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**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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**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT / SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**

From the Desk of Sr. Silvia Frias, Pastoral Associate……..

If you have ever questioned what the face of Christ is like, on this Sunday you will find the answer in the Gospel where we’re told about the Transfiguration of Jesus, where, with his unveiling face, he shows us THE GLORY OF THE FATHER, discovering his divine-human love.

That is what Father Pablo Maria Guzman sought M. Sp., who is a servant of God, and in the month of June last year, Pope Francis made him venerable for his virtues .

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Desde el escritorio de Sr. Silvia Frías, Asistente Pastoral…

Si alguna vez te has cuestionado como es el rostro de Cristo, en este domingo vas a encontrar la respuesta en el Evangelio donde nos habla de la Transfiguración de Jesús, donde con su rostro desplandeciente nos muestra LA GLORIA DEL PADRE, descubriendo su amor divino-humano. Eso mismo buscó el P. Pablo María Guzmán M. Sp., quien es siervo de Dios y en el mes de Junio del año pasado el Papa Francisco por sus virtudes lo hace venerable.

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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)
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).
Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).
Second Reading — God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).
Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECHEL

The readings today speak of God’s promise of deliverance to the world. Abram is to become the father of “a great nation” which includes the forbearers of “our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.” In today’s portion of that Gospel Jesus is transfigured in the presence of Peter, James and John who hear, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to him.” These messages provide us with spiritual sustenance which, even though not fully understood, call us to the truth of God with us. One of the many blessings of Lent is the inspiration to reflect on the truths we believe but cannot prove by reason alone. In other words, we are called once again to examine what faith means. One of the gifts of faith is the sense of truth which lies within each of us. The truth that Jesus came that we might have life, abundant life. Trying to capture that abundance occupies much of our daily living. But that chase implies that we have missed the fundamental gift, the gift of life. Sometimes we forget, implicitly feeling that we somehow played some part in the miracle of our own creation. Of course calm reflection and prayer bring us back to our senses and to the abundance we already have. In a world where more is too often seen as better, Lent calls us to be less; to reverence the gift of ourselves … not our skills, talents or acquisitions. Lent reminds us that we are the beloved creations of God. In doing so we also begin to see others as fellow travelers on our journey back to our creator. Our development as persons does indeed involve our self-examination and challenge to goodness. But without the foundational understanding that we are the beloved creations of God we become caught up in self-involvement. Thank you Jesus for simplifying things as we love God and one another as you ask.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Saving energy when doing the laundry is often overlooked. Washing in cold rather than hot, lowering the water heater to 120° when hot water is needed, washing full loads are all easy and effective ways to save energy. (Coming up as weather warms, try line drying clothes.)

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 SR. SILVIA.....

Father Pablo in his life, sought and found it and shared that longing with a group of young people in the year 1936 founding the Eucharistic Missionaries of the Holy Trinity (MESST), and as the apostles saw that “it was very good to remain With him,” so Fr. Pablo also invites us during this Lent to remain close to Jesus by dedicating more time to prayer to serve our brothers and sisters in order to give our life glory to our Father.

God bless you.

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.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: “What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?”

Child: “What does it mean to you to be a holy person?”

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: ____________

Would you like to receive envelopes?  Yes / No
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Liturgy

Liturgical Ministers Needed

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

Environment Coordinator for Church and Parish Center. Please contact Diana-Lynn at:
dinderhees@dsj.org. Check the website for general
details. Help is needed now for Lent and the Easter season.

Saints Chapel - clean chapel area and put new
candles out. Looking for help throughout the day
and evening. Contact: Ralph Ortega at ralphndebbie@icloud.com

Greeters - welcome parishioners before 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. You need to
be an extraordinary minister to be a Sacristan.
Please contact Signe Montosa directly for training.
See contact info below.

Hospitality/Greeter Ministry Coordinator
St. Catherine would like to have a formal Hospitali-
ty / Greeter ministry.

