We, at St. Catherine Parish, are a growing, diverse, and welcoming Catholic Community, called to live and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ through Worship, Discipleship and Service.

La Parroquia de Santa Catalina de Alejandria, es una comunidad en crecimiento, acogedora y diversa, llamada a vivir yproclamar la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo por medio de la Oración, el Discipulado y el Servicio.

**From the Desk of Deepu Kochuparambil ....**

Hey High Schoolers!
Hello? Helloooooooooo??????? Are there any high schoolers who actually read the bulletin? Well, if you know of one, ask them to read this (ask, don’t just demand, that doesn’t work well).

So, you’re in high school. You’re trying to figure out who you are - where you belong, what you believe. You have lots of questions about Catholicism (if you don’t, then you’re not thinking about it enough - we should all have questions). There’s lots of pressure from your friends and peers to be cool. To bend or break the rules. To drink and do drugs. You have a lot to figure out and it's definitely not easy, especially in the moment. So, you can decide to let others make decisions for you, or you can take control.

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**Desde el Escritorio de Deepu Kochuparambil, ...**

Hey Estudiantes de secundaria!
¿Hola? Helloooooooooo ??????? ¿Hay estudiantes de secundaria que realmente leen el boletín? Bueno, si usted sabe de uno, pidale que lea esto (pregunte y que no sea demanda, porque eso no funciona bien). Por lo tanto, usted esta en la escuela secundaria. Usted está tratando de averiguar quién es usted - donde usted pertenece, lo que usted cree. Tienes un montón de preguntas sobre el catolicismo (si no, entonces usted no está pensando en ello lo suficiente - porque todos deberíamos de tener preguntas). Hay mucha presión de sus amigos y compañeros para estar al día. Para doblar o romper las reglas. Para beber y consumir drogas. Usted tiene mucho que descubrir y esto definitivamente, no es fácil, sobre todo en el momento.

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Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría

Monday - Friday (Lunes - Viernes)
8:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00 - 7:00pm
Saturday (Sábado)
Closed/Cerrado
Sunday (Domingo)
8:30am - 12:00pm

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THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, August 31
7:00-12:00pm CR1-4 Hospitality
8:00-12:00pm Nur Bright Beginning Nursery
8:30-10:30am LR RCIA Dismissal

Monday/Lunes, September 1
4:30-8:30pm CR3-4 Community Supper
6:00-9:00pm CH Bell Choir/Angelica Choir

Tuesday/Martes, September 2
6:30-9:30pm CR1-2 Spanish Bible Study
6:30-9:00pm CH Platicas Prebautismales

Wednesday/Miércoles, September 3
12:00-8:00pm Nur Rose Choir
6:00-9:00pm MC Catechist Training Session
6:30-9:00pm Rm.12 Jesus to Mankind
6:30-8:00pm CH Spanish Holy Hour
6:30-9:30pm CR 4 Fall Fun Fest—Meeting
8:00-9:00pm NUR Fil/Am Comm. Meeting
8:00-10:00pm CH Oración Carismatica

Thursday/Jueves, September 4
6:30-9:00pm CR 3-4 Prática de Coros
6:30-9:30pm LR Liturgy Committee Meeting
6:30-9:30pm CR1-2 Spanish Faith Ongoing Catechesis
8:00-9:00pm Nur Schola Cantorum

Friday/Viernes, September 5
9:00-8:00am CH 24Hour Adoration
9:30-10:30am CR1-2 Bible Study
3:00-10:00pm Kit Fall Fun Fest Cooking
7:00-9:00pm LR Consejo Hispano
7:00-9:00pm Rm.11 Grupo Amigos
6:30-10:00pm Rm. 10 Jovenes Para Cristo

Saturday/Sábado, September 6
AllDay MC Jovenes Para Cristo
AllDay Kit Fall Fun Fest Cooking

MC = Milani Center CR1-4= Parish Center Conference Rooms
CH = Church Sci = Science Room LR = Living Room
DC = Daycare PR = Presentation Center Nur. = Nursery

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEKEND....

First Reading — Warn the wicked and try to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

Gospel — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).


