

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## TODAY'S MESSAGE

My two years and four months' assignment at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish as a parochial vicar gave me an opportunity to become more committed and more inspired to explore my potentials in different ministries. My involvement in Pastoral Care Ministry, Hispanic Ministry, Knights of Columbus, Adult Spirituality, Youth Ministry and Liturgy Board Committee have helped me a lot to appreciate the importance of joyful commitment and professionalism. I am so grateful that during my stay here, I was guided and supported by Fr. Matthew who helped me in many ways on how to become more focused in ministry.

When I did the CPE (Clinical Pastoral Education) internship program last year at Stanford, my calling to hospital chaplaincy became clearer. In January, I was accepted to the CPE Residency Program for the school year 2013-2014 at Stanford. My acceptance to this program has given me a better understanding of my gifts and potentials in serving the sick and suffering people. As part of my preparation, I was highly motivated to work on my Spanish proficiency skills during the summer.

For the months of July and August, I will be studying in Antigua, Guatemala and I will officially start my classes and training at Stanford on the 3rd of September until May 2014. I will be at Stanford Hospital and Clinics from Monday through Friday, but there are times that I will also be there on Saturdays and Sundays when I am on "on-call" duty. Beginning in September, I will start celebrating Masses on Sundays at the 3 sites (SAG, STA and OLR). The good news for me is, I will still be living at St. Albert the Great rectory.

Fr. Randy Valenton, Parochial Vicar

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 23:  
8:45 am STA... Frances Galea †  
9:00 am SAG... Thanksgiving for Mendez-Lee family †  
*Readings: Zec 12:10-11; 13:1; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-2*

Monday, June 24:  
7:15 am STA... Adoration of St. Joseph  
12:15 pm STA... Giovanni Pennisi †  
*Readings: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80*

Tuesday, June 25:  
8:30 am OLR... Bella Estaquio (sp. int.)  
*Readings: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 152:4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14*

Wednesday, June 26:  
8:30 am OLR... Children of Clare Thomas (sp. int.)  
*Readings: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mt 7:15-20*

Thursday, June 27: St. Cyril of Alexandria  
7:15 am STA... For the Souls in Purgatory  
8:30 am OLR... Jose & Julia Martinez †  
12:15 pm STA... James Cesano Sr. †  
*Readings: Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 [6b-12, 15-16]; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29*

Friday, June 28: St. Irenaeus  
7:15 am STA... James & Edith Dubbs †  
8:30 am OLR... Michael & Gearailt Cummins (sp. int.)  
*Readings: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4*

Saturday, June 29: Ss. Peter and Paul  
12:15 pm STA... Bishop Pierre DuMaine (sp. int.)  
5:00 pm SAG... Norma Chan †  
*Readings: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19*

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

The next couple of months, the time of vacations and weekends away, are always quite challenging for our parish financially. Last Sunday is a typical example! As the attendance at our weekend liturgies dwindles, so can the weekly support of our parishioners: a very good reason to consider using Online Giving! The challenge lies in the fact that our financial responsibilities do not go away during the months of June, July, and August. Thank you for your generosity toward the

work and mission of the parish. As you know, we are totally dependent upon you all of our parishioners for our livelihood. THANK YOU FOR SHARING GOD'S GIFTS!



### Our Weekly Offering

June 16: Actual: TBA \* Goal: \$11,000  
Catholic Communication: TBA

## PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30

St. Albert the Great  
Sat 5:00 pm ..... Fr. Stanley  
Sun 9:00 am ..... Fr. Seimas  
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. Stanley  
Sun 10:30 am ..... Fr. Stanley

## Please Pray



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

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, Osvaldo Ng

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](mailto:fongmt@hotmail.com)

# St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

## THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, June 23: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
3:00 pm ..... Hispanic Young Adults (OLRH)  
4:00 pm ..... EDGE (DC)  
4:00, 7:00 pm The Way Movie (TH)  
7:00 pm ..... Lifeteen (DC)

Monday, June 24: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
7:00 pm ..... TM Liturgy Board (TH)  
7:30 pm ..... Green Committee (PC)

Tuesday, June 25:  
7:00 pm ..... Hispanic Prayer Group (OLR)  
7:00 pm ..... Knights of Columbus (TH)

Wednesday, June 26:  
9:30 am ..... Bldg. & Maint. (PC)  
4:00 pm ..... STAY Core Team (DC)  
6:00 pm ..... RCIA for Children (DC)  
7:00 pm ..... Catechesis Prep (DC)

Thursday, June 27:  
6:30 pm ..... Centering Prayer (DC)

Friday, June 28: Summer begins  
7:30 pm ..... Hispanic Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, June 29: Blessed Virgin Mary  
8:15 am ..... Environment Team (OLR)

## YOU CAN BE AN ALTAR SERVER

Altar servers are greatly needed for both the 5:00 p.m. Saturday & 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Mass at St. Albert the Great. Please call Nora Lundin at ext. 14 or [hlundin@dsj.org](mailto:hlundin@dsj.org)

to find out how you can be a part of this enjoyable ministry.

