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

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

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

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

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Fourth Sunday of Easter / Cuarto Domingo de Pascua

From the Desk of Fabienne Esparza, School Principal......

Earth Day was the week after Easter. It is always a great reminder that this beautiful planet was a gift from God and we are called to care for it. Both the school and parish make every effort to reduce, reuse and recycle as much as possible. You may be wondering what recycling and conservation have to do with our relationship with God. In fact, they play a huge role in our general attitudes and disposition to be open to nurturing a relationship with our Creator.

Sadly, we haven’t always done well in protecting our planet. Sometimes we become a bit greedy about using Earth’s resources and strewing our waste.

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Desde el escritorio de Fabienne Esparza, Directora de la Escuela...

El Día de la Tierra fue la semana después de Pascua. Siempre es un gran recordatorio de que este hermoso planeta era un regalo de Dios y estamos llamados a cuidarlo. Tanto la escuela como la parroquia hacen todo lo posible para reducir, reutilizar y reciclar. Usted puede estar preguntándose lo que el reciclaje y la conservación tienen que ver con nuestra relación con Dios. De hecho, desempeñan un papel enorme en nuestras actitudes generales y disposición a estar abiertos a nutrir una relación con nuestro Creador.

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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 — To meet their growing needs, the community chooses seven reputable men to serve the new Greek believers (Acts 6:1-7).
Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).
Second Reading — We, like living stones, let ourselves be built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:4-9).
Gospel — “Show us the Father,” Philip asks Jesus. To which Jesus replies: “Whoever sees me, sees the Father” (John 14:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK
Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA
Sunday/Domingo, May 7
7:00-1:00pm CR.1-Kit Hospitality
8:00-12:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
1:00-4:00pm CR.1, Kit Hospitality
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Choir
4:00-8:00pm CR.1-2 Grupo Amigos Retreat Prep
4:15-5:30pm CR.4 Faith Sharing Group
5:00-7:00pm Rm.8 Spanish Bible Study
7:00-9:00pm MC Life Night

Monday/Lunes, May 8
1:30-3:00pm CHV Stephen Ministry one/one Meeting
5:30-8:00pm CH FHC Rehearsals
6:00-7:00pm CR.1-2, Kit Music Group Rehearsals
6:00-8:00pm CH Bell Choir / Angelica Choir
7:00-9:00pm NUR Stitching Group
7:00-9:00pm CR.1-2 ICF Distinct Meeting
7:00-8:30pm Rm.10 Joyeones Para Cristo Reunion
7:30-9:30pm MC English Pre-Baptismal Class

Tuesday/Martes, May 9
9:00-10:30am CR.1-2, Kit Music Group Rehearsals
12:00-8:00pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind Pray Group
5:00-6:00pm CH Children’s Choir
6:30-7:50pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind Pray Group
6:30-9:00pm CR.1 Stephen Ministry Training Class
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
7:00-9:00pm Rm.10 Encuentro Matrimonial
7:30-9:30pm CH Alfa & Omega Charismatic Group
8:00-9:00pm NUR Fil/Am Committee - meeting

Wednesday/Miércoles, May 10
9:15-9:30am CR.1 Parents Group - Reflection
8:30-9:00am CH Spanish Choir
6:00-7:00pm Rm.8 Jovenes Para Cristo Reunion
6:30-10:00pm CR1-4, Kit ICF Branch Meeting
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8 Grupo Amigos - Mesa Meeting
7:00-8:30pm Rm.10 RICA
8:00-9:00pm NUR FHC Rehearsals

Thursday/Jueves, May 11
9:30-10:30am CR.1-2 Bible Study
7:00-10:00pm CR.1-2, Kit Music Group Rehearsals
7:00-9:00pm CR1-4, Kit School - Júniur High Dance
7:00-9:00pm MC Grupo Amigos
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8, 10, 11 Jovenes Para Cristo

Friday/Viernes, May 12
8:00-3:00pm FM Photography Club
9:00-3:30pm CH First Holy Communions
12:00-11:00pm CR.1-4, Kit Music Group Rehearsals
2:00-6:00pm MC RICA - Mini Retiro Confirmando

