

The Ascension of the Lord

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Summer 2013 will be an amazing 3 months for STAY Youth Ministry. We are delighted to announce our new summer plans for 2013.

First, we will be continuing regularly scheduled EDGE and Life Teen Sunday sessions over the summer! We will have four sessions for middle school and high school students: June 16th, June 30th, July 28th, and August 4th.

In addition to regular sessions, we are extremely excited to announce that we will be implementing a BIBLE STUDY for teens over the summer as well!! YAY! Bible Study will be Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm at Dermody Center. They will be held on June 19th, July 3rd, July 24th, July 31st and August 7th. Grades 6-12, incoming and outgoing, are all welcome!

Next, we will be having Fun Day's Away for all teens in 6th-12th grade. These fun activities will be from 10am-5pm throughout the summer.

The most exciting part of our summer though includes three Summer Camps! The first is the Diocesan Youth Retreat (DYR) from June 8th-12th at Mount Hermon. Then from June 24th-28th, STAY will be hosting an Urban Immersion Service Week, where we sleep and cook meals at Dermody Center, but during the day, we will go out to different agencies and organization to serve our local Bay Area community. Lastly, we will be taking teens to Life Teen Camp in Tepeyac, Arizona from July 6th-13th.

If you have any questions, please email Alley and Sarah at lifeteen.stay@gmail.com.

Alley Torres, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Thank you to everyone who supported the mission and ministries of our parish during the month of April. Our average weekly collection for the 8th month of this new fiscal year was \$10,647 (\$9,615 in 2012. Our budget for Jul – Apr was \$462,000; our actual is \$440,000 (\$22,000 shortfall). What you commit to God's work here at St. Thomas Aquinas will significantly impact our programs, ministries, services, staffing, buildings and grounds. May our good and generous God guide your We

 **Our Weekly Offering**
May 5: Goal: \$11,000 * Actual: \$10,000

encourage everyone to consider using the Sunday Offertory Envelopes or Online Giving as a way of giving to the Lord the "first fruits" of the "treasure" we have received.



Please Pray

FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND — Norman Swope, Robert Kerrigan Sr., William McInerney,
Fr. Thierry Geris, Gary Goodahl, Carl Bunje, Jane Fitzgerald, Shui Yin Chiu,
Pat O'Riordan, Danielle Parks, Consuelo Hernandez, Rosy De Padua

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED — George Kimm, Carol Lilledahl, John Braun, Aniela Bozynski, Bill Todd,
Alan Djornedoe, Milagros Fontanilla Antonio, Julie Lewis, Lee Sault, Robert E. Park

Pray For Lists guidelines: • Have permission from the person to be listed. • Go through the Pastoral Home Ministry to list the names. • Names will be on the list for 3 months and then be removed. • Can request names to be continued after 3 months. Contact the Pastoral Home Ministry 650-494-2496 x22 or fongmt@hotmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 12:

8:45 am STA. . . . Ronald Short †

9:00 am SAG . . . Bobby Kerrigan †

10:30 am OLR . . Cecilia Duluk †

Readings: Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9;
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26; or, for
Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph
1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Monday, May 13: Our Lady of Fatima

7:15 am STA. . . . Mary Baracchi & Family †

8:30 am OLR . . . Ann Jaskiew †

Readings: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd,
6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 14: St. Matthias

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

Wednesday, May 15: St. Isidore

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

Thursday, May 16:

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

Friday, May 17:

Readings: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12,
19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, May 18: St. John I

12:15 pm STA . . Rev. Matthew D. Stanley
(sp. int.)

5:00 pm SAG . . . Rev. Peter Seimas (sp. int.)
Readings: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 114, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25

PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Pentecost Sunday — May 15, 2013

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm Fr. Seimas

Sun 9:00 am Fr. Valenton

Sun 11:00 am Fr. Hernandez

St. Thomas Aquinas

Sun 7:30 am Fr. Hester

Sun 8:45 am Fr. Brown

Sun 10:30 am Fr. Seimas

Sun 12 noon TBA

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun 9:00 am Fr. Gammad

Sun 10:30 am Fr. Stanley

Sun 6:00 pm Youth Fr. Stanley

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, May 12: The Ascension of the Lord;
Mother's Day

10:30 am SAG Site Comm. (SAGH)

4:30 pm Edge (DC)

7:00 pm Lifeteen (DC)

Monday, May 13:

7:00 pm TMC Liturgy Team (TH)

Tuesday, May 14:

6:00 pm Sp. Baptism Class (PC)

7:00 pm Hispanic Prayer Group (OLR)

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (TH)

Wednesday, May 15: Shavuot (Jewish observance)

