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 Alejandria, 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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME / TRIGESIMO–TERCERO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

From the Desk of Anna Quiñones, Development Director …..

"It is truly right and just… always and everywhere to give you thanks...”

I am thankful for St. Catherine’s Parish and I would like to share my blessings.

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving in the coming week, we once again take stock of the blessings in our lives. They may have included a grateful awareness of the gift of life, of family, of faith and freedom. But let’s not stop at a generic “counting of blessings.” I will again challenge myself, my family and you to take the time to consider the gifts in the concreteness and particularity of our own personal experience.

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Desde el escritorio del Anna Quiñones, Directora de Desarrollo……

"En verdad es justo y necesario..., darte gracias siempre y en todo lugar...”

Estoy agradecida por la parroquia de Santa Catalina y me gustaría compartir mis bendiciones.

Mientras nos preparamos para celebrar el día de Acción de Gracias la próxima semana, una vez más haremos un balance de las bendiciones en nuestras vidas. Pueden haber incluido agradecimiento del don de la vida, de la familia, de la fé y la libertad. Pero no nos detengamos en un "conteo de bendiciones" genérico. Vuelvo a desafiarle a mí misma, a mi familia y a usted a que tome el tiempo de considerar los dones en la concreción y particularidad de nuestra propia experiencia personal.

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**THE WEEK AHEAD/ LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA**

**Sunday/Domingo, November 19**
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
1:30-3:00pm CH Danza Liturgica - Practica
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band & Singers
3:30-5:00pm Rm.8 High School Sacramental Prep.

**Monday/Lunes, November 20**
11:00-2:30pm CR1-4, Kit 50’s Group
6:00-7:00pm CR1-4, Kit Community Supper
6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching Group
6:30-9:00pm MC Cena Acción de Gracias - JPC
7:00-8:30pm CH Angelica Choir
7:00-8:30pm Rm.8 Pastoral Care/ Stephen Ministry-Tea for the Soul

**Tuesday/Martes, November 21**
2:30-3:15pm CH School prayer service
6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 Jovenes Para Cristo - Coro
7:00-8:15pm Rm.8 Knights of Columbus assembly
7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Catechist training
7:00-8:00pm LR Sweepstakes committee

**Wednesday/Miercoles, November 22**
12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose/Fil-Am Choir
5:00-6:00pm CH Children’s Choir
5:00-7:00pm Rm.10 Una Puerta de Esperanza - Junta
6:00-8:00pm CR1-4, Kit Charity - Thanksgiving dinner
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
6:30-7:30pm MC Youth Ministry - EDGE
6:30-7:45pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind prayer group
6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 Jovenes Para Cristo - Coro Retiros
7:00-8:30pm DC Confirmation - Small Group
7:00-8:30pm LR RICA
7:30-9:30pm CH Alfa & Omega Grupo de Oracion

**Thursday/Jueves, November 23**
OFFICE CLOSED - Thanksgiving Day
10:00-12:00pm CH Thanksgiving Bilingual Mass

**Friday/Viernes, November 24**
OFFICE CLOSED - Thanksgiving Holiday

**Saturday/Sábado, November 25**
1:30-3:00pm CH Danza Liturgica - Practica
8:00-10:00pm CH OLG - Apparitions Play - Practice

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

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**First Reading**
— I will rescue my scattered sheep (Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17).

**Psalm**
— The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading**
— As in Adam all die, so too in Christ all shall be brought to life (1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28).

