SAINT CATHERINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
COMUNIDAD CATÓLICA DE SANTA CATALINA

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / CUARTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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

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

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

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From the Desk of Carmelo Jimenez, Hispanic Ministries Coordinator.....

The English writer G. K. Chesterton, in his book titled Orthodoxy, wrote a quote somewhat comical but with a deep meaning behind it. The phrase tells us “Angels can fly, because they take themselves lightly.” Now that does not mean that they do not take things seriously, but that they do not carry the heaviness of pride that we as people sometimes battle. The pride that makes us hold grudges, hatred or feel that an injustice has been done against us and we feel seriously hurt.

We live surrounded by a lot of suffering. Most people at this moment are fighting some type of battle; they either have something that hurts them personally or find themselves sharing the pain of a friend or a loved one. Recently, I received news of family members who passed away and a close friend was informed she is seriously ill.

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Desde el escritorio de Carmelo Jimenez, Coordinador de Ministerios Hispanos...

El escritor inglés G. K. Chesterton en su libro titulado Ortodoxia escribió una frase cómica, pero con un mensaje bastante profundo detrás de ella. La frase nos dice que “Los ángeles pueden volar, porque se toman a sí mismos ligeramente.” ahora, eso no quiere decir que ellos no se tomen las cosas en serio. Si no que ellos no cargan la pesadez del orgullo con la cual nosotros como personas a veces batallamos. Orgullo que nos hace guardar rencores, odios o sentimos que una injusticia ha sido cometida contra nosotros y nos sentimos muy heridos.

Vivimos rodeados de muchísimo sufrimiento, cada persona en estos momentos se encuentra peleando una batalla de cierto tipo. Ya sea un dolor propio compartiendo el dolor de algún amigo o ser amado.

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THE WEEK AHEAD/ LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, January 28
7:00-1:00pm CR1-4, Kit Hospitality
8:00-11:00pm NUR Bright Beginnings Nursery
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band & Singers
4:30-7:30pm CR1-2 Jovenes Retiro Prep. - Meeting
5:00-7:00pm Rm. 8 Clase de Biblia

Monday/Lunes, January 29
6:00-7:00pm CR3-4, Kit Community Supper
7:00-8:30pm CH Angelica Choir
6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching Group
7:00-9:00pm Rm. 10 JPC - Junta de Equipo

Tuesday/Martes, January 30
5:30-7:00pm Rm. 8, 10, 11 School Open House
7:00-9:00pm CH New EM Training - Theology

Wednesday/Miercoles, January 31
10:00-1:00pm Gym, Kit, CR1-4 Grandparent's Day
10:00-12:00pm CH Grandparent's Day
12:00-8:00pm NUR Rose/Fil-Am Choir
5:00-6:00pm CH Children's Choir
5:30-6:30pm Rm. 10, 11 Una Puerta de Esperanza
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
6:30-7:45pm Rm. 8 Jesus to Man Kind Prayer Group
6:30-9:00pm Rm. 11 JPC - Coro Retiros
7:00-8:30pm LR RICA
7:30-9:30pm CH Alfa & Omega Grupo de Oracion

Thursday/Jueves, February 1
8:00-9:30am CR-1 Mom’s Book Club (Fr. Russ)
6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir
5:00-6:00pm Rm. 10, 11 Reconciliation Celebration
6:00-7:30pm CH Reunion Semanal - Jóvenes Para Cristo
7:00-9:00pm Rm. 8, 10, 11 Spanish Faith Formation Classes

Friday/Viernes, February 2
9:00-12:00pm CH Adoration
6:00-8:00pm CH Reconciliation Celebration
7:00-9:00pm Rm. 8, 10, 11 Reunion Semanal - Jóvenes Para Cristo

Saturday/Sabado, February 3
9:00-10:30pm MC, Rm. 10, 11 Spanish Faith Formation Classes
1:00-3:00pm CH Reconciliation Celebration
8:00-10:00pm CH Práctica de la Pasión

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Moses spoke to all the people, saying: “A prophet like me will the L ORD, your God, raise up for you” (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