LABOR

A truly American sentiment recognizes the dignity of labor and the fact that honor lies in honest toil.

—Grover Cleveland

8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 1  † Maria Leyva
† Gerald Gavin
Tuesday, September 2  † Margaret Drake
† Leonardo De Palma
Wednesday, September 3  † Thomas Thompson
† Zenaida S. Lardizabal
Thursday, September 4  † Bill Young
† Loren and Trâm Allen
Friday, September 5  † All Souls
† Arcadia Palido
Saturday, September 6  † Jack Mac Arthur
† Annette Katz

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: “What has it meant to you to take up your cross and follow Jesus?"

Child: “When has it been hard to be a follower to Jesus?”

NEIGHBORLY LOVE

We can never love our neighbor too much.

—St. Francis de Sales
STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE

Today we are reminded of the difficulty of speaking our faith to those who do not share our understanding of God and the Kingdom here and now. The penetrating words of Jeremiah tell us “You duped me, O Lord, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed.” His prophetic voice that called his contemporaries to honor their covenant with God has become a part of him which cannot be denied... even though he continues to receive nothing from his people but scorn. Voices that reprove us, especially those which tell us that we are not living the truth which we already know, are hurtful and challenging. Often we need Jeremiah’s example to overcome our reticence to speak out words of truth to power or to challenge the “popular” current conditions that lead away from solidarity with Jesus’ call to holiness through love. Peter, ever the well intentioned one, cannot see suffering and death as anything that should happen to Jesus. We know that he will eventually come to understand and give his life but his journey, like ours, is one of awakening rather than immediate understanding. Speaking and living our faith will most likely not require the type of witness that Jeremiah and Peter gave; but that doesn’t absolve us of the need to overcome the comfort we seek. There will be times of witness to the faith we believe and profess which will be uncomfortable. We cannot evangelize only with words; we need the corresponding witness our lives give... It is challenging to “deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow Jesus” but it is the path to fullness of life … both now in the life to come.

FROM THE DESK OF DEEPU
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That doesn't mean shutting others out - it means taking in all the information you can - from friends, family, teachers, etc. and deciding what is best for you. And I don’t mean what you feel like you want to do, but what really is the best for you - what makes you a better person - someone that YOU can be proud of. Someone that ALL will be inspired by. Because of your integrity. Because of your morals and kindness. Because you are your own person. So, I invite you to join one of our many youth ministries - Life Teen or Grupo Amigos, the youth choir, or Confirmation - and to start taking your faith seriously. To figure out what you actually believe. To figure out the type of person you want to be. To ask questions, to seek answers. No pressure. We do not force you to believe anything - that is totally up to you. We just ask you to be open to it. To learn what the Church REALLY teaches - not what people think It teaches. I'll leave you with this quote from Fulton J. Sheen, an archbishop of the Catholic Church: “There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate The Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be.”

If you don't want to join, but just want to talk or ask questions, feel free to email me at deepuk@dsj.org or call/text 874-6742.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Save life giving water when washing hands. First put only one squirt of soap on your hand, then rub them for 20 seconds. Then turn on the water slightly and rinse and turn the water off.

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED

Do you own a business and would like to donate a basket of your products or a gift certificate? We are looking for raffle prizes for our great Fall Fun Fest Raffle. You may also purchase Scrip on Sundays after mass and donate it to our raffle. For more information, please contact Maria Dominguez at 408-779-3959 or mdominguez@dsj.org.

Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: ________ Zip: __________
Phone: ________ Email: ____________________
LITURGY WORSHIP

