

DIVINE MERCY INDULGENCE

A **plenary indulgence** is the remission of all temporal punishment due for sins which have already been forgiven, i.e., “time” in purgatory after death. This Sunday is the Second Sunday of Easter, which is now known by the name “Divine Mercy Sunday.” As an expression of the mercy of God, a plenary indulgence is available on this day for all those who fulfill the following conditions:

- Reception of holy communion
- Confession (this may have taken place at any time during the lenten preparation for Easter)
- Prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father (e.g., an Our Father and Hail Mary)

AND, in a spirit of detachment from any sin, in any church or chapel:

- Participation in prayers or devotions in honor of Divine Mercy OR recitation of the Our Father and the Creed before the blessed sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle
- Addition of a prayer to the merciful Jesus, e.g., “Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!”

There are exceptions for persons who are unable to go to church because of illness or other physical impediment. Please go to divinemercysunday.com and follow the links for more information.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8-10; Ps. 40; Heb 10:4-10;
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16; 1 Pt 1:17-21;
Lk 24:13-35

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!!

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 April 6, 2008.**



Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

Jesus meets the needs of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides tangible proof of His Resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

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

Mar. 29	5:00 PM	Michael & Rosalie DePalma (+)
Mar. 30	8:00 AM	Henry Mariadassou (+)
	9:30 AM	Cessation of Abortion
	11:00 AM	George Morris (+)
Mar. 31	5:00 PM	Letitia Ann Nickel (+)
	8:30 AM	Donna Brancato (+)
Apr. 01	8:30 AM	Margaret Scarpiniti (+)
Apr. 02	8:30 AM	Michael Saenz (L)
Apr. 03	8:30 AM	In Thanksgiving
Apr. 04	8:30 AM	Janice Nelson Spencer (+)
Apr. 05	8:30 AM	St. Joseph of Cupertino
	5:00 PM	In Thanksgiving
Apr. 06	8:00 AM	John & Margaret Mardesich (+)
	9:30 AM	Albert Saenz (+)
	11:00 AM	Peggy Anne Martone (+)
	5:00 PM	Donald & Faye Mullen (+)



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

Confirmation & First Eucharist Celebration:

Children from the school and our Catechetical program will be celebrating their Confirmation and First Eucharist at a special liturgy on Saturday, April 5, 10:30 am. Please remember these youth and their families in your Easter prayers.



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.

A REMINDER TO PARENTS: Our “cry room” is stocked with toys and books for children. You and your child is welcome to use this room during Mass. **NOTE:** Books and toys are always appreciated. Please bring to Mass when you attend. Thank you.

SEEKING GOD

God alone it is who can never be sought in vain;
not even when God cannot be found.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux



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:

BIBLICAL INSIGHTS: "Life, Death, and Resurrection" is the topic of the talk by Sr. Eloise Rosenblatt, a scripture scholar, on April 9th at 7 p.m. in the community center.

ANTIQUA CLOTHES SHOW & \$5 LUNCH---Tuesday, April 22nd at 12 noon in the community center. Call Janice at the parish office 252-7653 ext. 30 to RSVP.

ADULT CONFIRMATION---If you are 18 or older and want to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation this Spring, call Janice at the parish office. (call Janice at the parish office) **There is a meeting Sunday, April 6th at 12:15 p.m. in the rectory.**

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE PROCESS OF BECOMING CATHOLIC? Call Janice at the parish office at 252-7653 ext. 30. The next meeting for Inquirers is Sunday, April 27th at 2 p.m.

URGENT NEED: Communion ministers and singers for 5 p.m. Sunday Mass. Please consider volunteering for these much needed ministries. Call the parish office if you can help.

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.*

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**. ALL WELCOME.

BE PREPARED FOR MASS NEXT SUNDAY

Read Luke 24:13-35—Third Sunday of Easter

April 6, 2008

(Emmaus)

Question for Adults:

When have you experienced God's presence in the midst of adversity?