Gospel — The people were astonished at Jesus’ teaching (Mark 1:21-28).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2.22-40 (22-32)
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, January 29  Jose Lua
† Malaina Anais Lopez
Tuesday, January 30  Sara Lua
† Juan Lua
Wednesday, January 31  † Lucrecia Madrigal
† Leonardo Sando
Thursday, February 1  † Souls in Purgatory
† Ken Renda
Friday, February 2  † Vincenzo Mure
† Rosa Leone
Saturday, February 3  † Sr. Elisa Amodio
† Guadalupe Pena

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: “When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?”
Child: “What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?”
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE by Deacon Rick Haeckel

Usually I use the Gospel of the day for reflection but today consider the Psalm response, “If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” Psalm 95 from which the response is taken was written to the Jewish people who, like us, strayed. The sentiment proclaimed is in a question and response form, *If ... then...* Both parts contain wisdom that still has application for us today. The second part asks that we not harden our hearts. Hmm that’s a cogent way of examining our response to God who is with us always. Hardened hearts are achieved in many ways, but often we become hardened by ignoring God’s call or by limiting our attention to only times of prayer or choosing for ourselves when to “listen.” Much too often we “tell” God what we need or want, nothing wrong with that per se but when we choose the times we are attentive to God, we limit the power of God living through us. That power is life-giving to not just us but to those with whom we interact. The first part of the response comes into play, how do we *hear his voice?* As might seem obvious, we must listen. Both consciously (in prayer perhaps) and unconsciously which is a bit harder. When we are able to realize that God is intimately with us ... at all times, something like seeing a sunset, or a small child, or a favorite flower, in other words we allow ourselves to see that joy as gift, undeserved but yet given for us to enjoy. Sadly the cares of the world are all too effective at hardening us to wonder and awe in our ordinary lives. The final phrase offers a wonderful opportunity to examine the ears of our heart. It begins with the simple phrase “*If today,*” in other words don’t put off finding God in all things. It isn’t another ToDo item, it’s a fundamental recognition that only the present moment can speak, and then, only when we are willing to listen. Try making “today” an invitation to see with eyes of love that Jesus gave to and for us.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Being green asks that we address the needs of our world as we live it, today, not tomorrow or next week. Any winter repairs need our attention right now. Making our homes more energy efficient may not seem like much, but every resource saved (water, furnace efficiency, etc.) means more for all.

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 CARMELO ......

One of the worst things we can do is to cause more suffering than already exists; through our pride, our indifference, our desire to be always correct, to give ourselves too much importance and not to take ourselves lightly as the angels do. Among us, as children of the same God and brothers in our Lord Jesus Christ, compassion should grow, so that we are never indifferent to the suffering of one another. We must be the hand that helps, the hug of consolation when we are left speechless and we don't even know how to help. Pray for each other, enter into the suffering of others and accompany them in their journey helping them carry their burdens as Saint Paul writes on his letter to the Galatians (Gal 6:2). This is what the Lord Jesus Christ prayed for at the table at the Last Supper. He prayed to the Father that we would be one, as He is one with the Father.

As we near the end of the first month of a new year, it is a good time, to practice being more aware of the sufferings of others in order to help one another. Let us be rid of the heaviness of negative feelings, and in this way, lift up our hearts to the Lord, full of the lightness of love, compassion and charity.

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.

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
FOURTH 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. We hope you find some help here to do your part of our work together.

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

Save the Date
Training is in the church from 7:00pm until 9:00pm

New Lectors must attend both trainings
RSVP: Jim Yinger jfyinger@gmail.com

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Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion / Sacristans Workshop

All current, past and those considering becoming an EMHC, please join us on Thursday, February 1st from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the parish center conference rooms for fellowship and guest speaker Fr. Chris Bennett.

Fr. Bennett was ordained in Dublin, Ireland and came to the US in 1987. He was associate at several churches in San Jose including St. Christopher and St. Lucy. He became pastor of Santa Teresa and is currently pastor of St. Christopher. He is director of the arts and environment committee for the Diocese of San Jose. He is also consultant to the Bishop and MC for the Bishop. Fr. Bennett is the dean for our deanery, on the cemetery board and is the liturgical advisor for deacons. He has given many workshops regarding liturgical practices. Please RSVP yes or no to Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org. You are welcome to drop in if your plans change.

