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

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.)

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From the Desk of Deepu Kochuparambil, Youth Director……..

When was the last time you made a change in your life for God? I think more often than not, we are in denial about what God is calling us to do, or who God is calling us to be. Every single time we come to Mass, we should not only want to change, but we should be changed. Why? Because we are listening to the Word of God. And God always (yes, always), speaks with a purpose. Chances are, if you ever think, "Is this reading about me?" the answer is yes. They aren't just nice stories to listen to. They are meant to challenge us every single day. But how often do we change? Not as much as we should, probably because we're in denial about having things in our life that need change.

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Desde el escritorio de Deepu Kochuparambil, Director Juvenil….

¿Cuándo fue la última vez que hizo un cambio en su vida para Dios? Creo que la mayoría del tiempo es no, estamos en negación acerca de lo que Dios nos está llamando hacer, o que Dios nos está llamando a ser. Cada vez que venimos a la misa, no sólo debemos querer cambiar, pero debemos ser cambiados. ¿Por qué? Debido a que estamos escuchando la Palabra de Dios. Y Dios siempre (sí, siempre), habla con un propósito. Es probable que, si alguna vez piensa, "¿Esta lectura se trata de mí?" la respuesta es sí. No son sólo bonitas historias para escuchar. Se significan un desafío para nosotros diariamente. Pero ¿con qué frecuencia se cambia?

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Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría
Monday - Friday (Lunes - Viernes)
8:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00 - 7:00pm
Saturday (Sábado)
Closed/Cerrado
Sunday (Domingo)
8:30am - 12:00pm

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The Week Ahead / La Semana Próxima

Sunday/Domingo, October 9
7:00-1:00pm CR1-4 & Kit Hospitality
8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings nursery
9:00-10:15am DC CLOW
9:00-10:15am MC,Rm8,10,11 FF Session
1:00-4:00pm CR1-4 & Kit Hospitalidad
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Choir - Kellett
4:15-5:30pm CR1 Faith Sharing Group
5:00-7:00pm Rm.8 Spanish Bible Study
7:00-9:00pm MC Life Night
7:00-10:00pm Kit Anniversary Jóvenes Para Cristo
7:00-9:00pm Gym Over 40’s Men’s Open Gym
7:30-9:00pm Rm.8 La Rondalla Practice

Monday/Lunes, October 10
6:00-7:00pm CR3 & Kit Community supper
6:00-8:30pm CH Bell Choir/Angelical Choir
6:30-8:00pm NUR Women’s Stitching Group
7:00-9:00pm LR Finance Committee – meeting
7:15-8:30pm CR 1 St. Vincent De Paul Board - meeting
7:00-8:30pm Rm. 10 Jóvenes Para Cristo reunion
7:30-9:30pm MC Pre-baptismal Class
8:00-9:00pm Rm.8 Jóvenes Para Cristo Choir

Tuesday/Martes, October 11
6:30-9:00pm CH Español Clase pre-bautismal
6:30-8:30pm CR3-4 & Kit KoC Board - meeting
7:00-8:30pm LR Sweepstakes Committee
7:30-9:00pm GYM Danza Liturgica Practice

Wednesday/Miércoles, October 12
9:00-10:30am CR 1 Women’s Group
12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose’s choir
3:00-5:00pm DC Fisherman 10 FF Session
5:00-6:00pm CH Children’s choir
5:30-6:30pm MC FF MSM Session
6:30-7:00pm DC Edge
6:30-7:00pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind meeting
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
7:00-9:00pm Rm10&11 Encuentro Matrimonial
7:30-9:30pm MC Catechist Training
7:30-9:30pm CH Alpha Omega
8:00-9:00pm NUR Fil/Am Committee meeting

Thursday/Jueves, October 13
5:30-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir
6:00-8:00pm MC Cub Scout Den - meeting
7:00-9:00pm Rm. 10 RICA
7:00-8:30pm LR Formación Nuevos Ministerios
7:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum rehearsal
7:30-9:30pm Gym Danza Liturgica Practice

