

THE FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

**新春彌撒暨祭祖典禮  
CHINESE NEW YEAR MASS  
AND ANCESTRAL CEREMONY**

**Sunday, March 4, 11 AM**

**ALL ARE INVITED**

**Food and entertainment following;  
please bring a treat to share**

**特別請各位華人教友參加**

**SECOND COLLECTION**

Next weekend the second collection will be for Aid to Churches in Central and Eastern Europe. Your contributions will support the dissemination of the word of God over large territories; pastoral programs for families and parishes; education for the faithful; training and formation for religious; and services for the homeless, the elderly, children or families in need.



*They left everything and followed him*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56  
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Mk 7:1-13  
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23  
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10  
Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20;  
Lk 6:17, 20-26

*Mass Intentions For the Week*

Feb 04	8:00 AM	Michael Beal (+)
	9:30 AM	Fr. William Lester
	11:00 AM	Chase Rogers (+)
	5:00 PM	Cristina Falcione
Feb 05	8:30 AM	Anthony Pelosi
Feb 06	8:30 AM	Trinidad Gomez (+)
Feb 07	8:30 AM	Hari Widjaja (+)
Feb 08	8:30 AM	Jean McCarthy
Feb 09	8 :30 AM	Gen Haselton (+)
Feb 10	8:30 AM	Bernadette Paulino (L)
	5:00 PM	Oscar Tapia (+)
Feb 11	8:00 AM	Mark Thalheimer (+)
	9:30 AM	Lilybeth Solis (+)
	11:00 AM	Ursula Aiken (+)
	5:00PM	Suzanne Good (+)



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

All victims of war & terrorism,  
All serving our country in the military,  
**PEACE**, and for our relatives and friends:  
Ake Jacobson ,Ken Tuttle, Kenneth Huettl,  
Wilda Duvernay,Treva Cooley and Dante Falcioni



**Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino**

In today's readings, both Isaiah and Peter hear the call of God and feel themselves unworthy. Reassured by the Lord, both answer and follow. Do I hear the Lord asking, "Whom shall I send?" Am I prepared to answer, "Here I am Send *me!*"

For more information on the many ways to practice good stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino, please call L.T. Guttadauro at 253-2449.

**A Stewardship Prayer**

*Dear God and Father, You have given me a mission to help bring about your reign on earth as it is in Heaven through my life and the gifts You have given me. May I use the gifts of time, talent and treasure to follow Your plans and accomplish Your will. Help me go in peace to love and serve You!*

**WOMEN'S CLUB OF ASCENSION MEETING**

The Women's Club of Ascension invites all women to their February meeting on Monday, February 5th at 7:00pm. This is their "Spring Fashion Show" presented by Draper's & Damon's of Sunnyvale. For information call (408) 252-4475

**MOM'S GROUP** meets the second Friday of the month usually at a park. If you are interested, please call Carol Ruiz at 777-2963.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US: EDWARD PICCONE, PAUL LEE, SUE WALLACE AND JOSEPH GILBERT.**

If you are planning for a year,  
sow rice.  
If you are planning for a decade,  
plant trees.  
If you are planning for a lifetime,  
educate a person.





## GROWING IN FAITH



*(If you are interested in any of the offerings below, please contact Janice LaMotte in the parish office---252-7653 ext. 30)*

### **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN OUR ADULT**

**CONFIRMATION GROUP!!** If you are an adult 18 yrs and older who has not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so this spring, call Janice at the number above.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Sunday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m., we will show "**An Inconvenient Truth**".

### **HELP NEEDED TO WELCOME NEWCOMERS:**

Please call Janice if you are able to make a phone call to a new parishioner and tell them a little bit about our parish. This is a ministry that does not involve a lot of your time!

### **INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? KNOW**

**SOMEONE WHO IS?** Our ongoing process is for anyone who has not been baptized, been baptized in another faith tradition, or baptized Catholic with no further formation. All are invited to "come & see" on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Parish Community Center. Call Janice at the above number for more information.

**LOOKING TO SPARK YOUR SPIRITUALITY?** All are welcome to join our Small Christian Community that reflects on the Sunday scriptures. Our next meeting is Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 p.m. in the rectory.

### **FAITH SHARING**

**Be better prepared for celebrating Sunday Mass!**

**Read Luke 5:1-11, the Gospel for Feb. 4, 2007---5<sup>th</sup>**

**Sun. of Ordinary Time**  
(call of the first disciples)

#### **Question for Adults:**

When have you felt inadequate to a task you were given?  
How did you respond?

#### **Questions for Children:**

When have you been asked to do something you felt might be too hard for you? What did you do?

#### **Action:**

Contribute food to our parish's food pantry.

#### **Prayer:**

Lord God, we thank you for calling us to be your servants.  
Open our hearts to be instruments of your peace.

### **Parent Meeting this Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm in the Community Center**

Parents of children who have not yet celebrated the Sacrament of Eucharist, so are preparing for both the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, are expected to attend this Informational/Catechetical Parent Meeting. We will also be distributing the children's material for home preparation, as well as discussing and recruiting volunteers for the final step of the process-- the Family Retreat on April 1st. Any questions, please call Tam at 252-7653 x60.



