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.

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME / TRIGÉSIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

**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 Maria Dominguez, Office Manager……..

Humbleness…..The dictionary defines it as not proud or arrogant; modest. How many of us can call ourselves humble? The gospel this weekend tells us “for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

In today’s world, where the richer are getting richer and the poorer are getting poorer, it is a great opportunity for each one of us to sit back and reflect if we ourselves are humble. If God has blessed us, are we helping those less fortunate than we are? We are blessed to be part of a wonderful parish community like St. Catherine’s that strives to serve those in need in our community.

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Desde el escritorio de María Dominguez, Gerente de Oficina…. 

Humildad….El diccionario lo define como - no ser orgulloso ni arrogante; modesto. ¿Cuántos de nosotros nos podemos llamar humildes? El Evangelio de este fin de semana nos dice "cualquiera que se engrandece será humillado, y el que se humille será exaltado."

En el mundo de hoy, donde los ricos se hacen más ricos y los pobres se hacen más pobres, es una buena oportunidad para cada uno de nosotros para reflexionar si nosotros mismos somos humildes. ¿Si Dios nos ha bendecido, estamos ayudando a los menos afortunados que nosotros? Tenemos la suerte de ser parte de una comunidad parroquial maravillosa como Santa Catalina, que se esfuerza en servir a los necesitados en nuestra comunidad.

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THE WEEK AHEAD/ LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

**Sunday/Domingo, October 23**
- 7:00-1:00pm CR1-4 & RR Hospitality
- 8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings nursery
- 9:00-10:15am DC CLOW
- 9:00-10:15am Gym FF Adult Speaker
- 9:00-10:15am MC Rm8, 10, 11 FF Session
- 1:00-4:00pm CR1-4 & RR Hospitality
- 3:00-5:00pm Gym Cat Min. Sac Prep Parent
- 3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Choir - Kellett
- 4:15-5:30pm CR1 Faith Sharing Group
- 5:00-7:00pm Rm8 Spanish Bible Study
- 7:00-9:00pm MC Life Night
- 7:00-9:00pm Gym Over 40 Men's Open Gym
- 7:30-9:00pm Rm8 La Rondalla Practice

**Monday/Lunes, October 24**
- **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED – COLUMBUS DAY**
- 6:00-7:00pm CR34 & Kit Community supper
- 7:30-9:30pm MC Pre-Baptismal Class

**Tuesday/Martes, October 25**
- 6:30-9:00pm MC FFF Spanish Catechist - meeting
- 6:30-8:30pm CR3-4 & Kit KoC Board - meeting
- 7:00-9:00pm CH Existing Sacristan Renewal
- 7:00-8:30pm LR Sweepstakes Committee
- 7:30-9:00pm GYM Danza Liturgica Practice

**Wednesday/Miércoles, October 26**
- 9:00-10:30am CR Women’s Group
- 12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose’s choir
- 3:00-5:00pm CH Children’s choir
- 6:30-8:00pm DC Edge
- 6:30-7:50pm Rm8 Jesus to Mankind meeting
- 6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
- 7:00-9:00pm MC Sac Prep Parent Session
- 7:30-9:30pm CH Alpha Omega
- 8:00-9:00pm NUR Fil/Am Committee meeting

**Thursday/Jueves, October 27**
- 5:30-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir
- 6:30-7:30pm MC Cub Scout Den - meeting
- 7:00-9:00pm Rm10 RICA
- 7:00-8:30pm LR Formacion Nuevos Ministros
- 7:00-9:00pm NUR Schola Cantorum rehearsal
- 7:30-9:00pm Gym Danza Liturgica Practice

**Friday/Viernes, October 28**
- 9:30-10:30am CRT2 Bible Study
- 7:00-9:00pm MC Group Amigos
- 7:00-9:00pm Rm8, 10, 11 Jovenes Para Cristo reunion
- 7:00-9:00pm CH Reunion de Ministros de la Comunion

**Saturday/Sábado, October 29**
- 9:00-10:15am CRT4-6AK Reunion de Monaguillos
- 9:00-10:00am LR Men’s Spirituality group
- 3:00-6:00pm CRT4-6AK Reunion de Monaguillos

