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
Monday-Saturday: 8:15am
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sábado: 7:00pm
Sunday: 7:15, 8:45, 10:30am, 5:30pm
Domingo: 12:15pm

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

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

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From the Desk of Rose Pucan-Meagor, Family Faith Formation Director………..

During two week-long sessions of St. Catherine Summer Challenge (SC²), 32 middle-schoolers gave over 900 hours in service to the hungry, homeless children and others who are in need and organizations that serve them. One of the adult team leaders commented how impressed she was by “how the young people learn so much about service and volunteerism so early in life.”

Sometimes the youth had to dig deep for the energy. Each morning the youth focused on engaging their crews of elementary school children at Vacation Bible Camp. In the afternoons they traveled to Reach Out, St. Joseph’s Family Center and St. Vincent de Paul providing much needed assistance bagging groceries, making lunches for the homeless and sorting clothes, shoes and toys. (Continued on page 3…)

Desde el escritorio de Rose Pucan-Meagor, Directora de Formación de Fe Familiar Y Evangelización…

Durante dos sesiones de Summer Challenge St. Catherine (SC²), 32 jóvenes dieron más de 900 horas de servicio a los hambrientos, la gente sin hogar, niños y otros que están en necesidad u organizaciones que les prestan servicios. Uno de los líderes comentó “lo impresionado que estaba por cómo los jóvenes aprenden mucho sobre servicio tan temprano en la vida.” A veces, los jóvenes tuvieron que encontrar la energía. Por las mañanas, los jóvenes se enfocó en la participación de sus grupos de los niños de Campamento de Vacaciones de la Biblia. (Continuado en Pagina 5…)
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7,13b-16; Ps 94:5-10,14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9,12,16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6,21-22,7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd,16 Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

First Reading — Abraham and Sarah show hospitality to messengers of the LORD (Genesis 18:1-10a).

Psalm — He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

Second Reading — Paul speaks of the stewardship given to him to complete the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages past (Colossians 1:24-28).

Gospel — Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. Mary has chosen the better part (Luke 10:38-42).

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

I hate to miss out on the Gospel story of the Good Samaritan but the words of the first reading speak so clearly of God’s presence. Because we are human we have a tendency to consider God as “out there” beyond ourselves and our experiences. Consider the words of Moses in Deuteronomy, “If only you would heed the voice of the LORD, your God … this command I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you.” Searching high and low for God is not needed for as Moses reminds, “it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and hearts; you have only to carry it out.” In some ways we make a chore of finding God in our lives so that we have excuses (oops, explanations) for why we struggle to find God by searching “out there” instead of within. Moses speaks of commandments and statutes written in the law; Jesus tells us that he came not to abolish the law but to fulfill it. Hmmm, this means we are to internalize God and God’s wishes for us. Rather than having only rigorous discipline we need to draw on the love that lies within. The love that Jesus calls us to by sharing ourselves with our neighbor (well that’s kind of a law :-). When we simplify our relationship with God and neighbor we find Jesus right with us, feeding us, encouraging us, defending us, enlightening us, comforting us and most of all loving us. Remember, it’s already in our mouths and hearts. Take some prayer time to consider the beauty of that simple truth.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Not to be repetitive but … just because the city of Morgan Hill now allows residential watering 3 days a week doesn’t mean we have to immediately return to that frequency. Try watering twice a week at first, your plants are strong, they will probably do well.

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 ROSE.....

Another group stayed at St. Catherine and helped with the 4th of July float and other projects. The tasks were not always convenient and were sometimes even tedious, but each of the youth made a commitment to serve.

In the beginning of the Gospel story Jesus gives us direction on how to have eternal life, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” Jesus continues with the story of the Good Samaritan, reminding us of someone who went out of his way to look out for the needs of his neighbor. “Neighbor” is used in the loosest sense, for the Samaritans were known enemies of the Jews. The Samaritan cared for the traveler, taking responsibility and acting with compassion.

Who is your neighbor? How does your family accept responsibility and meet each other’s needs at home? What commitment do we need to make to each other? How can we care for our neighbors in our community?

It means stopping to help when no one else will. It means offering hope and healing to those who need it most. It means being brave and stepping out of our comfort zone. It means acting with compassion and love, even when it is inconvenient. Pope Francis shares that “by the end of the parable, we see that the "neighbor" is not so much the man in need, but rather the one who responded to that need with compassion. Jesus himself is the model of the Good Samaritan; by imitating his love and compassion, we show ourselves truly to be his followers.”

