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

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / DECIMOCTAVO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

From the Desk of Fr. Francis Kalaw, Parochial Vicar….

Just this past year, as I finish my seminary training at Mundelein Seminary in Illinois, I was assigned to serve during weekends as a deacon at St. Therese Chinese Catholic Church in Chicago’s Chinatown. On Sunday afternoons, before taking the Metra train back to the seminary, I make it a point to stop by the house of an elderly parishioner (Carmen) to bring the Holy Communion. I would read the Sunday gospel to her and then we both share our own reflections about it. Then together, we pray the “Our Father” before I give her the communion. As I lift up the Body of Christ, Carmen solemnly replies: “Lord I am not worthy…” With utmost reverence she receives Jesus. We both try to sing a familiar song like ......

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Desde el escritorio del Fr. Francis Kalaw, Vicario Parroquial…..

Justo el año pasado, cuando terminé mi formación en el seminario en Mundelein en Illinois, fui asignado a servir durante los fines de semana como diácono en la Iglesia Católica China de Santa Teresita en el barrio chino de Chicago. Los domingos por la tarde, antes de tomar el tren de regreso al seminario, tomaba tiempo para pasar por la casa de una anciana feligrés (Carmen) para llevarle la Sagrada Comunión. Le leía el evangelio dominical y luego compartimos nuestras propias reflexiones al respecto. Entonces, juntos, rezábamos el "Padre Nuestro" antes de darle la comunión. Mientras levantaba el Cuerpo de Cristo, Carmen respondía solemnemente: "Señor, no soy digna ...."

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Monday - Friday (Lunes - Viernes)
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Saturday (Sábado) / Sunday (Domingo)
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Today’s Readings
First Reading — Wisdom has built her house; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table (Proverbs 9:1-6).
Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).
Second Reading — Be filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always and for everything (Ephesians 5:15-20).
Gospel — I am the living bread that came down from heaven (John 6:51-58).

Readings for the Week
Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7a; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

The Week Ahead/La Semana Próxima
Sunday/Domingo, August 19
3:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band & Singers
7:00-9:00pm MC Life Teen Youth Group
7:00-9:00pm Gym Open Gym - Basketball
Monday/Lunes, August 20
6:00-7:00pm CR4-Kit Community Supper
6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching Group
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8,10 JPC - Junta de Equipo
Tuesday/Martes, August 21
7:00-8:15pm CR3-Kit KOC - Assembly Meeting
Wednesday/Miércoles, August 22
9:00-11:00am CR1-2 Women’s Group - Study
4:00-8:00pm NUR Choir Practice / Fil/Am Choir
5:00-6:00pm CH Children’s Choir
6:00-9:00pm MC New Catechist Training
6:00-7:30pm Rm.10,11 CR12 UPDE Meeting
7:00-8:00pm CH Hora Santa
6:30-7:30pm DC EDGE Youth Group
6:30-8:00pm Gym Danza Liturgica
6:30-9:30pm Rm.8 Spanish Catechist FF Training
7:00-8:30pm LR RICA
8:00-10:00pm CH Alfa-Omega Grupo de Oracion
Thursday/Jueves, August 23
6:00-8:00pm CR1-4 Cub Scouts Pack - Meeting
Friday/Viernes, August 24
9:30-11:00am CR1-2 Bible Study
7:00-9:00pm MC Grupo Amigos Youth Group
7:00-9:00pm Rm.8,10,11 JPC Reunion Semanal
Saturday/Sábado, August 25
9:00-12:00pm MC Catechist Welcome Orientation

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

Saints and Special Observances
Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Bernard
Tuesday: St. Pius X
Wednesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday: St. Rose of Lima
Friday: St. Bartholomew
Saturday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz; Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15am Mass Intentions
Monday, August 20 Amalio Rodolfo Madrigal
† Sergio Madrigal
Rudy Madrigal
Tuesday, August 21 † Rebeca Schirle
Lou Villano
† Benny Nazario
Wednesday, August 22 † Patricia Giordano
† Anita Borello
Thursday, August 23 † Zachary Jensen
Friday, August 24 † Louis Nemeth
Saturday, August 25 † Sister Judith Reagan, OP
Amparo Tirado
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE
by Deacon Rick Haeckel

