

Thank you to all whose generous service helped to give us a joyous and beautiful Christmas celebration this year. Special thanks to Totsie Taylor and her dedicated crew for the splendid decorations in the church and in the hall! -- Fr. Greg



3rd Annual Priests vs. Seminarians Basketball Challenge

Back by popular demand, our annual Priests-Seminarians Basketball Game will be held on February 6, 2009 at 7:00 PM. Because of the growing number of people attending this event, the upcoming game will be at Leavey Center on the campus of Santa Clara University. Tickets can be purchased after Masses during the weekend of January 3/4 or on-line at <http://www.dsj.org/bballtix>. Price: \$10 per adults and \$5 for students. The Bishop has described this as "one of the most fun things he gets to do as bishop." You'll see your priests and future priests in a whole new light. And, yes, they play better than you think! Get your tickets early. All proceeds go to support our 22 seminarians. Come and watch Fr. Chady play on the Championship REVS team!



Catechetical classes resume Sunday, January 4. The Early Childhood program will be having an Epiphany party at 10 am in the AV Room.

"Protecting God's Children" Safe Environment Training will take place in late January.

There will be a Parent Meeting at 10am in the AV Room on January 11 to familiarize new families to this program.



**FLOWER OFFERINGS
IN MEMORY OF:**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO FULFILL YOUR 2008 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL PLEDGES BY DECEMBER 31, 2008. Since St. Joseph of Cupertino has already reached its goal, every dollar you contribute will come right back to us! *Thank you for supporting your diocese and your parish.*



Welcome New Parishioners!

**Mr. & Mrs. Anil Aranjany
Family**

Mr. & Mrs. Zacharia Bunanta

Family

Mr. & Mrs. John Ling Family

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Lisk

Mr. & Mrs. Eric McDonald Family

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| Carroll family | Tony Beccia | Margaret Hafner |
| Donaldson family | Roberta Schaaf | Pedro Euy |
| Meyers family | Cecilia Klakulak | Rosita Euy |
| Mary Amos | George W. Graham | Caridad Euy |
| William Rea, Sr. | Joyce Brennan | Damian Euy |
| William Rea, Jr. | Russ Loafman | Blanca Villamizar de Gomez |
| George Bennett | Joseph B. Ignatowicz | Joseph Iserra |
| Robert Delgado | Nina G. Marsters | Teresa Bisio |
| Guadalupe Delgado | Bailon family | Berk Gilson |
| Virgil Koker | Chase Douglas | Peggy Anne Martone |
| Antonia Koker | Rogers | Ana Maria Ruiz |
| Val, Sophie & | Patricia Croan | Catarineu |
| Joseph Leksan | Jorge P. Li | Frank Ward |
| Mary Louise Smith | Sun-Man Lo | Mary Ward |
| Louise Smith | Kee Lo | Lizzie Crawford |
| Clarence Smith | Siu Keng Fon Lo | Catharine Crawford |
| Tony Perusa | Shiu Hon Woo | Hugh Crawford |
| Doris Perusa | Mui O. Tse-Woo | Hildegard Sherman |
| Lloyd Standridge | Yam Woo | Marion Kuehnlein |
| Minnie Muniz | C.C. Lee | Michael La Porta |
| Mary, Han & Tom | Verna Springer- | Helen Herlihy |
| Bryance | Colbert | Jim Herlihy, Jr. |
| Bohn family | Albert Saenz | Doska family |
| Rohrs-Carter family | Tru Dang | Ronald Lisk |
| Joseph Hansen | Henry Kloss | Gloria Lisk |
| Devon Matthews | Michael De Plama | Joseph Kenney |
| Smith family | Rosalie De Plama | |
| Anna Allegri | Jay Butera | |
| Caterina Prando | Edward P. McGaugh | |
| Mae White | Henry J. Mobilia | |
| Frances Fung | Walter Shanley | |

(If you are interested in any of the offerings below, please contact Janice LaMotte in the parish office---252-7653 ext. 30)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 24 Grief after the Holidays---Fr. Chris Bennett-Community Center – 7 p.m.
- January 25 Video or talk on St. Paul Community Center – 3 p.m.
- Feb. 19 End of Life Handbook – David Feldman, PhD – Community Center 7 p.m.

March 22, 23, 24 Parish Mission 7 p.m. Church

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Make a New Year’s Resolution to help our parish. What can you do to be a good steward (disciple) of Christ this year?

Our RCIA is in full swing!!! Persons interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children over 7 years of age.**

This process of faith formation is for those who have never been baptized, or who were baptized in another faith, and who now seek to know more about Catholicism. We also welcome Catholics who were baptized but never celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. After a period of informal inquiry, participants are then invited to embark on a process of instruction, prayer, and discernment in preparation for the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter vigil. We meet Wednesday evenings form 7-8:30 p.m. and we invite anyone interested to “come & see”. *(for more information, please contact Janice LaMotte at 252-7653 ext. 30)*

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

**BE PREPARED NEXT WEEK’S MASS:
FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 11, 2009**

Read: Isaiah 55:1-11; I John 5:1-9; Mark 1:7-11

Question for Adults:

What does “Baptism” mean to you? If it is the beginning of our Christian ministry, how are you responding?

Questions for Children:

How can you help other feel more included in your class or various games and activities?

ACTION

**JOIN A SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUP THIS YEAR
TO HELP NURTURE YOUR SPIRITUALITY**

Prayer:

Oh Gracious God, you have redeemed your people through the waters of baptism. May we who have passed through the waters be more fervent in our faith and service to you . Amen



LIFE Donations Coming In



Many thanks to those who have generously contributed to the St. Joseph of Cupertino LIFE (Legacies In Faith and Education) Development Fund during the month of November. The LIFE Fund is designed to build long-term financial stability for our parish school, ensure equitable teacher salaries and help struggling families provide a Catholic education for their children.

