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 Alejandría, es una comunidad en crecimiento, acogedora y diversa, llamada a vivir y proclamar la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo por medio de la Oración, el Discipulado y el Servicio.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

From the Desk of Sandra Vallejo, a Life Teen Core member...

I wasn’t always a big Mary supporter, for the simple fact that I believed since I prayed and had a good relationship with Jesus (who is the actual son of God), why do I need to go through Mary? Why not just go straight to source?? For many years I believed this. But it wasn’t until I became a mother that I started changing my tune. The love I have for my children is immeasurable. It’s just something that completely consumes me. And I know that almost all mothers feel the same way. Sure we don’t always show it, since most of the time we’re yelling at our kids to hurry up or nagging them to clean up their room, or trying to get as much info out of you about your friends as possible.

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Desde el Escritorio de Sandra Vallejo, un miembro de Life Teen Core...

No siempre fui una gran defensora de María, por el simple hecho de que yo oraba y tenía una buena relación con Jesús (que es el hijo real de Dios), ¿por qué tengo que ir a través de María? ¿Por qué no ir directamente a la fuente?? Durante muchos años yo creía esto. Pero no fue hasta que me convertí en una madre que empecé a cambiar mi melodía. El amor que tengo por mis hijos es inconmensurable. Es algo que me consume por completo. Y sé que casi todas las madres se sienten de la misma manera.

Claro que no siempre mostramos que, puesto que la mayor parte del tiempo estamos gritándoles a nuestros hijos para que se apuren o regañándoles para que limpien su habitación o tratando de obtener la mayor cantidad de información acerca de sus amigos como sea posible.

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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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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
First Reading This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven (Acts 1:1-11).
Psalm God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).
Second Reading God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13].
Gospel The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God (Mark 16:15-20).

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “How is love of others connected to love for God?”
Child: “Who needs Jesus’ love this week? How can you show them his love?”

THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA
Sunday/Domingo May 10
6:00-1:00pm CR1-4, Kit Mother’s Day Breakfast
8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
8:30-10:30am LR RCIA Dismissal
4:00-8:00pm MC Grupo Amigos Retreat Prep

Monday/Lunes, May 11
6:00-8:00pm CR3-4, Kit Community Supper
6:00-9:00pm CH Angelica/Bell Choir
6:30-8:30pm NUR Women’s Stitching Group
7:00-10:00pm RM.10 Jovenes Para Cristo
7:00-9:00pm MC English Prebaptismal Class

Tuesday/Martes, May 12
5:00-8:30pm CR3-4, Kit Knights of Columbus
6:30-9:00pm CH Platicas Prebautismales
6:30-9:30pm LR Fall Fun Fest meeting
7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Bible Study

Wednesday/Miércoles, May 13
12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose Choir
6:30-8:00pm CH Spanish Choir rehearsal
6:30-7:30pm CR1 Jesus to Mankind
7:00-10:00pm MC RCIA
7:30-9:30pm CH Spanish Charismatic Group

Thursday/Jueves, May 14
6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir rehearsal
6:30-9:30pm RM.10 Stephen Ministry meeting
6:30-8:30pm RM.12 RICA
7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Faith Ongoing Catechesis
8:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum

Friday/Viernes, May 15
9:30-10:30am CR1-2 Bible Study
7:00-9:00pm CR3-4 4th of July Float meeting
7:00-11:00pm CR1-2 Película, Vida de los Santos
7:00-10:00pm MC Grupo Amigos

Saturday/Sábado, May 16
9:00-12:00pm CH Sacrament of Confirmation
10:00-5:00pm MC Quinceañera Retreat
8:00-4:30pm CR1-4 Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial
9:00-10:30am RM.12 RICA
5:00-11:00pm CR1-4, Kit Alter Server Appreciation Dinner

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

LITTLE THINGS
Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.
—St. John Chrysostom