In today’s Gospel Jesus speaks plainly about the commitment we are to make to him. It is not only a spoken statement of belief but also an ingestion of Jesus into our very inner life. That certainly applies to our reception of the Eucharist, Jesus’ body and blood. We are fed and nourished by the elements of bread and wine that are the real presence of Jesus indeed. That nourishment is physical, but also spiritual. Our need for Jesus includes the spiritual sustenance that offers, as the song says, “the center of our life.” As with the withering that occurs when one is deprived of food and water, so too our spirit suffers when we forget the need we have for our essential connection to Jesus. We are called to be Christ for one another, really for all others, pardon another aphorism, we are what we eat … physically and spiritually. We need to frequently take time to reflect on Jesus as the model of our relationships, with others and the world at large. The essential goodness that asks that love be the foundation of our very being leads us beyond the many, many distractions which plague us. We encounter so many opportunities in daily living that pull at us. They ask for us to make choices, decisions that benefit from the influence of the life of Christ. Questions which keep us close to “home,” both physically and mentally, provide a base from which to face more difficult or trying choices. We are most ourselves when we feel Jesus with us as life confronts us. It is certainly easier to write about this need for connection to Jesus than it is to live it. Not because we don’t want to, no, but rather that the “world” bombards us with so much input that we reflexively respond simply because we cannot seem to take the time to engage our spiritual voice, our conscience. So, like any other skill, we need practice, repetition and forgiveness. We need to be patient with ourselves, allowing stumbling attempts to be seen as forward progress, no matter how small. As we receive the Body and Blood of Christ may we recall our need to be changed in both body and spirit.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK
Try wearing lightly soiled clothing more than once. The water/soap/softener we use lasts longer and we save energy by washing clothes less frequently. But remember, a key is “lightly” : -)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. FRANCIS...

“One Bread, One Body” and before we part ways, she would always say, “please bring me Jesus again next Sunday.” As I ride the train back to the seminary, I can’t help but praise God for giving me Carmen as a reminder how precious the Eucharist is in our faith life.

Jesus satisfies our yearning not only with his teaching but also with the total gift of himself through the Eucharist. If we look back in the Old Testament through the manna and the water that gushed from the rock at Moses’ command, Jesus gave himself to his disciples at the Last Supper under the forms of bread and wine in anticipation of his sacrificial offering to the Father on Calvary in atonement for the sins of all mankind. He also commanded them to repeat “in memory of Him” until the end of time what he had just done in the Upper Room.

Our Sunday Eucharist is a privileged manifestation of Jesus’ immense love for us, as he makes himself our spiritual nourishment. He is the source of our wisdom and strength. Like Carmen, may we remember that the Eucharist is a privileged means for us to express our gratitude to him and to the Father for all the blessings they constantly shower on us.

THIS EUCHARISTIC FEAST

Some things about human nature don’t change, even over the course of centuries. When we celebrate a holiday, we have a meal; when we celebrate a significant event, we have a feast. In today’s first reading, Lady Wisdom is setting a feast, a sign of celebrating the covenant that Israel has with God. Israel’s central remembrance of its saving Exodus covenant is the Passover meal. So it is natural—and not coincidental—that the Christian celebration of the new covenant sealed by the blood of Christ on the cross happens at a meal, our Eucharist, offered first by Jesus in the context of Passover remembrance. It is easy for us, sometimes, to forget the very long and rich religious and human origins of our eucharistic feasting on the bread and cup that are the Body and Blood of Jesus. Today, and for the next few Sundays that we hear the “Bread of Life” discourse from John, let us bring to mind the loving covenant that God makes with us, and be filled with great joy at this marvelous feast that we have come to attend!

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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.

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Sacristans - Sacristans are 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 for Fall Ordinary Time, Thanksgiving Day, 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 ralphndebbie@icloud.com

ORDINARY TIME

May 21st to December 1st
Liturgical Color: Green

Who supports the Liturgy at St. Catherine each week?
Presiders
Deacons
Liturgy Coordinator
Sacristans
Proclaimers of the Word (Lectors)
Assembly Leaders
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Musicians
(Cantors, Accompanist, Choirs)
Altar Servers
Ushers
Greeters
Linen Care volunteers
(corporals, pacificators, dish and baptism towels)
Sanctuary Care
(alter candles, burners, candle sticks)
Church Care volunteers
(straight books and remove trash in the pews)
Plants/Flower Care Volunteers

St. Catherine has seven regularly scheduled Masses each weekend as well as Baptisms, Weddings, Quinceañeras and Funerals.

