



COMING SOON!!! OUR FEAST DAY CELEBRATING ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO!

Food, entertainment, fun for all. Help make it extra special by bringing food from your ethnic heritage. Please call the rectory of fill out the form on our flyer if you can help.

There will be **NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** or **BENEDICTION ON Wednesday, September 10th.**

Rotating Shelter Luncheon for You!!

If you helped the Rotating Shelter at St. Joseph's in July in any way, you are very cordially invited to a Volunteer Thank You Luncheon!!! All food will be provided by West Valley Community Services (formerly Cupertino Community Services). If you helped the shelter program by providing a meal, were a shopper or greeter, or donated to the shelter program, this luncheon is for you! **WVCS** needs a head count, because the food will be catered, so if you plan to come, **RSVP** to Mary Ellen Hennig at (408) 255-6382. Many thanks once again to all our wonderful volunteers!

NEIGHBORLY LOVE

We can never love our neighbor too much.
—St. Francis de Sales

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
 Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
 Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
 Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17



Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

Am I my brother's keeper? All three readings today suggest that for the Christian steward the answer is "Yes!" As St. Paul advises, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

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!



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Jesus Christ is the life and mission of the Church. On the weekend of September 20-21, 2008, the parish will celebrate those men and women who serve the parish by bringing the Word of God into the hearts of others. At the 9:30am Eucharistic celebration, we will commission our catechists to this wonderful task that they

have been called upon to do. We will also recognize the role parents and guardians play in handing on the faith to the children and youth in our parish. Take a minute and thank our catechists for all they do to share the light of faith with our children, youth, and adults.



SHARE SCRIPTURE: JOIN A SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUP. Develop a closer relationship with God by reading and reflecting on the scriptures with others. If you are interested in joining one of our groups, please call Janice at the parish office.

FROM AN 8 YEAR OLD named Danny Dutton who lives in Chula Vista, Ca. "You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God!"

PRAYER GROUP---Next meeting will be **September 8th at 12 noon** in Community Center.

Mass Intentions For the Week

Sept. 06	5:00 PM	Teresita Torres (+)
Sept.07	8:00 AM	John & Margaret Mardesich (+)
	9:30 AM	Lucianno Milan (+)
	11:00 AM	Rogelio Solleza
	5:00 PM	
Sept. 08	8:30 AM	
Sept. 09	8:30 AM	
Sept. 10	8:30 AM	Janice Davis (+)
Sept. 11	8:30 AM	Hank Chang (L)
Sept. 12	8:30 AM	Rita Kinney (L)
Sept. 13	8:30 AM	Albert Saenz (+)
	5:00 PM	
Sept. 14	8:00 AM	William Rea, Jr. (+)
	9:30 AM	Mae White (+)
	11:00 AM	Suzanne Good (+)
	5:00 PM	Hannan Family (L)



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

GRIEF SUPPORT:

NEXT MEETING WILL BE SEPTEMBER 7TH AT 3 P.M. IN THE PARISH OFFICE. If you need assistance before then, please call Janice or one of the priests at the office---252-7653. "Grief shared is half grief; Joys shared is double joy. *Honduran Proverb*

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 interested, please call Carol Ruiz at 777-2966.



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:

YOUR PRESENCE IS REQUESTED AT OUR ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO FEAST DAY CELEBRATION NEXT SUNDAY AT 12 NOON IN THE PARISH HALL! This is a special time for all of us to get together and celebrate the uniqueness of our community. There will be good food, lots of fun, and activities for all.

- October 7** Talk on Our Lady of Guadalupe—7 p.m. Community Center
- October 13** Healing Through Music---Fr. Chris Bennett---7-9 p.m.---Community Center
- October 28** Planning a Christian Funeral---Msgr. Milani, Caroline Thomas, The Alameda Family Funeral Home
- November 2.3** Dia de los Muertos (celebrating the day of the dead---special altar & explanation)
- TBA** **Series on St. Paul—Sr. Eloise Rosenblatt** (scripture scholar who has written books 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

All welcome to come to our meeting September 17th at 7 p.m. in the community center.

(call Janice at that above number for more information or e-mail at adultec@stjoscup.org)

HELP SPREAD THE FAITH. INVITE SOMEONE TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH!

Did You Know? Next Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (or triumph of the Cross) which began in the 4th Century. Since Jesus transformed the Cross into a sign of life, it not only is the instrument of our salvation, but also a powerful symbol of our Christian faith.

BE PREPARED FOR MASS for the EXALTATION OF THE CROSS ---September 14, 2008

Read John 3:13-17

Question for Adults:

What cross are you now carrying? Do you have any hope for new life arising from it?

Questions for Children:

How can you help someone who is suffering?

ACTION

DISPLAY A CRUCIFIX IN A PROMINENT PLACE IN YOUR HOME.

Prayer:

Dear Jesus, teach us how to carry our cross. Give us the strength and courage we need to face our challenging times. Amen



SJC SCHOOL NEWS

WCEA/WASC EVALUATION RESULTS

St. Joseph of Cupertino School underwent a very extensive evaluation process last year for accreditation from the Western Catholic Education Association and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WCEA/WASC.) These accrediting agencies determine if a school receives a term ranging from one to six years. The WCEA/WASC visiting committee report for SJC was extraordinarily positive and we are proud to report that we received the maximum term of accreditation from these two agencies. Our term of accreditation extends through June of 2014.

When our parish school underwent this evaluation process previously in 2002, we were asked to develop Student Learning Expectations. These learning expectations evolved into our "SPARCCLS". The 2008 Visiting Committee was struck by how much these learning expectations have permeated daily life at our school. St. Joseph's has become a model for how school communities can foster the living out of our faith and values.

Learn more about how SJC lives out each of our "SPARCCLS" in future updates in this bulletin and on our website at: <http://www.sjcschool.org/sparccls.php>

Spiritual
Peaceful
Academically Prepared
Respectful
Confident
Community Oriented
Life-long learners
Strong Communicators



Welcome New Parishioners:

Mr. Matt Ara

Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Burns Family

Mr. & Mrs. Alfredo Calvetti Family

Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Huynh Family

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Moriarty Family

Ms. Elaine Smith

Mr. & Mrs. Scott Smith, Sr. Family

Mr. & Mrs. Enrique Wong Family

Family Fun Festival

Just Around the Corner

September 26, 27, and 28

Help Us Spread the Word

Carnival rides, live entertainment, games, and food, food, food. For more information, call 408-252-6441 or see www.sjcschool.org/carnival.

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.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.



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!

Groups 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 Luigi Giussani. For more information contact Yvonne Fernández at yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com or go to our website at www.clonline.us



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



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7, 2008

"If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father."

— *Matthew 18:19*

**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.