8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS
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Monday, May 11 † Irmina Yeggy
† María Del Carmen Muñoz
Tuesday, May 12 † Lucy Gonzalez
† Randy Ellis
Wednesday, May 13 † Martin Ngo
† Margaret Heeter
Thursday, May 14 † Ranjan Ngo
† Joseph Squeri
Friday, May 15 † Ramon Muñoz
† Ramona Muñoz
Saturday, May 16 † Katherine Marie Kernan
† Frank Freitas
STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE

by Deacon Rick

Today’s readings speak of love, the first indirectly and the others directly. One might think that love has an important part to play in our Catholic Christian lives. Just so, John speaks eloquently of the identification of love as the fundamental aspect of God. In the Gospel Jesus says, “As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love.” We are given the source of the love we are to share. Then Jesus tells us how to remain in that love, “This I command you: love one another.” This makes the point very clear, love originates in God, Jesus loves us (every person) and we are to love one another (the other is everyone, not just those we like). That all sounds familiar and may seem to put the burden on us.

Lest we see love only as burden instead of the essence of Christian action, in the first letter of John today we hear, “In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his son as expiation for our sins.” Let there be no mistake, all love emanates from God. That love enables us to, however imperfectly, love one another. We must not think of this as a rote recipe but rather as a freeing gift which allows us to become the person God created us to be. It’s our calling to let love be the means by which we aver that we, not only in spirit but in lived action, do live as followers of Jesus the Christ. This love is to be life giving both to those who receive it and to us who share it. It is not to be measured out in any judgmental way but rather expressed freely as the essence of who we are as disciples of Christ.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Get out those buckets! Collect the shower water before it becomes hot enough and use it to water plants. (If you are brave, take a cold shower, brrr, there is no greater commitment to save water :-).

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 SANDRA VALLEJO

CONTINUED......

I know, because I do this all the time to my kids... and I know my Mom did it to me too. In fact, I didn’t have the greatest relationship with my mom until I was older... and we’ve gotten even closer now that I have my own children. But knowing the love I have for my kids, like most mothers do, I can now put myself in Mary’s shoes. She agreed to give birth to the Messiah of the World... at the age of 13! She had to bear humiliation at being impregnated before marriage. She had to support and watch her son suffer and die, because she knew it’s what had to be done for the good of the world. Thinking about all these things, I truly understand why the Catholic Church holds Mary in a special place. She’s an amazing woman and mother. A couple of months ago, I decided to get up before everyone in my home, and pray the Rosary for 14 days straight... and I did it. It was difficult, but I got through it. I can’t say that I felt 100% different or better about it, BUT I can say that I felt something... maybe a little more peace in my day, or a little more patience... I have 3 young kids, and patience is something most of us mothers lack at times. But I did seriously feel a little more relaxed than usual. I haven’t prayed the Rosary consistently like that in a while, but I feel I should do it again soon. From us to you, we pray that you have an amazing Mother’s Day...and don’t forget to give some time to Mary, the mother of our Church and God.

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: ________________________________
CREATE A MEMORIAL OR HONORARY FUND IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF YOUR PARENTS, CHILDREN, OR ANY FAMILY MEMBER. YOU MAY WISH TO ESTABLISH AN ONGOING FUND TO WHICH YOU CAN ADD EACH YEAR OR MAKE A ONE-TIME GIFT. THIS TYPE OF GIFT WILL PROVIDE AN ENDOWMENT FUND WHICH CONTINUES ITS BENEFITS FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION. CONTACT THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO DISCUSS IN MORE DETAIL THE VARIOUS WAYS TO HONOR YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS, NOW AND FOREVER!

YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL CATHOLIC HERITAGE; PASS IT ON! FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT MAKING PLANNED LEGACY GIFTS CONTACT ANNA QUINONES IN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AT AQUINONES@DSJ.ORG

SAVE THE DATE!

MOTHER’S DAY:

ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH AND SCHOOL STAFF, I WANT TO WISH ALL MOTHERS A HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY. I HOPE YOU WILL BE SURROUNDED BY YOUR CHILDREN AND LOVED ONES THIS WEEKEND AS THEY EXPRESS THEIR Profound RESPECT FOR ALL OF YOUR CONTINUED LOVE AND SACRIFICES FOR THEM. MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR YOUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Mediantre las prédicas de Pedro, el Espíritu Santo viene a los gentiles (Hechos 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Salmo — El Señor nos ha mostrado su amor y su lealtad. Aleluya (Salmo 98 [97]).

