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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / DECIMOQUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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

During the months of February to June we were working on the V Encuentro that is taking place at a Diocesan level in parishes that have a Hispanic community. It was a good experience to go out to the peripheries as requested by Pope Francis; several people have felt the call to participate in the different ministries that our parish offers. Although we finish this parochial stage, the work begins in our parish, to raise several points that also will help us to continue working more in the unit. As the Gospel of today tells us, let us ask the Lord that this seed that the V Encuentro has …. (Continued on Page 3)

Desde el escritorio de Hermana Silvia Frias, Asistente Pastoral...

Durante los meses de Febrero a Junio estuvimos trabajando en el V Encuentro que a nivel Diócesis se está llevando a cabo en varias parroquias que tienen comunidad hispana, fue una buena experiencia para salir a las periferias como lo ha pedido el Papa Francisco, varias personas se han sentido llamadas para participar en los diferentes ministerios que nuestra parroquia ofrece. Aunque terminamos esta etapa parroquial empieza nuestro trabajo en nuestra parroquia, al surgir varios puntos que también nos van a ayudar para seguir trabajando más en la unidad.

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Monday - Friday (Lunes - Viernes)  
8:00am to 12:00pm, 1:00 - 7:00pm  
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Closed/Cerrado  
Sunday (Domingo)  
Closed/Cerrado  

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
First Reading — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind (Wisdom 12:13, 16-19).  
Psalm — Lord, you are good and forgiving (Psalm 86).  
Second Reading — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness (Romans 8:26-27).  
Gospel — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God (Matthew 13:24-43 [24-30]).

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK  
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1  
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]  


MC = Milani Center  
CR1-4= Parish Center Conference Rooms  
CH = Church  
Sci = Science Room  
LR = Living Room  
DC = Daycare  
PR = Presentation Center  
Nur. = Nursery  

8:15am Mass Intentions  
Monday, July 17  
† Antonia Cunah  
† Maria Lurdes Cunah  
† Liza Garibaldi  
† Peter Yoonchan Jo  
† Imelda Lua  
† The Nguyen Family  
Tuesday, July 18  
† All Souls in Purgatory  
† Frank Boisseranc  
† Sergio Madrigal  
† Isabella Madrigal  
† Sneha Kochuparambil  
† Emilio Caasi
STEWARSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL
The parable of the sower is familiar and also paraphrased as well, “You reap what you sow.” That hits pretty close to home at times. When we concentrate only on results (the crop) it’s easy to forget that we plant the seeds which have the beginnings of what will become our resultant crop. Good planning means that we first consider how we will achieve the result we seek. Is what we seek to produce limited to our own needs? Can we generalize and include others as recipients of our goal? Maybe yes, maybe no, but unless we consider that, perhaps even pray about it, we may well miss the broader picture. The Gospel passage states that in a different way. After describing the results of the planted seeds being dependent on where the seed lands, Jesus says to the crowds, “Whoever has ears ought to hear.” Hmmmm, that’s interesting. Seeking our own counsel can be limiting if only because we have only our own acquired information. Jesus reveals that not only are we to be aware of the seed we sow, we must also consider the ground in which to plant it. Ok, but what’s this ears and hearing thing? Probably the most essential activity that should precede any result we want to achieve is taking time to reflect with Jesus. My life is a series of “crops” each of which speaks to us if we listen. Making mistakes is a given, we’re bound to make some; the question is how do we integrate what we’ve learned into our next endeavor? If this sounds pretty complicated, it needn’t be. Taking time to replay Jesus’ words in a prayerful way allows us to simplify our plan to proceed. Is my neighbor involved, if so how am I affecting him/them? Back to fundamentals, love is the answer, what’s the question? When we expand our vision, or as Jesus posits, our ears, do my plans reflect Christian values? Selfishness can sneak up on us when we omit the walk with Jesus in our planning stage. Wait, really our life is a planning stage which begins our journey back to our creator. Remembering that provides the incentive to consider Jesus, to know our very lives are in His hands.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK
Food waste is often not based on nutritional value but their size, shape, color are not “right.” Buying “funny fruit” saves them from going to waste. Who knew that black spots on bananas are really just sugar? If appearance matters use “funny fruit” to make smoothies.

