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 Fr. Russ Roide, SJ., Priest in Residence...

If you are as I am then you most likely act out on a certain cycle each year. Each January 1, you make New Year’s resolutions, keep them for a while, and then eventually, sometimes by January 7, break them and fall back into old habits.

If you are as I am then you also have a certain sense of what is going on....even, as you are seemingly powerless to change things.

In a former time, before we had psychological words such as obsession, dysfunction and neurosis, this was being called “being possessed by a demon”. There was more wisdom and accuracy in that, then our age sees fit to acknowledge our bad habits, we are indeed possessed!

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Desde el escritorio del P. Russ Roide, SJ., Sacerdote en Residencia...

Si usted es como yo, es muy probable que actúe o realice un determinado ciclo cada año. Cada 1 de enero, usted toma las resoluciones de Año Nuevo, las mantiene por un tiempo, y luego eventualmente, a veces hasta el 7 de enero, las rompe y vuelve a los viejos hábitos.

Si usted es como yo, entonces también tiene un cierto sentido de lo que está pasando ... igual, ya que aparentemente es incapaz para cambiar las cosas.

En un tiempo anterior, antes de que tuviéramos palabras psicológicas como la obsesión, la disfunción y la neurosis, esto se llamaba "ser poseído por un demonio". Hubo más sabiduría y precisión en eso, ya nuestra edad reconoce nuestros malos hábitos, ¡de hecho estamos poseídos! Teniendo en cuenta todo eso, no es extraño que fácilmente rompemos nuevas resoluciones. La maravilla es que continuamos haciéndolos, conociendo nuestras propias historias. ¿Por qué lo hacemos?

(Continuado en la Pagina 5)
**TODAY’S READINGS**

First Reading — You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star (Matthew 2:1-12).


**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
BY DEACON RICK HAECKEL

Epiphany, or more formally, The Epiphany of the Lord, celebrates “The manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented to the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12)”. In a secular sense it means “a moment of sudden and great revelation or realization” (Oxford English Dictionary). Having had 2000 odd years of Christianity we miss the “sudden” part. But we need to remember that revelation doesn’t stop happening. As we journey through our “earthly toil” we too have our moments. When we realize that Jesus’ presence to us isn’t limited only to the Eucharist and other sacraments. This realization is a recurring one. Because we celebrate regularly the same life giving presence of Jesus (Mass, Baptism, etc.) the moments of internal awareness of Christ with us and among us, while valued take on that “great revelation” at particular times. That is not a failing, living in the ecstasy of God with us is difficult to maintain. Our lives are busied with many tasks which don’t directly remind us of God present with and to us. But, thankfully, there are times when we feel the internal warmth of God with and within. They occur sometime by invitation, through prayer and self-abnegation which let us set aside our needfulness. Also they occur unbidden at moments of celebration, a wedding, word from a friend long missing in our lives, or by reflection on times of service to others which only later show us Christ with us. This time of year we have the opportunity to participate in seeing in others the presence of Jesus. Charitable opportunities abound and, when taken, provide living witness to the gift Jesus is for us and the world. Christian living asks that we form the habit of reflecting and praying that way of thing that limit us, that cause us to see the “other” as different in an unhealthy way instead of as an opportunity to expand our awareness of presence of God in all His creatures. This holiday season can be caught up in secular celebrating; let’s remember the recurring realization that we find God who is always there when we can relax and let go.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK
Ok, here’s a green guilt trip ;-). What did you do with all of the wrapping paper from the gifts you opened? Hmm. It’s easy at cleanup time to just put them in the trash, but rather, make sure the recycling bin is as handy and the trash bin. Maybe next year wrap presents in newspaper to save some trees.

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 FR. RUSS…..

Given all of that, it is no big wonder that we so easily break new resolutions. The wonder is that we continue to make them, knowing our own histories. Why do we? Why do we continue to want to make new resolutions when we know that barring miracles, we will not in the end, succeed in keeping them?

There is something inside of us that is driven to the higher, that refuses to settle for second best, which wants to sing a new song that the psalmist speaks of, that believes in the possibility of resurrection. There is something inside of us that needs to keep on keeping on.