Questions for Children:

When you come and celebrate the Eucharist next Sunday, what would you like to thank Jesus for?

ACTION

Thank God often this week for the Eucharist

Prayer:

Lord, thank you for showing me the path to life, help me to see your presence more clearly. Amen



SJC SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL AUCTION GALA!

Saturday, April 19th

5:30 to 11 pm

Parish Hall

No Host Bar, Appetizers, Dinner Buffet

Silent and Live Auctions, Raffle

Tickets: \$35 until April 13, \$40 thereafter

Don't miss this fun-filled event!

To reserve your spot, donate items, or

For more information, please call 252-9775.

Spring Scholarship Appeal

In the coming week, Spring Development Drive Packets will be mailed out to Parishioners and sent home to school families in their weekly envelopes. Each year during the Easter Season we reach out to our parish and school communities, asking for support of our Scholarship Funds. In turn, we are then able to reach out to families struggling through difficult times. We sincerely appreciate any assistance you can give us. Be assured that 100% of your gift goes directly to the fund you designate, and your donation is tax deductible. Please know how grateful we are for your generous support of our school, and that you are always in our prayers.

The Faculty and Students at SJC School

Mark your calendars and reserve a table with your friends for the annual **YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE BINGO SALAD LUNCHEON** to be held in our parish hall on Saturday, April 26th from 11:00A.M. to 2:30 P.M. This luncheon is always a sell out so get your tickets before **APRIL 18TH** as none will be sold at the door. Donation is \$15.00 per person which includes a fabulous salad luncheon, bingo and wonderful door prizes. Contact Mary Lou Caldwell at (408) 252-0213 or Janet DeBenedetti at (408) 257-3623 for tickets or additional information.

WIDOWED, SEPARATED & DIVORCED WEEKEND—

May 2nd through May 4th 2008 at Vallombrosa Retreat Center in Menlo Park. For more information, call LaVerne at (650) 355-3978, Ward at (415) 821-3390 or Helen at (415) 388-9651, or see our website: <http://www.geocities.com/sanjosebe/>

FAITH RENEWAL GROUP

Faith Renewal Group of San Jose Chinese Catholic Community will have Mandarin Bible study in the Parish Community Center. Date: 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, no classes in July and August. Time: 10:00-11:30AM. We welcome everyone to join us. Please call Cecilia (408)867-9688 if you have any questions.

聖荷西華人天主教會信生小組讀經班自三月份起每個月的第二及第四個星期五早上10時到11時30分在Community Center國語讀經，由樂近英老師帶經。在樂老師逐字逐句的講解下，每一堂客精仔彩絕倫，歡迎每位懂國語的朋友來聆聽分享天主的恩寵。若有任何問題，請電趙忠 (408) 867-9688.

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

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!

Newest podcast—“**Morning has Broken**,” singing and reflection by Sofyan Nugroho, one of our parishioners!

NEW ADDITION—**PRAYER LINE!** (Prayerline@stjoscup.org)

Other Websites

- **Vatican**—www.vaticanstate.va in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish
- **The Christophers** website at www.christophers.org.
- www.Americancatholic.org
- www.FindingGod.org

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**. All other clothing should be taken to other charitable organizations. Thank you for your support of our program.

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.

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

A SEASON OF JOY

“They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers” (Acts 2:42). This first line of today's first reading sets the tone as this fifty-day celebration of Easter opens before us. Today we listen to the teachings of three apostles—Luke, Peter, and John—who remind us that even though we have not seen Christ, we nonetheless are filled with joy as we place our belief in his saving death and resurrection. Each week during the Easter season we will gather as a community of faith to find strength and support from our God and from one another. Each week we will gather to break bread and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, actions that will manifest the very presence of the risen Christ in our midst. Let us be open to the wonders of this season of joy.



Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) March 30, 2008

“Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed.”

— *John 20:29b*

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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.