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.

**From the Desk of Fr. Allen Navarro**

Who can give a sense of God's presence, compassion and care?

It is a fact that there are many realities and events which pull us down and can make us miserable. We all struggle to overcome the unfortunate realities of life: financial challenges, job loss, loss of a loved one, loneliness, terminal illness, failed relationships and even matters of faith. All of these can make our life very difficult and unfair. Our experience of distress, fear and hopelessness can crush our spirit very badly. We lose our hope and our identity as beloved children of God. Seasons of sorrow is all that we get.

A pastor once said in his letter to his community which I quote: "no one should have to suffer alone". So I said this is true and he is absolutely right. I completely agree with this pastor's statement.

**Desde el Escritorio del Padre Allen Navarro**

¿Quién podrá darnos una sensación de la presencia de Dios, de su compasión y cuidado?

Es un hecho que hay muchas realidades y eventos que pueden hacernos caer bajo y que nos pueden hacer sentir miserables. Todos batallamos para sobresalir de algunos de nuestros momentos desafortunados de realidad que la vida nos trae, por ejemplo: dificultad financiera, la pérdida de trabajo, la perdida de un ser querido, soledad, una enfermedad terminal, una relación que ha fracasado, y hasta asuntos de fe.

Todo esto puede hacer nuestra vida difícil e injusta. Nuestras propias experiencias de angustia, temor y desesperación pueden aplastar nuestro espíritu gravemente. Perdemos nuestra esperanza y nuestra identidad como hijos queridos por Dios.
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: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Ch 1:47-51
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
First Reading — The man said, “This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called ‘woman’ ” (Genesis 2:18-24).
Psalm — May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).
Second Reading — He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).
Gospel — Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it (Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]).

8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS
Monday, September 28
† William T. Doyle
† John Barnes
Tuesday, September 29
† Helen Scullock
† Jim Scullock
Wednesday, September 30
† Julian Angel Landeros
† Angela Caballero
Thursday, October 1
† Lorraine Sando
† Margaret Drake
Friday, October 2
† Cayla Riesenauer
† Margaret McGinnis
Saturday, October 3
† Cecilia Thompson
† Anne Cirrincione

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “What are the three most important values motivating your daily decisions?”
Child: “Could a poor person who is wise be richer in a way than a foolish person who has many things? Why?”
I do personally believe that, being called Christians we are called to serve, help and care for our neighbor. This calling defines our true identity as brothers, sisters and disciples of the risen Christ.

When we suffer we don't have to be alone. Keep in mind that Christ came to us, lived with us and even suffered for us. He came to share his life and his selfless love. Indeed, He cares for his beloved people.

When we care for others we live out our very identity as God's people created in his image and likeness; an image of love and compassion. Those who suffer can see the face of Christ through our good and caring hearts. They encounter Christ in our loving care. As brothers and sisters in faith we can sow joy and hope amid sadness and tribulation. We can bring Christ to the suffering and hurting. We can speak His words of hope, compassion, healing, peace and joy. They can see through us the living presence of Christ.

Friends, our very own St. Catherine's parish has a program called Stephen Ministry - a special way we convey to all that we care as a community. In faith we help others to find meaning in their suffering and deepen their trust in God. In hope we serve by praying for them that the Holy Spirit will give them enough strength and courage to carry their cross. In charity we care and journey with those who are left alone in their suffering and bring them closer to Christ and to his Church.

Our Stephen Ministry is a superb way to extend Christ's hands of healing, mercy, compassion and hope to our hopeless and suffering brothers and sisters in faith. By the work of our beloved ministers/caregivers we show that, "Christ touches and heals his people through his people." We show the suffering the cross of Christ as a symbol of hope, mercy and healing. What we do in this ministry is our way to proclaim that through the Cross there lies our life in Christ. As Pope emeritus Benedict XVI once said, "man's great and true hope is Christ alone - who has loved us and continues to love us to the end."