Segunda lectura — Dios es amor y Dios nos ama (1 Juan 4:7-10) o 1 Juan 4:11-16.

Evangelio — Jesús da este mandamiento a sus discípulos: ámense unos a otros como yo los he amado (Juan 15:9-17) o Juan 17:11b-19.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Martes: Hch 16:22-34; Sal 138 (137):1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Miércoles: Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15


Viernes: Hch 18:9-18; Sal 47 (46):2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Sábado: Hch 18:23-28; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28


ADORACIÓN DEL SANTISIMO

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

MINISTERIO DE ENFERMOS

Las personas que tengan un familiar enfermo que no pueda asistir a la misa, puede dar sus datos en la Rectoría al Tel. 408-779-3959 para que miembros de este ministerio pasen a visitarlos a sus casas y llevarles la comunión.

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!

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.

DEUDA ETERNA

Mi madre fue la mujer más bella que jamás conocí. Todo lo que soy, se lo debo a mi madre. Atribuyo todos mis éxitos en esta vida a la enseñanza moral, intelectual y física que recibí de ella.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

ESTUDIO DE BIBLIA

Los invitamos al estudio de Biblia con el Padre Andrey los Martes a las 7:00pm en el centro Milani.
SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

EL "AMOR MAS GRANDE"
"Nadie tiene amor más grande que el que da la vida por sus amigos". Hemos meditado poco acerca del "amor más grande". Peor aún, lo hemos vertido en el hermoso ideal de "dar la vida". Dar la vida es algo noble, quizá sublime... Pero también necesario, porque si no la das, te la quitan de todos modos. Nadie puede conservar su propia vida ni salvarla del zarparo de la muerte. Y, puestos a perderla, mejor entregarla voluntariamente que sufrir cada día el robo. Podríamos pasar horas haciendo luccubraciones de esta clase, y escribiendo poemas en los que la vida se entrega de forma idílica, incluso heroica... y no habríamos llegado ni tan siquiera a tocar la esencia de ese "amor más grande" del que nos habla Jesús. Habríamos errado la puntería, porque el corazón de la frase del Señor no está en el verbo ni tampoco en el nombre, sino en la preposición.

Cuando dos novios se unen ante el altar, expresan su compromiso diciendo: "me entrego a ti". A partir de ese momento, ninguno de ellos debería sentirse dueño de su vida, puesto que, al pronunciar esas palabras, su existencia ha dejado de pertenecerles para pasar a manos de su cónyuge. "Me entrego a ti" sólo puede decirse a una persona, sólo puede pronunciarse una vez; después, uno queda pobre y no puede entregarya nada que no sea robado. He aquí la limitación del "poema", y de la estrecha distancia marcada por la preposición "a". Si Jesús se hubiera entregado "a" mí de esa manera, yo lo vería, escucharía el tono de su voz, y podría darle el abrazo que, con un suave "no me toques", le fue negado a la Magdalena. Pero no se le canta en las emisoras de radio, ni se hacen películas sobre él, porque me hubiera quedado yo con Él. Jesús no se ha entregado "a" mí, porque para "el amor más grande" la distancia del "me entrego a ti" se quedaba estrecha. Jesús seha entregado "por" mí, y cuantas veces se habla en la Escritura del Amor de Cristo aparece la divina preposición: "mi Cuerpo, entregado por ustedes"; "el Hijo del Hombre ha venido a servir y dar la vida en rescate por muchos"; "por ellos me consagro"; "me amó, y se entregó por mi". Marcando la dolorosísima distancia de la Cruz, se ofreció como víctima por mis pecados, al igual que se ofreció por los tuyos, y ni tú ni yo hallamos mengua en el Amor ni compartimos a Cristo. Desde esa distancia, Él es todo tuyo y todo mío; lo es por su Espíritu, que habita en nosotros, y lo es por la Eucaristía, en la que se nos entrega Jesús de un modo nuevo y misterioso. Ese "Amor más grande" es "amor sacerdotal", y en él encontramos los presbíteros la esencia y el sentido de nuestro celibato. Pocos lo conocen; no se le canta en las emisoras de radio, ni se hacen películas sobre él. Pero es "el amor más grande".

