We, at St. Catherine Parish, are a growing, diverse, and welcoming Catholic Community, called to live and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ through Worship, Discipleship and Service.

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

---

MASSES / MISAS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday-Saturday</td>
<td>8:15am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>6:30pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sábado</td>
<td>7:00pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>7:15, 8:45, 10:30am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Domingo</td>
<td>12:15pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CONFESSION / CONFESIÓN

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Saturday / Sábado</td>
<td>4:00 - 5:00pm (Or by appointment / O hacer una cita.)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

ADORACIÓN / ADORATION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday / Miércoles</td>
<td>6:30pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1st Friday - 24 Hours</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

17400 Peak Avenue
Morgan Hill, CA 95037
(408) 779-3959
Fax: (408) 779-0289
www.stca.org
Email: Office@stca.org

Catechetical Ministry
(408) 779-9604

St. Catherine School
(408) 779-9950
www.stcatherinemh.org

---

From the Desk of Jeanette Thatcher, Business Manager……

Sometimes, when trying to motivate parishioners to give more either in the offertory or at a fundraising event, I hear, “Oh, to help keep the lights on.” I know they are talking about our PG&E bill, usually over $4,000 a month. Today I would like you to think about “keeping the lights on” in a different way, by keeping the lights on in order to see and to become a part of the light of Jesus Christ.

We learn about the light of Christ through his Word. Parents attend Baptismal preparation classes to prepare for the day their child celebrates Christ’s light in Baptism. To form their children’s faith they bring them to Early Childhood Education;

(Continued Page 3…)

Desde el escritorio de Jeanette Thatcher Gerente de Negocios…

A veces cuando estoy haciendo el intento de motivar a los feligreses para que den un poco más en su ofertorio o en un evento de recaudación de fondos, a veces escucho el termino de “Oh, es para mantener la luz encendida.” Sé que se refieren a la factura de luz que regularmente es más de $4,000 al mes. El día de hoy, me gustaría que pensara sobre el “mantener la luz encendida” pero en una manera diferente. Quiero que mantengan la luz encendida para así poder ver y ser parte de la luz de Jesucristo.

Aprendemos sobre la luz de Cristo mediante su Palabra. Padres asisten a clases pre bautismales para prepararse para el día en el que su hijo reciba la luz de Cristo en el Bautismo.

(Continuado en Pagina 5…)
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Reading</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>2 Tm 1:1-18 or 9:1-22; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:36-41</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**First Reading** — God appoints Jeremiah as prophet to the nations (Jeremiah 1:4-17, 17-19).

**Psalm** — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

**Second Reading** — Love with its many facets is the most important of the virtues (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

**Gospel** — When Jesus claims his salvific mission is for all people, not just the Jews, he is expelled by the enraged members of the Nazarene synagogue (Luke 4:21-30).

---

**THE WEEK AHEAD/LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA**

**Sunday/Domingo, January 24**
- 7:00-1:00pm CR 1-4 Men’s Group
- 8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings nursery
- 8:30-10:30am MC, Rm 1/11/12 Family Faith Formation session
- 8:45-10:00am LR RCIA Dismissal
- 11:30-2:00pm DC Cat. Min Spanish RCIC
- 1:00-5:00pm Rm 12 Fil/Am Music practice
- 1:30-4:00pm MC Hospitalidad
- 3:00-5:00pm GYC/CR 1, 2 Sac Prep - Parent info mtg #2
- 3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Choir - Kellet
- 4:00-9:00pm CR 1-2 Grupo Amigos - Retreat prep
- 5:00-6:00pm Rm 11 Spanish Bible Study
- 7:00-9:30pm MC Life Teen Nights

**Monday/Lunes, January 25**
- 11:00-2:30pm CR 1-4 Men’s Group
- 3:30-5:30pm NUR St. Joseph’s Table meeting
- 6:00-9:00pm CR 3 & R Women’s Stitching group
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Bell Choir/ Angelica choir
- 6:00-7:00pm CHV Alpha & Omega Planning meeting
- 6:30-7:30pm CR 1-2 Cub Scouts meeting
- 6:30-8:30pm NUR Women’s Stitching group
- 6:30-9:00pm Rm 11 Stephen Ministry meeting
- 6:45-8:45pm Rm 12 Grupo - A Los Pies de Cristo
- 7:00-8:00pm Rm 10 Jovenes Para Cristo - Team meeting
- 7:30-9:30pm MC English Pre-Baptismal class