**Gospel**
— Whatever you did to the least ones, you did to me (Matthew 25:31-46).

**READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Monday, November 20**
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday, November 21**
2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday, November 22**
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 14-15

**Thursday, November 23**
1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

**Friday, November 24**
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday, November 25**
1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday, November 19**
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

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**8:15am Mass Intentions**

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Prepare … how many times have we heard that phrase? It implies two essential elements, that something important is coming and that without being ready we may miss it entirely. Today’s scriptures use the metaphor of marriage to illustrate the point. Marriage is an important event (a sacrament for we Catholic Christians) and it asks for discernment, prayer and a promise to another of our commitment to love them in all of life’s challenges. It reminds us of our need to prepare to meet Jesus … both now and in the next life. Preparation asks that we commit ourselves to actual work for the event to come. We can agree with that call but our ability to actually do the work often depends on timing. Most of us prepare to arise in the morning, we brush our teeth, etc. so often we forget that we are actually preparing for something. In a favorite preparation :-) we prepare to file our tax return by saving the information needed. But when we prepare for something without knowing when it will occur, we can become lax or even forgetful of the need for constant ongoing preparation. The commitment marriage asks is not just for the actual ceremony itself, but for a lifetime of learning to love in all that life brings us … both good and troublesome. (A short aside to address the “when a man finds a worthy wife” in the first reading. It was written in a patriarchal time. The truth of the saying for us today applies to both the man and the woman. Each is a precious gift to the other when we discern the meaning and not just the words used to explain it.) An important part of our spiritual preparation asks that we look beneath the actions we make (prayer, mass, loving our neighbor, …) to see that these very actions make Jesus present to us now, today, this minute, as well as at the moment we see him face to face. Preparation becomes an ongoing, practiced rhythm instead of a stream of disconnected singular events. Making preparedness a way of life brings God into all aspects of who we are as a child of God.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK
Being prepared is a big part of being green. Seasonal work in the yard keeps plants well nourished and as recyclers we use dead leaves, grass and plants by reusing them as compost or by recycling in our weekly trash collection. Seeing these regular activities as preparation for future growth allows us to “recycle or reuse” our reoccurring tasks as growth in us.

HAVE YOU MOVED?
Have you moved recently and need to update your mailing information with the parish? Email us at office@stca.org, drop us a note in the Sunday collection or call us at (408) 779-3959. We need your complete name, old & new address and your new telephone number if that has changed. Don’t miss out on all the great news we mail/email to our parishioners!

FROM THE DESK OF ANNA.....
Without a vivid sense of gratitude we are at risk of taking even what is most precious in life for granted. We must be always mindful of the loving God who is the source of all our gifts, whom we trust to continue to provide for all our needs.

To those of us who are fortunate enough to gather peacefully with family and friends around the table, let us open our hearts and fully reflect on each reason to be thankful. Also let us please pray for those who do not have a table this season. Let us find ways to make room for them in our lives and share our bounty in meaningful ways. We can also remember “It is truly right and just... always and everywhere to give you thanks…”

Sunday, December 3rd is the beginning of Advent; a time for excited anticipation. It can also be a time of great stress. We want to reach out to those struggling families and individuals while still preserving their human dignity. In a society that seems to be creating deeper divisions between the rich and poor, we need to remember Christ’s teachings and his own personal example of humility. This Thanksgiving and Advent season, let us practice gratitude for what is precious in our lives, and pray for the needs of the poor in our community. If you would like to make a gift to our Parish Giving Tree or Charity account in support of those less fortunate, please contact Anna Quinones at annah.quinones@gmail.com or Maria Dominguez at mdominguez@dsj.org You can always make a gift online at www.stca.org I hope you and your family have a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

With Gratitude,
Anna Quinones
Office of Development & Evangelization

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
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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.

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THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
Join us for a bilingual Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday, **November 23rd** at 10:30am. Please note that there will not be an 8:15am Mass.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION
Monday, **December 4, 2017** beginning at 7:00pm Many priests will be available. You will not have to wait too long!