Ash Wednesday / Miércoles de Ceniza
February 14 / Febrero 14

6:15am Ash Service (Servicio de Ceniza)
8:15am Mass (Misa)
10:45am Mass (Misa) School
12:15pm Ash Service (Servicio de Ceniza)
3:45pm Mass (Misa) Faith Formation
5:30pm Mass (Misa)
7:00pm Misa (En la Iglesia & el Centro Parroquial)

2018 Easter Triduum Schedule
Holy Thursday / Jueves Santo
March 29/Marzo 29
7:30pm (Bilingual Mass / Misa Bilingüe)

Good Friday / Viernes Santo
March 30/Marzo 30
12:00pm Liturgy
2:00pm Passion thru Music by Life Teen
6:30pm Obra de la Pasión de Cristo
7:30pm Servicio en Español

Easter Vigil / Vigilia Pascual
March 31/Marzo 31
8:30pm (Bilingual Mass / Misa Bilingüe)

Easter Sunday / Domingo de Resurrección
April 1/ Abril 1
7:15am, 8:45am, 10:30am Masses
12:15pm Misa en Español
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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Moisés le habló a todo el pueblo diciendo: “El Señor Dios hará surgir en medio de ustedes un profeta como yo” (Deuteronomio 18:15-20).

Salmo — Ojalá escuchen hoy la voz del Señor: “No endurezcan el corazón” (Salmos 95 [94]).

Segunda lectura — Hermanos y hermanas: Yo quisiera que ustedes vivieran sin preocupaciones (1 Corintios 7:32-35).

Evangelio — Los oyentes quedaron asombrados de sus palabras, pues enseñaba como quien tiene autoridad (Marcos 1:21-28).

Lecturas de la semana

Lunes: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Sal 3:2-7; Mc 5:1-20
Martes: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Mc 5:21-43
Miércoles: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Sal 32 (31):1-2, 5-7; Mc 6:1-6
Jueves: 1 Re 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Cr 29:10-12; Mc 6:7-13
Sábado: 1 Re 3:4-13; Sal 119 (118):9-14; Mc 6:30-34
Domingo: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Sal 147 (146):1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mc 1:29-39

¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?  _____Yes  _____No
¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?  _____Yes  _____No

¡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

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO
DE CARMELO......

Recientemente recibí noticias acerca de un familiar que falleció. También me enteré de que otra persona muy querida tiene una enfermedad seria.

Algo de lo peor que podemos hacer, es el causar más sufrimiento del que ya existe en el mundo por medio de nuestro orgullo, nuestra indiferencia, de nuestro deseo de estar siempre correctos y tener la razón. De darnos demasiada importancia a nosotros mismos y no tomarnos a la ligera como los ángeles. Entre nosotros como hijos del mismo Dios y hermanos en nuestro Señor Jesucristo debe de crecer la compasión para que nunca seamos indiferentes al sufrimiento de los demás. Debemos de ser la mano que ayude, el abrazo de consuelo cuando ni siquiera cuando nos quedamos sin palabras y no sabemos cómo ayudar. Oremos los unos por los otros. Entremos en el sufrimiento de los demás y acompañemos en su caminar ayudándoles a llevar sus cargas como nos dice san Pablo en su carta a los Gálatas 6,2. Es esto por lo que el Señor Jesús oró en la mesa en la última cena, oró al Padre que nosotros fuéramos uno, como Él lo es con el Padre.

Ahora que estamos terminando el primer mes del año, es una buena oportunidad si aún no lo hemos de proponernos a estar más despiertos al sufrimiento ajeno, para poder ayudarnos los unos a los otros. A irnos despojando de la pesadez de los sentimientos negativos, y de esta forma, levantar nuestro corazón al Señor lleno de los alivianes del amor, la compasión y la caridad.

LIDERES

Los líderes son como águilas. No están en grupo. Los encontrás. . . uno a la vez.

—Anónimo

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

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: “¿Cuándo has sentido la tristeza de Job? ¿Cuándo has sentido la alegría de aquellos que fueron testigos de las obras sanadoras de Jesús?”

