THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT / TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

From the Desk of Fr. Mark Arnzen, Pastor...

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father. (Prayer at the Offertory)

We hear this prayer proclaimed at each and every Mass we celebrate. We have brought forward our gifts of bread and wine with our offering to the Church. The priest has raised up the bread and wine to God in prayer and in the act of faithfulness we have placed our monetary offering at the foot of the altar. In this action and prayer "my sacrifice and yours" becomes blessed and holy as we seek to be transformed into the image of the Body of Christ.

During Lent we speak of the three great pillars: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Today I ask you to think of almsgiving.

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Desde el Escritorio de Padre Mark Arnzen, Párroco...

Orad, hermanos, para que este sacrificio, mío y vuestro, se agradable a Dios, Padre todopoderoso.

Oímos esta oración proclamada en todas y cada Misa que celebramos. Hemos presentado nuestros dones del pan y el vino con nuestra ofrenda a la Iglesia. El sacerdote ha levantado el pan y el vino a Dios en la oración y en el acto de fidelidad hemos puesto nuestra oferta monetaria al pie del altar. En esta acción y la oración "sacrificio mío y vuestro" pasa a ser bendecidos y santo como buscamos ser transformados a la imagen del Cuerpo de Cristo.

Durante la Cuaresma se habla de los tres grandes pilares: la oración, el ayuno y la limosna. Hoy les pido que piensen de la limosna. Sí, vamos a hablar de dinero, pero es más importante la acción de la fe en compartir nuestro tesoro con los demás, incluyendo la Iglesia.

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THE WEEK AHEAD/LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, March 8
7:00-2:00pm  CR1-4, Kit Hospitality
8:00-12:00pm NUR  Bright Beginning Nursery
8:30-10:30am LR  RCIA Dismissal
8:30-10:30am MC  Catechetical Session
2:00-4:00pm  GYM  Alpha & Omega Fundraiser
4:00-6:45pm  GYM, CR1-4 Confirmation—Spring Qtr Intro
4:00-8:00pm  Rm.11  Grupo Amigos Retreat Prep
7:00-9:00pm  MC  Life Teen Nights

Monday/Lunes, March 9
6:00-8:00pm  CR3-4, Kit Community Supper
6:00-9:00pm  CR1-2  Bell Angelica Choir Practice
6:30-9:00pm  GYM, Field Cub Scout—Arrow of Light
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.12  Women’s Stitching Group
7:00-9:00pm  MC  English Pre Baptismal Class
7:00-9:00pm  Rm.10  Jovenes Para Cristo

Tuesday/Martes, March 10
6:00-7:30pm  CR3-4, Kit Knights of Columbus
6:30-8:30pm  CR1-4, Kit  Knights of Columbus
6:00-9:00pm  Rm.12  Jesus to Mankind
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.10  Spanish Holy Hour
7:00-9:30pm  Rm.10  Jovenes Para Cristo
7:30-9:00pm  Rm.10  Encuentro Matrimonial
7:30-9:30pm  Rm.10  Spanish Carismatic Group

Wednesday/Miércoles, March 11
12:00-8:00pm  NUR  Rose Choir
6:30-8:00pm  Rm.12  Jesus to Mankind
6:00-9:00pm  CH  Spanish Choir Rehearsal
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.12  RICA
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.10  Stephen’s Ministry
7:00-9:00pm  MC  Spanish Faith Ongoing Catechisis
7:00-10:00pm  Rm.10  Confirmation—Justice & Service
7:30-9:30pm  CR1-2  Confirmation—Justice & Service

Thursday/Jueves, March 12
6:00-9:00pm  CH  Spanish Choir Rehearsal
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.12  RICA
6:30-8:30pm  Rm.10  Stephen’s Ministry
7:00-9:30pm  MC  Spanish Faith Ongoing Catechisis
7:30-9:00pm  NUR  Schola Cantorum
7:30-8:30pm  CR1-2  Confirmation—Justice & Service
9:30-10:30am  CR1-2  Bible Study
5:00-10:00pm CR1-4, GYM, Kit  GS Father/Daughter Dance
7:00-9:00pm  Rm.10  Grupo Amigos
6:30-10:00pm  Rm.10  Jovenes Para Cristo

