

# 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.*

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**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / VIGESMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

## **MASSES / MISAS**

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

## **CONFESSION / CONFESIÓN**

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

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Wednesday / Miércoles 7:00pm

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

### **The Gift of Hearing**

Back when I was studying psychology, I came across this very interesting story about Sigmund Freud, a renowned psychologist during the early 20th century, a story with a lesson I will never forget.

One day Freud went for a walk in the garden with his wife and son. When they turned to leave they found their child missing. His wife was nervous and impatiently asked him to look for the boy. Freud calmed her down and assured her that they would find him. "Find him without searching?" his wife asked in an annoyed tone. Freud replied in the affirmative and asked her to recall if she had mentioned a place where he should not go.

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***Desde el escritorio del Padre Francis Kalaw, Vicario Parroquial.....***

### **El Don de la Audición**

Cuando estaba estudiando psicología, encontré esta historia muy interesante sobre Sigmund Freud, un famoso psicólogo de principios del siglo XX, una historia con una lección que nunca olvidaré.

Un día, Freud salió a caminar por el jardín con su esposa e hijo. Cuando era tiempo de irse, se dieron cuenta que su niño se había perdido. Su esposa estaba nerviosa e impacientemente le pidió que buscara al niño. Freud la tranquilizó y le aseguró que lo encontrarían. "¿Encontrarlo sin buscar?" su esposa preguntó en un tono molesto.

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**Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría**

Monday - Friday (*Lunes - Viernes*)

8:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday (*Sábado*) / Sunday (*Domingo*)

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

**Psalms** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

**Second Reading** — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

**Gospel** — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;  
 Lk 6:12-19  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17;  
 Lk 6:20-26  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-  
 14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38  
 Friday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;  
 Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;  
 Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
 Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18  
 Mk 8:27-35

**THE WEEK AHEAD/LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA**

**Sunday/Domingo, September 9**

9:00-10:15am MC English FF Orientation  
 3:30-5:00pm MC Confirmation Parent Info Mtg.  
 4:30-5:30pm DC Cat. Min. Home Study Orientation  
 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, September 10**

6:00-8:00pm Rm.11 UPDE One on One Meeting  
 6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching Group  
 7:00-8:00pm CH Angelica Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00-8:30pm Rm.8,10 JPC - Junta de Equipo  
 7:30-9:00pm MC English - Pre-Baptismal Class

**Tuesday/Martes, September 11**

6:30-9:00pm Rm.11 JPC Coro  
 6:30-9:00pm MC Español - Platica Pre-Bautismal

**Wednesday/Miércoles, September 12**

3:30-4:45pm MC,Rm.8,CH Faith Formation Classes  
 4:00-8:00pm NUR Choir Practice / Fil/Am Choir  
 5:00-6:00pm CH Children's Choir  
 6:00-7:30pm Rm.10,11 UPDE Meeting  
 6:30-7:45pm Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind Prayer Group  
 7:00-8:00pm CH Hora Santa  
 7:00-8:30pm MC EDGE - Middle School ministry  
 7:00-8:30pm LR RICA  
 8:00-10:00pm CH Alfa-Omega Grupo de Oracion

**Thursday/Jueves, September 13**

6:00-7:30pm Rm.10 UPDE - Volunteer Meeting  
 6:00-9:00pm CH Spanish Choir  
 7:00-8:30pm Rm.11 Grupo Amigos - Teen Leader Mtg.

**Friday/Viernes, September 14**

9:30-11:00am CR 1&2 Bible Study  
 4:00-10:00pm Field St. Catherine Fall Fun Fest  
 7:00-8:30pm LR Consejo Hispano Reunion  
 7:00-9:00pm MC Grupo Amigos Youth Group  
 7:00-9:00pm Rm.10,11 JPC Reunion Semanal

**Saturday/Sabado, September 15**

12:00-10:00pm Field St. Catherine Fall Fun Fest

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

**MASS TIMES**

When traveling and don't know the mass times for the local church go to [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org), search by zip code or by address and locate any church's mass times anywhere.