This is indeed our rare opportunity to discern our call as Christian caregivers to our neighbors in light of God's loving mercy for all of us. Friends, meet us and talk to us if this ministry calls your attention. Peace.

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: ______________________
**Stewardship Reflection**

“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established…” Luke 16:25-26

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today’s Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

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**Teaching Children Stewardship**

Teach children the history of the parish and the role stewardship played in building up the parish as it is today.

Tour parish facilities looking for signs of stewardship.

Talk with children about the building up of the Church throughout the world and the role stewardship played in the cathedrals, hospitals, schools and churches that we have today.

Talk with children about the lives of saints and the ways they were good stewards. In most cases children will learn that it was how people used their time, talent, prayer or treasure for God that earned the person the title of “Saint.”

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**LITURGY WORSHIP**

**REFLECTION:** God’s Spirit is at work among God’s people and beyond. Jesus in today’s Gospel, Mk. 9:38, 43, 45, 47-48, tells us that the Spirit cannot be contained but blows where he will, bringing life and hope; so Jesus encourages us to be broadminded concerning discipleship. Whoever is not against us is for us. We must not give scandal (by being too narrow-minded) nor take scandal. In a similar way Moses in today’s first reading, Num. 11:25-29, told Joshua to let Eldad and Medad, who did not belong to their group, prophesy. In as-far-as Moses was concerned all should be prophets. St. James in the second reading, Jms. 5:1-6, reprimands using wealth selfishly, rather serving the needs of the weak and the poor.

**EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** The next training for Eucharistic Ministers is in the Church at 7:00-9:00pm on:

- Tuesday, October 20, 2015 - Theology
- Tuesday, October 27, 2015 - Practicum

Ministers must attend both sessions in order to serve at St. Catherine Parish. For more information please contact Mrs. Signe Montosa, Montosa@msn.com, or Fr. Lieu Vu, lvu@dsj.org, 408-779-3959.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

The regular First Friday 24 hour adoration is on Friday, October 2nd beginning right after the 8:15am Mass and ending before the 8:15am Mass on Saturday, October 3rd. You are invited to spend some prayerful time before the Blessed Sacrament during these hours.
VIGESIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El espíritu se posó sobre Moisés y los ancianos, y también sobre Eldad y Medad. No se puede limitar al espíritu (Números 11:25-29).

Salmo — Los mandamientos del Señor alegran el corazón (Salmo 19 [18]).

Segunda lectura — Ustedes que se han hecho ricos rehusando pagar los salarios y con otras obras injustas, ahora se les va a condenar (Santiago 5:1-6).

Evangelio — Cualquiera que esté haciendo el bien en nombre de Cristo está con él. Aleja de ti todo lo que te impida el desarrollo espiritual (Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Zac 8:1-8; Sal 102 (101):16-21, 29, 22-23; Lc 9:46-50

Martes: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 o Ap 12:7-12a; Sal 138 (137):1-5; Jn 1:47-51


Jueves: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Lc 10:1-12

Viernes: Bar 1:15-22; Sal 79 (78):1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10

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FELICITAMOS LOS CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE SEPTIEMBRE

Domingo, 4 de Octubre

Angel Ciproez
Eliva Morales
Patricia Mendoza
Nancy Avina

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.

DESCRIPCIÓN DEL MINISTERIO DE STEPHEN

Lo único que nos queda son las temporadas de dolor. En una ocasión, un pastor dijo en una carta escrita para su comunidad la cual yo cito ahora, “nadie tiene porque sufrir solo.” Esto es cierto y tiene toda la razón. Estoy completamente de acuerdo con la declaración del pastor. Yo personalmente pienso que nosotros siendo cristianos, somos llamados para servir, para ayudar y para cuidar de nuestros vecinos. Esta llamada sirve para definir nuestra identidad como hermanos, hermanas y discípulos de Cristo resucitado.