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY / PATRONAL FEAST DAY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Friday, **December 8th**. Mass schedule is as follows: 6:15am; 8:15am; 10:45am with the School; 5:30pm and 7:00pm in Spanish

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
There will be a normal Mass schedule for the 4th Sunday of Advent which is December 23rd and December 24th except there will not be a 5:30pm Sunday Mass.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
Christmas Eve, **December 24th**
4:00pm (Church and Parish Center); 6:00pm; 8:00pm Mass in Spanish
12:00am Midnight Mass in English

Christmas Day, **December 25th**
No 7:15am Mass
8:45am; 10:30am
12:15am in Spanish
No 5:30pm Mass
¡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:_____________
Número teléfono:______________________
Email:_______________________________

¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?
   _____Yes    _______No

¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?
   _____Yes    _______No

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Un esposo es capaz de confiar su corazón a su esposa que es como una joya (Proverbios 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).
Salmo — Bendito sean los que temen al Señor (Salmo 128 [127]).
Segunda lectura — El día del Señor vendrá como el ladrón en la noche (1 Tesalonicenses 5:1-6).
Evangelio — Porque has sido fiel en lo poco, ven a compartir la alegría de tu Señor (Mateo 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Martes: 2 Mac 6:18-31; Sal 3:2-7; Lc 19:1-10
Miércoles: 2 Mac 7:1, 20-31; Sal 17 (16):1bdc, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lc 19:11-28
Jueves: 1 Mac 2:15-29; Sal 50 (49):1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lc 19:41-44
Día de Acción de Gracias (sugerencia): Sir 50:22-24; Sal 145 (144):2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lc 17:11-19
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Sábado: 1 Mac 6:1-13; Sal 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lc 20:27-40
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DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE ANNA......

Sin un sentido de gratitud, corremos el riesgo subestimar incluso lo más preciado de la vida. Deberemos estar siempre atentos al Dios amoroso que es la fuente de todos nuestros dones, a quienes confiamos que continúe brindando todas nuestras necesidades.

Para aquellos de nosotros que tendremos la suerte de poder reunirnos pacíficamente con familiares y amigos alrededor de la mesa, abriremos nuestros corazones y reflexionaremos por completo sobre cada uno de las razones para estar agradecidos. También, por favor, recemos por aquellos que no tendrán una mesa en cual sentarse en esta temporada. Busquemos maneras de hacerles un lugar en nuestras vidas y compartir nuestra generosidad de manera significativa. También podemos recordar que "en verdad es justo y necesario... darte gracias siempre y en todo lugar..."

El domingo 3 de diciembre marca el comienzo de Adviento. Es un momento de anticipación emocionada. También puede ser un momento de gran estrés. Queremos llegar a esas familias e individuos que luchan pero de una forma que preservemos su dignidad humana. En una sociedad que parece estar creando divisiones más profundas entre ricos y pobres, debemos recordar las enseñanzas de Cristo y su propio ejemplo personal de humildad. En esta temporada de Acción de Gracias y Adviento, practiquemos la gratitud por lo que es precioso en nuestras vidas, y oremos por las necesidades de los pobres en nuestra comunidad. Si desea hacer un regalo a nuestro Árbol de Regalos o a nuestra cuenta de caridad en apoyo a los menos afortunados, comuníquese con Anna Quiñones en annah.quinones@gmail.com o María Dominguez en mdominguez@dsj.org. Siempre puede hacer un regalo monetario en nuestra página de web - www.stca.org.

¡Espero que usted y su familia tengan un Día de Acción de Gracias Bendito y Feliz!
Con gratitud,

Anna Quiñones
Oficina de Desarrollo y Evangelización

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

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

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
El 23 de noviembre de 1927, un pelotón de soldados conducía al jesuita mexicano Miguel Agustín Pro Juárez al paredón de fusilamiento. Uno de ellos le susurraba “perdóneme”. Miguel le respondió que no sólo lo perdonaba, sino que le daba las gracias por darle la oportunidad de dar testimonio de su fe derramando su sangre por Cristo. Días antes había sido arrestado y acusado de intento de asesinato contra el presidente mexicano Álvaro Obregón. En realidad su delito era el de bautizar niños, bendecir matrimonios, llevar la comunión a los enfermos y escuchar la confesión de los arrepentidos.

