

3rd Sunday of Advent • III Domingo de Adviento  
December 17, 2017 • 17 de Diciembre de 2017

## WORSHIP

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK/

<b>Sat:</b>	5:00 PM	Elders of St. Anne
<b>Sun:</b>	8:30 AM	Butch Pastorini
	10:30 AM	Maria Otilia Espitia
	12:30 PM	Miembros Vivos y Difuntos de Sta Ana
<b>Mon:</b>	9:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Anne
<b>Tue:</b>	9:00 AM	Members of St. Anne
<b>Wed:</b>	9:00 AM	Youth of St. Anne
<b>Thurs:</b>	9:00 AM	Elders of St. Anne
<b>Sat:</b>	5:00 PM	Mathew & Mary Coelho
<b>Sun:</b>	9:30 AM	Nicholas Wiesen Intention
	4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Anne
	11:00 PM	Miembros Vivos y Difuntos de Sta Ana

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

Michelle O'Malley, Al Ruiz, Don Flohr, Derrina Kimble Chezem, Johmal Ard, Ron McLeod, Logan Price, Joe Silva, Martin A. Jansen, Michael Rigsby, Mary, Arnoldo Avila, Biagio LaRocca, Betty, Joel Rivera, Derek McGinnis, Kathy Lynn, Rudy Silva, Daniel Smith, David Promani, Cathy & Gerry Bartling, Juanita Estrellas, Lucy Limesand, Andrea L., Jo Hyland, The Powers Family, Jeremy Lintermans, Stan Hodge, Frankie, Anna Ratto, Mike Schmit, Dennis Murray, Judy Hadsel, Tim Nichols, Anna, Pat Ward, Alex Sherman, Jim Doran, Catherine Clark, Jack Thomas, James Ewing, Anna Bella Mok, Juta Michaelis, Elizabeth Ehlert, Pauline Brochu, Michael Clow, Will

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 PRAYERS

## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 5:00 PM/Hall  
December 24<sup>th</sup> 9:30 AM/Hall

## CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
3:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate our Lord's birth in song and carols of the season

Family Mass begins at 4:00 PM

Mass of the Shepherds  
10:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate our Lord's birth in song and carols of the season

Mass begins at 11:00 PM

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>  
Mass  
9:30 AM

### SCRIPTURE READINGS/

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA 12/18/17-12/24/17

- Mon: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento**  
Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1-19 Mt 1:18-25  
Jr 23:5-8 Sal 71:1-19 Mt 1:18-25
- Tue: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento**  
Jgs 13:2-25a Ps 71:3-17 Lk 1:5-25  
Jue 13:2-25a Sal 70:3-17 Lc 1:5-25
- Wed: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento**  
Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 1:26-38  
Is 7:10-14 Sal 23:1-6 Lc 1:26-38
- Thurs: Advent Weekday; St. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor of the Church/Día de Adviento; San Pedro Canisio, Presbítero, Doctor de la Iglesia**  
Sg 2:8-14 Ps 33:2-21 Lk 1:39-45  
Cant 2:8-14 Sal 32:2-21 Lc 1:39-45
- Fri: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento**  
1 Sm 1:24-28 (Ps) 1 Sm 2:1-8abcd Lk 1:46-56  
1 Sm 1:24-28 (Sal) 1 Sm 2:1-8abcd Lc 1:46-56
- Sat: Advent Weekday; St. John of Danty, Priest/Día de Adviento; San Juan de Danty, Presbítero**  
Mal 3:1-24 Ps 25:4bc-14 Lk 1:57-66  
Mal 3:1-24 Sal 24:4bc-14 Lc 1:57-66
- Sun: 4th Sunday of Advent/IV Domingo de Adviento**  
2 Sm 7:1-16 Ps 89:2-29 Rom 16:25-27 Lk 1:26-38  
2 Sm 7:1-16 Sal 88:2-29 Rom 16:25-27 Lc 1:26-38  
**Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord**  
Is 9:1-6 Ps 96:1-13 Ti 2:11-14 Lk 2:1-14  
Is 9:1-6 Sal 95:1-13 Tit 2:11-14 Lc 2:1-14

## 4<sup>to</sup> DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

23 de Diciembre, 5:00 PM/Salon  
24 de Diciembre, 9:30 AM/Salón

## NOCHEBUENA

Domingo, 24 de Diciembre  
3:30 PM

Únase a nosotros mientras celebramos el nacimiento de nuestro Señor con canciones y villancicos de la temporada  
la Misa de la familia comienza a las 4:00 PM