Blessings,
Rose

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: __________________________
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

GO AND DO LIKewise
Miss Collins, the dean of students at Olympic High School, was past the point of scolding Matt, though she liked him very much. “Four detentions in two weeks are too many.”

Still Matt wouldn’t tell. It was only after Miss Collins went on a morning neighborhood patrol that she found out the real reason for Matt’s tardiness. Thump, thump, thump, came the wheelchair down the stairs. It was Matt, steadying Shawnetta as he helped lower her down the stairs and then push her to the corner bus stop.

“She’s a girl in my parish youth group,” Matt explained to Miss Collins.

There are many ways to describe Matt’s actions—a random act of kindness, making a difference one person at a time. Jesus would understand. When the lawyer correctly identified the good Samaritan as the one who had treated the injured man with compassion, Jesus said simply, “Go and do likewise” (Luke 10:37).

LITURGY

Liturgy committee
Karen Barone
Tamara Hopwood
Lisa Kellett
Signe Montose
Rose Pucan-Meagor
Denise Purvis
Patricia Rudolph
James Yinger
Sr. Silvia Frias
Fr. Jeronimo Gutierrez
Diana-Lynn Inderhees

Please Save these Dates
Training and renewal sessions are in the church from 7:00pm until 9:00pm

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Volunteers are needed.
Please check out the website:
http://stca.org/liturgy

For More information Please contact:
Diana-Lynn Inderhees
Liturgy Coordinator
dinderhees@dsj.org

GENERAL INTERCESSION POLICY
The final part of the Liturgy of the Word at Mass is the opportunity for the people of God to exercise their priestly calling by praying for the needs of all humanity. We do this during the “General Intercessions.” They are called General Intercessions because they are to be just that, general, for the needs of all.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal suggests these intentions:
- For the Church....
- For public authorities and the world......
- For those in need............
- For the local community
  - Significant events..........  
  - For the sick.............
  - For the dead.............

At St. Catherine’s we follow that suggestion. When we pray for the dead we are praying for all those who have died but we specifically mention only names of those who have died recently (within the last month). Remember, even though we do not mention your loved ones by name they are always included in our prayer/liturgy. For anniversaries of death we encourage you to contact the parish office to schedule a weekday Mass Intention which are prayed during the 8:15am mass Monday through Saturday.
LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Escuchen la voz del Señor. Es algo muy cerca de ti, y está en tu corazón; sólo necesitas observarla (Deuteronomio 30:10-14).

Salo — Escúchame, Señor, porque eres bueno (Salmo 69 [68]) o Salmo 19 (18).

Segunda lectura — Todas las cosas fueron creadas mediante y para Cristo Jesús (Colosenses 1:15-20).

Evangelio — Ser un buen vecino, mostrar amor tratando a otros con misericordia (Lucas 10:25-37).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 1:10-17; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Martes: Is 7:1-9; Sal 48 (47):2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Miércoles: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Sal 94 (93):5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Jueves: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Sal 102 (101):13-14ab,15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Viernes: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
Sábado: Mi 2:1-5; Sal 10 (9):1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
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FELICITAMOS LOS CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE JULIO

SÁBADO, 09 DE JULIO
Martha Sánchez
Edward Castañeda

DOMINGO, 10 DE JULIO
Lupita Serrato
Carmelo Jiménez

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 recom pense su generosidad.

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE ROSE PUCAN-MEAGOR, CONTINUADO.....

En las tardes, trabajaron en Reach Out, Centro de la Familia de San José y San Vicente de Paul. Otro grupo se quedó en St. Catherine y ayudó con la flotación de 4 de julio y otros proyectos. Las tareas no siempre eran muy práctico y, a veces eran hasta tedioso, pero cada uno de los jóvenes se comprometieron a servir.

En el comienzo de la historia del Evangelio, Jesús nos da orientación sobre cómo alcanzar la vida eterna, “Amarás al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma, con todas tus fuerzas, y con toda tu mente, ya tu prójimo como a ti mismo”. Jesús continúa con la historia del Buen Samaritano, que nos recuerda a alguien que salió de su manera de mirar hacia fuera para las necesidades de su vecino. Se utiliza “vecino” en el sentido más amplio, para los Samaritanos, eran conocidos como enemigos de los Judíos. El samaritano le dio ayuda al viajero, asumiendo la responsabilidad y actuando con compasión.