Amigos, nuestra propia parroquia de Santa Catalina hace un ministerio llamado Stephen Ministry- esta es una manera especial de cómo podemos transmitir a todos los de la comunidad cuanto es lo que queremos. En fe, ayudamos a otros a encontrar el significado del porque están sufriendo y ayudamos a que su confianza en Dios engrandezca. En esperanza, servimos al orar por ellos para que el Espíritu Santo les de la fortaleza y el coraje para poder cargar con su cruz. En esperanza, servimos al orar por ellos para que el Espíritu Santo les de la fortaleza y el coraje para poder cargar con su cruz. En caridad, los acompañamos con cariño durante ese viaje y los guiámos hacia un nuevo camino que los acercara más a Dios y a su iglesia.

Nuestro ministerio, Stephen Ministry, es una manera magnífica en la cual podemos extender las manos de Cristo con compasión, misericordia, y esperanza para aquellas personas que se sienten solos, sin esperanza y que están sufriendo. Con el trabajo de nuestros queridos ministros y cuidadores, enseñamos que: “Cristo toca y cura a su gente mediante de su propia gente.” La cruz se puede demostrar como un símbolo de esperanza, misericordia, y de curación a todos aquellos que sufren y se sienten solos. Lo que hacemos en este ministerio es proclamar que mediante la cruz, esta nuestra vida en Cristo.

Así como dijo el Papa Benedicto XVI: “la mayor y verdadera esperanza en un hombre, es únicamente Cristo-quién nos quiere y nos seguirá queriendo hasta el final.” Esta es nuestra oportunidad de discernir nuestra llamada como buenos cristianos y buenos cuidadores de nuestros vecinos en plena luz que ilumina el gran amor y la gran misericordia que Dios tiene para nosotros.

Amigos, ven a conocernos y platica con nosotros si es que este ministerio te llama la atención.

Paz.
¡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: _____________________________
Dirección:____________________________
Ciudad:____________ Código postal:______
Numero teléfono:______________________
Email:________________________________

¿SE HA MUDADO?
¿Se ha mudado recientemente y necesita actualizar su nueva dirección con nuestra parroquia? Mándenos un correo electrónico a Office@stca.org, déjenos una nota en la colección de los Domingos, o también puede llamarnos al (408) 779-3959. Necesitamos su nombre completo, su dirección anterior, su actual dirección, y su nuevo número de teléfono si es que este también ha cambiado. No se pierda de las estupendas noticias que mandamos por correo o por correo electrónico de nuestros feligreses.

¡Buen día y buenas fiestas!

GOLF CLASICO DE SANTA CATALINA
Viernes, 16 de Octubre de 2015
Coyote Creek Golf Club

¿Esta usted listo para ponerse una camiseta para apoyar a la iglesia de Santa Catalina? Visite nuestra pagina de web (www.stca.org) Ahí podrá encontrar toda la información que usted necesita para registrarse y obtener las solicitudes. Usted puede registrarse y/o patrocinar nuestra parroquia en este evento usando PayPal para dar su pago o registración a nuestra pagina www.stca.org. ¡Reúna su cuarteto y regístrese hoy!

OFERTORIO VIA ELECTRONICA
Considere la posibilidad de hacer una donación de ofertorio para la parroquia por vía electrónica. En lugar de su oferta semanal entregado por sobre puede procesar las contribuciones de su cuenta de cheques, de ahorros o cuenta de tarjeta de crédito por vía electrónica a Santa Catalina.

¿Cuáles son los beneficios?
- Le permite configurar y programar la cantidad de su donación mensual de la misma manera que usted piensa de otros compromisos financieros.
- Continuar apoyando a su parroquia durante el viaje, de vacaciones, enfermedad, etc.
- Fácil de ajustar el monto de su contribución automatizado.
- No hay más que escribir un cheque cada semana.