## SPIRITUALITY TUESDAY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR INPUT

We are currently conducting our annual survey of possible topics/presentations for the upcoming 2013-2014 year. We would like to have your input on what you would like to learn more about in regards to our Catholic faith in particular and other religious and spiritual topics in general. Please use the link below in order to send us your thoughts. You can also go to the NEWS section of our website for a quick "click" to the survey. All of those who received the weekly edition of the e-bulletin were also sent this link. Thank you for your participation!  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BSYBHZ5>

## EARLY READER BOOK DRIVE

June 1 - 16: Our Human Concerns Committee is hosting an "Early Reader Book Drive" to gather new books to be given to 2nd graders at St. Elizabeth Seton School.

The group is anxious to encourage summer-time reading by these "just learning" readers, and giving them a book or two of their own for the summer. You might remember your own cherished "first books" as a child. The kids have told us they like books with chapters and "about real things" (non-fiction). We need them at the 2nd grade reading level.

Donation boxes will be in our vestibules Saturday, June 1 through Sunday, June 16. Feel free to bring some early-reading books to church with you which will be put to excellent use! Monetary donations will also be accepted and will allow the HCC to purchase some appropriate books on your behalf.

## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

After the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy on Sunday, June 23rd, a brief procession in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help will take place at St. Albert's Church, sponsored by St. Basil's Byzantine Catholic community that meets at St. Albert's on Sundays. (The feast of Our Lady of Perpetual help is on June 27).

Prayers will take place at the side-shrine of the Mother of Perpetual Help in the church. Then the holy Unction (anointing) will be administered to those who have illnesses. We will especially pray for those experiencing serious illnesses, such as cancer. A basket will be placed at the Perpetual Help Icon for any prayer intentions you may have. For more information contact Fr. Anthony, (408) 871-0919; [pastor@stbasil.org](mailto:pastor@stbasil.org).

## FR. GEORGE BOOK SIGNING

*Everything is Grace: Diary of an International; Global; Immigrant Parish Priest* by Fr. George Aranha. Fr. George would like to share his book with our community on Sunday, June 30th. He began working on this book while he was our Pastor. It includes stories of the highs and lows of following a religious vocation (which can mirror any vocation to which God calls us). The narrative covers his early years, growing up Catholic in India with its multi-cultural and multi-religious landscape, seminary life in India and Rome and exercising priestly ministry in the United States. Father George will sign copies of his book (available for a suggested donation of \$25) after the 9 am Mass at SAG in the Hospitality Center and then after the 10:30 am Mass at OLR in the hall on Sunday, June 30th. It will be fun to see Fr. George and hear about his journey of faith. Refreshments will be served.

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## MOVIE NIGHT

The St. Thomas Aquinas Site Committee invites you to come to a movie showing of "The Way," on Sunday, June 23, in the Thomas House basement hall, next door to St. Thomas Aquinas Church (corner of Waverley and Homer in Palo Alto). Two showings will be offered: 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Each showing will be followed by a brief discussion period. From 6:00 till 7:00, enjoy a trust potluck of snacks (bring something to share), popcorn, and beverages. Donations welcome--proceeds go into the stair chair lift fund for the hall.

"The Way" is a powerful and inspirational story about family, friends and the challenges we face while navigating this ever-changing and complicated world. Martin Sheen plays Tom, an irascible American doctor who comes to France to deal with the tragic loss of his son (played by Emilio Estevez). Rather than return home, Tom decides to embark on the historical pilgrimage "The Way of St. James" to honor his son's desire to finish the journey. Filmed entirely in France and Spain, this often funny and inspiring film will make you think and warm your heart.

## SING GOD'S PRAISES! SUMMER CAMP

A special summer camp for children ages 6 through 12 will be offered July 29 - August 2 from 9 a.m. to Noon at Our Lady of the Rosary. Susan Olsen, Catechetical Coordinator for Children's Ministries, will direct this camp which will give children a chance to learn to sing and dance their prayer and to explore Bible stories in dramatic form.

The cost for this one week camp is \$50 per child. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church at all sites. If you have questions about this camp, contact Susan in the Pastoral Center at 650-494-2496, ext. 25.

## AFTER-SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEED

The Rosalie Rendu Center in East Palo Alto is in need of volunteers for our after school homework club. Students, Grades K - 6th come to the Center for assistance with their homework. Tutors are needed Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. If you are able to volunteer for one or more days a month assisting our children please contact Sister Trinitas at (650) 473-9522. Helping children complete homework assignments makes a difference in the learning abilities of children. You are invited to participate in this important ministry. The Rosalie Rendu Center is sponsored by the Daughters of Charity. Thank you!