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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.

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.)

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Wednesday / Miércoles 6:30pm
1st Friday - 24 Hours

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From the Desk of Deacon Rick Haeckel...

Bible Study is a familiar term and, as one might expect, it involves studying the bible (surprise). Bible is a self-identifying term but study in this context has more meanings than one might think. Study involves the intellect, reading, pondering … doing the things we all did in school. When that is all that is done, it is referred to as “literal” interpretation. The bible has many books written over a long span of time so it is necessary to be familiar with the authors, their audience and the historical situation at the time it was written. So now, more than just the words themselves, we study the history of the words we read.

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Desde el Escritorio de el Diácono Rick Haeckel...

Estudio de la Biblia es un término familiar y, como era de esperar, se trata de estudiar la Biblia (sorpresa). Biblia es un término auto-identificación, pero estudio en este contexto tiene más significados que uno podría pensar. Estudio implica el intelecto, leyendo, meditando… haciendo las cosas que todos hiciemos en la escuela. Cuando eso es todo lo que se hace, que se conoce como interpretación "literal". La Biblia tiene muchos libros escritos durante un largo periodo de tiempo, por lo que es necesario estar familiarizado con los autores, su público y la situación histórica en el momento en que fue escrito.

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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:** Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35

**Tuesday:** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday:** Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Thursday:** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

**Friday:** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday:** Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

**Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

**READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**First Reading** — The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15).

**Psalm** — The Lord gave them bread from heaven (Psalm 78).

**Second Reading** — Put on the new self that has been created in God’s way (Ephesians 4:17, 20-24).

**Gospel** — I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger (John 6:24-35).

**THE WEEK AHEAD/LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA**

**Sunday/Domingo, July 26**

- 7:00-3:00pm MC Jovenes Para Cristo—Retreat
- 8:00-12:00pm CR1-4 Hospitality
- 8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
- 8:30-10:30am LR RCIA Dismissal
- 1:00-5:00pm CR3-4 Fil/AM - Band Practice
- 3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Choir
- 7:00-10:00pm MC Life Teen Nights

**Monday/Lunes, July 27**

- 6:00-7:00pm CR3-4 Community Supper
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Bell Choir/Angelica Choir
- 6:30-8:30pm NUR Women’s Stitching Group
- 7:00-9:30pm MC English Pre-baptismal class

**Tuesday/Martes, July 28**

- 5:00-10:00pm CR1-4 Knight of Columbus—Installation
- 6:30-9:00pm CH Clase Pre-bautismal en Español

**Wednesday/Miércoles, July 29**

- 12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose Choir
- 6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
- 6:30-8:00pm Rm.12 Jesus to Mankind
- 7:30-9:30pm CH Grupo Carismático
- 7:00-9:00pm Rm.10 Encuentro Matrimonial

**Thursday/Jueves, July 30**

- 6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00-8:30pm Rm.12 RICA
- 8:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum

**Friday/Viernes, July 31**

- 9:30-10:30am CR1-2 Bible Study
- 6:30-10:00pm Rm.10&11 Jovenes Para Cristo
- 7:00-10:00pm MC Grupo Amigos

**Saturday/Sábado, August 1**

- All Day MC Jovenes Para Cristo - Retiro
- 7:30-4:30 FLD Junior Giants—End of Season BBQ