The parish needs your help to support Liturgy. Please contact Diana-Lynn Inderhees, Liturgy Coordinator at dinderhees@dsj.org.

THE GIFT OF GRACE

The gift of grace increases as the struggles increase.
—St. Rose of Lima

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

The effect of receiving the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.
—Pope Saint Leo the Great

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. — John 6:53
¡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:_____________
Numero teléfono:______________________
Email:_______________________________
¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?
   _____Yes   _____No
¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?
   _____Yes   _____No

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22
Martes: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Miércoles: Ez 34:1-11; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Viernes: Ap 21:9b-14; Sal 145 (144):10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Sábado: Ez 43:1-7a; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Domingo: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Sal 34 (33):2-3, 16-21; Ef 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

¡BIENVENIDO!

Desde el escritorio del P. Francis…

Con suma reverencia, ella recibía a Jesús. Los dos intentamos cantar una canción familiar como "Un pan, un cuerpo" y antes de despedirnos, ella siempre decía: "por favor, tráigame a Jesús el próximo domingo". Mientras tomaba el tren de regreso al seminario, no podía más que alabar a Dios por darme a Carmen como un recordatorio de que tan preciosa es la Eucaristía en nuestra fe.

Jesús satisface nuestro anhelo no solo con su enseñanza, sino también con el don total de sí mismo a través de la Eucaristía. Si miramos hacia el Antiguo Testamento a través del maná y el agua que brotaba de la roca por mandato de Moisés, Jesús se entregó a sus discípulos en la Última Cena bajo las formas de pan y vino en anticipación de su ofrenda al Padre en el Calvario en expiación por los pecados de toda la humanidad. También les ordenó que repitieran "en memoria de Él" hasta el final de los tiempos lo que acababa de hacer en el Cenáculo.

Nuestra Eucaristía dominical es una manifestación privilegiada del inmenso amor de Jesús por nosotros, ya que se hace nuestro alimento espiritual. Él es la fuente de nuestra sabiduría y fortaleza. Como Carmen, recordemos que la Eucaristía es un medio privilegiado para que expresemos nuestra gratitud hacia Él y hacia el Padre por todas las bendiciones que constantemente nos dan.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La sabiduría nos dice: Dejen su ignorancia y vivirán; avancen por el camino de la prudencia (Proverbios 9:1-6).

Salmo — Gusten y vean qué bueno es el Señor (Salm 34 [33]).

Segunda lectura — Vivan como personas de sabiduría tratando de entender qué es la voluntad del Señor, llenos del Espíritu y dando gracias siempre (Efesios 5:15-20).

Evangelio — Jesús dice, “Yo soy el pan vivo que ha bajado del cielo: el que coma de este pan vivirá para siempre” (Juan 6:51-58).

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: "¿Cómo la promesa de la vida eterna de Jesús afecta la forma en que vives hoy?"

Niño: "¿Con qué frecuencia piensas en el cielo? ¿Hace una diferencia en las elecciones que haces?"

Los Santos y Otras Celebraciones

Domingo: Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: San Bernardo
Martes: San Pío X
Miércoles: Santa María Virgen, Reina
Jueves: Santa Rosa de Lima
Viernes: San Bartolomé
Sábado: San Luis de Francia, San José de Calasanz; Santa María Virgen

Preparado por la Comisión Pastoral de Educación Religiosa
Formación de Familias en la Fe

Los niños han empezado otro año escolar y se han terminado sus vacaciones. Estemos unidos en oración por todos los estudiantes y las familias que están emprendiendo sus ocupaciones regulares. Les recordamos que ya estamos registrando a los niños que necesitan prepararse para El Sacramento de Primera Comunión. Las clases comenzaran el sábado 08 de septiembre. Si tienen alguna pregunta favor de pasar a la oficina o por correo electrónico con María Miranda a mMiranda@dsj.org.

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

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Entre los varios santitos que de niño recuerdo haber visto en el templo, santa Rosa de Lima (1586-1617) se me ha quedado grabada por su belleza y humildad. No sé quién fue el que me la presentó por primera vez, sólo sé que la recuerdo porque era latina como yo. En su cabeza llevaba una corona de espinas de la cual brotaban rositas rojas. Según mis catequistas, ella había usado una corona de espinas a escondidas debajo de su velo de monja para recordarle que si era bella lo debía a Dios y no a sus propios méritos.