The sign of health that we keep making new resolutions, despite a life-long history of failure. Why? Because in striving to renew ourselves in the face of our own failing we are making an important act of faith:

First, in making new resolutions, we are saying, “I believe in a God who continues to love me, even when I can’t live up to it.” Every time I pick myself off the floor after a fall and begin again with some hope in my heart looking for a new start, I am saying the creed in a way that is considerable more radical, in terms of expressing actual belief in God, than is my too-easy Sunday recital of it. To make a new resolution is to believe in God.

This is where faith and resurrection enter in. As the Angel Gabriel tells Mary, “For with God nothing is impossible.” Somewhere, deep inside us, in that place where we want to make New Year’s resolutions, we still carry that faith in that place we still believe of, that believes in the possibility of resurrection. Because of that belief, because of New Year’s resolutions, God can still make something out of nothing!

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
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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.

Liturgical Ministry and Contact Information

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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. A coordinator is needed now to begin planning for Lent and the Easter Season.

**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

Proclaimers of the Word (Lectors) Workshop

All current, past and those considering being a Lectors, please join us on Thursday, January 11th for 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the Parish Center Conference Rooms for fellowship and guest speaker Virginia Meagher.

Virginia Meagher is the Director for Worship, Music and Christian Initiation for the Diocese of Stockton, and the co-author of “Guide for Lectors” from LTP with Fr. Paul Turner. In addition, she is on the Diocese of Stockton School of Ministry Faculty where she teaches Public Speaking, Sacraments and Sacramental Theology. She has more than twenty years’ experience in parishes and a Newman Center as Music Director, RCIA Coordinator, and liturgical minister, and was previously the Program Director for the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Divine Worship. Virginia has a Bachelor’s degree in Communications from Northwestern University, a Certificate in Liturgy from the Liturgical Institute of Chicago, did her M.Div. coursework at Loyola University Chicago, and has an MBA from Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont. Virginia is originally from Chicago, Illinois. She and her husband Robert have lived in Mountain House, California for the past 12 years where their three children keep them busy.

Please RSVP yes or no to Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org. You are welcome to drop in if your plans change.

Please Save the Date

TRAINING AND RENEWAL SESSIONS WILL BE IN THE CHURCH FROM 7:00PM UNTIL 9:00PM

**NEW EMHC(S) and Lectors** Must attend both trainings

**EMHC**—EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION

**RSVP:** EMHC KAREN BARONE  
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**RSVP:** LECTOR JIM YINGER  
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¡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.

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¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?
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¿Por qué seguimos deseando hacer nuevas resoluciones cuando sabemos que al menos sea por un milagro, al final no lograremos mantenerlos? Hay algo dentro de nosotros que se conduce a lo más alto, que se niega a conformarse con lo secundario, que quiere cantar una nueva canción de la que habla el salmista, que cree en la posibilidad de la resurrección. Hay algo dentro de nosotros que necesita seguir adelante.

El signo de salud es que seguimos haciendo nuevas resoluciones, a pesar de una larga historia de fracaso. ¿Por qué? Porque al esforzarnos por renovarnos frente a nuestra propia caída, estamos haciendo un importante acto de fe:

Al tomar nuevas resoluciones, decimos: "Creo en un Dios que continúa amándome, incluso cuando no puedo cumplirlo". Cada vez que me levanté del piso después de una caída y comienzo de nuevo con alguna esperanza en mi corazón en busca de un nuevo comienzo, estoy diciendo el credo de una manera que es considerablemente más radical, en términos de expresar fe real en Dios, que mi rutina fácil del domingo. Hacer una nueva resolución es creer en Dios.

Aquí es donde entran la fe y la resurrección. Como le dice el ángel Gabriel a María, "Porque para Dios nada es imposible". En algún lugar, en lo profundo de nosotros, en ese lugar donde queremos hacer resoluciones de Año Nuevo, todavía tenemos esa fe en que todavía creemos en la resurrección. Debido a esa creencia, debido a las resoluciones de Año Nuevo, ¡Dios todavía puede hacer algo de la nada!

