

# THANK YOU

**WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL!**



**WE HAVE NOW EXCEEDED OUR GOAL OF \$140,200 BY \$4,432- WHICH MEANS ALL FUTURE GIFTS GO TO OUR PARISH! IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SENT IN YOUR ADA PLEDGE, PLEASE JOIN THE OTHER 283 PARISHIONERS AND DO SO SOON!**



## ST. PATRICK'S DINNER & DANCE

Special Irish Entertainment

Friday, March 14, 2008

Donation: \$30.00

Jim Kelly—Ticket Chairman (408) 255-8397

Tom Taylor, Tickets & Table Reservations (408) 255-1881

(tickets also available at the Rectory office)

Time: 6:30p.m.

Includes Dinner, Entertainment & Dancing

All proceeds benefit St. Joseph of Cupertino School Sports Program

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30  
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt. 18:21-35  
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19  
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23  
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34  
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14  
 Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23;  
 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



## Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives! Let our food also be to do the will of God!

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!*

# 非常感謝你們的幫助

THANK YOU to all worked so hard to give our parish community a wonderful Chinese New Year celebration. Having your help was truly a New Year blessing. May the Year of the Rat bring you an abundance of good things.

**--Fr. Greg**

## Mass Intentions For the Week

Feb. 23	5:00 PM	Frank & Mary Ward (+)
Feb. 24	8:00 AM	Dante Falcioni (+)
	9:30 AM	Paul Pereira (+)
	11:00 AM	YLI
	5:00 PM	Paul Pereira (+)
Feb. 25	8:30 AM	Nick Kelly (+)
Feb. 26	8:30 AM	Charlene Figone (L)
Feb. 27	8:30 AM	Eliza D'Souza
Feb. 28	8:30 AM	Rose Di Florio (+)
Feb. 29	8:30 AM	Stanley Wolowic (+)
Mar. 01	8:30 AM	Roseann Backstedt (+)
	5:00 PM	In Thanksgiving
Mar. 02	8:00 AM	John & Margaret Mardesich (+)
	9:30 AM	John Noone (+)
	11:00 AM	Lie Sie Ing (L)
	5:00 PM	Oriente DiLorenzo (+)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

## EASTER BONNETS & BASKETS

On March 15th several hundred families in Santa Clara Co. will be invited to participate in Easter Bonnets & Baskets, a program organized and run by St. Vincent de Paul Council of Santa Clara Co. If you would like to donate items to assist with this program, the following items would be helpful. We ask that all of the items be newly purchased for this one-of-a-kind program:

- Children's socks and underwear-any size, still in the package
- Outfits suitable for Easter Mass, such as dresses, slacks, sweaters for boys and girls, size 14 and below. Baby and toddler sizes are also needed.
- Any Easter basket fillers such as candy, small toys and stickers.
- Toiletries such as toothpaste, tooth brushes shampoo and soap.

Please contact **Mindy Harada at (408) 993-9901** if you would like to donate any of the above listed items or would like to assist with this program. You can also contact **Anna by e-mail at [anna@svpd.org](mailto:anna@svpd.org)** with your donations. Cash, of course, is always welcome and receipts will be provided for any donations made.

**COULD YOU SPARE AN HOUR OCCASIONALLY to PRAY** for our parishioners & parish? We meet on Mondays at 12 noon in the Community Center. All are welcome!!



## 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)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**PASSION OF CHRIST movie & discussion with those who had input on the filming of the movie**---Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.  
(this isn't an appropriate movie for youngsters)

**ADULT CONFIRMATION**---If you are 18 or older and want to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation this Spring, call Janice at the parish office. All are invited to a **meeting Sunday, March 2nd at 12:15 p.m. in the rectory.**

**GREETERS NEEDED:** Won't you join this ministry? Help greet people and pass out bulletins at the end of Mass. This requires very little time and is a **very needed and important ministry!**

**PLEASE HELP OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY:** We are in need of people to join our "Social Events Committee". All you need to do is help out with whatever event you are able to attend---(even one event a year would be sufficient) Call Mabel Hoffman at 315-1306 for information.

**HELP WITH SOUP SUPPER** on MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>! ---make a pot of soup!. (call Mabel Hoffman at 315-1306) or Janice at the parish office)

**LENTEN RESOLUTION:** Join a Small Scripture Sharing group---develop a closer relationship with God and others plus find guidance for your faith journey.  
We have a group that meets at 12:15 p.m. in the rectory the **second Sunday of the month.**

**DID YOU KNOW?** The next three weeks our church will be celebrating special rites called "Scrutinies" with the "elect". These are petitioning for the spirit of repentance, an understanding of sin and the experience of the true freedom of the children of God.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** "Live simply so that others may simply live." ---Mother Seton died 1821 - First American Saint.