Santa Rosa (Isabel Flores de Oliva) fue canonizada en 1667 como la primera santa americana. Ella encarnaba la expresión “Gracias a Dios”. Esta frase la utilizan muchos latinos cuando reciben un cumplido o halago, para reconocer que sus talentos y virtudes se deben a Dios que bendice sus esfuerzos. Ellos, como Santa Rosa, aceptan las limitaciones de su condición humana pero también aceptan la gracia de ser hijas e hijos del Dios que siempre nos ayuda.

ESTA FIESTA EUCARÍSTICA

Ciertos aspectos de la naturaleza humana nunca cambian, ni siquiera en el transcurso de varios siglos. Cuando celebramos una fiesta, comemos; cuando celebramos un acontecimiento importante, damos un banquete. En la primera lectura de hoy, la Sabiduría está preparando un banquete, un símbolo de la celebración de la alianza que Israel tiene con Dios. La conmemoración central de su alianza salvadora del Éxodo es la comida de la pascua judía. Por lo tanto, es natural y no casual que la celebración cristiana de la nueva alianza sellada por la sangre de Cristo en la cruz sea una comida, nuestra Eucaristía, la cual primero fue ofrecida por Jesús durante la conmemoración de la pascua judía. Algunas veces nos resulta fácil olvidar el rico origen religioso y humano de nuestro banquete eucarístico de pan y vino que son el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús. Hoy y en los próximos domingos que escuchemos el discurso sobre el “Pan de Vida” por boca de Juan, recordemos la generosa alianza que Dios forja con nosotros y llenémonos de alegría con este maravilloso banquete al que somos invitados.
VIGÉSIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

AGOSTO DEL 2018
MES DEL
INMACULADO CORAZÓN DE MARÍA

AVISOS A PADRES DE MONAGUILLOS

El Padre Francis Kalaw desea invitar a los padres de todos los y las Monaguillos actuales y de aquellos interesados en servir de monaguillos a una reunión de Conocer y Saludar. Esta será una oportunidad para conocer al padre Francis y otros padres de aquellos en este ministerio. Nuestro deseo es capacitar a nuestros monaguillos actuales e inspirar a más adolescentes dentro de nuestra comunidad a ser parte de este importante ministerio que les permite sentirse atraídos por Cristo. Como el Santo Padre, el Papa Francisco le dijo a un grupo de jóvenes en la Basílica de San Pedro en 2015, "servir en el altar es una manera privilegiada de estar más cerca de Jesús y permite a nuestros jóvenes estar abiertos a los demás en su camino de fe. "Que nosotros, como padres y maestros de la fe, sigamos apoyando a nuestros hijos para hacer una contribución duradera y significativa en la liturgia.

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. Tenemos momento de alabanzas con el coro y también compartimos temas acerca de la fe y temas sociales. ¡Los esperamos!

HORA SANTA Y ROSARIO

TODOS LOS MIÉRCOLES DE 7:00 PM A 8:00 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 7:00pm 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. La Hora Santa es guiada por nuestro Párroco Padre Sergio Ovando.

¿Ha sentido el llamado a servir en la Santa Misa como un Ministro Extraordinario de la Sagrada Comunión, como proclamador de la Palabra, o en el ministerio de Hospitalidad? Pronto empezaremos el entrenamiento para preparar a nuevos ministros para servir en estos bellísimos ministerios. Si esta usted interesado o interesada, favor comuníquese con Carmelo Jimenez al teléfono (408)779-3959

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.
Eighteen (18) Faith-Centered Resolutions

Each day offers new opportunities to take the next best step forward, both in our lives overall and in our walk with the Lord.