Maneras como poder dar:
A) Utilice la opción su pagador de banco de la factura opción de la función, teniendo en cuenta el número de sobre, tal como será su número de cuenta.
B) Registre para utilizar la línea segura ParishPay. Ir al www.stca.org y haga clic en “Give A través de Parish Pay”.
C) Dando por medio de PayPal. Vaya a www.stca.org y haga clic en “Give Via PayPal”

Apreciamos su generosidad si contribuyen con un cheque o dinero en efectivo, utilizando los sobres o por vía electrónica. Gracias.

CULTIVANDO DISCIPULOS
Estamos por celebrar la 13ª Conferencia Anual de Formación de Fe: Con su lema este año: ¡Cultivando Discípulos! ¡La inscripción para la Conferencia de Formación de Fe 2015 ya está lista para que se inscriba! Únase a más de 2.500 asistentes en el Centro de Convenciones de Santa Clara con fecha de noviembre 6 y 7. La Conferencia Anual de Formación de Fe es patrocinada por la Diócesis de San José, Monterey y Stockton. Usted encontrará una gran variedad de talleres en inglés, español y vietnamita. Información e inscripción está disponible en línea en www.faithformationconference.com. Inscríbase antes del 16 de octubre para que no pague extra en su inscripción regular. Los programas de la Conferencia están disponibles en la parroquia o en línea. Esperamos verlos en #CatholicFFC.

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La sociedad de San Vicente de Paul de Santa Catalina tiene una tiendita comunitaria que estará abierta todos los martes y Jueves de 10:00am a 12:00pm para personas que necesitan ropa para hombres y mujeres GRATIS. Al igual hay ropa de niños, bebés, y algunos artículos para el hogar y muebles. El domicilio de la tiendita es - 13570 Depot St. San Martin, CA 95046.

CENAS COMUNITARIAS
Jóvenes, familias, adultos, grandes y chicos: la parroquia necesita de su ayuda. Necesitamos más gente en algunos de nuestros equipos para servir cena a nuestra comunidad. El compromiso es de tan solo una vez cada 7 semanas de 5-7:30pm. Si a usted le gustaría ayudar a proveer buena comida y buena compañía para nuestra comida semanal que ayuda a todos los de la comunidad, por favor de ponerse en contacto con Carol Lilling en Lillig@garlic.com o llamando al (408)857-4516.

CONGRESO DE NIÑOS
Sexto Congreso para niños el sábado 24 de Octubre del 2015. Este congreso es para niños de 6 a 11 años de edad. Se les pide una donación de $20.00 por niño. Para más información llame a Norma al (408) 500-6761; a Blanca al (408) 910-6241, o con Olga al (408) 824-3057. ¡Los esperamos!

FACEBOOK
Únase con nosotros y manténgase al corriente de lo que nuestra parroquia está haciendo. Visite nuestra pagina en https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Catherine-of-Alexandria-Church/293047417474856

LA MEDIDA DE DIOS
Debemos amar a Dios porque él es Dios, y la medida de nuestro amor debe ser amarle sin medida.
—San Bernardo de Claraval

GRACIAS DE PARTE DEL PADRE JERONIMO
Quiero agradecer desde el fondo de mi corazón a todas las personas que trabajaron tan arduamente el pasado fin de semana en nuestro Festival de Otoño. Ha sido para mí una de las más gratas experiencias que he tenido en mi vida sacerdotal y de párroco. Ver y volver a ver el entusiasmo y el amor con el que todos los voluntarios hicieron su trabajo fue algo sumamente significativo para mí. Todavía estoy gratamente impresionado acerca de la organización y el compromiso cumplido por tantos feligreses. Comenzando con el Comité Organizador y los sub-comités, hasta las personas que dedicaron horas y horas de servicio, les quiero decir: “reciban mi más profunda gratitud.” Pude ver cuanto quieren y se esmeran por su parroquia.

Bendiciones,

Padre Jeronimo Gutierrez
“The Missing Seven” — The Second Book of Maccabees

This painting is called “Machabeusze” by the 19th century Polish painter Wojciech Korneli Stattler. It depicts the Greek Emperor Antiochus demanding submission from the Jews.

