

3rd Sunday of Advent
3rd Domingo de Adviento

December 12, 2010
diciembre 12, 2010

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

Sat: 5:00 PM June Ramos & Dorothy Diaz
Sun: 8:30 AM Emily Kogler
10:30 AM Don Snell
12:30 PM Miembros vivos y difuntos de Sta. Ana
Mon: 9:00 AM Ronald Smith
Tue: 9:00 AM Jean Perkins
Wed: 9:00 AM Parishioners of St. Anne
Thurs: 9:00 AM Rose Miralda 90th Birthday Intention
Sat: 5:00 PM Kathy Rojas
Sun: 8:30 AM Maisie Owens
10:30 AM Families of St. Anne
12:30 PM Miembros vivos y difuntos de Sta. Ana

**THIS WEEK AT ST ANNE/
ESTA SEMANA A ST. ANA 12/11/10– 12/19/10**

Sat: **Vigil – 3rd Sunday of Advent**
2nd Collection – Religious Retirement
Sun: **3rd Sunday of Advent**
FEAST OF OUR Lady of GUADALUPE
9:00 AM RCIA Dismissal/Fireside
9:15 AM 1st Communion Prep/Room 2
10:30 AM Baptism - Landon Grijalva
2nd Collection – Religious Retirement
Mon: 9:00 AM Hospital Communion/Sutter Delta Hospital
9:45 AM Rosary & Prayers for Peace/ Chapel
4:00 PM Food Pantry Prep/Kitchen
4:15 PM 1st Communion Prep/Room 1B & 2
6:30PM Family Faith Formation/CLC
6:30 PM Spanish Prayer Group/Chapel
Tues: 10:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution/Methodist Church
6:00 PM Women's Fellowship Christmas Party/Fireside
7:30 PM Knight's of Columbus/Room 1A
Wed: 7:00 PM Faith Formation (6th – 8th)/Rooms 1 & 2
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul/Fireside
7:00 PM Teen Ministry/Hall
7:00 PM Spanish Bible Study/Chapel
7:00 PM Small Christian Communities/Offsite
Thurs: 6:00 PM Boy's Ranch/Offsite
6:00 PM Children's Guitar Class/Room 2
7:00 PM Choir Practice/Chapel
7:00 PM Posada/Hall
7:00 PM Adult Confirmation/Fireside
Fri: 7:00 PM Posada/Chapel
Sat: **Vigil – 4th Sunday of Advent**
7:00 PM Posada/Chapel
Tamales on Sale
Sun: **4th Sunday of Advent**
9:00 AM RCIA Dismissal/Fireside
9:15 AM 1st Communion Prep/Room 2
12:30 AM Baptism - Rafael Amaral
7:00 PM Posada/Chapel
7:00 PM Lessons and Carols/Hall

PRAY FOR THE REPOSED SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: Maisie Owens (Wayne D'Anna's mother)

PLEASE KEEP OUR MILITARY FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYER

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

The weekly offering is extremely important to St. Anne Parish in order to meet our operational responsibilities. We ask that you prayerfully consider a consistent offering that will assist in meeting those responsibilities. For your consideration:

- ⇒ Sign up for the Weekly Envelope Program by registering with St. Anne.
 - ⇒ A convenient method is through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). This method is an easy way to provide St. Anne with your Sunday Offering.
 - ⇒ Enroll in a Script Program. This is a no cost way of supporting our ministries and programs, in addition to our weekly offerings.
- 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 12/13/10 – 12/19/10**

Mon: Lucy, Virgin, mártir/Santa Lucia, virgen y mártir
Nm 24:2-17a Ps 25:4-9 Mt 21:23-37
Tue: John of the Cross, priest, doctor of the Church/ San Juan de la Cruz, presbítero, doctor de la Iglesia
Zep 3:1-13 Ps 34:2-23 Mt 21:28-32
Wed: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento
Is 45:6b-25 Ps 85:9-14 Lk 7:18b-23
Thurs: Advent Weekday /Día de Adviento
Is 54:1-10 Ps 30:2-13 Lk 7:24-30
Fri: Advent Weekday/Día de Adviento
Gn 49:2-10 Ps 72:3-17 Mt 1:1-17
Sat: Advent Weekday /Día de Adviento
Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1-19 Mt 1:18-25
Sun: 4th Sunday of Advent/IV Domingo de Adviento
Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-6 Rom 1:1-7 Mt 1:18-24