Saturday/Sábado, March 14
All Day  CR1-4, GYM, Kit  St. Patrick’s Day Setup
9:00-10:00am  CH  Catechetical Opening Session
8:00-12:00pm  MC  Catechetical Session
9:00-10:30am Rm.12  RICA
1:30-3:00pm  MC  Confirmation—Justice & Service
8:30-10:00pm  CH  Spanish Passion Play Practice

8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS
Monday, March 9  †  Maria Leyva
†  John Grimsich
Tuesday, March 10  †  Joe Thatcher
†  Margaret Heeter
Wednesday, March 11 †  James Brady
†  Jeannine Brady
Thursday, March 12 †  Laureana Reyes
Gerry Maceda
Friday, March 13 †  Martin Ngo
†  Marie Stein
Saturday, March 14 †  Angelina Miramontes
†  Nicholas Miramontes

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday:  2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:  Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt. 18:21-35
Wednesday:  Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:  Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:  Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:  Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:  2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.
Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.
Second Reading — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.
Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: When has the message of the cross seemed absurd to you, and when have you seen its wisdom?
Child: What puzzles you in the gospel stories? Which story makes you the most hopeful?
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
by Deacon Rick

Paul’s letter to the Corinthians that we read today has much to tell us as we travel Lent’s journey of repentance or change of heart. Jesus brought God’s healing and forgiveness to people who often could only see the miraculous in terms of their worldly physical content. Paul points out the spiritual context of Jesus’ power, power even in his death. “... Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.” We, like the Corinthians, need to look beyond power and wisdom as we understand it. Jesus’ care for the powerless seems antithetical to us who see power as an end in itself. Jesus’ wisdom in following his Father’s call even unto death likewise seems, to those without the eyes of faith to be a failure... But the glory of the Resurrection makes evident the truth of Jesus’ methods. Demanding “signs” as proof that Jesus’ call is genuine puts one in the position of judgment. But, in the words of Pope Francis in a different context, who are we to judge? We must trust in God’s providence, opening our hearts to follow Jesus Christ, wherever it leads, through thick and thin, knowing that it is our journey to follow the light that is Christ. Not in blindness or uncertainty, but rather knowing that Jesus is the one, sent as one like us, to give us the wisdom that surpasses our understanding.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Turn off your computer when leaving work; at home when retiring. Business computers waste $1 billion worth of electricity a year. Sleep it after a short idle time to save even more.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Have you moved recently and need to update your mailing information with the parish? Email us at office@stca.org, drop us a note in the Sunday collection or call us at (408) 779-3959. We need your complete name, old & new address and your new telephone number if that has changed. Don’t miss out on all the great news we mail/email to our parishioners!

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MARK CONTINUED......

Yes, we are going to talk about money but more importantly the action of faith in sharing our treasure with others, including the Church. Almsgiving has several characteristics. It should be discreet, prompt, humble and secret, cheerful and abundant. It would be fun to talk about abundant almsgiving or the cheerfulness of sharing treasure. The humble and secret parts of almsgiving are Jesus based, very easy during Lent, because we heard on Ash Wednesday the Gospel on this aspect of faith. Discreet we can think of not as secret but as the sharing with a specific purpose in mind. Finally “promptness” is a virtue of almsgiving that we should pray more about.

Promptness involves knowing what is best at the given moment. If a child falls and cries out the parents promptly know the child needs attention and care; they don’t sit back and think about their actions for a week or two. This is true because of the relationship of love between parent and child and the entire family. In the same way, our almsgiving should be founded on a relationship of love between parent (God the Father) and family (the Holy Church) and when there is a cry of need we should respond with the same act of love and care.

To build this relationship of love we must spend time with our beloved through prayer, the deep conversation with the Father and Church and take time serving others through fasting and emptying our hearts of negative actions.

Promptness is not the act of not thinking but rather it is the thinking about God and his Church in all the virtues and being prepared to serve through the generosity of our heart united with the Father in heaven.

God Bless, Fr. Mark

P.S. Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.

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.

