy Hernandez, Steve, Barbara Stoiber, Marge Landoline, Amada Delgado, Susan Cooper, Markie Chadwich, Mamie Lusk, Manny Jardin, Katrina, Tamara Kuehl, Sandra Lizette Arteaga, Randy Fair, Mary Kirch, Bertha Cruz, Kathryn Thomas, Dana Wilson, Carmen Galbraith, Nicholas Gordon, Lillian Flynn, Katie Kuduk, Elva Petersen, Cheryl Turner, Salvadore D’onofo, Bev Rossi, Allan Jones.

**Occasionally names are taken off the prayer list. If we have taken off the name of a person still in need of prayer, please call the office and we will gladly put them back on the list.**

**PLEASE KEEP OUR MILITARY FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYER**

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT**

“Be on guard”, Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

## FAITH FORMATION

**Cancelled: Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> Parent Meeting Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.** all of our children preparing for First Reconciliation and for First Holy Communion are encouraged to attend the 10:30am mass. Parents, please have a place in the church so your child can join you as soon as he/she is dismissed from class. The children will sing the Communion hymn.

**Let's Support the Advent Giving Wreath.** As part of the parish, this is a perfect opportunity to model for our children how we are members of this community. By helping someone else, we are sharing in the real meaning of Christmas. Let your child take a paper wreath food tag and then go with you to shop for the items.

**YES, CLASS** resumes on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> for the Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Catechist Meeting:** Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:45am in Room 2.

**On Wednesday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>,** Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offer to all parishioners. All families with children who have previously received the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) are encouraged to come this evening as a family, in preparation for the beautiful Christmas season. Reconciliation will be offered bilingually. It will begin at 7:00pm in the Community Life Center.

**Adult Faith Formation** resumes Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room.

## Catholic Action Principles *Teach the Faith*

How will the younger generation of Catholics learn about their faith? How will we be able to influence the national debate on life, peace and cultural issues? How will we be able to answer and reason with the cynics, critics and those with justifiable concerns? We must study, practice and teach our Catholic faith. Knowledge is power. As parishioners, as parents, s individuals, we must make a life long commitment to broaden and share our Catholic educations.

There is a wonderful interesting history to our faith. There is excitement and inspiration to be found in the lives of the saints. There is a deep satisfaction from the bonds we share with our priest and sisters and brothers who have served so many millions in so many places so selflessly. This is our Catholic tradition. This is our Catholic heritage; over two thousand year of service in the name of God.

Read the Bible and other books on Catholic doctrine. Study the catechism. Subscribe to Catholic magazines and newspapers. Visit Catholic websites. Watch Catholic television. Know where we have been. Know where we are now. Know where we are going, stronger and wiser.

-Bill FitzPatrick,

## TEEN MINISTRY:

*Teen Ministry mission is to help Teens become closer to Christ through the Eucharist.*

We need "at least" 3-4 more Adult (anyone over the age of 19) volunteers. There are 60 active teens involved and 35 that are attending on a regular basis this year. Please contact Michelle Castinado at 925-240-1832 if you love Jesus and teenagers for more information. Time commitment is 2-3 hours a week on Wednesday nights.

**Last week, we had a social night and the kids played the Game of Life. There were 40 kids participating. This week we did not have class due to the Thanksgiving Break. Next week we will be discussing how to cope with and/or eliminate stress through a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.**

We had a meeting to discuss the **Parade of Lights Float.** It is Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The theme is Story Book. We are telling the story of the Kings and Shepherds following the star to see Jesus. We need help with costumes for the kids. If you can help, please call Michelle 925-240-1832.

Thank everyone who is supporting Teen Ministry. Special thanks to Rosa and Jerry Day, Danette Jolly, Karen Randle, Maru Zulueta and our new helpers, Amy and Matt Wisz! This couldn't be possible without all of you!!!!



PASTOR WOLTER'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT BROUGHT HIM CLOSER TO GOD THAN HE EVER EXPECTED

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## Blessed are the Sorrowing

Sutter Delta Medical Center is offering an eight-week Widow and Widower support group at no charge, starting on Thursday, Jan 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 2:30 PM in the Edna Fallman Educational Center. The loss of a spouse is probably the hardest thing you will ever experience. It begins a long hard journey. Come and share your experience with others who are going through the same loss. You will be provided with input on the various aspects of grief and you will have the opportunity to talk about your own loss and listen to others. Going to a support group is not a sign of weakness, but rather a desire to work through your grief. If you have any questions, please call Al Fleischer at 513-0978.

