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Sunday: 7:15, 8:45, 10:30am, 5:30pm
Domingo: 12:15pm

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

The heat is back, the days are gradually getting longer and we have more hours of sunlight. The mountains are green again thanks to all the rain and trees are beginning to show new leaves. Winter left and spring returned, and before we realize, summer will be here as well. Everything around us has its cycle. There are changes happening all the times, but at times, due to our sole focus on the responsibilities we have, we do not realize that everything around us is changing; and when we finally take some time to observe our surroundings they are no longer the same.

A few months ago the leaves on the trees were green, then they became yellow and orange, ……

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

El calor está de vuelta, los días poco a poco se van haciendo más largos y tenemos más horas de luz. Las noches se hacen más cortas. Los montes se han pintado de verde con las lluvias y los árboles empiezan a enseñar hojas nuevas. El invierno se fue y regresó la primavera, y en cuando menos nos demos cuenta el verano estará aquí de nuevo. Todo alrededor de nosotros tiene su ciclo. Hay cambios todos los tiempos, pero a veces nosotros enfocados en todas las responsabilidades que tenemos no nos damos cuenta que todo está cambiando y ya cuando tomamos tiempo para observar, nuestro alrededor ya no es el mismo.

Hace unos meses las hojas eran verdes, después pasaron a ser amarillas y anaranjadas, ……

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Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría
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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).
Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).
Second Reading — The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments (1 John 2:1-5a).
Gospel — Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you” (Luke 24:35-48).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, April 15
7:00-1:00pm CR1-4, Kit Hospitality
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
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band & Singers
3:30-5:00pm Rm.8 High School Sacramental Prep
4:30-7:30pm CR1-2 JPC - Retiro Prep-Meeting
7:00-9:00pm MC Life Teen Youth Group

Monday/Lunes, April 16
11:00-2:30pm CR1-4 Kit Over 50’s Group
6:00-7:00pm CR3-4, Kit Community Group
6:30-7:30pm CR1-2, CR3-4 Cub Scout Pack 766
7:00-8:30pm CH Angelica Choir
6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids Stitching Group
7:00-8:30pm Rm.8, 10 JPC - Junta de Equipo

Tuesday/Martes, April 17
6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 JPC - Coro
7:00-9:00PM MC Spanish Catechist Training
7:00-9:00pm CR3-4 KoC - Assembly Board
7:00-9:45pm Rm.8 Stephen Ministry

Wednesday/Miercoles, April 18
8:45-11:00am CR1-2 Women’s Group - Study
3:30-4:30pm MC Rm.8, 10, 11 Faith Formation Classes
3:30-4:30pm CH Faith Formation Community
4:00-6:00pm NUR Choir Practice
5:00-6:00pm CH Children’s Choir
5:30-6:30pm MC Middle School Ministry
5:30-6:30pm Rm.11 Una Puerta de Esperanza
5:30-9:00pm Rm.10 Una Puerta de Esperanza
6:30-7:30pm CH Hora Santa
6:30-7:45pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind Prayer Group
6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 JPC - Coro Retiros
7:00-8:30pm LR RICA
7:30-9:30pm MC RCIA Session
7:30-9:30pm CH Alfa-Omega Grupo de Oracion

Thursday/Jueves, April 19
6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir
6:00-7:30pm Rm.10 Una Puerta de Esperanza - Voluntarios
6:30-9:15pm Rm.8 Stephen Ministry Training
7:00-8:30pm Rm.11 Grupo Amigos - Teen Leader Meeting
7:00-9:00pm MC Spanish Catechist Retreat

Friday/Viernes, April 20
9:30-11:00am CR1-2 Bible Study
7:00-9:00pm MC Grupo Amigos
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8, 10, 11 JPC Reunion Semanal

