From the Desk of Fr. Jeronimo Gutierrez, Pastor.....

Dear parishioners,

“You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1, 8

Today we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. Yes, the Lord Jesus went back to His Father’s house and he is no longer with them (his apostles). He left them; however, he did not leave them all alone. Almost immediately, He sent them the Holy Spirit so that they could continue his mission.

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Desde el escritorio de Padre Jeronimo Gutierrez, Pastor.....

Estimados feligreses,

“Ustedes serán mis testigos en Jerusalén, and Judea y Samaria, y hasta los últimos confines de la tierra.” Hechos de los Apóstoles 1, 8


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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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / SÉPTIMO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

MASS / 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

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Monday - Friday (Lunes - Viernes)
8:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday (Sábado) / Sunday ( Domingo)
Closed/Cerrado

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13].

Gospel — The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven. (Mark 16:15-20).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Tuesday**
Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday**
Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;
Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday**
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26

**Friday**
Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 1-12,19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday**
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday**
Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jb 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25;
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**THE WEEK AHEAD / LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA**

**Sunday/Domingo, May 13**
7:00-1:00pm  CR1,4, KOC - Mother's Day Breakfast
3:30-5:30pm  CH - Worship Band & Singers
4:30-7:30pm  CR1-2 - JPC - Retiro Prep-Meeting
4:30-7:30pm  Rm.8 - Clase de Biblia
5:30-8:00PM  CH - FHC Rehearsals
6:00-7:00pm  CR3,4, KOC - Community Supper
6:30-8:30pm  NUR - Handmaids Stitching Group
7:00-8:30pm  CR-1 - ICF - Santa Clara District Meeting
7:00-9:00pm  Kit - ICF - Santa Clara District Meeting
7:00-9:00pm  LR - Finance Committee Meeting
7:30-9:00pm  MC - English - Pre-baptismal Class

**Monday/Lunes, May 14**
5:00-9:30pm  CH - Liturgy Training / Environment
6:30-9:00pm  Rm.11 - JPC - Coro
7:00-9:00pm  MC - Spanish - Catechist Training
7:00-8:15pm  CR3,4 - KoC - Assembly Board Meeting
7:00-8:30pm  LR - Entrenamiento - N.M.E.S.C Ministros
7:00-9:45pm  Rm.8 - Stephen Ministry

**Tuesday/Martes, May 15**
8:45-11:00am  CR1-2 - Women’s Group
11:15-12:15am  CH - School Parents Mass
4:00-8:00pm  NUR - Choir Practice
5:00-6:00pm  CH - Children’s Choir
6:30-7:30pm  CH - Hora Santa
7:00-8:30pm  LR - RICA
7:30-9:30pm  MC - RCIA
7:30-9:30pm  CH - Alfa-Omega Grupo de Oracion

**Wednesday/Miercoles, May 16**
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
7:30-12:00am  CH - Alpha & Omega Pentecosteco Vigilia

**Thursday/VIernes, May 18**
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
7:00-9:00pm  LR - Consejo Hispano - Monthly Mtg.

**Saturday/Sabado, May 19**
8:00-6:00pm  GYM, CR1-4 - First Communion pictures
12:00-1:30pm  CH - First Communions
2:00-3:30pm  CH - First Communions

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

**8:15am Mass Intentions**

**Monday, May 14**
† Zachary Jensen
† Alfredo Rodriguez
† Emma Covelli
† Victoria Van Aken

**Tuesday, May 15**
† Lowell Sando
† Jessica Shallal
† Carl Nunes
† Barbara Nunes

**Wednesday, May 16**
No Morning Mass

**Intentions moved to 8/6**

**Thursday, May 17**
† John Sando
† Jessica Shallal
† Carl Nunes
† Barbara Nunes

**Friday, May 18**
† Anna Villano
† Ceferina Sulit
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
by Deacon Rick Haeckel

