

# THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday, December 8, 2007

Masses Friday, December 7 at 7 P.M. and Saturday, December 8 at 9:30 A.M.

(The mass on Friday evening is also the celebration for Our Lady of Guadalupe.)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4  
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11  
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19  
 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28  
 Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22  
 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36  
 Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14;  
 Mt 24:37-44

**CRUISING TO ALASKA.....**Are you interested in cruising to Alaska? If so, we are putting together a trip for adults that will be leaving from San Francisco (and returning there also) on May 17 or June 16. The prices will vary depending on whether you want an inside cabin, a cabin with a view or one with a balcony. It will be a fun trip for one week, so call Totsie for details @ 408-252-7653x61. We will try to book a bus to transport us (return also) so there will be no need to drive up, take a taxi or whatever means of transportation you need to take to get to the pier. We have not cruised with a group previously and this sounds like fun so give me a call for more information

## CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE HERE AT ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO CHURCH

Tags will be on the tree in the Chapel on November 24 & 25. Please take one tag, purchase a gift for that individual and return the gift (with tag attached on the top) by December 8&9. Gifts are going to be delivered on December 12, therefore, the gifts **MUST BE AT THE CHURCH BY DECEMBER 9 - NO LATER.** We thank you very much for your response to this collection every year and we know you will be as generous as in years past.



## Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of my life?

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

### Stewardship in Action

*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!*

## Mass Intentions For the Week

Nov. 24	5:00 PM	Abigail & Cecile Tapia (+)
Nov. 25	8:00 AM	Celine Joseph & P. Joseph (+)
	9:30 AM	Elizabeth Greenwood (+)
	11:00 AM	Ronald Joseph Moore, Jr. (+)
	5:00 PM	Clem Joseph (+)
Nov. 26	8:30 AM	Simon Chang (L)
Nov. 27	8:30 AM	Laura Pickler (+)
Nov. 28	8:30 AM	Paul My Nguyen (+)
Nov. 29	8:30 AM	Paul My Nguyen (+)
Nov. 30	8:30 AM	Paul My Nguyen (+)
Dec. 01	8:30 AM	In Thanksgiving
	5:00 PM	Rebecca Nite (+)
Dec. 02	8:00 AM	George Parent (+)
	9:30 AM	MaryJane Pereira (+)
	11:00 AM	James Steffen (+)
	5:00 PM	Paul My Nguyen (+)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

All victims of war & terrorism, All serving our country in the military, PEACE, our relatives and friends and Bobbie Condon



## CATECHETICAL CLASSES will resume on NOV. 28 and DEC 2.

The 9:30am mass next Sunday will be a liturgy with an emphasis on children. Come celebrate with our young people God's love and mercy.

**MOM'S GROUP :** A good way to meet other mothers and share spiritually, and socially. **NOTE CHANGE!!** This group will **now MEET ON THE THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 9-10 A.M.** usually at a park. If you are interested, please call Carol Ruiz at 777-2963.

**GRIEF SUPPORT: NOTE CHANGE OF TIME.** Our on-going grief support group meets the **first Sunday of the month** in the rectory from **3-4:30 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---252-7653 ext. 30.

## SIMBANG GABI (NIGHT MASSES)

**Dec. 20, 21 and 22 at 7pm**

Let us gather as one family to celebrate and prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ! For more information, please contact Fr. Chady at (408) 252-7653x28, frchadsjc@yahoo.com or Mabel Hoffman at (408) 315-1306, mabelhoffman@yahoo.com



## 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)*

### COMING ATTRACTIONS:

**Nov. 28 Anointing---A Healing Ritual---**

**Fr.Chris Bennett---7p.m.**

**Community Center** *(come & learn about this misunderstood sacrament)*

**Dec. 1 Praying through Grief during the Holidays---Fr. Chris Bennett---10-12 Community Center**

**Dec. 2 Advent Intergenerational Celebration ---3 p.m. Community Center All welcome.**

***Come & prepare for Christmas—movie, Prayer, activity, food, and Mass!***

*Keep posted for more details in flyers & web!*

### HAVE YOU OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

And would like to return? "Take Another Look" at the Catholic church will take place at Queen of Apostles church on Monday, Jan. 15, 22, and 29<sup>th</sup>. St. Joseph of Cupertino co-sponsors this program Call Janice at the number above for more information.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** If you are 18 or older and have never been Confirmed, call Janice at the parish office. Classes begin in January.

**Question: What season of our Church year are we about to enter? What colors are used?**

### BE PREPARED FOR MASS!!!

**Read Matthew 24: 37-44, the Gospel for**

**Dec. 2, 2007**

The First Sunday of Advent

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

What will you do for Advent to show others you have the light of Christ within you?

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

What good deed will you do to spread Jesus love to others?

#### **Action:**

Reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.