As you undertake your other goals for the year — maybe getting in shape, becoming more organized or giving up a bad habit — we challenge you to identify your spiritual goals, too. Here’s your chance to look inward, build your faith, strengthen relationships and tackle familiar challenges. Take on some of these 18 simple resolutions for 2019, inspired by the saints:

1. **Rediscover the heart of prayer.**
   “You must speak to Jesus not only with your lips, but also with your heart; actually, on certain occasions, you should speak with only your heart.” — St. Padre Pio

2. **Learn something new about the faith each week.**
   “If you learn everything except Christ, you learn nothing. If you learn nothing except Christ, you learn everything.” — St. Bonaventure

3. **Get to know your parish priest better.**
   “The priest is not a priest for himself; he is a priest for you.” — St. John Vianney

4. **Read and ruminate on Scripture.**
   “Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.” — St. Jerome

5. **Give whenever the opportunity presents itself.**
   “Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could.” — St. Gregory Nazianzen

6. **Explore God’s creation.**
   “Some people, to discover God, read books. But there is a great book: the very appearance of created things. Look above you! Look below you! Note it. Read it. God, whom you want to discover, never wrote that book with ink.” — St. Augustine

7. **Dedicate each small task to the Lord.**
   “I can’t do big things. But I want all I do, even the smallest thing, to be for the greater glory of God.” — St. Dominic Savio

8. **Pray more to the Holy Spirit.**
   “He pours light into our minds, arouses our desire and gives us strength...As the soul is the life of the body, so the Holy Spirit is the life of our souls.” — St. Peter Damian

9. **Offer it up.**
   “If God sends you many sufferings, it is a sign that He has great plans for you, and certainly wants to make you a saint.” — St. Ignatius of Loyola

10. **Spend more time sharing faith with your friends.**
    “True friendship consists in mutually perfecting one another and drawing closer to God.” — St. Teresita of the Andes

11. **Build your trust in the Lord.**
    “Anxiety is the greatest evil that can befall a soul except sin. God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry.” — St. Francis de Sales

12. **Volunteer for a ministry in need at your parish.**
    “Let us touch the dying, the poor, the lonely and the unwanted according to the graces we have received, and let us not be ashamed or slow to do the humble work.” — St. Mother Teresa

13. **Behold the beauty of the Eucharist whenever you can.**
    “The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host.” — Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

14. **Renew your devotion to the Blessed Mother.**
    “Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Mother too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.” — St. Maximilian Kolbe

15. **Nurture your creative side.**
    “Through his artistic creativity man appears more than ever in the image of God.” — Pope St. John Paul II

16. **Take advantage of the sacrament of reconciliation more often.**
    “Do not doubt, do not hesitate, never despair of the mercy of God. Hope and have confidence in confession.” — St. Isidore of Seville

17. **Embrace humility.**
    “What will be the crown of those who, humble within and humiliated without, have imitated the humility of our Savior in all its fullness!” — St. Bernadette

18. **Live with joy.**
    “The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day.” — St. Gianna Beretta Molla
Service & Ministry

In the past few weeks, I have seen young people from our parish go above and beyond in service. We took high schoolers to Sacred Heart in San Jose to help people find clothes and to sort canned goods (the same services we provide at our parish—and we had 20ish middle schoolers that were part of the Summer Challenge who did that and more throughout the course of the week).

But something that was especially wonderful to see were the high schoolers who gave three days (plus time to prep and be trained) to be LiTs (Leaders in Training) for the first ever MSDYR (Middle School Diocesan Youth Retreat). They led small groups, the participated in skits & music, and they did whatever was required of them. And what was truly, truly beautiful, was how they all did it so willingly, with so much love, and so much joy. People often speak of how the young people are the future of the Church. That couldn’t be further from the truth. They are the Church. They are ready, able, and wanting to contribute to growing our Church, to spreading the Gospel.

To Carly, Jeff, Katie, Matthew, and Vance: thank you. Thank you for saying yes to God. Never stop.

Which brings me to AJ, who was one of the two coordinators of MSDYR. This was no easy task, as it was the first one ever, in a new place, with a new team, and a different age group than what we’ve done in the past.

It is honestly crazy to think that AJ was coordinating this retreat. Not because she isn’t qualified—she is—but because of where she came from—here. She was coming to Life Teen when she was in the 8th grade (we didn’t have Edge yet). She helped lead Edge when she was in high school, and took over leading it when Wendy stepped down. She has been leading on retreats for high school for years, including DYR, and has given countless days and hours to serving the youth.

This is what we want for our young people—that they are being served and formed so that they not only can serve, but that they want to serve. That they grow closer to Jesus Christ so they may know where God is leading them.
Called to Be A Catechist?