Niño: “¿Qué podrías hacer esta semana para consolar a alguien que está triste?”
NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

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

PROFETAS VERDADEROS
Hoy en Deuteronomio oímos que las palabras de Dios llenarán la boca de un profeta verdadero, pero un profeta falso pondrá, por así decirlo, palabras meramente humanas en boca de Dios. En el Evangelio según san Marcos, vemos a Jesús enseñando y curando como un profeta verdadero con la autoridad de la voz de Dios. La historia de nuestra Iglesia está llena de ambos tipos de profetas. Algunos profetas falsos fueron extremadamente populares y eran muy versados en la Sagrada Escritura, incluso ocupaban puestos de autoridad eclesial. Pero en el Evangelio de hoy descubrimos que la fama de Jesús se extendió porque enseñaba con autoridad; no era una autoridad porque fuera popular o famoso. En otra parte, descubrimos con él, cuando es tentado y enfrenta a Satanás en el desierto, que cualquiera puede citar la Sagrada Escritura, incluso si estos van en contra de los propósitos de Dios. Hoy oímos que su autoridad no era como la de los escribas, que eran la autoridad oficial religiosa en su época. Nuestra tarea es hacer todo lo posible por saber identificar a los verdaderos profetas que están entre nosotros y también a ser verdaderos profetas. El salmista nos dice cómo hacerlo: no debemos endurecer nuestros corazones cuando escuchamos a Dios. Si realmente escuchamos a Dios, Dios pondrá sus palabras en nuestra boca.

IMPOSIBLE SIN AMOR
El alma no puede vivir sin amor.
—San Francisco de Sales

¡Mujer de Ayer, Mujer de Hoy!
¡Dios te hace la invitación a Ti!
A un Retiro para Mujeres mayores de 18 años
y te re-encuentres con Jesús.

El Día: sábado febrero 24, 2018
Lugar: Parroquia de Santa Catalina de Alejandría
17400 Peak Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037
Hora: 8:00 am a 5:30 pm
Predicadores: Padre Alberto Cabrera, Hermana Gisela
Enríquez, y Elizabeth Ruiz

GRUPO AMIGOS
Se les invita a todos los jóvenes que estén en la preparatoria para que asistan al Grupo Amigos. Grupo Amigos es un grupo para hacer buenas amistades y para aprender nuevas cosas que ayudaran en sus vidas y crecer en su fe. Los esperamos todos los viernes a las 7:00pm en el Centro Milani.
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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, de ahorros o cuenta de tarjeta de crédito por vía electrónica a Santa Catalina.

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

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

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

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!

OPORTUNIDADES DE VOLUNTARIADO

Muchas manos hacen el trabajo menos.

LAS EXIGENCIAS DE SER DISCÍPULO
Hoy ya encontramos lecturas con el tono penitencia de Cuaresma. Nínive ayuna durante cuarenta días, el salmista nos recuerda que sólo Dios puede indicarles el camino a los pecadores, san Pablo nos muestra que todas las cosas y los acontecimientos de este mundo son transitorios y Jesús nos dice: “Arrepíéntanse” antes de llamar a sus nuevos seguidores. “Siganme”, dice Jesús, pero si realmente vivimos los mandamientos y las exigencias de ser discípulos por el Bautismo, nos daremos cuenta de nuestra necesidad de conversión, de nuestro arrepentimiento, nuestra necesidad de creer plenamente en el Evangelio. El Evangelio de hoy comienza recordándonos lo que le sucedió a Juan Bautista por vivir plenamente su vocación como heraldo de Cristo y del Evangelio: fue arrestado, encarcelado y martirizado. Si bien pocos de nosotros sufriremos consecuencias tan extremas, todos debemos estar preparados para enfrentar algún tipo de rechazo por hacerle caso al llamado de Jesús, vivir el Reino de Dios que está próximo, arrepentirnos de nuestros pecados y creer en la buena nueva de salvación.

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.

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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.

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New Online Giving Partnership and Program

Manage Your Giving Online

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

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

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Anna Quinones at aquinones@dsj.org or 408.779.3959
Dear God, SQUIRREL!

Did you get a load of Paul today in the 2nd Reading (1 Cor 7:32-35)? Can you believe that guy? Did he really think that a person can be distracted and torn between their spouse and God?! Does he even know what he’s talking about?

Not me. Nope. Uh -uh

Okay, there may be times when I know I need to pray, but I don't because of my wife. Not because she doesn't want me to, and not because she tells me not to - but because for some reason, I have this fear that I am inconveniencing her. I feel almost selfish stepping away to spend time with God and leaving her with our children (even though she is way more capable of taking care of our children while doing five other things than I am).

Or, knowing that the time just the two of us have together is limited, that I'd be taking time away from us.