Friday/Viernes, October 14
9:30-10:30am CR1-2 Bible Study
7:00-10:00pm CR1-4, Rm 8 JH Dance
7:00-9:00pm MC Grupo Amigos
7:00-9:00pm Rm 8.10.11 Jóvenes Para Cristo reunion

Saturday/Sábado, October 15
9:00-10:15am CR1-4 FF Sessions
9:00-10:00am LR Men’s Spirituality group
8:15am Mass Intentions
† Guadalupe Villalobos
† Sergio Madrigal
† Sergio Madrigal
† Ramona Muñoz
† Leonard De Palma
† Sergio Madrigal
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† Ramon Muñoz
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1;
Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48;
Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;
Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8; 2 Tm 3:14 — 4:2; Lk 18:1-8

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
First Reading — As long as Moses’ hands were kept uplifted, Joshua and his men had the better part of the battle with Amalek (Exodus 17:8-13).

Psalm — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).

Second Reading — Remain faithful; proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or not (2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2).

Gospel — God will secure the rights of the chosen who call out day and night (Luke 18:1-8).

TWENTY - EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Today we hear about the cure of leprosy … of Naaman (a non-Jew) and the ten in the Gospel named only as lepers. On one hand we know that God’s power knows no limits, but on the other we ask how they were “chosen” to be cured. How do I become one of the favored? This common attitude relies heavily on our presence in our physical selves. As much as it sounds “too good to be true” healing is the result of the power of faith, of believing that God, the indwelling presence, will enable us to be healed. These events are called miracles that the Church requires of those declared Saints. The power of faith is not something we choose simply to get what we want. Most often it is the opening of oneself to the action of God (perhaps through the intercession of an exemplar of faith, i.e. a Saint) whatever the outcome may be. That willingness to accept whatever may come is the hardest part. We live as people who reap the fruits of our own labor; there is a direct connection between our actions and the result we desire. The same desire is present when we ask for healing but the outcome is not a result of our actions or of deserving a cure. It is the connection to God which enables the blessed peace of awaiting whatever outcome results. There is no predicting how or even if cures will result from our desires. But when our faith leads us to the peace which is possible when we truly put our needs in God’s hands we are always “cured.” Maybe not in the physical way we ask for but certainly in the sense of being cradles in the love of the God from whom we came and to whom we will return. When we pray for healing rather than a specific cure we become aware that being healed is more life-giving than a cure. Certainly the one leper of the ten who returns to give thanks realized that. So can we.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK
Colder weather is around the corner. Consider setting the thermostat one degree cooler than last year. Incremental change may not seem like much but imagine the energy saved if everyone gave up one degree of furnace warmth. We might even get to use our sweaters too :-).

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 DEEPU…..
Or, just as badly, we think since we’re not as bad as others, we’re good enough. We like to think that we’re good the way we are. Even though many of us are insecure, we focus on what the world thinks is important, instead of what God does. Now, some people might think I’m being too negative. I’m just trying to be honest. More often than not we lie to ourselves and we lie to God. None of us are good just the way we are (sorry Bruno Mars). God created us perfectly, but to think that we are perfect is dangerous. Thinking that we don’t need to change leads us to - you guessed it - not changing. And we are all called to change into the person that God created us to be. Recognizing our imperfections is the first step in this. Asking for forgiveness is the second step. And trying to become better, day after day, is the third. But we can't change on our own. We need God's help. So ask God for help. Help to recognize where we need to change. Help to be forgiven. Help to change. And then, as is talked about in today’s Gospel, we give thanks to God for helping us. After all that, we can be done (just kidding - we start it all over again with another area in our lives). And although we'll never become sinless (except for the few moments after being absolved of our sins in Reconciliation before we sin again), we can all sin less.
TWENTY - EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY

Liturgy isn’t the work of just a few people. Everyone who celebrates the liturgy has a role to play. And the work we do together can change the world.

Have you found your role? Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteer Liturgy Environment Coordinator is needed. Check the website for general details. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees for more information at dinderhees@dsj.org.

