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 y proclamar la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo por medio de la Oración, el Discipulado y el Servicio.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/DECIMOTERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

MASSES / MISAS
Monday-Saturday: 8:15am
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sábado: 7:30pm
Sunday: 7:15, 8:45, 10:30am, 5:30pm
Domingo: 12:15pm

CONFESSION / CONFESIÓN
Saturday / Sábado: 4:00 - 5:00pm (Or by appointment / O hacer una cita.)

ADORACIÓN /ADORATION
Wednesday / Miércoles 6:30pm
1st Friday 9:00-12:00pm

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From the Desk of Fr. Mark Arnzen, Pastor…

No words will be able to express my gratitude and thanks for the gifts that you have shared. You, as a community and individuals, have inspired and comforted me through the journey we have walked during the past six years. As your pastor I have learned humility and grace from the examples of your faith life in Jesus and the power of hope through the many gifts of the Holy Spirit.

My brother priests, deacons and the parish staff have challenged me again and again to be open to God’s holy word in moving forward in doing the ministry and work that helps us grow as a Catholic Church and in discipleship of our Lord Jesus.

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Desde el Escritorio del Padre Mark Arnzen, Párroco…

No hay palabras que puedan expresar mi gratitud y agradecimiento por los dones que ustedes han compartido conmigo. Usted, como comunidad y los individuos de esta comunidad me han inspirado y me han confortado por el camino que hemos recorrido durante los últimos seis años. Como su Párroco he aprendido la humildad y la gracia de los ejemplos de su vida de fe en Jesús y el poder de la esperanza a través de los muchos dones del Espíritu Santo.

Mis hermanos sacerdotes, diáconos y el personal de la parroquia me han desafiado una y otra vez para estar abierto a la santa palabra de Dios, en avanzar y hacer el ministerio y la obra que nos ayuda a crecer como Iglesia Católica y en el discipulado de nuestro Señor Jesús.

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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 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

**Tuesday:** Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:** Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

**Friday:** Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29

**Saturday:** Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17

**Sunday:** Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

**Readings for the Coming Week**

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — “Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?” (Mark 6:1-6a).

**Faith Sharing Question of the Week**

**Adult:** “When have you felt enriched by a sacrifice your made for another?”

**Child:** “Whom could you help by your acts for Kindness this week?”

**Readings for the Week**

**Sunday/Domingo, June 28**
- 8:00-12:00pm CR1-4, Kit Hospitality — Huautla Mission
- 8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
- 8:30-10:30am LR RCIA Dismissal
- 1:00-5:00pm Rm.12 Fil/Am — Band Practice
- 1:30-5:30pm CR1-4, Kit Hospitalidad
- 7:00-10:00pm MC Life Teen Nights

**Monday/Lunes, June 29**
- 6:00-7:00pm CR3-4, Kit Community Supper
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Bell Choir/Angelica Choir
- 6:30-8:30pm NUR Women's Stitching Group
- 7:00-9:00pm CR1-2 SVdP - Otro Mtg
- 7:00-10:00pm Rm.10 Jovenes Para Cristo

**Tuesday/Martes, June 30**
- 6:30-9:30pm CR1 Fall Fun Fest - Meeting
- 7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Bible Study

**Wednesday/Miercoles, July 1**
- 12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose Choir
- 6:30-7:30pm CH Spanish Holy Hour
- 7:30-9:00pm MC RCIA
- 7:30-9:30pm CH Spanish Charismatic Group
- 8:00-9:00pm NUR Fil/Am Committee - Mtg

**Thursday/Jueves, July 2**
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30-8:30pm Rm.12 RICA
- 7:00-9:30pm LR Liturgy Committee - Mtg
- 7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Faith Ongoing Catechism
- 8:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum

**Friday/Viernes, July 3**
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00-9:45am CH Fil/Am - 1st Saturday Rosary

**Office Closed/Oficina Cerrada**

**Saints and Special Observances**

**Sunday:** Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Ss. Peter and Paul
- Tuesday: First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
- Wednesday: Blessed Junipero Serra; Canada Day
- Thursday: St. Thomas; First Thursday
- Friday: St. Mark; First Friday
- Saturday: Independence Day; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary
Together, we have continued the ministry that began over a century ago, a ministry to this community that looks forward to a world founded on God’s justice and peace in the unity of grace and love. I am thankful that you have allowed me to walk with you this short time, to know you as beloved sons and daughters of our God.