Saturday/Sabado, April 21
8:00-2:00pm Liturgical Ministers Retreat English/Spanish
9:00-9:30am CH Spanish Faith Formation Community Time
9:00-10:30am MC Rm.8, 10, 11 Spanish Faith Formation Classes
12:00-6:00pm MC, CH FHC Retreat
6:30-9:30pm CR1-4, Kit ICF Spaghetti Fundraising dinner

8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, April 16  † Rosalia Barriagan
† Maria Luisa Barriagan
Tuesday, April 17  † Peter Chi Nguyen
† Carlos Leyva
Wednesday, April 18  † Dedee Mariani
† Hedy Barth
Thursday, April 19  † Belen Alvarado
† Doogie Gettman
Friday, April 20  † Antonio Lua
† John Houle
Saturday, April 21  † Sergio Madrigal
† Linus Yeggy
How do we, as mere human beings, experience transcendence? The opening line of today’s Gospel reads, “The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.” Disheartened and dispirited the two on the road to Emmaus have returned to Jerusalem to share their amazed excitement. Jesus’ appearance to all gathered there follows. Several things come to mind about the Emmaus story. The dispirited two had left Jerusalem in sorrow after the crucifixion; in their discussing the events they did not recognize Jesus when he joined them. Scripture recounts many instances of disciples not recognizing the resurrected Christ. That aside, how often do we in our daily journey of life speak about our disappointments and unmet expectations? Can you recall when someone was able to reorient you, to remind you of the bigger picture? That person has been Jesus for you, not visually but spiritually. We easily become fixated on problems or disappointments, needing something, or more likely, someone to show us the bigger picture; reminding us that our journey of life is an extension of our journey of faith. To the extent that we forget that difference we find ourselves in a disorganized or even distressful state of mind. Only in retrospect did the Emmaus travelers remember the grace given them before they recognized him in the “breaking of the bread.” They were captivated by the unknown traveler who explained things that Scripture had foretold about the promised one. In our time we are invited to see the risen One in more moments of life. Not only in prayer or at mass, but in the Eucharist we have received and which enables us to be fed so as to nourish others… and in doing so nourish ourselves. The post resurrection Jesus may have been seen and recognized in his time by his disciples. Is it possible that He still appears and that we don’t recognize him? May the breaking of the bread open our eyes, again.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Being green involves every aspect of our lives. Being prudent consumers of what we possess asks that we take only what we need, not all that we want, enabling more to benefit from what we have saved.

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!
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Liturgical Ministry and Contact Information

**Liturgical Ministers Needed**

**Sacristans** - urgent need for 5:30 Sunday Mass. 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 for the Advent, Christmas Season, Lent, Triduum and Easter Season. This responsibility can be divided by season. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org. Check the website for general details.

**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

**Flower Area in Saints Chapel** - a volunteer coordinator and group of volunteers are needed to straight the flowers in the St. Chapel that are given as a gift. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees.

**Sacrists** - a group of volunteers and is an urgent need. Please contact Karen Barone directly to schedule a training at kbarone@wildblue.net.

**Liturgy Coordinator**
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**Wedding Coordinator**
Desiree Michel dmichel@charter.net

**Liturgical Ministers Needed**

**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.

All those who support the Liturgy at St. Catherine
Liturgical Ministers, Ushers, Linen Care, Church Care, Environment change volunteers, etc.

Save the Date
Saturday, April 21, 2018 9am - 1pm
Retreat and lunch. Our retreat leader is Christopher Wemp, Director of Liturgy for the Diocese of San Jose and Director of Music at St. Clare Parish.
Contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees at dinderhees@dsj.org to rsvp yes or no.

