

**THANK YOU  
TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED IN ANY WAY  
TO OUR FEAST DAY CELEBRATION. A SPIRIT OF UNITY, A  
SPIRIT OF GENEROSITY, AND A SPIRIT OF JOY WERE ALL ON  
DISPLAY. SPECIAL THANKS TO JANICE LAMOTTE, OUR PAS-  
TORAL ASSOCIATE, FOR HELPING EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE  
COME TOGETHER FOR THIS GREAT EVENT.**

**--Fr. Greg**

**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!

**Volunteer Thank You Luncheon  
Faith In Action Rotating Shelter Program  
Sunday, September 21 at 1:00p.m.  
Church of the Ascension, Worner Hall  
12033 Miller Ave. (at Prospect)  
Saratoga, Ca. 95070**

**HURRICANE RELIEF:** Those wishing to make a contribution to aid relief efforts for victims of Hurricane Gustav and subsequent storms may send a check directly to Catholic Charities USA 2008 Hurricane Fund, P.O. Box 17141, Baltimore, MD 21297-1141.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22  
Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Lk 9:43b-45  
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32



**Stewardship at St.  
Joseph of Cupertino**

In today's gospel, the vineyard owner says, "I am free to do as I please with my money, am I not?" We are also free. Is a generous return to the Lord in thanksgiving for his many blessings among the choices we have made?

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!*

**GO TO**

**[www.stjoscup.org](http://www.stjoscup.org)**

**SPECIAL EVENTS• ACTIVITIES• PHOTOS  
CALENDAR• HOMILIES•AND MORE!**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- We have a social events committee
- We have a new youth minister---Primo Martinez
- We have a new young adult ministry—headed by Fr. Chady
- We have many adult faith formation and events planned for the year---stay tuned to bulletin, flyers, and the web.
- We have hospitality once a month after morning masses on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday
- We need people to help with all our special events
- We have many special ministries i.e. environment etc --- where will you put your talents

**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.

*Mass Intentions For the Week*

Sept. 20	5:00 PM	Mitch Mullany (+)
Sept. 21	8:00 AM	Kay Mooring (+)
	9:30 AM	John Tusco (+)
	11:00 AM	Joseph Wei (+)
	5:00 PM	Elvis Taghu (L)
Sept. 22	8:30 AM	In Honor of St. Jude
Sept. 23	8:30 AM	In Honor of St. Jude
Sept. 24	8:30 AM	Kofi-Kra Kpatakpa (+)
Sept. 25	8:30 AM	In Honor of St. Jude
Sept. 26	8:30 AM	Wai-Fang Yang-Chu (+)
Sept. 27	8:30 AM	In Honor of St. Jude
	5:00 PM	Donald & Faye Mullen (+)
Sept. 28	8:00 AM	
	9:30 AM	Emilio & Rosita Guttadauro (+)
	11:00 AM	Chi Chao Tsien (+)
	5:00 PM	



**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)

### **THANKS A MILLION TO ALL WHO MADE OUR FEAST DAY SOOOOOO SPECIAL!!!** It truly was a coming together of our

great and wonderful parish.

### **PLEASE FILL OUR A "DREAM CARD" FOR OUR PARISH**

(this is what POSITIVE thing you want to see to make our parish even GREATER!!!)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 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

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

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

Catechetical sessions begin Sunday, October 5. It is not too late to register your child(ren) for the 2008-2009 school year. Download the form online at <http://www.stjoscup.org/forms/RegistrationPacket2008.pdf> or contact Tam at 252-7653x60.

Catechetical Ministry is looking for people willing to share their faith experience with the young people of our church community. Each class is set up with two catechists, so each one only teaches every other week. All materials necessary for each week's lesson plan are provided, leaving you free to concentrate on personal prayer and lesson preparation. If you can consider this ministry or have any questions, please call Tam at 252-7653x60.

### **BE PREPARED FOR MASS for next week's Mass: the TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME-----**

**September 28, 2008**

**Read Matthew 21:28-32** (parable of the two sons)

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

Which son in today's gospel do you most relate?

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

Do you follow through on your promises? Why is this important?

#### **ACTION**

**DO A KIND DEED FOR SOMEONE THIS WEEK.**

#### **Prayer:**

Oh Lord, make your ways known to me and teach me how to be more aware of how I need to be. Amen



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

### **AN SJC STUDENT SPARCCLS! DID YOU KNOW?**

Students at St. Joseph of Cupertino know the value of being **Spiritual** – spirituality is at the core of our identity as a school and students have many opportunities for spiritual growth.