I would ask for your prayers of blessing in the coming months, for Msgr. Jeronimo, Fr. Allen, Fr. Andrey and me as we come and go to serve new communities in the faith and love of our Almighty God.

Thank you and may God bless you all.

Fr. Mark

**SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM FR. ANDREY GARCIA**

Life is full of challenges. Being transferred to another parish is one of them. Last year, I came to St. Catherine’s hoping to stay here for couple of years, but God’s plans are not like ours. I am very grateful to God for giving me the opportunity to meet many good people here at St. Catherine’s. Thank you very much for all your support, kindness, generosity and prayers. Even thou it was a short time, it was enough to steal my heart. I am not saying good bye, but see you later. Please keep me in your prayers and be sure that you will be in my prayers. God bless you all.

Blessings,
Fr. Andrey Garcia

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**GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK**

Recycling is at the root of being green. Reusing things no longer used extends their life and avoids filling our landfills.

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**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!
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY WORSHIP

REFLECTION: Jesus has power over life and death. Our faith in him leads us to healing and new life; it conquers the fear of death. The first reading, Wis. 1:13-15; 2:23-24, tells us that God did not make death; God is the author of life. And Jesus in the Gospel, Mk. 5:21-43, reveals who God is by curing an incurably sick woman and calling a dead young girl back to life. Thus St. Paul in the second reading, 2 Cor. 8:7, 9, 13-15, exhorts the Corinthians and us to share with the faithful what they and we have received—be generous with your many gifts, and be sensible and balanced as well.

THE FOURTH: As we celebrate our national holiday, July 4th, Independence Day, that commemorates the birth of our nation, the United States of America, we offer our thanks to God for our nation. Thank God for the freedom we enjoy, especially the freedom of religion. We have an obligation and responsibility to pray for the leaders of our nation, especially those who are responsible for enacting the law that governs our land. Today, with the challenges that are before us, let us continue to keep in prayer our troops here and abroad as well as all who serve to protect our public safety. Pray for PEACE.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: There will be 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration overnight beginning this first Friday, July 3rd, after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and concluding with Benediction on Saturday, July 4th, before the 8:15 a.m. Mass. Come and spend time with the Lord as Jesus asks: "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" (Mt. 26:40).

SUMMER: As we begin the summer months I want to call your attention to our summer daily Mass. We hold our daily Mass, beside the weekend Masses, Monday through Saturday at 8:15 a.m. If you are planning a "stay home vacation" this summer, daily Mass is a wonderful and blessed way to start your day.

Are You Going On Vacation?

Many parish families are planning to get away for some July and August summer fun and relaxation in the next many weeks. We pray that your vacation time will be safe and a source of many happy memories. However, please don’t take your parish offering with you. Each summer our parish office may struggle to juggle the bills when Sunday offerings decrease significantly during the summer months. If you find that you tend to forget your envelope more often during the less structured weeks of summer, please consider our electronic giving program. Go to our website at www.stca.org and click on Parish Pay or Ways to Give. It’s simple! It’s safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list even when you are away!

God bless, be safe on your travels.

See you when you return!

God has saved you.
DECIMOTERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

FELICITAMOS LOS CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE JUNIO
Domingo 28 de Junio
Daniel Albarran

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.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Salmo — Te alabaré, Señor, eternamente (Salmo 30 [29]).
Segunda lectura — Que la abundancia de ustedes remedie la necesidad de sus hermanos pobres (2 Corintios 8:7, 9, 13-15).
Evangelio — ¡Oyeme, niña, levántate! (Marcos 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Martes: Gn 19:15-29; Sal 26 (25):2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27
Miércoles: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Sal 34 (33):7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
Jueves: Gn 22:1b-19; Sal 115 (114):1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
Viernes: Ef 2:19-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
Sábado: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Sal 135 (134):1b-6; Mt 9:14-17; o para el Día de la Independencia se pueden tomar las lecturas de la Misa para varias necesidades y ocasiones: Por la nación por la paz y justicia
Domingo: Ez 2:2-5; Sal 123 (122):1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mt 16:1-6

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 Tele. 408-779-3959 para que miembros de este ministerio pasen a visitarlos a sus casas y llevarles la comunión.