Miguel nació en 1891 y entró al noviciado jesuita en 1914, al mismo tiempo que el gobierno mexicano comenzaba una persecución en contra de la Iglesia. Debido a esta situación, Miguel tuvo que hacer su formación religiosa fuera de México. Apenas pudo, regresó a su nación como sacerdote e hizo su pastoral a escondidas, sabiendo muy bien que podía ser martirizado.

Miguel decía a sus amigos que al morir iría al cielo y si se encontraba con santos resecos, bailaría un jarabe tapatío hasta hacerles sonreír para Cristo Rey.

COMPARTIENDO NUESTROS DONES
El otoño es la estación de la cosecha y de compartir los frutos de nuestra labor. Las lecturas bíblicas de esta semana emplean imágenes de la cosecha, la vida familiar, el embarazo y la inversión para describir la abundante cosecha en el Reino de Dios. Descubrimos que compartir los dones que hemos recibido trae recompenza eterna para todos.

En la parábola del Evangelio un hombre le encarga sus bienes a tres servidores antes de partir de viaje. A cada uno le da dinero. Lo que hacen con ese dinero determina lo que el amo hará con ellos cuando regrese. ¿Y qué de nosotros? ¿Qué estamos haciendo con nuestros talentos? ¿Cómo nos tratará nuestro Maestro cuando vuelva?

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35º RIFA ANUAL DE SANTA CATALINA
¡Es el fin de semana del Pájaro Madrugador! ¡Compre sus boletos HOY!

Esta es su última oportunidad para comprar boletos y que sean ingresados en la rifa del Pájaro Madrugador, que le brinda una oportunidad adicional de ganar más premios de dinero en efectivo. El último día entrar en la rifa del Pájaro Madrugador es este domingo, 19 de noviembre.

Recuerde 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! Las posibilidades son infinitas si gana el primer premio. Imagínese a sí mismo y a su compañero a bordo de un crucero por el río europeo o navegando por las islas griegas, las islas británicas o el crucero por el Mediterráneo. O disfrute de un recorrido guiado de 7-10 días por Italia, Alemania, Irlanda, China o sudamericano. Estas son solo algunas de las vacaciones soñadas que una pareja podría tomar. Usted nombre el lugar y su boleto ganador lo financiará hasta $7,500. Alternativamente, el afortunado ganador puede optar por recibir $5,000 en efectivo. ¡Este boleto tiene 5 grandes premios para ganar, incluyendo un nuevo Drone, dinero en efectivo y un viaje a Disneyland!

¿Quién se beneficia con nuestra mayor recaudación de fondos del año? Su comunidad. Como el Ministerio que apoya a otros Ministerios, cada dólar recaudado a través de la Rifa Anual apoya nuestros programas parroquiales y escolares, tales como la preparación sacramental y la formación de la fe, nuestros ministerios de cuidado litúrgico y pastoral; nuestros laboratorios de computación y nuestro programa de drama. Pero realmente los niños, jóvenes adultos y familias que conforman nuestra comunidad parroquial y escolar son los verdaderos beneficiarios.

Pruebe su suerte y diviértase. Visite nuestra mesa al salir de misa hoy. Aceptamos dinero en efectivo, cheque, Visa, Master Card y AmEx.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.
TRIGESIMO TERCERO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

EL PROGRAMA FORMACIÓN DE FAMILIAS EN LA FE
Invita a todas las familias que tengan niños de edad preescolar y edad de kinder a que registren a sus niños al programa de catequesis infantil. Estas clases son durante las Misas de los domingos a las 12:15. Los niños tienen actividades donde se divierten y aprenden a la misma vez de nuestra FE. Estamos en el salón #1 de la escuela. Si tiene alguna pregunta favor de pasar a la oficina o recoger una aplicación en la rectoria, o puede llamar a María Miranda al número (408) 779-9604 y con gusto le regresaremos la llamada.