Expectations, we all have them. It’s human nature to assume that we know how things should work out. Today’s readings from Acts and the Gospel give us words so fundamental to all disciples, then and now. Peter, recognizing that the Holy Spirit had been revealed to “gentiles” overcame the sense that God was the God of Israel alone. It was certainly the inspiration of Jesus that allowed such a dramatic enlargement of God’s Spirit, both in Peter, allowing him to include gentiles, even baptizing them, and in those who encountered the truth of Jesus’ gift to humanity into which they were baptized. In a somewhat parochial expression, “Go figure.” In our lives we too must be attentive to be able to feel the Spirit move us beyond our previous limitations, particularly those which limit our vision to “those like us.” On one hand we recognize that God is the universal God of all, but on the other we don’t easily see those different from us as being God’s people too. In the Gospel Jesus instructs his disciples (don’t forget that’s us too) about the fact that Jesus’ love and support of them is complete and whole. He inspires them by telling them that the Father’s love for Jesus is “passed on” by Jesus’ love for them (and us). Lest this knowledge remain only in our heads we must truly reflect on the truth that love is the foundation of God’s presence. It is a presence that is most fully recognized when we, somewhat inexplicably, when we in turn love others. Love is the gift that, as the saying goes, keeps on giving. It is not just a series of singular acts of care and kindness. It is an essential orientation, a state of being which proceeds from the very love which with God is present in us. Sometimes we forget the magnitude of what it means to be loved by God. God’s love transcends our expectations almost to a point that we feel unable to act in love. Jesus final words in today’s Gospel tell us the essential act that makes us whole: “love one another.”

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Here’s a radical challenge. If we have clothes to wear, when we buy new clothes, donate a matching number to charity… St. Vincent DePaul or any other deserving charity. It also makes it easier to find what you are looking for :-).

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. JERONIMO......

More than 2000 years later we are called to be the new witnesses. This is not an easy task, the opposite is true. A witness of Jesus is supposed to give testimony by words and deeds of what he has heard and seen. A witness does not keep anything for themselves. The poem of St. Teresa de Avila perfectly describes what I intend to tell you:

Christ has no body now but ours,
No hands, no feet on earth but ours.
We possess the eyes through which He
looks with compassion on this world.
We possess the feet with which He walks to
do good.
Ours are the hands with which He blesses
all the world.
Ours are the hands, the feet, the eyes of
Christ.
May we use the gift of our bodies
To Live Christ in the world
So all people know his healing touch. Amen

One more time, not an easy task! But after all we can always pray that people hear Him in our words, see Him in our actions. If we want the world to see the presence of Jesus today, we have to be his witnesses.

Fr. Jerónimo

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

Welcome!
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

**Liturgy Coordinator**
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**Wedding Coordinator**
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FLOWERS IN THE SAINTS CHAPEL

A volunteer coordinator and a group of volunteers are needed to straighten the flowers left as gifts in the Saints Chapel. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees.

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.

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord; Mother’s Day; World Communications Day

**Monday:** St. Matthias

**Tuesday:** St. Isidore the Farmer

**Thursday:** Julian Calendar Ascension

**Friday:** St. John I

**Saturday:** Armed Forces Day; Vigil of Pentecost; Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sunset

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** of 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 new candles out. Help is needed throughout the day and evening. Small candles need to be changed every four hours. Contact: Ralph Ortega at ralphdebbie@icloud.com

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

Mother’s Day

Ascension
May 13, 2018

Pentecost
May 20th
Liturgical Color: Red

Ordinary Time
May 21st to December 1st
Liturgical Color: Green
SÉPTIMO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Jesús se elevó en presencia de los discípulos (Hechos 1:1-11).
Salamo — Dios asciende entre aclamaciones, el Señor, al son de trompetas (Salmo 47 [46]).
Evangelio — Jesús fue llevado al cielo (Marcos 16:15-20).

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DE PADRE JERONIMO …..