Misa de los Pastores  
10:30 PM

Únase a nosotros mientras celebramos el nacimiento de nuestro Señor con canciones y villancicos de la temporada  
La misa comienza a las 11:00 PM

## DIA DE LA NAVIDAD

Lunes, 25 de Diciembre  
Misa  
9:30 AM

## WORSHIP

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

12/23 - 12/24

#### SATURDAY 5:00 PM

**Greeters:** Martin Jansen & Joji Ponco

**Lector 1:** Kevin Rafferty

**Lector 2:** Michelle Rafferty

**Euch. Min: Bread** – Pat Weber, Agnes Jerome & Cathy Sanocki

**Cup** – Jay Coleman, Lauren De Vito Magbitang, Carla Carr & Bernadette Van Slambrook

**Altar Servers:** Team 8

#### SUNDAY 9:30 AM

**Greeters:** Martin Jansen & Sue Wright-Broughton

**Lector 1:** Tony Van Goor

**Lector 2:** TBD

**Euch. Min: Bread** – Maren Roman, Diana Zuccaro & Bob Carone

**Cup** – Vince Zuccaro, Mathilda Rizkalla, Pete & Glenda Du Bois

**Altar Servers:** Team 19

**Hospitality:**

A/V: Denise Gavello

**PLEASE NOTE:** Ministry Schedules for Oct - Dec are on the website. It is your responsibility to find your replacement if you cannot serve when scheduled.

**FAVOR DE NOTAR:** Es su responsabilidad buscar su reemplazo si usted no puede servir cuando está programado.

### Las Posadas

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>

Rosary begins each night at 7:00 PM in the Chapel

Immediately following is the Las Posadas

The posadas re-enact Mary and Joseph's cold and difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of shelter; in Spanish, the word means "lodging."

### Christmas Cantata

December 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM

### Advent Reconciliation

December 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:30 PM/Chapel

### Las Posadas

SABADO, 16 DE DICIEMBRE - SABADO, 23 DE DICIEMBRE

El Rosario comienza todos los días a las 7:00 PM en la capilla

Seguido inmediatamente por la posada

### Cantata Navideña

17 de Diciembre 4:00 PM

### Reconciliación De Adviento

20<sup>de</sup> Diciembre 7:00 – 8:30 PM/Capilla

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

12/24-12/25

#### CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00PM

**Greeters:** Barbara Stoiber, Ramona Gonis, Margaret Robinson, Jane Perry

**Lector 1:** Lori Johnson

**Lector 2:** Linda Jerome

**Euch. Min: Bread** – Michael D'Alfonsi, Michelle Lee, TBD. TBD. TBD

**Cup** – Agnes Jerome, Amy Muse, Sr. Barbara, Linda Thomas, Maren Roman, TBD, TBD, TBD

**Altar Servers:**

A/V: Dan & Lori Kenney

#### 11:00 PM MASS

**Greeters:** Marilyn Van Goor, Jay Colman & Catrina Mygrant

**Lector 1:** Gregory Schmit

**Lector 2:** Stephanie Moore

**Euch. Min: Bread** – Vince Zuccaro, Rudy & Lisa Promani,

**Cup** – Mathilda Rizkalla, Diana Zuccaro, Maren Roman & Jay Coleman

**Altar Servers:**

A/V: Denise Gavello

#### CHRISTMAS 9:30 AM

**Greeters:** Romana Gonis, Rosana Navarro, TBD

**Lector 1:** Gregory Schmit

**Lector 2:** Pat Weber

**Euch. Min: Bread** – Jim Sniadecki, Ana Carone & Olivia Prullage

**Cup** – Mathilda Rizkalla, Bob Carone, Pete & Glenda Du Bois

**Altar Servers:**

A/V: Mark Lambert

On Saturday, December 23rd, the Vigil 4th Sunday of Advent, the 5:00 PM Mass will be celebrated in the Hall.