**8:15am Mass Intentions**

Monday, September 10	† Houghton (Tom) Sawyer
	† Elaine Huntsman
Tuesday, September 11	† Kiersten Arndorff
	† Maria Le Phan
Wednesday, September 12	† Phil & Rita Thatcher
	Guadalupe Barragan
Thursday, September 13	† Karen Subocz
	† Donato Benevento
Friday, September 14	† Georgina Barnes
	† Kiersten Ansdorff
Saturday, September 15	† Leonardo De Palma
	† Donna Alger

**STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE**

by Deacon Rick Haeckel

It is normal for one to be recognized and even admired for a good deed or a job well done. Today's readings offer a word to the wise, don't let that admiration become a need instead of just an compliment. Jesus, the healer, takes the man in need "off by himself away from the crowd." There aren't many signs, as the Gospel of John calls them, more astonishing than giving someone the ability to hear and to speak. It's not surprising that word of Jesus' healing spread like wildfire, even after he asked that it not be spoken about. There is also a subtle undercurrent in this particular miracle of Jesus'. We may not be physically unable to hear or speak but how vocal are we in living and repeating Jesus' call to love. More specifically how do we mirror his love in our treatment of others who need to hear and see how valued they are ... in spite of being worthy or not. We've heard the call of Jesus so often and in so many ways; it becomes so familiar that it takes shallow roots. We know what we are invited to do and be for others but our own needs become an impediment. Selfishness isn't problematic on its own; only when we let our needs subvert the call to reach out does it deprive us of our Baptismal call to "go out into the world and preach the Good News." Being too literal can make it seem that only words are needed to reach those who need to be made aware of the truth of Jesus' invitation. Words are indeed powerful but nonetheless, less effective than deeds. One needn't choose one or the other but rather use both spoken truths and lived graceful presence. The reading from James offers a wonderfully succinct message, *My brothers and sisters show no partiality...* Those are words but they ask for action to fulfill them ... no partiality. Make no mistake, that's hard to do. We are asked to set aside any judgment about 'what's in it for me' in favor of selflessness. Over and over we return to the same question, what does it mean and how am I to love one another. Today we're asked to look outward, with no pre-conceived judgments, to find once again that we are sharers in God's providence, asked to reveal that gift to others, all others.

**GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK**

School has started (I know :-), that means more driving to and fro. Try to combine pickup and drop-offs with needed shopping. With some extra planning we can "spare the air."

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. FRANCIS...**

The wife remembered that she had forbidden the boy to go near the fountain. Freud, immediately, took her there. And the child was found sitting near the fountain looking admiringly at the cascading water.

How often do we talk without meaning our words? How often do we hear without listening? That is the challenge before us today. Do we listen to the voice of God or do we just hear God's voice? Do we let the words of Jesus sink into our hearts or are they just a stream of words that go in one ear and out the other?

In the Gospel today Christ gives the gift of hearing. He proclaims "be opened" and the ears of the deaf man suddenly are able to listen. Perhaps we need to pray that our own ears might be opened and we might be able to listen to the voice of God piercing through the chatter and clutter of our own culture in our own time. We pray that we might listen to God's voice coming to us in the poor, the sick, the lonely, the broken-hearted and the abandoned members of our parish and our local community.

This week, on the 8th of September, we take time to honor Mary, our mother on her birthday. It is Mary who tells us to "do whatever he (Jesus) tells you." If we cannot hear, then we cannot do and if we cannot "do" then the direction of Mary falls on deaf ears. Together, let us pray: open our ears O Lord that we might open our hearts so that we might follow what you command.

**HAVE YOU MOVED?**

Have you moved recently and need to update your mailing information with the parish? Email us at [office@stca.org](mailto: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!



LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Díganles a los que están asustados: Calma, no tengan miedo. Ya viene su Dios a salvarlos (Isaías 35:4-7a).

**Salmo** — Alaba, alma mía, al Señor (Salmo 146 [145]).

**Segunda lectura** — No hagan diferencias entre personas. Dios ha escogido a los pobres de este mundo para hacerlos ricos en la fe (Santiago 2:1-5).

**Evangelio** — Jesús curó a un sordo que hablaba con dificultad. "Ábrete". (Marcos 7:31-37)

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Sal 5:5-7, 12; Lc 6:6-11

Martes: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lc 6:12-19

Miércoles: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Sal 45 (44):11-12, 14-17; Lc 6:20-26

Jueves: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Sal 139 (138):1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lc 6:27-38

Viernes: Nm 21:4b-9; Sal 78 (77):1bc-2, 34-38; Flm 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Sábado: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Sal 116 (115):12-13, 17-18; Lc 6:43-49

Domingo: Is 50:5-9a; Sal 116 (115):1-6, 8-9; Sant 2:14-18; Mc 8:27-35

¡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): \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?