**8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, July 27**
- † Francisco Jose Inclan
- † Braulio Orate

**Tuesday, July 28**
- † Lester Houle
- † Francisco Jose Inclan
- † Mary Tripoli
- † Francisco Jose Inclan

**Wednesday, July 29**
- † Emily Zerbe
- † Mae Makowski

**Thursday, July 30**
- † Lauren Vasquez
- † Margaret Drake

**FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

**Adult:** “When has the generous gift of another offered you hope?”

**Child:** “What loving gift could you give to another person this week?”
The Gospel today tells of the feeding of the multitude. We can’t help but be amazed at what happened. However, by remaining fixed on the literal event we run the very real risk of thinking of the event as only a one time historical occurrence. Certainly those who experienced the miracle were overcome, John tells us they wanted to “carry him off to make him King” but that was not for Jesus. Nor should it be for us. Temporal satisfaction, however pleasant, is fleeting. The real food Jesus brings is that which enriches our soul. The feeding encompasses the compassion of God who wants all to have what they need to be nourished as well as the strength needed to pursue a life lived in thankfulness and wonder for the life God has given us. Familiarity doesn’t always breed contempt but it does often blunt the deeper meanings of God’s actions in our lives. We can become enamored of the successes we’ve had and forget the source of the gifts which have made that success possible. In today’s terms we might wish to make Jesus our CEO. But as Pope Francis regularly reminds us, it isn’t position or prestige that reflect our call, success is measured more in how we remember that God is the source of our gifts and how we treat them should example our beliefs. When we share our goods and ourselves we actually “feed” others in ways that produce lasting sustenance. We also keep ourselves in spiritual “trim” by feeding ourselves only what we need… not what we want.

Three National Monuments were recently named. Preserving natural beauty is very green; remember that our yards, homes, even ourselves reflect nature’s beauty.

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!

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: ___________
ST. CATHERINE WOMEN’S GROUP

Our women’s group meets Wednesday morning at 9:00am in the O'Donnell Parish Center. We select books or DVD's as a group and meet each week to discuss, share and pray together. Our ministry’s mission is to be a loving, supportive and trustworthy place for the sharing of our lives, and to help each other grow in their own personal faith journey.

All women are invited!

We are on a summer break until Wednesday August 12th. Our book for the fall is "Unleashed". How to get everything the Holy Spirit wants to give you. A Catholic Woman's walk with Scripture by Sonja Corbitt. For more information contact

Ann Poirier or
Anna Quinones at aquinones@dsj.org or 408.779.3959

LITURGY WORSHIP

REFLECTION:
From the seventeenth to the twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time during the year the continuous reading of Mark in cycle B is interrupted, and for these five Sundays the Gospel brings a periscope of the sixth chapter of John (Jn. 6) dealing with the multiplication of the loaves and Christ’s discourse on the Bread of Life. Thus we are meditating on Holy Eucharist.

Today’s Gospel, Jn. 6:1-15, we see that we are filled with the Bread of God, given to us by Christ with the cooperation of the Apostles. This miracle is superior to the feeding of a hundred people with twenty loaves by Elisha, where some bread was left over, 2 Kgs. 4:42-44, the first reading. And St. Paul in the second reading, Eph. 4:1-6, reminds us that the followers of Christ are called to live an exemplary life, united by the Spirit.

In John’s account of the Gospel, signs are done so that all my see and believe. The sign of feeding clearly underscores Jesus’ identity as the divine One among us. To follow Jesus is to perceive his identity and to understand his mission. In doing so, we become living witnesses to God’s transforming power in our lives. We make Jesus’ mission our own by loving others as he loves us, and by being willing to give of ourselves so that others may be fed.

As SUMMER is progressing, I want to call your attention to our summer daily Mass. We hold our daily Mass, 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.
DECIMOSÉPTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Eliseo da de comer a cien hombres con veinte panes de cebada (2 Reyes 4:42-44).
Salmo — Bendeciré al Señor eternamente (Salmo 145 [144]).
Segunda lectura — Pablo exhorta a los efesios a que se muestren dignos de la vocación que han recibido; siendo comunidad unida, llena de fe y esperanza (Efesios 4:1-6).
Evangelio — Jesús da de comer a un enorme gentío con cinco panes de cebada y dos pecados (Juan 6:1-15).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Sal 106 (105):19-23; Mt 13:31-35
Martes: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Sal 103 (102):6-13; Mt 13:36-43
Miércoles: Ex 34:29-35; Sal 99 (98):5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42
Jueves: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Sal 84 (83):3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
Viernes: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Sal 81 (80):3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Sábado: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

REUNION DE CONSEJO HISPANO

Se le invita a todos participar a nuestra reunión de Consejo Hispano el Viernes, 7 de Agosto al las 7:00pm en la Rectoría. Es muy importante que los coordinadores de los ministerios asistan a estas juntas. TODOS son bienvenidos! Los Esperamos.