8:15am Mass Intentions
- Monday, October 24 † John Grimsich
- Tuesday, October 25 † Sergio Madrigal
- Wednesday, October 26 † Sergio Madrigal
- Thursday, October 27 † Sergio Madrigal
- Friday, October 28 † Ramon Muñoz
- Saturday, October 29 † Sergio Madrigal

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

**Tuesday:** Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

**Thursday:** Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35

**Friday:** Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

**Saturday:** Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

**Sunday:** Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

**READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**First Reading** — LORD, you love all things that exist (Wisdom 11:22 — 12:2).

**Psalm** — I will praise your name forever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him (2 Thessalonians 1:11 — 2:2).

**Gospel** — Zacchaeus, a tax collector, considered to be a sinner, is converted to the Lord (Luke 19:1-10).
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Today’s readings resonate with memorable phrases that remind us of the Christian message. In the first reading we are reminded, “The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites.” It really takes God to be able to do that because we all have favorites. That’s fine in choosing companions but we cannot treat our un-favorites with any less compassion, mercy or spiritual love of neighbor. The Gospel story of the Pharisee and the tax collector reeks of irony. Those who occupy positions of importance must not see themselves as “better than” others while the social pariahs who earnestly admit their failings and ask for mercy are sure of assistance in overcoming their faults. In other words, both readings stress that God reads our hearts without regard to our worldly status. We can be easily caught up in the success of others. That leads to envy and self-recrimination, neither of which connect us to the God who made us and loves us as we are. A challenge of Christian life is to remain steadfast in our practice of humility. Jesus replies to the official who refers to him as “Good teacher” saying, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.” That sounds harsh because we indeed see Jesus as good. In his human nature Jesus never makes himself important, his humble assessment of himself demonstrates that God sees all as equal. Practicing (it does take practice) humility is food for the soul allowing us to find comfort in God’s universal love for all. Our worldly successes aren’t bad but they cannot conflict with our need to love one another. Paul states this call differently, he says, “I am already being poured out like a libation…” Our lives too flow like wine from a flask; what seems like loss (being poured out) is really gain. Our self-diminishment magnifies the presence of God in us to be shared freely.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Now that we’ve been in our drought relief mode and thankfully have received rain, have you adjusted the watering of landscaping as the city has asked? Remember it’s three days a week, nothing on Wednesdays, odd street addresses on Monday, Thursday and Saturday, even addresses on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday. Always before 9am and after 7pm.

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 MARIA.....

I challenge each one of you today, to do a humble act of kindness for a complete stranger. It might be paying it forward the next time you are at Starbucks getting your coffee or it might be as simple as holding the door at the grocery store for the person coming in after you.

As we prepare for the upcoming holidays, we ask you to prayerfully consider supporting one of our wonderful activities that serves our brothers and sisters that are in need…..

-Thanksgiving Charity Dinner (Wednesday, November 23, 2016)

-Giving Tree (Trees with stars will go up the weekend of November 19th & 20th)

-Life Teen’s Thanksgiving Baskets (If you’d like to help with the Thanksgiving Food Drive, you can either bring fresh foods to the Milani Center on Sunday, Nov. 20th, between 7am-2pm, or you can come anytime between 12-4pm to help sort and/or deliver the baskets directly to the families’ homes.)

-Reach Out
-St. Vincent de Paul
-Community Suppers
-St. Catherine’s Charity Account

Visit our website at www.stca.org for more information or contact the parish office at (408) 779-3959.
THIRTIETH 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.

Liturgy Volunteers needed

Volunteer Liturgy Environment Coordinator needed.
Check the website for general details.

Saints Chapel - clean chapel area and put out new candles. Looking for Thursday and Friday help before or after the 8:15am daily Mass.

Greeters - welcome parishioners before each Mass. Do you have a few minutes before Mass? You are welcome to greet fellow parishioners and guests to our parish as they arrive in the vestibule.

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

Altar Server Albs Maintenance Coordinator - Albs need to be washed once a month and taken to the dry cleaner twice a year.