\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_ No

¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?

\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_ No

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PADRE FRANCIS...

Freud respondió afirmativamente y le pidió que recordara si ella le había mencionado un lugar donde no debería ir. La esposa recordó que le había prohibido al chico acercarse a la fuente. Freud, de inmediato, la llevó allí. Y el niño fue encontrado sentado cerca de la fuente admirando la cascada de agua.

¿Con qué frecuencia hablamos sin dar sentido a nuestras palabras? ¿Con qué frecuencia oímos sin escuchar? Ese es el desafío que tenemos ante nosotros hoy. ¿Oímos la voz de Dios o escuchamos la voz de Dios? ¿Permitimos que las palabras de Jesús se hundan en nuestros corazones o son solo una corriente de palabras que entran por un oído y salen por el otro?

En el Evangelio de hoy, Cristo da el don de escuchar. Proclama " ¡Ábrete!" y los oídos del sordo de repente pueden escuchar. Tal vez tenemos que orar para que nuestros oídos puedan ser abiertos y podamos escuchar la voz de Dios que atraviesa el ruido y el desorden de nuestra propia cultura en nuestro tiempo. Oramos para que podamos escuchar la voz de Dios que viene por miedo de los pobres, los enfermos, los solitarios, los corazones rotos y los miembros abandonados de nuestra parroquia y nuestra comunidad local.

Esta semana, el 8 de septiembre, nos tomamos el tiempo para honrar a María, nuestra madre en su cumpleaños. Es María quien nos dice que "hagamos lo que El (Jesús) le diga". Si no podemos escuchar, de lo que no podemos hacer y si no podemos "hacer", la dirección de María cae en saco roto. Juntos, recemos: abre nuestros oídos, oh Señor, para que podamos abrir nuestros corazones para que podamos seguir lo que mandas.

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

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

**Adulto:** "¿Cuándo tu fe en Jesús te permitió hablar sobre un tema de importancia?"

**Niño:** "¿Qué significa para ti tu creencia en Jesús?"

¡RESERVEN LA FECHA!

## ¡El Festival Parroquial del Otoño ya viene!

Septiembre 14, 15, 16,  
2018



***Habrá comida, entretenimiento y juegos de carnaval***

Se necesitan voluntarios,  
regístrese en nuestra pagina  
de web - [www.stca.org](http://www.stca.org).

Compre sus boletos de  
descuento después de misa  
o en la oficina parroquial.



## LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Vigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Día de los Abuelos; Roshashaná (el Año Nuevo judío 5779) comienza al atardecer

Martes: Día de los Patriotas

Miércoles: El Santísimo Nombre de la Virgen María

Jueves: San Juan Crisóstomo

Viernes: La Exaltación de la Santa Cruz

Sábado: Nuestra Señora de los Dolores

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En muchos países latinoamericanos la Fiesta de la Santa Cruz se celebra el 3 de mayo, pero la Iglesia universal la celebra el 14 de septiembre. La fiesta del 14 de septiembre conmemora la consagración del santuario del Santo Sepulcro en Jerusalén. Este es el santuario más importante de la religión cristiana, pues en él se encuentran tanto el monte del Calvario donde falleció Jesús como el sepulcro del cual resucitó al tercer día. Sin estos dos acontecimientos no hubiese cristianismo.

Nosotros los latinos tenemos muchas fiestas y muchos santuarios. Ninguna de éstas puede ser más importante que las que recuerdan la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús. El clima del año litúrgico cristiano es el Triduo Pascual el cual termina en la celebración de la Pascua Florida de 50 días.

En Puerto Rico se han celebrado tradicionalmente las fiestas de la cruz con una novena que termina en la fiesta de la Cruz (3 de mayo). Cada día de la novena se canta el rosario frente a un altar hecho para la cruz. Tal vez algunas comunidades hispanas quieran retomar esta devoción y celebración cultural en septiembre.

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

## SÁBADO, 3 DE NOVIEMBRE

Tengan en cuenta que el sábado 3 de noviembre no habrá misa de las 5:30p.m. ni a las 7:00 p.m. Habrá una misa bilingüe en este día a las 6:00p.m. para la instalación del Padre Sergio como nuestro párroco.

## VIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

### SANTA TERESITA DEL NIÑO JESÚS



*“¡El ascensor que ha de elevarme hasta el cielo son tus brazos, Jesús! Y para eso, no necesito crecer; al contrario, tengo que seguir siendo pequeña, tengo que empequeñecerme más y más.”*

**Santa Teresita de Lisieux**

Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús nació en la ciudad francesa de Alençon, el 2 de enero de 1873, sus padres ejemplares eran Luis Martín y Acelia María Guerin, ambos venerables. Murió en 1897, y en 1925 el Papa Pío XI la canonizó, y la proclamaría después patrona universal de las misiones. La llamó «la estrella de mi pontificado», y definió como «un huracán de gloria» el movimiento universal de afecto y devoción que acompañó a esta joven carmelita. Proclamada "Doctora de la Iglesia" por el Papa Juan Pablo II el 19 de Octubre de 1997 (Día de las misiones) «Siempre he deseado, afirmó en su autobiografía Teresa de Lisieux, ser una santa, pero, por desgracia, siempre he constatado, cuando me he parangonado a los santos, que entre ellos y yo hay la misma diferencia que hay entre una montaña, cuya cima se pierde en el cielo, y el grano de arena pisoteado por los pies de los que pasan. En vez de desanimarme, me he dicho: el buen Dios no puede inspirar deseos irrealizables, por eso puedo, a pesar de mi pequeñez, aspirar a la santidad; llegar a ser más grande me es imposible, he de soportarme tal y como soy, con todas mis imperfecciones; sin embargo, quiero buscar el medio de ir al Cielo por un camino bien derecho, muy breve, un pequeño camino completamente nuevo. Quisiera yo también encontrar un ascensor para elevarme hasta Jesús, porque soy demasiado pequeña para subir la dura escalera de la perfección». Aciprensa.com

### 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 Sergio Ovando.

### 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.

### 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!

### GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CARISMÁTICO ALPHA Y OMEGA

Se hace la invitación a toda la comunidad a un tiempo de oración y alabanzas. El grupo se reúne los miércoles al terminar la Hora Santa. De 8:00 pm a 9:30 pm. Acompañenos a alabar al Señor con cánticos y oración.

# yaya youth and young adult page

How often do you ask people to pray for you? How often do you pray for other people?

For a long time the majority, if not all, of my prayers were for me. Sure I'd pray for someone if they asked me to (and if I remembered that they asked me to), but outside of that I was pretty selfish during my prayer time.

I read somewhere that prayer time should be 20% for yourself, and 80% for others.

20%?!?! How am I supposed to grow closer to God if most of my prayer is for others? That doesn't make sense - I have a lot of things that I need to work on and I need God's help to do it. I need to know God's path for me and so I need to talk to God about me, right??

Wrong.

If everyone does what I was doing (and sometimes still do), then for the most part, everyone's just praying for themselves and not caring a whole lot about the people around them. However if everyone is praying for everyone else, we not only show more care for others, but we also get prayed for the same amount of time anyway, if not more.

For example, if I prayed only for myself for 10 minutes then I get 10 minutes for me. But if I spend 2 minutes for myself and 8 minutes for 8 other people (1 minute each) and those 8 people do the same (I get one minute from each of them) then I still get 10 minutes of prayer time for me. Math, right?

But who do I pray for? What do I pray for them? I've done some generic prayers for people, which is nice and all, but does God really know what we want if we keep our prayers vague (the answer to that question is yes, of course - He's God). The better question is, do **we** really know what we want if we keep our prayers vague? And do we know if God answers our prayers if we're not asking for anything specific?

In this Sunday's Gospel (Mark 7:31-37), Jesus heals a deaf man with a speech impediment. It doesn't say that the man was asking to be healed. But Jesus did it because others asked Him.

We don't walk this journey alone. And we're not supposed to. If there is something you need prayers for, ask your friends, family, and this community, to pray for you. And if you're comfortable enough, let them know exactly what you need prayers for.

I ask for prayers for the youth and young adult ministry here at our parish. Specifically, for people to join our teams and help grow the ministry so that it may thrive and connect the young people more to God and this community.

## Youth Groups

**Edge meets Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm in Milani.** All 6-8th graders are invited to join us!

**Life Teen starts TONIGHT (Sunday)]**— We are really excited to see familiar and new faces—come to the Milani by 7pm for some real good times!