Saints Chapel - clean area and put new candles out

Greeters—welcoming parishioners before each mass

Sacristans - needed for all Masses especially at the 5:30 Saturday and 5:30pm Sunday masses.

Hospitality/Greeter Ministry coordinator

Do you have a few minutes before mass? You are welcome to greet your fellow parishioners as they arrive in the vestibule. St. Catherine would like to have a formal Hospitality / Greeter ministry. If you are interested in volunteering to organize this ministry, please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org.

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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.

STEPHEN MINISTERS CARE

When was the last time someone really listened to you?
We’re talking about that undistracted, full-attention kind of listening. That’s one of the ways Stephen Ministers care for others.

We need more Stephen Ministers to care for those who are making that long journey through the valley of the life crisis. Will you consider serving in this way? For more information, please contact Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413.
LENGUAJES DE HOY

Primera lectura — Naamán, purificado de su lepra, regresó a Eliseo y prometió obedecer al Señor (2 Reyes 5:14-17).

Salmo — El Señor nos ha mostrado su amor y su lealtad (Salmo 98 [97]).

Segunda lectura — Acuérdate de Cristo Jesús que fue resucitado de entre los muertos. Si perseveramos con él, también reinaremos con él (2 Timoteo 2:8-13).

Evangelio — Después que diez leprosos se encontraron curados por Jesús, solamente uno, un samaritano, regresa para darle gracias (Lucas 17:11-19).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:  Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Sal 113 (112):1b-5a, 6-7; Lc 11:29-32
Martes:  Gal 5:1-6; Sal 119 (118):41, 43-45, 47-48; Lc 11:37-41
Miércoles:  Gal 5:18-25; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 11:42-46
Jueves:  Ef 1:1-10; Sal 98 (97):1-6; Lc 11:47-54
Viernes:  Ef 1:11-14; Sal 33 (32):1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lc 12:1-7
Sábado:  Ef 1:15-23; Sal 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lc 12:8-12
Domingo:  Ex 17:8-13; Sal 121 (120):1-8; 2 Tim 3:14 — 4:2; Lc 18:1-8

¡BIENVENIDO!

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

Nombre: _____________________________
Dirección:____________________________
Ciudad:____________ Código postal:______
Número teléfono:______________________
Email:________________________________

ARROJAR LUZ

Hay dos maneras de difundir la luz: ser la vela o el espejo que la refleja.

—Edith Wharton

SOLIDARIDAD

Debemos permanecer juntos; si no lo hacemos, ninguno no habrá victoria para ninguno de nosotros.

—Mary Harris Jones
A LOS MINISTROS DE STEPHEN LES IMPORTA

¿Cuándo fue la última vez en que alguien realmente la haya escuchado a usted? Estamos hablando del tipo de atención en cuál no haya ninguna distracción y con mucha atención. Esa es una de las maneras en cuáles los Ministros de Stephen cuidan de los demás.

Necesitamos más Ministros de Stephen para cuidar a los que están haciendo el largo viaje a través del valle de la crisis de la vida. ¿Han considerado en sirve de esta manera? Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Claranne Schirle al 408-782-1413.

DAR CUENTAS

No es sólo lo que hacemos, sino lo que no hacemos, aquéllo por lo cual hemos de dar cuentas.

—Moliere

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Mientras muchos celebran el descubrimiento de América esta semana, los latinos celebramos más bien el Día de la Raza, insistiendo que Colón no pudo descubrir lo que no estaba ni perdido ni escondido. El 12 de octubre de 1492, Rodrigo de Triana grito: “Tierra a la vista”. Estas fueron las primeras palabras Europeas que sonaron en el hemisferio occidental. Rodrigo gritaba a los españoles agitados y cansados por su largo viaje. Él les daba la buena noticia de que estaban por llegar a Guanahaní, que Cristóbal Colón renombró San Salvador.