REFLECTION: A disciple of the Lord has to renounce him/herself and follow Christ; we are reminded in this weekend Gospel (Mat. 16:21-27). The prophet Jeremiah (about 600 B.C.) in our first reading (Jer. 20:7-9), already experienced being insulted and mocked because of his prophetic words. The people ridiculed him, threw him in jail and even tried to kill him by throwing him in a well. We hear him complaining to God, “You duped me! You tricked me, God!” “Why should you suffer!” the devil asked Jesus (Mt. 4:5-7, Lk. 4:9-12). Jesus remained faithful to his mission, even when He had to embrace suffering and carrying the cross He never felt tricked by God. Jesus is telling us if we follow him it’s going to bring us problems, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me” (Mt. 16:24). Let us not assume from this statement that if we decide NOT to follow Christ we will be without any problems. Having problems comes with being human. Problems and crosses are part of everyone’s life, whether they believe in Christ or not. Following Christ helps us deal with them more easily; the cross that we take up if we follow Christ will not defeat us but will bring us to resurrection, “Have no fear, because I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord” (Jer. 1:8). St. Paul, in the second reading (Rom. 12:1-2), tells us: “We shall consecrate our body, i.e. our whole being to God and make our daily life a spiritual worship.”

LABOR DAY: This weekend we celebrate Labor Day. It is a celebration to remember all those engaged in manual labor in factories, farms and the service industries. As our society becomes more complex those jobs seem even more important and harder to fill. We also remember those who serve us in different professions such as law and medicine and of course those engaged in management, who have the responsibility of keeping everything going and adapting to rapid change. Happy Labor Day!

WELCOME BACK: The new school year began on Thursday, August 21st. Let us keep our students, parents, faculty, staff, volunteers and alumni in our prayers throughout the year. Since we are operating the school at its full capacity, we encourage everyone, especially during school days, to be particularly careful and attentive while driving through our parish campus. Your cooperation is important and necessary, especially in the morning while students are arriving to the school and parishioners are coming to daily Mass. Thank you for your continued help, prayers and cooperation.
LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Me sedujiste, Señor, y me dejé seducir por ti (Jeremías 20:7-9).
Salmo — Mi alma está sedienta de ti, Señor, mi Dios (Salmo 63 [62]).
Segunda lectura — No se dejen llevar por las cosas del mundo, más bien transfórmense por la renovación de su mente (Romanos 12:1-2).
Evangelio — Si quieres seguirme, renuncia a ti mismo, carga con tu cruz y síguelo (Mateo 16:21-27).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA
Lunes: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Sal 119 (118):97-102; Lc 4:16-3
Martes: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Sal 145 (144):8-14; Lc 4:31-37
Miércoles: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Sal 33 (32):12-15, 20-21; Lc 4:38-44
Jueves: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Sal 24 (23):1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lc 5:1-11
Viernes: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Sal 37 (36):3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lc 5:33-39
Sábado: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Sal 145 (144):17-21; Lc 6:1-5
Domingo: Ez 33:7-9; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

FELICITAMOS LOS CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE AGOSTO:

Domingo, 31 de Agosto
Misa de 12:15 pm
Pedro Uribe y Rosa Gonzalez
Damos gracias al Señor por todas las bendiciones concedidas a cada uno de nuestros ministros en su cumpleaños y el que compartan su tiempo y talento en nuestra Parroquia. Pedimos al Señor los haga crecer en su fe y les recompense su generosidad.

JÓVENES PARA CRISTO
Se les invita a las personas mayores de 18 años a reunirse todos los viernes en el salón 10 en la escuela a las 7:00pm. ¡Los esperamos!

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL DEEPU KOCHUPARAMBIL...

Usted puede decidir dejar que otros tomen decisiones por usted, o usted puede tomar el control. Eso no significa el cierre de otros hacia fuera - Significa tomar con toda la información que pueda - de amigos, familiares, maestros, etc, y decidir lo que es mejor para usted. Y no me refiero a lo que usted siente que quiere hacer, pero lo que realmente es lo mejor para usted - lo que hace una mejor persona - alguien que pueda estar orgulloso de sí mismo. Alguien que inspire a TODOS. Debido a su integridad. Debido a su moral y bondad. Porque tú eres tu propia persona. Por lo tanto, les invito a unirse a uno de nuestros muchos ministerios juveniles - Life Teen o Grupo Amigos, el coro de jóvenes, o la Confirmación - y empezar a tomar en serio su fe. Para averiguar lo que realmente cree. Para averiguar el tipo de persona que quieres ser. Para hacer preguntas, buscar respuestas. No hay presión. Nosotros no obligamos a creer cualquier cosa - es totalmente de usted. Sólo pedimos que seas abierto a ella. Para conocer lo que la Iglesia enseña realmente - no es lo que la gente piensa que enseña. Los dejo con esta cita de Fulton J. Sheen, un arzobispo de la Iglesia Católica: “No hay un centenar de personas en los Estados Unidos que odian a la Iglesia Católica, pero hay millones que odian lo que erróneamente perciben la Católica Iglesia sea”.

