



# St. Ann's Parish

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## Welcome and Registration

Welcome to St. Ann's! May the Lord bless you! If you would like to register with our Parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

**Memorial Donations:** Please keep our love for the parish alive: when recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Ann Parish.

## Prayer Network — 905-648-3341

Lynn Vallentin — [jamantval@hotmail.com](mailto:jamantval@hotmail.com)

## Legion of Mary — phone/text Julia 289-489-9487

## Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Dan Marranta [dannymarranta@gmail.com](mailto:dannymarranta@gmail.com)

## St. Vincent de Paul

Collection held first Sunday of the month.

## Parish Schools

St. Ann's	905-523-2340
St. Joachim's	905-523-2341
Holy Name of Mary	905-523-2342
Immaculate Conception	905-523-2463
Bishop Tonnos Secondary	902-523-2331

## The Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

## Weekday Mass

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—Friday 8:00 a.m.

## Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

## Parish Office Hours

Monday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually requested.

## Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

## Anointing of the Sick

Upon request. Please call the parish office.

## Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

# The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

## Mass Intentions

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
September 14, 2025

### Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

7:00 p.m. † Josh Macri  
† Nicola Bianco  
† Vyvyan Reilly  
† Anthony Vallentin

### Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory  
† Heung Un Choi

### Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. † Gina Spagnuolo  
† Jack Elliott

### Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. † Olga & Saleem Gedeon  
Intentions of Kaitlin Fortaleza

### Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>

5:00 p.m. † Sofia Runco  
† Gus Creces  
† Stan & Maria Filice  
† Francesco, Maria & Natale Gallo  
† José Joaquim Correia

## Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Week of September 14, 2025

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Phillip Cook
Tuesday	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
Wednesday	<b><i>Missionary Sisters of Christ the King, M.ChR.</i></b>
Thursday	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
Friday	Rev. Piotr Golinski
Saturday	Rev. Rafal Tomon

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.



From the desk of:

**DAVID DAYLER**

## SAINT CARLO ACUTIS: A MILLENNIAL PILGRIM OF HOPE

As we continue our exploration of models for being Pilgrims of Hope, we turn today to reflect upon one of our newest Saints – Carlo Acutis, the first Millennial saint.

My friends, in every age, God raises up witnesses to remind us that holiness is not a distant dream but a living reality. In our own time, in this digital, fast-paced, and often restless world, the Lord has given us the witness of Carlo Acutis — a fifteen-year-old boy in sneakers, a teenager who loved soccer, video games, and his friends, yet who also loved Jesus Christ above all things.

Carlo is a reminder that hope is possible — not the shallow hope that everything will go our way, but the deep, unshakable hope that comes from knowing Christ and living in His presence. He is what Pope Francis has called him: a “millennial witness of the Gospel,” a pilgrim of hope for our age.

### Anchored in the Eucharist

At the heart of Carlo’s life was the Eucharist. He used to say, “The Eucharist is my highway to heaven.” For him, daily Mass and adoration were not extra devotions, but the very center of his existence. Imagine a boy of his age — when many teenagers are running from one distraction to another — kneeling before the Blessed Sacrament, spending time with his greatest Friend.

It was from the Eucharist that Carlo’s hope flowed. In the host, he found strength to face difficulties, courage to resist temptation, and joy that overflowed into his relationships. When he was diagnosed with leukemia, he accepted his illness with peace, saying, “I offer all my suffering for the Pope and the Church.” What greater testimony of hope than a young man facing death, yet smiling toward heaven?

### A Pilgrim in the Digital World

Carlo was a child of the internet age. He knew the fascination and the dangers of the digital world. But rather than being swallowed by it, he chose to use it as a tool for mission. He built a website cataloguing Eucharistic miracles so that others could see the wonders of God’s presence across the world. He understood that the digital space could be a mission field — and he entered it with creativity and faith.

Isn’t that hopeful for us today? So many people worry about the internet as a place of division, distraction,

and darkness. Carlo shows us it can also be a place of light, a space where the Gospel can shine. He invites us not to abandon the world we live in, but to transform it.

### **Ordinary Holiness**

But, let us not imagine that Carlo was only about computers and church. He was, above all, a teenager who loved life. He played soccer, laughed with his friends, and enjoyed his games. Yet, he never allowed these things to dominate him. He lived with balance, with freedom, with joy.

Those who knew him remember his kindness — how he defended classmates who were bullied, how he shared meals with the homeless, how he gave his own money to help those in need. His holiness was not in grand gestures but in the ordinary moments of love. Isn't that the path open to all of us? To be faithful in the small things, to love in the little ways?

### **A Pilgrim of Hope**

The word "pilgrim" reminds us that life is a journey. Carlo lived as a pilgrim, always walking toward heaven. He once said, "Everyone is born as an original, but many die as photocopies." Those words cut to the heart. He invites us to live our originality, the unique vocation God has given each one of us.

His hope was not vague optimism but, a confidence that God's love is real, that heaven is waiting, and that life — however long or short — is meaningful when lived with Christ. Carlo's journey was only fifteen years long, but it was enough to make him a beacon of hope for generations to come.

### **A Word for Us Today**

My friends, what does Carlo's witness say to us? It says that holiness is possible here and now. It says that hope is not naïve but, deeply real when it is rooted in Jesus. It says that young people — our children, our students, our fellow parishioners — are not only the future of the Church but already its radiant present.

Carlo invites us to anchor our lives in the Eucharist, to use our gifts — even our technology — for the glory of God, and to live each day with kindness and joy. He calls us to lift our eyes beyond the fleeting to the eternal, to live not as photocopies, but as originals created in the image of God.

So let us walk with him as fellow pilgrims of hope. Let us, like Carlo, make Christ the center of our days. And, let us believe that even in our ordinary lives, the light of holiness can shine, pointing others toward heaven. Saint Carlo Acutis, millennial pilgrim of hope, pray for us.

— David Dayler —

## **ST. ANN'S WOMEN'S GROUP**

Attention Ladies, our new fall program is starting soon and you're invited! "She Shall Be Called Woman" is a transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. Our program is a sanctuary for women seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved, as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, we equip you with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey. Join us for food, fellowship, and faith. The program will run on Tuesdays from September 30 - Nov 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre meeting room. All women are welcome!

Learn more at [www.SheShallBeCalledWoman.com](http://www.SheShallBeCalledWoman.com)

To register please email: [saintannwvp@gmail.com](mailto:saintannwvp@gmail.com)

## **THE LEGION OF MARY ROSARY RALLY**

A big thank you to Father Peter and Father Ed, and to all who participated in the joyful occasion of the Legion of Mary Rosary Rally on September 7<sup>th</sup>.



## **PARENT & CANDIDATE CONFIRMATION MEETING**

Both parents and Confirmation candidates are asked to attend a Parent/Candidate Meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

This important gathering will provide key information to guide you through this next step in faith. Together—home, school, and parish—we will help make this journey truly spiritual and enriching for your child.

The path of faith that began at Baptism, continued through First Penance and First Eucharist, now moves forward as your child prepares to receive the Holy Spirit in Confirmation with His Seven Gifts.

We look forward to sharing this journey of faith with you and your family!

**St. Ann, Pray For Us!**