**Easter Season**
April 1st to May 19th
Liturgical Color: White
Cycle: B

**Divine Mercy Sunday**
April 8th

**Mother’s Day**

**Ascension**
May 13, 2018

**Pentecost**
May 20th
Liturgical Color: Red

**Ordinary Time**
May 21st to December 1st
Liturgical Color: Green
¡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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Número teléfono:______________________
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¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?  
_____Yes  _____No
¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?  
_____Yes  _____No

TERCER DOMINGO DE PASCUA

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Pedro da testimonio a la gente de que Jesús ha sido glorificado y deberán reformar sus vidas (Hechos 3:13-15, 17-19).
Salmo — Haz brillar sobre nosotros el resplandor de tu rostro (Salmo 4).
Segunda lectura — Jesucristo intercede ante el Padre por nuestros pecados (1 Juan 2:1-5a).
Evangelio — Jesús se aparece a los discípulos y los envía a predicar la penitencia para el perdón de los pecados (Lucas 24:35-48).

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE CARMELO......

pero no me di cuenta cuando exactamente cambiaron, solo que un día eran verdes y después amarillas. Después de unos días más el árbol estaba sin hojas, y ahora empieza a tener hojitas nuevas, como si estuviera volviendo a renacer después de que parecía un árbol muerto durante el invierno.

Como cristianos y como personas que buscan seguir creciendo en Cristo en nuestro proceso de conversión, es posible que a veces sentimos que no estamos progresando en nuestro crecimiento espiritual, e incluso a veces sentimos como que vamos retrocediendo al no sentir la alegría y la presencia de Dios que sentíamos antes. A veces sufrimos con alguna tentación o mal hábito que quisiéramos que desapareciera y oramos a que el Señor lo quite de nosotros, pero sentimos que no estamos mejorando en esto tampoco. ¡No perdamos la esperanza ni la paciencia! Así como un árbol un día tiene hojas verdes y después de un tiempo, sus hojas han cambiado a ser color naranja, y no nos dimos cuenta cuando fue el cambio, así pasa a veces con nosotros en nuestras dificultades espirituales. La persona con quien más pasamos tiempo en nuestra vida es con nosotros mismos, por eso misma razón es muy difícil el notar los cambios en nuestro interior. Estos cambios son obvios para una persona que no nos ha visto por un tiempo y después observa que nos comportamos diferente y que hemos cambiado, aunque nosotros no lo habíamos notado aún. Si hay algo con lo que usted está batallando en este momento, no pierda la fe y la esperanza de que algún día esto cambiará incluso si siente que no ha habido progreso en esta dificultad. Pidamos la gracia al Espíritu Santo para que a través de su poder nos ayude a quitar estas barreras de nuestra vida, y como el árbol, quizás no notemos el cambio a cada día, pero un día, lo que era un botón, se convertirá en flor, y con ayuda de Dios, se convertirá en un fruto que ayude a alimentar al pueblo de Dios.

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Martes: Hch 7:51 — 8:1a; Sal 31 (30):3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Miércoles: Hch 8:1b-8; Sal 66 (65):1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Jueves: Hch 8:26-40; Sal 66 (65):8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Viernes: Hch 9:1-20; Sal 117 (116):1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Sábado: Hch 9:31-42; Sal 116 (115):12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Domingo: Hch 4:8-12; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: "¿Qué preguntas sobre Jesús todavía surgen en medio de tu fe?"

Niño: "¿Qué pregunta le gustaría hacerle a alguien sobre la apariencia de Jesús a los Apóstoles?"
¡Dios es Grande Todo el Tiempo, Todo el Tiempo Dios es Grande!

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1563 el Concilio de Trento estableció que todos los católicos debían recibir la comunión por lo menos una vez al año, de preferencia, durante el Tiempo de Pascua, los 50 días desde la Pascua Florida a la Pascua de Pentecostés. En Chile los sacerdotes en siglos pasados llevaban la Eucaristía a todos aquellos que no pudieron asistir a Misa en la Pascua Florida. Comenzando con el Segundo Domingo de Pascua y acompañados de huasos (vaqueros) quienes los protegían de bandidos llevando el Sacramento en cálices de plata por toda la región. Esto llegó a llamarse Cuasimodo, en base a la frase inicial de la Misa del Segundo Domingo de Pascua: Quasi modo géniti infantes (Casi como recién nacidos).