Si no desea unirse, y sólo quiere hablar o hacer preguntas, no dude en enviarme un correo electrónico a deepuk@dsj.org o llame / texto 408-874-6742.

GRUPO AMIGOS
Se les invita a todos los muchachos y muchachas que estén en la high school para asistir al Grupo Amigos. Es un lugar para hacer buenas amistades y para aprender nuevas cosas que ayudaran en sus vidas y crecer en su fe. Todos los viernes en su Parroquia de Santa Catalina a las 7:00pm. Esperamos verlos!
**OFERTORIO VIA ELECTRONICA**
Considere la posibilidad de hacer una donación de ofertorio para la parroquia por vía electrónica. En lugar de su oferta semanal entregado por sobre puede procesar las contribuciones de su cuenta de cheques, de ahorros o cuenta de tarjeta de crédito por vía electrónica a Santa Catalina de dos maneras:
- Utilice la opción su pagador de banco de la factura opción de la función, teniendo en cuenta el número de sobre, tal como será su número de cuenta.
- Regístrese para utilizar el seguro en línea ParishPay. Ir al www.stca.org y haga clic en “Give A través de Parish Pay”.
Por favor, tenga en cuenta el número de sobres.
**¿Cuáles son los beneficios?**
- Le permite configurar y programar la cantidad de su donación mensual de la misma manera que usted piensa de otros compromisos financieros.
- Continuar apoyando a su parroquia durante el viaje, de vacaciones, enfermedad, etc.
- Fácil de ajustar el monto de su contribución automatizado.
- No hay más que escribir un cheque cada semana.
Apreciamos su generosidad si contribuyen con un cheque o dinero en efectivo, utilizando los sobres o por vía electrónica. Gracias.

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**PREBAUTISMALES**
Esta plática es diseñada para preparar a los padres y padrinos del niño/a que recibirá el sacramento del Bautismo. El programa es requerido antes del Bautismo y se llevaran acabo en la iglesia a las 6:30pm durante esta fecha:  **Septiembre 2, 2014**
* Necesitan registrarse antes de la fecha a la oficina Parroquial al 1-408-779-3959.

**CENA GRATIS**
Ahora en la Iglesia de Santa Catalina hay una cena para la Comunidad cada noche de lunes de 6:00-7:00pm en el Centro Parroquial. Todos son bienvenidos. Ven y únete a nosotros! Una comida caliente gratuita también está disponible en Morgan Hill cada martes en la Iglesia Luterana de 5:00-6:00pm, todos los miércoles en la Iglesia Metodista Unida de 6:00-7:00pm y los jueves en la Iglesia Comunidad Cristiana de 6:00-7:00pm.

**PREPARACIÓN A LOS SACRAMENTOS PARA ADULTOS**
Para los adultos de 18 años en adelante que les falte algún Sacramento, ya sea Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación. Les invitamos a prepararse en un año todos los jueves, iniciamos el **1 de Agosto**. Pueden pasar a la Rectoría a llenar su aplicación.

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**Ofrenda Semanal de la Corresponsabilidad**

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**Notas de Corresponsabilidad:** La Corresponsabilidad se define como la recaudación total de las misas de fin de semana, Navidad y Pascua. La “Meta Semanal” es el número que refleja la cantidad que tendría que ser recogidos cada semana para cumplir con nuestro presupuesto anual.
DE LOS PERIFÉRICOS A LA BODEGA: LA VIDA INTERIOR: SEGUNDA PARTE

