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.

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

I want a flat stomach. But you wouldn't know that if you've ever seen me eat. I like unhealthy food and unhealthy portions. And I give into all of it way more often than someone who wants a flat stomach should . Can anyone relate?

So do I really want a flatter stomach? Or maybe a better question is, do I believe having a flat stomach is worth the sacrifices necessary to achieving it? Doesn't seem like it.

I've gotten so used to eating unhealthily that I have a hard time overcoming it. But that doesn't mean it's beyond my control.

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Desde el escritorio del Deepu Kochuparambil, Director de Jóvenes...

Quiero un estómago plano. Pero no sabrías eso si me has visto comer. Me gusta la comida poco saludable y porciones poco saludables. Y como mucho en una manera más a menudo que alguien debería que quiere un estómago plano. ¿Puede alguien relacionarse?

¿Así que realmente quiero un estómago más plano? O tal vez una mejor pregunta es, ¿creo que tener un estómago plano vale la pena los sacrificios necesarios para lograrlo? No parece que sea así.

Me he acostumbrado tanto a comer poco saludable que me cuesta superarla. Pero eso no significa que esté más allá de mi control.

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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)  
Closed/Cerrado

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading — You shall not oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in Egypt (Exodus 22:20-26).
Psalm — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).
Second Reading — You became imitators of the Lord, so that you became a model for all believers (1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10).
Gospel — You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:34-40).

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, October 22
8:00-11:00am NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
8:00-12:00pm DC CLOW
9:00-10:15am MC, Rm.8,10,11 Faith Formation classes
1:30-4:00pm CR1-4, Kit Hospitality
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band and singers
5:00-7:30pm Rm.8 Clase de Biblia
7:00-9:00pm MC Life Teen

Monday/Lunes, October 23
6:00-7:00pm CR1-4, Kit Community Supper
6:00-8:00pm GYM Danza Litúrgica Practice
6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching group
7:00-8:00pm CH Angelica Choir
7:00-9:00pm Rm.10 Jovenes Para Cristo - Junta
7:30-9:00pm MC English - Pre-Baptism class
8:00-10:00pm GYM Young Adult Disciples sports

Tuesday/Martes, October 24
5:00-9:30pm CH New Lector Training - practice
6:30-9:30pm MC Espanol - Clase Pre-Bautismal
6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 Jovenes Para Cristo - Coro
7:00-8:45pm CR1-4, Kit, Pati KOC assembly
7:00-8:30pm Rm.8 FF Catechist meeting
7:00-8:00pm LR Sweepstakes committee
7:00-8:30pm Rm.10 Cub Scouts Pack 766

Wednesday/Miércoles, October 25
9:00-11:00am CR1-2 Women’s Group - Study
12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose/Fil-Am Choir
3:30-4:30pm MC, Rm.8,10,11 Faith Formation classes
3:30-4:30pm CH Faith Formation community time
5:00-6:00pm CH Choir
5:00-7:00pm Rm.10,11 Una Puerta de Esperanza - Junta
5:30-6:30pm MC Middle School Ministry session
6:00-8:00pm GYM Danza Litúrgica practice
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
6:30-7:45pm Rm.8 Jesús a Mankind prayer group
6:30-7:30pm MC EDGE
7:00-8:30pm DC Confirmation - small group
7:00-8:30pm LR RICA
7:00-9:00pm Rm.10 Jovenes Para Cristo - Coro
7:30-9:30pm CH Alfa Omega Grupo de Oracion
8:00-9:30pm CR1-4 Alfa Omega monthly potluck

Thursday/Jueves, October 26
6:00-8:00pm Rm.10 Una Puerta de Esperanza
6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir
6:00-9:00pm MC, Rm.8,10,11 Faith Formation classes
7:00-8:30pm MC Cat. Min. Social Media: A Panel Discussion
7:00-8:30pm Rm.11 Grupo Amigos - Teen Leader mtg.