8:15am Mass Intentions
Monday, May 8 Ken & Norma Ravizza
† Sara Lua
Tuesday, May 9 † Irmina Yeggoy
Marina Gose
Wednesday, May 10 † Edith La Rue St. Claire
† Elfrieda Randenbach
Zachary Jensen
Thursday, May 11 † Mario José Indía
Friday, May 12 † Francisco Jose Indía
Francisco Gardner Tabler Indía
Saturday, May 13 † Ceferino Sevilla
† Zachary Jensen

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Are you interested in volunteering? Visit our website at www.stca.org, click on VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES on the right to see and sign up for various volunteer options.

Many hands make light work.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Don’t forget that Easter is an entire season, not just the Resurrection day. That focus is hard to maintain, especially when there are so many things to distract us. It’s helpful to have a short mantra or prayer that re-centers us on the wonder of the promise of Easter. Try something simple, think of 3 H’s (with apologies to the 4H club :-) : humility, hope and happiness. After all, if we are to be apostles living the truth of Jesus, we need to reflect that not only in piety or prayer but also in our general demeanor. The foundation is humility, change “it’s all about me” to “it’s all about others.” Humility is a fundamental characteristic of Jesus who came that we might have life, life in the fullness of his truth. Being humble reminds us that we are pilgrims journeying back to our creator, thankful and settled in who we are… not who we/others think we should be. Today’s second reading is a good reminder of Jesus’ humility. The second H, hope, is an essential virtue of Christianity. Hope allows us to rest in the truth of what is to come, no matter what our circumstances. The Easter promise of new life in the presence of God suffers when we become too centered on the here and now. We know we are people of hope but we need to remind ourselves that what we hope for our destiny is undergirded by the way we live right now. Finally the third H, happiness. Hurumph, you may say, that’s a pretty worldly feeling. Maybe, but who says we can’t allow the end result of being humble, hopeful people can’t make us happy right now? Happiness as a virtue gives us an engaging presence to others. The happiness we anticipate gives us a spiritual smile. Hoping against hope that we become beacons of Jesus for our world. Understanding that it’s not great things we are called to perform, but rather simple acts of love. In humility, hope and happiness we make Jesus present today, for ourselves and the world.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

As the rains abate we see their remnants on our windows. Rather than a pre-packaged cleaner try using two ounces of vinegar in a quart of water in a spray bottle. You’ll be amazed how effective (and inexpensive) it is.

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 FABIENNE....

We have all read the story of creation in the Book of Genesis. God created this beautiful world for us to enjoy. How do we care for it? Creating trash and other toxic waste because it is easier or more cost efficient doesn’t convey a sense of gratitude or respect to our heavenly Father. Being more mindful of how we use, distribute and discard our resources gives us a stronger connection and sense of appreciation of the blessings our Creator has bestowed on us. That awareness allows for a greater openness to God’s message.

Last week at St. Catherine School we set aside a day to consider ways to minimize the amount of trash we generate. Each student received a bag in which he/she had to keep all his/her trash from the day. All trash cans were put away for the day. While this was an exercise in taking better care of our planet, more importantly it created a greater sense of gratitude and responsibility for the beautiful world God has given us. Being good stewards of our resources today will help to ensure a safe environment for our children and grandchildren, as well as showing a deep respect for the blessings we have. Let’s make every day Earth Day to show our sincere thanks for this gift from God. I encourage you to look at how you can implement more earth friendly practices at home. Here’s to happy, healthy stewards of God’s beautiful creation with an openness to the message of our Jesus, our Savior!
Liturgical Ministers Needed

Environment Coordinator for the Church and Parish Center. Please contact Diana-Lynn at dinderhees@jsj.org. Check the website for general details.

Saints Chapel - clean chapel area and put new candles out. Looking for help throughout the day and evening. Small candles need to be changed out every four hours. Contact: Ralph Ortega at ralphndebbie@icloud.com

Greeters—welcome parishioners before each Mass. Do you have a few minutes before Mass? You are welcome to greet your fellow parishioners and guest 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 to schedule a training. See her contact info below.