Es así como se engendró un nuevo pueblo en América. Una raza mestiza se engendró en la búsqueda de Asia y luego fue dada a luz con el derrame de sangre indígena a manos del conquistador. A través del tiempo el continente americano poblado por nativos, ha recibido sangre, cultura e idioma europea, africana y asiática. De esta manera se ha ido desarrollando nuestro mestizaje. Celebremos que somos una mezcla de sangres, culturas, lenguas y creencias. Somos raza mestiza, nacida en el dolor; trabajamos y luchamos por una vida mejor.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GRATITUD

Seguramente podemos recordar al menos unos cuantos días en nuestras vidas cuando las cosas iban tan bien que nada podíamos por mal humor. Tal vez fue el día en que una persona muy especial nos invitó a su fiesta de graduación o el día de nuestra boda. Quizás fue el día en que nos enteramos de que tendríamos un hijo largamente esperado o el día en que recibimos una promoción tardía. Hubo alegría en nuestro corazón, ligereza en nuestros pasos y gran vitalidad en el curso del día. Probablemente nos fuimos al teléfono para llamar a unas cuantas personas importantes y contarles acerca de nuestra buena fortuna.

Seguramente que así se sintieron Naamán y el leproso cuando fueron curados de su terrible enfermedad. No podían contener su gratitud, y aunque ambos desconocían las costumbres de un país extranjero conocían los buenos modelos de dar las gracias a las personas responsables de sus curaciones.

FACEBOOK

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

DONACIONES CONMEMORATIVAS EN LUGAR DE FLORES

Una donación en memoria de un ser querido es una manera significativa para expresar simpatía por la familia del fallecido y en honor a la persona que ha fallecido. También es una oportunidad para que la familia y amigos apoyen a la parroquia de la persona amada; reconociendo la presencia de la Iglesia y ayudar a la Iglesia en la realización de programas espirituales y obras de caridad. Cuando se decide hacer un regalo conmemorativo en honor a un ser querido, la parroquia notifica a la familia y un recibo de impuestos se emite por su generoso regalo. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Ana Quiñones, en ahernandez@dsj.org con cualquier pregunta.
CENAS COMUNITARIAS

Usted y su familia son cordialmente invitados a la Iglesia de Santa Catalina todos los lunes de 6:00pm - 7:00pm para recibir una cena caliente y totalmente gratuita. La cena se lleva acabo en el centro parroquial. ¡Los esperamos!

- Los martes la Iglesia Luterana sirve la cena de 5:00pm-6:00pm
- Los miércoles en la Iglesia Metodista Unida de 6:00pm-7:00pm
- Los jueves en la Iglesia Comunidad Cristiana de 6:00pm-7:00pm.

¡Necesitamos más ayuda!

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

Oportunidad de Empleo

Personal de Limpieza de Tiempo parcial
Horas: Domingo de 7:00 am a 4:00 pm
Deberes: Limpieza y otras tareas según sea necesario.
Requisitos: El solicitante preferido deberá hablar, leer y escribir Inglés y hablar español.
Las solicitudes están disponibles en la oficina Parroquial.

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

¿Le gustaría recibir notificaciones de emergencia del departamento de policía de la ciudad de Morgan Hill? Inscríbase para que las reciba en www.alertssc.com

MINISTERIO DE ENFERMOS

Si usted tiene un familiar enfermo que no puede asistir a misa, favor de llamar a la rectoría al 408-779-3959 para dar sus datos para que miembros de este ministerio pasen a visitarlos a sus casas y les lleven la comunión.

La Tiendita Comunitaria de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul — Es una tiendita comunitaria para las personas quienes necesitan ropa para hombres y mujeres GRATIS. Al igual hay ropa de niños, bebes, y algunos artículos para el hogar y muebles. El domicilio de la tiendita es 13570 Depot St. San Martin, CA 95046.

¡Ya esta abierta por más días!
- Martes(10AM - 12PM)
- Jueves(10AM -12PM)
- Cada primer Sábado del mes(10AM -12PM)

¿Interesado en Ayudar?
Si usted está interesado en ayudar regularmente o ocasionalmente en un "primer sábado", contacte a Carol Lillig al 408-857-4516. Los adolescentes y las familias son bienvenidas.