Friday/Viernes, October 27
9:30-11:00am CR1-2 Bible Study
5:00-10:00pm CR1-4, Kit, Pati Family Ministry - Trunk o Treat
7:00-9:30pm MC Grupo Amigos
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8,10,11 Reunion Jovenes Para Cristo

Saturday/Sábado, October 28
9:00-10:30am MC, Rm.8,10,11 Spanish Faith Formation
12:00-6:30pm MC Alfa & Omega Retiro de Servidores

8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, October 23  † Sara Lua
Tuesday, October 24  † Sal Tacci
Wednesday, October 25  † Dionisio Marcelo
Thursday, October 26  † John Grimsich
Friday, October 27  † Lisa Seifert
Saturday, October 28  † Leonardo De Palma
† Pete Faldetta
† Kim Do
† Lucila Marcelo
† Heinz Scharfe
You have probably heard the expression "the human condition." It's generally used to denote a failing of some sort due to simply being human. Today's Gospel fits that bill. The Pharisees want to be rid of Jesus but since he is revered by the people they must trap him in a violation of the law. First they flatter him, noting his truthfulness and adherence to God's law, and then pose what they think is a question that will stump him. The details are not the key to our Gospel, Jesus refutes their question adroitly and so his ultimate sacrifice of himself is postponed. The underlying story speaks directly to the primacy of our spiritual life. Is God the center or is there something (earthly) that replaces God with temporal needs. Alas, the human condition we all have within us leads us to unwittingly choose personal goals and desires without considering how they fit into God's plan. It's not complicated, Jesus tells us that the essential need for us is to love God and love our neighbor. In times of temptation by the siren of personal gain we set aside such a seemingly simple call, promising that we'll return to loving after we satisfy whatever need we can't see beyond. As with most human failures we are doomed to encounter these false choices and then struggle to overcome them … by openly praying for assistance to reprioritize our “true north” as the guide. Jesus is that true north for us, his guidance and the example of his human life offer not only a way to overcome choices which are not life giving, but also which bring us to the beautiful simplicity which derives from loving one another. The Pharisees and Herodians saw only the letter of the law, not the underlying good which the law attempted to present. There will always be times when our choice of action must include more than a rote reciting of a rule. It's not either-or as much as both-and. We'd like it to be simpler but the formation of our conscience is a lifelong journey to choose God, to choose life, to be Christ for one another.

Winter is coming, even if hesitatingly it seems. Now is the time to check on the furnace, to caulk around leaky windows and check attic insulation. Not only will we be more comfortable when the cold comes in earnest but we'll save money too. Fall leaves are dropping, now is the time to clean them from the roof and gutters. Even cleaning brown leaves is green.

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!
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY

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

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Liturgical Ministers Needed

**Sacristans**  - needed for all Masses. You need to be an extraordinary minister of holy communion to be a Sacristan. Please contact Karen Barone directly to schedule a training at kbarone@wildblue.net.

**Environment Coordinator** for the Church and Parish Center. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.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.

RENEWAL for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Diocese requires renewal and enrichment for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion every two years in order to continue in this ministry.

The next renewal session is Tuesday, November 7th from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Church.

If you have questions, please contact Karen Barone at kbarone@wildblue.net.

**Proclaimer of the Word / LECTOR training**

Have you ever thought about becoming a Lector at Mass? Do you have a passion for proclaiming Scripture readings?

You are invited to attend our training.

Training is in two parts:
Tuesday, October 24th – Theology of Scripture in the Church  7:00-8:00pm
Tuesday, November 14th – Practice session in the Church 7:00-8:00pm

Both sessions are required.

If you have questions or want additional information contact:
Jim Yinger  408-858-0305 jfyinger@gmail.com

FEASTS OF ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY

The Catholic Church designates a month-long commemoration of prayer for the deceased during November. Traditionally the Church has always firmly believed that we are forever united with those who have gone before us in death.

Wednesday, November 1st is the celebration of the Feast of All Saints. This feast comes in the autumn at the end of the Church Year when we turn our thoughts to the harvest. Many churches in the United States celebrate All Saints Day to honor all the saints, particularly those who do not have their own special feast day. Participation in Mass on this day is part of our responsibility as Catholics. Our Masses in English are at 6:15am, 8:15am, 10:45am, 3:45pm and 5:30pm and in Spanish at 7:00pm. If one of our Mass times does not meet your work schedule, please consider finding a Mass near your work.