Hoy día la fiesta también es conocida como “correr a Cristo,” por el hecho de llevar a Cristo en carretas decoradas por las calles de los pueblos mientras los niños corren por delante gritando “¡Viva Cristo Rey!” De esta manera los niños anuncian la venida de Cristo, algo que todo cristiano debería hacer con hechos y palabras todos los días de año.

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

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Tercer Domingo de Pascua
Martes: Día de los Impuestos
Sábado: San Anselmo

FORMACIÓN DE FAMILIAS EN LA FE

Se les recuerda a los padres de familia que el domingo 22 de abril a las 8:00am se tendrá el retiro para padres de familia, padres y niños que recibirán la Primera Comunión en el mes de mayo 2018. El último día de clases de catequesis en español será el sábado 21 de abril. Damos las gracias a todas las familias que han participado en este proceso y jornada de fe. Que Dios los bendiga siempre.

UNETE A NOSOTROS AL CAMPAMENTO BIBLICO DE VERANO

Preparándome al viaje misionero con Jesus

Junio 18-22, 2018
6:00-9:00pm
Para niños de 5 años a 11 años
El costo será de $25 por niño / $15 por el Segundo niño en la familia.

Para mas información, favor de comunicarse con la oficina de Formación de Fe al (408) 779-9604 o por correo electrónico a Dianna Lopez al dlopez@dsj.org, o con Maria Miranda al mmiranda@dsj.org.

FACEBOOK

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

SAN VINCENTE DE PAUL DE SANTA CATALINA

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

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA

¿Ha sentido el llamado a servir como un Ministro Extraordinario de la Sagrada Comunión? Pronto empezaremos el entrenamiento para preparar a nuevos ministros para servir en este bellísimo ministerio. Si esta usted interesado o interesada, por favor comuníquese con Carmelo Jiménez al teléfono (408)779-3959

RETIRÓ “EL JOVEN SIN CRISTO” 1, 2 Y 3 DE JUNIO

Jóvenes de 14 a 18 años que tienen la inquietud de encontrarse con Jesus, jóvenes que están en un estado de búsqueda, jóvenes que quieren hacer mas amigos. Jóvenes que quieren aprender mas de su fe... Este retiro es para ustedes.

Para mas información, comunicarse con:

Agustín Jiménez (408)318-2876
María Quintana (408)710-6287
Sarahí Solís (408)722-4129
También puede llamar a la rectoría: (408)779-3959

HORA SANTA Y ROSARIO

TODOS LOS MIÉRCOLES DE
6:30 PM A 7:30 PM

Durante los momentos de mas agonía, Jesús nuestro Señor pidió a sus discípulos que oraran una hora con El en el huerto de Getsemaní. Todos los miércoles a las 6:30pm tenemos la oportunidad de orar una hora con el Señor en frente de Santísimo Sacramento. No pierda la oportunidad de pasar una hora con el Señor.

El sábado 21 de abril tenemos un retiro para todas las personas que sirven en los ministerios en nuestra parroquia. Este retiro tiene como propósito el ayudarnos a trabajar mas unidos en nuestros ministerios que se nos han encomendado por Dios mismo. Los esperamos. El horario es de 9 de la mañana a 1 de la tarde en el centro parroquial. Anótello en su calendario y los esperamos.
The Handmades of St. Catherine invite you to prayerfully consider participating in the 2nd Annual Collection for the Diocesan Layette Program.

The Layette Program was founded in our diocese in 1955 to assist low-income mothers and their newborn babies. When a Public Health Nurse identifies a needy mother, her baby receives a layette from this program, which is valued at approximately $400. The Layette Program serves the needs of new moms and their babies from East Palo Alto down to South County. Our own community is greatly helped by this program.

The Handmades have donated to the Layette Program over the past three years and we would like to share this wonderful program with our parish in asking parishioners to prayerfully consider donating baby items. With the summer months upon us, and donations running low we will be collecting layette items in May and deliver donations to the center.