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!

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

FROM THE DESK OF SR. SILVIA....
sown in our lives will fall on good soil to give 100, 60 and 30%. Have a very blessed summer! God willing I will see you in September. God bless you.
**Liturgical Ministers and Contacts**

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**FRUIT OF THE WORD**

The seed is the word of God. The agricultural metaphors in all of today’s readings give richness to the message that the word of God, cultivated in our hearts, bears much fruit in our lives. Creation itself awaits the redemption of all, even as our bodies await the resurrection. Just as we will rejoice in the fulfillment of God’s word, so will all of creation sing for joy in the Reign of God. The word of God is effective and holy; it brings about exactly what it says. It is not futile or empty, but rich in meaning for those who hear and are healed. Those who hear the word of God and keep it will, with all creation, bear much fruit and sing for joy.

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**EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS**

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

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Two centuries ago, Archbishop John Carroll worried that Americans would not appreciate the linguistic veil over our worship, and asked that the liturgy in the new United States be in English, not Latin. How did our liturgy come to be in Latin in the first place? In the first century, the dominant language in the regions where the church first flourished was Greek. Today in much of the world, almost everyone speaks at least a bit of English. Recently, the European Union even considered making English its official language, a curious proposal since only two English-speaking countries are members.

Just as English is a unifying language today, it was hard to function in the ancient world without a smattering of Greek. Even the word “Eucharist” comes from the Greek for “thanksgiving.” For a long time, Greek was the language of worship, even in Rome. Slowly, society in the west shifted to a bias for Latin and against Greek. Latin first appeared in public prayer at the end of the second century, in the colonial outposts of North Africa. Soon, Latin became the language of culture, and so as fixed prayer forms were written, they were transmitted in Latin. From Rome and Africa, over the next four centuries, the new liturgical language of Latin spread north to Gaul and Britain.

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DECIMOQUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La palabra de Dios siempre cumple lo que él quiere (Isaías 55:10-11).
Salmo — Los granos que caen en la tierra buena darán una cosecha abundante (Salmo 65 [64]).
Segunda lectura — Toda la creación anticipa ansiosamente la revelación de la gloria plena de Dios (Romanos 8:18-23).
Evangelio — El que tenga oídos, que entienda y reciba las enseñanzas de Jesús (Mateo 13:1-23).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Sal 124 (123):1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Martes: Ex 2:1-15a; Sal 69 (68):3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Miércoles: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Sal 103 (102):1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Jueves: Ex 3:13-20; Sal 105 (104):1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
Viernes: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Sal 116 (115):12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Domingo: Sab 12:13, 16-19; Sal 86 (85):5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

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.

TRABAJO DIGNO

Debo pensar que hay trabajo debajo mío, pues Jesús fue carpintero por treinta años y José toda su vida.
—Charles de Foucauld

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.

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE HERMANA SILVIA

Como el Evangelio de hoy nos dice, pidamos al Señor que esta semilla que el V Encuentro ha sembrado en nuestras vidas caiga en tierra buena para que dé el 100, el 60 y el 30% Que tengan un muy bendecido verano, Dios mediante nos vemos en Septiembre. Dios les bendiga.
CUMPLEAÑOS
DEL MES DE JULIO

Domingo, Julio 16
- Carmelo Jiménez
- Lupita Serrato

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.

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

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.

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

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Uno de los pasajes bíblicos más bellos tiene que ser el de Isaias 11:6. El profeta proclama la paz mesiánica como una paz en donde animales voraces como el lobo, el leopardo, el león y la osa habitarán tranquilamente con animales mansos como el cordero, el cabrito, el ternero y la vaca “y un niño pequeño los conducirá”. Esta es una paz donde la justicia rectifica las desigualdades y pone fin a la violencia. En esta profecía el Cristo es un niño que pastorea el mundo con una eficacia sorprendente. Él hace lo que los gobernantes del mundo pretenden hacer pero nunca logran, pone fin a la guerra, la pobreza y el hambre.