Linen Care - Need a volunteer to wash and iron Mass linens when there’s a 5th Monday in a month.

Volunteer Hospitality/Greeter Ministry coordinator
St. Catherine would like to have a formal Hospitality / Greeter ministry.

Lead Usher for 5:30pm Sunday Mass - usher responsibilities and to engage our youth in ministry (youth help with the collection)

Liturgical Ministry and Contacts

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FEASTS OF ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY

The Catholic Church delegates a month-long commemoration of prayer for the deceased during the month of November. Traditionally the Church has firmly believed that we are forever united with those who have gone before us in death. Tuesday, November 1st is the celebration of the Feast of All Saints. It comes in the autumn at the end of the Church Year when we turn our thoughts to the harvest. Many churches in the United States celebrate All Saints’ Day to honor all the saints, particularly those who do not have their own special feast day. Participation in Mass on this day is part of our responsibility as Catholics. Our Masses in English are at 6:15am, 8:15am, 10:45am, 3:45pm and 6pm in English and 7:30pm in Spanish. If one of our Mass times does not fit your schedule please consider finding a Mass near your work.

Wednesday, November 2nd is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day). This day we remember the faithful departed who are awaiting entrance to glory but still needing our prayers. These feasts offer an opportunity to remember the holy ones who, according to ancient Christian belief, continue to inspire, challenge, and support those on earth. You may wish to participate in the 8:15am Mass in English or the 7:00pm Mass in Spanish on Wednesday.

Also, you may remember the departed by writing their names on the All Souls Offering Envelopes and/or on our Paper Leaves. Place the envelopes in the collection and the leaves on the trees at the side of the sanctuary before or after Mass on October 29th or 30th.

SACRISTAN RENEWAL

If you are a Sacristan, there is a renewal session this Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 7-9pm in the church.

If you have any questions, please contact Signe Montosa at 408-691-3237 or montosa@msn.com.
TRIGÉSIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El Señor es el Dios de justicia que escucha el grito de los oprimidos, el huérfano, la viuda, los humildes (Sirácide 35:12-14, 16-18).

Salmo — El Señor no está lejos de sus fieles (Salmo 34 [33]).

Segunda lectura — La corona de los santos me está esperando (2 Timoteo 4:6-8, 16-18).

Evangelio — El publicano se quedaba atrás, se golpeaba el pecho, diciendo, “Dios mío, ten piedad de mí que soy un pecador” (Lucas 18:9-14).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ef 4:32 — 5:8; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 13:10-17
Martes: Ef 5:21-33 o 5:2a, 25-33; Sal 128 (127):1-5; Lc 13:18-21
Miércoles: Ef 6:1-9; Sal 145 (144):10-14; Lc 13:22-30
Jueves: Ef 6:10-20; Sal 144 (143):1b, 2, 9-10; Lc 13:31-35
Viernes: Ef 2:19-22; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Lc 6:12-16
Sábado: Fil 1:18b-26; Sal 42 (41):2, 3, 5cdef; Lc 14:1, 7-11
Domingo: Sab 11:22 — 12:2; Sal 145 (144):1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Tes 1:11 — 2:2; Lc 19:1-10

¡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 estás registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y colóquelo en la canasta de la colecta o mandarlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

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

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE MARIA

CONTINUADO......

Reto a cada uno de ustedes hoy, en hacer un humilde acto de bondad para un completo desconocido. Podría ser el pagarle el café a otra persona la próxima vez que esté en línea para comprar sus café en Starbucks o talvez tan simple como sostenido la puerta para alguien en la tienda la cual va a entrar después de usted.

Mientras nos preparamos para las próximas festividades, les pedimos que consideren en oración apoyando a una de nuestras actividades maravillosas cuales sirven a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que están en necesidad:

- Cena de Caridad del Día de Acción Gracias (Miércoles, Noviembre 23, 2016)
- Arbol de Regalos
- Básquets del Día de Acción de Gracias
- Reach Out
- San Vicente de Paul
- Cenas Comunitarias
- Cuenta de Caridad de Santa Catalina

Visite nuestro sitio web en www.stca.org para más información o contacte la oficina parroquial al (408) 779-3959.

