SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday: (Anticipatory) 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

DAILY MASS
Monday-Saturday 9:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
info@stanthonynovato.org

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Monday—Saturday 8:30 AM—9:00 AM
Every Friday 9:30 AM—12:00 PM
First Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Approach the priest after Daily Mass
Also by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Contact Parish Office to Schedule

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Contact parish office at least six months prior to the wedding

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
For those in need of strength during an illness. It is not necessarily related to death.
Contact parish office at onset of illness.
24/7 emergency number: 415-883-2177 x11

FUNERALS
In case of death in the family, contact Parish Office immediately.

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2nd Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019

Go and Make Disciples
Matthew 28:19
MASS INTENTIONS

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ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Monday—Dec. 9th-10:30am & 7pm
Combined Advent Reconciliation Service
With Our Lady of Loretta at St. Anthony

ADVENT RESOURCES

Advent began on Sunday, December 1, and brings us into a new liturgical year. This initial season of the Church year is four weeks of preparation for the feast of Christmas and the incarnation of God in Christ. For a rich supply of Advent resources, visit the archdiocesan website, below, to find prayers, reflections, devotions, activities, projects, and traditions, for yourself, your family, and your community. Among the resources new this year is a daily e-mail reflection from Formed.org. Many parishes offer Formed to their parishioners; this Advent e-mail is available without a Formed account. Advent Resources on Archdiocesan Website sfarch.org/advent

CHRISTMAS DINNER INFO:
Purchased Christmas Dinner tickets can be picked up after all Masses this weekend. Tables will be outside the church (weather permitting). Doors will open promptly at 5:45pm on the night of the dinner, Dec. 14th.

Don’t be early!

The Little Blue Book will be available by the chapel door and in the back of the church. The book has six-minute reflections on the Sunday Gospels for the Advent and Christmas Seasons. (Dec. 1-Jan.12) The suggested donation for each book is $3.00.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Food items needed for our families this season are on the Christmas swag in the back of the church: 3 or 5 lb. canned hams, peanut butter and jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, box of mashed potatoes, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned gravy and cereal. Please return ASAP as the last day to collect is Monday, Dec. 9th. Food will be packed for the families on Tuesday, Dec. 10th. Last day to collect gift certificates is Monday, Dec. 16th for client pickup on Thursday, Dec. 19th, so please get your gift certificates in. Thank you for making our SVDP families feel so loved at Christmas time.

TAX-ADVANTAGED WAYS TO GIVE TO OUR PARISH:

Gifts of Appreciated Securities: Gifts of appreciated securities continue to be beneficial for donors since they offer significant tax advantages including income tax deductions and avoidance of tax on capital gains if the donor sells the highly appreciated securities. With markets remaining at high levels in spite of recent volatility, many parishioners likely have some highly appreciated securities in their portfolios. Through a gift of appreciated securities to benefit our parish, including through the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA), donors who itemize may receive an income tax deduction up to the full market value of the securities and can also avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation. In essence, you may save twice on income tax and capital gains tax.

IRA Rollover—Qualified Charitable Distribution: The IRA qualified charitable distribution (QCD) provides a way for donors 70 ½ and older to receive a tax benefit for their generosity. It is beneficial because the QCD will not be included in adjusted gross income and is therefore not subject to tax. This is now more beneficial in view of the increased standard deduction in the new tax law. A donor can make a QCD of up to $100,000 annually directly from the IRA to a charity, and as an added benefit, the QCD satisfies the donor’s required minimum distribution. Parishioners 70 ½ or older should consult with their IRA administrator for the procedure to make a QCD to our parish.

For More Information contact the Parish Office. Please consult your tax or financial advisor. Our parish is not engaged in legal or tax advisory service. The examples listed above are intended to provide useful information of a general character only. For specific advice and assistance, please consult a qualified tax or financial advisor.
**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Lifteen:** It’s Advent Friendsgiving! This Sunday, Dec. 8th, at 7pm. All high schoolers and families are invited to join us. Please bring a dish to share with the group!

**Edge:** Middle School Youth night Monday, Dec. 9th, at 7pm. The topic is, “It’s beginning to look a lot like...Advent!” We will be discussing Advent and how we can better prepare for Christmas. All middle schoolers are welcome to join us in the Hall.

**Thursday Night Worship:** We still have Adoration and Praise & Worship every Thursday night at 6:30pm in the Hall. All are welcome.