MENSAGJE ESPECIAL DE PADRE ANDREY
La vida está llena de retos. El ser trasladado a otra parroquia es una de ellas. El año pasado llegué a Santa Catalina y tuve la esperanza de poder quedarme aquí por unos años, pero los planes de Dios no son como los nuestros. Estoy muy agradecido a Dios por darme la oportunidad de conocer a mucha gente buena aquí en Santa Catalina. Muchas gracias por todo su apoyo, su bondad, su generosidad y oraciones. A pesar de que fue un corto tiempo, fue suficiente para robar mi corazón. No digo adiós sino hasta luego. Por favor, ténganse en sus oraciones y estén asegurados de que ustedes están en mis oraciones. Dios los bendiga a todos.

Padre Andrey
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.

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.

2016 LIBRO DE INTENCIONES
El nuevo libro de 2016 de intenciones ha llegado. Pase por la oficina de la parroquia para solicitar sus misas para sus seres queridos.

FATIMA Y LOURDES
Con Peregrinaje de Santiago de Compostela
11 días: Noviembre 3-13, 2015
Visita: Lisbon, Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca, Madrid y Lourdes
Para mas información, póngase en contacto con Lupe Silva (408)839-9009, luesilva2@gmail.com

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. 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. Los esperamos!

EN HONOR A NUESTRO PÁRROCO
PADRE MARK ARNZEN
En honor de Padre Mark Arnzen por su tiempo y dedicación a la Iglesia de Santa Catalina!
Padre Mark tuvo una visión para nuestra parroquia y en su primer día como Párroco, el comenzó a servir diligentemente a nuestra comunidad. Él siempre estuvo presente para nosotros, nuestros hijos, los jóvenes, los pobres y todo el pueblo de Santa Catalina. Hemos sido bendecidos!
Muchos han preguntado “qué estamos haciendo para honrarlo”, hemos creado un "Fondo de Párroco". Los fondos recaudados serán utilizados para mejorar nuestras liturgias, el primer regalo comprado en su honor será un piano. Padre Mark ha querido un piano nuevo durante algún tiempo y era parte de su plan; aunque él no va a estar aquí para celebrar nuestras liturgias con nosotros en el futuro, él siempre estará con nosotros en espíritu. Tenemos una meta de $40,000 dólares para el Fondo de Párroco, en honor a Padre Mark, no hay regalo grande o pequeño, sus oraciones también son bienvenidos y aceptados con gracia. Usted puede hacer una donación en nuestro sitio web, o llenar un formulario que están disponibles en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Anna Quiñones 408.779.3959.

DIVINO PROTOCOLO
ES BUENO: ofrecer y dar la paz en misa con un gesto sencillo y cordial, con un apretón de manos, de modo que se exprese el cariño sin que se rompa el recogimiento. Puede hacerse en silencio o acompañado de la frase: “la paz sea contigo” dicha en voz baja.
NO ES BUENO: “hacer el paseíllo”, como un político en campaña o un torero tras la lidia, recogiendo ovaciones y felicitaciones de toda la asamblea mientras ya se está cantando el “Cordero de Dios”. Abrácese fuertemente mientras se propinan golpes en la espalda del contrario para que lo oiga todo el mundo. Volverse para dar la paz a toda la fila de detrás, que a su vez está dándose la paz entre sí. Hacerse el distraído para no dar la paz a nadie, con la excusa de que a uno le sudan las manos...

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.
DECIMOTERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

4 DE JULIO
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La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el Viernes, 3 de Julio en conmemoración del cuatro de julio.

Feliz Cuatro de Julio a todos!

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El Gran Viaje por la Carretera Americano

Reserva la fecha y prepárate para divertirte! Traemos de vuelta fabulosa comida, juegos de diversión, excelente entretenimiento y atracciones emocionantes. Anímate a ser un voluntario, o un patrocinador y también no se olvide comprar sus CUPONES de PASEO ilimitado.

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Women of the Old Testament: Rachel and Leah

Rachel and Leah are the third generation of Hebrew matriarchs, after Sarah and Rebecca. Rebecca and Isaac's son Jacob is sent by his father to the home of Rebecca's brother Laban to find a wife. There he meets Laban’s daughters, Leah and Rachel, and immediately falls in love with Rachel, the younger. He agrees to serve Laban for seven years in exchange for Rachel’s hand. Laban deceives Jacob by placing Leah instead of Rachel in his tent on the night of the marriage, claiming that the older daughter must be married first. Jacob is angry, but agrees to work another seven years to earn Rachel. Leah ultimately has six sons and a daughter with Jacob, but Rachel, like Sarah and Rebecca before her, remains barren for a long time. Like Sarah and Rebecca, Rachel also offers her handmaid to Jacob, who bears sons. Finally, “God remembered Rachel; he heard her prayer and made her fruitful.” And she bears a son, Joseph.

