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.
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Readings for the Coming Week


First Reading - In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).
Psalm - My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).
Second Reading - Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Faith Sharing Question of the Week

Adult: "Have you ever been too willing to "cast the first stone" when you disapproved of someone's behavior? How can you resist these feelings?"
Child: "When have you criticized or made fun of someone? What could help you act differently?"
STEWARDFSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Today's Gospel speaks of forgiveness in a way so profound that it seems beyond our reach. I mean really, the law was broken, the event witnessed and the perpetrator has no standing in the community. It’s a slam dunk and the scribes and the Pharisees waste no time in demanding that “justice” be done. Those “learned in the Law” see a chance to double down. They try to trap Jesus into abrogating the legal requirement that Moses commanded and also diminish Jesus’ stature by raising theirs. They cannot see the forest (God’s care) for the trees (legalism). As we journey on in Lent take a moment to fit ourselves into that picture. When the rules tell us plainly what we should do we easily avoid looking beyond the event itself into the circumstances in which it arose. Over and over Jesus invites us to see beneath the veneer, to see blindness not as punishment by God but as an invitation to service, to become the prodigal parent who forgives out of great love, to judge not the adulterers but ourselves … asking that we discover the healing balm of forgiveness which is given without judgment of its effectiveness or the worthiness of the recipient. The change of stance when we put aside our certain righteousness in favor of mercy gives peace and wholeness to both parties. Yes, it’s important to follow rules but not without evaluating their effect in each circumstance. Robots follow rules (they are fun) but our lives, centered in Jesus and his love, are best lived in wonder and unearned grace.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

It may seem boring and repetitive but if everyone put bottles, cans, etc. into recycling bins instead of the trash … imagine what the reuse of materials would save. It’s not hard to do but changing habits can be. Make recycling a Lenten corporal work of mercy :-).

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!

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: __________________________ |

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JERONIMO

The Finance Council. This council has three new members and I hope to get at least two more by the end of June.

The Master Parish Plan. We had a very interesting and productive meeting last month. I can assure to you that in the hearts of all those who attended they would love have a new church building, however, the cost of a new building seems to be unreachable as we speak. The Finance Council will check the results and probably consult an Architect to explore all the possibilities to renew the inside of the present church.

The Pastoral Council. Those who have been identified as potential members of the council will soon receive a letter with the date and time of our first meeting.

The second part consists of the reflection that all the registered parishioners have received in the mail. I know that many of you are not registered. That's why I decided to include it in this bulletin. It is about the celebration of Holy Week. Once again, we have the great opportunity to celebrate Holy Week, especially the Holy Triduum. One more time, we accompany the Lord at His triumphal entrance to Jerusalem; during His last Supper; His agony on the cross; His death; His burial and His Resurrection from the dead. May the (Word) proclaimed at these celebrations help you to develop a deep personal relationship with Jesus. May the Liturgical Celebrations (Worship) help you to make your Sunday Eucharistic Celebration the heart of your daily life so that you too may go out and announce (Witness) to everyone that the Lord is Risen.
Have you considered making a Memorial or Honor Gift during the Easter Season?

Did you know that you can make an Easter gift in memory or in honor of a loved one at Easter? Honoring someone with a gift at Easter is a great way to tell them how much you love them and support your parish at the same time. This gift honors someone you love while helping others. You can add the honorees name and address on the check or the envelope.

A more significant way to remember a deceased loved one is through a memorial contribution and it can be made as an Easter offering. Memorial contributions can be made for any special occasion. They are also a great idea during Easter as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. You simply need to state on the check or envelope the name and address of deceased.

We will notify the family member a gift was made in their memory or to honor them.

May your family have a wonderful and Blessed Easter. I pray that the peace of Christ is with you always.

God Bless, Anna Quinones

For more information please contact me at aquinones@dsj.org
QUINTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura — El Señor hace algo nuevo para que el pueblo escogido (Isaías 43:16-21) o Ezequiel 37:12-14.

Salmo — Grandes cosas has hecho por nosotros, Señor (Salmo 126 [125]) o Salmo 130(129).