**Tuesday/Martes, January 26**
- 6:00-10:00pm CR 1-4 Men’s Group
- 6:30-9:00pm CH Spanish Pre-Baptismal class

**Wednesday/Miercoles, January 27**
- 9:00-11:00am CR 1 Women’s Group
- 12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose’s Choir
- 3:00-6:30pm MC, Rm 10, 11, 12 Family Faith Formation session
- 6:00-6:00pm CH Children’s Choir rehearsals
- 6:00-7:30pm CH Spanish Holy Hour
- 6:30-8:00pm Rm 12 Jesus to Mankind
- 6:30-8:30pm DC Edge
- 7:30-9:30pm CH Alpha Omega Spanish Carismatico group

**Thursday/Jueves, January 28**
- 6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir rehearsals
- 7:00-9:00pm Rm. 12 RICA
- 8:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum rehearsal

**Friday/Viernes, January 29**
- 9:30-10:30am CR 1-2 Bible Study
- 6:30-10:00pm Rm 10, 11 Jovenes Para Cristo

**Saturday/Sabado, January 30**
- 9:00-10:00am LR Men’s Group
- 8:30-10:30am MC, Rm 11, 12 Cat. Min- Spanish FFF session
- 9:00-9:30am CH Cat. Min- Spanish Opening Prayer
- 8:30-10:00pm CH Spanish Passion Play practice

**8:15AM MASS INTENTIONS**
- Monday, January 25  Brad & Mayra Mountz
- Tuesday, January 26  Anne Boyum
- Wednesday, January 27  Ruth Wallace
- Thursday, January 28  Joseph Berra
- Friday, January 29  Diego Arianz Rodrigues
- Saturday, January 30  Marcelino Senido

**FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

**Adult:** “To whom have your past acts of kindness brought joy? What act of kindness could you do this week?”

**Child:** “What kind thing have you done for someone lately? Whom could you make happy by your kindness this week?”
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Today’s Gospel reading from Luke is taken from two different chapters. The lectionary readings often have “edited,” that is, non contiguous text. The purist in us can wonder why not just straight excerpts? Those who compile our lectionary seek to choose words which comprise a desired theme. As we continue in the “beginning” of the new Church year (a bit of a stretch since it began on the 1st Sunday of Advent last year) we’ve moved from Jesus’ birth, his recognition by the magi, to his baptism by John which begins Jesus’ public ministry. Luke formalizes this by describing the source of his writings (Chapter 1) followed by the reception of Jesus’ initial teaching (Chapter 4). Ok, what’s the point? Well, each of us can benefit from that kind of reverie about our own spiritual journey. The early years when we primarily were receivers of our tradition. These are foundational moments even though we don’t remember them exactly as adults (where was our “Luke” when we needed him :-). Our understanding of God’s call for us grows inwardly as we grow outwardly. It’s not that God’s word changes but rather our ability to understand its fullness only through our continued attempts to take it in, to pray over it, to ponder and let the Word come to us. Wherever we are in our journey back to our creator, we are graced by our wish to be led by God’s call. It speaks to us differently as we develop in our spiritual quest. The best part is that it is equally effective wherever we are on our journey.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Don’t become complacent about our drought just yet. Now is the time to consider using rain barrels to catch the gift of rain water which we then can use to water plants or wash cars instead of precious tap water.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

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

FROM THE DESK OF JEANETTE CONTINUED......

they also have them participate in the Children’s Liturgy of the Word at mass so they hear the gospel message at their level. Children enrolled in St. Catherine School or Faith Formation classes are instructed in the faith and prepared for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and later Confirmation. During these years parents enrich their own faith at parent formation meetings, retreats and bible study. Most of this formation takes place in the school buildings. Thank you for turning on the light of Christ.
The church is the center of our worship where we bring ourselves to praise God. Each Sunday at Mass we experience Christ’s light in the community of our fellow parishioners. Look around at mass and you see 250 to over 600 people celebrating together as a community. You see young and old in earnest prayer, listening to the word of God, joyfully singing as all participate in the Eucharistic feast. That shows the importance of our relationship with Jesus in and through the Eucharist. Thank you for allowing the light of Christ to glow. When mass ends we are asked to go out and serve the Lord, spreading the Good News. That happens in the Parish Center at coffee and donuts when one or two widows help console and support someone who recently lost their husband. The Good News is spread when a coach takes time to help a player feel included and encouraged to use their gifts to the best of their ability. Parishioners become Christ for others when they serve food to the needy each Monday evening. The Parish Center is used to plan projects to help others, to plan retreats that spread the love of God and to just enjoy each other’s company. The Parish Center is a place where parishioners act as witnesses to Christ’s love. Thank you for keeping the light of Christ shining. Thank you for your support which enables us to pay the PG&E bill; but more importantly, thank you for turning on the light of Christ and keeping it lit.