¿Quién es su vecino? ¿Cómo acepta la responsabilidad de su familia y cumplir con las necesidades del otro en su casa? ¿Qué compromiso necesitamos hacer uno al otro? ¿Cómo podemos cuidar a nuestros vecinos en nuestra comunidad?

Significa detenerse a ayudar cuando nadie más lo hará. Significa que ofrece esperanza y sanación a aquellos que más lo necesitan. Esto significa actuar con compasión y el amor, incluso cuando es inconveniente. El Papa Francisco comparte que “al final de la parábola, vemos que el “vecino” no es tanto el hombre en necesidad, sino más bien el que respondió a esa necesidad con la compasión. Jesús...él es el modelo del buen samaritano; imitando su amor y compasión, nos mostramos realmente ser sus seguidores”.

Bendiciones,
Rose

LA REVELACIÓN

En el Antiguo Testamento, el Nuevo Testamento está oculto; en el Nuevo Testamento, se revela el Antiguo Testamento.

—San Agustín

LA GLORIA DE LA MAÑANA

La gloria de la mañana que veo desde mi ventana me satisface más que la metafísica de los libros.

—Walt Whitman
¡CELEBRE A SANTA CATALINA!
Guarde las fechas: 27 & 28 de Agosto
Tendremos una fiesta después de todas las misas de fin de semana. Las fiestas se llevarán acabo con el propósito de demostrar cómo nuestros ministerios y programas sirven a nuestra comunidad. ¡Favor de guardar la fecha para ayudaros a celebrar con comida, juegos y mucho más!

FACEBOOK
Únase con nosotros y manténganse al corriente de lo que pasa en nuestra parroquia. Visite nuestra pagina en https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Catherine-of-Alexandria-Church/29304741747856

MISAS DE INTENCIÓN 2017
¡El libro para agendar sus intenciones para las misas de Lunes a Sábado de las 8:15am ya esta aquí! Si desea agendar sus intenciones para sus seres queridos (difuntos) favor de pasar a la oficina parroquial para agendar las fechas. La donación por misa es $10.00.

¡Dios es grande todo el tiempo, todo el tiempo, Dios es grande!

CORRESPONSABILIDAD DE TESORO
Nuestro Ministerio de Formación de Fe etapa de escuela de secundaria involucra a los jóvenes del 6º al 8º grado en un estudio de opciones morales y clarificación de valores. También se centran en la importancia de poner en práctica nuestra fe por servir a nuestra comunidad.

¡Gracias por sus regalos de Ofertorio semanales!

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**DECIMOQUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

**ANDA Y HAZ TÚ LO MISMO**
La señorita González, la decana de los estudiantes de la Escuela Secundaria Olimpo, ya estaba cansada de regañar a Mateo, a pesar de que le caía muy bien. “Cuatro castigos después de clase en dos semanas es demasiado”.

Sin embargo Mateo permanecía en silencio. Sólo después de que la señorita González fuera en una ronda matutina por el vecindario descubrió la verdadera razón de las tardanzas de Mateo. Pataplún, cayó la silla de ruedas por las escaleras. Era Mateo, sujetando a Dolores mientras ayudaba a que la bajaran por las escaleras y luego la empujaba hasta la parada de autobús.

“Es una chica de mi grupo de jóvenes de la parroquia” Mateo le explicó a la señorita González.

Hay muchas formas de describir las acciones de Mateo –un acto de bondad al azar, marcar una diferencia en la vida de una persona a la vez. Jesús entendería. Cuando el abogado identificó correctamente al buen samaritano como el que había tratado al hombre herido con compasión, Jesús simplemente dijo: “Anda y haz tú lo mismo” (Lucas 10:37).

**SAN VICENTE DE PAUL REGALARA ROPA PARA NIÑOS**

Cuando: **Sábado, 6 de Agosto de 9am-2pm**

Donde: **Centro Parroquial de la Iglesia de Santa Catalina**

Favor de tomar en cuenta que la ropa se dará en base de quien vaya llegando primero. Los niños deben de estar presente y ser acompañados por sus padres.

Si le gustaría donar ropa de niños, favor de llevarla a la oficina Parroquial durante las horas de oficina.