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.

THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today’s responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads “Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage” (Psalm 23:4) connects this week’s scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: “I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).

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COUNTING SHEEP

Every person can tell how many goats or sheep one possesses, but not how many friends.

—Cicero
CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

LECTURAS DE HOY
Primera lectura—Los que creyeron fueron bautizados (Hechos 2:14a, 36-41).
Salmo—El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta (Salmo 23 [22]).
Segunda lectura—Han vuelto al pastor y guardián de sus almas (1 Pedro 2:20b-25).
Evangelio—Yo soy la puerta para las ovejas (Juan 10:1-10).

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE FABIENNE
Lamentablemente, no siempre hemos hecho bien en la protección de nuestro planeta. A veces nos volvemos un poco codiciosos sobre el uso de los recursos de la Tierra. Todos hemos leído la historia de la creación en el Libro del Génesis. Dios creó este hermoso mundo para que lo disfrutemos. ¿Cómo nos preocupamos por ello? Crear basura y otros desechos tóxicos porque es más fácil no demuestra un sentido de gratitud o respeto a nuestro Padre celestial. Ser más conscientes de cómo usamos, distribuimos y descartamos nuestros recursos nos da una conexión más fuerte y un sentido de apreciación de las bendiciones que nuestro Creador nos ha otorgado. Esa conciencia permite una mayor apertura al mensaje de Dios.

La semana pasada en la escuela de Santa Catalina dejamos de lado un día para considerar formas de minimizar la cantidad de basura que generamos. Cada estudiante recibió una bolsa en la que tuvo que guardar toda su basura del día. Si bien esto fue un ejercicio para cuidar mejor nuestro planeta, lo más importante es que creó un mayor sentido de gratitud y responsabilidad por el hermoso mundo que Dios nos ha dado.

Ser buenos administradores de nuestros recursos hoy ayudará a asegurar un ambiente seguro para nuestros hijos y nietos, así como mostrar un profundo respeto por las bendiciones que tenemos. Hagamos todos los días “Día de la Tierra” para mostrar nuestro sincero agradecimiento por este regalo de Dios. Le animo a que vea cómo puede implementar más prácticas amigables con la tierra en su hogar. ¡Aquí está para los feligreses felices y saludables de la hermosa creación de Dios, con una aceptación al mensaje de Jesús, nuestro Salvador!

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

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA
Lunes: Hch 11:1-18; Sal 42 (41):2-3;43:3,4; Jn 10:11-18
Martes: Hch 11:19-26; Sal 87 (86):1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Sábado: Hch 13:44-52; Sal 98 (97): 1-4: Jn 14:7-14
Domingo: Hch 6:1-7; Sal 33(32): 1-2,4-5,18-19; 1 Pe 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

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.
CUARTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

CUMPLEAÑOS DEL MES DE MAYO

Sábado, 6 de Mayo
- Joseline Rodriguez
- Hortencia Anaya
- Kevin Castellano

Domingo, 7 de Mayo
- Keyla Garcia
- Judith Avila Gomez
- Miguel Patricio

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.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El 19 de abril en Uruguay se conmemora a la Virgen de Verdún, que está colocada sobre una columna de seis metros en uno de los cerros que rodean la ciudad de Minas. Esta imagen fue puesta allí por el párroco don José De Luca en 1900. Su intención era dedicar esta imagen en recuerdo del siglo diecinueve y recibir así el siglo veinte, dedicándolo a María Inmaculada en honor de Cristo Redentor.

En el 2007 la peregrinación a la Virgen del Verdún llevaba como lema “De la mano de María, discípulos y misioneros de Jesucristo”. Este bello refrán nos recuerda que vamos caminando de la mano de María, nuestra hermana en la fe, para ser como ella, discípulos de su hijo y misioneros del mensaje redentor de Jesucristo. No obstante, hay que reconocer que mucho cristianos, especialmente nosotros, los latinoamericanos, nos quedamos sólo con María y nunca llegamos a Jesús. Eso a María no le gusta ya que toda reverencia a ella debe abrirnos a recibir a su único hijo, Jesús, y adorarlo como nuestro único Señor y salvador.