El santo, además de serlo, es la persona más feliz del mundo. Por muchos sinsabores que pueda recibir en su vida de relación, él descansa en el santuario de su alma, donde, a solas con Dios, vive una permanente aventura de paz y de sosiego, de Amor y de ternura. Eso le vuelve fuerte y le vuelve libre, porque no necesita que el mundo le haga feliz. Su felicidad está asegurada en su relación de Amor con Dios, en el silencio de un templo interior al que el Cantar de los Cantares llama hermosamente “la bodega”. Por eso puede lanzarse al mundo sin soltar esa ancla clavada en la Roca que mora en lo profundo de su alma, sabiendo que el mundo no podrá arrastrarlo jamás lejos de Ella. Si experimenta una decepción en la relación con un amigo, no correrá en busca de una película, de una copa, o de un desahogo emocional tratando de recuperar el apoyo perdido. Le bastará con recogérse en “la bodega”, descansar en Dios y saberse amado, para que todo quede compensado con creces.

Pero los santos no son ejemplo para el hombre del siglo XXI, que prefiere mirarse en los famosos y no sabe explicar qué ha sucedido cuando esos famosos aparecen muertos de manera extraña en la habitación de un hotel. Hasta que el hombre no vuelva a mirarse en los santos, hasta que no vuelva a aficionarse a la oración, al silencio y al recogimiento, el hombre de siglo XXI será híper-mega-todo, pero, desde luego, será la más infeliz de las criaturas. ¡Qué fracaso!

Fr. José-Fernando Rey Ballesteros

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST

Nuevo Este Año!

VENTAS ANTICIPADAS SOLAMENTE
CUPÓN DE PASEO ILIMITADO
Bueno para todos los paseos de carnaval
Bueno el Viernes, Sábado o Domingo
= $ 15.00 cada uno

El cupón debe ser cambiado en el puesto de Tickets de Feria por una banda de muñeca

Las ventas comienzan por internet el 1 de Agosto, vaya a www.stca.org.
También en venta:
Santa Catalina boletos de comida y juegos
Sábado Noche Cena de pollo o costillas
Camisetas de Fall Fun Fest 2014
Ofrecerse de voluntario en www.stca.org o después de Misa

Patrocinador – De le atención a su empresa o mostrar el apoyo de su familia al convertirse en uno de los patrocinadores. Niveles múltiples están disponibles. Vea los detalles en nuestra página de web.

Necesidades especiales:
- Refrigerador – Póngase en contacto con Ed Geiger egeiger@garlic.com
- Se necesita ayuda para levantar los puestos de comida el 28 de Agosto y 29 – póngase en contacto con José Montemayor en jmontemayor@dsj.org
- Ayuda a vender tickets en la oficina de la parroquia el 10 de septiembre y 11 – póngase en contacto con Maria office@stca.org.

FERIA DE MINISTERIOS
Domingo 28 de Septiembre, 8:00am a 2:00pm
En este domingo especial los ministerios y programas de la Parroquia tendrán mesas de mostrar y explicar cómo benefician a la comunidad y cómo usted puede ayudarles a hacerlo. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Jeanette Thatcher - jlh Thatcher@dsj.org o Sr. Silvia - sfrias@dsj.org para apuntar su ministerio o grupo parroquial para una mesa.
Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and first Holy Communion
at St Catherine Church

Do you want to become Catholic?

Age is no barrier to becoming a Catholic. Aries Braddock, although still in Middle School, experienced the Catholic Church and made his own decision to join us. The youth, young adults, middle-aged, and senior citizens are all welcome.

If you are an adult who was baptized in another Christian denomination but now wish to become Catholic, please contact Deacon Phil. The RCIA team would be happy to work with you and prepare you, like Aries, to become Catholic. And like Aries we are happy to meet you with your needs and desires and to adapt the program as best we can.

Deacon Phil Flowers
pflowers@dsj.org
408-779-3959

Reception into Full Communion
On Pentecost Sunday, June 8, 2014 at the 8:45 Mass, Aries Braddock was received into full communion with the Catholic Church. Aries was baptized in the Baptist Church. For the past year he has been attending dismissals at 8:45 with his mother, Amy Lauron, who was baptized at Easter Vigil. He also frequently attended RCIA classes with Amy and was an active participant in faith sharing. In addition catechist and RCIA team member Ann Marie Cica worked with Aries to be sure that he was prepared to make a profession of faith and receive first holy communion.