CENA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS
La cena de Acción de Gracias para la comunidad se realizará el miércoles, 22 de noviembre. Se necesitan donaciones para hacer posible este evento. Si le gustaría donar favor de anotarse en nuestra pagina de web: http://stcatherinechurch.ivolunteer.com/charity_dinner_2017
La cena es proporcionada exclusivamente por donaciones y se necesitan muchos artículos. Su generosidad es muy apreciada. ¡Gracias! Contacto: Janet Leach janet95037@gmail.com

CONFERENCIA DE FORMACIÓN
El sábado 04 de noviembre las catequistas asistieron a la Conferencia de Formación en en la Fe en Santa Clara. Los temas que ellas tuvieron les ayudaran a seguir creciendo en la fe y seguir en su ministerio. Que Dios las bendiga por su servicio a la comunidad. “Dios Siempre Está con Nosotros”

BOUTIQUE DE VENTAS
Guarde la fecha para el 2ndo anual Boutique de Ventas de Santa Catalina el domingo, 26 de noviembre en la Centro Parroquia O’Donnell. Habrá varios vendedores locales para que hagan sus compras navideñas!

SAN VINCENTE DE PAUL DE SANTA CATALINA
La Tiendita Comunitaria de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul — ¡Ya esta abierta por más días!
- Martes(10AM - 12PM)
- Jueves(10AM - 12PM)
- Cada primer Sábado del mes(10AM -12PM)

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES
Domingo: Trigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Martes: La Presentación de la Santísima Virgen María
Miércoles: Santa Cecilia
Jueves: San Clemente I; San Columbano; Beato Miguel Agustín Pro; Día de Acción de Gracias
Viernes: San Andrés Dung-Lac y compañeros
Sábado: Santa Catalina de Alexandría; Santa María Virgen

USO DE LOS TALENTOS
Si usamos los talentos que Dios nos ha dado, notaremos que se multiplican con el uso. Creímos tener dos, y resulta que tenemos cinco.

—Richard Meux Benson
Parish Giving Tree / Adopt A Family Christmas Program

Doing without things that most of us take for granted is a way of life for some families in our community. Some children cannot go to social events, expect certain toys for Christmas or their birthday, or even have a Christmas tree because their families cannot afford these expenses. Fortunately, the families of St. Catherine Parish have the Parish Giving Tree / Adopt A Family Christmas Program to help make the dreams of their children come true…

This program is more than just giving and receiving. It is mainly about sharing one’s love and strength with someone else who feels tired and run down. By participating in this type of program, “…the strength of our ever loving Christ child becomes present and joy fills the air.”

If you, your family or a group of families would like to adopt a family, please contact Anna Quinones at aquinones@dsj.org or cell phone 408.234-0225.

Of course you may choose to take a star from the Giving Tree as you do every year. On your star there will be information about an Adult or Child, Female/Girl or Male/Boy, clothing size, and or toys.

We are requesting the gifts be returned by Sunday, December 10th; all gifts should be returned to the Church and placed under the Giving Tree on the weekends or taken to the Parish Rectory office during the weekdays. On Sunday, December 17th at 9:30am in the Milani Center, we will begin sorting, preparing and delivering gifts to our families. You can volunteer to help on ivolunteer at www.stca.org

If you would like to participate by donating money or gift cards all gifts are appreciated. Please make the check payable to "St. Catherine Parish Giving Tree" and deliver it to the Parish Rectory office. Your generosity is truly appreciated by all in the community. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Anna Quinones
Office of Development & Evangelization
This Sunday (and last Sunday as well) Jesus really seems to be hitting home that we need to be stepping up our game, it seems pretty clear that having faith isn't enough.

Last week, the lamps of the virgins represented their Christian faith; the oil was their good works. Those without oil didn't make it. This week, those who put the talents given to them to spread the faith and bring others to the Christian faith are rewarded; those who hide their talents and don't bring anyone to the faith (or don't even try), don't make it.