Las próximas fechas son: Sábado, 5 de Noviembre y el Sábado 3 de Diciembre.
We will once again come together as a community and celebrate as one family the loss of our loved ones. We will all gather to remember and honor the lives of all our special people. We will have a reception immediately following the "Celebration of Life" Memorial Mass in the Parish Center. A special commemorative photo gallery will be displayed during the liturgy and reception, please bring into the parish office or send via email at aquinones@dsj.org a photo of your loved one. Please mark the name of your loved one on the photo. The deadline for the photo is Friday, October 21st. Also please RSVP for the luncheon via ivolunteer on our website.

In Memoriam
Donations In Lieu of Flowers

A donation in memory of a loved one is a meaningful way to express sympathy to the bereaved family and to honor the one who passed. It is also an opportunity for family and friends to support the parish of the loved one in recognition of the Church’s presence in their lives from baptism to death. This special gift will assist the church to carry on its spiritual programs and charitable works. When you choose to make a Memorial gift to honor your loved, we will notify the family, and a tax receipt will be issued for your generous gift.

Please contact the Anna Quinones: aquinones@dsj.org with any questions.

Stewardship

“God Showers his Mercy on us”

Parishioners who make their offertory gifts either by check, online payment or stewardship envelope will receive a personal letter from the parish. We ask you to prayerfully consider what is being sent to you and if you have any questions, please contact me directly.

God Bless

Anna Quinones
Office of Development & Evangelization
aquinones@dsj.org or 408.779.3959

Stewardship Reflection

“Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?”

LUKE 17:18

Most of us live “easy” lives. We have food, shelter and clothing. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn’t this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you.
Two weeks ago we had an excellent retreat with Holy Spirit parish and the St. Nick/St. Williams parishes. We had over 60 teens and leaders pray, laugh, sing, cry, and play at Camp MayMac. We were able to spend some time talking about hope. When someone says hope, they most often are referring to wishful thinking—or something that is uncertain. . . I hope I do well on this test. . . I hope Eleven comes back in Season 2 of Stranger Things . . . I hope CreAsian is open right now...why aren’t they open?! IT’S SUNDAY AFTERNOON! WHAT KIND OF RESTAURANT ISN’T OPEN ON A SUNDAY?! Sorry.

Anyways, that’s one type of hope. But the hope that we focused on was a hope that means the exact opposite. This hope means certainty. And more than that, it means absolute certainty. And that hope can only be found in God. The hope we find in the eternal life. I have hope in Christ. I have hope in His salvation, so that regardless of what happens in my life—how I do on my test, if Eleven is in Season 2, or whether CreAsian is open or not—I know, with absolute certainty, that all is not lost. That God is with me. This is the type of hope we are called to have. And we pray that these teens, leaders, as well as all of God’s children (a.k.a. everyone) can find this hope. Can hold onto this hope. Because this hope is what will get us through the dark times, as in when CreAsian is closed.

*in no way am I, Youth Ministry, or St. Catherine’s affiliated with CreAsian. But if they ever want to give us discounts/free food, we will humbly accept it. And I sure hope they do.

**And yes it would’ve made way more sense to use Jimmy P’s for this, but they’re open seven days a week all throughout the day. But you should still go this Tuesday. Those drinks include beer and wine. :D
Since October 7 is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, October is traditionally considered the Month of the Rosary. This is a wonderful time of the year to reacquaint you and your family with this beautiful way to pray. While there is no “official” way to pray the Rosary, the basics are the following: Sign of the Cross, Apostles’ Creed (not all the time, however), Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be, and then 5 decades beginning with announcing the Mystery, an Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and a Glory Be. Amen.

The most important thing about the Rosary is the meditation on the Mysteries, for that is precisely how we pray “to Jesus, through Mary.” Here are some suggestions:

1. Begin a family rosary this month. In the family rosary, family members pray the Rosary out loud together. Each member takes turns leading the rosary prayers.

2. Use pictures of the mysteries or download an app to help you keep track of the prayers and to add a visual/audio component. (Great especially for younger kids!)

3. Walk and pray in the Rosary Garden in front of the middle school building at St. Catherine School.

Do you have a child/youth between 7 - 17 who has not yet been baptized or who has not received First Holy Communion?