**FORMACIÓN PARA ADULTOS**

Invitamos a las personas de 18 años en adelante que les falte alguno de los Sacramentos de la Iniciación Cristiana (Bautismo, Confirmación o Comunión) a prepararse en un año a recibirlos, pueden pasar a la oficina a llenar un formulario. Iniciamos el 8 de Septiembre en el salón 10 del área de la escuela a las 7:00 pm.

¡Los esperamos!

**SAN VICENTE DE PAUL**

La tiendita de San Vicente de Paul estará cerrada a partir del 30 de Junio del 2016. La tienda abrirá nuevamente el 16 de Agosto.

**Donación de Sangre para la Cruz Roja**

¡Salva una vida! ¡Dona sangre!
Parroquia de Santa Catalina
30 de julio de 9am-2pm
Patrocinado por el ministerio de Knights of Columbus
The Gift of Gratitude
Learning to be grateful is a gift.

When we can see that our lives are already full of wonderful blessings we can then stop worrying so much about the things that we do not have. We can live with so much more contentment and joy in our hearts.

Every year advertisers spend a small fortune trying to convince our children and us that they/we still need more stuff. We can give them a tremendous gift when we teach them and remember ourselves that God has already given us what they/we need. All they/we need to do is look around them/us and learn to be grateful for what they/we already have.

“We are grateful for your support.

St. Catherine Church

Dear Supporter,
Thank you for your generosity to St. Catherine Community. Blessings,
Carolina

“Summertime and the living is easy.”

That’s what the favorite old song says.
The living may be easy, but often the giving is not. Summer collections drop significantly because of vacation travel, sports schedules and other activities which mean that parishioners attend Mass at other parishes. Our budget is then impacted. Of course we are always grateful for your gifts, but if you were unable to make a gift while you are away, please consider making it now. We appreciate all you do to make it up. If you would like to make your giving easy and consistent please consider our electronic giving option. Currently many of our parish families are using this simple and secure way to make and track their parish giving.

If you would like to learn more please contact Anna Quinones at aquinones@dsj.org or check out our website at www.stca.org and click on give via parish pay.
AH, THE GOOD SAMARITAN

We have heard this story many times - at least every three years. One of the dangers we can fall into with having our readings (or prayers) repeat, is ignoring the reading once we recognize it. But we as Catholics believe that Scripture is the living Word of God. We are called to pray through and with Scripture. I have talked about not always hearing God, but if I really gave as much time as I should or could to reading Scripture in a prayerful, reflective way, I’d hear God way more often. But, it is a tough habit to form, and sometimes challenging (especially at first) to get used to praying Scripture. But don’t quit! Just like any relationship, it takes time, effort, and consistency to grow. Anyway, back to the Samaritan. That good, good Samaritan. When I read this story the thing that has struck me lately about it is the priest. Sometimes, if we’re not careful, we gloss over details that we think are unimportant. I remember the first times I read this story (or rather the first times I remember reading this story) I didn’t pay much attention to Jesus mentioning the priest. But as I thought about it, I realized, I am that priest. Now you might be thinking, “Deepu, you’re married, you’re not a priest.” Which is true. Sort of. In the way we usually refer to who a priest is, then yes, I am not a priest. But a way for us to pray through Scripture is to put ourselves into the story - who are you in the story? Are you the priest or Levite who ignores those in need? Or are you the Samaritan? And we can sometimes look at the situation from a different angle. Because you might say, “If I saw a person all beaten up, I’d definitely help them out.” But what if it’s a homeless person? What if we thought of the homeless or the hungry as someone who’s been beaten up psychologically, or financially? How definite is your help then? In thinking about how I react when I see someone in need whether homeless or hungry, I am, more often than not, that priest. Most of the times the excuse that runs through my head is I’m too busy and I don’t have anything to give (other than maybe a few bucks, but I don’t want that person spending it on alcohol or drugs). And your argument might be that you’re not an actual priest, so you shouldn’t be held to such high expectations. But Jesus argues that it doesn't matter who you are - you are called to help those in need. Not to mention (spoiler alert) - you are a priest. When you were Baptized into the Church, you became a priest, prophet, and king. Christ is all three of those things and at Baptism we join the Body of Christ, and therefore share in those things with Him. Look it up. It’s a thing. And in looking at the first part of the Gospel, in order to love God with all our hearts, beings, strengths, and minds, we must love our neighbors as such. We must give ourselves completely to God in order to fulfill His will and our purpose. Don't worry, it’s not going to happen overnight - it would truly be a miracle if it did. But it can happen gradually (if you allow it) - just like getting used to and better at praying through Scripture. Maybe, when you see a homeless person, don’t avoid them completely. Just say hi and smile. Try to see their dignity as a human. Then later you might be comfortable to stop and talk with them for a minute. Then maybe later buy them a meal. Then maybe buy them a meal and eat with them. Wherever you are, God is there with you. But He doesn’t want you to settle. He wants more from you. And, He wants more for you.