Where don't they make it? Heaven.

Sounds harsh, but God gives us ample opportunity and everything we need to spread the faith. The worker with the one talent didn't do anything with his - maybe because he was upset that he only got one, or because he was just lazy, or didn't think it mattered whether he increased it or not. Whatever the excuse, God's not buying it.

Some of our Protestant brothers and sisters will say that faith is all that's necessary; works isn't required for salvation. And that's true - partially. There is nothing we can do to earn salvation - in thinking that, we would be saying that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross wasn't enough (don't say that). But if our response to Jesus' sacrifice is just saying, "I believe that Jesus died for my sins" yet we ignore all the things He told us to do pre- and post-sacrifice, our words are emptier than His tomb on Easter Sunday.

So, let's take His words seriously. All of us - because we an all step up our game a little more.

For those who're part of a ministry at a parish & share openly your faith with those outside the church walls - we need more like you! How can you invite someone who isn't involved at all to start helping out? For those who are part of a ministry but are unwilling to talk about Jesus outside of parish life, be open to it. You don't need to shove it down anyone's throat, but how is God calling you to use the talents He gave you to share it?

For those who don't serve in a ministry or talk about it outside of a parish, start doing at least one of them.

For those who don't come to Mass, get to Mass. Seriously, don't be lazy like the worker - put it on your calendar and set a reminder if you have to. What's stopping you?

For everyone else (and those already listed), learn more. If there's something you don't understand about the Catholic Church or something you disagree with, find out the actual answers to them (chances are what you disagree with is based on a misconception).

Don't let your talent go to waste.

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THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE
Sunday, Nov. 19th

Each delivered 'basket' will contain the following:

- Ham
- Stuffing
- Fresh Veggies
- Fresh Fruits
- Potatoes
- Gravy Mix
- Bread Rolls
- Cranberry Sauce
- Pumpkin Pie
- Whipped Cream
- Apple Cider

Please bring your donations to the Milani Center by 1pm
You can check what we still need throughout the day by following us @stcatym on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, & Snapchat

We are always in need of people to bring the food to the houses of the families. Please come by Milani between 1-3pm to take some out for delivery!
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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

Thanksgiving Quotes from the Saints

As we look ahead to celebrating Thanksgiving, here are quotes from the saints on gratitude that you may want to incorporate in your family’s Thanksgiving prayer. Happy Thanksgiving!

“Let us remember the past with gratitude, live the present with enthusiasm, and look forward to the future with confidence.” St. John Paul II

"In all created things, discern the providence and wisdom of God, and in all things give Him thanks." St. Teresa of Avila

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness.” St. Gianna Beretta Molla

Children in Wednesday’s Faith Formation sessions had a chance to visit with Bishop McGrath. Many were able to ask questions, including, “How long have you been a priest? (47 years!), “What is your favorite sport?” (When younger, it was rugby.) and “Are you the boss of the priests?” (Yes!)

“PREPARE YE THE WAY” ADVENT FAMILY CELEBRATION
November 29, 2017
5:00 - 7:30pm
Milani Center

Bring the family and stop by to learn all about Advent! There will be activity centers, reflection spaces and an opportunity to help the community.

We look forward to seeing you!