Thursday, November 2nd is The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day). This day remembers the faithful departed who are awaiting entrance to glory but still need our prayers. You may wish to participate in the 8:15 am Mass in English or the 7:00pm Mass in Spanish.

These feasts offer an opportunity to remember the holy ones who, according to ancient Christian belief, continue to inspire, challenge, and support those on earth. You may remember the departed by writing their names on the All Souls Offering Envelopes and/or on our Paper Leaves. Place the envelopes in the collection and the leaves on the trees at the sides of the sanctuary before or after Mass on October 28th or 29th.

A St. Catherine’s Tradition

Writing the names of those departed on leaves and placing them on trees at the sides of the sanctuary. Leaves will be available in the vestibule the weekend of October 28th and 29th. There will be a book of the dead at the left of the sanctuary for you to write the names of your loved ones.
VIGÉSIMO-NOVENO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

¡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:_______________________________

¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?
_____Yes  _____No

¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?
_____Yes  _____No

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Dios escucha el llanto de los oprimidos (Exodo 22:20-26).
Salmo — Te amo, oh Señor, mi fuerza (Salmo 18 [17]).
Segunda lectura — El pueblo de Dios es conocido por su conversión y amor de Dios (1Tesalconicenses 1:5c-10).
Evangelio — La ley principal es la ley del amor (Mateo 22:34-40).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:  Rom 4:20-25; Lc 1:69-75; Lc 12:13-21
Martes: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Sal 40 (39):7-10, 17; Lc 12:35-38
Miércoles:  Rom 6:12-18; Sal 124 (123):1b-8; Lc 12:39-48
Jueves:  Rom 6:19-23; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 12:49-53
Viernes:  Rom 7:18-25a; Sal 119 (118):66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lc 12:54-59
Sábado: Ef 2:19-22; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Lc 6:12-16
Domingo: Ex 22:20-26; Sal 18 (17):2-4, 47, 51; 1 Tes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

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DESE EL ESCRITORIO DE DEEPU….

Ha habido veces (corto en longitud, se lo aseguro), que he comido más sano o controlado mis porciones. Sé que puedo hacerlo. Pero entonces sucede algo como Nutella. O voy a una fiesta y hay lumpia (ADVERTENCIA: si me invita a su fiesta y hay buena lumpia, lo más probable es que me coma la mayoría... y si hay una cosa como mala lumpia... y no, no deje que esto le impida invitarme a su fiesta y / o hacer lumpia disponible).

Comer sano durante un período predeterminado de tiempo lo hace más fácil y alcanzable, porque usted sabe que hay un fin a la vista. Hacerlo para siempre es un poco intimidante. Tal vez por eso es tan intimidante intentar ser un santo. La parte más difícil de intentar ser quien Dios nos creó para ser es que es constante. No es sólo por una semana o simplemente en una parte de su vida. Es todo el día todos los días. Es su vida. Creo que es por eso que la Cuaresma es tan "popular" - porque es sólo por cuarenta y seis días. Es temporal. Quiero ser mejor, quiero ser un santo, pero sólo me convertiré en uno tan rápido como me permita. Justo como con querer un estómago plano, necesito reflexionar seriamente en si realmente quiero ser un santo - ¿realmente creo que ser un santo vale los sacrificios necesarios para lograrlo? ¿Alguna vez te has hecho estas preguntas?

CUanto más aprendo sobre Dios y la Iglesia Católica, más creo que vale la pena. Y me he dado cuenta de que lo único que me impide ser un santo soy yo mismo. Me he acostumbrado no sólo a no ser un santo, sino a no tratar de ser uno lo cual es difícil de cambiar. Pero es posible. Los santos que nos han precedido son ejemplos perfectos de eso. Sólo necesito estar dispuesto a comprometerme.