La primera en sufrir la distancia del Amor nuevo fue María, incapaz de alcanzar con sus brazos, al pie de la Cruz, los brazos que su Hijo tenía clavados en el Leño. Pero fue allí muy amada, y ese Amor, "el más grande", lo reparte a cuantos nos hacemos, en este mes de mayo a beberlo en sus manos.

Fr. José Fernando Rey Balesteros

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. Los viernes a las 7:00pm en el Centro Milani.

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. Les pedimos traer Biblia y Cuaderno.

¡Reserva la Fecha!
Junio 14, 2015
2pm-5pm
Centro Parroquial O'Donnell

Nos reuniremos como parroquia para celebrar los muchos dones que hemos recibidos del Padre Mark Arnzen y el Padre Andrey Garcia y para desearles nuestros mejores deseos en sus nuevas misiones. Más detalles por venir...Gracias por marcar sus calendarios ahora!

El equipo pastoral de la parroquia
SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

DAR EL DON DE LA VIDA
La parroquia de Santa Catalina está patrocinando una Donación de Sangre de la Cruz Roja el Sábado, 13 de Junio de 9 a.m. a 3 p.m. Por favor, considere donar para esta noble causa.

4 DE JULIO
“El Gran Viaje por la Carretera Americano” es el tema de este año para el desfile de Morgan Hill. Sea parte de la construcción del carro alegórico de nuestra parroquia, doné sus talentos para este Proyecto. Fechas de Juntas: Mayo 15, Junio 5, y Junio 19 a las 7 p.m. en los salones 3 & 4 del Centro Parroquial. Favor de comunicarse con Jose Montemayor al 408-710-8935 o Jeanette Thatcher al 408-779-3953. Gracias!

Sexto Domingo de Pascua 10 de Mayo de 2015
No son ustedes los que me han elegido, soy yo quien los ha elegido y los ha destinado para que vayan y den fruto. — Juan 15:16

OPORTUNIDAD DE TRABAJO
Asistente de Oficina
La rectoría de Santa Catalina tiene una oportunidad de empleo, de tiempo parcial (8 horas) como asistente de oficina por la mañana. El o la candidata (o) debe ser bilingüe (Ingles/Español), con conocimientos de computación y experiencia en contabilidad. Aplicaciones de empleo están disponibles en el sitio web de la Diócesis (www.dsj.org) o en la oficina parroquial.

Parish Giving
Gracias por su Ofrendas de Pascua.
Recibido = $ 46,010
Presupuestado = $ 48,500

Notas de Coresponsabilidad: La Coresponsabilidad 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.

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL
FALL FUN FEST
Septiembre 18, 19 & 20
Se necesita una comunidad para construir un Festival de Otoño. Nuestro Comité necesita ayuda.

Administración: Detrás de las escenas con la coordinación del evento. Comercialización: Ayuda con el esfuerzo de relaciones públicas. Comida: Comparta sus ideas de cocina y talento para nuestro comité de puesto de comida. Juegos: Únete a la diversión de hacer que nuestros niños tengan juegos maravillosos para jugar.

Instalaciones: Ofrezca sus talentos de construcción para ayudar a preparar nuestros stands, pista de baile, y etapas.

Por favor, póngase en contacto con: Jeanette Thatcher jthatcher@dsj.org o Anna Quiñones aquinones@dsj.org.

DIRECTORIOS PARROQUIALES
Están aquí!
Las familias que tuvieron su fotografía tomada para nuestro directorio este verano pasado pueden recoger su directorio gratuito en la Oficina Parroquial de Lunes a Viernes de 8am - mediodía y de 1 - 7pm, y el Domingo de 8 a 12pm. Un número limitado están disponibles para la venta en $5 cada uno.