Aries will join the high school confirmation program next year to prepare for the sacrament of confirmation.

We are delighted to welcome Aries as a new Catholic!
LET’S GET REAL

Most weekends I write about how we can all improve—through messages in the readings I try to pull something that can inspire us all. Now I definitely don’t know it all or am even close to being where I should be. In fact, let’s get real for a minute—like personal real. Like I said, I’ve been doing this for over 4 years—but I’ve been helping in Youth Ministry since 2002, and been a Catholic my entire life! And I’ve only JUST NOW started to really try to improve. Sure, every once in awhile I’ve altered some of the things that I do, but only in the past few months have I really implemented, with any consistency, bettering myself. Now why did I take so long? Because I would ignore and push it off. I knew I should improve, but I didn’t want to yet. So when I write all these articles, talking about how we can change, I really mean the we. And if you haven’t started yet—don’t wait. My life and situation haven’t necessarily changed, but my outlook, how I interact and respond to others, has. Especially with my wife. I am more understanding, loving, and patient. We get frustrated and argue less. Of course I still have a long way to go, but a lot has already improved! And it all started with purposeful prayer—when I can, I spend just 10-15 minutes alone (if you can get to the church, it’s worth it). Having that quiet alone time is necessary for all of us. I’m still working on the listening part, but at least I’m working on it. It helps me focus on my blessings, to recognize where I need to improve (everywhere), and how I can better share Jesus’ love with others.

LET’S GET STARTED

ATTENTION ALL 9th, 10th, & 11th GRADERS:

Our Confirmation program is top notch. Like, it’s really great. Especially when you compare it to other programs. And I’m not knocking any other parish programs but we really do have one of the best programs out there.

Why, you ask?

Great question—I can tell you’re a smart one.

Because our program has you actually experience what it’s like to live as a Catholic. We don’t just talk about what Catholics are called to do—we do it. We don’t always meet at church, because Catholics aren’t meant to stay at church. We’re meant to go out in the world. We’re called to help others. We’re called to share the love of Christ. We’re called to build community and to lead others.

But what if I’m not sure I want to be Confirmed?

Again, great question—you sure are smart! That’s totally fine. Just come check it out—give the program some time as we journey along with you—if you decide you don’t want to be Confirmed, then don’t. We don’t force any life-changing decisions on you. But we want what’s best for you (seriously). And we believe that Confirmation is a great step in that direction.

Program Intro: Sep. 7th 3:30pm.
email deepuk@dsj.org or call/text 408.874.6742 with any questions—or if you just wanna talk.
Paul tells us that we have to be transformed. On the way home from church today ask the kids, what does it mean to be transformed? Can they think of any examples? One of the answers may be the transformation from a caterpillar to a butterfly. Another may be Hollywood’s version of the “Transformers”.

We too can be transformed, and need to be transformed—with the renewing of our minds. We can get so caught up in “this world”, our everyday lives. With the beginning of school, our kids face many pressures—pressures such as trying to fitting in, being the best in sports, mastering math facts or even practicing handwriting.

When we fix our eyes on Jesus, take up our cross and follow him, we change our way of thinking. It is a choice we have to make every day. At Mass, as a church community, we also renew our minds, in worship, song, and listening to God’s word. Our hearts and minds become open to His many blessings, His love, His grace. Our God will transform us into something different and wonderful, like coal into diamonds, like grains of sand into pearls.

Family Prayer:
Lord, take our minds and think through them; Take our lips and speak through them; Take our hearts and set them on fire; With the desire to do your holy will. In Jesus’ name we pray, AMEN
FAITH

“Taking it to the NEXT Level”
With International Catholic Evangelist Richard Lane

October 6th – 9th, 2014
St. Catherine’s Church

Save the date for our next parish mission to continue the teachings of the church and “Taking it to the NEXT Level” with International Catholic Evangelist Richard Lane. We will have 4 nights of teaching, praise, and adoration starting at 7:00pm. So please join us and invite your friends and family to receive a blessing in their life.
All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN’S RETREAT
Grace of Yes: Eight Virtues for Generous Living
November 1, 2014
Facilitated by: Lisa Hendey
National Speaker, Author and Founder of catholic-mom.com

Look for registration information soon to this guaranteed sold-out event.
Retreat participants will receive Lisa Hendey’s new book, Grace of Yes: Eight Virtues for Generous Living before it is released to the public.