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Address:________________________________________

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Phone:___________ Email:____________________

LITURGY WORSHIP

REFLECTION: On Mt. Sinai God made the covenant with his people by which God wanted to be their God and they should be his people. God expects his people to follow the Ten Commandments, the Decalogue, given to Moses by God, in the first reading Ex. 20:1-17 which liberates and leads people to freedom. Jesus in today’s Gospel, Jn. 2:13-25, speaks of the ultimate freedom to be won for people by his death and resurrection. St. Paul tells us in the second reading, 1 Cor. 1:22-25, this suffering of Jesus (the temple of his body is being destroyed) is a scandal and foolishness for Jews and Greeks, but power and wisdom for those who are saved.

ENGLISH: Tuesday, March 10, 17, 24 & 31, 2015, @ 7:00 p.m., in the church.
SPANISH: Every Friday, @ 6:30 p.m. during Lent, in the church.
SCHOOL: Every Thursday, @ 2:30 p.m. during Lent, in the church.

BLESSING FOR A LENTEN MEAL

Blessed are you, our God, who told Adam and Eve to keep the fast in Eden and fed Israel with manna in the desert.

Blessed are you who have brought us to these forty days to share the fast of Jesus, to learn from him that we do not live on bread alone, but on every word proceeding from your mouth.

As we come hungry to our daily table, make us feel the hunger pangs of others. As we spend less on our own needs, let our bounty be a gift we share with all. May this fasting bring us fashioned anew to the Paschal Feast of Jesus the risen Lord. Amen.

Lenten Table Talk

A conversation you can have during your family meal!


In this story crowds of people are pushing around Jesus. He is standing on the shore of the lake and he gets into an empty boat. The story tells us that the boats were empty because the fishermen who owned the boats were cleaning their nets. Jesus calls to Simon Peter and asks him to move the boat out a little bit from shore so that Jesus can use it almost as a stage from which to teach the people.

Discuss the following with your family and children:
For a man like Simon Peter, who makes his living by fishing, his boat is probably the most important thing he owns. What does Peter allowing Jesus to use his boat say about Peter’s relationship with Jesus? Do we have that kind of relationship with Jesus?

Simon Peter trusted Jesus enough to do everything that Jesus asked Him to do in the story. Do we trust Jesus that much?

Jesus used Peter’s boat to teach the people. What might we have that Jesus could use to teach people about God? Money we put in the Offertory?

Food or clothes we donate to the poor? Kindness we show to someone who needs help?

How can we let Jesus into our lives just like Peter let Jesus into his boat?
**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Dios entrega los mandamientos al pueblo por medio de Moisés (Éxodo 20:1-7 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) o Éxodo 17:3-7.

**Salmo** — Señor, tú tienes palabras de vida eterna (Salmo 19 [18]) o Salmo 95 (94).

**Segunda lectura** — Pablo proclama a Cristo crucificado; Cristo es el poder y la sabiduría de Dios (1 Corintios 1:22-25) o Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8.

**Evangelio** — Jesús echa a los mercaderes del templo y predice su resurrección (Juan 2:13-25) o Juan 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 40-42].

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: 2 Re 5:1-15b; Sal 42 (41):2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lc 4:24-30
Martes: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Miércoles: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Sal 147 (146):12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Jueves: Jer 7:23-28; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Lc 11:14-23
Viernes: Os 14:2-10; Sal 81 (80):6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mc 12:28-34
Sábado: Os 6:1-6; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 18-21ab; Lc 18:9-14
Domingo: 2 Cr 36:14-16, 19-23; Sal 137 (136):1-6; Ef 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21;
Lecturas alternativas (Año A):
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Ef 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

**ADORACIÓN DEL SANTÍSIMO**

Los invitamos a la Adoración del santísimo y a un tiempo para reflexión personal, todos los Miércoles a las 6:30pm en la Iglesia.

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**Pasa tiempo con JESUS ESTA CUARESMA**

Selezione una o más de los folletos de oración y reflexión para la oración diaria durante la Cuaresma. Los folletos se pueden encontrar en la Iglesia, la Oficina de Formación de Fe y la Oficina Parroquial.

Donación de $ 1.00 por folleto.