If you would like to make your tax-deductible contribution in time for the 2008 tax year, simply send in your donation before the end of the calendar year. You may also choose to spread out your gift by using our pledge program.

The success of our development fund is critical to the future of SJC School. Please consider joining this effort if you have not already done so. For further information, contact the school office at (252-6441.)

Thank you for your continued generosity!

A Special Invitation for Parish Families....

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Joseph of Cupertino School Open House

Tuesday, January 27th, 2009

9am - 12 noon

Prospective students and their families for the 2009-2010 school year are invited to come for a tour at our open house. Come see our classrooms, students and teachers in action! Tours will be lead by current school parents and applications for all grades will be available. To reserve your spot, please call Kama Belloni in the school office at 252-6441.

Lucky

ATTENTION LUCKY’S SHOPPERS:

Do you shop at LUCKY’S?

Save your RECEIPTS for SJC School! Lucky’s has a program called “Apples For Students” where schools can receive FREE classroom supplies and educational products based on your register receipts. Please keep your Lucky’s receipts and deposit them in the designated box in the vestibule of the church. Thank you!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What is a **dogma**? What is a **doctrine**? *(answer in next week’s bulletin.)*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:13-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
 Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29 or
 Is 12:2-6; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9;
 Mk 1:7-11

Mass Intentions For the Week

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| Jan. 03 | 5:00 PM | |
| Jan. 04 | 8:00 AM | |
| | 9:30 AM | Barbara Schumacher (+) |
| | 11:00 AM | Special Intention |
| | 5:00 PM | |
| Jan. 05 | 8:30 AM | |
| Jan. 06 | 8:30 AM | Marion Scarino (+) |
| Jan. 07 | 8:30 AM | |
| Jan. 08 | 8:30 AM | Joyce Brennan (+) |
| Jan. 09 | 9:00 AM | Mary Lester (L) |
| Jan. 10 | 8:30 AM | Special Intention |
| | 5:00 PM | Christina Chan (L) |
| Jan. 11 | 8:00 AM | Russ Loafman |
| | 9:30 AM | |
| | 11:00 AM | Barbara Schumacher (+) |
| | 5:00 PM | Hari Widjaja (+) |



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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



Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts. "They prostrated themselves and did him Homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." What gifts do I bring to my Savior?

For more information on the many ways to practice stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino, please call L. T. Gutta-dauro, 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!



SANTO NINO FIESTA

The Diocesan Council of Filipino Catholics, Diocese of San Jose invites everyone to the Annual celebration of the feast of Santo Nino on January 17, 2009 at St Joseph Cathedral/Basilica, 80 So. Market St., San Jose. Bishop Patrick McGrath will preside at the Eucharistic celebration. Before the Mass is the traditional Sinulog" and "Karakol" processions at 11:30 A.M. The fiesta will be preceded by a nine day novena to be held at different churches in the diocese. In the evening there will be a dinner dance at the parish hall of St. Lawrence the Martyr in Santa Clara, tickets cost \$30.00 per person. For more information, please call (408) 729-7228 or (408) 578-5101

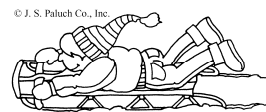
GRIEF SUPPORT: Meets the 1st SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 3 P.M. IN THE PARISH OFFICE. Next meeting---Jan. 4, 2009 . Anyone who has suffered a loss of any kind is most welcome. "Grief shared is half grief; Joy shared is double joy. Honduran Proverb

Pray For COME & PRAY FOR AN HOUR---ALL ARE INVITED TO COME TO OUR PRAYER

GROUP MEETING in the community center at 12 noon on Mondays. Come and help pray for your needs, the needs of our parishioners and our parish. NEXT MEETING IS JAN. 12, 2009.

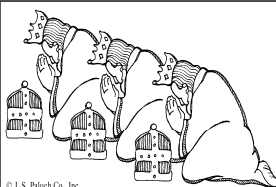


PRAYER REQUESTS? We have a prayer request form on our website. All requests are welcome & confidential.



MOM'S GROUP : A good way to meet other mothers and share spiritually, and socially. This group will now

MEET ON THE SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH, usually at a park. If you are interested, please call Carol Ruiz at 777-2966.



The Epiphany of the Lord January 4, 2009

All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him. — Psalm 72:11

Automated Giving is here. Have you signed up yet?
 All parishioners are encouraged to make their weekly contributions via Parish Pay. You may sign up on the St Joseph website: www.stjoscup.org (click on “parish” and “contributions”) or the Parish Pay site: www.parishpay.com. If you have questions, please contact the Parish Pay team at ppcteam@stjoscup.org or call Mike Hoffman at 408-255-4767.

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 in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

The Christophers website at www.christophers.org.

www.Americancatholic.org

www.FindingGod.org

WARNING!!! Not all websites are created equal---be careful that they follow the true Catholic teaching!

ADULT CONFIRMATION: If you are 18 or older and have never been confirmed, call Janice at 252-7653 ext. 30 or e-mail at adulted@stjoscup.org Our first meeting is January 18th at 12 noon in the parish office.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO NURTURE YOUR FAITH? Join a Small Faith Sharing group which reflects on the Scripture, prays about the scripture, and discusses how the readings speak to us today. There will be a meeting for all who are interested on Jan. 11th in the parish office at 12:15 p.m. *For more information, call Janice at the parish office, 252-7653 ext. 30.*

GO TO
www.stjoscup.org
SPECIAL EVENTS• ACTIVITIES•
PHOTOS
CALENDAR• HOMILIES•AND MORE!

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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.