2 Maccabees is one of the seven books that some Protestant Christians removed from the original Christian Bible. This book repeats much of the same story from 1 Maccabees but its focus is different. Here Judas Maccabeus appears as the only Maccabee leader of the 2nd century B.C. Jewish revolt against the Greek (Seleucid) empire; his brothers are not mentioned. And the focus is the Temple in Jerusalem. Three attacks on the Temple and its successful defense form the heart of the book. Special attention is given to the December 164 B.C. purification and rededication of the Temple that modern Jews still celebrate as Hanukkah.

The value in this book of the Christian Bible lies especially in three theological concepts that, having developed after the Prophets, are now presented for the first time in the Old Testament: resurrection of the dead, martyrdom of ordinary people and praying for the dead. Resurrection from the dead is clearly stated in the story of the martyrdom of a mother and her seven sons. “It is my choice to die at the hands of men with the God-given hope of being restored to life by Him; but for you [Greek tempters to break God’s law] there will be no resurrection to life.” Martyrdom itself is seen as a virtuous action that gives the ultimate example of how to be faithful to one’s faith. The scribe Eleazar refuses even to pretend to violate kosher lest it seem he went against God’s law. “By manfully giving up my life now, I will leave to the young a noble example of how to die willingly and generously for the revered and holy laws.” Prayers for the dead (and thus the Christian concept of Purgatory) is shown in Judas Maccabees’ provision of an expiatory sacrifice at the Temple for his slain soldiers who had violated God’s law. “Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out. ... Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be freed from this sin.”
The Cloud

I am all about the cloud. Almost all my work (including this bulletin, and the program in which I write it on) are in the cloud. I have my photos, contacts, calendars, music—pretty much everything other than my wife and kids—in the cloud. Some of you might be asking, “What’s ‘the cloud?’” Well, my (probably older) friend, the cloud is a term for a place where people can store all kinds of digital information that they can access online. It’s a nice place to have, so that I can work from almost anywhere (with an internet connection). Others of you might be asking, “Are you sure you want to trust all of your information up in the cloud? Is it that reliable?” Well, to be honest, I’ve wondered about that from time to time. But, after reading the first sentence of the first reading for this Sunday, I’m totally sure. And just in case you don’t have the readings handy or can’t remember what it says, here it is: “The LORD came down in the cloud…”

Yeah, that’s right. God’s in the cloud. So how could it not be reliable? You might be thinking, “Deepu, you silly man, the Bible’s just talking about a cloud in the sky.”

Are they, imaginary reader? Are they? Because it didn’t say that He came down in a cloud. It says He came down in the cloud. And if you keep on reading, it totally makes sense:

“Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed the Spirit on the seventy elders…”

See? With the cloud, people can share information with others easily, or send tasks/emails (pretty much anything) to someone else to work on or with. This is exactly what God did. Way back with Moses.

And people say that the Church is not relevant.

PRESENTATION

Panther Pride, anyone?

This Thursday, October 1st, is Presentation high school’s annual Parish Day. It’s a day where pastors and youth ministers are invited to join their teen parishioners who attend Presentation high school in celebrating Mass and enjoying lunch together. If you or anyone you know go to Presentation, remind them to keep their Thursday lunch free of homework or meetings as I will have delicious highly unhealthy treats for them.

Wait, what about that whole cloud thing?

If you were thinking there was going to be something deeply spiritual or something serious said in the column to the left about the cloud, sorry, but no. I mean, I think God is very relevant, and being the omnipotent God that He is, He knew that one day we would create something called the Cloud. So when the human writer of Numbers was like, “Hey, uh God, shouldn’t I write: “The Lord came down in a cloud?”

God was like “NO. It won’t make sense to you now, but it will to the readers in a few thousand years. And trust me, the wait will totally be worth it. Use “the”

And then the writer was like, “Yeah, I totally don’t get it. But hey, it’s Your book.”

And God said, “You got that right.”