Any handmade baby blankets, quilts, bibs, booties etc will gladly be accepted along with any items purchased from the list below. All items will be collected the weekends of May 5/6 and May 19/20 and donated to the Diocesan Layette Program.

List of Needs
- Undershirts
- Long/Short sleeve sleeping gowns
- Play and sleep coveralls
- Onesies
- Receiving Blankets
- Play outfits
- Crib Blankets/Quilts
- Blanket sleepers
- Sweater Sets
- Booties
- Socks
- Baby Wipes
- Disposable Diapers, up to 18lbs

All items should be new and clothing sizes should be Newborn to Six months only.

We thank the parish community in advance for your generosity!

For more information visit the Diocesan website at: www.dsj.org/social-ministry/our-programs/respect-life-and-human-dignity/layette-program/ or contact Marianne Shallal at mcshallal@gmail.com.
You Know Jesus? You No Jesus

Reading the 2nd reading for Sunday's Liturgy (1 John 2:1-5A), I can tell why John was the beloved disciple (other than the fact that he was writing about himself).

That man is not pulling any punches here: 
*Those who say, "I know Him," but do not keep His commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them*"

I reflect on that passage, and realize...maybe I really don't know Jesus... I don't follow all of His commandments - after all, I am a sinner.

But then, does anybody really know Jesus?

(Mother Mary's in heaven like):

And the unfortunate part about this, is I think many people will just shrug their shoulders and say, "Oh well," and go on living their lives as they have been.

And then we become like the disciples from Luke 24 in the Road to Emmaus story (go ahead and read it, I'll wait—story goes from 13-35, but you can stop at 24 for our purposes here). They listened to Jesus and followed Him. But they decided, even after all that they had been witnesses to (including being told He was alive and not dead), to go back to their homes and to their lives before they knew Jesus.

If you're like me, then you grew up Catholic. I went through the Sacraments, always believing in God - but I never really knew God. Even when I started volunteering, and when I was getting really involved in youth ministry here - I didn't take Jesus' teachings seriously. I didn't put much effort into changing. I came to Mass, sang all the songs, tried to listen to the readings and homily, and didn't really pay attention when receiving Jesus' Body & Blood, Soul & Divinity in the Eucharist (sorry Jesus). But every time I did listen to the readings, if I heard something that I agreed with, I would think about other people who I knew weren't following that teaching, and judge them in my mind. If I heard something I didn't agree with (or just didn't want to follow), I'd think, "Oh, that's not what Jesus really meant," or "I'll start doing that when I'm older" (actually, I still have a tendency to doing this at times, although I'm slowly getting better at this).

I was picking and choosing how to live my faith. And although I am completely free to make those choices, I was only hurting myself. I was only holding myself. And I was keeping Jesus at a distance, not allowing myself to really know Him (sorry again, Jesus).

Jesus loves you. He knows you. And He wants you to know Him. Make time to do so.

Side thoughts: one of the ten commandments is not to bear false witness, and yet to say we know Jesus is to keep the commandments, so if we say we know Jesus but don't keep His commandments, then not only are we bearing false witness about knowing Jesus but we're also breaking that commandment.
On this third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear the Gospel stories of Jesus’ appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Many of them are centered around a meal.

The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

This month, families in Sacramental Preparation are participating in First Holy Communion Retreats. During the retreats, they will reflect on the meaning of the Eucharist, what receiving the sacrament means to the family and what sharing in the sacrament asks us to do afterward.

Eucharist not only sustains spiritually but also enables and send us to be Christ’s witnesses outside of the church doors and into our community. What does the Eucharist mean to you?