Por esta razón hay muchas imágenes del Niño Jesús como el Santo Niño de Atocha, el Niño Jesús de Praga, el Divino Niño de Bogotá y el Niño Jesús en manos de san Antonio, entre otros. Éstas captan el deseo cristiano de que el niño venga a conducirnos hacia la paz mesiánica y a la vez, nos recuerda que hay que ser como niños para entrar en el reino de Dios.

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

ESCUCHA
Escucha y pon atención con el oído de tu corazón.

—San Benito

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.

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!
INVITACIÓN DE CATEQUESIS
El programa de catequesis está buscando voluntarios y voluntarias para ayudar en diferentes formas para el año que viene. Tendremos talleres de formación en el mes de junio donde aprenderemos muchas cosas. Te esperamos!

Si tienen alguna pregunta favor de contactar la oficina al (408) 779-9604 o contactar a María Miranda por correo electrónico mMiranda@dsj.org

¡Gracias!

SAN VINCENTE DE PAUL DE SANTA CATALINA
La Tiendita Comunitaria de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul — ¡Ya esta abierta por mas días!

- Martes(10AM - 12PM)
- Jueves(10AM - 12PM)
- Cada primer Sábado del mes(10AM -12PM)

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

ADORACION EUCARISTICA DEL SAGRADO SACRAMENTO DE STA. CATALINA DE ALEJANDRIA
Vuestra 24 horas de Adoración empieza el Primer Viernes, A las 8:15A.M. concluyendo el Primer Sábado, con Bendición a las 8A.M.
"De modo que no pueden permanecer despiertos ni una hora conmigo" MT26:40

AMAR A ALGUIEN
Amar profundamente a alguien te hace fuerte. Ser amado profundamente por alguien te da valentía.

—Lao Tzu

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.

Márcate, Desarrollo Patrocinador
Entretenimiento
Instalaciones

Favor de llamar a la Oficina Parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a office@stca.org.

15, 16 Y 17 DE SEPTIEMBRE
Los planes están en marcha para hacer este año del Festival de Otoño otro maravilloso evento comunitario. Necesitamos personas para ayudar en estos comités:

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Desarrollo Patrocinador
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Favor de llamar a la Oficina Parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a office@stca.org.
“Summertime and the living is easy.”

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

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

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Luke 12:15

The Gospel message today is so contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.
I know this picture is sideways, but it allows me to make the picture bigger for you to see. Do you know what you’re looking at?

This was taken at the Diocesan Youth Retreat (DYR) back in June. This was on Thursday night, where over 250 teens and 80 leaders knelt before the Body of Christ. It was truly a beautiful night, and although a picture may speak a thousand words, it doesn’t do justice to exactly what happened.

Now, can I say that all the teens there believe in the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist? No. But hearts were moved for sure that night. Every teen was prayed over specifically in their small group, and they brought that prayer to Jesus. It was a powerful and Spirit-filled evening.

DYR could’ve been one of those events that never really changes—but it has changed a lot over the past few years. The connection to Jesus is more apparent, and the holiness of many of the leaders as well as the teens is inspiring.

Whether you’re a teen or an adult, I invite you to take this next year to pray about whether you are called to be a part of this awesome experience. God may be calling you to it.
Thank you to the leaders, volunteers and St. Vincent de Paul for all of their support for Spanish Vacation Bible Camp! Twenty-three children and their families had a wonderful time learning about God’s love all around us!

Registration is now open for children’s faith formation sessions. Sessions are offered on Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings in English and on Saturday mornings in Spanish. Registration forms are available at the Faith Formation and church offices and online on the church website.