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 IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Today’s Gospel reading from Luke is taken from two different chapters. The lectionary readings often have "edited," that is, non contiguous text. The purist in us can wonder why not just straight excerpts? Those who compile our lectionary seek to choose words which comprise a desired theme. As we continue in the “beginning” of the new Church year (a bit of a stretch since it began on the 1st Sunday of Advent last year) we’ve moved from Jesus’ birth, his recognition by the magi, to his baptism by John which begins Jesus’ public ministry. Luke formalizes this by describing the source of his writings (Chapter 1) followed by the reception of Jesus’ initial teaching (Chapter 4). Ok, what’s the point? Well, each of us can benefit from that kind of reverie about our own spiritual journey. The early years when we primarily were receivers of our tradition. These are foundational moments even though we don’t remember them exactly as adults (where was our “Luke” when we needed him :-). Our understanding of God’s call for us grows inwardly as we grow outwardly. It’s not that God’s word changes but rather our ability to understand its fullness only through our continued attempts to take it in, to pray over it, to ponder and let the Word come to us. Wherever we are in our journey back to our creator, we are graced by our wish to be led by God’s call. It speaks to us differently as we develop in our spiritual quest. The best part is that it is equally effective wherever we are on our journey.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Don’t become complacent about our drought just yet. Now is the time to consider using rain barrels to catch the gift of rain water which we then can use to water plants or wash cars instead of precious tap water.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

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

Stop All That You are Doing for God, and Let God Do For You

February 6, 2016
10am - 5pm
St. Catherine Church Parish Center
Retreat led by Sonja Corbitt

National Speaker, Author, Radio Broadcaster and founder of Pursuing The Summit.

Registration information will be available soon. Do not wait to sign up for this guaranteed sold-out event.

Retreat participants receive Sonja Corbitt’s book Unleashed.

Included as part of the retreat!

All women are invited!

Please invite your friends, mom, sisters and daughters. The day will be for you!

The day includes a light breakfast and lunch and Sonja’s new book!!!

Suggested donation $25.00
Scholarships are available.

LITURGY WORSHIP

REFLECTION: Today we meditate on the authority of the Word of God. The first reading, Neh. 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, tells us that the Jews in the time of Nehemiah accepted the law of God and obeyed the Word of God. Jesus in today’s Gospel, Lk. 1:1-4; 4:14-21, begins his ministry bringing the Word of God, the Good News to the poor. St. Paul in the second reading, 1 Cor. 12:12-30, reminds us that in one Spirit we are all baptized into one Body.

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel, it will be “a year acceptable to the Lord.” And Jesus surely didn’t mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the “arrival” of God’s favor it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God’s word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, “Today is holy...do not be sad, and do not weep.”

The “year acceptable to the Lord” is this year. The day that is “holy” is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God’s help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God’s word.

EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERs (EM): If you are currently an EM and want to renew your ministry, please come to the renewal session on Tue., Feb. 2nd, at 7:00pm, in the church. For more information please contact: Mrs. Signe Montosa, Montosa@msn.com, or Fr. Lieu Vu, lvu@dsj.org, 408-779-3959.
TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Esdras leyó el libro de la ley de Dios ante la asamblea reunida. El pueblo entendió y aceptó la ley (Nehemías 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Salmo — Tú tienes, Señor, palabras de vida eterna (Salmo 19 [18]).

Segunda lectura — Del mismo modo que el cuerpo con sus muchas partes forma un solo cuerpo, así también Cristo (1 Corintios 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Evangelio — Jesús, participando del culto en la sinagoga de Nazaret, leyó del profeta Isaías y declara que en su propia persona se cumple la profecía (Lucas 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

Salmo responsorial: Leccionario I © 1976, Comisión Episcopal de Pastoral Litúrgica de la Conferencia del Episcopado Mexicano. Usado con permiso. Todos los derechos reservados.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- **Lunes:** Hch 22:3-16 o 9:1-22; Sal 117 (116):1bc,2; Mc 16:15-18
- **Martes:** 2 Tim 1:1-18 o 9:1-22; Sal 24 (23):7-10; Mc 3:31-35
- **Miércoles:** 2 Sm 7:4-17; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 27-30; Mc 4:1-20
- **Jueves:** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Sal 132 (131):1-5, 11-14; Mc 4:21-25
- **Viernes:** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51 (50):3-7, 10-11; Mc 4:26-34
- **Sábado:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Sal 51 (50):12-17; Mc 4:35-41
- **Domingo:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Sal 71 (70):1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lc 4:21-30

PERDONA RÁPIDO

Si tienes algo que perdonar, perdona rápido. El perdón lento es poco mejor que la ausencia de perdón.