“Building the relationship between the kids and God so that never feel like they are alone brings me joy!” ~ Linda F. (catechist for 26 years)

After Mass, we are called to “Go forth and announce the gospel of the Lord.” By virtue of Baptism, we all have a role in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Are you being called to be a catechist to share the faith with our parish children and families?

Several volunteer opportunities are available for the upcoming year:

- Catechist Aides
- Children’s Liturgy of the Word (during the 8:45 and 10:30 Masses)
- Early Childhood Education/Preschool Catechesis (during the 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 Sunday Masses)

Please call Rose at the Faith Formation office to talk further at (408) 779-9604.

CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN FOR 2018-19!

We invite all families with children in Preschool through grade 8 to register and participate in our programs, even our Catholic School Students and those who have celebrated First Holy Communion and Reconciliation. Our programs offer the opportunity to continue to grow in our faith and to build a stronger foundation within our Catholic Community.

- **Saturday Sessions (SPANISH)**
  - BEGIN September 8 (Orientation)
  - 9:15-10:45 am (Grades 1-8)

- **Sunday Sessions**
  - BEGIN September 9 (Orientation)
  - 9:00-10:15 am (Grades 1-8)
  - 8:45, 10:30, 12:15 Masses—Early Childhood Education (ECE—children aged 3-5)
  - 8:45 and 10:30 Masses
  - Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

- **Wednesday Sessions**
  - BEGIN September 12 (Orientation)
  - 3:30-4:45 pm (Grades 1-5)
  - Middle School EDGE Youth Group

See registration forms for specific descriptions. **Register after all Masses this weekend!** For further information please call the Family Faith Formation office at (408) 779-9604.
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

ALTAR SERVER MEET AND GREET
Thursday, August 30, 2018
7:00pm
Parish Center

Father Francis Kalaw would like to invite parents of all current Altar servers and those interested in Altar serving to a Meet and Greet meeting. This will be an opportunity to meet Fr. Francis and fellow parents of those in this ministry. Our desire is to empower our current Altar servers and to inspire more teens within our community to be part of this important ministry which enables them to be drawn to Christ. As the Holy Father, Pope Francis told a group of young people at St. Peter’s Basilica in 2015, “to serve at the altar is a privileged way to be closer to Jesus and allows our youth to be open to others in their journey of faith.” May we, as parents and teachers of faith, continue to support our children to make lasting and meaningful contributions in the liturgy.

MARRIED COUPLES: Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all. Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen that special someone who loves you. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is August 24-26, 2018 at the Vallombrosa Retreat Center. For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

ST. CATHERINE GHANA SERVICE TRIP

Be part of St. Catherine mission team to travel to Africa in 2019! Planning is underway for travel to the school we built in Awaso, Ghana. Lots of service opportunities are available to work in the school, farm, or bakery; provide art, reading, math, science or health workshops to children, grades k-8th grade; conduct enrichment classes for teachers or parents; coach sports games; construct campus building; and many more. Group planning meeting will begin in October. Those interested please contact Janet- janet95037@gmail.com or 408 221 9944.

THIS EUCHARISTIC FEAST

Some things about human nature don’t change, even over the course of centuries. When we celebrate a holiday, we have a meal; when we celebrate a significant event, we have a feast. In today’s first reading, Lady Wisdom is setting a feast, a sign of celebrating the covenant that Israel has with God. Israel’s central remembrance of its saving Exodus covenant is the Passover meal. So it is natural—and not coincidental—that the Christian celebration of the new covenant sealed by the blood of Christ on the cross happens at a meal, our Eucharist, offered first by Jesus in the context of Passover remembrance. It is easy for us, sometimes, to forget the very long and rich religious and human origins of our Eucharistic feasting on the bread and cup that are the Body and Blood of Jesus. Today, and for the next few Sundays that we hear the “Bread of Life” discourse from John, let us bring to mind the loving covenant that God makes with us, and be filled with great joy at this marvelous feast that we have come to attend!

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

**ADJUSTING TO CHANGE?**
Changes can be difficult especially when they are unexpected. Stephen ministers are trained to help people learn to cope with the changes that have happened in their life. If you have experienced great changes or know someone who has and would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry call either Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413 or Kenny Carvalho at 408-772-7600.

**ATTENTION:**
We thank the advertisers on our bulletin. It is their support that allows us to receive our bulletin from JS Paluch at no cost. If you have a business and would like to advertise please call 1-800-231-0805.