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

VIGÉSIMO-NOVENO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

SAN VICENTE DE PAUL

Necesitamos voluntarios para la línea de ayuda para San Vicente de Paúl: ¿podría estar disponible una vez al mes para ayudar a los necesitados en nuestra área? Buscamos algunos voluntarios de la línea de ayuda de San Vicente de Paúl. Las personas que necesita ayuda llaman a nuestra línea de ayuda, y tenemos un voluntario todos los días que comprueba los mensajes de voz y devuelve las llamadas telefónicas. Con generosas donaciones de nuestros feligreses, somos capaces de ayudar a pagar renta, utilidades, etc. Nuestros voluntarios con experiencia están disponibles para entrenar a nuestros nuevos voluntarios. Harás una diferencia. Es un ministerio que te encantará. Llama a Carol 408-857-4516.

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

LUCHA POR EL PODER

Las luchas por el poder ocurren en todos los ámbitos de la sociedad, desde el escenario mundial hasta en las relaciones en el trabajo, y hasta en nuestros hogares. Luchamos por un puesto en la jerarquía de poder. ¿Quién tiene poder sobre quién? ¿Cómo lo usamos? ¿Cuál es la fuente de ese poder? ¿Cuál es la respuesta sana ante el mismo?

En la lectura del Evangelio de hoy los fariseos mezclan a Jesús en la lucha por el poder sobre si los judíos deben rendir tributo a César pagando los impuestos. La respuesta de Jesús da a esta lucha y a toda lucha por el poder otra perspectiva. En consonancia con las palabras de Isaías y de Pablo, Jesús nos enseña que Dios es la fuente final de todo poder –el poder de los que gobiernan en la tierra, los fariseos, Jesús, la Iglesia y el poder dentro de nosotros.

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35° RIFA ANUAL DE SANTA CATALINA

Usted puede preguntarse quién se beneficia de nuestra recaudación de fondos más grande del año. En resumen, es su comunidad. Como el Ministerio que apoya a otros Ministerios, la Rifa Anual brinda apoyo a nuestros programas Parroquiales y Escolares, tales como la preparación sacramental y la formación de fe, nuestros ministerios litúrgicos y pastorales; nuestros laboratorios de computación y programa de drama. Pero realmente los niños, los adultos jóvenes y las familias que componen nuestra comunidad parroquial y escolar son los verdaderos beneficiarios.

Su compra de un boleto de $60 para la rifa del Vehículo, lo podría poner detrás del volante de un coche nuevo de su elección con un precio de etiqueta de hasta $40,000. Como una alternativa al premio del automóvil, el afortunado ganador puede elegir recibir $30,000 en efectivo.

¡Un boleto de $20 de las Vacaciones les ofrece un viaje de su vida! ¡Usted nombre el lugar y su boleto ganador le financiará hasta $7,500 o, el afortunado ganador puede optar por recibir $5,000 en efectivo! Este boleto tiene cinco grandes premios que puede ganar, incluyendo un nuevo Parrot Bebop 2 Drone, dinero en efectivo y unas vacaciones a Disneyland!

La Rifa Anual de Santa Catalina se enorgullece de ser un instrumento que brinda un apoyo real para mantener a nuestra comunidad católica local funcionando y en hacerlo de una manera divertida que involucre positivamente a la comunidad que se beneficia. Visite nuestra mesa después de misa hoy y pregúntenos acerca de “Pájaro Madrugador” y los “Paquetes Extraordinarios”. Aceptamos Visa, Master Card y American Express, Dinero en efectivo y cheques.

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!
TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En tiempos pasados, cuando los fieles latinoamericanos se enfermaban gravemente se mandaba traer al sacerdote para que le administrara los “santos óleos” o la “extremaunción”. Nadie quería ver a un sacerdote acércasele con los óleos porque significaba que uno estaba por morir.

Gracias a Dios, las reformas del Concilio Vaticano II han regresado al sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos su sentido original. Este Sacramento es celebrado para todos los que tengan alguna enfermedad seria, aunque no sea de muerte. El sacramento es para pedir consuelo para el enfermo y si es voluntad de Dios, la salud. Este sacramento no debe ser reservado para preparar al paciente para la muerte.

