

CATHOLIC CHARITIES is grateful for the wonderful support of all who contributed to its May Appeal. St. Joseph of Cupertino parishioners gave a total of \$22,508.25 to help those who are beaten down by illiteracy, isolation, addiction, mental illness, domestic abuse, hunger, oppression, and the lack of affordable housing.



Please consider joining the many St. Joseph's families that are supporting the Family Fun Festival via a Friends and Family sponsorship. You'll help underwrite an important community event, and **get your name and/or picture in the festival program book.**

<http://www.sjcschool.org/carnival/howtosponsor.html>



Going on vacation? We're still counting on you! Please remember your Sunday offering. Thank you.

GOOD EXAMPLE

A faithful Christian, illumined by the rays of grace like a crystal, ought to illumine his neighbor with the light of good example, through word and deed.



UPDATE ON OUR CRUISE TO THE MEXICAN RIVIERA.

The date has been set—Our Princess Cruise will be leaving on October 11 from San Francisco. This is a round trip and we will be returning to San Francisco—(no airline hassle) and we will try to make arrangements for a bus or van to take us to and from the pier. This is a great opportunity for a group from our church and your relatives and friends. October is a great month to set sail for Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, Ixtapa & Alcapulco. Fares range from \$949.00 to \$1,549.00 per person. Our travel agent, Shannon, who runs the CRUISES ONLY agency and is a member of our parish, will try and get us extra amenities at no extra cost to us. Have any questions? Phone Totsie at (408) 252-7653x61. Don't miss out on this WONDERFUL trip!



Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and his call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share? What am I doing to obey his command to serve him?

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!

MISSION APPEAL

Father Maurice Mamba will speak at all masses next weekend as part of the mission appeal. This year the parishioners of St. Joseph of Cupertino will be asked to help fund the rebuilding of four schools in the Archdiocese of Kananga in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. From 1996 to 2002, this country in central Africa experienced a severe civil war that killed over 3,000,000 people and displaced hundreds of thousands. During the fighting, church property was transformed into war zones and many church institutions, including schools, were left in ruins. The Catholic schools here reopened in 2003 but are still without adequate facilities or furnishings; for example, they cannot operate during the nine-month rainy season because the classrooms are roofless. The local population has come together to rebuild the schools but needs our help to provide a good education for the schools' 2,000 students. The cost of rebuilding is estimated at US\$100,000.



The Catechetical Ministry office is open and accepting applications for the 2008-2009 school year. If your child is between the ages of 3 and 8th grade and currently not registered in the program, you can download the registration packet at <http://stjoscup.org/forms/RegistrationPacket2008.pdf>. You can also

pick up the packet in the rectory or the Catechetical Ministry office. Contact Tam at 252-7653 ext 60 for further information.

If you wish to share your faith and time with the children at St. Joseph of Cupertino, please consider becoming a catechist! The program is still looking for parishioners to teach during the 11AM mass on Sundays. If you wish to volunteer or have further questions, please contact Tam at 252-7653 ext 60.



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

Mass Intentions For the Week

August 16	5:00 PM	JoAnn Walsh (+)
August 17	8:00 AM	Merlys Huser (+)
	9:30 AM	Ben & Elvie Morente
	11:00 AM	Paul Enders (+)
	5:00 PM	Anne O'Donnell (+)
August 18	8:30 AM	Joseph Hoa Hoang (+)
August 19	8:30 AM	George Pataki (+)
August 20	8:30 AM	Daniel Vaughn (+)
August 21	8:30 AM	Craig Kawashima (L)
August 22	8:30 AM	Sandy Cully (+)
August 23	8:30 AM	
	5:00 PM	Irene Zurbuch (+)
August 24	8:00 AM	Eva Nambiar (+)
	9:30 AM	Anna Allegri (+)
	11:00 AM	Paul Enders (+)
	5:00 PM	Sr. Elizabeth Reilly (L)



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:



Aug. 19 Italian Club potluck---6:30 p.m. Community Center. (all are welcome---Italian or not) *please bring an Italian dish to share.*



Aug. 24 Meeting for RCIA (anyone interested in the process of becoming Catholic)



12:15 p.m. - in the Parish Office

Sept. 14 FEAST DAY CELEBRATION! If you can help plan or represent your nationality, please call Janice at the parish office. There will be a planning meeting on Thursday, August 21st, at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. Every year has been better than before. Let's make this year extra special!