Ofrenda Semanal de la Coresponsabilidad

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Easter Vigil 2015

**Jason Quiroz** beams as Father Mark baptizes him at Easter Vigil. His godfather Luis Miguel Arellano holds his shoulder; his godmother Mayra Verduzco was also present.

If you want to be the star of this picture next Easter, please contact me.

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Easter Vigil 2015

**Laila Robles-Rials** is baptized. Her godparents are Bruce and Adriane Soto.

If you want to be the star of this picture next Easter, please contact me.

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HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY

If you haven’t yet, go check out the cover article for the bulletin. It’s written by our very own Sandra Vallejo!! She wrote that talk for our teens to hear a couple weeks ago at Life Teen. She was going to give it, but her husband got a fever and so she had to be all mother and take care of her kids and husband. But they still heard it. I was inspired by it. So I put it in the bulletin so you can all enjoy it.

So....at the time I write this, Beth and I are three weeks away from our due date. That’s crazy. Joshua was born 2 1/2 weeks early. Which means before you read this the next baby might be born.

Maybe the baby will be born on Mother’s Day—what a gift! Probably means I won’t have to get her anything.

Just kidding.

I always knew mothers do so much for us. My mom is still one of the hardest workers I know—and she’s retired. But watching Beth do so much—uneasy sleep, carrying the baby, early contractions, etc., etc., etc... it’s crazy! And that’s all before the baby comes out! I feel like mothers should get two days a year at least...or maybe every day other than Father’s Day should be considered Mother’s Day. Not that dad’s don’t do a lot—we do (we’re the ones that have to put up with them—just kidding!) - but compared to what moms have to go through we get off easy.

So to all you mothers out there—thank you. You are amazing creations. God created you after men, which means that you are more complex, more beautiful, and closer to perfection than we men are.

CHIPOTLE CHIPOTLE CHIPOTLE

Please remember that this Tuesday you need to eat at Chipotle. But, it’s only between 4 and 8pm. Shorter hours than normal, BUT we get 50% back!
That’s a lot.
That’s like, half or something.
So make sure to go. Take a flyer, or take a picture of the flyer, or just tell them why you’re there (for the teens!!). Tell your friends and bring your family. Make it HUGE!

SO GO. CHIPOTLE!

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support St.Catherine's Parish. Just come into the Morgan Hill Chipotle on Tuesday, May 12th, from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you’re supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to St.Catherine's Parish.
I received this amazing gift from my daughter last Christmas, a gift that I was surprised and delighted to receive. I take it out from time to time, to remind me that I’m doing okay, especially on the days when the mom “hat” is not the easiest one that I wear. On those days, I also remember Mary, and how she must have had her days as well. She was fully human and felt all the joys of motherhood along with the painful sorrows. We can turn to her for her embrace and intercessions for the strength to continue to love with grace and kindness.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus call us “to love one another as I have loved you.” As a parish community and in our own families, we have many opportunities to show this love through our actions and not just our words.

And so today, on this Mother’s Day, let us keep in mind the other Mother’s Day—the one where mothers are alone as they do not have family near them. The one where mothers or their children are serving in the military. The one where mothers are separated from their families because of past hurts. The one where a mother or a child is in jail. The one where the mother or child feels the emptiness because of a recent loss.

Create a special card or do something special for another mother you know as part of your family’s Mother’s Day celebration. Let us reach out and pray for and with all mothers—these actions of love will bear great fruit!
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

**Office Support**
St. Catherine’s rectory is seeking a part-time (8 hours) morning office support person. Candidate must be fluently bilingual (English/Spanish), computer literate, and have accounting experience. Download an application from the Diocesan website www.dsj.org or get one at the parish office.

**GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE**

St. Catherine’s Parish is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood drive on Saturday, June 13 from 9am to 3pm.
Please consider donating to this very worthy cause.

**PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!**

Families who had their picture taken for our directory last summer may pick up their free directory at the Parish Office. Monday - Friday, 8 to noon, 1 to 7, and Sunday, 8 to noon. A limited number are available for sale at $5 each.