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.

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!

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

AHORRA

Cuando ahorres para la vejez, asegúrate de guardar unos cuantos pensamientos agradables.

FACEBOOK

Únase con nosotros y mantéganse al corriente de lo que pasa en nuestra parroquia. Visite nuestra página en https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Catherine-of-Alexandria-Church/29304741747856
¡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(s): ____________________________
Dirección:____________________________
Ciudad:_____________________________
Código postal:_____________
Numero teléfono:______________________
Email:_______________________________

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) Regístrate 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”.

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

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

REUNIÓN DE CONSEJO HISPANO

Se le invita a todos participar a nuestra reunión de consejo hispano el Viernes 5 de Mayo 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.

GRUPO AMIGOS

Se les invita a todos 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.

ADORACION EUCARISTICA DEL SAGRADO SACRAMENTO DE STA. CATALINA DE ALEJANDRIA

Vuestra 24 horas de Adoracion empieza el Primer Viernes, 2 de Junio inmediatamente despues del Sagrado Sacrificio de la misa de las 8:15A.M. concluyendo el Primer Sabado, 3 de Junio con Bendicion a las 8A.M. "De modo que no pueden permanecer despertados ni una hora conmigo" MT26:40
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Are you interested in helping us prepare our Easter and Christmas mailing? It will require no previous experience just a couple of hours twice a year? If you are interested, please email Maria Domínguez at mdominguez@dsj.org to be added to our list of volunteers for our mailings.

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Office of Development & Evangelization

Spiritual Bouquet Mother’s Day Card

The best Mother’s Day gift:
A spiritual bouquet

Mother’s Day Spiritual Bouquet envelopes are available on the tables around the inside of the Church. These envelopes are wonderful for remembering mothers everywhere – living or deceased. It is a great opportunity to have them remembered during Mass in our Church on Mother’s Day.

Please drop the completed return envelope in the offertory basket TODAY or take it to the Parish office before our Mother’s Day mass on Sunday, May 14th.

You may pick up a spiritual bouquet Mother’s Day card, available at the parish rectory, and send it to your mother. There is no better gift that can be given than the gift of prayers. Your donation is appreciated. Please contact Anna Quiñones at aquinones@dsj.org for more information.
Bishop Carlos Sevilla, friend to our Bishop McGrath, Confirmed (with the Holy Spirit, of course) 61 people this weekend! It was exciting, fun, and of course, hectic. I remember when I first took this job, and I was preparing for the first Confirmation I was “in charge” of. I was quite intimidated, frantic, and feeling a bit overwhelmed (funny how adding a wife and three kids has not made my life more calm). I was getting worried about all these things I was forgetting, and uncertain of all sorts of details. And then someone (I think it was Fr. Mark), told me something to the effect of, “Don’t worry. We’ll get them Confirmed.” Did that make all the things I had to do go away? Did it get them automatically done? Did I feel like we didn’t have to do anymore, just have the teens show up and we’re good to go? Of course not. There was still lots to do, and I did what I could to get it all done right. But having that reminder helped me calm down. It helped me recognize that, although we each have a vital role to play in spreading the Gospel, ultimately, it is in God’s hands. God doesn’t call us to slack off and let Him do all the work, but God does call us to allow God to do all the work through us. Please keep these teens in your prayers. If you know any of them, welcome them, and be excited for them.

Job Opening for our Parish -
You might’ve seen this elsewhere, but for those who might only skim and might’ve missed this opportunity (or know someone who could apply):

St. Catherine Parish has an opening for an evening administrative assistant. The evening administrative assistant is the first contact that many have with the Parish and needs to portray a hospitable, welcoming and caring face to the wide variety of people that approach the office.