Adapted from Sunday Connections, Loyola Press

5-Week Series: Meet Me at the GATE: Women Mystics and Prophets

Join us on Wednesdays in the Women’s Group for a 5-week series on Women Mystics and Prophets. On April 18th, we meet St. Clare of Assisi. Gather in the Parish Center at 9 am, right after the 8:15 Mass. For further information, please call Rose at the Faith Formation Office at (408)779-9604 or e-mail at rosepm@dsj.org.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

SHIPWRECKED
St. Catherine Vacation Bible Camp

Session I: June 18-22, 2018
Session II: June 25-29, 2018

Registration forms are available online and in the Faith Formation Office for children entering Pre K-5th grade in Fall 2018. You can also sign up to volunteer - volunteers are needed for Session II. We look forward to seeing you!
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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BIBLE STUDY
Interested in meeting with a small group for a weekly Bible study? Wednesday nights at 7pm. Contact Joe Lillig at 408-781-3847 or jplilig@gmail.com.

DREAMERS SUPPORT GROUP
Have you had trouble sleeping, paying attention, feeling nervous or angry? Are you feeling sad and hopeless? Have you been worrying a lot or 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 scale
For more information and a pre-group appointment contact: John M. Martinez, LCSW at 408-439-7251.

ATTENTION NURSES! OBTAIN 8 CEUS FOR YOUR LICENSE - FREE - SELF STUDY
"Nursing with the Hands of Jesus - A Guide to Nurses for Divine Mercy" is a pocket-size manual specifically written for nurses seeking a clear and powerful spiritual guide for the care of the sick, the terminally ill and the dying. For more information, contact:
Ann Ronayne amronayne@gmail.com at 408-838-1432. or
Judy Gillingham jdygarden@aol.com. at 650-888-8964

ST. CATHERINE GHANA MISSION PROJECT
SAVE THE DATE- June 30th, Dinner and Silent Auction, O'Donnell Parish Center. Father Paul Mensah comes from Africa to update us on the Awaso School and the progress of the children. The very first children will graduate to high school next year! A St. Catherine Mission Trip is planned for 2019 for this event! Learn more and support the school on June 30th!
Contact Marian.sacco@gmail.com for more info.
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God is great all the time, all the time, God is great!

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

Save the date!
April 21st
6:30pm

Pasta Dinner Fundraiser
To benefit St. Catherine’s Remodeling fund, supporting the seminarian’s of the Diocese of San Jose and to providing a scholarship to High School Seniors.

Chef George Guglielmo & Crew will be cooking!

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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 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.

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EASTER PARKING

I want to extend thanks to the Knights of Columbus for spearheading parking lot management on Easter Sunday. This was our first attempt to ease the congestion for our Sunday morning Masses and provide better safety for pedestrians. With as many as 1,200 people for Mass at the same time, and only 201 spaces on campus, it is a challenge.

Kudos go especially to Knights Michael, Tim, John, Joe, Tom, Larry, Ken, Jim, and Herb. Thanks also to Pedro and Armando for helping out at the 12:15 Mass.

Your comments about how it worked, and suggestions for improvement are welcome, email me at lvillano@dsj.org.

Thank you

ST. CATHERINE’S SUMMER SPORTS CAMP

It is time to register again for the St. Catherine’s Summer Sports Camp. Go to the Parish’s website, www.stca.org, to find the link to the registration form on the Home page.

The camp is again run by James Herrera, a veteran of the Camp for 11 years. Jim grew up in Morgan Hill where he graduated from Live Oak High School in 2001, and was named the 2001 Morgan Hill Times Athlete of the Year.

He has degrees from Gavilan College, UC Santa Cruz, and his Masters in Kinesiology from San Jose State. His studies focused on Sports Management and Youth Sports.

Sign up soon, as the slots fill up quickly.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS “BABY BOTTLE DRIVE”

The Knights are at it again. Next week, April 14/15, they are supporting Informed Choices’ goal to outfit their van to be a Mobile Medical Unit. The Knights will be outside Mass handing out baby bottles. Please fill it up with your loose coins and currency and return it the following weekend.

Even better, the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus will match all the funds raised.