LA PROMESA DE DIOS A TODOS
Hoy Isaías le recuerda al pueblo de Dios que recuperará su tierra, que se alegrará al ver que las personas regresan del cautiverio del exilio y que será una luz para todos los pueblos. En otras palabras, por medio del pueblo de Israel, el Salvador llegará a todos los pueblos que buscan a Dios con un corazón sincero. Esto traerá la alegría y el resplandor de la gloria de Dios a todo el mundo y a todos los pueblos. Gracias a la fidelidad del pueblo de Dios y, gracias a la fidelidad de Dios con ellos, todos serán sus hijos y se alegrarán con el cumplimiento de su promesa a Israel.
¡Dios es Grande Todo el Tiempo, Todo el Tiempo Dios es Grande!

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: La Epifanía del Señor;
- Semana Nacional de la Migración;
- La Natividad en el calendario juliano
Lunes: El Bautismo del Señor
Martes: Primera Semana del Tiempo Ordinario
Sábado: San Hilario; Santa María Virgen

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!

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

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

La Epifanía del Señor
7 de enero de 2018
Ante él se postrarán todos los reyes y todas las naciones.
— Salmo 72(71):11

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
Melchor, Gaspar y Baltasar son los nombres que la tradición ha dado a los tres reyes magos. Pero ¿quién dijo que eran tres? Según San Mateo (Mt 2:1-12) fueron sabios del oriente que trajeron oro, incienso y mirra a Jesús. La imaginación cristiana decidió que cada regalo requería alguien que lo regalara. Se fija así el número de sabios en tres. Por ser astrólogos del oriente, tenían que ser magos. Venían buscando al nuevo rey de Israel y fue así que se les da el papel de reyes que representaban los tres continentes conocidos en la época medieval: Asia, África y Europa.

Ellos también representan tres edades humanas: juventud, madurez y vejez. Melchor (rey de la luz), fue un anciano europeo que obsequió oro al Rey Jesús; Gaspar (tesorero) fue un joven asiático que regaló incienso al Niño Dios y Baltasar (dios proteja al rey) fue un hombre africano que donó mirra al Hijo del Hombre.

Hoy día habría que incluir una niña americana y una adolescente australiana a la lista de reyes magos.
—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TIEMPO
No malgastes tu tiempo, porque es lo que constituye la vida.
—Benjamín Franklin

HAGO EPIFANÍA
Cuando un alma generosa responde “sí” a Dios, él baja al mundo, se hace Epifanía.
—Anónimo

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 Milano.
EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR

OFERTORIO — 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, ahorros o cuenta de tarjeta de crédito por vía electrónica a Santa Catalina.

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

Maneras como poder dar:

A) Utilice la opción su pagador de banco de la factura opción de la función, teniendo en cuenta el número de sobre, tal como será su número de cuenta.
B) Vaya a nuestra pagina de web (www.stca.org), selecciones ONLINE GIVING and registrese para dar su ofertorio electrónicamente!

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.

ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA RENOVACIÓN DE LA IGLESIA

El jueves 14 de diciembre, la parroquia tuvo una reunión abierta a todos con respecto a los planes futuros de una posible renovación de la Iglesia. Esa noche, muchas personas compartieron sus pensamientos. Los arquitectos compartieron su diseño conceptual para una Iglesia renovada. Nuestros consultores de recaudación de fondos compartieron datos del estudio de factibilidad que hicimos en octubre y noviembre de 2017.

El Comité de Renovación agradece sus comentarios y opiniones. El comité es intencional sobre cómo está eligiendo avanzar y su aporte ha sido importante.

El 18 de enero de 2018, a las 7:00pm, estamos organizando una reunión de seguimiento en la Iglesia con respecto a este proyecto. Le invitamos a que asista y se una a nosotros esa noche para escuchar más sobre los próximos pasos.

Comité de Renovación de la Iglesia:

Matt Fardig
Marc Poirer
Dcn. Phil Flowers
Jeanette Thatcher
Jim Yinger
Anna Quiñones
Msgr. Jerónimo Gutiérrez

OPORTUNIDADES DE VOLUNTARIADO


Muchas manos hacen el trabajo menos.
Give By Text
408-767-6589

Thank you for supporting St. Catherine Church!

You can now send a text to 4087676589 with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: $25. Within a few minutes, you’ll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.

New Online Giving Partnership and Program

Manage Your Giving Online

St. Catherine Church is excited to announce a new exciting partnership with Vanco epayment services. Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet.

Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit our church website at www.stca.org
2. Click on NEW ONLINE GIVING PROGRAM
3. Click on the Create Profile button
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions

Look for more info on Mobile Giving and Text to Give!

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact John Rinaldo at jrinaldo@dsj.org or Anna Quinones at aqunones@dsj.org. You may also call us at the Parish Office 408.779.3959
This weekend, we have teens attending our high school retreat, entitled Chaos. Our focus over the course of the retreat is to look at how the universe was in “chaos” and then God brought it into order, and how we are called to allow God to do the same with the chaos in our lives.

One of my favorite thoughts in the retreat is that God doesn’t just stand back at a distance and order our chaos, but that God enters into our chaos. That’s what Jesus did. That’s who Jesus is. God entered into our chaos when He was born in a manger in Bethlehem.

How often do we allow the stresses of our life, the pains and pressures, to consume us? What do we do with it? Do we hold onto it? Do we internalize it and let it fester? Or do we try to turn to God? Do we allow God to enter into our lives—into our very beings?

We are taught over and over again that we are weakest when we rely on our own strengths. God is our strength—but in order for us to rely on His strength, we need to not only ask for His strength, but give up control and acknowledge our weakness. Otherwise, it would be like me asking for someone to help with dinner, but not let them touch any of the food or cookware.

I know I do so much better when I look to God more and more. I am impatient, short-tempered, envious, exhausted, and so much worse on my own.

There’s the pretty well-known passage from 1 Corinthians used in many wedding ceremonies: 

*Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, [love] is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.*

You’ve probably heard that you can replace the word “love” with “God” and the statement is even more true.

But what we should do with that is allow God and His Love to enter into our lives so that we may become all those things. Read that passage one more time, slowly, but this time, imagine what it would be like if you were all those things. Replace “love” with “I.” What kind of life would you have?

What kind of life would the people around you have?

Just remember that you are not all those things, unless you let God become all those things in you.
On this Feast of Epiphany, we are reminded of the Magi who set out to find Jesus. They found Christ the King in a humble manger, guided by a star given to them by God.

The “epiphany” was the revelation and understanding of Jesus’ sovereignty for all people. What have been your epiphanies this past year? How has God revealed himself to your family’s and/or children’s understanding this Advent and Christmas seasons?

The Magi followed the light of a star to find the Light of the World. May we continue to follow Jesus, the Bright, Morning Star and guide others toward him, the Light of the World.

FAMILY ACTIVITY: Visit the Nativity display in the church, and talk with your child about the Magi who came from nations far away. Share that God loves and calls all his people, wherever they come from, whatever language they speak or customs they have, however they look or dress.

If you have a Nativity set at home, add the Magi. You can also make a paper star, let your child decorate it, and ceremonially process through your home, following the star and carrying the Magi figures, before adding the statues to the Nativity display.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

Please take home an Epiphany House Blessing with you after Mass this weekend. We invite you to adopt this custom in your family to help begin the New Year. The family gathers to ask God’s blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

COME AND SEE…

- Do you know someone or are you someone who is searching for some direction in your faith life?

The Rite of Christian Initiation is a process that we are blessed to celebrate in our parish community. We invite you to come to the sessions and experience a safe place to ask your questions. Share insights of how God is working in your life. Discover the richness and depth of this journey with us. Everyone is welcome!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
   Wednesday, January 17
   “The Ten Commandments”

   Wednesday, February 7
   “Catholic Social Teaching”

7:30 pm in Milani Center

For inquiries please contact Rose at (408) 779-9604 or by e-mail at rosepm@dsj.org
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 Lillig (408)857-4516 or Jeanette Thatcher (408)427-6291. Thank you.

PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN
Catholic Charities of California is excited to be hosting walking pilgrimages in Spain along the Camino de Santiago and Italy along the Via Francigena in 2018! These pilgrimages will change your life and support the work of Catholic Charities of California! Please join us for an informational meeting on **January 20th at St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish, Cupertino, CA at 10 a.m.** To RSVP for the meeting or for more information, contact CCC at pilgrim@catholiccharitiesca.org, call (916) 758-5946 or visit our website www.catholiccharitiesca.org

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.

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.