Granted, this is a very loose translation of the original Hebrew, but you get the gist.

I’m really glad (or really hoping) God has a great sense of humor.

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(except for in October)
Pope Francis makes his first visit to the U.S. this week from September 22-27. In Washington D.C., New York, and Philadelphia, he will meet and pray with various groups of people including President Obama and the U.S. Congress, the United Nations General Assembly and participants in the World Meeting of Families. Pope Francis taught the Five Finger Prayer when he was an archbishop in Argentina. Pray it together as a family to ask for blessings upon the Pope and those he meets during his visit. Pope Francis makes his first visit to the U.S. this week from September 22-27.

2015 Faith Formation Conference / Conferencia de Formación de la Fe 2015

Cultivating Disciples! ¡Cultivando Discípulos!

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“Viviendo la Eucaristía”
“Fe, Discipulado y Catequesis en el Hogar”

Estos son sólo algunos de los talleres que se ofrecen en el próximo Conferencia de Formación de la Fe 2015, ¡Cultivando Discípulos! La conferencia será el 6-7 de noviembre en el Centro de Conven- ciones de Santa Clara. ¡Todos son bienvenidos para asistir!

Obtenga una vista previa de magistrales, altitude voces, y las sesiones de este año en www.faithformationconference.com
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**
Finding your way through the wilderness of grief.

- *Honoring your way*
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- *Moving Through*
- *Finding Strength & Hope*

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*6 Weeks - September 22 - October 27*

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Contact: (408) 997-5110 or lharris@dsj.org
Co-facilitated by: Barbara Zahner, Board Certified Chaplain and Leah Harris, Director of Pastoral Care, Holy Spirit Church

**COME FOR A FUN AUTUMN AFTERNOON DELIGHT!**

Awaso Academy International LIBRARY

Wine Tasting Fundraiser

*Sunday, October 4th*

Wine tasting, snacks, Ghana music & dancing!
Gugliemo Winery, 1480 E. Main St., Morgan Hill
Tickets $30 advance, $40 at the door
Contact Mary Barber 408-836-9843 or bookladylibro8@gmail.com

**MINISTRY FAIR**

St. Catherine’s Cub Scouts joined us at the Ministry Fair.

**EVERGIVE**
Have your joined St. Catherine’s on Evergive? Download the Evergive app today! The community code is **STCA**.

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**Tee up 'fore' the 17th Annual**

**St. Catherine Golf Classic**

**Friday, October 16**

at Coyote Creek Golf Club

*Tee up! Sponsor. Play. Register today!!*

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**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 at lillig@garlic.com or 408-857-4516.

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**TIME:**
11am Shotgun start (registration begins at 10am)

**19th Hole:**
5pm cocktails, buffet dinner, awards, raffles and more!

**Enjoy:**
- Fun, scramble-format play
- Box lunch
- Betting and Party holes
- Post -tournament cocktails & buffet dinner
  Singles, twosomes & foursomes welcome!
  No experience necessary (well, a little :-).  
- $225 per player. Many sponsorship levels available.
- Visit www.stca.org for complete details, to register or to sponsor online now.
- Invite your friends to play, too. We promise it'll be a great day!

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or register online at www.stca.org.
THANK YOU FROM FR. JERONIMO
I want to thank everyone who worked so hard this past weekend at our Fall Fun Fest from the bottom of my heart. It has been for me one of the most pleasant experiences I've had in my priestly life and as a pastor. To see again and again, the enthusiasm and the love with which all of the volunteers did their job was something significant for me. I'm still impressed with the organization and the commitment carried out by many parishioners.

Starting with the Fall Fun Fest Committee and all of the sub-committees, to the people who spent hours and hours, I would like to say, "receive my deepest gratitude." I could see how much you love and care for your parish.