**ANNUAL APPEAL ON MAY 16 – 17.**

Your donations will be accepted in the second collection and go directly to freeing men, women and children in our community from the devastating grip of poverty.

“Catholic Charities are the very hands of Jesus in the world…” Pope Francis

Thank you for helping our poor.

**SPORTS CAMP**

Summer is around the corner and so is our wonderful Sports Camp!

- June 29 - All Sports Camp 1 9am-3:30pm
- July 6 - Soccer 9am and Basketball 1pm-4pm
- July 13 - All Sports Camp 2 9am-3:30pm
- July 20 - Soccer 9am-12pm and Basketball 1pm-4pm
- July 27 - All Sports Leadership Camp 9am-3:30pm
- August 3 - All Sports Camp 4 9am-3:30pm

Registration forms are available in the Parish & School offices and on our website - www.stca.org.

**NEWS FROM THE GHANA GROUP**

You may be wondering how a Lutheran was invited to be a member of the 2010 inaugural group to visit Fr. Paul’s school in Ghana. A good friend, Monica Mc Clintock invited me to join the group. I have known Monica for many years and was teaching at the same school as Monica when she began to plan the trip to Ghana.

In 2010 seventeen of us went to help get the school ready for its first group of students. We also helped put the foundation down for the principal’s house being built on the school campus. I was amazed by the quality of the school building and the detailed work knowing that it was all built without any electricity, meaning no power tools. The school opened two months after our first visit with three classes: nursery, pre-kinder, and a kindergarten class. It also had a library, (for which Mary Barber had donated 4,000 books), a principal’s office, bathrooms for students and faculty, and space for a computer lab. It was such a wonderful experience I knew I would return!

One year later I returned by myself to work with the Awaso Academy International students, teachers, and village teachers. I brought and bought many supplies for both the village teachers and AAI school. With each visit I could tell that the children and community were capturing more of my heart.

My third visit was January through March of 2014. I went to teach reading, and ended up teaching third grade. I greatly enjoyed both tasks as all the students are very eager to learn. Twelve out of the 33 students in third grade were reading above grade level. Many of the students have big career aspirations, including becoming the future President of Ghana! As the three months ended, I knew I would return. I am looking forward to my next visit. Fr. Paul’s school is a fabulous campus with smart eager students who need our support both financially and spiritually. Please keep them in your prayers, and support them as God leads you.

Jacqui Kanode
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. Since 1000 families attend 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).

FUND a NEED
Support St. Catherine’s annual Fund a Need program and help us purchase a new play structure for our kids. Our 15 year old unit cannot be repaired!
Our goal is $26,000…
You may donate or request more information by contacting Jeff Layne at jlayne@stcatherinemh.org or visit the school website:
www.stcatherinemh.org/payment
Help us bring a smile to our children’s faces.
Every dollar counts!
We appreciate your support.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother’s Day
Tuesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras
Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord
(unless transferred to Sunday)
Friday: St. Isidore
Saturday: Armed Forces Day

MARRIAGE IS A JOURNEY!!
A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you’ve been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Weekend may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. 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 or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

MEMORIAL DAY
The Knights of Columbus Assembly #2939 is hosting a Memorial Day celebration by showing the movie “Taking Chance.” This is a movie about patriotism, telling how a fallen hero is honored in his journey home but he also goes through obstacles. It stars Kevin Bacon as the officer in charge of taking the hero home. The movie may be a tear-jerker for some so bring a tissue. Showing is on Saturday May 23rd at 7:00pm (after the 5:30pm mass) in the O’Donnell parish center. The movie is 78 minutes long. There will be free popcorn and drinks can be purchased for one dollar. Come see how the country pay respects to the fallen hero.