**Bible Study:** We have Advent Bible Study Tuesdays at 12:00 noon and 6:30pm in the Hall. All ages are welcome to join us in studying the bible and preparing for Christmas.

**Confirmation and Child Faith Formation:** There is no Confirmation and Child Faith Formation on Wednesday, Dec. 11th.

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**ADVENT CONCERT!**

Please join us for a musical evening with Douglas and James Harman at St. Anthony’s Church Tuesday, Dec 10th, at 7pm. Free admission. Free-will love offerings greatly accepted and CDs will be for sale, including James and Doug’s new Advent CD. Hope to see you there!

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK** — Austin Van Cleave, Andrew Michael Petris, June Gerish, Amy Silva, Sandi Humpherys, Alyssa and Don Richards, Diana Hansell, Sara Delucchi, Marcelina Borsellino, Lori Thompson, Maurice Velcich, Janis Yates, Adora Gutierrez, Patricia Singleton, Dennis Cremins, Madeline Piccione, Jeanne Roche, Curt Aloha, Barbara Bendix, Erma Wiedner, Ori Hardy-Sayles, Rob Kammerer, Joanne Mejia, Patricia Kriletich, Marian Patocchi, Jim Jacobsen, Karin Craig, Sylvia Landman, Kimberly Jupe, Dominga Lee, Claudio Greogretti, Danny Kirsten, Armando Guerrero, Jerrad Giomi, Art Rogers, Flora Mancebo, Geraldine McDonough, Lorraine Priolo, Jenny Collins, Beverly Pierson, Lydia Kohler, Denise Thompson, Linda Alcott, Julie Foster, Kathy Harais

**In Memorian:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bradley Epperson and Carlota Tovar.

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**TAIZE PRAYER**

Join us for a special night of Adoration and Praise & Worship Thursday, Dec. 19th, in the Church. David Sandler will be giving a talk at 6:30pm followed by Taizé singing and silence during Adoration from 7-8pm. Taizé Prayer is the singing of repeated chants during a candlelit service. It will be a beautiful, peaceful way to prepare your hearts for the coming of our Savior at Christmas.

**OCTOBER MASS COUNTS**

Every October the Archdiocese asks for each parish to do a count of those attending Mass. Here are our results. (Number is divided by 4 for an average. Number includes men, women & children.)

- 5pm Mass: 621 (Averaging @155/mass)
- 7am Mass: 399 (Averaging @100/mass)
- 9am Mass: 734 (Averaging @183/mass)
- 11am Mass: 719 (Averaging @180/mass)

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**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

Today the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious is being taken. The women and men Religious of the Archdiocese are appreciative of any help you can give and count on your assistance as they face retirement with limited resources. More importantly, though, please remember in your prayers the more than 500 women and men religious living and serving in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

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**SUNDAY COLLECTION TOTALS**

Sunday, December 1, 2019: $6,481.45
Thanksgiving Collection: $1,686.00
Sunday, December 2, 2018: $6,881.50

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Novato Music Association Chorus presents: **HOLIDAYS IN HARMONY**

Three of our singing parishioners, Nancy Brumbaugh, Pat Buckley and Sheila Dasovich will be performing with the Novato Music Association Chorus Friday, Dec.6th—Saturday, Dec. 14th. Performances will be at St. Vincent’s Chapel, 1 St. Vincent’s Dr. in Marinwood. Please go to www.novatomusicassociationchorus.org or www.brownpapertickets.com for more information. Good luck ladies!
DECEMBER’S
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

St. Nicholas Young Families Party
December 8th ~ 12:00 noon

Advent Friendsgiving
December 8th ~ 7pm
High Schoolers and Families Welcome
Please bring a dish to share!

Advent Reconciliation
December 9th ~ 10:30am and 7pm

Advent Concert with James & Doug Harman
December 10th ~ 7pm

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
December 11th ~ 7pm

Annual Christmas Dinner
December 14th ~ 5:45pm Doors Open

Taize Service
Special Night of Adoration and Praise & Worship
December 19th ~ 6:30pm

Christmas Eve ~ December 24th
3pm Mass with Children’s Pageant
5pm and 8pm Candlelight Mass

Christmas Day ~ December 25th
7am, 9am and 11am Mass

New Year’s Day ~ January 1st
Holy Day of Obligation
9am and 7pm Mass