EL CIELO

Hay lugares y momentos en los que uno está completamente solo que uno ve a todo el mundo.

—Jules Renard

NUNCA ABANDONADA

Señor, yo no te pido nunca sufrir afligiciones, sino tan solo que nunca me abandones en mi aflicción.

—Sta. Bernardita Soubirous

SIEMPRE FIEL

Lo quieras o no, siempre te distanciarás de los seres humanos. Cristo es fiel y está siempre contigo.

—San Juan de Dios
SAN VICENTE DE PAUL

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

ST. CATHERINE'S BOUTIQUE FESTIVO

Noviembre 27, 2016
8:00-2:30pm
Las aplicaciones de proveedor están disponibles en la Oficina Parroquial y en nuestro sitio web en www.stca.org.

NO HACER COMPARACIONES

¿Cuántas veces hemos leído o escuchado acerca de alguien que se metió en problemas, incluso despedido de su empleo, por un roce con la ley? Mientras nuestras mentes "cristianas" nos dicen que nos apiademos de esa persona y que rogemos por ella, puede que una vocesita interior también esté diciendo: “Me alegro de que yo nunca haría algo así”.

Y tal vez no lo haríamos. Pero, ¿hay algunas cosas que hacemos que no agradan a Dios? Las lecturas de hoy nos advierten no mirar tan atentamente a las maldades de otros que pasamos por alto nuestras propias debilidades y defectos. Cuando nos comparamos con las personas a nuestro alrededor, salimos bastante bien. Sin embargo, hay un peligro en usar la conducta ajena como medida para reflejar nuestras propias virtudes.

ST. CATALINA DE ALEXANDRIA
ADORACION Y BENEDICTION DEL SAGRADO SACRAMENTO

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Totus Christus {el Cristo Entero}
Verdadero Cuerpo, Verdadera Sangre, Verdadera Alma y Verdadera Divinidad...la Verdadera Presencia.

La Fe Católica.

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NOVENA DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA
Para conmemorar el final del Extraordinario Año de Jubilo de Misericordia, vuestra comunidad empezara La Novena a la Divina Misericordia en el aniversario de 78 años de muerte de Sta. María Faustina Kowalska el 5 de Octubre, 2016 y terminara el 19 de Noviembre, 2016 el Sábado antes de finalizar el Año Litúrgico de Misericordia. Por favor acompañenos para orar "en expiación de nuestros pecados y los del mundo entero."

ORARIO DE LA NOVENA DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA
después del Santo Sacrificio de la Misa de las 9A.M.
• 10-26-16
• 11-02-16
• 11-09-16
• 11-16-16
• 11-18-16
• 11-19-16

¡Dios es Grande Todo el Tiempo, Todo el Tiempo Dios es Grande!

FIESTAS DE TODOS LOS SANTOS Y LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS
La Iglesia Católica tiene la conmemoración de un mes de oración por los difuntos durante el mes de noviembre.
• Martes, Noviembre 1º es la celebración de Todos Los Santos
  ⇒Nuestras Misas en Ingles son a las 6:15am, 8:15am, 10:45am, 3:45pm y 6:00pm
  ⇒Nuestra Misa en Español es a las 7:30pm
• Miércoles, Noviembre 2 es la Conmemoración de los Fieles Difuntos
  ⇒Nuestra Misa en Ingles es a las 8:15am
  ⇒Nuestra Misa en Español es a las 7:00pm
También, es posible recordar a los difuntos escribiendo sus nombres en los sobres de ofrenda de Los Fieles Difuntos y/o en nuestras hojas de papel. Coloque los sobres en la colección y las hojas en los árboles que se encuentran del lado del santuario antes o después de misa el 29 o 30 de Octubre.

VROOM, VROOM, VROOM...
¡El 34° Sorteo Anual de Santa Catalina esta sorteando un automóvil para ayudar a su comunidad!

¡Estamos dando inicio a toda marcha!
Recuerde, que su compra de un boleto para el Sorteo del Vehículo de $60 lo podría poner de tras del volante de un coche nuevo de su elección con un precio de etiqueta de hasta $40,000. Como una alternativa al premio del coche, el afortunado ganador puede optar para recibir $30,000 en efectivo.