*Did you know?* Every morning we begin our day at morning assembly where the SJC students and faculty are gathered in prayer. During assembly, we keep in mind those in our community who are in need of our prayers. A different prayer each month is highlighted at our morning gatherings, reinforcing the fundamentals of our Catholic faith and spirituality.

*Did you know?* Each grade at SJC participates in a class retreat annually and is also responsible for planning and leading a prayer service for the school. For example, next month our Fifth grade class will lead us in our Blessing of the Animals Prayer service in honor of St. Francis of Assisi on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. (You are welcome to join us at 8:30am with your family pet!) Also, our students attend First Friday Mass each month, celebrating the Eucharist with our parish community. As a school, we also have our monthly SPARCCLS prayer services lead by our 8<sup>th</sup> grade family leaders.

*Did you know?* At our recent opening prayer service, SJC student council officers were installed with a candle lighting ceremony where they prayed "May this light I hold be the symbol of light of my own life and efforts, and may it shine before my fellow youth to give glory to God and good example to the students of our school."

### **AN SJC STUDENT "SPARCCLS"!**

An SJC Student is:

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

Coming soon – An SJC Student SPARCCLS by being **PEACEFUL.**



is just around the corner...

**September 26, 27, and 28, 2008**

**Avoid the crowds and be prepared. Get all your tickets before the Festival begins!**

Do you like carnival rides? Then purchase your Midway tickets today, after mass at a 50% discount! The price goes up when the carnival begins.

There are lots of great prizes to be won in the general raffle. Tickets are \$4 each or 6 for \$20.

**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!!---(stjoscup.org)** 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!

**podcast---**“**Morning has Broken,**” **singing and reflection,**Sofyan Nugroho, one of our parishioners and song leaders!

**PRAYER LINE!** ( Prayer line @stjoscup.org)

**Other Websites**

**American Catholic.org**.you’ll find information about the *Catholic Faith, Saint of the Day, as well as a place for prayer requests!*

**Vatican---**[www.vaticanstate.va](http://www.vaticanstate.va) in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

**The Christophers** website at [www.christophers.org](http://www.christophers.org).

[www.Americancatholic.org](http://www.Americancatholic.org)

[www.FindingGod.org](http://www.FindingGod.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.

**Groups** **Communion and Liberation Lay Movement** ARE YOU AN ADULT LOOKING TO DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND EXPERIENCE

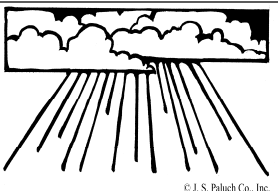
**OF THE CHURCH?** Come to our “School of Community” Wednesdays at 7:30-8:30pm in the SJC School Art Room. We are currently working on the book *Is it Possible to Live this Way?* by Luigi Giussani. For more information contact Yvonne Fernández at [yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com](mailto:yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com) or go to our website at [www.clonline.us](http://www.clonline.us)



**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.

**GRIEF SUPPORT:**  
**NEXT MEETING WILL BE October 5th 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*

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



**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 21, 2008**  
Turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
— *Isaiah 55:7b*

**St. Joseph of Cupertino  
Staff Information**

**Parish Office: 252-7653** sjcparish@stjoscup.org  
Secretary: Free Draga Fri. Admin. Asst: Tracey Govola  
Bereavement Ministry – 221-7255 .....Mary Ann Herlihy  
Bingo Information – x37  
Business Administration – x23 ..... Monica Viruegas-Ferrante  
Catechetical Ministry – x60..... Tam Tran (catmin@stjoscup.org)  
Liturgy – x32 ..... Dan Morris  
Ministry to the Sick – 252-7653 ..... Marlene Penney  
Organist – 996-9352 ..... Lothar Bandermann  
Outreach .....Dick Schumacher/Tom Kemnitz  
497-7952 (Dick) – 446-1674 (Tom)  
Pastoral Associate – x30.....Janice LaMotte  
(adulted@stjoscup.org)  
School – 252-6441 ..... Mary Lyons (www.sjcschool.org)  
Wedding Coordinator – 255-1881 ..... Totsie Taylor  
252-7653x61  
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Infant Baptism.....Rev. Normandy Segovia  
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Liturgy Committee ..... liturgy@stjoscup.org  
Communications Committee .. communications@stjoscup.org

**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.