**A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGE** – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for weekend on September 21-23, 2018 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org

**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.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*Adult: “How does Jesus’ promise of eternal life affect the way you live today?”*

*Child: “How often do you think about heaven? Does it make a difference in the choices you make?”*

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**
Sometimes the heat of summer translates into unrest in a city’s streets. In the summer of 1834, popular sentiment against the presence of the Ursuline nuns near Boston reached a boiling point. An influx of Irish laborers had an impact on the work force in the city, and a deep-seated resentment against Catholics fueled the fire. The nuns supported themselves with a school, and most of the young women students were drawn from patrician Protestant families. Nevertheless, rumors fed by the saga of an unhappy junior sister and a later episode of a senior sister fleeing the place increased tensions. The city’s selectmen were given a tour by the disgruntled sister, who by then had returned, and found all things in good order. That didn’t please the mob, and the mother superior didn’t help matters when she said that the bishop had platoons of Irishmen at hand, twenty thousand strong, to do marauders harm. By August 11, the convent had been invaded, ransacked, and burned to the ground. The nuns fled to Maine and Canada. The diocese attempted to recover losses, but the commonwealth offered only ten thousand dollars, which was rejected. Years later, a legislative bill for the state to rebuild the convent and school was roundly defeated. Yet the enterprise of Catholic education had great resilience, and in 1946, more than a hundred years after the riots, the Ursulines returned to Boston to re-establish an academy that endures to the present day.

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**YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT**
The effect of receiving the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.

—Pope Saint Leo the Great

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.— John 6:53

**THE GIFT OF GRACE**
The gift of grace increases as the struggles increase.

—St. Rose of Lima
TIME, TALENT & TREASURE
On July 1st we started a new Fiscal Year, one which will produce a new set of challenges. Fr. Sergio and I have been meeting with the Finance Council to establish the budget for this year. Our goal is to achieve a 2% increase in the weekly collection. We will provide an update later this summer showing the results of the past fiscal year. As always, thank you for your generosity to the Parish.

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Fiscal Year to Date
| This YTD      | $101,217 |
| Goal          | $100,914 |
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SUNDAY COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS
We are looking for more volunteers for Sunday Hospitality. This is our Ministry at St. Catherine’s for parishioners and visitors to enjoy each other’s company with some Coffee and Doughnuts after Sunday morning Mass. It is simple to do, and all we ask is you stay 30 minutes before or after the Mass. Can you commit to once every 2 months? Please email me at lvillano@dsj.org if you are interested..
WELCOME NEW COUGARS!

A huge welcome to our new Cougars! We have a number of new families with kindergartners, as well as a few new families in other grades. We are delighted to have them as members of the St. Catherine School community!

A special welcome to our new staff members: 5th Grade Teacher—Tien Pham, Jr. High Language Arts/Religion—Yvonne Trevino, 8th Grade Teacher—Anne Nowell, Resource Teacher—Kim Vollrath, and Instructional Aides—Christy Souza and LaRissa Mazzulla! We know you will love St. Catherine School. Welcome aboard!

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR 2018-2019

Application packets are available on our website for the 2018-2019 school year. Classes are currently full for most grades next year; however, we still have spots left for third and seventh grade. Contact the school office if you are interested.

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

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

Back to School Night for grades K-5 will be held on Tuesday, August 21. Parents will meet in the church at 6:30, then attend presentations by teachers.

Our Jr. High Back to School Night is Thursday, August 23. Again, parents will meet in church at 6:30, then walk their child’s schedule and hear about policies and expectations from each teacher.

Each school family is expected to have at least one parent attend the night for their child’s grade. This is a fabulous way to meet your child’s new teacher and find out what your child will be learning this year.

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 selection. Just take the book with you and return it when you finish. After you finish a book, you are encouraged (certainly not required) to jot a few notes about its impact on the sheet in the front cover. If you have books about our faith and developing a relationship with Christ that you would like to share with others, just drop it off at the school office. We’ll put it on our list, include a note sheet and get it on the shelf.

Students attending one of our summer Math Camp groups enjoyed a treat after focusing on math for the week. Each student planned a road trip. They determined mileage, gas costs, gathered prices for hotels, meals and activities, and built a trip budget.

New Active Panels were installed in classrooms to replace some failing SMART Boards. Teachers and students are eager to put them to work.