Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament

Do you play golf? I mean, do you really play golf, or do you, like me, swing long sticks at little balls and try—just try—to get them in holes in the ground that seem to be getting smaller and smaller (I SO love this game)? Whether you love this game or have no idea what a “par” or an “eagle” are in golf, you have to give it to our Knights of Columbus.

On Monday, the 25 of September, our Knights are hosting the very first Charity Golf Tournament. However it is that they play, they will be out on the course for Bay Area Crisis Nursery, having fun for a great cause. They get to go out to the Moraga Country Club and have a great time with other people who, just like they do, want to support those in need.

Bay Area Crisis Nursery (BACN) serves families with parents who care, but temporarily can’t cope with overwhelming, stressful life emergencies. BACN was established to help prevent child abuse and neglect by providing supportive services to families who are in stress or crisis. Their primary service is providing a warm, loving, homelike environment for children from birth through eleven years of age by offering 24-hour residential care.

Thank you to all of you who will be out there, may God bless you for supporting BACN, and have FUN!
Knights of Columbus First Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Join us for an afternoon of fun on Monday, September 25, 2017 at the Moraga Country Club, 1600 Andrews Drive, Moraga. The tournament will benefit the Bay Area Crisis Nursery (www.bacn.org). Tee-off time is 12:00 Noon; check in is at 10:30am. The fee is $200 per player and we ask that you pre-register.

To register, you may contact Dean Akazawa at dean.akazawa@gmail.com or purchase your tickets after Mass in the front of the church.

Ministry of Hospitality Greeters at Mass

Over the past couple of months the parish liturgy team has been reviewing the ministry of greeters. This ministry is vital to the communal nature of our prayer. Could you imagine not being welcomed somewhere if you were new or not being greeted by people who you know? What sense of belonging or community would you have with that location, business or church? So, we want to make sure that we have greeters at each and every Mass! If interested in being a greeter please contact Charles Brewer at 376-9421 or cbrewer5@comcast.net.

Wine Tasting at Santa Maria

Come join us!
The parish will again have a wine tasting of Bishop’s Vineyard wines on Saturday, September 30, 6:15pm-8:00pm in the Santa Maria Plaza. If you haven’t tasted their wines, you are in for a treat!

We ask for your support for the Santa Maria Music Ministry and Catholic Education.

Tickets are $25 per person or $30 at the door. You must be 21 years of age or older to purchase a ticket; IDs will be checked at the door.

Tickets will be on sale this weekend after all the Masses in the front of the church.

Youth Band

Our Youth Mass will begin again on October 1st at the Sunday 5:00pm Mass. Our Youth Band will accompany the music at this Mass. If you play an instrument and are interested in joining them or have questions, please contact Tony Millette at tmillette@smparish.org.

Children’s Choir

We will begin Children’s Choir rehearsals on October 2nd at 3:30pm in classroom 1. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Tony Millette at (925) 254-2426, ext 303 or email him at tmillette@smparish.org.

Rosary Prayer Service

On Wednesday evening October 4th there will be a Rosary Prayer Service at 7:30pm with a light social following in the parish hall. Our Middle School Youth Group will be attending this service. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Baptismal Process

If you have a child that you would like to be baptized over the next two months the required parent classes will be held in the month of September starting on Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00pm. The second class will be September 27th at 7:00pm. Please contact the parish office for more information about the baptismal process or if you would like to register.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

On September 19th at 7:00pm three people will begin a journey of faith for those inquiring about becoming a Catholic and those who were baptized in the Catholic Church but have not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

If you are also interested or know someone who is, Come and see! Contact the parish office at (925) 254-2426, ext 303.

MASS INTENTIONS

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Faith Formation

Dear Parents,
Welcome back all current families! Welcome new families!

As a family of faith in the Santa Maria Faith Formation Program 2017-2018, we will work together to grow as Christians by sharing our Catholic faith with each other.

Two upcoming events to jot down on your calendar:

Parents Orientation this Sunday, September 17 @ 9:15 AM in the Conference Room followed by the blessing of Parents @ 10:30AM Mass.

The First Day of Faith Formation is Monday, September 25.

Please keep our Students and Catechists in your prayers. Be assured that you and your families are in my prayers as well.

Sister Theresa Do
Faith Formation Coordinator

Are you new to Santa Maria?
We’re glad you’re here!

The Church of Santa Maria is a vibrant community of faith who believes and professes the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the living tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We provide the Sacraments and Sacramental preparation, pastoral care, opportunities for social outreach, and faith formation for all ages of the Catholic Community of Orinda, CA.

Our mission is that of our Diocese of Oakland: To know Christ better and to make Him better known.

Thank you for joining us this weekend for your worship! If you’re not yet registered in the parish, please cut out and return the portion below to the collection basket or to the Parish Office, and we’ll mail you a registration form!

See you next week!

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket, and we will mail you a Parish Registration Form!

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PASTORAL TEAM
Reverend George Mockel
Pastor
gmockel@smparish.org

Reverend Joseph Duong Nguyen
Priest in Residence

Reverend Vien Nguyen
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Sister Magdalena Duong, LHC
Bookkeeper
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PRAYER INTENTIONS
For the Sick

For the Deceased

TREASURE
September 10, 2017 Actual

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Diocesan Priest Retirement

$5,178.00

Upcoming Collections:
09/17/17 Hurricane Harvey
10/01/17 Faith Formation

Donuts and Coffee this weekend are hosted by:
Joan O’Brien after the 8:30am Mass
Heidi Kuss family after the 10:30am Mass

Reflecting on the Gospel

Liturgy of the Hours:
Week IV of the Psalter

Jesus tells a striking parable about two instances of forgiveness of debts—one lavishly given, the other miserly withheld. The implication is that God acts like the extravagant king. But not so. God’s forgiveness of us is always even beyond extravagance, even beyond measure. We measure; God does not. As infinite as God’s forgiveness is to receive it is not without a substantial condition. We are to forgive one another as God forgives—from the heart, “seventy-seven times.” Only forgiveness that comes from the heart is immeasurable.

—Living Liturgy™, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2017
Confirmation Parent Orientation
for C1 and C2 Parents

All parents must come to ONE Parent Orientation Session!

Mon Sept 25 2017
OR
Tues Sept 26 2017
6pm to 7pm

Bishop Cummins Conference Room
(Next door to the Youth Room)

Email megan@smparish.org if you have questions

www.santamariaorinda.com/teen-confirmation

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