Blessings,
Fr. Jeronimo Gutierrez

DO YOU SING IN THE SHOWER?
How about the car? How about at church? If you said yes to one of these questions then we need you. Who are we? We are the Angelicus Choir and we sing at 8:45 mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. We rehearse on Mondays at 7:00 pm right here in the church. Call (408-778-0494) or email (mmajjasie@charter.net) Michelle to inquire.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Catherine Church keeps a Community Closet with free clothing and household items for anyone in need. The shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am - noon. 13570 Depot St. in San Martin.

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE
Our 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration begins on First Friday, October 2nd immediately after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and concludes on First Saturday, October 3rd with Benediction at 8:00am.

"Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" MT 26:40

WHY DO WE HAVE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION?
The First Saturday Devotion comes from a special request made by Our Holy Mother of Fatima in Portugal during an apparitions to the three shepherd children in 1917. "I shall come to ask... that on First Saturday of every month communion of reparation be made in atonement for the sins of the world." - Diary of St. Lucia dos Santos

This Devotion of First Saturday consist of four points all which must be offered in reparation to the IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY.

Go To Confession eight days before or after the First Saturday.

Receive Holy Communion on the First Saturday of the month.

To Recite Five Decades of the Holy Rosary.

Meditate For Fifteen Minutes On The Mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

13TH ANNUAL FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE:
CULTIVATING DISCIPLES!
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40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Join with others in South County to end abortion and stop the unspeakable practice of the buying and selling of baby body parts by Planned Parenthood. Join our Prayer vigil on Wednesday, September 30th at 11:45am in front of Planned Parenthood, 760 Renz Lane, Gilroy.

For all information call Brian 408-847-2000 or Email 40daysforlifegilroy@gmail.com

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Fr. Greg Bramlage of Missionaries of the New Evangelization will lead our Parish Mission. Each night he will help us to remove obstacles that block our prayers from being answered and he will help us to develop an intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. We encourage you to attend all 3 nights so that you will not miss an opportunity to be healed physically, emotionally & spiritually. "With God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26

We begin with the Rosary in Church at 6:30pm. Each night there is a Free-Will Offering for the Uganda Poor. This Mission is oriented for Adults & is not suitable for small children or babies. For more information please call Anna Quinones at 408.779.3959 or email us at aquinones@dsj.org
By the time you are reading this, the Fall Fun Fest will be a distant memory. However, when those rides arrived on the school grounds, our students were excited. Everyone gathered around to check out the new rides and chat with eager anticipation about the then upcoming Fun Fest. A huge thanks to all who organized and worked to make this community event so successful!

Go Cougars!

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT
for Smaller Schools

St. Catherine School will be hosting a High School Information Night for smaller Catholic high schools on Tuesday, September 29, at 7:00pm in the school building. Representatives from several smaller Catholic high schools will be present, including Palma and Notre Dame in Salinas, Santa Catalina in Monterey and St. Francis Central Coast in Watsonville. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders and their parents are encouraged to come and learn about our Catholic high schools. This evening is being offered for families who are looking for a smaller school option in a Catholic high school experience.

The evening is open to all. Information will be available in the school lobby that evening regarding which rooms each school will be using for their presentations. Please call the school office for more information (408) 779-9950.

APPLIED NATIONS FOR 2016-2017

Applications for the 2016-2017 school year will be available in the school office or on the school website on October 1st. Please note the application deadline for kindergarten is December 16, while applications for grades 1-8 are due March 2.

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.

6th Annual St. Catherine School Walkathon

The Walkathon is coming up on Friday, October 9! Not only are we all working together as a community to raise money for our children's education, we are doing it in a fun healthy way. Working as a team can mean great things for our kids. There is still time to sponsor this event and help our school continue to provide the best Catholic education for our children. Of course, all donations are fully tax deductible. Donations may be submitted to the school office.

We would like to express our gratitude to all our sponsors for their support in helping us make this event a success!

Gold Sponsors: Spina Farms, Ford Store, Terrapin Systems, Redwood Empire

Silver Sponsors: Dr. Erika Gabor, Five Guys