—Sir Arthur Pinero

**ABRIGOS Y COBIJAS**

Enero 11 — Enero 29

Si tienen abrigos o cobijas nuevas o en buenas condiciones que guste donar puede llevarlas a los botes de ropas en la entrada de la Iglesia. Lo que done se distribuirán con la ayuda de San Vicente de Paul. Para más información favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial.

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE JEANETTE THATCHER, CONTINUADO....

Para formar la fe en su hijo, los padres traen a sus hijos a ser parte de la educación de la primera infancia; los hacen participar en la liturgia de niños durante la misa para que así escuchen el mensaje del evangelio a su nivel. Los niños que están matriculados en la escuela de Santa Catalina o en las clases de formación de fe, son instruidos hacia la fe y son preparados para los sacramentos de Reconciliación, la Primera Comunión y después la Confirmación. Durante estos años, los padres están enriqueciendo su propia fe en juntas de formación de fe, retiros y estudios de biblia. La mayor parte de esta formación, se lleva acabo en el edificio de la escuela. Muchas gracias por prender la luz de Cristo.

La Iglesia es el centro de nuestra adoración donde nos traemos a nosotros mismos para alabar a Dios. Cada Domingo durante la misa nosotros experimentamos la luz de Cristo en nuestra comunidad y en nuestros feligreses. Durante la misa, vea a su alrededor, hay de 250 o quizás más de 600 personas celebrando juntos como una comunidad. Usted puede ver gente joven, gente mayor unidos en oración, escuchando de la Palabra de Dios, cantando con alegría mientras que todos participan en la fiesta de la Eucaristía. Eso demuestra la importancia de nuestra relación con Jesús durante la Eucaristía. Gracias por permitir que la luz de Cristo brille. Al final de la misa, nos piden que salgamos y servimos al Señor, lo hacemos al difundir de la Nueva Buena. Eso sucede en el centro parroquial durante las reuniones de café y donas, cuando dos viudas se consuelan la una a la otra o ayudan alguien que acaba de perder a su marido. La Nueva Buena es difundida cuando un entrenador se toma el tiempo de ayudar a un jugador que se sienta incluido y que se sienta motivado para usar su talento a lo mejor de su habilidad. Los feligreses se convierten en Cristo para otros cuando ayudan sirviendo comida para los más necesitados cada Lunes en la tarde. El centro parroquial es usado para planificar proyectos para poder ayudar a otros, para planificar retiros que difunden el amor de Dios, y no solamente para disfrutar de la compañía de otros. El centro parroquial es un lugar donde los feligreses sirven como testigos del amor de Cristo. Gracias por mantener la luz de Cristo encendida.

Gracias por su apoyo el cual nos permite pagar la factura de electricidad, pero lo más importante es darles las gracias por prender la luz de Cristo y mantenerla encendida.
¡MUCHAS GRACIAS por su constante apoyo!

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 recogido cada semana para cumplir con nuestro presupuesto anual.


dec. 20  |  dec. 27  |  jan. 3  |  jan. 10
$24,419  |  $18,784  |  $25,372  |  $18,377
$24,286  |  $24,266  |  $23,489  |  $23,489
$153  |  ($5,502)  |  $1,883  |  ($5,112)

$532,104  |  $550,886  |  $576,240  |  $658,737

Colectas del año hasta la fecha
Presupuesto del año hasta la fecha

**Ofrenda Total**
**Meta Semanal**
**Exceso (Faltante) del Presupuesto**

$0  |  $200,000  |  $400,000  |  $600,000  |  $800,000  |  $658,737  |  $700,980

**EL PLAN MAESTRO DE LA IGLESIA DE SANTA CATALINA**

El Padre Jerónimo y el comité de finanzas le ha pedido a los comités de Master Plan Leadership y Feasibility que revisiten el plan maestro terminado en el 2013. Quieren revisar el plan conforme las necesidades que la comunidad tiene ahora y las necesidades que tendrá en el futuro. El comité de Finanzas busca la aportación para poder seguir adelante y tomar decisiones sobre las reparaciones y el mejoramiento de la Iglesia. La junta se llevará acabo el Jueves, 11 de Febrero a las 7:00pm en el centro parroquial O’Donnell. La agenda incluye la revisión de:

- el plan y los estudios de factibilidad
- el consenso del 2013 del comité en como proceder
- la evaluación de las necesidades que la comunidad ahora y las necesidades que tendrá en el futuro.
- La evaluación de las necesidades de mantenimiento de la Iglesia
- Discusión en como proceder

Esta junta está abierta para todos aquellos que formaron parte de la formación del plan maestro, los que participaron en el estudio de factibilidad o que estén interesados en los resultados de los planes. Por favor dirigir cualquier comentario a Jeanette Thatcher en jthatcher@dsj.org o por teléfono al 408-779-3959. Gracias.
**TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

---

**NOTICIAS DEL OBISPO PATRICK McGrath**

A partir del 1 de Febrero del 2016, el Obispo McGrath ha nombrado al Padre Randy Valenton como Vicario Parroquial de la Parroquia de Santa Catalina de Alexandría.

El Padre Allen Navarro ha sido nombrado Vicario Parroquial de la Parroquia de la Resurrección en Sunnyvale, este cambio se llevará acabo a partir del 1 de Febrero del 2016.

Por favor de orar por el Padre Randy y por el Padre Allen ya que ambos se comprometen en un nuevo ministerio.

Por favor de darle la bienvenida a la comunidad de Santa Catalina al Padre Randy. Estamos seguros que el Padre Randy disfrutara de su tiempo en nuestra comunidad ya que somos una comunidad muy acogedora y amorosa.

---

**CLASE PREBAUTISMALES**

Esta platica es diseñada para preparar a los padres y padrinos del niño/a que recibirá el sacramento del Bautismo. La clase es requerida antes del Bautismo y se llevará acabo en la iglesia a las 6:30pm el 26 de Enero del 2016.

*Necesitan registrarse antes de la fecha* en la oficina Parroquial o llamando por teléfono al (408) 779-3959.

---

**SAN VICENTE DE PAUL**

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,

---

**OFICINA DE CATECISMO**

Registraciones para catecismo ya están disponibles, en las oficinas de la parroquia, de Catecismo o en nuestra pagina de web (www.stca.org). Para más información, favor de llamar al (408) 779-9604 o por correo electrónico: rosepam@dsj.org.

**PREPARACION SACRAMENTAL**

**PRIMERA COMMUNIÓN**

**JUNTA DE PADRES #2**

Sábado, 6 de Febrero
9:00—10:15 am en el Centro Milani

Esta junta es para los padres que están preparando a su hijo/a en recibir el sacramento de la primera comunión en el mes de Mayo. Por lo menos uno de los dos padres deberá asistir.

“Viviendo el Año de la Misericordia”
Serie de Oradores
Empieza el 25 de Febrero

Febrero 25, 2016 de 7:00pm—8:30 pm en la Oficina del Diócesis “La Misericordia del Padre” por el Padre Sergio Ovando

---

**LA VIDA DEL CUERPO DE CRISTO**

Algunas de las imágenes más conocidas y queridas de san Pablo se encuentran en los pasajes de la primera carta a los corintios que hemos escuchado la semana pasada y hoy: los muchos dones de un mismo Espíritu y los muchos miembros que componen el Cuerpo de Cristo. Pocos pasajes de la Sagrada Escritura resumen con mayor claridad cómo las vocaciones cristianas trabajan en colaboración.

A diferencia de otros escritos de san Pablo, producto de las convenciones sociales y religiosas de su época, estos nos permiten mirar nuestra propia vida y la vida de los que están a nuestro alrededor para discernir los dones, la vocación que el Espíritu Santo nos ha dado para el bien de todos. Así también podemos conocer las alegrías y las penas de los otros miembros del Cuerpo y compartirlos para así fortalecer todo el Cuerpo de Cristo.

---

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
Baptism Symbols — Candle

In one of these pictures a parent or godparent lights the baptismal candle. In the other the minister of Baptism, here a priest, lights the baptismal candle. In both cases the light for the small candle comes from the Paschal (Easter) Candle.

The baptismal candle is one of the secondary symbols in the Sacrament of Baptism (along with the oil, the white garment, and the cross). The baptismal candle is not essential to the Sacrament of Baptism (unlike water which is essential). The use of a candle in the baptismal ceremony is to help us understand what Baptism means. Actions and physical objects are often better ways to foster understanding than by just using words.