Santiago, en su carta a los cristianos, nos dice que si uno de nosotros está enfermo que llame al presbítero de la Iglesia para que lo unja con óleo o aceite santo. Y añade que la oración hecha con fe perdonará los pecados del enfermo y lo sanará para que recupere su vida cotidiana. Este sacramento, como todos los sacramentos, son para la vida, tanto la vida cotidiana como la vida eterna.

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

EL PROGRAMA FORMACIÓN DE FAMILIAS EN LA FE

- A todas las familias se les recuerda que a partir de octubre 21 cada tercer sábado de cada mes se empezará una Misa especial para los niños a las 7:00pm. Los esperamos ya que los niños de catequesis participan en estas Misas como proclamadores de La Palabra, y ministros de hospitalidad.

SAN VICENTE DE PAUL DE SANTA CATALINA

La Tiendita Comunitaria de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul — ¡Ya está abierta por más días!

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

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.

BUEN EJEMPLO

El buen ejemplo es la mejor clase de predicación.

—Dicho africano

PRUEBA DE AMOR

La prueba del amor está en las obras. Donde hay amor, éste hace obras grandes; pero cuando deja de obrar, deja de existir.

—San Gregorio Magno

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Todo lo que he visto me enseña a confiar al Creador todo lo que no he visto.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Domingo Mundial de las Misiones
Lunes: San Juan de Capistrano
Martes: San Antonio María Claret
Sábado: Santos Simón y Judas
Parish Mission: The Fullness of Purpose.

November 15th and 16th at 7:00pm

Can there be more to one’s faith experience than what we have come to know? Speaker Ken Yasinski’s dynamic communication style makes relevant the timeless truths of our faith. Come be inspired to live your full potential.

Want a free introductory talk by Ken?
Text the word FREETALK to 44222

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St. Catherine’s Parish, 17400 Peak Ave, Morgan Hill CA
With Halloween just around the corner, you may be busy with costume making, decorating, treat buying… but I ask, what are you preparing for the real Feast?? The real holiday is the Feast of All Saints on November 1st. Now don’t get me wrong, I like the costumes and “teaching my kids about sharing” (aka: sneaking treats from our kids’ buckets) as much (if not more) than the next parent… but have you ever found yourself overlooking All Saints and All Souls days in the process? It has long been the practice to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr’s death at the nearest church. By the 4th century nearby churches started to celebrate common feasts and in the 8th century Gregory III consecrated a chapel to all the saints and fixed the anniversary to November 1st, which was then universally recognized just 60 years later by Pope Gregory IV. Now you know!! See you in Mass on Wednesday the 1st! Have you ever considered learning about a saint and dressing up like them for trick-or-treating???

Have you heard of our annual

TRUNK or TREAT?

Friday, Oct 27th

All ages at welcome! No young kids? No problem! Come see the costumes, hand out treats, and celebrate with our community!

Starting 5pm—Time to decorate your trunk in south parking lot, crafts for kids, dinner and drinks for purchase, socialize w/ your extended St. Catherine Family! No trick-or-treating until 6pm.

6-7pm—parking lot closed for trunk-or-treating (NO CARS IN/OUT)

At 7pm—head inside for continued fun and costume/trunk prizes!

Pre-order* your food (a fundraiser for the 8th grade class):
  Tri-Tip Sandwich—$7
  Hot dog and chips—$4

For online pre-order link, see school communication or parish website.
*there will be a limited amount of food available the day of the event.

Need Service hours?? We’re looking for volunteers to setup and run the kid’s craft tables check out iVolunteer or email eadonnay@gmail.com to sign up.
RITE OF ENROLLMENT

During this weekend and next weekend’s Masses, children and youth preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion take part in the Rite of Enrollment with their families and the parish community.

The rite welcomes those preparing for the sacraments and asks children and their families if they are willing to take their preparation seriously. It also asks the parish community to support them with their prayers. Members of the parish community are given a card with a child’s name and a prayer on the back. They are then asked to pray for that child during the year.

May this time of preparation and prayer be a time of blessing for our families and our community, and unite us all in God’s great love.

Images from Faith Formation

New catechumens celebrate the Rite of Acceptance. These are children who have expressed their desire and intention to become Christians.