So on average, I pray more consistently during the work week than on the weekends when I'm with the family. Not that I don't talk to God during that time, but that I don't take separate time for just me and Him. I'm trying to be better. I mean, I know I could totally get that time if I didn't sleep in (yes, that means that my wife wakes up with the kids, and then I still want to step away. Told you, I'm being selfish). But folks, I am not a morning person (unless I'm on retreat, then I'm totally a morning person - annoyingly so).

Beth and I have talked about my desire to pray more, and she's been completely supportive of that. So I need to work on not allowing those thoughts that come in my head that keep me from spending more time with God. Thoughts that take my focus from God...these thoughts are...what's the word?

Oh shoot. They're distracting.

Damn. Apparently Paul knew what he was talking about. Thanks Paul.
Are you interested in joining a Bible Study? We are forming a Bible Study group to begin in time for Lent. Join us and dig deeper into our faith through the Scriptures! To sign up or for more information, please contact Joe Lillig at (408) 781-3847 or jplillig@gmail.com or the Faith Formation office at (408) 779-9604.

THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH

Speaker Paul J. Kim

“Parenting From the Inside Out”
12 - 2 pm
(lunch optional)

“Meant To Live For More”
6:30 - 8:00 pm

Paul J. Kim, speaker, marriage and family counselor, youth minister and musician, will offer 2 workshops, one for parents and another for youth this Sunday, January 28th at Queen of the Apostles Church. For further information, please see the Queen of Apostles Church website.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Visitations of Mary
Pilgrimage June 11 - June 23
Lead by Fr. Russ Roide, S.J.
The places well visit: Barcelona, Montserrat, Manresa, Lourdes, Loyola, Santo Domingo de Silos Monastery known for its chant, Segovia, Avila, Fatima, and Lisbon.
Please see Fr. Russ for a brochure or e-mail him at rroide@jesuits.org. He will answer all questions.

It is a very special pilgrimage and with a deeply spiritual tone. We will visit three Marian shrines, the home of St. Ignatius Loyola, the cave (Manresa) where he wrote his Spiritual Exercises, Avila where St. Theresa was born and reformed the Carmelite Order, Segovia, where St. John of the Cross is buried, and then Fatima which is celebrating its 100th anniversary. This is a pilgrimage of a lifetime and we have Mass daily along with the spiritual reference for each place by Fr. Russ. Cost $3,990 including tax (land only) by air can be arranged by the travel agent Harvest Journeys who is handling the pilgrimage.

DREAMERS SUPPORT GROUP

HAVE YOU BEEN HAVING TROUBLE SLEEPING, PAYING ATTENTION, FEELING NERVOUS OR ANGRY? ARE YOU FEELING SAD AND HOPELESS? HAVE YOU BEEN WORRYING A LOT AND ARE HAVING DIFFICULTIES AT HOME, WORK OR SCHOOL? ARE YOU 18 YEARS OLD OR OLDER?

IF SO, YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE DREAMERS SUPPORT GROUP:

WHAT: Weekly, confidential support group for DACA Recipients
WHEN: Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:00pm
WHERE: St. Catherine Church, 17400 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037
FEES: SLIDING FEE SCALE

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A PRE-GROUP APPOINTMENT CONTACT: JOHN M. MARTINEZ, LCSW AT 408-439-7251

2018 WEST COAST RETREAT

Mission Doctors Association will offer the 2018 West Coast Retreat/Seminar, March 9-11, 2018 for Catholic Doctors, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants considering Short-term mission service. This will be held at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles. This weekend is offered free of charge to those considering serving at Mission Hospital or Clinic. Visit the web site at - www.missiondoctors.org or call the office for more information at (213) 368-1872.

ATTENTION GRADUATING SENIORS

The Italian Catholic Federation offers $400 scholarships to Roman Catholic graduating seniors of Italian Descent who have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.2.

For more information:
*See your class counselor
*Call the Italian Catholic Federation Office at 1-888-423-1924
*Visit our web site at www.icf.org

Application deadline is March 15th.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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. Thank you for your support! Monica McClintock monica.mc@me.com (408) 218-6007.

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

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.