The candidate should be a practicing Catholic, have great written and verbal communication skills in both English and Spanish, have a professional demeanor, be computer literate in several office and database applications, detail orientated, can multi-task and be able to prioritize effectively. Must be fully Bilingual (English/Spanish and Bi-literate (Read & Write in English & Spanish). Employment applications are available on the Diocesan website (dsj.org) or at the parish office.
Welcome to the Newly Initiated!

Images from First Holy Communion Retreats

Practicing receiving the unconsecrated Body and Blood of Christ

Checking out the saint relic on the altar.

Creating First Holy Communion Banners
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL “COMMUNITY CLOSET”: REPAIR AND RENOVATION FUNDS NEEDED!
The parish and SVdP work together to keep a free supply of adult and children’s clothing for use by those in need. An average of 200 people come every month to shop, thanks to your generous donations. BUT the building is old, the roof leaky, the bathroom crumbling. Thanks to Knights of Columbus, and a couple of grants, the parish and SVdP are on the way to completing the needed repairs. We are still short of the needed funds to make the building safe and secure for our volunteers and guests. Please consider making a donation directly for this project: checks should be written out to St. Catherine Church. Write “Community Closet Project” in the memo line. Bring your check to the parish office, or drop it in the collection any Sunday. You can also contribute online at the parish website: www.stca.org. Contact Carol Lillig if you have any questions (408-857-4516).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE OVER 50’S LUNCHEON
Join the Over 50’s ladies for their monthly luncheon at noon on Monday, May 15th in the O’Donnell Parish Center. The meal will include sandwiches and salads.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SUMMER BACK-TO-SCHOOL CLOTHING GIVEAWAY
Will be held at our parish Community Closet (13570 Depot, San Martin) this summer. If you’re cleaning out closets at home and have some gently used children’s clothes to donate, we’ll make sure they get to a good home! We’re looking for sizes 2T –size 12. No children at home? Consider asking your family, friends, or neighbors to save children’s clothes for you. Put them in a bag or box marked SvDP and bring them to the parish office during business hours, Mon.-Fri. 8am-7pm, (closed noon-1pm).

COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN LAYETTE PROGRAM
The Handmades of St. Catherine will be collecting your donations for the Diocesan Layette Program the weekends of May 6/7 and May 20/21.
Any handmade items will gladly be accepted along with any items purchased from the list below. All items should be new and clothing sizes should be Newborn to Six months only.
List of needs:
- Undershirts
- Long/Short sleeve sleeping gowns
- Onesies
- Receiving Blankets
- Play outfits
- Crib Blankets/Quilts
- Blanket sleepers
- Sweater Sets
- Receiving Blankets
- Play outfits
- Crib Blankets/Quilts
- Blanket sleepers
- Sweater Sets
- Booties
- Socks
- Baby Wipes
- Disposable Diapers, up to 18lbs

We thank our parish community in advance for your generosity!
Donations may also be dropped off at the church office during the month of May.
For more information contact Marianne Shallal at mcshallal@gmail.com.

JOB OPPORTUNITY
St. Catherine Parish has an opening for an evening administrative assistant. The evening administrative assistant is the first contact that many have with the Parish and needs to portray a hospitable, welcoming and caring face to the wide variety of people that approach the office.

The candidate should be a practicing Catholic, have great written and verbal communication skills in both English and Spanish, have a professional demeanor, be computer literate in several office and database applications, detail orientated, can multi-task and be able to prioritize effectively. Must be fully Bilingual (English/Spanish and Bi-literate (Read & Write in English & Spanish).

Employment applications are available on the Diocesan website (dsj.org) or at the parish office.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. CATHERINE’S SPORTS CAMP
Summer is almost here and so our wonderful Sports Camp! Registration is now open! Visit our website at www.stca.org for more information or to register. Camps begin June 19th and go through August 4th.

WANTED!!!!!
Several people to team with those already on board hosting Hospitality on some Sundays. email annmariecia@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.”