Catechumens receive their crosses during dismissal from Mass, a time for reflection, prayer, and faith sharing that flows from listening to God’s Word.

Learning about the rosary and making them in faith formation classes.
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHERINE’S 35th ANNUAL SWEEPSTAKES KICKS INTO GEAR.
IT’S YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A BRAND NEW CAR, A VACATION OF YOUR DREAMS, CASH AND MUCH MORE!

Purchasing a $60 Vehicle Sweepstakes ticket may put you behind the wheel of a brand new car of your choice with a sticker price up to $40,000. An alternative to the car prize allows the lucky winner to choose $30,000 in cash.

The $20 Travel Sweepstakes Ticket offers a Trip of a Lifetime! You name the place and your winning ticket funds up to $7,500 or alternatively the lucky winner can choose to receive $5,000 in cash. This ticket has five great prizes to win, including a new Parrot Bebop 2 Drone, cash or a Disneyland Vacation!

Purchase tickets today and you’re automatically entered in the Early Bird drawing, an additional opportunity to win more cash prizes as a reward for buying tickets early.

We sell a limited number of Bonus Bundles at $350 per bundle. The bundle includes four vehicle sweepstakes tickets five vacation sweepstakes tickets and your Bonus Bundle ticket is entered in a drawing for cash prizes. Only 350 Bonus Bundles are sold so get your Bonus Bundle today.

The drawing is held in the O’Donnell Parish Center on December 17th. Appetizers and drinks are served, please plan to join us for the drawing; however you do not need to be present to win. We accept cash, checks and Visa, Master Card and American Express. Buy tickets at the table after mass; learn more at www.StCatherineSweeps.org.

Remember, this is the largest combined fundraiser of the year for the church and school. So not only is it a great opportunity to win some awesome prizes, but it is your chance to support the many ministries of your community. Thank you for your participation!

ST. CATHERINE WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB

October Selection: A Column of Fire by Ken Follett
Meet at Peet’s on Cochrane Rd. 7pm Tuesday, October 24th

November Selection: In This House of Brede by Rumer Godden
Meet at Peet’s on Cochrane Rd. 7pm Tuesday, November 28th

STEPHEN MINISTERS SHARE GOD’S LOVE
Sometimes it takes more than a parka or a blanket to keep another person warm. Sometimes it takes the presence of a caring Christian friend. Stephen Ministers share the warmth of God’s love with those who need it most: the lonely, the depressed, the grieving, but more ministers are needed. Is God calling you to reach out to those who are hurting? Consider serving as a Stephen Minister. For more information about receiving care or becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413 or kenandclaranne@gmail.com.

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

GHANA

Awaso is a small village in Ghana, Africa. Attaining a high school diploma and living outside the bonds of poverty is often out of reach for most of the village children who are unable to pass the required entrance exams. The Awaso Academy, founded in 2010 by Father Paul Mensah, is breaking the cycle of poverty and creating a brighter future by providing quality education. A donation of $1.34 per day, $40 per month, covers all their needs - text books, school supplies, uniforms, transportation, breakfast/lunch and a loving staff.

Make a difference in a child’s life today! It’s easy! Visit www.awasohope.org and click “SPONSOR A CHILD”. Please call me if you encounter any difficulties. I’m here to help! Thank you for your support! Monica McClintock monica.mc@me.com 408.218.6007.
SERVICE TRIP TO AFRICA
St. Catherine is organizing its upcoming service trip to Ghana, Africa! Our group works in the school that many of our members established in 2010. You too can be a part of this special educational project that helps young children break the bonds of poverty with the quality education the school provides. Many opportunities to serve are available to support the educational needs of the children and their families, including: providing school supplies, supporting the teaching staff, conducting workshops, working in the classrooms, teaching art, hosting sports activities, constructing school buildings, or expanding other school projects to enhance the school and improve the educational needs of the children. There are many ways to serve. Come find out more! Tuesday, October 17th - 7:00-8:00pm in the O'Donnell Parish Center.
Contact Janet or Monica for more information: janet95037@gmail.com; monica.mc@me.com

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
What makes the Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children different from the others? First, there is the intended assembly, which is described as comprised of mostly children of school age. There are three Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children available to us now in the missal. The first one has a very simple form, easily grasped by even a young child. The second has a great deal of participation by the assembly—repeated sung acclamations. The third has a number of variations that can be tricky for a priest to handle if he hasn’t prepared carefully.