Más de 2000 años después, nosotros somos llamados a ser sus nuevos testigos. No es un trabajo fácil, todo lo contrario. De un testigo de Jesús se supone que dé testimonio con sus palabras y con sus obras de lo que ha visto y oído. Un testigo de Jesús no se guarda nada para sí mismo. El poema de Santa Teresa de Ávila me ayuda a describir lo que intento decirles:

Cristo no tiene ahora más cuerpo que el nuestro,
no tiene más manos ni pies sobre la tierra que los nuestros.
Nosotros tenemos los ojos por los cuales él mira con compasión este mundo,
nosotros tenemos los pies con los que él camina para hacer el bien.
Con nuestras manos él bendice todo el mundo,
nosotros somos las manos, los pies, los ojos de Cristo.
Utilicemos pues el don de nuestros cuerpos para que Cristo viva en el mundo,
de manera que todos sientan su toque de sanación. Amén

Una vez más, no es un trabajo fácil, pero después de todo, siempre podremos orar para que la gente lo escuche a Él cuando hablemos, lo vea a Él en nuestras acciones. Si queremos que la gente vea la presencia de Jesús el día de hoy, debemos de ser sus testigos.

Padre Jeronimo

MADRE

La madre es el nombre de Dios en los labios y corazones de sus hijos.

—William Makepeace Thackeray

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: “¿Quién necesita que ores por ellos esta semana, como Jesús oró por sus discípulos?”

Niño: “¿Por quién vas a rezar esta semana?”

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 1:15-27; 20-26; Sal 113 (112):1-8; Jn 15:19-20
Viernes: Hch 25:13b-21; Sal 103 (102):1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Sábado: Hch 28:16-20, 30-31; Sal 11 (10):4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

¡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

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PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: “¿Quién necesita que ores por ellos esta semana, como Jesús oró por sus discípulos?”

Niño: “¿Por quién vas a rezar esta semana?”
¡Dios es Grande Todo el Tiempo, Todo el Tiempo Dios es Grande!

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: La Ascensión del Señor; Día de las Madres; Jornada Mundial de la Comunicaciones Sociales
Lunes: San Matías
Martes: San Isidro
Jueves: Ascensión del Señor en el calendario juliano
Viernes: San Juan I
Sábado: Día de las Fuerzas Armadas; Vigilia de Pentecostés; Shavuot (celebración judía) comienza a la puesta del sol

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El día 15 de mayo los campesinos de Ichocán, Perú adornan sus yugos, y las puertas de sus casas con el fruto de sus cosechas en honor a san Isidro Labrador. Muchos países Latinoamericanos celebran esta fiesta. En un continente donde la agricultura es tan importante no hay que sorprenderse de la importancia de este santo español del siglo XII. Además san Isidro se parece a mucha gente de Latinoamérica: es de padres campesinos, de familia pobre y religiosa, no fue a la escuela, quedó huérfano y se empleó como peón de campo, ayudando en la agricultura.

Se casó con María la cual también llegó a ser santa. Tuvieron un hijo. Los tres fueron reconocidos como piadosos y generosos. Gracias a Dios, la santidad se encuentra en todo tipo de persona. Los casados y padres y madres de familia también llegan a ser santos. Después de su muerte en 1130 se descubrió que su cuerpo estaba milagrosamente incorrupto. En 1622 el Papa canonizó a este humilde campesino junto con algunos grandes religiosos como santa Teresa, san Ignacio y san Francisco Javier.

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!

UNETE A NOSOTROS AL CAMPAMENTO BIBLICO DE VERANO

Preparándome al viaje misionero con Jesús

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 más 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 María Miranda al mmiranda@dsj.org.

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

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)

NOTIFICACIONES DE EMERGENCIA
¿Ha sentido el llamado a servir como un Ministro Extraordinario de la Sagrada Comunión?

Thomas Flowers SJ, hijo del Diacono Phil y Sarah Flowers, será ordenado sacerdote el 9 de junio.

Thomas creció en esta parroquia y recibió sus Sacramentos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación aquí. El también sirvió como monaguillo por muchos años y como parte del equipo de confirmación de la preparatoria. Thomas quiere agradecer a la parroquia por sus oraciones y el apoyo a través de los años durante su formación como Jesuita.

Misas de Acción de Gracias
Presididas por el Sacerdote Thomas Flowers SJ
Parroquia Santa Catalina
Domingo 12 de Junio del 2018
10:30 am (Inglés)
12:15 pm (Español)
Dear Heavenly Father,

With a sober heart we come before You this Memorial Day. We pause for a moment and call to mind all the men and women who have died in the service of our nation since 1776.