COMMUNITY SUPPERS
If any parish groups, families, or individuals are interested in occasionally providing small treats or gift bags for the guests who gather for our weekly Community Suppers, it would be much appreciated. Contact Joe or Carol Lillig lillig@garlic.com for more info.
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**ST. CATHERINE JULY 4TH FLOAT**

Last year St. Catherine’s July 4th float won the 2014 Grand Sweepstakes Award and 1st Place in the Amateur & Non-Profit Musical Section. Let’s do it again. We need help to build, create 5 foot letters, decorate and tear down the 2015 float. This year’s theme for the Morgan Hill Parade is “The Great American Road Trip”. Meeting dates at 7pm in the Parish Center Conference Rooms 3 & 4 on Fridays May 15, June 5 and June 19. Please contact Jose Montemayor at 408-710-8935 or Jeanette Thatcher at 408-779-3959 or jthatcher@dsj.org.

**ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST**

*September 18, 19 & 20*

It takes a community to build a Fall Fun Fest. Our Committee needs help.

**Administration:** Behind the scenes with coordinating the event.

**Marketing:** Help with the Public Relations effort.

**Food:** Share your cooking ideas and talents with our food booth committee.

**Games:** Join in the fun of making sure our children have wonderful games to play.

**Facilities:** Volunteer your building talents to help prepare the booths, dance floor, and stages.

Please contact: Jeanette Thatcher jthatcher@dsj.org or Anna Quinones—aquinones@dsj.org.

**BRIGHT BEGINNINGS NURSERY HELP WANTED**

Every Sunday between 8:30am and 12noon two wonderful women provide child care during mass for children ages 1 to 5. Sadly, after 7 years Cassie is moving on and we need to replace her. If you enjoy caring for children and would like a 3.5 hour job every Sunday except Easter, please contact the Parish Office for an application. You must be 18 or older and be able to supply references. For more information contact Jeanette Thatcher at jthatcher@dsj.org.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS**

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**Thank you for your Easter Offerings.**

Received = $46,010  
Budgeted = $48,500

**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.

**Year To Date Stewardship**

July 1, 2014 to April 26, 2015

Year To Date Collections

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Year To Date Collections

$1,028,595

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Summer Programs
July 6-23, 2015

Math Camp—July 6-23, 9:00 am-12:00 noon
Mondays through Thursdays, for students entering grades 1-8. Grades are clustered into three groups: 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8. Instruction is tailored to the specific needs of the students in the class while also emphasizing the development of number sense, basic facts and real world applications as appropriate for each grade level. Students will use technology, hands on learning, collaboration, projects and pen and pencil activities to deepen their understanding of mathematics, with lots of fun thrown in for good math measure. This program meets the needs of those students who are recommended or required to do additional work in math this summer.

Coding Camp—July 20-23, 1:00-4:30
for students entering grades 5-8. Students learn basic coding and develop a computer game. More advanced students will develop their own computer games with support.

Kinder Program—July 7-23, 9:00 am-11:00 am
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
The program supports a smooth transition for students entering kindergarten next fall. The following concepts are addressed through small group work and hands-on activities: Phonemic Awareness, Number and Letter Recognition, Letter/Sound Correspondence, and Fine Motor Skills.
We also address the social and developmental needs of the students as they prepare to begin their academic journey.

Extended Care—Care is offered from 7:30-9:00 am and 12:00-6:00 pm on program days for students participating in the above programs.

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APPLICATIONS FOR 2015-2016
Application packets are available in the school office or on our website for the 2015-2016 school year. Classes are currently full for most classes next year; however, we still have spots left for kindergarten and second grade. Contact the school office if you are interested.

First Communion
Congratulations to our 36 second graders who made their First Communion yesterday! May Christ be with each of them during this special time. A huge thank you to their teacher, Mrs. Maureen McManus, and her aide, Mrs. Francine Moblad. Thanks also to Rose Pucan-Meagor who coordinated the liturgy and parent education.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
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Math/Science Night
Wednesday May 13th, St. Catherine School will host a Math/Science Night beginning at 5:30. Each class will have math or science activities or displays in their classrooms for students and families to try. Student art from our Art in Action Program will also be displayed.

PTG will provide ice cream sundaes for all who attend. All parishioners and school families are invited to join us for a low key, but fun and interactive evening. We hope to see you there.