Please call the Faith Formation office at (408) 779-9604 about Sacramental Preparation through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC) process. We would love to talk with you!

Ms. Olga’s 2nd/3rd grade class leaves the church on the first day of Spanish Faith Formation.

Ms. Linda and Ms. Kim’s 2nd grade class make cards sharing about God’s love that they can give to someone special.
TWENTY - EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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MEMORIAL DONATIONS IN LIEU OF FLOWERS
A donation in memory of a loved one is a meaningful way to express sympathy for the bereaved family and to honor the one who has passed. It is also an opportunity for family and friends to support the parish of the loved one; recognizing the Church’s presence and assisting the Church in carrying on spiritual programs and charitable works. When you choose to make a memorial gift to honor a loved one, the parish notifies the family and a tax receipt is issued for your generous gift. Please contact Anna Quiñones, at ahernandez@dsj.org with any questions.

ST. CATHERINE’S HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
November 27, 2016
8:00-2:30pm
Vendor applications are available at the Parish Office and on our website at www.stca.org.

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Join us for the Over 50’s ladies for their monthly luncheons at noon in the O’Donnell Parish Center. Bring a dish to share and canned goods for Reach Out. See the schedule listed below -

- October 17th
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- December 19th
- January 23rd
- February 27th
- March 20th
- April 24th
- May 15th

SVdP Community Closet – NOW OPEN first Saturday of every month!
In order to better serve our brothers and sisters in need, our free St. Catherine SVdP Community Closet in San Martin (13570 Depot St.) has begun additional “open to the public” hours (10am - noon) on the first Saturday of each month.
We will continue to be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am-noon.
If you work or have school during the week, and have been looking for a way to be a part of St. Vincent de Paul, this is your chance!
We could use a few volunteers on these Saturdays (especially if you speak some Spanish!) to assist our shoppers, and help sort/fold clothes when there’s “down” time.
If you are interested in helping regularly or occasionally on a “first Saturday”, contact Carol Lillig 408-857-4516. Teens and families are welcome. The upcoming dates are: Saturday, October 1st, Saturday, November 5th, and Saturday December 3rd.

GHANA PROJECT UPDATE
A meeting has been planned for October 6th, a Thursday, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center, conference room 1, to formulate our fund-raising plans for this coming year. If you are interested in participating with your ideas, organizational skills, time, energy and/or enthusiasm, please come and help us organize to make this the most productive, yet easiest, year ever. This is an opportunity for all of us to change lives in Awaso, Ghana, a very poor, under-developed part of the world. Please come.

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JOBS OPPORTUNITY
Part Time Custodian
Hours: Sunday 7:00am to 4:00pm
Duties: Janitorial and other tasks as needed.
Requirements: Preferred applicant should speak, read and write English and speak Spanish.
Applications are available at the Parish office.
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

GRATITUDE
Surely we can all recall at least a few days in our lives when things were going so well that nothing could put us in a bad mood. Maybe it was the day a very special person asked us to the senior prom, or perhaps it was our wedding day. Maybe it was the day we learned that we were expecting a long-awaited child, or the day we got an overdue promotion. There was elation in our hearts and lightness in our step, an extraordinary vitality throughout the day. We probably got on the phone right away to tell at least a few key people about our good fortune.

This is surely how Naaman and the leper must have felt when they were rid of their terrible diseases. They were hard-pressed to contain their gratitude, and although they were both unfamiliar with the customs of a foreign land, they had the good manners to thank the people responsible for their cures.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Canadian Thanksgiving Day; Columbus Day
Tuesday: St. John XXIII; Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement) begins at sunset
Friday: St. Callistus I
Saturday: St. Teresa of Jesus

ACCOUNTABLE
It is not only what we do, but also what we do not do, for which we are held accountable.
—Molière

SOLIDARITY
We must stand together; if we don’t there will be no victory for any one of us.
—Mary Harris Jones

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.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
This month, parishes around the country will conduct the “October count,” a measure of attendance at Sunday Mass. The measure has been taken for many centuries, and in some European dioceses it is possible to measure the level of engagement in worship by the population over the course of many centuries. Long ago, it was also the custom to track “Easter duty” by a statistical report. Penitents would receive a kind of chit at confession, which they would then turn in at their parish church when they received Holy Communion during Easter time.