#### **Prayer:**

O God, we praise you for your son, Jesus Christ. Let your blessing come upon us at this special time. Jesus, be our guiding light during this Advent season. Amen.



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

### Enrollment at St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish School

We have a few openings in certain grades at our parish school. Visit our website at [www.sjcschool.org](http://www.sjcschool.org) or come to the school office to get an application packet. Active parishioners are given priority consideration in our enrollment procedures and financial aid programs. We would love to welcome you and your child into our parish school community. Also, if you are interested in kindergarten for your child next year, don't miss our upcoming kindergarten information night. (See bulletin announcement below.)

### LIFE Donations Coming In

Many thanks to those who have generously contributed to the St. Joseph of Cupertino LIFE Development Fund so far this fall. As you know, LIFE (Legacies in Faith and Education) encompasses both an educational scholarship program and a development fund. We are currently focusing on the development fund, which will be used to augment the annual budget, ensuring equitable teacher salaries and a stable tuition base.

The success of our development fund is critical to the future of SJC School. Please consider joining this effort if you have not already done so. If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution in time for the 2006 tax year, simply send in your donation before the end of the calendar year. You may also choose to spread out your gift through our pledge program. All donations will be gratefully accepted throughout the New Year as well. For further information, contact the school office at 252-6441.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

### Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Coming soon! The feast of Our Lady as the Immaculate Conception and as Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated at St. Joseph's on Friday, December 7th, with rosary at 6:30pm and Mass at 7:00pm. Everyone is invited!

All are welcome, to honor our Lady, Patroness of the Americas. You will participate in a beautiful Mass with several of our priests celebrating. You will hear the Aztec Mariachis play rousing, authentic music. You will learn about the story of Guadalupe from our school children, as they reenact the drama and participate in the prayerful liturgical dance. You will enjoy a wonderful fiesta afterwards in the parish hall with food, drink, piñatas, Mexican dancers and more mariachi music.

Let Our Lady of Guadalupe, depicted as pregnant with the Christ child, lead us to her Son.

Questions? Would you like to help with set-up or clean up? We can always use some extra helping hands! Monetary donations made out to "Friends of Our Lady of Guadalupe of St. Joseph of Cupertino" help defray expenses and would be most welcome. Contact Mariqueta Churchill at (408) 245-3504

### CAN YOU SPARE ONE HOUR FOR PRAYER???

**COME JOIN US to pray for the needs of our parish, parishioners, and your intentions.**

**Drop in anytime to our ongoing PRAYER GROUP---**

**MONDAYS AT 12 NOON IN THE COMMUNITY**

**CENTER.** This is a wonderful prayer support for our parish and parishioners!

**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 & other websites**---have you checked out our parish's website lately? You will find the **bulletin**, a **calendar** of events including **funerals**, and links to other **resources** as well as a **homily** at times!

**Newest podcast**---"**Morning has Broken**," **singing and reflection** by **Sofyan Nugroho**, one of our parishioners!

**NEW ADDITION**---**PRAYER LINE!** ( Prayerline @[stjoscup.org](mailto:stjoscup.org))

**NEW VATICAN WEBSITE?** [www.vaticanstate.va](http://www.vaticanstate.va) in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish. Also try out THE CHRISTOPHERS website at [www.christophers.org](http://www.christophers.org).

[www.Americancatholic.org](http://www.Americancatholic.org)

**PHOTO GALLERY** <http://wwwstjoscup.org/events/photogallery.html>

Please do not post **flyers** or leave any kind of literature, including **magazines, brochures** or **prayer cards** on church premises without permission of our pastor. Any materials found on the premises without permission will be discarded. Thank you for your cooperation.

**PARISH OUTREACH** We welcome your donations of dry and canned foods for our Out reach Closet. Please continue to bring these items with you when you attend weekend Masses.

Unfortunately, **we cannot accept any articles of clothing**. All other clothing should be taken to other charitable organizations. Thank you for your support of our program.

**A REMINDER TO PARENTS:** Our "cry room" is well stocked with toys and books for children. You and your child are welcome to use this room during Mass. Thanking you in advance for putting toys and books back in their places.

**ADVENT**

Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation.

**KEEP MOVING**

The world is a bridge; pass over it, but don't build on it.

—Sign on a bridge in the Near East



**Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**  
**November 25, 2007**

I rejoiced because they said to me,  
"We will go up to the house of  
the LORD."  
— *Psalm 122:1*

***St. Joseph of Cupertino  
Staff Information***

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**Baptism**

Please call the parish office to begin the required preparation process.

**Marriage**

Please contact one of the priests at least six months in advance.

**Adult Initiation**

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic call the parish office. Our RCIA program looks forward to hearing from you.

**Illness**

If someone from our parish is ill and would like to receive communion and/or the anointing of the sick, please call the parish office.

**Bereavement Ministry**

This ministry provides food after a funeral or memorial service. Advance notice is necessary. Volunteers are always welcome to join.