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Passing on the Faith
Family Faith Formation at St. Catherine’s Church

Images from
Summer Challenge SC²
Session II
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS
Sorting through your children’s clothes at the end of the school year? Save them for us! The parish St. Vincent de Paul Back-To-School Children’s Clothing Shopping Day is Saturday, August 6th. Children from the community are able to shop, at no cost, for clothing, back packs, toys and books for the new school year. We can use NEW and gently-used children’s clothes (sizes 2-16 and Juniors) and new socks and underwear for boys and girls. Or you may give a cash or gift card donation at the parish office, marked St. Vincent de Paul Children’s Clothing. Thank you!

MASS TIMES
When traveling and don’t know the mass times for the local church go to www.masstimes.org, search by zip code or by address and locate any church’s mass times anywhere.

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “When have you faltered or looked back during your journey of faith?”
Child: “What can you do to be a stronger follower of Jesus this week?”

MOVIE NIGHT!
First in a series of Catholic Christian movies to enrich and inspire your faith life!
St Catherine’s presents: FULL OF GRACE
The story of Mary the Mother of Jesus
Friday, July 22, 7pm in the parish center
Free popcorn, no cover charge

You are invited…
Caregivers’ Mass and Brunch
Saturday, July 23, 2016
9:30am Mass, 10:30am Brunch
Gate of Heaven Catholic Cemetery
All Saints Chapel
22555 Cristo Rey Drive, Los Altos
Presider: Fr. Robert McKay
If you are a caregiver for a loved one in a home, nearby or afar, you are invited to come pray with others and enjoy a complimentary brunch. Please RSVP by July 15 to 650-428-3730 or cemeteryinfo@dsj.org

Marriage Help – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on September 23-25, 2016 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

WHAT IS STEPHEN MINISTRY?
Stephen Ministry is a way that members of St. Catherine’s Parish are trained and organized to help provide Christian caregiving to members of our community. This will increase the amount of pastoral care that St. Catherine’s can provide by giving us a team of skilled lay caregivers who are equipped to bring Christ healing love to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing other stresses in life.

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

SUMMER SPORTS CAMP
Join us this summer for some of the best fun filled weeks of camp! All camps will provide a great experience for all campers learning the fundamentals of sports, having fun, and making friends in a positive environment. Sign up Today! Visit our website for more information - www.stca.org.

- July 11-15: All-Sports Camp 2: Ages 6-13
  9am – 3:30pm
- July 18-22: Soccer Camp 2: Ages 6-10
  9am – 12pm
- July 18-22: Basketball Shooting Camp: Ages 6-10
  1pm – 4pm
  9am – 3:30pm
- Aug. 1-5: All Sports Camp 4: Ages 6-13
  9am – 3:30pm
ELECTRONIC UPDATES
If you have an email address and would like to hear all the great things that are happening at your parish, please contact us. We email parishioners whose addresses we have about events for the upcoming week. This way you won’t miss any of our exciting events. If you would like to receive the parish’s upcoming events electronically please email the parish office at office@stca.org with your name and the email address you wish to use.

COFFEE AND DONUTS
Coffee and donuts are on break from July 3rd through July 24. St. Vincent de Paul starts us up on July 31. Thank you again!

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

REVEALATION
—St. Augustine

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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
The first “presbyters” were advisers to the bishops rather than what we would call “priests,” yet by the year 1000 our present-day understanding of the ordained priesthood is clearly in place. The Germanic influence was strong in those days, reflected in a series of questions posed to the candidate about his intentions.
The priest’s role in the celebration of Mass had by then come to the fore, as the ritual notes that Mass vestments must be worn, the hands of the priest must be anointed with chrism, and a chalice with wine and water and a paten with a host must be given. Up to then, the ordination rite had stressed the presbyter as a collaborator with the bishop and a member of the order of presbyters. Then, in a not-so-subtle shift, the presbyter came to be seen as a “priest” designated to celebrate the Mass and, as the prayer suggests, to touch the chalice. By these days, remember, the cup had long vanished from Communion for the laity. A thousand years ago, today’s patterns were already in place. The priest no longer saw himself as a member of a council of elders, a presbytery, and in some dioceses he had little influence over the bishop. Instead, he was either a pastor, with relationship to the eucharistic community in the parish, or he was a priest monk, offering Mass for the salvation of the departed or the intentions of the living.
—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Benedict
Wednesday: St. Henry
Thursday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Friday: St. Bonaventure
Saturday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel; Blessed Virgin Mary
St. Catherine Catholic Community
The O’Donnell Center | St. Catherine of Alexandria
17400 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill 95037