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**CENA GRATIS**

Ahora en la Iglesia de Santa Catalina hay una cena para la Comunidad cada lunes de 6:00-7:00pm en el Centro Parroquial. Todos son bienvenidos.
TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

DEMASIADOS ARTISTAS PARA UN DIOS PINTOR Segunda Parte

La Semana Santa, finalmente, nos encuentra con el último dibujo recién empezado y el último error recién cometido... “Padre, he perdido la Cuaresma!”, decímos al confesor. ¿Realmente es eso lo que Dios quiere de nosotros? No digo que esté mal; creo que nuestro esfuerzo es necesario, y que, sin él, Dios no puede salvarnos. Pero si me preguntan por el Día del Padre, no estoy seguro de que Papá esté esperando un dibujo, ni de que le guste que todos sus hijos sean Picasso o Velázquez. Creo, más bien, que Dios es el Gran Pintor, y que nos quiere tanto que nada le gustaría más que poder dibujar en nosotros el Rostro de su Hijo Jesucristo. Por eso, mejor haríamos si, en lugar de jugar a ser artistas, nos esmerásemos en ser un buen lienzo sobre el que el Señor pueda realizar su obra. Ya lo ven: no se trata tanto de hacer como de dejarse hacer; ni de amar como de dejarse amar; ni de regalar como de dejarse regalar; ni de ser originales... como de obedecer. He ahí la inteligencia y la santidad de la Virgen María: la Hija Predilecta del Padre no quiso que el Señor le regalara una obra de arte. Ella acertó con el deseo de Dios, y le dijo: aquí me tienes, pinta Tú. “Hágase en mí según tu Palabra”

Fr. José-Fernando Rey Ballesteros

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!

LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA

La comunidad de Santa Catalina les da la más cordial bienvenida a unirse en oración a la novena de la Divina Misericordia según lo declarado por el Padre Santísimo, Juan Pablo II a la fiesta de celebración de la Divina Misericordia. La oración se llevará a cabo en nuestra Iglesia y también será ofrecida en español para todos aquellos que estén interesados.

HORARIO:
Viernes: 4/3 11:00p - 11:45p
Sábado: 4/4 5:30 a 6:15p
Domingo: 4/5 2:00 a 2:45p
Lunes: 4/6 5:30 a 6:15p
Martes: 4/7 5:30 a 6:15p
Miércoles: 4/8 5:00 a 5:45p
Jueves: 4/9 4:30 a 5:15p
Viernes: 4/10 5:30 a 6:15p
Sábado: 4/11 4:30 a. 5:15p
Domingo: 2:00-4:30p Adoración, Bendición, y la recitación de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia.

Todos Son Bienvenidos

ACTIVIDADES DE CUARESMA

3ª semana de Cuaresma
Marzo 11 Mier 6:30-8:00pm Reconciliation – Iglesia
Marzo 13 Vier – 6:30-7:30pm Via Crucis – Iglesia

4ª semana de Cuaresma
Marzo 18 Mier 6:30-8:00pm Reconciliation – Iglesia
Marzo 20 Vier – 6:30-7:30pm Via Crucis – Iglesia

5ª semana de Cuaresma
Marzo 25 Mier 6:30-8:00pm Reconciliation – Iglesia
Marzo 27  Vier – 6:30 PM-7:30 PM—Iglesia

Oportunidades continuas de Misiones, Fe y Estudio de las Escrituras
Para todos
Martes 7:00-9:00pm
Estudio de Biblia con Padre Andrey – Centro Milani
Jueves 7:00-9:00pm
Catechesis — Centro Milani

La Luz Esta Encendida Para Ti

Tienes problemas para perdonar a algún conocido, o algún familiar? Has considerado buscar la Sanación? Esta semana continuamos con nuestra campaña cuaresmal “La Luz está encendida para ti.” En ella, toda Parroquia Católica en el condado de Santa Clara, incluyendo esta, tendrá abiertas sus puertas, y con sacerdotes disponibles para el Sacramento de la Reconciliación todos los Miércoles y Viernes de 6-8 PM. Para más recursos, visita www.dsj.org/light

CENA PASCUAL

Jueves, 26 de Marzo 2015
7:00—9:00pm Centro Parroquial

EL CIELO

No podemos ver el cielo por el momento, pero a su debido tiempo, así como la nieve se derrite y descubre lo que yacía debajo, esta creación visible se desvanecerá ante las más gloriosas maravillas que son su causa.

—John Henry Newman
TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

Comme a me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

**Preparación a los Sacramentos para Adultos**

A las personas de 18 años en adelante que les falte alguno de los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión o Confirmación, pueden pasar a la Rectoría a registrarse, las clases inician en el Salón 12 todos los Jueves a las 7:00pm.