St. Catherine Nativity Exhibit
December 2-3, 2017

Do you have a family Nativity set? Please consider sharing it with the St. Catherine Parish Community by displaying it in the upcoming Nativity Exhibit! For more information, please contact Blanca Cinco at (408) 203-0957 or by e-mail at beta.intra@yahoo.com.
It’s Early Bird Weekend!
Buy Your Tickets Now!
St. Catherine’s 35th Annual Sweepstakes
This is your last chance to purchase tickets and automatically be entered into the Early Bird Drawing which provides an additional opportunity to win more cash prizes as a reward for buying early. Last day to take advantage of getting in the Early Bird drawing is Sunday, November 19th.
Remember, your purchase of a $60 Vehicle Sweepstakes ticket may put you behind the wheel of a brand new car with a sticker price up to $40,000. As an alternative to the car prize, the lucky winner can choose to receive $30,000 in cash. The $20 Vacation Sweepstakes Ticket offers a Trip of a Lifetime! The possibilities are endless if you win first prize. Picture yourself and your partner on-board a European River cruise or cruising the Greek Isles, a British Isles or Mediterranean cruise. Or enjoy a 7-10 day escorted tour of Italy, Germany, Ireland, China, Central or South American destination. These are just some of the dream vacations a couple could take. You name the place and your winning ticket will fund it up to $7,500. Alternatively the lucky winner can choose to receive $5,000 in Cash. This ticket has 5 great prizes to win, including a new Drone, Cash and a trip to Disneyland!
Who benefits from this, our largest fundraiser of the year? Your community. As the Ministry that supports other Ministries, every dollar raised through the Annual Sweepstakes supports our Parish and School programs such as sacramental preparation and faith formation, our liturgical and pastoral care ministries; our computer labs and drama program. But really the children, young adults and families that make up our Parish and School community are the real beneficiaries.
Try your luck and have some fun. Everyone wins! Visit our table as you walk out of mass today. We accept Cash, Check, Visa, Master Card and AmEx.

OVER 50’S LUNCHEON
We welcome the Over 50’s back! Please join us for our monthly luncheon on Monday, November 20th at noon (12:00pm). Please bring a salad or dessert to share; a $5 donation is asked from each person.

SAVE THE DATE:
2018 NEW YEAR’S EVE BALL
The Fil-Am Association of St Catherine is hosting a New Year’s Eve Ball on 31 Dec 2017 - Sunday in the O’Donnell Parish Center. Say goodbye to 2017. There’ll be dinner, dancing and more dancing and a champagne toast to welcome 2018 with a shebang!!! Tickets at $50/person and are available after Sunday mass in the upcoming month. To reserve your seat or a table for 8, please e-mail Lita Aquino @ litat.aquino@gmail.com

ST. CATHERINE WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB
November Selection: The Mountain Between Us: A Novel by Charles Martin
Meeting at Peet’s Coffee and Tea on Cochrane Rd. Tuesday, November 28th 7-8:30pm.

STEPHEN MINISTRY NEEDS YOU
The opportunity and responsibility for doing ministry has been given to all baptized Christians. The upcoming Stephen Ministry training class in January is a chance to be trained and equipped in Christian care giving. Is this chance for ministry the one for you? Think and pray about it. For more information about becoming a Stephen Minister or to receive care from one, please contact Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413 or kennandclaranne@gmail.com.

Morgan Hill Safe Parking Program
The Morgan Hill Safe Parking Program has been extended through April 2018. The program provides respite from the streets for 8 local families or persons living in cars or RV’s. They receive case management services to help them transition to more stable housing. St. Catherine Church, the Morgan Hill Bible Church, other local faith communities are partnering with the City of Morgan Hill, Gilroy Compassion Center and Morgan Hill Police Department to support the Safe Parking Program. The Safe Parking site is located at the Morgan Hill Bible Church on Monterey Rd.

We are in need of more volunteers. Volunteers are on hand to offer hospitality to our guests in the carpark. Breakfast, and a to-go lunch, laundry, showers, and restrooms are provided. Morning volunteers (7:00AM - 8:00AM) generally make coffee and put out the light breakfast and lunches. In the evenings (6:30PM - 9:00PM) volunteers generally put out snacks and water. We have a “tiny house” to use for office and storage. Wi-Fi is available, and a volunteer staff cell phone is provided.