10:00 am Adult Spirituality (PC)

4:00 pm STA Core Team (DC)

4:00 pm Liturgy Reading (TH)

6:00 pm RCIA for Children (DC)

6:00 pm SOUP (OLRH)

6:30 pm Latin Circle (TH)

Thursday, May 16:

6:30 pm Centering Prayer (DC)

7:00 pm Hispanic 1st Comm. Cat. (PC)

7:30 pm STA Remodeling (TH)

Friday, May 17:

7:30 pm Hispanic Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, May 18: Armed Forces Day; Vigil of Pentecost

8:15 am Environment Team (OLR)

HOTEL DE ZINK

Many, many thanks to all the generous, caring folks who provided food for the guests at Hotel de Zink during the last two weeks of April. The hotel guests were all so grateful and well fed. Thanks, Ruth Chippendale

ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION

This Saturday, May 18th, Fr. Matt will celebrate the 22nd anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. On that same day, Fr. Peter celebrates the 11th anniversary of his ordination. "Ad multo anos!"

CLERGY STUDY WEEK

Beginning this Monday, May 13th and continuing through Friday, May 17th, many of the priests of the Diocese of San Jose including Fr. Matt, Fr. Peter & Fr. Randy will spend some time at San Juan Bautista for our annual week of study, prayer, and reflection. Deacon Daniel & Jean Ramacciotti will preside at a Communion Service in place of Daily Masses. Please keep all of us in your prayers.

1ST COMMUNION AT ST. ALBERT THE GREAT



YOUTH MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

1) We are traveling to Arizona with 8 teens and 3 chaperones this summer for a week at Life Teens Catholic Summer Camp July 6-13. Anyone who would be willing to let us borrow their 12 passenger van can please contact Alley at Lifeteen. stay@gmail.com Your payment: we will pray a rosary for you on our way to camp and wash the van when we return it.

2) Our core team of volunteers is looking to borrow a vacation home somewhere away from the Bay Area for a weekend to plan our upcoming year. Anyone who would be willing to allow us to borrow their space please email alley at Lifeteen. stay@gmail.com Your payment: we will pray a rosary for you while in retreat and clean the home top to bottom before we return.

PASTORAL GARDEN PARTY



PARISH IMAGES AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AND PURCHASE

Images of our recent parish events have just been added. Thousands of them are on our parish website link:

www.paloaltocatholic.net/index.cfm?load=photoalbum&album=4

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL – TODAY!

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County changes lives for good. We help people of all cultures and beliefs rise up out of poverty and overcome the barriers to self-sufficiency. Each year, we serve more than 37,000 people in need. Please be generous. Envelopes are provided in the pews.

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5TH GRADE CROSSOVER & SENIOR SEND OFF

This year we would like to invite everyone to join us for our Final Youth Mass of the Year. You won't want to miss our 5th grade cross over! Where 5th graders officially enter into the EDGE program. And our family dinner afterwards for our SENIOR SEND OFF... where we send off our seniors into college and our young adult program NextGen. This is an amazing celebration that all parishioners are welcome to attend.

Join us on May 19th at our 6pm Mass. For the Dinner/Potluck if your last name ends in:

A-J: please bring a salad

K-S: please bring a fruit dish/salad

T-Z: please bring cookies

Email Alley with questions: atorres@dsj.org

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Our last class for this year is Sunday, May 19. We have already begun the registration process for next year. Registration forms are available on our website. Register your children now for STA Kids Faith Formation 2013-2014 which will begin at the end of August. All children between the ages of 4 and 10 (Pre-Kindergarten through 5th Grade) are invited to take part in our program which includes sacramental preparation for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist. Register now before the Summer begins! Questions? Contact Susan at suolsen@dsj.org or in the Pastoral Center.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Part-Time Pre-Need Cemetery Sales Counselors in Los Altos and San Jose. Assist in client in-home visits to explain the services offered by Catholic Cemeteries and pre-planning for burial arrangements at one of the Catholic Cemeteries.

Full-time Administrative Assistant, Calvary Cemetery, San Jose.

For more information regarding job descriptions and requirements, contact: www.dsj.org/about-us/career-opportunities

18TH ANNUAL SETON SCRAMBLE FOR STUDENTS

Save the date! Monday, May 20 at Stanford University Golf Course! We look forward to seeing you at our Golf Outing this Spring! If golf isn't your game, please join us at 4:00 p.m. for the after-party! Heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer will be served on the beautiful greens at Stanford. Come, connect and be part of the experience!

For more information, please contact Barbara Jones, Development Coordinator, St. Elizabeth Seton School, development@setonpalalto.org, 650-326-1258.