St. Catherine Golf Classic

WHEN

Friday, May 18th

WHERE

Coyote Creek Golf Club Tournament Course

Early Registration Deadline
May 1, 2018
www.stca.org, on the Home page

For sponsorship opportunities, email sgreenwood419@yahoo.com
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Catherine School--Summer Programs
July 2-19, 2018

Sewing for Beginners—July 2-3, 9:00-12:00 for students in grades 6-8. Max 8 students. Students will learn basic sewing techniques and will produce a pillow and a ditty bag. All other materials are provided. Each student needs to bring one yard of cotton or cotton blend fabric.

Creating With Little Bits—July 2-3, 12:30-3:00 for students in grades 2-5. Max 10 students. Students learn basic circuitry/engineering skills to design a variety of devices using Little Bits units.

Intro to VEX IQ Robotics—July 2-3 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Students work in pairs using VEX IQ super kits and Modkit for VEX software to build and program robots. The curriculum includes learning about drive trains, object manipulators, and basic programming concepts. This camp is intended for students who are VEX IQ beginners. This is a great intro into the Advanced VEX IQ Robotics and VEX IQ Challenge Prep courses. There will be a lunch break each day, but students must bring their own lunch. Students 4th-8th grades. Max 16 students.

Advanced VEX IQ Robotics July 9-12 1:00-3:30 pm Students learn about more advanced engineering and programming concepts to be able to design more complex robots. Then, they work in groups using VEX IQ super kits and Modkit for VEX software to build and program a robot using the concepts they have learned. This camp is intended for students who have some experience with VEX IQ and are interested in participating in competitive robotics at St. Catherine School next school year. Competitive robotics teams that have already been put together will be given time to start work on their robot and STEM project for next season. Students 4th-8th grades. Max 30 students.

VEX IQ Challenge Prep July 16-19 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Students will work in teams to learn rules for the new season of the VEX IQ Challenge, understand the theme and rubric for the season’s STEM Research Project, brainstorm ideas for competitive and efficient robots, and have some time to develop prototypes. Instructors will be present to provide ideas and help with engineering and programming challenges. This camp is intended for students who plan to participate in the VEX IQ Challenge next school year. Students from competitive robotics teams that have already been assembled will be grouped together and given time to start work on their robot and STEM project for next season. Students 4th-8th grades. Max 30 students.

Math Camp—July 9-19, 9:00 am-12:00 noon Mondays through Thursdays, for students entering grades 1-8. Grades are clustered into three groups: 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8. Instruction is tailored to the specific needs of the students in the class, while also emphasizing the development of number sense, basic facts and real world applications as appropriate for each grade level. Students use technology, hands on learning, collaboration, projects and pen and pencil activities to deepen their understanding of mathematics, with lots of fun thrown in for good math measure. This program meets the needs of those students who are recommended or required to do additional work in math this summer.

Kinder Program—July 9-19, 9:00 am-11:00 am Monday through Thursdays
The program supports a smooth transition for students entering kindergarten. Phonemic Awareness, Number and Letter Recognition, Letter/Sound Correspondence, and Fine Motor Skills are addressed through small group work and hands-on activities. We also address the social and developmental needs of the students as they prepare to begin their academic journey.

Fun With Handwriting—July 5-20, 11:15 am-12:15 am Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays Students grades 1-3. Students participate in a variety of Handwriting Without Tears activities to improve pencil grip, letter formation, and writing stamina with Mrs. Garcia, our certified handwriting instructor.

Cookie Madness—July 9-12, 12:30-3:00 pm Students grades 4th-8th. Max 12 students. Students learn baking techniques as they make multiple types of cookies (drop, rolled, molded, etc.).

Extended Care --Care is offered from 12:00-6:00 pm on program days for students participating in the programs. If you need care from 7:30-9:00/11:00-12:00 noon, contact Ms. Esparza.

To register, complete the Summer Program form available in the school office or on the website www.stcatherinemh.org and return it with payment to the school office. Please contact Fabienne Esparza at fesparza@stcatherinemh.org with any questions.

He is risen! Alleluia!