Segunda Lectura — El bien supremo es conocer a Jesús como Señor (Filipenses 3:8-14) o Romanos 8:8-11.

Evangelio — Sorprenden a una mujer en el acto de adulterio. Que el que no tenga pecado tire la primera piedra (Juan 8:1-11) o Juan 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA


Martes: Nm 21:4-9; Sal 102 (101):2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Miércoles: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Jueves: Gn 17:3-9; Sal 105 (104):4-9: Jn 8:51-59

Viernes: Jer 20:10-13; Sal 18 (17):2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Sábado: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a o Lc 2:41-51a


FELICITAMOS LOS CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE MARZO

DOMINGO, 13 DE MARZO
Diana Fuentes
Gerardo Sanchez
Martha Sanchez

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.
Gracias a todos los que ya hicieron su regalo o promesa. Aún no alcanzamos nuestra meta pero aún faltan algunas semanas. Por favor ore y responda a la llamada para que usted haga su parte para ayudar a la misión de Dios aquí en la Diócesis de San José al hacer su promesa o su regalo el día de hoy. Gracias. Puede hacer su promesa en http://www.dsj.org/ways-to-give/annual-diocesan-appeal/

¡Por favor haga su donación hoy!
Nuestra Meta $ 210,564
Promesas $ 180,252

Actualización del Plan Maestro

Gracias a todas las personas que asistieron a la junta de revisión del plan maestro que se llevó acabo el 11 de Febrero. Durante la junta, el historial del plan, el estudio de viabilidad, y los resultados de liderazgo fueron revisados. A cada persona que asistió a la junta, se le dio la oportunidad de contestar las siguientes preguntas:
-Mi opinión es que la Iglesia se debe de renovar/ o de remodelar la Iglesia existente porque:
-Mi opinión es que se debe de construir una Iglesia nueva porque:
El comité de finanzas revisara las actas de las juntas durante la junta del 14 de Marzo.
Gracias una vez más a todos nuestros participantes.

Nuestro carnaval del otoño esta compuesto de una comunidad maravillosa. En el Festival Del Otoño, usted puede encontrar juegos mecánicos, deliciosa comida, entretenimiento y una exhibición de automóviles. ¡Es un gran evento familiar! El comité está explorando nuevas maneras de hacer el evento más grande y de mejorar el evento. ¿Qué cree usted que se debe de hacer para mejorar el Festival Del Otoño?
Por favor de enviar sus opiniones a Jeanette Thatcher en jthatcher@dsj.org.

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VIA CRUSIS

Fecha 18 de Marzo
Ministerio Extraordinarios de la Comunión.

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Corresponsabilidad del año hasta la fecha
1 de Julio, 2015—28 de Febrero, 2016

Colectas del año hasta la fecha
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Corresponsabilidad del año hasta la fecha
$804,054
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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 numero que refleja la cantidad que tendría que ser recogidas cada semana para cumplir con nuestro presupuesto anual.
La Mesa de San José
Viernes 18 de Marzo
¡Gratis! Frutas y Verduritas
1:00pm-5:00pm
Centro Parroquial

¿Conoce usted alguien que esté en necesidad de frutas y verduras frescas? ¡Favor de invitarlos para que reciban frutas y verduras completamente gratis! Donaciones son bienvenidas, especialmente si usted tiene arboles frutales o jardines de verduras. También estamos en necesidad de voluntarios para la distribución y la limpieza después del evento.

CENA DEL DIA DE SAN PATRICIO
Domingo, 13 de Marzo
4:00pm a 8:00pm
Centro Parroquial O’Donnell
Música Irlandés y Entretenimiento
Deliciosa comida Irlandés
Los boletos cuestan solo $15
Hot Dog, Sabritas & Refresco para niños= $5.
¡Los Boletos se venderán en la entrada!