Included as part of the retreat!

THE LEARNING & LOVING CENTER

The Learning and Loving Education Center of Morgan Hill is turning 21 and we want you to help us celebrate!
Our event, “Turning 21 – Celebrating Our Success,” will be held Sunday, September 21, 2014 from 3:00 to 7:00pm at Mama Mia’s Italian Ristorante, 275 E. Dunne Avenue, Morgan Hill

Come join us for an afternoon and evening of wine tasting sponsored by local wineries. The event includes a delicious Italian buffet dinner, bidding on Silent Auction items—perfect for birthdays and the upcoming holidays, chances on a wine tower giving some lucky winners an opportunity to leave with a Wine Heist, and a special performance by the South Valley Suzuki Music Foundation and Folklorico dancers. Tickets are $80 and are available through https://www.123signup.com/register?id=yqqfp

The Learning and Loving Education Center is a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of the Presentation. This women-focused nonprofit organization provides education, outreach, and resources to low-income immigrant women and their children. What makes the Learning and Loving Education Center unique is that it is the only local organization that provides a preschool program so that the children can learn alongside their mothers.

Join us for this event and help the Learning and Loving Education Center continue to be the valuable service and asset it is to our community.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

There will be a second collection on August 30th & 31st for the St. Vincent De Paul Society. As always your generous donations allow SVDP to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters. We assist them with rent, PG&E bills, bus & motel vouchers, gas and the list of needs continues to grow.

All donations are greatly appreciated... no amount is too small or too large. We sincerely thank you for your continued support; we have “No hands, but yours.”
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOLF ‘FORE’ ST. CATHERINE!
Come have a ‘hole’ lot of fun at this sell-out event!

16th Annual St. Catherine Golf Classic
Friday, October 17th at Eagle Ridge Golf Club in Gilroy.
Grab your friends and sponsor, play or volunteer today! Register online at: www.eagleridgegc.com/stcatherine and see our website www.stca.org for more details.

HOME SCHOOLSING
St. Catherine families who home educate, we are starting a support group for you. Activities for the year include regular playtime at a park in Morgan Hill.
A monthly family Rosary.
Quarterly activities centered on the Liturgical Calendar.
A Mom’s night out centered on the reading program: A Well Read Mom.
If you are interested contact Minden at 602-791-2727 or mindenagar@yahoo.com.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND
“Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God.” Don’t let the world’s way tear your marriage apart. Plan to enrich your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on November 14-16 in Mountain View. For more information or to register please visit our website at: http://www.sanjosewwme.org/ or contact Thomas & Sandy Pavick at 408 262-4061 or email: gr8marriages@sbcglobal.net

MINISTRY FAIR
Sunday September 28, 8:00am to 2:00pm
On this special Sunday the Ministries and Programs of the Parish will have tables that display and explain how they benefit the community and how you can help them do it.
Please contact Jeanette Thatcher at jlt Thatcher@jsj.org or Sr. Silvia at sfrias@jsj.org to sign your ministry or Parish group up for a table.