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.

DESMONTO DE RICK HAECKEL

CONTINUADO...

Así que ahora, más que las palabras mismas, se estudia la historia de las palabras que leemos. Además, como cristianos católicos que aportamos nuestra propia comprensión de lo que los autores estaban tratando de comunicarse. Muchas de las acciones y de las referencias de Jesús tenían sus raíces en las escrituras judías. El evangelio de Marcos fue escrito para un público predominantemente judío lo que las referencias del Antiguo Testamento se habrían entendido de inmediato... probablemente para nosotros no tanto, si no fuera por el estudio. Hay miriádes de libros escritos por estudiosos de las Escrituras que nos ayudan a comprender el contexto de un pasaje de la Escritura. Cuando sabemos, por ejemplo, cuando la hija del jefe de la sinagoga se dice que murió a los afectados que lamentaban y que lloraban fueron contratados, no eran amigos entonces Jesús los despido, simplemente indica que eran innecesarios. Eso es un ejemplo muy concreto de una reciente Evangelio pero usted comprende la idea. Hay mucho más para disfrutar. Incluso más allá de que aprendamos, el Padre Raymond Brown, dice que "mirar más allá" de las palabras de discernir el significado más profundo. Esto implica no sólo la mente, sino también el corazón. Más allá de la comprensión intelectual se nos invita a reflexionar sobre cómo un pasaje de la Escritura se relaciona con nosotros de forma individual y en nuestro mundo de hoy. Reflexión y apertura permiten que la palabra de Dios para entrar en nuestro corazón y espíritu, "audencia" Escritura nos habla.

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.

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.
¡BIENVENIDO! Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sea residentes de largo plazo o recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no estás registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y colóquelo en la canasta de la colecta o mandarlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

Nombre: ________________________________
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Si tiene Ropa de niños y niñas para donar, favor de llevarla a la oficina de la parroquia de Santa Catalina a horas de oficina.

Si tiene preguntas, favor de comunicarse con Debbie al (408) 500-5659.

SAN VICENTE DE PAUL
REGALAR ROPA PARA NIÑOS
El Sábado, Agosto 1, 2015
9am-4pm

Donde: Edificio de San Vicente de Paul esta localizada en el 13570 Depot, San Martin, CA.

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**ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST**

**Septiembre 18, 19 & 20**

**Un vistazo a lo que está por venir!**

- Cupón de Paseo ilimitado, para ser utilizado en cualquier día del evento: $15
- Hojas de Boletos, también estarán disponibles, 24 boletos por: $15
- Santa Catalina boletos de comida y juegos: 10 por $ 9

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**Parish Giving**

**Gracias por su Generosidad**

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

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**DOGMAS Y OPINIONES—PARTE 2**

Pero si, más adelante, escucho a esa misma persona hablar con la misma seguridad y el mismo apolom sobre cuestiones que son perfectamente opinables... Si controlo cómo esgrime la misma autoridad con que defendía las verdades de la Fe para defender puntos de vista tan personales como discutibles... Entonces cambio de opinión y comienzo a pensar que estoy ante un soberbio de tomó y lo-mo a quien no hay forma de llevarle la contraria. Las verdades de la Fe son muy contadas, y todas ellas están escritas para que nadie se llame a engaño. Pero, fuera de esas verdades, tanto en materia religiosa como en cualquier otra, existen miles de sensibilidades, de opiniones, de grados diversos de certeza y de discusiones que siguen abiertas mientras se hace la luz. Y, en todos esos terrenos, debemos ser humildes, porque no podemos tener la seguridad absoluta de estar en la verdad. Nuestras palabras, en lo referido a materias opinables, deben ser medidas, claras y sencillas, como serían las de quien ofrece su punto de vista al servicio de la búsqueda de mayor claridad. Tomar la autoridad que el Señor nos ha dado para defender las verdades de Fe y emplearla para apoyar nuestras opiniones sería un robo sacrílego.

¿Cuántas veces, a lo largo de los últimos días, han escuchado ustedes las palabras “tienes razón; me has convencido”? ¿Cuántas veces las han dicho? Por desgracia, no es una expresión frecuente en los programas de televisión, ni en las de la radio, ni en las conversaciones cotidianas, ni en los mensajes que se cruzan por escrito unos y otros en los medios de comunicación.