Dear God, please look with mercy on our brave and selfless brothers and sisters, who did not shirk from their task but gave themselves completely to the cause of defending and protecting us all. Bless all who have given their lives for the sake of liberty, and grant them eternal rest with You.

We remember also our brave men and women now serving in our Armed Forces, both at home and abroad. Dear God, send out Your angels to protect them all. Help them discharge their duties honorably and well. Please bring them safely home to their families and loved ones. Please bring Your peace and mercy to our troubled world.

We ask this, Father, in the name of Jesus, Your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
Congratulations to the newly Confirmed!!

We are so proud of all these wonderful young people who have welcomed the strengthening of the Holy Spirit within them. Please join us in continuing to pray for them as they grow closer and closer to God and find how they are called to serve our community.

If you see them around, please congratulate them.
SHIPWRECKED
St. Catherine Vacation Bible Camp

Meet Rae, VBS Day 3 Bible Buddy

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

9:00 am - 12:00 noon
For children entering Pre K-5th grade in Fall 2018.

Cost: $60 per child / $40 each additional child

Registration forms are available online at www.stca.org and in the Faith Formation Office.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP SUPPLIES NEEDED LIST:

If you have or can donate any of the following supplies for Vacation Bible Camp, we would greatly appreciate it!

- Carpet tubes
- Concrete form tubes
- Empty gallon milk or water jugs
- Fishing nets
- Paper plates
- 5 oz paper cups
- Napkins
- Large bottles antibacterial gel
- Play-Doh
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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
Join us on Saturday, June 30th to support the children’s education of the school we built in Ghana, Africa! Father Paul Mensah, a former St. Catherine parish priest and founder of the Awaso Academy elementary school in Ghana is looking forward to updating you on the children’s progress in the school in his hometown village of Awaso. Father Paul will be coming from Africa to thank you for improving the lives of these impoverish children through your support of their education and their future possibilities. Tickets for the event are available on Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ghana-gala-dinner-and-dance-tickets-45619368760#tickets. Donations and volunteers for the event are also welcome! Contact Marian.sacco@gmail.com, 408 218 7733.

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.

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.

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.
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

**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.

**ST. MARY’S JOB OPENING**
Saint Mary Parish Gilroy is looking for a full-time Religious Education Director for the Spanish-speaking. Anyone interested should contact Fr Robert at 408-847-5151 or rbrocato@dsj.org.

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**NO MORNING MASS**
**May 16th & June 30th**
Mark your calendars! There will be no morning 8:15am mass on May 16th and June 30th.

**MISSION STATEMENT**
Today we celebrate Christ’s ascension into heaven and his commissioning of the disciples to carry on his mission in the world. First we hear Luke’s description of those events in the opening verses of the Acts of the Apostles. Next we hear words of encouragement and guidance from the Letter to the Ephesians. Finally we hear Mark’s account of the Ascension, foretelling the mighty words and acts the Christian community would do in Jesus’ name.

Together these scriptures give us a vision of the mission of the church of Jesus Christ—a mission statement of sorts. Like mission statements in our parishes and corporations, this mission statement can help us set priorities and focus our activities. It can guide and support us as we strive to continue Christ’s messianic mission on earth.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**
In Ireland and the United Kingdom, Mother’s Day is over. “Mothering Sunday” was on the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Long ago, people were freed from work to travel on this day to the parish where they were baptized, their “Mother Church.” Often, people were reunited with their mothers on this day. Employers would release their workers and servants for this visit. The American celebration, while based on this custom, really has to do with an anti-war movement of mothers in Civil War times. They crusaded for better sanitary conditions for their sons. When President Wilson instituted the first Mother’s Day in 1912, it was a day to fly the flag in honor of mothers whose children had died in battle. Knowing the tradition is a good balance to our celebration today. We can enfold in prayer the mothers who have suffered the loss of their children in war.

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**HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**
Do you like to coordinate events? Would you like to Chair our Holiday Boutique? It is scheduled for Sunday, November 25th in the O’Donnell Parish Center. If you are interested in chairing this great event, please contact Maria Dominguez at mdominguez@dsj.org or call the Parish Office at (408) 779-3959.