**Cena GRATIS**

Ahora en la Iglesia de Santa Catalina hay una cena para la Comunidad cada lunes de 6:00-7:00pm en el Centro Parroquial. Todos son bienvenidos. Comida caliente gratuita también está disponible en cada martes en la Iglesia Luterana de 5-6 pm, todos los miércoles en la Iglesia Metodista Unida de 6-7pm y los jueves en la Iglesia Comunidad Cristiana de 6-7pm.

**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: Marzo 17 2015 *Necesitan registrarse antes de la fecha* a la oficina Parroquial al 1-408-779-3959.

**Ofrenda Semanal de la Corresponsabilidad**

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**Para que haga su compromiso hoy!**

Nuestra Meta $ 204,412
Promesas desde 2/9/15 $ 116,537

**VIA CRUCIS**

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Les invitamos todos los viernes a las 6:30 PM en la Iglesia. Este tiempo de oración acompañando a Jesús en su pasión, nos ayuda a prepararnos para la Semana Santa.

**Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma**

8 de Marzo de 2015
Yo soy el Señor, tu Dios . . .No tendrás otros dioses fuera de mí.— Éxodo 20:2a, 3

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**ADA en Acción: Gabriel Lee Seminarista Año Pastoral**

"Se necesita mucho tiempo para llegar a ser sacerdote" Gabriel enfatiza. Sin la ayuda de la Diócesis sería difícil", como cualquier otra persona, seminaristas necesitan gas, ropa, y las monedas para la lavandería...las prendas en que vestimos son caros también. Sería difícil de trabajar a tiempo completo y estudiar a tiempo completo a la vez ", remarca.

Su donación de ADA permite que Gabriel y otros seminaristas puedan concentrarse en sus estudios y en sus disciplinas espirituales y académicas como son llamado al liderazgo religioso en nuestra Diócesis de San José.

Gracias por dar gozosamente a Dios por todo lo que el les ha dado.
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**Adult Baptism, Confirmation, and first Holy Communion**

at St Catherine Church

Catechumens chosen for Baptism this year

On Monday February 23, at St. Joseph Cathedral, nine catechumens from St. Catherine joined catechumens from all over the Diocese of San Jose at the **Rite of Election** celebrated by Bishop Tom Daly. These catechumens are now known as “the Elect” and they will receive the sacraments of initiation at Easter Vigil: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. At the Rite of Election, they were presented by their sponsors who attested that the catechumens have been preparing themselves to receive the sacraments by praying, learning, and participating in the church community. The Bishop signed the Book of the Elect in which each catechumen had signed his or her name.

**RCIA Team member Aaron Thrash holds the Book of the Elect at the Rite of Election.**

Andrew Neuroth with Bishop Daly and Deacon Phil at the Cathedral after the Rite of Election.

**“The Elect” — selected for Initiation**

Andrew Neuroth, Will Waxman, Ryan Campbell, Diego Garcia, Natalie Garcia, Ronaldo Garcia, Austin Kilinski, Jasson Quiroz, Laila Robles-Rials
Don’t forget to go to the Beach Hut Deli this Tuesday anytime between 2 and 9pm! Say you’re there for the fundraiser and 20% will come back to us! Tell your kids, tell your wife, cuz they feeding everybody out there.

**YOUNG ADULTS**

We’re meeting this Tuesday at the Beach Hut Deli! I’ll be there by 5:30 with my family, feel free to come then or later (I’ll be there til it closes). I’ll even let you buy me a beer. I know, I’m so kind.

**CONFIRMATION**

Hey! If you’re in Confirmation currently (and are NOT being Confirmed in May), you have a meeting today (or tomorrow if it’s Saturday). Meeting at 3:30 in the Parish Center.

If you haven’t gone through the Rite of Entrance yet, we’ll be holding that on **Sunday, March 22nd at the 12:15pm and 5:30 Masses**. Don’t forget your Passport!

If you’re interested in starting the program it’s still not too late (For real—even though it’s March!). Come on Thursday, **March 19th at 7pm** for a meeting—with a parent! Registration forms can be found at [stca.org/passport](http://stca.org/passport)

Do you have questions about Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, or life in general? Ask away...