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

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
This is the year of St. Paul, and so one of the most visited churches of Rome is also one of the most beautiful: the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. Like so many other churches, it was founded by the master-builder (or financier) Emperor Constantine about the year 315. Paul was martyred outside the walls of the City of Rome at a place called Tre Fontaine, probably on June 29, in the year 65, perhaps the first anniversary of St. Peter’s crucifixion. Christians buried him in a quiet place about two miles away, and visited to pray. Constantine was running low on bricks, apparently, because the first church was tiny. In 386 it was demolished and today’s basilica begun. This vast and towering space looks much the same today as it did in the fourth century.
The centuries have not been kind to ancient Rome, but until the early 1800s St. Paul Outside the Walls survived beautifully, perhaps because it has been assigned for nearly a thousand years to Benedictine monks. It was therefore a vibrant place of daily prayer even through the centuries when Rome was a poor and nearly abandoned city. In 1823 a great fire resulted from a botched repair job to lead on the roof, and St. Paul’s was destroyed. It is said that the whole world contributed to its restoration. Even the Russian czar and the viceroy of Egypt gave alabaster, malachite, and lapis lazuli for the pillars and the tabernacle. Several of the precious mosaics were able to be restored, bringing the ancient basilica back to life. One of the great treasures of the basilica is a set of prison chains, said to have been worn by the Apostle in the last days before his martyrdom. Unlike other Roman churches, St. Paul’s stands in a garden-like suburban neighborhood, surrounded by stately palm trees, gardens, and parks.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Wednesday: St. John Bosco
Friday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day; First Friday
Saturday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; First Saturday; Blessing of Throats; Blessed Virgin
Mary
WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY RETREAT

Fearless, How to Conquer Your Demons and Love with Abandon
Retreat Led By
Bible Study Evangelista ~ Sonja Corbitt
www.biblestudyevangelista.com

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A DAY!

Saturday, February 17th, 2018
From 10:00AM TO 5:00PM
O’Donnell Parish Center

Sonja is an author, speaker, TV and Radio Broadcaster on the Scriptures. Her potent bible teaching, her vivid and sometimes humorous speaking style will help you find where God is already working in your life and help you co-operate with God to “Conquer your demons and love with abandon.” Sonja will inspire you to deepen your relationship with God and others through scripture, so just like Sonja you too will fall in love with the Word of God and discover your true calling and gifts.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED.
PLEASE COME AND SPEND THE DAY WITH US TO NOURISH YOUR SOUL, MIND AND HEART!
Please invite your friends, Mom, sister, or daughters.
The retreat will include light breakfast, lunch and Sonja’s books to purchase.
Suggested donation is $30.00

For more information, please contact Anna Quinones at aquinones@dsj.org
To Register online visit www.stca.org or Pay by Check, Make check payable to St. Catherine Church, please return form to Rectory, Attn: Woman’s Retreat at 17400 Peak Ave. Morgan Hill, Ca. 95037

First Name: __________________________  Last Name: __________________________
# of Guests: __________________________  Names: __________________________
                        Please list names on back if necessary
Address: __________________________  City: ______  St: ______  Zip: ______
Email: __________________________  Phone: __________________________

Check Amount: __________________________

Please bring your bible on the day of the event. See you on Saturday, February 17th.
St. Catherine School News

Above, members of a St. Catherine Robotics team show off their robot at a recent robotics tournament. Below, a glimpse at the streaming newscast hosted by Student Council during the winter. Our green screen is put to good use as students appear to be at various locations around the globe.

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 was due 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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2018

Trust in the Lord

Sunday, January 28
10:30 am Liturgy to Kick Off Catholic Schools Week
- 6th grade hosting
- 8:00 am-12:00 noon Book Fair open

Monday, January 29
Parent Appreciation Day
9:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral
- SCS Student Council will attend

Tuesday, January 30
Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day
8:00am-4:00pm; 5:30-7:00pm Book Fair open
8:15 am-12:00 pm Classroom Tours

Wednesday, January 31
Grandparents/Special Persons Day
8:00am-1:00pm Book Fair open
10:00am-12:30pm Grandparents/Special Person Day
- 9:30 Sign-in and refreshments
- 10:00 Prayer Service begins in church

Thursday, February 1
Parish Staff Appreciation Day

Friday, February 2
Student Appreciation Day
8:15 First Friday Mass
Special Activities in each class

Contact the school office for Book Fair hours during the week.

The California Schools in the Diocese of San Jose, mindful of their mission to be witnesses 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.