Adult Lead Usher for 5:30 Sunday Mass - usher
responsibilities and to also engage our youth in min-
istry (youth help with the collection)

Lent and the Liturgy

The season of Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until
the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday. Lent has a double purpose, to prepare both catechumens and faithful to celebrate the Easter mystery. The catechumens are prepared for initiation at East-
er by the rite of election and the scrutinies. The faith-
ful prepare themselves by penance (fasting, alms-
giving and prayer) for the renewal of their baptismal
promises at Easter. Use of holy water is encouraged
during Lent to remember one’s own baptism and the
need for ritual cleansing.

Lenten Fasting

During Lent, Catholics 18 until the beginning of their
60th year are obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting means eating only one full meatless meal per day. One may also eat two other meatless
meals that are sufficient to maintain strength but to-
gether do not equal a full meal. One may also drink
liquids, including milk and fruit juice, between meals.
If your health or ability to work is affected, you are
not obligated to fast. If possible, fast on other days
of Lent as well.

We abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all
Fridays of Lent. On these days Catholics older than
14 are bound by Church law to abstain from meat.
Children younger than 14 are formed by pastors and
parents to have an authentic sense of penance, con-
version, and reconciliation

Usher Renewal

St. Catherine is planning an usher ministry renewal.
Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinder-
hees@dsj.org with your contact information.
Knowledge and skills required:
(1) leadership, tact, and cooperative spirit;
(2) baptized Catholic.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;
Daylight Saving Time begins;
Girl Scouting Sunday
Friday: St. Patrick; Abstinence
Saturday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

God is great all the time,
all the time, God is great!
SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Abram partió como se lo había ordenado el Señor (Génesis 12:1-4a).
Salmo — Señor, muéstrate bondadoso con nosotros, puesto que en ti hemos confiado (Salmo 33 [32]).
Segunda lectura — Comparte conmigo los sufrimientos por la predicación del Evangelio, sostenido por la fuerza de Dios (2 Timoteo 1:8b-10).
Evangelio — “Este es mi Hijo amado, en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias, escúchenlo” (Mateo 17:1-9).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Dn 9:4b-10; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Lc 6:36-38
Martes: Is 1:10, 16-20; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Miércoles: Jer 18:18-20; Sal 31 (30):5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Jueves: Jer 17:5-10; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 16:19-31
Viernes: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Sal 105 (104):16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sábado: Miq 7:14-15, 18-20; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 9-12; Lc 15:1-3, 11-32
Domingo: Ex 17:3-7; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

DESEDE EL ESCRITORIO DE SR. SILVIA

El P. Pablo en su vida, buscó y lo encontró y compartió ese anhelo con un grupo de jóvenes en el año de 1936 fundando a las Misioneras Eucarísticas de la Santísima Trinidad (MESST), y como los apóstoles vio que “era muy bueno permanecer con El”, por lo que, el P. Pablo también nos invita durante esta Cuaresma a permanecer cerca de Jesús al dedicar más tiempo a la oración, a servir a nuestros hermanos para así darle con nuestra vida gloria al Padre.
Dios les bendiga.

Hna. Silvia Frías Z. MESST

OFERTORIO VIA ELECTRONICA

Considere la posibilidad de hacer una donación de ofertorio para la parroquia por vía electrónica. En lugar de su oferta semanal entregado por sobre puede procesar las contribuciones de su cuenta de cheques, de ahorros o cuenta de tarjeta de crédito por vía electrónica a Santa Catalina.

¿Cuáles son los beneficios?
- Le permite configurar y programar la cantidad de su donación mensual de la misma manera que usted piensa de otros compromisos financieros.
- Continuar apoyando a su parroquia durante el viaje, de vacaciones, enfermedad, etc.
- Fácil de ajustar el monto de su contribución automatizado.
- Ya no va ver la necesidad de escribir un cheque cada semana.