**deepuk@dsj.org**

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**Ten Commandments**

How often do you look at the commandments? We think that they’re sometimes outdated—especially when Jesus tells us that the most important commandments are there is no God but God, and to love one another as yourself. But He doesn’t say that you can ignore the other commandments. In fact, in Gospel when He tells the rich man to give up all He possesses (and the rich man goes away sad, remember), that’s only after He says that in order to get into the Kingdom to follow all the commandments. So how do you do? Do you follow all the commandments? 7 out of 10? Half? 3?

Although a few of them are pretty easy to keep (I haven’t killed anyone lately—bugs and spiders are another story), most of them are quite challenging. Honoring my parents? They’re both in town, so go ahead and ask how I’m doing with that. Better than I used to, that’s for sure, but I’m still no saint. Bearing false witness (lying)? No...I never lie… (I just witnessed a false bear). Coveting my neighbor’s things? Yeah, because I never was jealous of my friend’s car or gadgets. I could keep going, but you’re not a priest and this ain’t Confession (unless you know, you are a priest, but this still isn’t Confession).

Read through the commandments again. Pray on them. Think about your past. Go to Reconciliation. You’ll feel better. I promise. It’s not about making you feel guilty, but about aligning yourself with God again. About building that relationship back up. About being completely open and honest with the One who saved you. Who died for you.

The light is on for you. Every Wednesday through Lent, at every parish in our diocese, from 6-8pm (ish), Reconciliation is being offered. Celebrate the Sacrament.
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Companions In Faith
Family Faith Formation at St. Catherine’s Church

Please keep the newly Elect in your prayers as they continue their preparations to receive the Sacraments of Initiation during Easter Vigil:

Andrew Neuroth
William Waxman
Ryan Campbell
Diego Garcia
Natalie Garcia
Ronaldo Garcia
Austin Kilinski
Jasson Quiroz
Laila Robles-Rials

THE “BASICS” COLLECTION

Donations needed:
Throughout Lent, we are continuing to collect these items to give to organizations that serve the less fortunate in our community. The empty shoe boxes will be used to package the “Basic” kits. Please drop off donated items at the Family Faith Formation Office and Rectory anytime during Lent. Thank you for your donations!

- Socks
- Toothbrushes
- Dental Floss
- Empty shoe boxes
- Travel Sizes:
  - Shampoo
  - Body Wash
  - Toothpaste
  - Lotion

FAMILY SERVICE IDEAS FOR LENT:

- “Basics” Kits Giveaway, Monday Community Suppers during Lent
  Volunteers are needed to help put the kits together and give them away at the Monday Community Suppers.
- St. Joseph’s Table and Dinner, Saturday, March 21st
  Volunteers are needed for various tasks during the St. Joseph’s Table and Dinner. Families can help with the set up and manning of tables for the fresh produce giveaway or the set up and service of the community pasta dinner.

Please contact Rose at the Family Faith Formation Office if you would like additional information on these and other service opportunities for the family. They are great ways to spend time together and serve others during the Lenten season!

COMING SOON:
Faith Formation Jewelry Fundraiser
After Masses on
March 14-15, March 21-22 and April 11-12

“AT HOME WITH OUR FAITH—LENT”
Parent Faith Formation Sessions

Sundays, March 8, 15 & 22
9:00 am—10:15 am in Room 8

Wednesdays, March 11, 18 & 25
3:15 pm—4:30 pm
4:45 pm—6:00 pm
Room 12

Thursdays, March 12, 19 & 26
10:00 am—11:00 am in the Parish Center

Saturdays (SPANISH), March 14, 21 & 28
9:00 am—10:15 am in the Milani Center

All are welcome!
DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE

The community of St. Catherine welcomes you to join us in Holy prayer to the Novena of the Divine Mercy as declared by the Blessed Father, John Paul II to the celebration Divine Feast. The prayer will be held in the Church and will also be offered in Spanish for those interested as a Bilingual reflection.