¡El boleto para el sorteo de vacaciones es de $20! Usted nombre el lugar y su boleto ganador tendrá que financiar lo hasta $7,500 o alternativamente el ganador puede optar para recibir $5,000 en efectivo. ¡Este boleto tiene cinco grandes premios para ganar, incluyendo un nuevo Apple iPad, efectivo y unas vacaciones a Disneyland!

Siendo un Ministerio que apoya otros Ministerios el Sorteo Anual proporciona apoyo a nuestros programas parroquiales y escolares, como la preparación sacramental y la formación de fe, nuestros ministerios de cuidado litúrgico y pastoral; nuestros laboratorios de computación y programa de teatro. Pero en realidad los niños, adultos jóvenes y familias que conforman nuestra parroquia y comunidad de la Escuela son los beneficiarios reales.

El Sorteo Anual de Santa Catalina esta orgulloso de ser instrumental en poder proveer verdadero apoyo en mantener nuestra comunidad católica local y hacerla de una manera divertida que involucre positivamente a la comunidad que beneficia.

Visite nuestra mesa al salir de misa hoy.
Aceptamos Visa, Master Card y American Express (efectivo y cheque).
**Five Minutes for Stewardship**

Stewardship calls us to receive the gift of God’s mercy, give thanks and share that gift with others.

**RECEIVE THE GIFT**

Lord, prepare me to open my heart to receive Your gift of mercy.

**GIVE THANKS**

In spite of my fears, worries and suffering, help me to remain thankful for the gifts You have given me.

**SHARE THE GIFT**

Give me the courage to invite others back to the Church where You shower Your mercy upon us.

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**Stewardship Reflection**

“…for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

*Luke 18:14*

Pride and ego are the root cause of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable, your talent is better than anyone else and your money gives you status is another way of making those things “gods” before God. Remember all those gifts were God-given. Instead we should be humbled by God’s abundant generosity and our hearts should be filled with gratitude.
Better Than None

I don’t even know where to begin with this one. It’s been on my mind since last week when I wrote the cover bulletin. After submitting it, I started to doubt whether what I was saying was coming from the right place. Was I being too harsh? Was I being too judgmental? I wasn’t trying to be - I don’t know your story. I don’t know where you are in your faith journey. You most likely are more devout, and have a closer relationship with God than I do. I don’t sincerely think that I am better than anyone - at least, not when I really think about how often I pray, how often I forgive, and how often I love or show mercy. But in my day to day thoughts - I judge. My gut reaction is that almost everyone else isn’t as funny, logical, witty, or Catholic as I am. It’s something I struggle to fight, because I know they aren’t true. My articles aren’t meant to show how much better I am. They are (mostly) to challenge you with the same challenges I face. Some of the things I write about I am still very much struggling with. Some of them I have been able to overcome. And even then, I still falter and make mistakes. I am not writing this because I received a complaint about what I wrote, but because of something on my heart. And that something was confirmed in today’s Gospel message - “For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” I’m not saying this because now I can be exalted. I’m saying this because I don’t want to be like the Pharisee. Jesus has been calling me out all my life to be better. To be who God created me to be. And I have been failing over and over again. But, I’ve been making steps towards that person. Little steps. Slow steps. I get frustrated at my kids for not listening right when I tell them to do something. How frustrated must God be at me for not listening the first 147 times He tells me to do something? Why am I so stubborn and why do I believe that I know better than God? Because I know for a fact, when I really think about it, I know nothing (Jon Snow). But I constantly make decisions like I know everything. I write these articles to challenge you because we are in this together. We are a community, and as such we are called to support each other in our journey to get closer to Jesus Christ. I could very easily tell myself that I’m good where I’m at and I’m a good enough Christian. But that’s not true. There is always room for growth.

By the way, if you ever have comments, thoughts, or questions about anything I write, whether it’s positive or negative, please let me know. I’m trying to help you grow in your faith - but in no way does that mean that you can’t help me grow in mine.

SWANK FARMS!