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

### **SJC 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Please join us to celebrate our 50 years of Catholic Education. SJC School opened its doors for the 1956-1957 school year. We will be celebrating with the entire St. Joseph community! If you would like to attend, please RSVP through last week's invitation flyer, on line at [www.sjcschool.org](http://www.sjcschool.org) or call the school office. The celebration will take place on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2007**, beginning with the 11AM Mass, followed by a luncheon in the Parish Hall, and an Open House at the school.

### **LIFE DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

Thank you to all who have donated to the LIFE fund over the past several weeks. We have received about \$40, 000.00 in donations so far. Be assured that 100 % of your tax-deductible gift goes directly to the Development Fund. Donations are accepted in cash, pledges and stock transfers. Please help us surpass our goal of \$1.5 million during this, our 50th Anniversary year.

### **APPLICATIONS FOR 2007-2008 NOW AVAILABLE!**

Applications for our parish school for the 2007-2008 school year are now available. You may download an application by logging on to our school website at [www.sjcschool.org](http://www.sjcschool.org) and clicking on Admissions. You may also pick up an application at our school office or contact us at (408) 252-6441 to request an application. Please note parishioners are given priority consideration in our acceptance policy. St. Joseph's is a Catholic, parish school. We are committed to educating the "whole child." We offer an outstanding academic program. But we offer so much more than that. We are a community who grows together, who celebrates together, who prays together, who works together. If you would like this kind of school for your child, come find out about us. St. Joseph School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, or disability in the admission of students, the administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school -- administered programs.

### **THANK YOU**

On behalf of ALLIANCE and its clients we would like to thank you for donated gifts from St. Joseph of Cupertino Church. The preparation of nearly 1,000 gifts for delivery to our residential and out-patient clients was made even more enjoyable with your help.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Help the needy by picking up grocery items at local Supermarkets. You may choose any day of the week and need transportation. The grocery items need to be taken to various locations or food kitchens. Call Bob Rolufs at (408) 253-3213 to help with this important Ministry.

**GRIEF SUPPORT:** Our ongoing grief support group meets the first Sunday of the month in the rectory from 1:30 -3 p.m. Larry Compagnoni, a licensed counselor is the facilitator. All are welcome to attend at anytime. For more information, call Janice at the parish office-(408) 252-7653 ext. 30

**WEB RESOURCES:**

Check out AmericanCatholic.org. You'll find information about the Catholic Faith, Saint of the Day, as well as a place for prayer requests!

**Automated Giving is here—Have you signed up yet?**

To sign up, simply fill out an enrollment form (at the back of church), go to [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com), or contact the parish office. If you have already signed up and would like to place the special ParishPay slips in the collection basket, they are available in the vestibule.

**PARISH OUTREACH** We welcome your donations of dry and canned foods for our Outreach Closet. Please continue to bring these items with you when you attend weekend Masses. Unfortunately, **we cannot accept any articles of clothing.** Men's clothing may be taken to Cupertino Community Services, behind the fire station on Vista Drive, here in Cupertino. All other clothing should be taken to other charitable organizations. Thank you for your support of our program.

**BE A SWEETHEART-DONATE BLOOD THIS VALENTINE'S DAY!**

**Diocesan Blood Drive.** Are you a lifesaver? If so, join others in giving blood on Friday, February 9, 2007, at the diocesan blood drive, to be held at St. Clare Parish, at the corner of Lafayette and Lexington Streets in Santa Clara. Your donation of just one pint of blood may save as many as three lives. Giving blood is as much a civic duty as it is a Christian responsibility. Giving blood—the gift of life—is a simple, yet tangible way of affirming our belief in the sanctity of life. You must make an appointment to give blood. To do so, go to [www.beadonor.com](http://www.beadonor.com) and type in the sponsor code: **DOSJ**, or contact Linda Tully at [tully@dsj.org](mailto:tully@dsj.org) or (408) 983-0144

**DIVINE MERCY CONGRESS**

The Annual Mercy Family Congress 2007 will take place at the Oakland Convention Center on March 16-18, 2007. Pre-registration is required before February 15. All prayer groups, congregations and organizations are invited to attend and bring their banner. For more information regarding the Divine Mercy Eucharistic Society or to register, please contact [www.DivineMercyWestCoast.org](http://www.DivineMercyWestCoast.org), [divinemercuryjesus@sol.com](mailto:divinemercuryjesus@sol.com) or call (888) 238-6560.

**JOIN US FOR HOSPITALITY after the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Mass. Meet and greet other parishioners and someone you do not know!**

**DID YOU KNOW?** When we bless ourselves coming into church, it is a reminder of our baptism? What does being baptized mean to you?

**“ORDINARY TIME”**

We are now in our first segment of the season known as “Ordinary Time”. Ordinary does not mean common, but “ordered” or counted. During the high seasons of Christmas and Easter we may focus on the Gloria, and various additional rites such as the sprinkling with Holy Water. In Lent we emphasize the Penitential rite. During Ordinary Time, we may concentrate on some of the basics of Liturgy. Much of what we do, or should do in liturgy, has to do with unity. Doing the same thing at the same time with everyone. Are we standing at the end of Communion as the sign of unity the Bishop of our Diocese has directed? Are we all taking part in the sung prayer, or do we wait to be entertained by the musicians? At the beginning of the year, before we enter the introspective season of Lent, we can take time to tune-up our participation in the Eucharist.



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I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,  
for you have heard the words of my mouth