



WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED US REACH 109% OF OUR ADA GOAL!

Because we are over our goal, every dollar collected will now come back to our own parish. Our potential rebate stands at \$12,600! If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider joining the 303 parishioners (19%) who are already part of this effort.



WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF FAN PALMS AND TALL PALMS TO DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR PASSION SUNDAY. PLEASE HELP US OUT BY TRIMMING YOUR TREES AND BUSHES AT THIS TIME. WE

WILL PICK UP AT YOUR HOME ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12. PLEASE PHONE TOTSIE AT (408) 252-7653X61. WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR HELPING US OUT.



Every year, before Easter, we give our church a thorough cleaning. This year we would like to clean our pews and kneelers on Saturday, March 8—from 10:00-12:00. Would you be available to help? If you

cannot help on Saturday perhaps you can arrange to work on Monday, March 10 through Wednesday March 12. We will work from 10:00-12:00 on these days also. Please phone Totsie at (408) 252-7653x61 if you are able to help us.

PLEASE NO NOT SHOW UP AT THE CHURCH WITHOUT PHONING. Thanks in advance for helping our Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53
 Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees? Do we say "I do believe" - and then do Jesus will?

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!

Return to me with your whole heart.

Lenten Reconciliation Service
Friday, March 7, 7 P.M.

This service will include scripture, music, and the opportunity for individual confession.



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

Mass Intentions For the Week

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| Mar. 01 | 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 (+) |
| Mar. 03 | 8:30 AM | Fong Tse (+) |
| Mar. 04 | 8:30 AM | Doris & Remo Boragno (+) |
| Mar. 05 | 8:30 AM | Albert Saenz (+) |
| Mar. 06 | 8:30 AM | Sanctity of Marriage to be upheld |
| Mar. 07 | 8:30 AM | Wilfredo & Baldomero Munar, Sr. (+) |
| Mar. 08 | 8:30 AM | Bella Kawashima (L) |
| | 5:00 PM | Mary & Louis Lucas (+) |
| Mar. 09 | 8:00 AM | Jessie Ziegler (+) |
| | 9:30 AM | Mrs. Arthemisia Pereira (+) |
| | 11:00 AM | Dante Falcioni (+) |
| | 5:00 PM | Jane Nigon (+) |



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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



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:



SOUP SUPPER & PARISH RECONCILIATION: All are invited to our soup supper this FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH AT 5:30 p.m. in the community center. Following the soup supper there is a PARISH PENANCE SERVICE at 7 p.m. in the Church.

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.*

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.

THANKS TO FR. SHAWN of the Legionaries of Christ for sharing some important insights into the movie "The Passion of the Christ". Anyone who attended came away with a deeper understanding of Mel Gibson's intent and the movie itself.

DID YOU KNOW? The next two 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: *"To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was you."* Lewis B. Smedes

Italian Feast



A St. Joseph's Day (Father of Jesus) luncheon will be celebrated here on **Sunday, March 16th**, after the 11:00AM Mass. R.S.V.P. to Totsie Taylor at (408) 252-7653x61 Adults \$7.00/ea. Children \$5.00 ea.

BE PREPARED FOR MASS Next Week!!!

**Read John 11:1-45--- the Gospel for Fifth Sunday Lent---
March 9, 2008**

(the raising of Lazarus)

Question for Adults:

What stone in your life needs to be rolled away for new life to occur?

Questions for Children:

What can you do to be a better person?

ACTION

**ATTEND THE PARISH PENANCE SERVICE FRIDAY,
MARCH 7TH AT 7 p.m.**

Prayer:

Out of the depths I cry to you O Lord, have mercy on me and guide me in your ways. 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 7th 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, or Barbara Hill at (408) 252-9775.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Ms. Yvette Lizy Anthony, Ms. Gracia Huntington, Ms. Ming-Ming Chan Family, Ms. Kathy Aheearn Family, Mr. & Mrs. Rapheal Kochuvaried Family, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Ong Family, Mr. & Mrs. David Chau Family, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Matteo, Mr. & Mrs. Wan-Chu Wu, Ms. Joyce Wang Family and Mrs. Veronique Haghghi Family



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Religious Education **THERE ARE NO CATECHETICAL CLASSES ON MARCH 2. CLASSES WILL RESUME ON MARCH 5 & MARCH 9. Sacrament Preparation:**

The Family Retreat will take place on Saturday, March 8 from 10am-12pm in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP to the Catechetical Ministry office if you haven't done so yet.

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.

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, 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) also **Photo Gallery** <http://www.stjoscup.org/events/photogallery.html>

DID YOU KNOW?

We run a **BINGO** game every Monday and Saturday night. **BINGO** is a source of significant funds for our school, along with other donations to outreach, scholarships and other needed charities.

BINGO is in the parish hall. Warm-ups games start a 6:30 PM with the regular games at 7:15 PM. If you are a first time player there, you will receive a free dauber. Come join the fun--and spread the news!

EASTER BONNETS & BASKETS

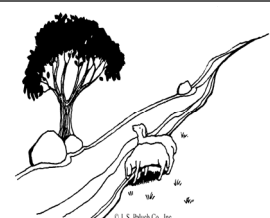
On March 15th several hundred families in Santa Clara Co. will be invited to participate in Easter Bonnets & Baskets, a program organized and run by St. Vincent de Paul Council of Santa Clara Co. If you would like to donate items to assist with this program, the following items would be helpful. We ask 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 with your donations. Cash, of course, is always welcome and receipts will be provided for any donations made.

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 March 2, 2008.**

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.



Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 2, 2008
 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall
 not want.
 — *Psalm 23:1*

**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.