Maneras como poder dar:
A) Utilice la opción su pagador de banco de la factura opción de la función, teniendo en cuenta el número de sobre, tal como será su número de cuenta.
B) Regístre para utilizar la línea segura ParishPay. Ir al www.stca.org y haga clic en "Give A través de Parish Pay".
C) Dando por medio de PayPal. Vaya a www.stca.org y haga clic en “Give Via PayPal”

Apreciamos su generosidad si contribuyen con un cheque o dinero en efectivo, utilizando los sobres o por vía electrónica. Gracias.

REUNIÓN DE CONSEJO HISPANO

Se le invita a todos participar a nuestra reunión de consejo hispano el Viernes 7 de Abril a las 7:00PM en la rectoría. Es muy importante que los coordinadores de los ministerios asistan a estas juntas. TODOS son bienvenidos! Los esperamos.

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.
SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE MARZO
Sábado, Marzo 11
- Gustavo Guevara
- Minga Morales
Domingo, Marzo 12
- Lisandra Martinez

Damos gracias al Señor por todas las bendiciones concedidas a cada uno de nuestros ministros en su cumpleaños y el que compartan su tiempo y talento en nuestra Parroquia. Pedimos al Señor los haga crecer en su fe y les recompense su generosidad.

MISION CUARESMAL: DESCUBRIR DE NUEVO A JESUS.
Para este tiempo de reflexión en la Cuaresma les invitamos a la Misión que tendremos en la parroquia los días del 13 al 15 de Marzo a las 7:00 pm en la Iglesia. El P. Kevin Joyce dará las pláticas estos días y también tendremos misa, después de la plática. Los esperamos.

JÓVENES PARA CRISTO
Se les invita a las personas mayores de 18 años a reunirse todos los Viernes en el salón 10 en la escuela a las 7:00pm. ¡Los esperamos!

GRUPO DE FAMILIA AL-ANON RAYITO DE LUZ
Este grupo invita a personas que tengan familiares o amigos que sufren la enfermedad del alcoholismo a sus sesiones aquí en Morgan Hill, son los jueves de 7 a 9 de la noche en: 16890 Church St #16, comunicarse con Juanita para más información con Juanita al tél. (408)706-8361.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
Muchos católicos aprovechan el tiempo de Cuaresma para confesarse. El sacramento de Reconciliación tiene una historia un poco complicada, pues ha sufrido muchos cambios con el transcurrir de los siglos. Al principio, la penitencia sólo se celebraba una sola vez en la vida de un cristiano y era necesaria en caso de pecado grave, como lo era la apostasía, el adulterio y el asesinato. El penitente tenía que hacer una confesión en público, frente al obispo y la comunidad entera. La penitencia consistía de un ayuno severo y vestir una indumentaria especial que lo distinguía. Esta penitencia podía durar semanas, y a veces, meses. Durante este tiempo, el penitente no podía estar presente en la mesa de la Eucaristía hasta que el obispo le diera la bendición de reconciliación, la cual, a menudo, se llevaba a cabo el Jueves Santo. Con el paso del tiempo, los cristianos se dieron cuenta de la necesidad de celebrar el sacramento de la Reconciliación con más frecuencia y por otras clases de pecado.

Algun tiempo después, esta práctica cayó en el desuso y fue sustituida por la confesión privada, la cual se originó entre los monjes irlandeses. Después, esta práctica fue aceptada por toda la Iglesia. De esta manera es que nació el sacramento de la reconciliación que conocemos hoy. Actualmente, a pesar de que la Iglesia dice que no es necesario acercarse al confesionario antes de recibir la Comunión, se nos exhorta a confesarnos por lo menos una vez al año, o lo antes posible después de haber cometido pecado grave.

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

EL IDEAL CRISTIANO
El ideal cristiano no se ha probado y encontrado deficiente. Se ha encontrado difícil y se ha dejado sin probar.

—Gilbert K. Chesterton

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

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

GRUPO AMIGOS

Se les invita a todos los jóvenes que estén en la preparatoria para que asistan al Grupo Amigos. Grupo Amigos es un grupo para hacer buenas amistades y para aprender nuevas cosas que ayudaran en sus vidas y crecer en su fe. Los esperamos todos los viernes a las 7:00pm en el Centro Milani.