## Confirmation

Parents of high schoolers who have non-Confirmed teens:

Join us **today (Sunday)** in the Milani Center at 3:30pm. Teens do not come to this meeting—there is one on the 30th for starting teens.

Questions: contact Deepu at [deepuk@dsj.org](mailto:deepuk@dsj.org) or 408-874-6742





## Equipping Families to Pass on the Faith

*Family Faith Formation at St. Catherine's Church*



### 2018-19 Catechists

Faith formation classes have begun! Thank you to all of the catechists who have responded to the call to pass on the faith to our parish families. Please keep them in your prayers in the upcoming year!

#### Prayer for Catechists

Jesus, you told us that laborers for the vineyard would be few and that we should pray to the Lord of the Harvest in the hope that many might respond. You have answered our prayers by sending us catechists for your vineyard. Bless these men and women who have responded to your call to the ministry of catechesis.

May they be filled with zeal for your Church, with care for those they catechize, and with love for your Word of Life. Let your Spirit come upon them so that your Word may echo through their teaching and through the witness of their lives. Through our catechists, may the members of our parish whom they teach be transformed into witnesses to your Word.

And may these catechists receive the blessing your Son promised to all who labor in your vineyard. We pray to you, gracious Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus, the Word of Life, and in the unity of the Holy Spirit who transforms us by that Word, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



We invite you to explore and discover what it means to follow Jesus as a Catholic Christian, learning with others in a community of faith.

Every year adults and children (7 years of age or older) are welcomed into the Catholic Community through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a learning and loving process through which conversion and transformation of the heart brings you to know Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults  
Begins Thursday, September 20th  
7:30pm in Milani Center**

For inquiries for elementary and high school-aged children who are not baptized, please contact Rose at [rosepm@dsj.org](mailto:rosepm@dsj.org).



### CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS HAVE BEGUN!

**Wednesday Sessions  
BEGIN September 12 (Orientation)  
3:30 - 4:45pm**

**EDGE Middle School Youth Group  
7:00 - 8:30pm on Wednesdays**

**Saturday Sessions (SPANISH)  
9:15 - 10:45am**

**Sunday Sessions  
9:00 - 10:15am**

Please call the Family Faith Formation office at (408) 779-9604 to register or for further information.



### 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.

### SEE BEYOND OUTWARD APPEARANCES

The phrase “Sunday best” has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it’s a healthy sign that we’re as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. No matter which school of thought on this topic we belong to, James would probably chastise us. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man’s origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark’s Gospel all call us to look more deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5779 begins at sunset  
Tuesday: Patriot Day  
Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary  
Thursday: St. John Chrysostom  
Friday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Saturday: Our Lady of Sorrows

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Back to work we go! Summer break is over and there is much to accomplish in school and in the workplace. It’s a venerable Catholic custom to assign patron saints to the trades and occupations of life. This is largely in the realm of popular devotion, and although from time to time the Vatican declares a saint to be patron of this or that, the process is free-wheeling and just about uncontrollable. Still, there is a saint for almost any purpose, whether you are on death row (Dismas), having eye trouble (Lucy), or pursued by poisonous toads (Hubert). Medieval guilds would often associate themselves with heavenly patrons, so Saint Joseph has the carpenters, Thomas More the lawyers, and physicians get Saint Luke. If you’re stuck in the airport, St. Joseph of Cupertino is on call since he was said to rise off the floor when he prayed, and if you’re in a long line at the ATM, Saint Anthony Claret is for you.

In recent years, the Vatican has from time to time assigned a new patronage, as when Saint Aloysius Gonzaga was named the patron of HIV -AIDS patients, since as a young Jesuit novice he had cared for his fellow novices during a terrible plague. Anything that matters to us—nation, parish church, occupation, illness—can have a patron, and it is an aspect of Catholicism that has enormous appeal. To believe in the “communion of saints” is to know that the ties that bind us as a communion do not unravel with death, and that when we stand before life’s struggles, we do not stand alone. Who is your patron saint?

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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

### SAFE CAR PARK NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Trailer Repair Help?

Our Morgan Hill Safe Car Park ministry has a donated trailer that is being used by a homeless family while they secure affordable housing. We are in need of some help sealing the roof seams of the trailer before any winter rains. Materials are already purchased. If you have some time to offer, we’d appreciate it. Contact Carol Lillig for more information. 408 -857-4516 or Lillig.carol@gmail.com

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

#### *Altar Server Training*

New Altar Servers - Tuesday September 18th  
5:30 - 6:30pm

Current Altar Servers - Tuesday September 18th  
6:30 - 7:30 pm

Contact: Father Francis Kalaw at  
nkalaw@dsj.org  
Training is in the Church.