The instruction associated with the baptismal candle is done by the minister of Baptism after the essential flowing of water and the words “I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

Priest/Deacon:

Receive the light of Christ.
Parents and godparents, this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly. These children of yours have been enlightened by Christ. They are to walk always as children of the light. May they keep the flame of faith alive in their hearts. When the Lord comes, may they go out to meet him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom.

The baptismal candle is a symbol. At baptism we receive the light of Christ. This means that we are enlightened about the purpose of life: love of God. We are also called to be light for the world. We are to illumine all those that we encounter in our daily activities, spreading the Gospel (good news) of the Lord Jesus. During Baptism the light is taken from the Easter candle in order to show that our light comes from Christ who is represented by the Easter candle.

A common practice by some is to keep the baptismal candle as a memorial of the child’s Baptism, perhaps re-lighting it periodically; for example on the child’s birthday or the anniversary of their Baptism.
We came back from retreat last weekend - it’s always an interesting feeling coming back from retreat. People ask how it went... and that’s a tough question to answer sometimes. You can have retreats that seem to go amazingly well, and others not so much. But the point of the retreat isn’t just for that weekend to be a great experience, but that it has lasting impacts on the participants. So you never really know how well a retreat went unless you talk to those who went on it years later and see if it still is a moment of conversion or commitment in their lives.

The same goes for ministry. It’s tough to say if youth group is going well because you don’t really know until you see how the teens turn out later in life. You can have teens who are really excited about Jesus in high school but later on they might turn to other things. Or you might have teens who kind of enjoy it but don’t get really into it yet later on it helps them to stay connected to God and have a really strong faith life later on.

What I can say is that the teens seemed to really enjoy themselves and the leaders did such a great job leading the teens. I am very excited to see these teens get Confirmed in May.
In this week’s second reading Paul shares that we are members of the Body of Christ. The reading reminds us that God created each one of us to be an important part of one community. This unity is important for our church family as well our own families. Yet, Paul also reminds us of 2 things:

- The Body of Christ is made of many different parts. As brothers and sisters baptized into this body, our individual gifts and talents are crucial to the healthy functioning of the body. We often underestimate the impact and role we play in our church community. Every member is important!

- Sometimes we fall into overestimating our importance in the Body of Christ, neglecting or failing to see the gifts and talents that others can bring. Every member of the body of Christ needs one another, no one part is more important than another. We need to encourage one another and lift each other up for when one part hurts, the whole body suffers. What brings joy to another part, delights the whole body.

Finally, we are united as the Body of Christ when we receive the Body of Christ during the Holy Eucharist. AMEN!

On the way home from Mass today discuss what being a part of the Body of Christ means to each family member. What gifts and talents does each one bring?
SERVICE TRIP TO GHANA, AFRICA ~ BUILD HOPE THROUGH EDUCATION

A parish wide mission trip to Ghana, Africa is being organized for the summer of 2016. Give hope to the children of Africa by being a part of the St. Catherine 2016 Mission Trip. The St. Catherine Parish Mission group is organizing to support the school and education of the children in the village of Awaso, Father Paul Mensah’s hometown at the Awaso Academy school. Father Paul, a former St. Catherine parish priest and founder of the Awaso Academy elementary school in Ghana, is looking forward to welcoming the next mission team! Travelers choose an area of interest to support the educational needs of these children (ages 3-11) by either working in the classrooms, supporting the teaching staff, conducting workshops, hosting sports activities, constructing the middle school, or helping expand the farming project. There are many ways you can be involved. Come find out more on Saturday Jan. 30th from 11:30am - 12:30pm at St. Catherine School, Room 7. Bring a friend! Contacts: Janet Leach (janet95037@gmail.com) or Monica McClintock (monicamc@garlic.com).

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

"MANKIND WILL NOT HAVE PEACE UNTIL IT TURNS WITH TRUST TO MY MERCY"

"FOR THE SAKE OF HIS SORROWFUL PASSION have mercy on us and the whole world."
Dairy of St. Maria Faustine Kowalska:300,476

Our 24 hour Adoration begins on Friday February 5th immediately after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:15am and concludes Saturday February 6th with Benediction at 8:00am.