**St. Anne's gets credits through script for Ace Hardware and Safeway. Sign up.**

## *Nurses Notes*

### Diabetes

November is Diabetes Month

The goal is to encourage action, to further prevention, treatment, and care of Diabetes

Did you know children born today have a one in three chance of developing type 2 diabetes? For Latinos the risk is increased to one in two!

57million Americans are now considered to have Pre-Diabetes.

If your blood sugar is between 100-125 you have Pre-Diabetes.

The recommendations are

- 1) loose 5-10% of your body weight
- 2) get 30 min of moderate physical activity daily
- 3) Talk to your doctor about a medication called metformin

If you don't know your blood sugar reading, ask your doctor for a Diabetes screening test. to.

**PLEASE-** Remember to use the phone in the office or at the AV area in the hall and not a cell phone to call 911. Your cell phone will reach Sacramento CHP and precious time will be wasted.

*Your Faith Community Nurses*

## **Giving Wreath Donations**

Thank you to all who have stopped by the Giving Wreath table to sponsor a family or take an envelope or food item tag. All food items can be left by the fall wreath in the Life Center Hall, by the Baptismal Fount in the Chapel and Envelopes can be dropped in the collection plate or brought to the office.

## **Covenant Corner**

The **Covenant Corner** is an opportunity for us to recognize those who use their gifts in service for others. We want to give regular thanks to those who do so much for all of us. So we invite you when you see someone doing something worth noting to let us know, by mail or email [office@stannechurchbyron.com](mailto:office@stannechurchbyron.com). Please keep the note 4-5 short sentences (maximum). Then we can get it in the bulletin.

## **Children's Stewardship News**

**Shannon Lamaestra - Generosity & "Helped put up Christmas Lights with Mom and Dad"**

**Thank you for being good stewards of God's Gifts**

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

12/05 & 12/06

### **SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

**Greeters:** Madonna Leeper & Mary Flann

**Lector 1:** Marie Hall

**Lector 2:** Bernadette Van Slambrook

**Euch. Min:** **Cup** – Larry & Kathy Green

**Altar Servers:** Team 8

### **SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

**Greeters:** Ron Samoian, Steve & Connie Fortin

**Lector 1:** Peggy Ann Valley

**Lector 2:** Chuck Woods

**Euch. Min:** **Bread** – Lisa Promani, Fran Hodge & Jay McLaughlin

**Cup** – Ernie Zuccato, Shari Pica, John &

Danette Jolly

**Altar Servers:** Team 12

**A/V Minister:**

**Hospitality:** Madonna Leeper & MaryAnn Hansen

### **SUNDAY 10:30 AM**

**Greeters:** Dolores Clark, Elizabeth & Greg Fulton

**Lector 1:** Rebecca Kubik-Boyd

**Lector 2:** José Cruz-Zamora

**Euch. Min:** **Bread** – Toni Schulte, Corinne & Ray Neubauer

**Cup** – Phil Karls, Ron Kappahn, Ken Landoline & Will Schulte

**Altar Servers:** Team 5

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Elizabeth Sherman

**A/V Minister:**

**Hospitality:** Sherry Kulling & Sue Mikla

### **SUNDAY 12:30 PM**

**Recividores:** Andrés & Ana Yerena

**Lector 1:** Enrique Magana

**Lector 2:** Evangelina Magana

**Ofrendas:** Martín & Imelda Cisneros

**Ministros de Eucaristía:** José Luis & Esther Herrera

**Monogillo:** Team A

**PLEASE NOTE:** Ministry Schedules for Oct - Dec are on the website under Ministries

## **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

This year the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The feast day will begin in the Chapel with an opening prayer by Fr. Ron followed by a Rosary Prayer at 5:00 AM; Mariachi music at 6:00 AM; Breakfast at 7:00 AM and Folk Dance at 8:00 AM. In The Afternoon there will be a procession starting at the Chapel at 4 PM to the Community Life Center where bilingual mass will be celebrated. All are welcome to stay for food, drink and enjoyment after mass.