Fr. José Fernando Rey Ballesteros
The book of Judith tells another story of the way God saved the Israelites through the actions of a woman. In the first seven chapters, Holofernes, the commander of King Nebuchadnezzar's armies, wins the allegiance of many cities and countries and destroys the temples of the Jews, demanding that they bow down to the king. At the town of Bethulia, the Israelites attempt a resistance, but Holofernes captures their water supply.

This is where Judith enters the story. She is a wealthy widow, and “no one had a bad word to say about her.” (Judith 8:8) She scolds the elders for not trusting in God, and tells them that she has a plan to save them. After a long prayer, she dresses in her best clothes, takes her maid, and goes to the Assyrian camp, where she persuades Holofernes that she has defected and that she can show him how to get to Jerusalem without losing a single man in his army.

Holofernes is quite captivated by Judith, and after she has been with him for a few days, he throws a banquet, with the intention of seducing her. Instead, he gets quite drunk, and while he is sleeping it off, Judith beheads him, and she and her maid slip out and return to Bethulia.

The Israelites hang the head of Holofernes on their wall, and when the Assyrians discover that he is dead and that the Israelites have his head, they panic, and the Israelites are able to defeat them. For the rest of her long life, Judith was renowned among her people.

Judith shows that a woman can take the lead and become the model of faith, even when the (male) elders of the community recoil in terror. Unlike most of the other women of the Old Testament, Judith is independent: she doesn’t need a man to support her or protect her. She has much in common with self-sacrificing women such as Ruth, but she also reminds us, with her use of deception, lies, and even murder, of strong leaders like King David.
Who Called It?

Who out there called it? Who knew, after reading (or listening to) the 1st Reading this Sunday, knew what the Gospel reading was going to be?

If you didn’t know, that’s okay. But please know that at almost every single Mass during the Liturgy of the Word, the 1st and the Gospel readings are connected. That’s right, the readings aren’t just randomly put together—people put thought into this. More than thought, they put prayer into this. A lot of time and energy has brought us such a beautiful liturgy every single day. And every once in awhile, they hit the trifecta and all the readings connect (alas, this Sunday was not one of them).

So I knew, after reading the passage from the 2nd Book of Kings, that the Gospel HAD to be about Jesus feeding the five thousand with leftovers. So what was the first thing I did after finishing the 1st Reading? I barely skimmed the 2nd Reading so I could get to the Gospel to see if I was right—and once I knew that I was right (after a few lines I knew), I didn’t keep reading. Huge problem guys. I need to work on this. I need to be better about really praying over the readings (like I talked about last week with the whole swineherd thing...just kidding I mean really pray). And sometimes (a lot of times) I forget to do that—ESPECIALLY when I already know what the reading is. I can’t just skim it. I need to prepare myself for the readings. Take them in slowly. Let the Holy Spirit (remember that Guy?) speak to me through the Word. And sometimes (a lot of times) I forget to do that—ESPECIALLY when I already know what the reading is. I can’t just skim it. I need to prepare myself for the readings. Take them in slowly. Let the Holy Spirit (remember that Guy?) speak to me through the Word.

Next Tuesday we’re headed to Raging Waters all day! And Wednesday after that we’re going to the boardwalk for Pepsi night (really cheap to get on rides that night!).

Lots going on before school starts, so get your summer reading done early!

deepuk@dsj.org
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION CLASSES!

Early Registration Deadline is August 21st. Classes begin in mid-September.

Faith formation classes offer basic and continuing faith formation for children Pre-K to 8th grade. Sacramental preparation for the sacraments of initiation (for children over age 7 who have not yet been baptized) and first communion and first reconciliation (for children who have been baptized) are also part of the classes.

Registration forms can be picked up at the Faith Formation Office, Rectory and the Church lobby.

Please contact Rose at (408) 779-9604 or by e-mail at rosepm@dsj.org for further information about classes and volunteer opportunities.