**St. Catherine Women’s Book Club**
We meet at Peet’s on Cochrane monthly on the last Tuesday of each month from 7-9pm. May selection is: *What Difference Do It Make? Stories of Hope and Healing* by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, Lynn Vincent

Join us on Tuesday, May 29th at 7pm. Questions? Contact Paula paulacbarbara@gmail.com

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**
Adult: “Who needs you to pray for them this week, as Jesus prayed for his disciples?”
Child: “Who will you pray for this week?”
St. Catherine Golf Classic

**WHEN**

Friday, May 18th

**WHERE**

Coyote Creek Golf Club
Tournament Course

**Early Registration Deadline**

May 1, 2018

ww.stca.org, on the Home page

For sponsorship opportunities, email sgreenwood419@yahoo.com

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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](http://www.stca.org), to find the link to the registration form on the Home page.

Summer sports camps start June 11!

REGISTER NOW ON THE WEBSITE!

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**CAMPUS NEWS**

Thank you to... the many volunteers and businesses who supply their time and talent to our parish. Today I thank the team at **KDS Plumbing** for donating parts and labor for the installation of water heaters for our Parish Center restrooms. Many thanks!

Two weeks ago I asked if you noticed that someone had returned to our Church just before Easter in the Saints Chapel. Thanks to **Ms. Nancy Nile** for repairing the **Holy Infant statue**. It is on stand in the back of the room off to the right. He is identified by a globe mounted by the Cross in His left hand, and He is giving a pontifical blessing with the right hand. Thanks, Nancy.

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**WELCOME !**

The Welcoming Ministry is important in our mission to evangelize and bring Christ to everyone. We are in need of:

Greeters... Please consider helping out 15 minutes before Mass to greet fellow parishioners and visitors as we gather for the Feast. We need help at all Masses.

Hospitality... or, help with coffee and doughnuts in the Parish Center after all the Sunday morning Masses. This is an important way we provide for everyone to stop by and enjoy each other’s company.

Please email me at lvillano@dsj.org if you are interested.

Finally, another reminder that we are looking for people to join the **Facility Advisory Committee**, which advises the Finance Council and me on the state of our campus. Please email me if you are interested.
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Catherine School News

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our 31 second graders who made their First Communion yesterday! May Christ be with each of them during this special time. A huge thank you goes to their teacher, Mrs. Maureen McManus, and her aide, Ms. Gloria Gomes. Thanks, too, to Rose Pucan-Meagor who coordinated the liturgy and parent education.

LENDING LIBRARY FOR PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS

A small lending library of faith based and spiritual books is available in the school lobby. If you are looking for special information about our Catholic faith or a book to inspire you to seek a closer relationship with Jesus, stop by and check out the selections.

Just take the book with you and return it when you finish. If you have books about our faith and developing a relationship with Christ that you would like to share with others, you can drop them off at the school office. We'll put them on our list and get them on the shelf. Happy Reading!

Two St. Catherine School Robotics teams were invited to a recent world level competition in Louisville, KY. The elementary team, above, placed 69th out of 80. The middle school team, right, placed 38th out of 80. Not only did they enjoy the competition, but had the opportunity to meet other teams from all over the world, including Dubai, China, Singapore, Egypt, Canada, and Argentina, to name a few. Congrats to both teams!

Love one another as I love you.
John 15:12

PARENT TEACHER GUILD (PTG)
The St. Catherine PTG is a wonderful support group for the school. PTG keeps parents informed on key school issues, coordinates volunteers for a range of activities, organizes a variety of support and appreciation events, and raises over $120,000 each year for the school. All St. Catherine parents are PTG members. Many thanks to the PTG board and members for all they do!

MATH/SCIENCE NIGHT

Wednesday, May 16, St. Catherine School will host a Math/Science Night beginning at 5:30. Each class will have math or science activities or displays in their classrooms for students and families to try. Student art from our Art in Action Program will also be displayed. PTG will provide ice cream sundaes for all who attend. All parishioners and school families are invited to join us for a low key, but fun and interactive evening. We hope to see you there.