Jacob grows increasingly frustrated with his father-in-law Laban’s treatment of him, so he sends for Rachel and Leah and tells them that he wants to leave Laban’s land and return to the land of his birth. Rachel and Leah agree that Laban has not treated them well, so while Laban is out shearing his sheep, Jacob and his wives and children leave. Before they reach Jacob’s home, Rachel has another son, Benjamin, and dies in childbirth.

Rachel and Leah are both rivals and allies. On the one hand, Jacob loves Rachel more, but Leah is the one who is first able to bear him sons. The sisters are united in their care for Jacob and his children and in their distrust of their father who has not treated them fairly.

The sons of Leah and Rachel (as well as the sons of their handmaids) are the founders of the twelve tribes of Israel and Rachel’s son Joseph is one of the most important figures of the Old Testament. Like many of the women of the Old Testament Rachel and Leah are victims of a patriarchal system but also strong women who make efforts to get what they need.
We had a great group at DYR this year. Not only those pictured but also a few other leaders, including John Kellett, AJ, and Becca Inderhees. This week was such a spiritual and joy-filled week. The directors this year went above and beyond setting up and putting together such wonderful activities and experiences, including Adoration, Reconciliation and small group competitions (which included water, shaving cream, cheese puffs, and flour!). So many teens grew in their relationship with God—whether it was just being open to Him, or going so much deeper in the relationship they’ve already developed. It is such a blessing to be able to witness it and to be a part of it.

Of course, there were some issues during the week. The bus on the way up was constantly overheating so we had to stop every 4 minutes or so while driving up hill. But the teens were in good spirits and we got them there eventually. The rest of the week went as smoothly as could be and I couldn't have asked to be a part of a better group of leaders. DYR is June 13-17 next year. Ready?
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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

A special thank you to all of our volunteers who made our Everest Vacation Bible School possible:

Station Leaders and Assistants
Preschool Leaders
Elementary Leaders
Summer Challenge SC²

And especially Audrey Hagar, Victor Jimenez, Matthew Jimenez, Veronica Aldana, Manuel Aldana, Gloria Maria Fernandez, Barbara Jorgensen and Zach Meagor for building Mt. Everest!

Thank you Father Mark and Father Andrey—for your love and support! We will keep you in our prayers and we will miss you!
FLOWER POWER
The Fil/Am is hosting a Dinner/Dance August 15th. The theme is FLOWER POWER. The attire (optional) is back in the 70'ties, "Flower child or the Hippies". Music by the "Giks". Tickets are $40 per person. Save this date on your calendar. For tickets, see any of our Fil/Am friends Tom Rhodes, Flor Cortez, Gerry Achanzar and Yoly Merritt. There are more details on our flyer.

STEPHEN MINISTERS NEEDED
Do you enjoy being with people? Are you caring and compassionate, a good listener? Perhaps you are being called to share your gifts as a Stephen minister. SM is a one to one Christian caregiving ministry in which you journey with others who are going through a difficult time in their lives. All ministers receive intensive training and on-going support. For more information on becoming a Stephen Minister please call Claranne at 408-782-1413 or e-mail kenandclaranne@yahoo.com.

THE LORD OF LIFE
At this bountiful time of year, our Sunday readings teem with life and abundance. Both the first reading, from the book of Wisdom, and the Gospel passage from Mark assure us that God did not make death or even will us to be ill. Illness and death entered the world through the presence of evil, the Wisdom author tells us. Mark’s stories of Jesus healing a hemorrhaging woman and resuscitating a dead little girl make it clear that Jesus is from God. As the Son of God he does not will that anyone suffer illness or death. In the face of such power, the second reading, from Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians, provides a stark contrast. Jesus, who could raise the dead to new life, “though he was rich, for your sake he became poor” (2 Corinthians 8:9). Our gift of new life from Christ demands our response in charity.

The Parish Office is closed on Friday, July 3rd in observance of the Fourth of July.

Happy Fourth of July to all!

Jubilee: Stepping into the year of mercy
A Retreat Day for Women
"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."
Pope Francis proclaiming the jubilee year of mercy

Come and step onto the path of merciful love by spending a day of prayer, reflection and spiritual companionship by the ocean.