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

2 WEEKS TO SIGNUP FOR RETROUVAILLE

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on January 22-24, 2016 call 831-439-9503 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

LIVING AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Some of Saint Paul’s best known and most beloved imagery is contained in the passages from First Corinthians that we have heard last week and this week: the many gifts granted by the one same Spirit and the many members making up the one Body of Christ. Few passages from sacred scripture more accurately sum up how Christian vocations work together.

Unlike some of Paul’s other writings, which are a product of the social and religious conventions of his time, these enable us to look at our own lives and the lives of those around us to discern what gifts, what vocations the Holy Spirit has given for the good of all. We can likewise know the joys and sorrows of the other members of the Body and share in them for the strengthening of the whole Body of Christ.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

ELUSIVE HAPPINESS

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God’s blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

—Anonymous

NEWS FROM BISHOP PATRICK McGrath

Effective February 1, 2016 Bishop McGrath has appointed Fr. Randy Valenton as Parochial Vicar of St. Catherine of Alexandria parish. Fr. Allen Navarro has been appointed Parochial Vicar of Resurrection Parish in Sunnyvale, effective February 1, 2016.

Please pray for both Fr. Randy and Fr. Allen as they both undertake their new ministries.

Please welcome Fr. Randy to the St. Catherine Community family. We are sure Fr. Randy will enjoy his time at St. Catherine’s with the welcoming and loving community that we are.
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

COAT & BLANKET DRIVE
January 11 thru 29

Please bring new or slightly used coats and blankets to the Coat Bins in the Church vestibule or to the Parish Office. They are given to the Armory, other shelters and St. Vincent de Paul to distribute. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

HELP US REACH 1,000 LIKES?
Do you have a Facebook account? Have you “liked” St. Catherine’s page? Help us reach 1,000 likes! Go onto our Facebook page and like us and you could win a raffle prize! Once we reach 1,000 likes we will raffle off a prize. Don’t miss out on staying on top of all the events in the Parish.

SVdP Help Line in Action in our Community!
Our parish St. Vincent de Paul ministry appeals to our church community for donations four times a year, the last time was during Thanksgiving weekend. Thanks to your generosity then we were able to meet the needs of many callers to our Help Line this past month or so. Worried callers shared that they were short of funds for rent or other bills because their normally steady work just produced less income during the holidays-less temp jobs than usual, hourly employees at school districts who were off for a week at Thanksgiving and two at Christmas, and companies who might normally close for a week during the holidays closed for two weeks or more this year. Combined that with family visits, holiday travel and gifts, our cold rainy weather, and the ends just don’t meet sometimes. Your donations allowed us to provide a safety net for our local brothers and sisters and to keep their families together and sheltered as best they could during this winter season. We’ll be at all masses again next weekend sharing stories of the people you help through us. Bring your Sunday envelope and your checkbook to keep the warmth going!

PARDON QUICKLY
If you have anything to pardon, pardon quickly. Slow forgiveness is little better than no forgiveness. —Sir Arthur Pinero

Wednesday Women’s Faith Sharing Group

The Women’s faith sharing meets every Wednesday morning in the parish center at 9:00am and tries to finish by 10:30am. We are starting a new book by Pope Francis called "The Holy Year of Mercy", a Faith Sharing Guide with Reflections by Pope Francis.

We are a gathering of women who have a desire to study scripture, read books by authors who inspire us to lead more God centered lives, and to share our own life experiences with each other. All women are welcome and invited to come and visit our Wednesday group.

If you have any questions email: Ann Poirier at annpoirier@gmail.com.

JOY THE MOST INFALLIBLE SIGN OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD

An overnight retreat for women
At Villa Maria Del Mar
Santa Cruz, CA

Begins: 10:00 am Monday February 22, 2016
Ends: 5:00pm Tuesday February 23, 2016

Facilitators: Rosemarie Peoples and Carmella Dautoff

A sacred time to experience the abundance of God’s love. Enjoy this blessed setting by the sea in companionship with other women of faith. Come and be renewed and embraced with the sweet grace of God.

Contact Rosemarie 408-778-3595 or rosemarie778@gmail.com to register

ST. CATHERINE’S COUGAR ATHLETIC CLUB

The St. Catherine's Cougar Athletic Club (CAC) is sponsoring the 16th Annual Cougar Classic Basketball Tournament on the last two weekends of January (The 21, 22, and 23... then again on the 28th, 29th and 30th)

This St. Catherine’s community-wide event brings together many volunteers, including Alumni and parishioners, in support of St. Catherine facilities and the after-school Athletics Program for our children.