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

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

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Email:_______________________________

VIA CRUCIS

Les invitamos en esta Cuaresma a participar en los Vía Crucis en la Iglesia a las 6:30 pm.

FECHA      MINISTERIO          TEMA
Marzo 17    Coros               Conversión
Marzo 24    Ext. Sgda. Eucaristía El Camino a la Sanidad
Marzo 31    Danza Lit. y Monaguillos Misericordia
Abril 7     Jóvenes para Cristo Tentaciones

A partir de las 6:00 de la tarde pueden pasar al Centro Parroquial para compartir la sopa de Cuaresma con la comunidad.

DE LA CENA PASCUAL A LA EUCARISTIA

El jueves 6 de Abril tenemos la explicación de donde surge la Misa, iniciará a las 7:00 pm y el donativo es de $ 10.00. Para registrarse lo pueden hacer en la Rectoría o con la Hna. Silvia después de las misas.

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.

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Have you ever considered making a Memorial or Honor Gift during the Lenten and Easter Season?

Did you know you can make a Lent and Easter gift in memory or in honor of a loved one?

Honoring someone with a gift at Lent and Easter is a great way to tell them how much you love them and support your parish at the same time. This gift will honor someone you love while helping others. You can add the honoree's name and address on the check or the envelope.

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

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

I pray that Christ is with you during this Lenten and Easter Season.

God Bless,

Anna Quinones
For more information please contact me at aquinones@dsj.org

Lenten Table Talk - A conversation to have during your family meal!

The Call of Simon the Fisherman


In this story crowds of people are pushing around Jesus. He is standing on the shore of the lake and he gets into an empty boat. The story tells us that the boats were empty because the fishermen who owned the boats were cleaning their nets. Jesus calls to Simon Peter and asks him to move the boat out a little bit from shore so that Jesus can use it almost as a stage from which to teach the people.

How can we let Jesus into our lives just like Peter let Jesus into his boat?

Did you remember your gift?

It is only natural when you are invited to a party – whether it is birthday, anniversary, homecoming or any other celebration – to think about the gift that you will bring. Even when the invitation says, “No gifts, please,” most of us still show up with a bottle of wine or a box of candy or some other token of our affection. We bring gifts to show our gratitude for being invited and to show our love for the one being honored and celebrated. So, when God Himself invites you to the greatest celebration of all – the celebration of the Eucharist – do you bring a gift?

Do you take time to wrap it in an envelope? Do you select a gift that truly reflects your gratitude for being invited to be a part of God’s family? Do you bring a gift that shows your love for the crucified Jesus, who we remember at every Mass? The invitation to the Mass does not say “No gifts, please.” In fact, since God first called the Israelites to be His people He taught them, “No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God has bestowed on you.”

Deuteronomy 16:16-17
A PASSION FOR MUSIC

I don’t think I’ve ever met a single person who doesn’t like music. I’m not saying that there’s a specific type of music that everyone likes, but that there’s something out there for everyone. Not everyone enjoys the music at Mass, but what’s awesome about Christianity is that there are so many Christians all over the world, so there is Christian music that covers so many different genres. I’ve heard Christian reggae, disco, rock, rap, country, classical - not to mention music from various cultures. If you don’t often listen to Christian music, I encourage you to explore all the different styles there are so you can find some that you truly enjoy. It will not only entertain you, but it will inspire you.

We’ve started rehearsals for the Passion play our youth put on every year. If you’ve never participated in it - whether by being in it or watching it - I encourage you to do so this year. The teens do such an amazing job of portraying the characters in the Passion with just their movements and their facial expressions. We use mostly secular music, the music that teens listen to most, to portray our Lord’s betrayal, torture, and death. Join us on Sundays at 3:30pm in the church to check it out. If you have a song that you love that you think has a place in the story bring it with you. We look for songs that not only portray what’s happening by their lyrics but also by the feel of the music. We present the play on Palm Sunday after the 5:30 Mass and on Good Friday after the noon service. If you’re not into acting but would still like to help, we definitely can use a few people to put together props as well as help with staging and lighting.