## **Women's Fellowship Holiday Boutique**

Tis that time of year again. Women's Fellowship will be making your shopping easier for the holiday season this year. Whether you need a great hostess gift or something for that special teacher or maybe something special for your favorite musician or yourself, check out the items. The price includes tax and you will be helping St. Anne. You already know the quality is the best and that you will have fun shopping.

## Engagement & Stewardship Corner A Focus on Talent Themes

### IDEATION

People strong in Ideation theme are fascinated by ideas. They are able to find connections between seemingly disparate phenomena.

### St. Anne Leaders with this Theme

Anna Piazza, Father Ron

### Quote

*“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”*

(Isaiah 43:19)

To learn more about your *unique Talents and Strengths* please come by the office and purchase your very own copy of *“Living Your Strengths”* (comes with the StrengthsFinder Assessment) and meet with one of our very own Strengths Performance Coaches.



## Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship Happenings:

### Friends & Fellowship Crafting:

❖ Wednesdays at Noon in Rm. 2

### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 15th 6:00 p.m. in the Fireside room. All women are welcome. For more information please call Carol Ruiz 925-634-1179 or email [toppines@inreach.com](mailto:toppines@inreach.com)

**Women's Fellowship meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in Rm2**

**For membership information contact Anne Doran at [adoran712@comcast.net](mailto:adoran712@comcast.net) or Peggy Ann Valley at [peggy@peggyvalley.com](mailto:peggy@peggyvalley.com)**

*Women's Fellowship of St. Anne Catholic Church welcomes and strives to serve the needs of all women, offering opportunities to share gifts and talents and encourage and strengthen faith and friendships within our community.*

## Christmas Recital – Piano Fundraiser

Please join us for Christmas carols, holiday favorite songs and music from “Nutcracker” on **FRIDAY**, December 11, 2009 6:00 PM in the Life Center Hall. Donations: \$10 per family. St. Anne choir will be selling opportunity drawing tickets for a homemade Christmas Afghan. Tickets are \$2.00/each or 3 for \$5.00. Drawing will be held at the recital. Winner need not be present to win. All proceeds benefit the St. Anne Piano fund.

## Upcoming Events at St. Anne

### Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

Monthly Labyrinth Walk 10:00AM – Noon in the Life Center Hall

### Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

Discovery Bay Parade of Lights. Come support our youth. Parade starts at 6PM. Tree Lighting at 7PM

### Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

Giving Wreath Distribution – Read flyer in bulletin for more info.

### Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION** – Immaculate Conception

### Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

Piano Recital Fundraiser in the Life Center Hall. See information in the bulletin.

### Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION**

**5:00 AM Rosary Prayer**

**6:00 AM Mariachis**

**7:00 AM Breakfast**

**8:00 AM Danza (Folk)**

**4:00 PM – Procession(Start) To Meet At The Chapel Will Process To Life Center For The Mass**

**5:00 PM Bilingual Mass followed by Social**

### Friday, January 1, 2010

New Year's Day Morning Mass at 9AM in the Chapel

### Saturday, January 2, 2010

Monthly Labyrinth Walk 10:00AM – Noon in the Life Center Hall

### Saturday, January 9, 2010

First Communion Reconciliation Retreat

**If your Ministry has an event coming up that is not listed, please contact the office.**

## Catholic Charities Mass

Join Bishop Salvatore J. Cordileone, Bishop of the Diocese of Oakland as He Celebrates a Mass in Honor of 75 Years of Service by Catholic Charities of the East Bay Sunday, January 10, 2010 @ 10:00 AM Christ the Light Cathedral in Oakland, 2121 Harrison St., Oakland, California 94612. Reception to Follow. Thank you for all your support and many blessings. If you have any questions please contact Colleen Miller at 510-768-3115 or email [cmiller@cceb.org](mailto:cmiller@cceb.org) For more information you may visit our website [www.cceb.org](http://www.cceb.org).

# Thank you Fr. Jerry! and Welcome back, Fr. Ron