We’re heading back down to Hollister for the Corn Maze at Swank Farms. Join us immediately after the 5:30pm Sunday Mass as we’ll be heading down there. Cost is $17 a person to get in. Permission slips are online and will be available after Mass.

COSTUME PARTY!

Next Sunday, Oct. 30th, we are hosting a costume party for Life Teen. Come in your costume and you might win a prize! There will also be other opportunities to win prizes from other games we’ll be playing this night. If you don’t have a costume you’re still more than welcome to join us.

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SACRED SPACE IN OUR HOMES

We’ve been talking a lot about prayer in our faith formation sessions, especially the importance of setting aside time and creating space for these quiet times in our homes.

Creating a Prayer Space reminds everyone in the family that prayer is an important part of everyday life. When you create a Prayer Space in your home, you are reminded of God’s presence at all times, while also making a connection between church and home.

Consider helping your child create a Prayer Space in his/her room or a favorite spot in the house - on a bookshelf, side table or even on one side of the dresser.

Begin by placing a cloth to designate the space. A piece of felt or a scarf in the color of the season is a good place to start. Next, add a candle (with an electric tea light), cross and a Bible. A statue of Mary, a rosary and prayer cards of favorite saints can also be included.

Use a special bowl or basket to put special prayer intentions. Your child (and other members of the family) can write the prayer request on a piece of paper and put it into the bowl or basket.

Transforming spaces into a space for prayer is easy - and that transformation will allow God to transform us.

Sources:  http://www.buildfaith.org/creating-a-prayer-space-at-home/; www.lifeteen.com

Faith Formation Conference 2016
San Jose, CA
December 2-3, 2016

Attend the Faith Formation Conference and celebrate in prayer, visit exhibits and come away spiritually renewed and inspired!

A variety of workshops are offered including:
- Faith, Food and Fitness: Seven Scripture to Keep Your Temple in Check
- Throughout All Time I Will Sing To You - A Musical and Reflective Journey Through the Psalms
- Tears In Heaven: Helping Youth Grieve

Check out http://www.faithformationconference.com/

COAT AND BLANKET DRIVE

Please bring new and gently used coats, jackets and blankets for the Coat/Blanket Drive! Donation bins are located in the church vestibule and St. Catherine School lobby.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FAITH SHARING QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: “Whose needs might you be failing to listen to right now?”

Child: “How often do you put off chores until you are forced to do them? Who is hurt by such a decision?”

ST. CATHERINE’S HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

November 27th
8:00-2:30pm

Vendor applications are available at the Parish Office and on our website at www.stca.org.

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.

JOB 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.

Have you ever thought about becoming a Lector at Mass? Do you have a passion to proclaim Scripture Readings?

Then you are invited to attend our training which is held in two parts:

Tuesday, November 15th  Theology of Scripture
7:00-8:00pm in the church

Tuesday, November 22nd Practicum session
7:00-8:00pm in the church

Both sessions are required

If you have questions or would like additional information contact:

Jim Yinger
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SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. CATHERINE’S GOLF CLASSIC

May 19th, 2017
Same Fun, Different Day!
Vroom, Vroom, Vroom…

St. Catherine’s 34th Annual Sweepstakes is giving away a car to support your community!

We have kicked into high gear!

Remember, your purchase of a $60 Vehicle Sweepstakes ticket may put you behind the wheel of a brand new car or truck of your choice with a sticker price up to $40,000. As an alternative to the car prize, the lucky winner can choose to receive $30,000 in cash.

The $20 Vacation Sweepstakes Ticket offers a Trip of a Lifetime! You name the place and your winning ticket will fund it up to $7,500 or alternatively the lucky winner can choose to receive $5,000 in Cash. This ticket has 5 great prizes to win, including a new Apple iPad Air, Cash and a trip to Disneyland!

You may wonder who benefits from our largest fundraiser of the year. In short, it’s your community. As the Ministry that supports other Ministries the Annual Sweepstakes provides support to our Parish and School programs such as sacramental preparation and faith formation, our liturgical and pastoral care ministries; our computer labs and drama program. But really the children, young adults and families that make up our Parish and School community are the real beneficiaries.