FUNDRAISER at Betto’s!
We’re at Betto’s this Tuesday for the fundraiser - come anytime between 10am-9pm with a flyer. Randi (the owner) is really awesome about hosting us and even has printouts in case you forget one! But don’t forget to mention it when you order.
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Equipping Families to Pass on the Faith
Family Faith Formation at St. Catherine’s Church

Images from “Moving Toward the Cross - a Lenten Family Reflection”

As a parish community, we gather to share a simple meal of meatless soup and bread on the Fridays of Lent. It is an opportunity to remember those who go without on a regular basis, as well as to unite as one group with a common purpose.

March 17
Hosted by the Men’s Group and Confirmation

March 24, March 31 and April 7

6:00 - 7:00 pm Soup Supper (Parish Center)
6:30 - 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
7:30 - 8:30 pm Stations of the Cross (English)

Sign up on I-Volunteer to bring soup and/or help serve. Soup can be made at home and brought (heated) to the Parish Center kitchen by 5:45pm.

St. Joseph’s Table
Friday, March 24th

1:00 - 5:00 pm FREE Produce Giveaway
6:00 - 7:30 pm Soup Supper
7:30 - 8:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Volunteer to help with set up/break down, distribution of produce and serving soup to the less fortunate in our community. We also welcome fruit and vegetable donations from your fruit trees and vegetable gardens. Check out I-Volunteer on the parish website for a list of opportunities. St. Joseph’s Table is a collaborative effort by the Middle School Ministry and the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF).
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Join others in South County to end abortion, support the sanctity of life and support young mothers who struggle to make a life affirming choice.

Join the 40 Days hosted vigils three days a week: M,W,F at 11:45am adjacent to Planned Parenthood, 760 Renz Lane, Gilroy.

For information
call Brian Cunningham at 408-847-2000
or email 40daysforlifegilroy@gmail.com

MARRIED SINGLES LIFESTYLE – The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the weekend of May 5-7, 2017 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY NOVENA
The community of St. Catherine of Alexandria welcomes you to join in prayer by reciting the Novena of The Chaplet of Divine Mercy as declared by Pope St. John Paul II in celebration of the Divine Feast. The prayer is held in church and is Bilingual.

SCHEDULE
- GOOD FRIDAY 4/14 8-9am
- HOLY SATURDAY 4/15 8-9am
- EASTER SUNDAY 4/16 2-4pm
- MONDAY 4/17 9-930am/5:30-6:30pm
- TUESDAY 4/18 12-1pm
- WEDNESDAY 4/19 9-9:30am/6-6:30pm
- THURSDAY 4/20 9-9:30A.M./4:30-5:30pm
- FRIDAY 4/21 9-9:30am/5:30-6:30pm
- SATURDAY 4/22 9-9:30am/5-5:30pm

GENERAL INTERCESSION POLICY
The final part of the Liturgy of the Word at Mass is an 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.

THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION
“We used to be such good friends. How is it that you’ve moved so far away?” one man asked another. “Perhaps,” the other replied, “you have moved away. By standing still.” This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God’s will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life’s difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering—or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God’s will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of COMMUNION to the SICK or HOMEBOUND

Many thanks and much appreciation to the Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to the sick or homebound in our parish. Their devotion to the parishioners of St. Catherine who are unable to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist during their time of recuperation at home or in nursing homes and retirement centers in Morgan Hill is important to our parish community. Your ministry is a vital part of our parish and we are grateful for your service.

If you would like to know more about this ministry please call Judy Gillingham at 408-778-8904.

If you have a homebound friend or relative who cannot come to Mass and would like a minister to bring the Eucharist to them please call Maria or Juanita in the Parish Office at 408-779-3959.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Mark your calendars and join us for our Lenten Reconciliation Service on Monday, March 27th at 7:00pm.