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the Kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

PLEASE PRAY FOR/POR FAVOR

REZAN POR: Marlynn Potts, Judy Duke, Amanda Delgado, Kathy Torres, Alexandra Rose Gowland, Sandy Arteaga, Kelly Chicots, Jun Morales, Joanne, Stan Noack, Rudy Silva, Victoria Malaban, Jonathan Price, Ruth Guieb, Ben LaRocca, Debbie Ridl, June Ramos, Dorothy Diaz, Jimmy, Kathryn Copley, Elsje, Darren Blass, Robert McMillen, David, Lora Chase, Justin, Santos Herrera, Ed Sandoval, Bernadette Russell, Marilyn Potts, Patricia Rykoski, Ann Burgess, Tina Gillie, Teresa, Peter Duncan, Bob Weber, Juanita Estellas, Tim Nixon, Kurt Luke Gary Blackwell, Hollis Cooksey, Mary Mross, Debbie Lindo, Carolyn, Brad, Vanessa Cross, Lisa Butler, Chris Wagner

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.

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FAITH FORMATION

ADVENT has begun. Families remember to light your Advent Wreath's **third** candle!

Begin writing your daily good deed and put the note into your GIFT BOX for JESUS. Your gift box may be placed under the manger when you come to Christmas Mass.

Thanks to our teens and 6th-8th graders who prepared a very meaningful Mass honoring Mary the Mother of God, 7pm on Dec. 8th, for the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Thank you Kerry, Katie, Meli, Jose, Sarah, Ana, Savanna, Joseph, Ann Marie, Victoria, Christopher, Isabella, Devin, Mitch, Kevin, Nohema, Angie, Sam, Carie, Tyler, Shannon, Fallyn, Lauren, Paco, Alyssa, Bianca, Ana, Jiliana, Katie, Jordan, Francesco, and others. **Thanks also to these adults** who guided the preparations: Michelle, Al, Jerry, Rosa, Jennifer, Suzanne, Dennis, Karen, Danette, Cathy, and Pat Solero, accompanist. **They are real leaders of prayer and celebration!**

CLASSES: Sunday, Dec. 12th; Mondays- Dec. 13th; Wednesdays -Dec. 15th. January classes are Sunday, Jan 2nd; Monday, January 3rd; and Wednesday, January 5th.

Monday, Dec 13th, Los Posadas will be enacted by our 5th Graders at 7:10pm for our closing prayer

at the end of Faith Formation classes. Parents of all ages, please plan to be in the Hall before 7:10pm to enjoy this presentation. Dismissal is at 7:30pm as usual.

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT: All children in the First Communion classes (Sunday 9:15am and 11:15am; Monday 4:15pm) will meet as usual on Sunday January 2nd in preparation for the First Reconciliation.

SATURDAY, JAN. 8TH every child and one parent are expected to be present for the RECONCILIATION RETREAT and RECEPTION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION. The RETREAT begins at 9:00am: Parent and Child Receiving the Sacrament will take place during the morning. **First Reconciliation will conclude the RETREAT.**

The Retreat day will conclude at 12noon.

MASS ATTENDANCE We expect every faith formation child to be at Mass every weekend with his/her family. Experiencing the Mass first hand is how the child learns to love it.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Class continues on Monday, December 13th at 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room. Class this semester is on the Bible.

This week: Scripture Development & the Synoptic Gospels

TEEN MINISTRY:

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

Last week (12-1): We put the last minute touches on the Parade of Lights Float and this is also a Catechetical night

This Week (12-8): We will be celebrating the Immaculate Conception with a Mass for Teens and their families. We need **WHITE ELEPHANT GIFTS** for Gift Exchange Next week!!!

Next Week (12-15): Will be a catechetical night...NEED **WHITE ELEPHANT GIFTS** for Exchange of gifts and a party.