The St. Catherine Annual Sweepstakes is proud to be instrumental in providing real support to keep our local Catholic community running and doing it in a fun manner that positively engages the community it benefits.

Visit our table as you walk out of mass today.

We accept Visa, Master Card and American Express (plus cash and checks).

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 the month. We continue to be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am-noon.

If you work or attend 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 can 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 coming dates are: Saturday, October 1st, Saturday, November 5th, and Saturday, December 3rd.

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.

GHANA MISSION

Advent Lutheran Church is sponsoring a supply drive for the students of Awaso Academy International. Please join us in collecting items to support the students and parents in Awaso, Ghana. Drop off the items at MH engineering, 16075 Vineyard Blvd., Morgan Hill.

Donations Needed-New backpacks, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, expo markers, chalk, 3x5 index cards, folders, and stickers.

Also, soon the parents will be learning to can food. They will need pressure cookers and canning jars.

Thank you for your prayers and support. The students continue to thrive and the school continues to develop.

Questions-email Monica, monicamc@me.com
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

ALWAYS FAITHFUL
Whether you like it or not, you will always grow apart from human beings. Christ is faithful and always with you.

—St. John of God

NOVENA OF DIVINE MERCY
To commemorate the ending of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy our community is celebrating a Novena to Divine Mercy which began on October 5th, the 78th anniversary of the death of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska and ends November 19th, the Saturday before the end of the Liturgical Year of Mercy. Please join us in praying for "the atonement for sins and those of the whole world."

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA SCHEDULE
after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 9:00am
- 10-19-16
- 10-26-16
- 11-02-16
- 11-09-16
- 11-16-16
- 11-18-16
- 11-19-16

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA
ADORATION AND BENEDICTION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE
Our 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration begins on First Friday November 4TH immediately after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and concludes on First Saturday November 5TH with Benediction at 8:00A.M. "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?"
Mt 26:40

"There is no devotion that modern Popes have more emphasized than devotion to the Sacred Heart for the best reason because the Eucharist is the Sacred Heart...making sure that we know His physical Heart is there."
Totus Christus { the Whole Christ }
True Body, True Blood, True Soul and True Divinity...the Real Presence. The Catholic Faith

"Pray, pray, pray the Rosary every day. In the last month{October 13TH}. I will perform a miracle so that all may believe." Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima

STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE GIFTED TO CARE
Spiritual gifts are gifts to give away. God gives them to us, and we use them to serve others. How are you using your gifts right now? Are you looking for a new way to use them? If your spiritual gifts include one or more of the following—faith, mercy, compassion, encouragement, or listening—consider Stephen Ministry, our parish’s one-to-one caregiving ministry. This may be just what you’ve been looking for, and what we need now! A training class is starting soon. Contact Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413 to learn more about this ministry.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

HURRY HURRY HURRY.
Time is running out to register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Let a cozy weekend for just the two of you keep you warm on these long winter nights. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 11-13, 2016 at Vallambrosa Center, Menlo Park. For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

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.
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

St. Catherine School News

OPEN HOUSE AND INFORMATION NIGHT

St. Catherine School is hosting an Open House on Tuesday, November 8. Prospective families are invited to an information session at 6:00 pm followed by an Open House. Admission packets for prospective students are available online and in the school office, and are now being accepted. Current students and their families are welcome to attend the Open House from 6:30-7:30 pm. Come and see the great work our children are doing!

Go Cougars!

CATECHIST CERTIFICATION

All teachers and administrators at St. Catherine School are required to maintain Catechist Certificates, as well as California teaching/administrative credentials. Teachers have four years from their date of hire to complete Catechist Certification. Certification includes 40 hours of training in Knowledge of the Faith, the Nature and Purpose of Catechesis, Liturgy, Prayer, Moral Formation, Diversity, Communal Life, and Missionary Spirit. The program is offered and monitored by the Diocese of San Jose, Department of Education.

Once a teacher completes certification, he/she must participate in a minimum of 10 hours of catechetical classes or workshops each year. Having a grounded knowledge of our Catholic faith is as important a component for our teachers as their knowledge of academics.

Follow us on Twitter @stcat_school and Facebook

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/or 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.