Para más información o para ser voluntario, por favor de contactar a Mike Barry en ffbarry@yahoo.com

SOPA CUARESIMAL SOLIDARIA
6:00pm-7:00pm
Centro Parroquial

Todos son bienvenidos a compartir una cena con nosotros después de la distribución de frutas y verduras. La cena consiste de una deliciosa sopa sin carne y pan. Favor de reservar su lugar si es que va asistir a la cena, si usted desea traer una hoya de sopa, pan o si desea ayudar a servir, se puede registra en nuestra pagina de web por iVolunteer. La estaciones de la cruz se llevaran acabo inmediatamente después de la cena.

Favor de llamar a la oficina de Formación de Fe al (408) 779-9604 si necesita mas información . Los eventos son organizados por La Federación Católica Italiana y el ministerio de la escuela secundaria de St. Catherine.

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ
Venga y acompañenos para Las estaciones de la Cruz Cada Viernes a las 6:30pm en español

Jóvenes son invitados a las Estaciones de la Cruz El Viernes, 18 de Marzo a las 7:30pm.

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LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES
Domingo: Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma;
Avance el reloj una hora
Lunes: Inicia la Cuaresma en el calendario juliano
Jueves: San Patricio
Viernes: San Cirilo de Jerusalén; Abstinencia
Sábado: San José, esposo de la Virgen María; Comienza la primavera

ESCRITURA INSPIRADA
Estudiar las Escrituras inspiradas es la manera principal de saber cuál es nuestro deber.

—San Basilio Magno
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Adult Faith Formation for the parish of St. Catherine

Gestures and postures at Eucharist

General Instruction for the Roman Missal

Among gestures are included also actions and processions, by which the Priest, with the Deacon and ministers, goes to the altar; the Deacon carries the Evangeliary or Book of the Gospels to the ambo before the proclamation of the Gospel; the faithful bring up the gifts and come forward to receive Communion. It is appropriate that actions and processions of this sort be carried out with decorum while the chants proper to them are sung, in accordance with the norms laid down for each. (§44)

Processions

Apart from special celebrations, the normal Mass has five processions:
1. Entrance
2. Gospel
3. Gifts
4. Communion
5. Exit

Both the entrance and exit processions can have a full set of ministers: Incense ministers, candle & cross ministers, deacon/lector with Gospel book, priest celebrant.

The Gospel procession features the Gospel Book carried by the deacon/priest to the ambo. The Gifts procession features the bread and wine carried by the faithful to present to the priest.

The Communion procession features the faithful coming to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. All processions are intended to be accompanied by some chant or song.

Dancing?

The word “dance” does not appear in the instructions for Mass. But it is a logical deduction that any of the processions could be choreographed in a way that would be an appropriate dance “with decorum,” as long as that does not detract or distract from the liturgical action.

Sometimes, it's really important just to stop and think of how much God loves us. Someone shared this quote with me while I was at the LA Congress two weeks ago. I thought it would look good over a sweet backdrop. If you like it, let me know and I can email you the color version of it. Or you can follow us on Instagram @st.catherine.ym and find it there. And if you actually know the source of the quote, let me know too because I haven’t been able to find it (neither was the person who told it to me).
FREE Fresh Produce Giveaway
1:00 - 5:00pm
Parish Center

Do you know someone who can use some fresh fruits and vegetables? Invite them to our FREE Fresh Produce Giveaway! Donations are welcome, especially if you have fruit trees or vegetable gardens that are overflowing with produce! Volunteers are also needed to help with table set up and break down and produce distribution.

6:00 - 7:00pm
Parish Center

All are welcome to share a simple meatless soup and bread supper after the produce giveaway. RSVP on I-Volunteer to attend, sign up to bring a pot of soup or bread to the supper or help serve. Stations of the Cross immediately follow the Soup Supper.

Please call the Family Faith Formation Office at (408) 779-9604 if you would like additional information on these and other ways for the family to spend time together and serve others during the Lenten season! Events are organized by the Italian Catholic Federation and St. Catherine Middle School Ministry.