Jesus said to St. Faustina that on Divine Mercy Sunday the depths of My Mercy will be open to all, that whoever goes to confession and Holy Communion on that day will receive complete forgiveness of sin and punishment. Our church community will be doing the Divine Mercy Novena in our church starting on Good Friday. During the novena we will be reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please join us daily or as often as you can. The schedule is as follows:

- **Good Friday** 4/3 11-11:45 am
- **Saturday** 4/4 5:30-6:15 pm
- **Sunday** 4/5 2:00-2:45 pm
- **Monday** 4/6 5:30 - 6:15 pm
- **Tuesday** 4/7 5:30 - 6:15 pm
- **Wednesday** 4/8 5:00-5:45 pm
- **Thursday** 4/9 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.
- **Friday** 4/10 5:30 to 6:15 p.m.
- **Saturday** 4/11 4:30-5:15 p.m.
- **Sunday** 4/12 2:00 -4:30 p.m. Adoration, Benediction, and recitation of rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

ALL ARE WELCOME!

MARRIED COUPLES

Do you tune up your vehicle? You can’t expect your marriage to run year after year, mile after mile without a tune up. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is the best proactive “pit stop” you can give to your marriage. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is: May 29-31 in Mountain View. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [sanjosewwme.org](http://sanjosewwme.org) or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

BUY GROCERIES & HELP OUR PARISH

If each family purchased $200 of Safeway or Nob Hill gift cards every month we would receive $8 a month per family. With 1000 families attending church, we could earn **$8,000** a month from Safeway, Nob Hill and Target gift cards purchased each week. Stop by the SCRIP table after weekend masses or contact the St. Catherine School Office (408-779-9950).

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Teacher position for 6th grade at Sacred Heart Parish School 2015/2016 school year in Hollister. Must hold current credential. Call 831-637-4157 or email resume to jsoza@sacredheartschool.org.

**ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS!**

The Italian Catholic Federation offers $400 scholarships to Roman Catholic graduating seniors of Italian descent, who have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.2. For more information: See your school counselor, call the ICF office at 1-888-423-1924 or visit the website at www.icf.org. Application deadline is March 15th.

**Divorce, Annulment, Healing and Remarriage**

**March 7 @ 9:30am - 11:30am**

A Catholic Faith Based Workshop facilitated by Fr. Rick Rodoni. This workshop is for those seeking to heal from the trauma of divorce and find comfort in their Catholic faith.

Topics include:

- The Church’s position on divorce and the many misconceptions that exist
- Participation in the Sacraments by divorced individuals
- Procedural elements of petitioning for an annulment
- Requirements for remarriage in the Church

A licensed therapist will be present. All welcome to this free event.

"A TASTE OF GHANA"

You are WELCOME to buy tickets for our Ghana Mission Project Dinner Fundraiser!

June 13, 2015 at 6pm at St. Catherine’s O’Donnell Center, 17400 Peak Avenue in Morgan Hill. Please contact me 408-836-9843 or email me: bookladylibro@yahoo.com

For tickets: $30 per Adult & $10 children under 10 years of age.

**REACH OUT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!**

Do you have 2 hours a month to help pack and distribute food to the needy? If you can help from 12:30-2:30pm, one afternoon a month, please contact Fran at (408) 779-7442.
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

3rd week of Lent
March 9 Monday
7:00pm Parish Reconciliation - Church
March 10 Tuesday
7:00pm Stations of the Cross - Church
March 11 Wed 6:00-8:00pm Reconciliation – Church
Spanish Holy Hour 6:30–7:30pm
Spanish Charismatic Group 7:30pm
March 12 Thursday
2:30pm School Stations of the Cross-Church
March 13 Friday – 6:30-7:30pm Via Crucis – Church

4th week of Lent
March 15 Sunday 4:00-8:00pm
St. Patrick’s Day Dinner - Parish Center
March 17 Tuesday 7:00pm
Stations of the Cross – Church
March 18 Wed 6:00-8:00pm Reconciliation – Church
Spanish Holy Hour 6:30-7:30pm
Spanish Charismatic Group 7:30pm
March 19 Thursday
2:30pm School Stations of the Cross-Church
March 20 Friday – 6:30-7:30pm Via Crucis – Church
March 21 Saturday - 6:30pm
Feast of San Giuseppe Dinner–Parish Center

5th week of Lent
March 24 Tuesday
7:00pm Stations of the Cross – Church
March 25 Wed 6:00-8:00pm Reconciliation – Church
Spanish Holy Hour 6:30 – 7:30pm
Spanish Charismatic Group – 7:30pm
March 26 Thursday
2:30pm School Stations of the Cross-Church
6:30-10pm – Cena Pascual – Parish Center
March 27 - Friday – Via Crucis – 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
–Church