Special THANKS: To the Core Adults and Teens for all of their help! In Particular Bianca Walian, the Evans Family (Pete and Joseph), John Jolly, and Maru Zulueta for heading up the Parade of Lights on December 4th. Watch for us in the PARADE!!!

Volunteers needed: if you would like to volunteer for Teen Ministry, please Contact Michelle Castinado at 925-240-1832 or (cell) 925-437-0015.



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Children Needed

All children from 1st through 12th grade are invited to help lead the singing of Christmas Carols before the 4:00 Family Mass on Christmas Eve. There will be one rehearsal on Thursday, December 23, from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Community Life Center. All participants will need to arrive on Christmas Eve by 3:00 p.m. Caroling will begin at 3:30. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Meagher at vameagher@gmail.com.

Lessons and Carols

Come and share in the beauty of the Advent season on Sunday, December 19th at 7:00 PM. We will join with our sisters and brothers from Byron United Methodist Church and Delta Community Presbyterian Church for an Ecumenical Advent service of Scripture and Christmas Carols.

Catholic Action Principles *Become Grateful*

Life isn't exactly the way you want it to be. You will have your ups and down and crosses to bear. You will have opportunities to practice holding your tongue and exercising patience. Yet, because you are guided by your Catholic faith, you will be able to keep everyday events in perspective.

Be grateful for all you have. Acknowledge and accept compliments. In the larger scheme of things, you may wish to be grateful for good health, a supportive spouse, a rewarding profession, obedient, healthy children, conscientious employees, prosperity, loyal friends and even winning sports teams. You add and choose. Why not write letter to people in your life who have made a difference and thank them? You will both feel good

When you embrace gratitude, you can help others do the same. Hold the burning candle from which others can light their candles.

-Bill FitzPatrick, The Catholic Action Principles

**OFFICE IS CLOSED DECEMBER
27TH – 31ST FOR CHRISTMAS**

Nurses Notes

Holiday Depression and Stress

The holiday season can be a fun time of the year filled with parties, celebrations and social gatherings with family and friends. For some people however, it can be time of sadness, loneliness and anxiety.

What causes holiday blues?

Sadness is a personal feeling. What make one person sad may not affect another person. Typical sources of holiday sadness include:

- stress
- fatigue
- unrealistic expectations
- over commercialization
- financial stress
- inability to be with family and friends

Balancing the demands of shopping, parties, family obligations and house guests may contribute to feelings of being overwhelmed, and increased tension. People who do not view themselves as depressed may develop stress responses such as:

- headache
- overeating
- excessive drinking
- insomnia

Others may experience post holiday sadness after New Years day. This can result from build-up of expectations and disappointment from the previous year, coupled with stress and fatigue

Next week: 19 tips for coping with holiday stress and depression

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

Covenant Corner

Thank you to all those who helped with the Giving Wreath.

Your monetary and/or food donation enable us to help 50 families to have a better Christmas this year. A thank you also goes out to all who helped coordinate, pack and distribute the Giving Wreath baskets we could not have done it without all your hard work.

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. Please keep the note 4-5 short sentences (maximum). Then we can get it in the bulletin.

Inquiry

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith please join us on Tuesday December 21st at 7:00 pm in the Fireside room for Inquiry. Inquiry is the first step in the journey of full initiation into the Catholic Christian faith. Inquiry is for adults who have not been baptized or have been baptized in another Christian faith. Also baptized Catholics who need to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. If you have questions please contact Lisa at lisap@stannechurchbyron.com or 634-6625. If you have ever wondered why Catholics do what they do Inquiry is the place for you to get some answers.