All of this work does point to a true treasure of our tradition: children are part of the Sunday assembly, precisely because they are baptized members of Christ’s body. By contrast, the churches of the Reformation tend to look upon children as members in training, and see worship as an adult activity. Sunday school happens downstairs while the adults celebrate Holy Communion upstairs. In a phrase, that’s not Catholic. Children belong to Christ and to the assembly. So, the desire to care for the children in the assembly, to draw them into the prayer, and to adapt our rituals and texts to their needs is deeply Catholic, a true pastoral effort to help draw everyone into the praise of God.

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Power struggles occur on every level of society, from the world stage to relationships at work, to our own homes. We struggle for position in the hierarchy of power: Who has power over whom? How do they wield it? What is the source of that power? What is the healthy response?

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Are you available once a month to help those in need in our area? We need a few St. Vincent de Paul Help Line volunteers. Folks in need call the Help Line, we have a volunteer every day who checks the voice messages and returns the phone calls. With generous donations from our parishioners, we are able to help pay rent, utilities, etc. Coaching from experienced volunteers is available. You’ll make a difference. It’s a ministry you’ll love. Call Carol 408-857-4516.

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Hospitality returns
November 26th

For the past couple of weeks, we have not had hospitality after the 7:15am, 8:45am, and 10:30am Masses. It re-launches on the Feast of Christ the King, November 26!

A small team of volunteers from each Mass have set a vision that Hospitality should not just be about donuts and coffee, although we all agree that it is an important aspect of it. More so, it is about how we create a welcoming and warm environment for regular attenders as well as guests to St. Catherine.

Teams are being developed from each Mass who will welcome people before Mass begins in the front parking lot and in front of the Church, help them find seats during busy Masses, and manage the food and drink after Mass. This starts at all Masses, including the evening Masses, the weekend of November 25-26.

The team is hoping this will help further the amazing community we already have at St. Catherine!

Hospitality Volunteers Needed

As we prepare to launch a revamped Hospitality Ministry, we seek an initial team of ten people from each Mass to volunteer to create a new hospitality team. We want to do this not just at the morning Masses but at the evening Masses as well. If you are interested, we ask that you serve at the Mass you usually attend and not commit to other Masses.

I encourage parents who have children who are altar servers or are part of the Children’s Choir to be part of this ministry at the Mass at which your child is scheduled to minister. Please consider it.

If you are at all interested and would like to find out more, please contact John Rinaldo at jrinaldo@dsj.org or (408) 779-3959. There is a training in November for all interested volunteers.
OPEN HOUSE AND INFO NIGHT
St. Catherine School is hosting an Open House on Tuesday, November 7. Prospective families are invited to an information session at 6:00 pm followed by an Open House. Admission packets for prospective students are available online and are currently being accepted. Current students and their families are welcome to attend the Open House from 6:30-7:30 pm. Come and see the great work our children are doing!

CALLING ALL VETERANS
Veterans’ Day is on a Saturday this year. As a result, the school will not hold our typical Veterans’ Day prayer service. However, we are looking for veterans to visit classrooms on Friday, November 10, from 2:00-2:30. A reception will be hosted in Milani Center after the class visits. Our goal is to have the students meet veterans as individuals. We hope the veterans can share what types of training they received and their type of service while in the military. We are not looking for gruesome war stories, but hope students will learn about the many ways our military serves our country. Contact the school office if you can visit 408-779-9950.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2018-2019
Applications for the 2018-2019 school year are available on the school website under the Admissions tab. Please note the application deadline for kindergarten is December 15, while applications for grades 1-8 are due March 2. Kinder testing will take place in January with testing for grades 1-8 being held in March.

OCTOBER is the month of the Rosary. Pray for peace daily by praying the Rosary.