For further information and/or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please contact the Faith Formation Office at (408) 779-9604.
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITIES
From January 17, 2018 to January 29, 2018, you are invited to join Fr. Randy Valenton for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. In this special occasion we will visit many of the places (Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee, Mt. Nebo, Petra, Amman, Jordan), where our Lord, Our Lady and the first apostles walked, produced miracles and lived their daily lives.
To learn more and to find about possible trip extension to Dubai and Egypt, please contact Fr. Randy Valenton at (408) 779-3959 ext. 278. This is a great chance for us to live our Catholic faith, learn about our heritage and meet the Lord as the bible becomes alive so please reserve your spot today.

Travel with Fr. Randy Valenton on our Medjugorje, Lourdes & Fatima trip
Where: Medjugorje, Lourdes, Lisbon, Santarem, Fatima
Trip Dates: September 6-15, 2017
Cost: $3,800 airfare and All-included
To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com

BLOOD DRIVE - JULY 22
Help save a life by donating to the American Red Cross on July 22nd from 9:30 am until 2:30 pm at St. Catherine O’Donnell Parish Center.
There is currently a nation-wide blood shortage. Help make a difference by scheduling a donation and encouraging a friend to join you. To schedule your appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code “catherine” or call 1-800-733-2767 (1-800-Red Cross). Nation wide, the need is constant, as someone needs blood every 2 or 3 seconds, and most of us will need blood in our lifetime. Only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. We need your support. Thank you for your generosity!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Camillus de Lellis
Thursday: St. Apollinaris
Friday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi
Saturday: St. Mary Magdalene

ST. CATHERINE ANNUAL
FALL FUN FEST

September 15, 16 & 17
Plans are underway to make this year’s Fall Fun Fest another wonderful community event. We need people to help on these committees:
- Marketing
- Sponsor Development
- Entertainment
- Facilities
Please phone the Parish Office or email Office@stca.org.

THANK YOU FROM SVDP!
The roof is on, and the parish Knights of Columbus are hard at work refurbishing the bathrooms, HVAC, and ADA walkway at the St. Catherine Community Closet in San Martin! Thank you to all who have contributed with prayer, funds, and labor. Your efforts are much appreciated by the parish, the St. Vincent de Paul volunteers and the guests at our Community Closet.

Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don’t know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 22-24, 2017 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monte-rey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

TOWARD HEAVEN
Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven.

—St. Camillus de Lellis
**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**MORGAN HILL SAFE CAR PARK**
July 8 through October 6
Faith communities, nonprofits, and the City and Police Department of Morgan Hill have collaborated on a pilot Safe Car Park project to provide a respite from the streets and supportive services for 8 local families currently living in cars/RV's with a goal of moving them towards more stable housing. Families will stay overnight from 7pm-8am each day at the Car Park site at Morgan Hill Bible Church. We have made arrangements for meals, showers, laundry, and restrooms. We need volunteers to "host" evening (6:30pm-9pm) and morning (6:30am-7:30am) shifts. Volunteers would be on hand to visit with the families, as well as help refresh the site and assemble a light breakfast and to-go lunch. Sign up on "i-volunteer" on the parish website. Call Carol Lillig 408-857-4516 or Jeanette Thatcher (408) 427-6291 for more information about the program, volunteering or donating supplies.

**MISSIONARY FROM THE PHILIPPINES**
Father Mel Rey Mingoa Uy of the Diocese of Romblon in the Philippines is coming to Saint Catherine of Alexandria Parish on the weekend of July 15/16 to share with us his pastoral experience in that part of the Philippines which is along the typhoon path in the archipelago. He used to be the Director of the Diocesan School of his home diocese. Currently he is the Oeconomus or Financial Secretary of his diocese. He has served as a pastor of two parishes also.

Father Mel Rey has seen the devastation wrought by super typhoon Haiyan (codenamed ‘Yolanda’ in the Philippines) on November 08, 2013. Romblon is still in the process of getting back into its feet even after four years of labor. Their Catechetical Program and their Lay Ministry Program need help. Children need Bibles and instruction materials. Volunteer catechists need Teacher’s Manuals and Instruction Kits. The Lay Ministers need updating/upgrading in order to perform their ministry. The plumbing system of their diocesan seminary needs repairs. Left to itself the poor Diocese of Romblon cannot pay for the on-going formation of these generous catechists and lay ministers; and cannot buy bibles and religious instruction materials for the children. Let us help Romblon.