October----talk on Our Lady of Guadalupe

November 2---Dios de Los Martos
-----Series on St. Paul

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS? The RCIA process is for anyone 7 years of age or older:

- Unbaptized
 - Those baptized in another faith tradition
- Those baptized Catholic but no other formation
(call Janice at that above number for more information or e-mail at adultec@stjoscup.org)

DID YOU KNOW? We celebrate the feast of Pope Pius X this Thursday, August 21st. He was dedicated to reform and reorganized the Curia, ordered a codification of Canon Law, and gave impetus to liturgical reform especially in church music. Pope Pius X is called "the Pope of Frequent Communion," since he promoted daily communion allowing children at age seven to receive communion. (*Dictionary of Saints*----*Our Sunday Visitor*)

BE PREPARED FOR MASS for the TWENTY-FIRST Sunday of Ordinary Time---August 24, 2008

Read Matthew 1: 13-20

(Peter the Rock)

Question for Adults:

What cross are you carrying? Can you see new life coming from it?

Questions for Children:

Who has taught you about Jesus?

ACTION

EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES YOU CAN TAKE TO BUILD UP AND STRENGTHEN OUR PARISH.

Prayer:

O Jesus, we thank you for your church. May we be good and faithful disciples dedicated to you and your mission.
Amen.



SJC SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO PARISH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

and

BACK TO SCHOOL UPDATE

St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish School re-opens for the 2008-2009 school year on Monday, August 25, from 8:15 to 11:00 a.m. A reception will be held for families in our Parish Hall during this time. In addition, Kindergarten families will receive a brief orientation to our school on this first day (in the Kindergarten classroom).

The hours for the remainder of the first week

(Tuesday, August 26 through Thursday, August 28) will be 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, August 28 is School Picture Day. Friday, August 29 and Monday, September 1 are holidays (Labor Day Weekend). Full day sessions begin on Tuesday, September 2 (8:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) for all grades.

We are still accepting applications for all grades. Please contact our school office for application information (252-6441). Also you may log onto our website (www.sjcschool.org) to learn more about our parish school. Applications may be downloaded from the site. We will be happy to arrange for a testing appointment for your child as soon as we receive the application. Please note that active St. Joseph of Cupertino 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 22:19-23; Ps 138; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Once the way was cleared for additional Eucharistic Prayers, those who were appointed to compose them had to look deep within the tradition for sources. One of the prescriptions for new prayers was that they be "unencumbered by useless repetition." From the start, therefore, the writers knew that the old Roman Canon, which had the priest bowing and crossing himself many times in a long, complex prayer, was not a model of simplicity.

Aside from the prayers treasured by Eastern Christians, there is an obvious model from ancient Rome. For about a hundred years now, the historical text "Apostolic Tradition" has shed some light for us on the shadowy shape of worship in the early church. In it, its author, Hippolytus, took care to record the actual texts of worship used at the time. He himself has a shadow side, since he was so ardently conservative in his tastes that he broke ties with the Bishop of Rome and became first in the line of history's anti-popes. At the eleventh hour, however, he reconciled with his enemies and actually died a martyr. In fact, he was shipped off to the Sardinian mines as a slave with the true pope as his companion in chains. Because his tussle with the pope was over theological innovations and not liturgical texts, we are sure that his account of the style of Eucharistic Prayer in the third century is accurate. It forms the core of today's Eucharistic Prayer II.

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!

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. Finding God.org**

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.



Communion and Liberation Lay Movement. ARE YOU AN ADULT LOOKING TO DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND EXPERIENCE OF THE CHURCH? Come to our "School of Community" Wednesdays at 7:30-8:30pm in the SJC School Art

Room. We are currently working on the book *Is it Possible to Live this Way?* By Msgr. Luigi Giussani. For more information contact Yvonne Fernández at yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com or go to our website at **www.clonline.us**

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD'S NAME

"Let all the nations praise you!" (**Psalm 67:4**) **today's psalm** response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a "put up or shut up" challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with "Behold!" (**Matthew 15:22**) "Behold!" is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus' followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 17, 2008**

Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed.
— *Isaiah 56:1*

***St. Joseph of Cupertino
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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.