#### *Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training*

New ministers - Theology  
Tuesday September 25th 7:00 - 9:00pm  
New ministers - Practicum  
Tuesday October 2nd 7:00 - 9:00pm

For information please contact:  
Karen Barone at kbarone@wildblue.net  
Please RSVP if you plan to attend.  
Both training sessions are required.  
Training is in the Church.

**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

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

Please note that there will be no 5:30pm or 7:00pm mass on Saturday, November 3rd. There is a bilingual mass on this day at 6:00pm for Fr. Sergio's installation as our pastor.

### 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.

### Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 9, 2018

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5



**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**

### ATTENTION:

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### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**Adult:** "When has your faith in Jesus enabled you to speak out on an issue of importance?"

**Child:** "What does your belief in Jesus mean to you?"

*Business Office Update*

**TIME, TALENT and  
TREASURE**

Our goal is to achieve a 2% increase in the weekly collection over last year. We will provide an update later showing the results of the past fiscal year. As always, thank you for your generosity to the Parish.

	Sunday August 26, 2018		
<b>This Week</b>	<b>\$20,006</b>		
<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$19,576</b>		
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$430</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	
	Fiscal Year to Date		
<b>This YTD</b>	<b>\$165,818</b>		
<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$160,340</b>		
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$5,478</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	

**COMMUNITY CLOSET  
BACK TO SCHOOL  
GIVE AWAY**

Thanks to everyone who gave children's clothing for our annual event at the San Martin Hall. Over **125 families, and 330 children** from the area came to benefit from your donations and the backpack giveaway. Kudos to Debbie Molyneaux and her many volunteers who gave of their time during the week of July 23-28. Thanks again.

**PARISH FALL FUN  
FEST**

**September 14, 15 & 16**



**Volunteers Needed!**

**Last Chance to purchase  
Discounted tickets !**

**On sale at [www.stca.org](http://www.stca.org),  
at the Parish office,  
and after school !**

**Save on the Unlimited  
One Day ticket, \$20 before  
the event, Save \$5.**

**No cash accepted at the  
Food, Beverage, and  
Game booths.**

**Get tickets now 10/\$9. All  
tickets at the event are \$1.**



## St. Catherine School News



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### ST. CATHERINE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Throughout the year the students of St. Catherine put their faith into action by serving others. A few of the activities included: canned food drives, letters to our troops, making stuffed bears for the children at the Learning and Loving Center, raising money for various needs, making snacks to be dispersed at St. Joseph's Table, and baking pies to be served at the community Thanksgiving dinner.

This past year during our Mission Carnival students raised funds for the Learning and Loving Center right here in Morgan Hill and for Fr. Paul's Awaso School in Ghana.

For 2018-2019 each class is planning a hands on service project. This will help students focus on the planning as well as the doing.

Additionally, our upper grade students complete service hours of their choosing. After completing the service, students write a reflection on how helping others impacts their lives.

Congratulations to all our students and families for putting their good works into action to help others in need!

### SAFETY PATROL

One of the many ways safety and responsibility is enhanced at St. Catherine School is through our Safety Patrol. Fifth and sixth graders sign up to serve on our Safety Patrol. Under the guidance of our Vice Principal, Ms. Knox, the students are trained and scheduled to serve in helping with drop off and pick up every day. Members of the Safety Patrol greet students and assist them getting in and out of cars safely. With adult supervision, Safety Patrollers stop traffic at the parking lot crosswalks to allow students and parents to cross to parked cars safely. Thank you to Ms. Knox and all our Safety Patrol members for helping to keep drop off and pick up running smoothly and safely for all!



### HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

The Diocese of San Jose and St. Catherine School will be hosting a High School Information Night on Wednesday, September 19, at 7:00pm in the school building. Representatives from all the Catholic high schools in the diocese will be present. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders and their parents are encouraged to come and learn about our Catholic high schools. This is the only South County offering of High School Information Night for schools in this diocese.

The evening is open to all. Information will be available in the school lobby that evening indicating which rooms each school will be using for their presentations. Please call the school office for more information (408) 779-9950.