We rely on the generosity of local businesses and the St. Catherine Community to sponsor the Basketball tournament. We are grateful for any donation. Please see any current coach, Will Saso or Dave Nash, for sponsorship information or simply come by the tournament.

**Most importantly, the famous Cougar Café features Gourmet Burgers, Wings and Saturday Tri-tip. Please join us for a gourmet dinner and some great St. Catherine’s Cougar Basketball.
BRIGHT BEGINNINGS NURSERY

Our nursery is open every Sunday from 8:30 to 11:45am for children ages 1 to 4. Drop in to meet our caretakers and see our toys. Just drop in, there is no fee.

ST. CATHERINE MASTER PLAN

Fr. Jeronimo and the Finance committee have asked the Master Plan Leadership and Feasibility Committees to revisit the Master Plan completed in 2013. They want to review the plan relative to the current and future needs of our community and to assess the maintenance required for the church. The Finance committee seeks this input in order to make decisions about repairs and improvements to the church.

The meeting is Thursday February 11th at 7:00pm in the O’Donnell Parish Center. The agenda:

- A review of the plan and feasibility studies
- A review of the committees’ 2013 consensus statements on how to proceed
- An assessment of the current and future needs of our community
- An assessment of the maintenance needs of the church
- Discussion on how to proceed

This meeting is open to anyone who was involved in the formation of the Master Plan, participated in the Feasibility Study, or is interested in the outcome of the plans. Please forward any comments you may have to Jeanette Thatcher at jthatcher@dsj.org or 408-779-3959. Thank you.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Total Stewardship Offering</th>
<th>Weekly Goal</th>
<th>Weekly Budget Excess (Shortfall)</th>
<th>Year To Date Collections</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Dec. 20</td>
<td>$24,419</td>
<td>$24,286</td>
<td>$153</td>
<td>$532,104</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dec. 27</td>
<td>$18,784</td>
<td>$24,286</td>
<td>($5,502)</td>
<td>$550,868</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jan. 3</td>
<td>$25,372</td>
<td>$23,489</td>
<td>$1,883</td>
<td>$576,240</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jan. 10</td>
<td>$18,977</td>
<td>$23,489</td>
<td>($5,512)</td>
<td>$658,737</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Year To Date Stewardship

July 1 - Jan. 10, 2016

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Budget Year to Date</th>
<th>Year To Date Collections</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$0</td>
<td>$0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$200,000</td>
<td>$200,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$400,000</td>
<td>$400,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$600,000</td>
<td>$600,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$800,000</td>
<td>$800,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

$658,737

$700,389

Thank you for your continued support.

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 was budgeted to meet our yearly budget.
ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PROMOTING MATH AND SCIENCE THROUGH SPEAKERS AND FIELD TRIPS

As part of our ongoing efforts to encourage and promote a love for and understanding of how math and science are used in all our lives, St. Catherine School is developing a list of speakers and field trips which to make math and science come alive for our students. Each class will schedule two speakers and one field trip that focus on math and science during the year. Presentations can be anywhere from 15 minutes (most will be 15-25 minutes long) to nearly an hour depending on the topic and level of the students. Do you know someone who uses math routinely at work? Perhaps monitoring inventory, accounting, engineering design, to name a few…please submit names and contact information to Fabienne Esparza, 408-779-9950 or fesparza@stcatherine.org.

The school is in the process of building a data base of field trip opportunities as well. If you know of a place or program, or are willing to host a class please let Ms. Esparza know. They can range from water treatment plants to farms to airports and museums. Again, the goal is to get students excited about how math and science are used and directly affect daily life.

SUPER KIDS –SUPER SHARING

St. Catherine School teamed up with the Super Bowl 50 Host Committee, SF 49ers, Verizon and Santa Clara University to help local children in need through Super Kids-Super Sharing. Students and their families helped by donating new or gently used books, sports equipment, and school supplies.

Student Council members joined students from other schools, along with the sponsors, to deliver items last week. The students also enjoyed meeting some current and past 49ers, as well as 49er cheerleaders, plus getting to run some conditioning drills with players. A great way to help other students and schools in need!

TUITION ASSISTANCE 2016-2017

A link to Tuition Assistance forms for 2016-2017 are available on our school website, www.stcatherinemh.org. In order to apply for tuition you need to complete both the PSAS and the parish forms. The forms along with the processing fee are due February 12th in order to be considered for all our tuition assistance providers. Those families receiving Basic Fund grants will receive information in the mail after the new year. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

Anyone wishing to contribute to our Tuition Assistance Fund should contact Ms. Esparza.