## CONNECT

**THIS WEEK AT ST ANNE/  
ESTA SEMANA A ST. ANA 12/16/17—12/24/17**

- Sat: Vigil - 3rd Sunday of Advent**  
Tamales on Sale  
*Baptism-Eliana Guzman*  
7:00 PM Posadas/Chapel
- Sun: 3rd Sunday of Advent**  
Tamales on Sale  
8:00 AM 8:30 AM Mass Choir Practice/Room 1B  
9:30 AM 10:30 AM Mass Choir Practice/Room 1B  
11:15 AM Spanish Parent Education/Fireside  
3:00 PM Christmas Contada/Hall  
6:30 PM Edge-Lifeteen/CLC -Rms 1,2  
7:00 PM Posadas/Chapel
- Mon:** 9:00 AM Hospital Communion/Offsite  
10:30 AM Bible Study/Fireside  
11:00 AM Food Pantry Prep/Food Container  
6:30 PM 1st-5th Grade Faith Formation/CLC  
7:00 PM Posadas/Capilla
- Tues:** 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution/Methodist Church  
6:00 PM Dance Practice  
7:00 PM Posadas/Capilla  
7:00 PM 10:30 Choir Practice/Fireside
- Wed:** 3:30 PM K- 5th Grades Faith Formation/CLC  
7:00 PM Posadas/Foyer  
7:00 PM Advent Reconciliation/Chapel
- Thurs:** 6:00 PM Boys Ranch  
7:00 PM AA/Room 1B  
7:00 PM Sp. Choir Practice/Fireside  
7:00 PM 8:30 Choir Practice/Hall  
7:00 PM Posadas/Capilla
- Fri:** 7:00 PM Posadas/Capilla
- Sat: Vigil - 4th Sunday of Advent**  
Mass is celebrated in the Hall
- Sun: 4th Sunday of Advent**  
8:00 AM 8:30 AM Mass Choir Practice/Room 1  
9:30 AM Mass/Hall  
**Christmas Eve**  
3:30 PM Carols/Hall  
4:00 PM Family Mass/Hall  
10:30 PM Carols/Hall  
11:00 PM Midnight Mass/Hall
- Mon:** 9:30 PM Christmas Mass

### Upcoming Events at St. Anne

- December 17th**  
Christmas Cantata
- December 20th**  
Advent Reconciliation  
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM in the Chapel
- December 24th - 4th Sunday of Advent**  
9:30 AM Mass
- December 24th - Christmas Eve**  
4:00 PM Mass with 3:30 PM Carols  
11:00 PM Mass with 10:30 PM Carols
- December 25th**  
9:30 AM Mass
- December 25th - December 29th**  
**OFFICE IS CLOSED**
- January 1st**  
Solemnity of Mary -  
Mass at 10:30 AM
- January 26th**  
Women's Fellowship Crab Feed
- February 14th**  
Ash Wednesday  
Masses at 9:00 AM, 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
- If your Ministry has an event coming up that is not listed,  
please contact the office.

## GROW



### 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.

### Our Catholic Life—the Mystery of God

We invite all adults to come and join us as we explore the foundations of our Catholic faith. We will use Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church as we will pray, study, share, and reflect on our vocations as Christians. Our program will be facilitated by Fr. Ron. The material was developed by Bill Huebsch. He is a leader in adult faith formation and our material is presented in accessible language for all. We will begin by considering the human heart. It is in our hearts that we find the longing that leads to faith. And we find that being with God is the only way to happiness. We will meet twice monthly between January and March.

- January 10** God reveals his Loving Plan of Goodness  
**January 24** Sacred Scripture is the Word of God  
**February 7** I Believe in God the Father  
**February 21** The Love of the Trinity  
**March 7** God the Creator  
**March 21** Our Guide and Inspiration: The Holy Spirit

Register at the office 925-634-6625 or sign up list in foyer of Hall.

# SERVE



## Women's Fellowship

### Upcoming Events:

Women's Fellowship meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday, January 9, 2017 in Room 2  
6:30 PM - Social; 7:00PM - Meeting starts  
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**For membership information contact**  
**Mathilda Rizkalla at [nuhorizon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nuhorizon@sbcglobal.net) or**  
**Patty Bristow at [pattybristow@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pattybristow@sbcglobal.net)**

*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.*  
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## Religious Gift Items for Sale!

**Where:** St. Anne Boutique in Foyer  
**When:** After 8:30am Mass/After 10:30am Mass/Before 12:30pm Mass  
**What:** Baptismal candles and crosses, Rosaries, Bracelets, Crosses, Necklaces, Holy Water Bottles and Pens  
**Interested?** Come when Boutique is open.  
**Or Call [Lori Biggam 925-240-4110](tel:925-240-4110) or [Barbara Mora 925-513-9323](tel:925-513-9323)**

## Counseling Ministry

Jeff McIntosh, MFT, is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who is offering professional therapy for individuals, couples and families at St. Anne on Thursdays. He can be reached at 925-813-0528 or through the church office at 925-634-6625 ext. 228 for more information.