During this Lenten Season, please continue to keep the following Elect in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass:

Royce Elkehale
Esperanza Galvan
Anthony Herrera
Maia Kilinski
Ken Masterson
Jacob Molina
Nathan Shebib
Charles Soliday
Everett Wallace
Jacob Wallace
HELP NEEDED - CHURCH ENVIRONMENT
Join us Thursday March 24th from 9:00am to 12:00pm as we change the church environment from Lent to Holy Thursday and set up the parish center for adoration after the Holy Thursday Mass. Things to be done: take down and store the Lenten environment; put up palm trees, set up the church for the Holy Thursday washing of the feet, etc. Come for whatever amount of time you can. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dlinderhees@gmail.com for more information.

DIVINE MERCY SCHEDULE
Jesus said to St. Faustina that on Divine Mercy Sunday the depths of My Mercy are open to all; that whoever goes to confession and Holy Communion on that day receives complete forgiveness of sin and punishment. Our church community is celebrating the Divine Mercy Novena in our church beginning on Good Friday. The Novena consists of reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet. It takes approximately 20-30 minutes. Please join us daily or as often as you can on:

- **Good Friday** 3/25 11-11:45 am
- **Saturday** 3/26 3:00-4:00 pm
- **Sunday** 3/27 2:00-3:00 pm
- **Monday** 3/28 5:00 - 5:30 pm
- **Tuesday** 3/29 5:30 - 6:00 pm
- **Wednesday** 3/30 4:00-4:30pm

**FUNDRAISER FOR ST. CATHERINE’S REACH OUT FOOD PANTRY**
Where: Advent Lutheran Church, 16870 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill
When: April 16th, 7:00 to 9:30pm
Who: Performance by Gospel Group Bluer than Blue (6 member string/vocal group)
Contact: Richard Simunic, 408-316-4745 or 408-779-0254
Admission fee: Free or donate non perishable food or make a cash donation

FLOWERING
The flower does not bear the root, but the root the flower . . . The rose is merely the evidence of the vitality of the root.
—Woodrow Wilson

INSPIRED SCRIPTURE
The study of inspired scripture is the chief way of finding our duty.
—St. Basil the Great
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.

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County invites you to
Wake Up to Aging: Are We Ready for 2030?
Join us as we discuss key challenges and explore community and system level solutions that could impact the future of senior services and prepare Santa Clara and California to better meet the needs of seniors and those who care for them.

Thursday, March 17
9:30am - 12:00 noon
Keynote Speaker: Howard Gleckman Author of Caring for Our Parents
Guest Panelists: Executives from AGIS, Justice In Aging, Insight CCED
Moderator: Tatiana Colón, Director Older Adult Services
Bascom Community Center: 1000 S. Bascom Ave., San Jose, CA 95128
This event is FREE but requires registration by March 15
Online: Eventbrite.com search: Wake Up to Aging or Call (408) 831-0440

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?
Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don’t know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on May 6-8, 2016 call 831-439-9503 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

OVER 50’S
The over 50’s group will hold its monthly luncheon this Monday, March 21st at noon in the O’Donnell Parish Center. They will be serving Corn beef and cabbage. The cost per plate is $5. Remember to bring a salad or dessert to share and canned goods for Reach Out.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Pray the stations of the cross this Lent.
Each Thursday at 2:30pm.
Each Friday at 6:30pm in Spanish.

Teens are invited to Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 18th at 7:30pm.

SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS
Join a small faith sharing group to discuss “Rediscover Jesus”. To sign up for a group, please visit our parish website, under the volunteer option, select “Rediscover Jesus”.

PARISH FAMILY SOUP SUPPERS
Join our Parish Family Soup Suppers on Friday, March 18 at 6:00pm in the O’Donnell Parish Center

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LUAU
Luscious Hawaiian Buffet and Side Dishes Hawaiian Entertainment and more Saturday April 16th, at 6:00pm
O’Donnell Center
Tropical Drinks, Wine, Beer
Tickets at $60/person from Tim Nondorf (408 779 4363) or Tom Rhodes (408 683 4959)

God is great all the time, all the time, God is great!

