

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 3, 2019

AN ONGOING MISSION

In his hometown synagogue, Jesus' neighbors are amazed by his words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

Surely the people know who he is. The carpenter's son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue. The boy down the street.

Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define himself in a new way. When he compares himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God's people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all.

In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today's readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus' mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

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OUR GENEROSITY TO GOD

	2019	2018
Jan. 20, Offering - \$	9,100.29	\$7,606.18
Healing Mass - \$	591.25	



31st Annual Saint Ann School Benefit Dinner & Raffle, Saturday, Feb 9, 2019

It is time to buy your lucky ticket! You can purchase your tickets in the school office, from a school family, or after the Sunday morning Masses for \$250.00 each! **Only 200 tickets will be sold.** Two dinners are included with each raffle ticket. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased. **Grand prize is \$13,000!** Other prizes include cash and gift items. Ticket must be present to win. There will be a silent auction for desserts and Saint Ann class projects. You can try your luck at the Mystery Cash Box or a \$15 Wine Pull. ****Credit Cards, Checks and Cash are accepted!****

Year End Contribution Statements

We have mailed everyone a year end statement. If you do not receive your statement by Feb. 7, contact the church office at 760-375-2110 to verify we have your correct address. Thank you for your support of St. Ann Parish.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please, take a moment at Eucharist and in your prayers to remember those in our parish who are ill and have requested our intercessions. A book is available to record your intention just outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Diocese Directives for the Flu Season

1. Please do NOT come to Mass when you have flu-like symptoms.
2. Do NOT bring sick children to Mass or school.
3. Do NOT shake hands if you have a scratchy throat, the "sniffles," coughing, or sneezing.
4. Eucharistic Ministers wash hands with hot water and soap before & after Mass. Use hand sanitizer before distributing communion.
5. If possible, get the flu shot, get plenty of rest, eat a balanced diet and drink plenty of water. Strongly encourage children and pregnant women to receive a flu shot.
6. Wash your hands before & after touching your eyes, face or mouth.

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 7:30 am to 3:15 pm.,
Closed for lunch 12 noon - 12:30,
Friday 8 am to 12 noon.

*Reminder: Bulletin announcements are due
in the church office by **8 am Monday.***



Mass Time Change

Beginning Feb. 10, Sunday Mass times will change.
The 10 am Mass will change to 10:30 am.
The 12 noon Spanish Mass will change to 12:30 pm.



Natalie Yizel Isidro Loya

She recently joined our Faith Community through
the waters of Baptism.

Lector Training

Fr. Rayanna will be training all Lectors on Monday Feb 4, at 6 pm in the main church. Please plan to attend.

Blessed Palms Needed



Please bring your **blessed** palms from Palm Sunday and put them in the boxes in the vestibules. You may also bring them to the church office. We need them for Ash Wednesday. Thank you.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The song of the angels, "Holy, Holy, Holy," resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God's presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. "Heaven and earth are full of your glory," and we are not passive onlookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone's in the choir; why not start practicing now? —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

"Pew Envelopes" are available for your Sunday Contribution in both vestibules. Place them in the collection basket or give to an usher.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	2	5:30 pm	Spl Int LaMarca Family
Sun.	3	8:00 am	+Toni Prevenas/David Mercado
		10:00 am	For the Priests of the Fresno Diocese
Spanish		12:00 pm	Spl Int of Parishioners
Mon.	4	8:00 am	+Neil & Carolyn Shotwell/Ed Shotwell
Tue.	5	8:00 am	+Gordon Lacombe/Friends
Wed	6	8:00 am	Spl Int Jason P./Kathy Stephenson
Thurs	7	8:00 am	Spl Int Richard Mercado/David Mercado
Fri.	8	8:15 am	In Thanksgiving to St. Jude/Pam Zurn
Sat.	9	5:30 pm	+John & Salina Orozco/Family

Perpetual Adoration 24/7

The hours we currently need to fill are:

Wednesday at 4 am
Thursday at 2 am
Saturday at 9 am



PLEASE CONSIDER SPENDING AN HOUR WITH OUR LORD. You will be richly blessed! Subs are needed at various times throughout the year. If you are able to help in any way, please call Nancy at 760-375-2232.

St. Ann All Goods Boutique

Check out our "ebay" account at www.charity.ebay.com, enter "Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno" in the search box, then click on the blue "Learn More" next to the picture of St. Ann Church, to enter the site. Our inventory is always changing!

Faith + SHARING =
EVANGELISM

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Jesus has called us each to be his disciple. Do you wonder if God is calling you? If you are seeking ways to make discipleship your first priority, whether you were baptized into another faith, or not yet baptized, Inquiry may be for you. A group of friends has begun to gather Sundays following the 10 am Mass, in the Daily Mass Chapel conference room. We are here to answer questions and help you. It is no easy path, but a journey taken with friends can make the road easier to bear. Contact the church office with questions at (760) 375-2110 and ask for RCIA.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? -

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. For confidential information about or to register for the Feb. 15, 2019 weekend, call (661) 747-2212, or email: Bakersfield@RetroCA.com, or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Make up Training for ALL Altar Servers

When: Feb. 8 at 3:30 - 5:30 pm in the Church.
 Who: **New servers** who missed a training or would like more practice need to attend.
Experienced servers who did not attend the Jan 25 training need to attend. Fr. Rayanna has new information to teach.

First Communion Meeting

There will be a **mandatory** First Holy Communion meeting: Sunday, Feb 24, at 11:30 am., in room # 3. All St. Ann Church & School parents/guardians of children receiving First Holy Communion are required to attend.

**EVERYONE WELCOME!
 JOIN AT ANY TIME!**



Sun., 9 to 10 am. Opening the Word in the Sunday Readings with discussions applying to our everyday life. Come any Sunday to the Multi-Purpose Room in the Parish Hall. We meet all year round. Bill Walters, 760-375-7147.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Join us at 10 am, in the Daily Mass Chapel Conference Rm. We will begin our study of the Gospel of Luke. For more information, contact Laura at (760) 463-1078.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

GRADES K-5

Family pot-luck today 11:30 am. - 1 pm. Please bring a dish to share. If you have questions, contact the Religious Office (760) 375-2110 ext. 313 or email at ccd@parishofsaintann.org.

JR. HIGH EDGE & LIFE TEEN

Today is our Life Teen and Edge Family pot-luck. (You must have a parent present). 11:30 am- 1:45 pm.
<https://www.facebook.com/StAnnLifeTeenRidgecrestCa>

"They left everything and followed him" Leave behind the world's plan for your marriage. Worldwide Marriage Encounter® will be presenting on April 5-7, 2019 at the St. Francis Retreat Center, San Juan Bautista, CA. For more information *call, 831-200-3780 or email applications@centralcawwme.org or register online at centralcawwme.org.

Dishes Left in the Parish Hall Kitchen

We have a large number of misc. plates, bowls and platters that have been forgotten in the parish hall kitchen. Please come and pick up your serving dish. We will be donating all unclaimed dishes to DART, after Feb 18. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
- Tue: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
- Wed: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
- Thurs: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13
- Fri: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
- Sat: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
- Sun: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

Saint Ann School



SCRIP SALES.

In the school office during business hours; Fri. before & after school in the library; Sun. after the 8 am & 10 am Masses in the school office. Thank you for your continued support of Saint Ann School, through your SCRIP purchase.