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE FOR 2014-15
ADORATION IS NOW 24 hours! IT IS HELD IN THE CHURCH AND BEGINS ON FRIDAY AFTER 8:15AM MASS AND CONCLUDES SATURDAY MORNING
Sept. 5-6, Oct. 3-4, Nov. 7-8, Dec. 5-6, *Jan. 9-10, Feb. 6-7, Mar. 6-7, *Apr. 10-11, May 1-2, *June 12-13
*Please note that Jan., Apr. and June Adoration will be the second Friday of the month due to other events occurring in the church. You may sign up for hours in the foyer of the church.
Contact: Nikky Fardig- nmag@charter.net or 776-6698; Sandra Grisedale- ziasandra@sbcglobal.net or 310-0410; Crystal Dietrich- crystaldietrich@gmail.com or 512-897-6712

4 STAGES OF MARRIAGE
The four stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don’t give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on Sept 26-28 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monte-rey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

4th ANNUAL CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT
PURE FIRE RETREAT
Reconnect: Come As You Are
When: Oct 3-5, Fri evening-Sunday afternoon
Where: Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park
Why: All young adults in their 20's and 30's are invited to this retreat focused on reconnecting with God.
Information at: bit.ly/purefire2014
Facebook: Young Adult Catholics of San Jose and Santa Clara County
If you have questions or need more information please email purefire@jsj.org.
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL
FALL FUN FEST
September 12, 13 & 14

Buy your Advance Sales Tickets Today:
- Unlimited Carnival Ride Coupons - $15 Each
- Each Coupon is Good for One Day and is exchanged at the Carnival Ticket Booth for Wrist Band
- St. Catherine Food and Game Tickets
- Saturday Night Chicken or Rib Dinners
- 2014 Fall Fun Fest T-Shirts
- Fall Fun Fest Raffle Tickets
All items can be purchased on-line at www.stca.org, after weekend masses or at the Parish or School Offices during business hours.

Volunteers - The Fall Fun Fest needs YOU! Sign up today on-line at our website or after mass.

Sponsor - Spotlight your company or show your family’s support by becoming a sponsor. Multiple levels are available. See details on our website.

Special Needs:
- Refrigerator - contact Ed Geiger by email at egeiger@garlic.com
- Help is wanted to erect the food booths on August 28 & 29 - contact Jose Montemayor at jmontemayor@dsj.org
- Help selling tickets in the Parish Office on Sept. 10 & 11 - contact Maria at office@stca.org.

Entertainment:
Friday
St. Catherine Worship Band
Jack Jammers
Saturday
United Acad. of Martial Arts
UJAM
Lana’s Dance Studio
Sugar Jane

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WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

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Philippines Relief—$9,404
Church in Africa—$5,062
THANK YOU!

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MSS TIMES
Are you traveling and don’t know the mass times at the local church? Go to www.masstimes.org, search by zip code or by address and locate any church’s mass times anywhere.

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St. Catherine School News

There were many happy faces on the first day of school. Here several of our 8th graders were delighted to show off their 8th grade sweatshirts.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE SUPPORTED ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS!!!

CATHOLIC TELEMEDIA NETWORK (CTN)

The Catholic Telemedia Network provides an array of services to the Catholic schools of the dioceses of San Jose, San Francisco and Oakland. CTN streams educational programming from its studios in Menlo Park and provides online access to a range of educational games and websites.

Teachers, students and parents are able to access CTN’s online programs which include web quests, games, video streaming, and online labs just to name a few.

CTN offers online programs such as Mathletics, an online math adaptive program which motivates students to improve math skills through games and competitions, BrainPop and Learning 360. Additionally, they offer many Religion resources for Catholic school teachers.

As part of summer work, St. Catherine students participated in Mathletics. Teachers were able to access individual student progress online. Students report that they liked Mathletics much more than paper pencil drills.

The school office will be closed on Monday, September 1, for the Labor Day holiday.

Parents were invited to a Back to School Coffee on the first day of school. Fr. Mark joined us for prayer and a welcome back. The Parent Teacher Guild Board and chairpersons reported on their various events. Parents were able to sign up to help with a range of events happening during the school year.

LENDING LIBRARY FOR PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS

A small lending library of faith based and spiritual books is now available in the school lobby. If you are looking for special information about our Catholic faith or a book to inspire you to seek a closer relationship with Jesus, stop by and check out the selection. Just take the book with you and return it when you finish. After you finish a book, you are encouraged (certainly not required) to jot a few notes about its impact on the sheet in the front cover. If you have books about our faith and developing a relationship with Christ that you would like to share with others, just drop it off at the school office. We’ll put it on our list, include a note sheet and get it on the shelf.