ST. CATHERINE CHURCH BUILDING RENEWAL
Steps toward a church building renewal and renovation are underway. After the parish Building Committee meeting with the Diocesan Art and Environment and Building Committees, Bishop McGrath gave permission to proceed with the process to renew the church. Our Finance Committee reviewed the Master Plan Fund balance and approved the preparation of Request for Design Proposal. Three architectural firms have been invited to submit a proposal to provide complete design services for the project, with a deadline of May 17th. The architects are being asked to look at our project goals to renovate and expand the existing church, increase seating capacity, upgrade restrooms, add a full immersion Baptismal Font and make the church and site improvements beautiful. They are being asked to describe how their firm would meet and provide for the defined scope of services and submit a bid. These are just the first steps of this great project. We will keep you informed and ask for your participation as we move forward. In the meantime please pray for our parish and the success of the project.

HOW DOES STEPHEN MINISTRY WORK?
When someone requests a Stephen Minister, a Stephen Ministry leader, will meet with that person, explain what Stephen Ministry is, and help determine whether Stephen Ministry is the kind of care that person needs. The leader then matches that person with one of our available Stephen Ministers. The Stephen Minister will then call that person and begin meeting with him or her for about an hour each week as long as the need is there. Everything a care receiver says to his or her Stephen Minister is kept confidential. The Stephen Minister doesn’t try to solve problems; rather, he or she listens, cares, prays, and helps the care receiver find his or her path to healing and wholeness. If you or someone you love could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact Claranne Schirle 408-782-1413 or kenandclaranne@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE!
You’re invited to attend the Annual Ghana Gala! Father Paul Mensah will be visiting St. Catherine Church in May. He will give us the update on the progress of the Awaso Academy and he, also, would like to thank you for the support that has made this progress possible. It is always uplifting to hear the difference our support has made in the lives of the Awaso community!

The Annual Ghana Gala
Saturday, May 20th
O’Donnell Parish Center

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.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “In what way have you come to know Jesus better through the breaking of the bread at Eucharist?”

Child: “When you join Jesus at the table of the Eucharist next Sunday, what would you like to thank him for?”
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Thank you for your support!

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Weekly Offering Collection Need (Budget) $22,294
Average Offering Collection after 41 weeks this fiscal year YTD $22,288
Average Offering Collection (Month of April) $28,507
Year to date Actual vs. Budget Difference -$36,866

Friday, May 19, 2017
Coyote Creek Golf Club
Tee up! Sponsor! Play!

Time: 11 AM Shotgun Start
(register as early as 10 AM)

19th Hole: 5 PM Cocktails, buffet dinner, awards, raffles and more!

Enjoy:
- Fun, scramble-format of play
- Box lunch
- Betting and Party Holes
  - Ever favorite Fiesta Margarita
  - Beer Garden
  - Relaxation Station

Post-Tournament cocktails & buffet dinner
Singles, twosomes and foursomes welcome! No experience necessary.
- $195 / player and many levels of sponsorships available.
- Visit our website www.stca.org for complete details, and to register or sponsor on-line now.
- Invite your friends to play, too. We promise it'll be a great day!
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Catherine School News

PA R E N T  T E A C H E R  G U I L D  (PTG)

The St. Catherine PTG is a wonderful support group for the school. PTG keeps parents informed on key school issues, coordinates volunteers for a range of activities, organizes a variety of support and appreciation events, and raises over $100,000 each year for the school. All St. Catherine parents are PTG members. Many thanks to the PTG board and members for all they do!

Spring is in full swing! Our students are busy preparing the soil and planting for summer and fall harvests. The garden serves as a wonderful learning place for students as they plant, tend and harvest vegetables.

LENDING LIBRARY FOR PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS

A small lending library of faith based and spiritual books is available in the school lobby. If you are looking for special information about our Catholic faith or a book to inspire you to seek a closer relationship with Jesus, stop by and check out the selections.

Just take the book with you and return it when you finish. If you have books about our faith and developing a relationship with Christ that you would like to share with others, you can drop them off at the school office. We'll put them on our list and get them on the shelf. Happy Reading!

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR 2017-2018

Application packets are available in the school office or on our website for the 2017-2018 school year. Classes are currently full for most grades next year; however, we still have spots left for second and sixth grade. Contact the school office if you are interested.

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

He is risen!
Alleluia!