**IT’S OKAY TO BE HUMAN . . .**
We’re brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it’s a sign of weakness. So we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However, that’s not God’s plan. Galatians 6:2 says, “Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” God wants us to care for others—and allow others to care for us in our time of need. If you’re sad or struggling inside, don’t suffer alone. Ask for help. We’ve got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. Men are matched with men, and women with women. (It’s completely confidential too!) To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, contact Claranne Schirle 408-782-1413 or ke-nandclaranne@gmail.com.

**ELECTRONIC UPDATES**
If you have an email address and would like to hear all the great things that are happening at your parish, please contact us. We email parishioners whose addresses we have about events for the upcoming week. This way you won’t miss any of our exciting events. If you would like to receive the parish’s upcoming events electronically please email the parish office at office@stca.org with your name and the email address you wish to use.
**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.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**
St. Catherine Parish has an opening for an evening administrative assistant (Monday to Friday, 4:00-7:00pm). 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 oriented, 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.

**CHURCH BUILDING RENEWAL UPDATE**
On June 19th a Church Building Renewal Update was presented at a meeting open to all parishioners. The Church Building Renewal Steering Committee, comprised of Matt Fardig, Chair, Fr. Jeronimo, Marc Poirier, Deacon Phil Flowers, Jim Yinger, Anna Quinones and Jeanette Thatcher, was introduced.

Deacon Phil updated the group on what had transpired since the January Parish meeting:
- The Steering Committee met with the Diocesan Arts and Environment and Building and Maintenance Committees to provide information and to receive guidance
- Bishop McGrath gave approval to move forward on the project
- A Request for Proposal was prepared and sent to architects
- Architects were selected: John Miller Architects and Brad Cox Architect, Inc. will partner on this project
- The major goals for the Church Building Renewal were reviewed
- The project timeline was reviewed.

Look for more information in the weeks to come about our architects, major Church Renewal Goals, project timeline and how you can participate.

The Steering Committee is excited to proceed with this project, realizing that its completion is dependent on faith and the vision and generosity of all parishioners. Please continue to pray for our parish and this project.

**HOSPITALITY**
Have you been enjoying Sunday morning hospitality? So have your hosts! It's a blessing to actively participate in making it possible for our parish family to extend the Table. You can share in that blessing. Please consider volunteering for a couple of hours or all morning, as part of a parish ministry group, or as an individual, or with other friends/ family members. E mail annmariecica@yahoo.com, or sign yourself up at http://stcatherinechurch.ivolunteer.com/. We need hosts for August 13 and beyond.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

**Adult:** “How do you provide “good soil” for the faith of others to grow?”

**Child:** “What are you doing to help the seeds of your faith grow each day?”

**Have an awesome Summer!**
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DON’T FORGET MASS DURING THE SUMMER
Summer is a great time to experience Mass in different settings. Whether you are visiting one of California’s beautiful missions or attending Mass in an outdoor setting while camping, the experience of sharing liturgy with others you don’t know can be powerful. It is amazing to think of the number of people who show up for the outdoor Mass each Sunday (actually Saturday afternoon) at Big Sur and it provides a little boost that there are others striving to stay connected with God in the midst of our busy lives, even during vacations. Going to Mass at parishes in resort areas, or even when visiting grandparents and cousins can be reminders that we are not alone, rather we are part of a larger community of believers. Vacations don’t mean you need to miss Mass. They are a great opportunity to join with others and enjoy the blessings of other parish communities and customs for Sunday worship.

SPACES AVAILABLE
We have couple of spaces available in second and sixth grades for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are interested during July, please get an application from our website and contact Ms. Esparza at fesperza@stcatherinemh.org, or visit the office between 8:30-1:00. We will make arrangements for the assessment and get things moving.