### **BE PREPARED FOR MASS Next Week!!!**

Read **John 9:1-41** --- the Gospel for Fourth Sunday  
Lent---**March 2, 2008**  
(the man born blind)

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

What are you doing in your life to move toward light rather than darkness?

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

How can you let the light of Christ shine through you?

#### **ACTION**

AS A SACRIFICE, make a **PLEDGE** to the ADA.

#### **Prayer:**

Oh Divine Source of all light, help me to see more clearly what you are asking of me. Help me to know where I am to serve you. Amen



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

### St. Joseph Students Impact Our Community

Students at SJC shine when it comes to putting into action the *Community Oriented* dimension of our "SPARCCLS" student learning expectations! In addition to the entire student body participating in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl during Lent, our students are participating in and organizing many other reach-out projects such as a cereal drive for underprivileged students at a local school, a pet supply drive, making bag lunches for Julian Street Inn (a local shelter for the mentally ill), and regular visits by our 7<sup>th</sup> graders to Sacred Heart Community Services. St. Joseph students were also recently featured in the San Jose Mercury in their coverage of our Advent participation in The Mercury News' Wish Book Project.

Reaching out to others in need is just one way in which SJC students shine! Learn more about SJC School and our "SPARCCLS" on our website at: <http://www.sjcschool.org/sparccls.php>.

### AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

**St. Joseph of Cupertino School's 23rd annual Auction Gala** is planned for Saturday, April 19th, at 5:30 in the Parish Hall. Join us for a Night in Shanghai. This is the school's major fundraiser, and we rely heavily on the support of parents and parishioners to make it successful every year. Besides attending this fun-filled event, you can help by donating an item for the bidding tables or by advertising in the catalog. Examples of donations include:

- > Getaways at vacation homes
- > Themed dinners or events at your home
- > Tickets for sporting or cultural events
- > New gift items or gift baskets
- > Art and antiques
- > Specialty services
- > Gift certificates to restaurants, spas or popular spots

All items should be delivered to the school office by **March 14th**. Questions about donations? Call Holly O'Boyle at (408) 264-5659, [hmboyle@yahoo.com](mailto:hmboyle@yahoo.com), or Barbara Hill at (408) 252-9775.



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**THERE ARE NO CATECHETICAL CLASSES ON FEBRUARY 25, FEBRUARY 27 AND MARCH 2.**

**Sacrament Preparation:** Please turn in the retreat and Restored-Order celebration forms to the Catechetical Ministry office by Wednesday, February 27.

**PRAYER REQUESTS?** We have a prayer request form on our **website**. All requests are welcome & confidential.



### **EASTER LILIES**

Again we are offering you a chance to dedicate Easter lilies in memory of a loved one or perhaps to remember someone who is ill. Envelopes may be found in the vestibule of the Church, at the Chapel entrance or at the rectory office for you to list the name of the person (s) you wish to remember.

### **FORGIVENESS**

People who cannot forgive others break the bridge over which they must pass if they are to reach heaven; for everyone has a need to be forgiven.

---George Herbert

**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 Website**---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! Check out the latest addition---**Amazing Grace & reflection by Sofyan Nugroho**, one of our parishioners! **NEW ADDITION---PRAYER LINE!** ([stjoscup.org](http://stjoscup.org)) also **Photo Gallery** <http://www.stjoscup.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.

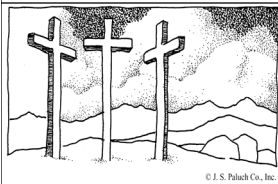
**A REMINDER TO PARENTS:** Our "cry room" is well stocked with toys and books for children. You and your child are welcome to use this room during Mass. Thanking you in advance for putting toys and books back in their places.

**MOM'S GROUP :** A good way to meet other mothers and share spiritually, and socially. 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.

**VESPERS**

Vespers liturgy for the 4th Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday) will be held Sunday, March 2nd, at 6:15p.m. in the Chapel. All parishioners are invited to help celebrate this small part of the daily prayer of the Church. The reading from the Office of Readings will be, *The Power of Christ's Blood.* This reading is from a sermon by St. John Chrysostom—the Golden-Mouthed—late 4th and early 5th century Patriarch of Constantinople and Doctor of the Church. He is one of the four great Eastern Doctors of the Church and is the Patron Saint of all who preach the Word of God.

**GRIEF SUPPORT:** Our ongoing 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. **Next meeting is February 3, 2008.**



**Third Sunday of Lent**  
**February 24, 2008**  
While we were still sinners Christ died for us.  
— *Romans 5:8*

***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.