## Nurses Notes

### Loneliness during the holidays

The media and cultural expectations can sometimes influence how we feel at the holidays. For some, being far from family, or experiencing the recent loss of a loved one, or experiencing a recent move can also play a role in how we feel. Loneliness can be relieved by maintaining social connections across our life span. Give the following suggestions a try during the holidays and throughout the year as well.

- Don't wait for an invitation, reach out and nurture your relationships. Plan an activity or join an activity, developed a hobby
- Help those in need, spend time with the elderly, do charity work,
- Savor the good, enjoy humor, holiday decorations, music of the season or enjoy nature
- Look forward to something fun, enjoy a movie, read a book, write a letter
- Be good to yourself, take time to exercise, eat " healthy, get enough sleep
- Rethink expectations, focus on the great things you have in your life, practice gratitude, count your blessings and cultivate optimism
- Know you aren't alone, many people wish to be with family or long for closer relationships with family or friends or hope for a supportive romantically c relationship
- Examine your feelings, write down what your feeling, consider professional help.

Adapted from [KP.org](http://KP.org)

*Faith Community Nursing*  
*Serving the community is our passion.*

### IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

**PLEASE** use the phone at the AV booth or in the office to call 911. Do not use your cell phone it will reach Sacramento CHP and precious time will be lost.

**New to the Parish? Welcome!** We extend our hearts and hands in Christian fellowship, as you join with us in worship. If you are new to the parish, registration forms are available in the foyer, online through our website or fill out this form and drop it in the collection plate or mail it to the office and we will mail a registration packet to you.

**Long-time parishioner who would like to update their address, phone or email?** In the box to the left, please put a check next to what you are updating, fill out this form and drop in the collection plate.



- New Parishioner
- New Address
- New Phone
- New Email
- Send Envelopes only

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

## SERVE

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

All of the people in today's readings – the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist – seemed to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and to do. Do I?

### PENSAMIENTO ADMINISTRATIVO

todas las personas en las lecturas de hoy – el profeta Isaías, la Virgen María, San Pablo, San Juan Bautista – parecían entender claramente y se regocijaban en lo que Dios estaba llamando para ser y hacer. ¿Lo hago yo?

### Adult Confirmation

Our Adult Confirmation class will begin on Wednesday January 10, 2018. The class will meet twice a month ending in May with Confirmation. If you are over 18 and have not received the sacrament of Confirmation and are interested in receiving this sacrament please join us on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in room 2. To sign up for the class or for more information please contact Lisa at 634-6625 ex.225 or [lisap@stannechurchbyron.com](mailto:lisap@stannechurchbyron.com)

### 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Ladies Crab Feed

The Women's Fellowship All Ladies Crab feed for Friday, January 26, 2018, is sold out. We are still looking for volunteers, raffle basket donations, and food donations. For more details or to drop off basket donations, please stop by the crab feed table after mass, or contact Lucy Peterson, at [lucyp44@gmail.com](mailto:lucyp44@gmail.com).



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### Despensa de la Comunidad Cristiana Delta (Iglesias Sta. Ana-Methodista-Presbiteriana)

#### Bulto de comida

Lunes a las 11:00 AM en Sta. Ana

#### Distribución de bolsas de Comida:

Martes 9:00 a 10:00 AM

En la Iglesia Metodista de Byron

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Estacionamiento de Knightsen

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Bethel Island

Sirviendo 120-150 familias semanalmente

Proveyendo: Comida – Ropa – Cosas para la casa -Ayuda personal (lugares)

Los voluntarios son bienvenidos. Apreciamos donaciones de dinero y comida.

### **Solicitamos para el mes de DICIEMBRE: LATAS DE FRUTA, VEGETALES**

### Delta Christian Community Food Pantry (St. Anne-Methodist-Presbyterian Churches)

#### Food Bulk:

Mondays at 11:00 AM at St. Anne

#### Distribution of Food Bags:

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

At Byron United Methodist Church on Byron Highway.

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Knightsen Parking Lot

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

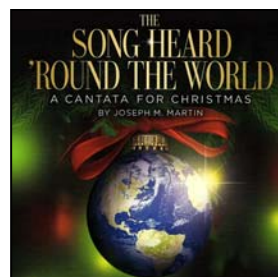
Bethel Island

Serving 120-150 Families Weekly

Providing: Food - Clothing - Household goods - Self Help Resources

Volunteers are welcome. Donations of Food and Money are appreciated.