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.

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.

OVER 50’S LUNCHEON

Join the Over 50’s ladies for their monthly luncheon at noon in the O’Donnell Parish Center on Monday, March 20th. They will celebrate St. Patrick’s Day. Please bring $5.00 to cover the meal, a green salad and/or a dessert to share.

"THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU" BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY

In this Year of Mercy, we are happy to announce the continuation of a Lenten initiative in the Diocese of San Jose. During Lent, every Catholic Church throughout the County of Santa Clara will have its doors open on Wednesdays 6-8pm with a priest available for confession. This initiative is called "The Light is On for You" and starts March 8, the Wednesday after Ash Wednesday. We encourage everybody to take advantage of this opportunity to receive mercy, healing, and freedom. We encourage you to invite others. Video testimonials are available to help with invitations. They are available at

SVDP COMMUNITY CLOSET

We are already preparing for our summer back-to-school children’s clothing giveaway. If you have any children's clothing in good condition, 2T (toddler) through junior sizes, please set them aside for SVdP and we'll make sure they go to a good home. You can bring bags of children’s clothes marked SVdP to the parish office during business hours (M-F, 8am-7pm) or bring them directly to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Community Closet at 13570 Depot St in San Martin any Tues. or Thurs. from 10am-noon. We are also open every first Saturday of the month from 10am-noon. Thank you for your generosity! (We are also low on Men's pants, sizes 32 or 34, if you may happen to have any to donate!)

SAVE the DATE for ST. CATHERINE’S GOLF CLASSIC

May 19th, 2017

Same Fun, Different Day!
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

WANTED!!!!

Several people to team with those already on board hosting Hospitality on Sundays.
email annmariecica@yahoo.com or leave a message at the rectory. Hebrews 13:2 “Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.”

SUNDAY NIGHT “LIFE SHARING” DURING LENT

Join us in Milani Center from 4:45 to 5:15pm (before the 5:30 Sunday evening mass) each week during Lent (March 5-April 9). We spend 10 minutes or so listening to a parishioner tell us a little about his or her life. Then we spend 20 minutes or so talking about what they had to say. We hope that learning from the lives of our friends will improve our own lives and help us make the world a better place.

MONDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY SUPPER HELP

The St. Catherine’s Community Supper ministry, held every Monday night, needs 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.

Parish Goal: $217,000

Total
Week 1
Week 1

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Week 9
Week 9

$102,903—47%
$75,953—35%
$44,310—20%

203
151
79

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St. Catherine School News

DICTIONARIES FOR 3RD GRADE

Morgan Hill Rotary has an annual project that provides every third grader in Morgan Hill with a beautiful dictionary. Rotarians presented the dictionaries to the third graders of St. Catherine a couple of weeks ago. The students were thrilled with the books and quickly thumbed through them to find definitions, maps, and lots of great facts! A huge thank you to the Rotary Club of Morgan Hill! Our students will benefit from their generous gift for many years to come.

Lent...

fast, pray and give alms.

ST. CATHERINE ROBOTICS TEAMS PLACE AT STATE COMPETITION

Two middle school teams from St. Catherine School, Vex Wrecks and Short Circuits, qualified for a state level tournament which was held at the Santa Clara Fairgrounds on the last Sunday in February. Each team designed and built a robot, wrote code for robot commands, kept a journal of all their work, and planned a STEM project.

Vex Wrecks placed 4th in the competition, and Short Circuits placed 5th. The students learned a great deal about engineering robots, writing code, designing a project and competition protocol. After dismantling their robots for this year, students eagerly await the start of the fall season. Next year St. Catherine School plans to field both elementary and middle school robotics teams.

Above, the St. Catherine Robotics Teams with their moderators, Mr. Silva, Mr. Christopher and Mrs. Lamontagne, on the day of the competition. The teams performed extremely well in their first year of competition.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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