Upcoming Events at St. Anne

Week –December 16th – 23rd

Christmas Posada Celebration

Sunday, December 19th

Lessons and Carols – 7 PM

December 27th – 31st

OFFICE IS CLOSED

Saturday, January 8th

First Reconciliation Retreat

Sunday, January 23rd

St. Anne Volunteer Appreciation Reception

Weekend of February 12th -13th

Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts

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

Blessed are the Sorrowing

Sutter Delta Medical Center is offering an eight-week Widow and Widower support group at no charge, starting on Thursday, January 6th 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 no 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

2010 Creche Festival

The Cathedral of Christ the Light welcomes you to the 2010 Crèche Festival. Be the first to view the Nativity Crèche Scenes from the various parishes of the Oakland Diocese on **Friday, December 17, 2010, at 6:00 pm**. The festival opens with an interdenominational prayer service followed by a reception and dinner with Bishops Cordileone and Cummins. The dinner will benefit *Beyond Emancipation*, a provider of services for former foster youth. This will be a special evening to support this worthwhile organization and kick off the holiday season. Reservations are available for purchase online at www.ctlcathedral.org. Limited seating.

Women's Fellowship Holiday Boutique

Yes, it is that time of year – the Holiday Boutique is open. We have some great ornaments that will speak to your heart.



Remember, your purchases are a donation to St. Anne AND the price includes taxes. Come and see what we have and buy a lot. For purchases over \$20 you will receive a beautiful dove ornament as our gift to you. We will be open at the 8:30, 10:30 and hopefully at the 12:30 masses

from November 8 until December 20. We have surprises this year. Stop by and look for them.

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Engagement & Stewardship Corner

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 meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Fireside Room.

For membership information contact Anne Doran at adoran712@comcast.net or Peggy Ann Valley at pvalley@envoymtg.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.

Women's Ladies Only Fellowship Friday, January 28, 2011

Hosting Crab Feed for 40 Years!!

St. Anne Community Life Center Hall, Tickets: \$40.00
Cocktails: 6:00 PM; Dinner: 7:00 PM
Door Prizes, Raffles and lot's of fun

Tickets on sale after masses, in the church office or call Karen Barsanti at (925) 858-9303 karen_barsante@pacbell.net or Linda Thomas (925) 634-3439 lsthomas@sbcglobal.net. Tickets may also be purchases online at www.stannechurchbyron.com/

Womens' Fellowship Annual Christmas "Potluck" Party Tuesday, December 14th at 6:00PM

If you plan to attend please bring a wrapped gift of \$10 or less and a small dish according to your last name. A-H – Appetizer; I-P – Salad; O-Z – Dessert. Please RSVP by December 13th to Vera Thomas – 925-634-9418; Carol Luke – 925-354-7625 or Carol Ruiz – 925-634-1179.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

12/18 & 12/19

SATURDAY 5:00 PM

Greeters: Mike Burke & Madonna Leeper
Lector 1: Marlene Layden
Lector 2: Marie Hall
Euch. Min: Cup – Mary Ann Burke & Jane Marchi
Altar Servers: Team 8

SUNDAY 8:30 AM

Greeters: Russ Mueller, Dennis & Catherine Kuturis
Lector 1: Lucy Peterson
Lector 2: Stephanie Moore
Euch. Min: Bread – Fran LaPerle, Glenda DuBois, Jay McLaughlin
Cup – Pete Dubois, Fran Hodge, Cathy & Bob Sanocki
Altar Servers: Team 7
Hospitality: Linda Humbert & Carla Silva
A/V: Barry Anthony

SUNDAY 10:30 AM

Greeters: Wright-Broughton Family
Lector 1: Linda Knapp
Lector 2: Lisa Promani
Euch. Min: Bread – Phil Karls, Ron Kapphahn, Suzanne Gillick
Cup – Dick Macdonald, Ken Landoline, Will & Toni Schulte
Altar Servers: New Team in Training
Children's Liturgy of the Word: Christmas Break
Hospitality: Sherry Kulling & Candice Reed
A/V: Barry Anthony

SUNDAY 12:30 PM

Recividores: David & María Caballero
Lector 1: Christina Magana
Lector 2: José Vásquez
Ministros de Eucaristía: Roberto Nunes & Cecilia Cisneros
Ofrendas: Luis Nunes & Janett León
Colecta: Zuliana Caballero, Luis Nunes, Grecia Perez & Janett León
Monogillo: Team C

PLEASE NOTE: Ministry Schedules for Oct - Dec are on the website at www.stannechurchbyron.com

Reminder: It is your responsibility to find your replacement if you cannot serve when scheduled.



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