MEN’S OVER 40’S OPEN GYM
An over 40’s men’s group gathers on Sundays for Open Gym. Come and join some of your fellow over 40’s parishioners for a friendly game of basketball. Game dates are:

April 3, 10, 17, 24
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

We thank those who have already made their gift or pledge. We have not yet reached our goal and there are only a couple of weeks remaining. Please pray and answer the call to do your part in supporting the mission of God here in the Diocese of San Jose by making your pledge or gift today ...help make this Appeal a success. Thank you.

You can pledge online at http://www.dsj.org/ways-to-give/annual-diocesan-appeal/

Please make your pledge today!
Our Goal - $210,564
Pledges - $180,252

MASTER PLAN UPDATE
Thanks to all who attended the February 11th Master Plan review meeting. At that meeting the plan history, the feasibility study and the resulting leadership outcomes were reviewed. Each attendee was given the opportunity to answer these questions:
- My opinion is to renew / remodel the existing church because:
-My opinion is to build a new church because:
The Finance Committee will review the meeting minutes at their March 14th meeting.

Again thanks to all our participants.

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL FALL FUN FEST
September 16, 17 & 18, 2016
The Fall Fun Fest is a wonderful community event with carnival rides, great food, games, entertainment and a car show. The Committee is exploring ways to improve or expand it.

How do you think we can improve the Fall Fun Fest?
Send you opinions to Jeanette Thatcher at jthatcher@dsj.org.

COFFEE AND DONUTS
Coffee and donuts will not be served on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.
We will see you again on April 3rd.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY DINNER
Sunday March 13
4:00pm to 8:00pm
O’Donnell Parish Center
Irish Music and Entertainment
Delicious Irish Food - tickets = $15 each
Children’s Hot Dog, Chips & Soda = $5.

Tickets sold at the door!
For more information or to volunteer contact Mike Barry - ffbarry@yahoo.com

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

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

Fifth graders are wearing their boots to school to make sure they are ready to hike at Science Camp.

SCIENCE CAMP
Our fifth graders are leaving for Science Camp on Wednesday! They spend three days at the Marin Headlands Institute in Marin County.

During their stay the campers learn about native plants/animals and habitats, the water cycle, sea life, astronomy and weather. They hike, explore tide pools, learn the history of the Marin Headlands, and enjoy campfires together. Please keep our fifth graders, their teacher and chaperones in your prayers this week that they may have a safe and productive time at Science Camp. Look for some exciting pictures of their adventures in future bulletins.

MISSION CARNIVAL
Every year around St. Patrick’s Day, St. Catherine School holds a Mission Carnival. Each class sponsors a game or food booth, tickets are sold for a quarter each. Under the direction of the teachers and parents, the games are run by the students. All proceeds from the event are given to charity. This year the funds will go to the Learning and Loving Center and the Awaso International School in Ghana.

Our Mission Carnival is held the afternoon of Friday, March 18. Students will enjoy face painting, fishing game, duck pond, cake walk, Dance Fever, videos games, food booths and more! Students will be able to redeem their prize tickets for an array of toys & prizes. This is a wonderful way for our students to show leadership & take active roles in helping others.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Join the students of St. Catherine School for Stations of the Cross every Thursday during Lent at 2:30 in the church. All are welcome!

Second graders enjoyed a Read-a-thon on Student Appreciation Day during Catholic Schools Week.

LEARNING SPANISH
In addition to Religion and all the core subjects, all students at St. Catherine School are learning Spanish. In the lower grades students learn basic greetings and prayers and build vocabulary such as days of the week, months, body parts, food and clothing. In the upper grades lessons are expanded to include more conversational language, verb usage and grammar, as well as expanding vocabulary. Our excellent teachers use a variety of strategies to help students learn Spanish. Younger students learn poems and songs along with playing games and building a Spanish vocabulary journal. In the upper grades students continue to add to their vocabulary journals while role playing for conversations, watching streaming videos in Spanish, using online interactive programs, and, of course, worksheets, quizzes and tests. Exposure to another language is a wonderful way for our students to expand their horizons and make connections with people from other cultures.

Be Not Afraid.
I Go Before You
Always.