DONATIONS URGENTLY NEEDED:

Travel-size Toiletries

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Razor
- Washcloth

Due to an increased number of homeless being served by the St. Joseph Family Center in Gilroy, St. Catherine Summer Challenge (SC²) is collecting travel size bath toiletries for one of its community service projects. Donations can be dropped off at the Rectory, Faith Formation Office and during Sports Camp until Wednesday, July 29th.

Thank you for your generosity!
NEWS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

“Personal Shoppers” are needed for the Children’s Clothing Giveaway Day on Saturday, August 1st to accompany the children as they shop and to help them choose their outfits. **Spanish speakers are especially needed.** Choose a morning shift (8am-noon) or afternoon (noon-5pm) Great opportunity for a family project. Contact Carol Lillig to sign up (408-857-4516).

Are you a student or teen that needs **Community Service hours** for your school or church? Consider helping us sort our clothing donations and get them done this summer! We’re at the shop (13570 Depot St., San Martin) every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am -noon. You can also volunteer on Friday, July 31st (10am-2pm) when we set out on racks and tables all the clothes, books, toys, and backpacks for the families who will come August 1st. Teens are also encouraged to help as personal shoppers on Saturday, August 1st morning shift 8am-noon, afternoon shift noon-5pm, or stay for the day! Contact Carol Lillig to sign up (408-857-4516).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHILDREN’S CLOTHES CLOSET

If your family could benefit from some free children’s clothing for school this fall, come by the St. Vincent de Paul Community Closet (13570 Depot St. in San Martin) on Saturday, August 1st from 9am-4pm, and let your children shop from our tables and racks of gently used children’s clothes. Books, toys, and a NEW free backpack, too! (Children must accompany their parent.)

MEN’S GROUP

The Men’s Spiritual Group will be meeting weekly to discuss the book, *The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything* by James Martin SJ beginning Saturday, August 8th at 9:00am in the Parish Office. All are welcome!

MONDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY SUPPERS

Teens, families, adults, young and old: the parish could use a few more people on some of our Community Supper teams. The commitment is once every 7 weeks from 5-7:30pm. Contact Joe or Carol Lillig if you’d like to help provide good food and good company for our weekly dinner for the community. (For bulletin and email announcement, add: lillig@garlic.com or 408-857-4516)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Evening Administrative Assistant

St. Catherine Parish has an opening for a part-time evening (4:00 PM to 7:00 PM Monday to Friday) administrative assistant. The administrative assistant is the first contact that many have with the Parish and therefore must be hospitable and welcoming to all who phone or come to the Parish office.

The ideal candidate is a practicing Catholic with excellent written and verbal communications skills, and has a professional demeanor. The ideal candidate must be bi-lingual and bi-literate (able to read and write) in English and Spanish, knowledgeable in Microsoft Office and database applications, organized and detail oriented. Must be 18 or older.

Employment applications are available on the Diocesan website (www.dsj.org) or at the parish office.

Student Work

St. Catherine Parish has an opening for a part-time entry level position on Sundays from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

The ideal candidate is a practicing Catholic with excellent written and verbal communications skills and must be bi-lingual (English / Spanish).

Employment applications are available on the Diocesan website (www.dsj.org) or at the parish office.
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

COUPLES FOR CHRIST (CFC) AND ITS MINISTRIES
CFC WORLDWIDE HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR 34 YEARS AND IT IS PRESENT in at least 126 countries as of today. It is also present in 40 states in the US mainland and in all of its territories and possessions. Therefore, a member can find a local group in case he relocates. Aside from its Vatican recognition, it has US Recognitions in 64 Dioceses as of today including from former USCCB President Cardinal Dolan and current USCCB President Archbishop Kurtz. It is directly contracted by VIRTUS National Office to conduct Children Protection Trainings.