Please support the Safe Parking Program by volunteering a morning or an evening. Please go to the home page of our website www.stca.org for more information and to volunteer, or contact Carol Lilliig (408)857-4516 or Jeanette Thatcher (408)427-6291. Thank you.
ST. CATHERINE THANKSGIVING DINNER
St. Catherine Thanksgiving Dinner for the community is Wednesday, November 22nd. Donations are gratefully excepted through the parish website at Volunteer link: http://stcatherinechurch.ivolunteer.com/charity_dinner_2017
The dinner is provided exclusively from donations and many items are needed. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you! Contact: Janet Leach janet95037@gmail.com

ST. CATHERINE COMMUNITY CLOSET
It’s not even Christmas yet, but, at the Community Closet, St. Vincent de Paul members are starting to worry about the summer! Our boxes of children’s clothes are wiped out after over 700 children shopped for school clothes this past summer, and we’re hoping you can help us fill them back up again. If you have any gently used children’s clothes (sizes 2T-16) at home, or would be willing to ask your friends and neighbors to save for you, we’d make sure they go to a child in need. Children’s shoes and pajamas would be welcome, too. Label your bag SVdP and leave them in the church office. Thank you.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
Join us for our St. Catherine’s 2nd Annual Holiday Boutique
Sunday, November 26, 2017
8:00am - 2:30pm

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “What gift haven’t you developed as you had hoped? What could you still do?”

Child: “What gift has God given you? What do you want to do with it?”
Hospitality returns
November 26, 2017

For many weeks we have not held morning hospitality after the 7:15am, 8:45am, and 10:30am Masses. It relaunches on the Feast of Christ the King, November 26, 2017!

A small team of volunteers representing each Mass have formed 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.

We are developing teams for each Mass that, before Mass begins, will welcome people in the parking lot and in front of the Church, helping them find seats during busy Masses, and manage the food and drink options after Mass. This happens at all Masses, including the evening Masses, the weekend of November 25-26, 2017.

The team is hopes to further the amazing community we already have at St. Catherine!

Hospitality Volunteers Needed

As we prepare to launch a re-vamped Hospitality Ministry, we’re seeking an initial team of 10 people at each Mass to volunteer to create a new hospitality team. We want to do this for not only the morning Masses but for the evening Masses as well. If you are interested, we only ask that you serve at the Mass you usually attend and not commit to other Masses.

Please contact John Rinaldo at jrinaldo@dsj.org or (408) 779-3959 to get involved and volunteer.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT
A TIME FOR JESUS

This season take time to renew your relationship with Jesus by spending time in prayer each day. The Parish is offering Advent prayer and reflection booklets; the Little Blue Book. They will be available in the vestibule of the church, and the Parish and Family Faith Formation offices. A donation of $1.00 for each booklet will be gratefully accepted.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

We will begin to post this again each week to give you a snapshot of our current budget.

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

St. Catherine School News

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL NEWS

For El Dia del los Muertos, students from the school and Faith Formation placed pictures and memorabilia of loved ones on this beautiful altar.

The Spooky Spirit Rally on Halloween was great fun. After Student Council led games, the students walked through Pacific Hills Manor.

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.

Thank you, God, for everything!

NOVEMBER SERVICE PROJECT — FOOD DRIVE

Each month the students of St. Catherine School participate in a service project. For the month of November, students will be collecting non-perishable food items which will be sent to Reach Out for distribution. Each class started collecting at the beginning of the month. During our Thanksgiving Prayer Service on November 21, classes will bring the food as their offering. This is one of two major food drives the school holds in order to help support Reach Out. Students also bring food items as their offertory gifts for First Friday masses.

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Save the Date --- eWaste Drive

The next eWaste Drive sponsored by our Green Team will be Saturday, March 10. Please save those appliances and tech items that you no longer use. Help St. Catherine School and our environment at the same time. The money raised from this event will help fund more energy efficient lighting in our classrooms. This is also a great opportunity to get parent hours or student service hours. Contact Arlene Handa at ecosafehome1@yahoo.com.