Saturday, July 30, 2016
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

To schedule your appointment, please log on to redcrossblood.org, enter the Sponsor Code: InterfaithCommunity or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

If you have questions regarding your eligibility to donate blood, please call 1-866-236-3276 Identification is required.

CELEBRATE ST. CATHERINE’S
Save the dates: August 27 & 28
There is a party after all the weekend masses to showcase how our ministries and programs serve our community. Save the date to help us celebrate with food, games and more!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE HOLIDY BOUTIQUE
November 27, 2016
8:00-2:00pm
More information to come!

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
Our Faith Formation Middle School Ministry engages youth in 6th through 8th grades in a study of moral choices and values clarification. They also focus on the importance of putting our faith into practice by serving our community.

Thank you for your Offertory donation!

Parish Giving
June 26 & 26, 2016

Weekly Offertory Collection:
- Weekend Masses $17,736
- Electronic giving $693
- Total $18,419

Weekly Offertory Collection Need (Budget) $22,778.00
Average Offertory Collection after 50 weeks this fiscal year YTD $21,032.00
Average Offertory Collection (Month of June) $21,039.00

Year To Date Stewardship
July 1 - June 25, 2016

Year To Date Collections $1,162,551
Budget Year to Date $1,275,681
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

St. Catherine School News

DON’T FORGET MASS DURING THE SUMMER
Summer is a great time to experience Mass in different settings. Whether you are visiting one of California’s beautiful missions or attending Mass in an outdoor setting while camping, the experience of sharing liturgy with others you don’t know can be powerful. It is amazing to think of the number of people who show up for the outdoor Mass each Sunday at Big Sur and it provides a little boost that there are others striving to stay connected with God in the midst of our busy lives, even during vacations.

Going to Mass at parishes in resort areas, or even when visiting grandparents and cousins can be reminders that we are not alone, rather we are part of a larger community of believers. Vacations don’t mean you have to miss Mass. They are a great opportunity to join with others and enjoy the blessings of other parish communities and customs for Sunday worship.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
Office hours are 8:30-12:30 Monday through Thursday, July 5-21, from 8:30am - 12:30pm during our summer program. Regular hours resume on August 1. If you need to contact us outside of office hours, you can also email or leave a voicemail message.

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR 2016-2017
Application packets are available in the school office or on our website for the 2016-2017 school year. Most classes are currently full for next year; however we still have spots in first and seventh grades. Contact the school office if you are interested.

The California Schools in the Diocese of San Jose, mindful of their mission to the love of Christ for all, admit students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the schools. The Catholic Schools in the Diocese of San Jose do not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.

New Jr. High lockers are being installed. Jr. high students are delighted!

KEEPING PRIMARY GRADE STUDENTS SHARP IN MATH
Key to success in math in the lower grades is memorizing basic facts so the student can really focus on learning new concepts, not worrying about adding or multiplying correctly. Parents can help in a variety of ways by taking a few minutes a day to review the math facts your child has already learned. Here are a few suggestions:

* Use flash cards to review daily. It only takes a few minutes and can even be done in the car on the way to camp, school or sports practice.

* For younger children make the review a game: have the child roll two dice and add or multiply them together. How many can they do in 60 seconds? As their skills grow increase the number of dice and do the same thing (2+5+4 or 2x5x4).

* Buy some sheets of math fact problems at the educational store and have races with your child as to who can complete a section the fastest with the most correct. Start with a small number of facts and increase it as your child becomes more confident and proficient.

And don’t forget to get your children involved in applying math. Little ones can count how many apples are in the fridge or you talk through how you figure out what you need for a project (*We need six bolts and six nuts. We have 4 bolts and 3 nuts. How many do we need to buy*?). Keeping children active through cooking, board games or card games really pays off. Three to five minutes of math review a day maintains skills and builds confidence and interest in math. Have fun!