Ongoing Opportunities for Missions, Faith Sharing and Scripture Study

For Men  Mondays 6:30-7:30am
Faith Sharing with Fr. Mark – Parish Center

For Women  Wednesdays -9:00am
Faith Sharing – Parish Center

For all  Fridays 9:30-10:30am
Bible Study with Deacon Rick- Parish Center

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU
On Wednesdays from 6-8pm, visit St. Catherine Church and experience the freedom, healing and light of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Sacra-ment of Reconciliation. We encourage you to invite another to the sacrament, especially those who have not been to the sacrament for some time. Do not worry if it has been a long time since your last confession. The priest will help you. To find guides to confession and times of confession at other parishes visit www.dsj.org/light

LENTEN REFLECTIONS
Visit our website site at www. Stca.org, for links to various daily Lenten reflections.

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA EUCHARISTICADORATION SCHEDULE 2015
Monthly 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration in the church begins Friday after the 8:15am mass and concludes Saturday morning.
*Apr. 10-11, May 1-2, *June 12-13
*Note that April and June Adoration are on the second Friday of the month due to other events in the church. You can sign up for hours in the vestibule of the church. Contact: Nikky Fardig-nmag@charter.net or 776-6698; Sandra Grise-dale-ziasandra@sbcglobal.net or 310-0410; Crystal Dietrich-crystaldietrich@gmail.com or 512-897-6712

HEAVEN
Heaven is at present out of sight, but in due time, as snow melts and discovers what it lay upon, so will this visible creation fade away before those greater splendors which are behind it. —John Henry Newman
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Enjoying the Coffee & Donuts!!

ST. PATRICK’S DAY DINNER

Sunday March 15
4:00pm to 8:00pm
O’Donnell Parish Center
Delicious Irish Food - Tickets = $15 each
Children’s Hot Dog, Chips & Soda = $6.
Tickets sold at the door!

Please make your pledge today!
Our Goal - $204,412
Pledges as of 2/23/15 $141,870 69%

ELECTRONIC UPDATES
If you have an email address and would like to hear the news of the parish and Fr. Mark’s famous Friday reflections please contact us. We email parishioners whose email addresses we have about events for the upcoming week. This way you won’t miss any of our exciting events. If you would like to receive the parish’s upcoming events electronically, please email the parish office at office@stca.org with your name and the email address you wish to use.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

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Stewardship Notes: Stewardship is defined as the total collections from the regular weekend Masses, Christmas and Easter. The “Weekly Goal” number reflects the amount that would need to be collected each Week to meet our yearly budget.
Applications for 2015-2016

Application packets are available in the school office or on our website for the 2015-2016 school year. If you have friends or family members who are interested in St. Catherine School, please encourage them to pick up an application packet. Applications for grades 1-8 are due March 4 with entrance tests being given on March 11. Spaces are limited, so be sure to pick up an application soon.

The California Schools in the Diocese of San Jose, mindful of their mission to the love of Christ for all, admit students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the schools. The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Jose do not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.

7th Grade Boys’ Basketball
Makes St. Catherine Proud

St. Catherine 7th grade boys' basketball captured another League Championship this week, completing another perfect (undefeated) season. What makes this truly remarkable is that not only did this team go undefeated, they have now done so for an unprecedented three years in a row! They also brought home two tournament Championships (our own Cougar Classic and the Holy Family Tournament). Under the leadership of Coach Ken Saso and assisted by Will Saso and Dave Nash, this team of boys has never lost a single league game, and have understandably now built quite a reputation for themselves.

Be sure to congratulate these fine athletes and coaches and thank them for representing our school so well!

Eighth grader, Samantha Lee, was honored as an Outstanding Student by Morgan Hill Rotary. Her teacher, Mrs. Quinn, principal, Ms. Esparza, parents, Angie and Steve Lee and grandparents, John and Mary Ann Sorci, were present for the lunch and awards.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join the students of St. Catherine School for Stations of the Cross every Thursday during Lent at 2:30 in the church. All are welcome!

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL
APPLICATIONS FOR 2015-2016