Long ago, of course, Communion was fairly rare in the life of a Catholic Christian, perhaps only once a year. The chits would be tallied by parish priests and reported to the chancery, which in turn would hold on to the records and include the statistics in a report to the Vatican every five years. Nowadays, the October count has proved especially critical in the life of our Church as bishops use the figures to measure the vitality of church life, to sketch parish boundaries, and even to decide when to close, merge, or form new parishes.

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

CASTING LIGHT
There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.
—Edith Wharton

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
If we have died with [Christ Jesus] we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him.
— 2 Timothy 2:11-12a

MONDAY NIGHT
COMMUNITY SUPPER HELP
The Community Supper ministry at St. Catherine’s held every Monday night could use a few more volunteers. You would be part of a rotating team that serves the dinner every seventh week. Contact Joe Lillig to sign up at: 408-781-3847.
TWENTY - EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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 6:00-8:00pm. All are welcome. Contact Diane at 408-839-3553 for questions or if you would like to learn to knit or crochet.

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

COAT AND BLANKET DONATIONS NEEDED!
Beginning October 7th, please bring new and gently used coats, jackets and blankets for the Coat/Blanket Drive! Donation bins will be located in the church vestibule and St. Catherine School lobby. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

“YEAR OF MERCY”, PEOPLE OF LIFE, “DEFEND THE DEFENSELESS”
Keynote speaker, His Excellency, Salvatore Cordileone, Archbishop San Francisco Archdioceses Master of Ceremony is Terry Barber, Co-host of the Terry and Jessie show on Immaculate Heart Radio and EWTN Ticket & Gala Information Contact: Yvonne @ (510) 387-6127 or go to www.ghswomenscenter.com under the events, new and tickets menu button.

WOMEN’S FAITH SHARING
The Woman’s Faith Sharing Group will be starting a new book. The name of the book is 33 Days to Merciful Love by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC. We will begin on October 12th. We meet Wednesday mornings in the Parish Center at 9:00 am. If you would like to join us or have any questions please contact Ann Poirier at annpoirier@gmail.com or you can call 408 221-8142.

St. Catherine Presents:
Movie Night
Entertaining Angels:
The Dorothy Day Story.
Friday, October 14th at 7pm
Outdoors on the lawn between the church and Milani Center.
FREE popcorn and Hot Chocolate!
Bring lawn chairs and blankets

GUALDALUPE HOPE SOCIETY
The Guadalupe Hope Society, a non-profit Catholic Medical Pregnancy Clinic in San Jose, invites you to its Fall Fundraiser, Saturday, October 22nd at the Santa Clara Marriott. This year’s keynote speaker is His Excellency Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone and Master of Ceremony is Terry Barber, so-host of the Terry and Jessie show on Immaculate Heart Radio. Visit www.GHSwomenscenter.com to find out more about their mission and details about the Gala.

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.

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.
Fr. Randy took the first grade class on a tour of the church. Above, Fr. Randy shows the students the sacristy, as well as how he vests for mass. The students were excited to see parts of the church they had never seen before. Thank you, Fr. Randy!

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Pray for our leaders every day.

CLASS RETREATS
Students in grades 4-8 each attend a mini-retreat during the first trimester of the school year. These retreats are held on campus in either O’Donnell or Milani Center. They are designed to promote positive respect and teamwork within the class. Through a variety of activities, students are reminded that we are each children of God and as such deserve to be treated and to treat others with respect at all times. Anti-bullying strategies and policies are also reviewed for each class.

The retreats are coordinated by the classroom teacher and our Campus Minister, Lisa Kellett, along with support from our parish Youth Minister, Deepu Kochuparambil.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2017-2018
Applications for the 2017-2018 school year are now available in the school office or on the school website. Please note the application deadline for kindergarten is December 15, while applications for grades 1-8 are due March 1.

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.