### **Donation request for DECEMBER: CANNED FRUIT AND VEGETABLES**



## Christmas Cantata

**Sunday, December 17  
4 pm @ St. Anne Church**

**Combined Choirs, Celebrations Ringers of Byron UMC, and The Beautiful Brentwood Flute Choir**

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico:

Por una Familia Más Feliz

Estados hermanos en Cristo y Maria. Todos los retos y dificultades que enfrentamos los matrimonios hoy en día, no sería posible superarlos sin la ayuda de Cristo y Maria. El MFCC nos ofrece las herramientas para enfrentar esas dificultades inspirados en la palabra de Dios. Únete a nosotros! Estamos aceptando aplicaciones para el ciclo 2016-17. Para mis información comuníquense con Antonio Rodriguez: (925)565-2015 o Yolanda Rodriguez: (925)783-3442

### From The Catholic Voice

If you're a parishioner in the Oakland Diocese and are not receiving your free copy of The Catholic Voice through the mail, let us know and we'll start your subscription. For 48 years, The Catholic Voice has been the East Bay's trusted source of news, commentary and information about the Church and its people from your neighborhood and throughout the world. It's easy to stay informed. Start your free subscription\* to 21 issues a year with a phone call or an e-mail to Sandi Gearhart, (510) 893-5339 or [sgearhart@oakdiocese.org](mailto:sgearhart@oakdiocese.org)

**Village Community Resource Center** is expanding to **Byron!** We are looking for volunteers for our After School Academy program that can help with homework and reading students. We need volunteers Tuesday-Thursday, 2:45 – 5:30pm. We would appreciate volunteers that could commit to at least one hour a week, or more! If you are available, please contact Ana Tacan or Jaime Coronel Perez at 925-626-7892.

**Village Community Resource Center – Byron**  
Village Community Resource Center – Byron will be open this fall! If you have children, grades K-5<sup>th</sup>, that would benefit from reading and homework help, we are accepting applications for our 2017-2018 After School Academy now! We primarily serve immigrant families in need of support. Please contact Ana Tacan or Jaime Coronel Perez at 925-626-7892 if you are interested.

**Village Community Resource Center – Byron**  
¿Es difícil para usted ayudarle a su hijo con la tarea?  
¡El Village Community Resource Center en Byron abrirá este otoño! Si tiene niños, del kínder al 5to grado, que podría beneficiarse de ayuda con lectura y tarea, ahora estamos aceptando solicitudes para nuestro *Programa después de escuela*. La cuota de solicitud es de \$10 por niño, pero no se rechazará a ningún estudiante que no pueda pagar la cuota. Por favor póngase en contacto con Ana Tacan o Jaime Coronel llamando al 925-626-7892 si está interesado.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends

"The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; . . ." Let your spirits be augmented by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend with your spouse. The next weekends are held at *San Damiano Retreat Center*, Danville on January 12-14<sup>th</sup> or May 18-20<sup>th</sup>. Space is VERY limited! Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Mike & Jeanne @ 925.672.2016 or Joe & Sue @ 925.680.7767 now or go to [oaklandwwme.org](http://oaklandwwme.org)

Holy Rosary School  
Now Enrolling  
for the  
2018-2019 School Year!



Holy Rosary School is Now Accepting Applications  
for grades Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade

We also offer our Little Dominicans Pre-School Learning Center  
for 2 & 3 year olds

Visit us at our OPEN HOUSE on  
Sunday, January 28, 2018 from 10:00 until Noon.

Application packets are available for pick up at the school office,  
or visit our website at [www.holyrosarycatholicsschool.org](http://www.holyrosarycatholicsschool.org)



**Calling All Women!**  
Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women  
invite all to join them at their Advent Prayer Breakfast

December 9, 2017 9:30-12:30 at Crowne Plaza  
45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA

Please join us for a morning of Praise, Prayer, and Inspiration by our speaker Father Gary Thomas!  
Father Thomas is the mandated exorcist for the Diocese of San Jose. In 2005 he traveled to Rome to receive training in the Rite of Exorcism. In Rome he apprenticed with Fr. Carmine De Fillipis. His training was the subject of the 2010 book The Rite: The Making of a Modern Exorcist, which was later the basis for the movie The Rite, Starring Anthony Hopkins..

Men are always welcome to attend!

Tickets are \$33/\$40 after Dec. 2nd.

Go to [www.magnificat-ministry.net](http://www.magnificat-ministry.net) for more information about our guest and tickets or call Kim Sullivan (925) 683-8220 or [Magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com](mailto:Magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com) for reservations.