It has Church-based, Community-based, Corporate-based, Cultural-based and Campus-based ministries. It is a Womb to Tomb ministry, namely:

1 day to 4 years old – Junior Kids for Christ
5 to 12 years old – Senior Kids for Christ
13 to 17 years old – Junior CFC Youth
18 to 22 years old – Senior CFC Youth
23 to 40 years old – Singles for Christ
41 and up - Servants of the Lord (for men) or Handmaids of the Lord (for women), unmarried or separated or divorced or widowed
Married – Couples for Christ

CFC has 13,000 adult members across the US. The relationships among and between members are personal in nature - not only spiritual care but also secular. Its members can find expression of their faith and serve not only in the family ministries but also in ministries for the poor, marginalized and disadvantaged, such as Prolife (Gift of Life Ministry) and its Work for the Poor (ANCOP - Answering the Cry Of the Poor). Therefore, CFC is Pro-God, Pro-Catholic, Pro-Family, Pro-Life and Pro-Poor.

If interested or if you have questions, please contact Amado and Joy DeGuzman at 408-483-2660 408-482-4756

SPORTS CAMP
Summer is HERE and so is our wonderful Sports Camp!
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.

FLOWER POWER
The Fil/Am is hosting a Dinner/Dance on August 15th. The dance theme is FLOWER POWER. The (optional) attire is: back in the 70'ties, "Flower child or 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. See more details on our flyer.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS
Do you want to receive notifications of emergencies from the Morgan Hill Police Department? Sign up to receive them by signing up at www.alertssc.com.

MASS TIMES
Are you traveling and don’t know the mass times for the local church? Go to www.masstimes.org, search by zip code or by address and locate any church’s mass times anywhere.
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
Sooner of later, as they plan their wedding liturgy, a couple will receive some advice about a “unity candle.” They need one, they are told (at great expense); it is a tradition; it is what Catholics have always done. Not so. In the last thirty years or so, the custom has enjoyed wide popularity in the United States. It has never been officially part of our liturgy, and it exists in tension with some of our core symbols. Usually there are two smaller candles and one larger one to be lit from the smaller. Large candles in our tradition always mean Christ, and smaller ones are always tokens of our baptismal candle. If the candles are meant for a kind of renewal of baptismal vows, then the meaning is clearer, yet this is seldom the understanding. Why, then, are those smaller candles extinguished?

It’s hard to tell where these pesky candles came from. Some suggest that the Presbyterian Church, which has a very lean wedding liturgy, introduced them as an option for extending a short service. Generally, it’s been experienced as a “photo opportunity” rather than a genuine liturgical ritual. The “unity candle,” a recent invention rather than an authentic tradition, has not been approved as an adaptation to our rite, and it is to be hoped that it will gradually disappear from view.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

WORKING AND SAVING
Work hard and save your money so when you’re old you will be able to buy the things only the young can enjoy.

—Anonymous

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST
September 18, 19 & 20
WAYS TO GET INVOLVED AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Become a Sponsor
Volunteer to work:
Game booth
Food booth
Ticket sales after Mass
Setting up before the Fall Fun Fest
Tearing down at the end.
See our website: www.stca.org

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.
St. Catherine School News

Enjoy the richness of our Catholic culture. Attend Mass wherever you may be on vacation....outdoors in the mountains, on a cruise ship, at a downtown cathedral, or a mission in the boonies. It’s sure to give you a boost for the week.

Summer is a great time to read for pleasure. Children, young and older, are encouraged to keep those reading skills sharp by reading often. Studies have shown that students who read four books over the summer do not experience a drop in reading skills when they return to school. Reading can also be a great way to learn about some positive heroes/heroines in our church. Check out the biography section of your favorite library or bookstore for stories of saints and other Christian heroes. There are many fiction books, as well, that promote the values you are teaching at home. And don’t forget to check out the many terrific story books for primary age children.

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.

Family Night is a tradition in many families, but with busy work and sports schedules, family time together is often hard to fit in. Be sure to schedule time for fun and fellowship with your family. Playing games, watching movies, bike rides and hikes in the outdoors are great ways for family members to enjoy each other. These positive interactions and memories build a foundation for good communication, patience and tenderness when families face crises.

Left, kinders showing off the chicks that were hatched in their classroom. Above, the outgoing Student Council President welcomes the incoming President. The gavel was passed at an installation ceremony held in the church. Congrats to all our new officers!

FAMILY NIGHT

SUMMER READING