Villa Maria Del Mar Retreat Center 21918 East Cliff Drive, Santa Cruz, CA
Tuesday August 11th 10:00am to 4:00pm
Cost is $55.00 includes lunch
Facilitators: Carmella Dautoff and Rosemarie Peoples
For more info rosemarie778@gmail.com or (408) 778-3595 or (408) 623-7502

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

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upcoming events electronically, please email
the parish office at office@stca.org with your
name and the email address you wish to use.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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 3
9am-3:30pm
Registration forms are available in the Parish &
School offices and on our website -
www.stca.org.

FACEBOOK
Join us on Facebook and keep up to date on
what the parish is doing. https://
www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Catherine-of-
Alexandria-Church/293047417474856

KNITTING GROUP
Are you a passionate needle crafter and desire
to be in community with others here at St Catherine's? Well, bring your knitting, crocheting,
quilt or embroidery projects and join us!
The group gathers in the nursery room in the
Parish Center. Drop in anytime from 6:30-8:30. All are welcome. Contact Diane at 408-
839-3553 for questions or if you would like to learn to knit or crochet.

EVERGIVE
Have your joined St. Catherine's on Evergive? Download the Evergive app today! The commu-
nity code is STCA.

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

2016 MASS INTENTION BOOK
The new 2016 Mass Intention book has arrived. Stop by the Parish Office to request masses for
your loved ones.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
The St. Vincent De Paul helpline has received a
call requesting a wheelchair. If you have one
that you’re no longer using consider offering it to
a family in need. Contact Carol Lillig at (408)857-
-4516

ELECTRONIC GIVING
Please consider making your parish offertory
donation electronically. In place of a weekly en-
velop make contributions from your checking,
savings or credit card account electronically to
St. Catherine Church in either of two ways:
A) Your bank’s bill pay option; use your enve-
lope number as the account number.
B) Sign up to use the secure on-line ParishPay.
Go to www.stca.org and click on “Give Via
Parish Pay”.
Either way you can:
- Easily adjust the amount of your automated
contribution.
- Avoid writing a check every week.
We appreciate your generosity whether you
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lopes or electronically. Thank you.

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the parish office at office@stca.org with your
name and the email address you wish to use.

MEN’S FAITH SHARING GROUP
Open Invitation to all men.
Come and join us as we discuss, share and
grow our faith. We meet Monday mornings in
the O’Donnell Parish Center from 6:30 to
7:30am to discuss our faith and relationship
with God through discussions of Catholic books.
Coffee and refreshments are provided.
This is the week to build and decorate the float. Come and help beginning Tuesday June 30th. Please contact Jose Montemayor at jmontemayror@dsj.org or 408-710-8935 to check the time.

Have you been longing for the best Tri-tip sandwich in Morgan Hill? Come to our July 4th Refreshment stand where we will be serving Ernie’s famous Tri-tip, hot dogs, donuts, coffee, soda, water and more. We can’t wait to see you!

Sponsor’s—Show your St. Catherine pride and July 4th patriotism by being a sponsor for the Stand. Your family's name or business will be displayed on or in front of our refreshment stand tent for everyone to see. Sponsorships defray the cost of the refreshment stand food and the building of our parade float.

Volunteers - Come join the fun, meet people, and see old friends while working at the BBQ Refreshment stand.

Visit our website www.stca.org and see the July 4th box on our Home page to sponsor or volunteer. For more information please contact Anna Quinones at 234-0225 or aquinones@dsj.org.

Save the date and get ready to have FUN! Bringing back the fabulous food, fun games, terrific entertainment, and thrilling rides. Think about volunteering, sponsoring and purchasing the UNLIMITED RIDE COUPONS.

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.
St. Catherine School News

Enjoying a few moments together after Commencement Exercises. Graduates of the St. Catherine Class of 2015 are off to ten different high schools.

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR 2015-2016

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

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.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

We are seeking a full-time kindergarten aide and first grade aide. These positions are a 35 hours per week. Additionally we are in need of an Extended Care Assistant to work MTTF 2:30-6:00 and Wednesday 12:30-6:00. Applications are available on the diocesan website www.dsj.org. Once the application is completed, please send it to: fesparza@stcatherinemh.org.

Our 8th grade graduates were excited for both graduation itself and their soon to come new adventures in high school. Please keep them in your prayers.

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 use technology, hands-on learning, collaboration, projects and pencil activities to deepen their understanding of mathematics, with lots of fun thrown in for good 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.