MLK, JR. Interfaith Service
**hosted by the Interfaith Community of South County (ICSC)**
January 15, 2018 at 7:00 PM
St. Catherine’s Parish
17400 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill

**PEACE COURAGE UNITY JUSTICE COMMUNITY RESPECT**

www.catholiccharitiesca.org
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

CHEF WITH A HEART
Seeking a chef with a heart willing to take on preparations for an annual community dinner. For more info: janet95037@gmail.com

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS
Bishop Patrick J. McGrath once again invites couples who are celebrating their 1st through 5th, 25, 40, and 50 or more years of marriage to the Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph. The celebration will take place on Saturday, February 3rd, at 2:00pm. The Mass will be bilingual in English and Spanish, and the couples will have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. A reception in the Cathedral’s parish hall will follow.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY
Are you interested in helping prepare Easter and Christmas mailings? It requires no previous experience, just a couple of hours twice a year? If you are interested, please email Maria Dominguez at mdominguez@dsj.org to be added to our list of volunteers who help with these mailings.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Adult: “When have you found the presence of Christ in an unexpected place?”

Child: “Where and in whom will you look for Jesus this week?”

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.

MASS TIMES
When traveling and don’t know the mass times for the local church go to www.masstimes.org, search by zip code or by address and locate any church’s mass times anywhere.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on January 19-21, 2018 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

God is great all the time, all the time, God is great!
Church Renewal Update

On Thursday, December 14, the parish held a meeting open to everyone regarding the future plans of a potential Church renewal and renovation. That evening, many people shared their thoughts. The architects shared their conceptual design for a renovated Church building. Our fundraising consultants shared data from the feasibility study we did in October and November of 2017.

The Renewal Committee is thankful for your thoughts and feedback. The committee is intentional about how it is choosing to move forward and your input has been important.

On January 18, 2018, at 7pm, we are hosting a follow-up meeting in the Church regarding this project. We invite you to attend and join us that evening to hear more about next steps.

Church Renewal Committee:
- Matt Fardig
- Marc Poirer
- Dcn. Phil Flowers
- Jeanette Thatcher
- Jim Yinger
- Anna Quinones
- Msgr. Jeronimo Gutierrez

Annual Car Raffle and Sweepstakes

We had an incredible raffle on Sunday, December 17! Congratulations to all the winners who won cash prizes, vacations, and a car!

As one of our largest fundraisers of the year, we are thankful to the leadership of the Raffle Committee, who, for over 35 years, have committed hours of time and energy to the parish at committee meetings and selling tickets after every Mass for two months. Thank you!

In coming weeks, we will share the news of how much was raised in this years raffle.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS

Stewardship Notes: Stewardship is defined as the total collections from the regular weekend Masses, Christmas and Easter. The “Weekly Goal” number reflects the amount that would need to be collected each Week to meet our yearly budget.

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GRANDPARENTS/SPECIAL PERSONS DAY
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SCRIP NEWS
Scrip is a fundraising program that helps raise money for our school and parish without any cost to you!
There are two ways to earn St. Catherine money with SCRIP!

Shop with Scrip

www.shopwithscrip.com is an online ordering system for Scrip. With Shop with Scrip you can order physical Scrip Cards, reload Scrip cards, buy instant Scrip certificates and codes for on-line and in store purchases and even purchase Scrip for use on your phone through the Shop with Scrip App.
Set up an account at www.shopwithscrip.com – enrollment Code F88A73LD9L98

All shop with Scrip orders turned in by Mondays at 3pm with payment will be processed and available in the school office on Friday. (You can order on Sunday, print out the order form, attach payment and drop it off at the school on Mondays.) Any order turned in with payment after Monday at 3pm will be processed with the following Monday's order.

Another option through Shop With Scrip is to sign up for presto pay. With presto pay, you can purchase scrip to go, reload cards and use the “my script wallet app” at anytime. The money earned for St. Catherine through your purchase of scrip using presto pay will automatically be credited to our account.

Scrip to Go Box Sales
Scrip will be sold on Tuesdays and Thursdays before school and Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at 3:00.
The front desk is no longer selling scrip.

Classes resume tomorrow,
January 8.
Happy New Year!

Right—St. Catherine School is participating in Hour of Code. All students will spend some time in December and January learning basic coding

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

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