

Thank you to all whose generous service helped to give us a joyous and beautiful Christmas celebration this year. Special thanks to Dan Morris, Esther Koker and our dedicated decorating crew, including Dolores Kloss, and, of course, its guiding force, Totsie Taylor, for the splendid decorations!

-- Fr. Greg

The clergy and lay staff of St. Joseph of Cupertino express their gratitude for the good wishes and other kind gestures of support they received from parishioners at Christmas. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: FINGERPRINTING AND TRAINING OF VOLUNTEERS

Please be aware of a new diocesan policy requiring the fingerprinting and “safe environment” training of ALL parish volunteers having ANY contact with children or vulnerable adults. Those volunteers now falling into this category will include ALL of the following: lectors, eucharistic ministers, music ministers, ushers, greeters, ministers of hospitality, RCIA team members, the Pastoral Advisory Council, the Holy Name Society, the Friends of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Chinese New Year Committee, the Fil-Am Society, Funeral Reception Committee, Welcoming Committee, Mom’s Groups, Centennial Committee. The deadline for fingerprinting and training is January 31, 2013. Fingerprinting and training are *voluntary*; however, those volunteers who do *not* have on file fingerprint clearance AND certification of safe environment training before the deadline will not be able to continue in their volunteer capacity until the time when the requirements are fulfilled.

At present, the parish and parish school staffs are in the process of scheduling times for fingerprinting to be done on the parish property. We will inform you of these times as soon as they are available. Those requiring fingerprinting will also be able to make their own arrangements, if they wish. The cost of fingerprinting is \$20 per person. Fingerprints will be sent to the Department of Justice, which will report results to the diocese, which in turn will report any problems to the parish. Please note that a person has to be fingerprinted *once only*; if, for example, a choir member has already been fingerprinted because she is also a minister to the sick, she does not have to be fingerprinted again. Also, please note that fingerprinting done previously on behalf of other organizations, e.g., a local public school, is *insufficient* for the diocese because organizations are not permitted to share fingerprinting information.

Safe environment training, which takes about an hour, is normally done online. Those requiring this training may go *now* to www.shieldthevulnerable.com to do the training, even if they have not yet been fingerprinted. Please print out the certificate you will receive at the end of the course and provide the parish with a copy. If you do not have internet access, you may schedule a time to visit the parish office and use one of our computers OR we will help you find a live training session you may attend.

Although these requirements are burdensome for you, we know that your primary concern is ensuring a safe environment for the children and vulnerable adults of our parish. We thank you for your support in advance and we apologize for any inconvenience. We appreciate all of our volunteers and we hope that you will continue to join in the work of building up our community.

ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO 2012 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Feast of the Holy Family
December 29-30
Regular weekend schedule

New Year's Day
(Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)
Tuesday, January 1, 2013
Mass at 10 A.M. only

This day is not a holy day of obligation this year.

“SHARING OUR FAITH--TOGETHER IN CHRIST” is the theme of the 2013 Annual Diocesan Appeal, which begins January 19-20. Please prayerfully consider pledging your support to your parish and our local church by contributing to the ADA.



The Catechetical office is closed and will reopen on January 7.

Classes will resume on January 9 for Junior High and January 13 for preschool and elementary grades.



The parish offices will be closed from Christmas Eve until January 01, 2013 for the Christmas holiday. The offices will re-open on Wednesday, January 2nd, at 9:00 AM. We wish everyone a safe, happy and healthy holiday season.



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)

“ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT”!

CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING OFFERINGS:

- Jan. 5 CHRISTMAS CONCERT 6:30 p.m.
Church
- Jan. 6 EPIPHANY POTLUCK AND CELEBRATION 12:30 P.M.
COMMUNITY CENTER.
- Jan 14 THE BOOK OF REVELATION PRESENTATION- Michael Reardon- 7 p.m.
Church
- Jan. 29 CATHOLICISM SERIES – 7 p.m.
Community Center. Topic: Peter, Paul, and the Missionary Adventure.

ALL ARE INVITED TO A **SPECTACULAR and DRAMATIC** PRESENTATION of scripture, light, and movement when Michael Reardon and Patrick Lane bring **THE BOOK OF REVELATION** to our community. This is a profoundly moving and totally captivating work of faith, making the Scripture come alive in a fresh way, with music, lighting, and costuming, proclaimed in the oral tradition of the early church. – Monday, January 14, 2013 at 7 p.m. It will be in the church.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What is the feast of the Epiphany?

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH INVITES YOU TO COME & SEE: Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Are you baptized in another Christian tradition or baptized Catholic, but without formal religious education?

Our RCIA session are held on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. For more information, please call Janice LaMotte at (408) 252-7653 ext. 30

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

BE BETTER PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK’S MASS THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 6, 2012

Read: Isaiah 60:1-6;

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Question for Adults?

When have you found it difficult to understand or accept a teaching of the church? What helps you to be faithful?

Question for Children:

Who teaches you about the Catholic faith?

ACTION

ATTEND OUR EPIPHANY POTLUCK ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 6TH AT 12:30 P.M.

Prayer

Dear Jesus, manifest yourself to us and help us to proclaim our faith to others. Amen



SJC SCHOOL NEWS



Thank you to the many generous donors that have contributed to the **L.I.F.E. Program** (**L.I.F.E. stands for “Legacies In Faith and Education”**).

Remember: All gifts given by December 31 are tax deductible for this current tax year.

We will give you an update on our progress upon the school’s return in January.



The St. Joseph of Cupertino School Community thanks you for the many blessings you have bestowed on us this year and joyfully wishes you a Happy New Year!



Save the Date!

The St. Joseph of Cupertino
Preschool Information Night is
Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 7p.m.
Come see the preschool and meet the staff.
Contact the Preschool Director Jean Wilson at
(408) 252-9778 if you have any questions,
or go to the website: www.sjcschool.org/preschool



Save the Date!

The St. Joseph of Cupertino School Open House:
Tuesday, January, 29, 2013 from 9am – noon.
Take a tour (Preschool thru 8th grade)
and see our school in action!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
 Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
 Friday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
 Saturday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Mass Intentions for the Week

Dec. 29	5:00 PM	Joseph Mardesich, Jr. (+)
Dec. 30	8:00 AM	Mary LaPorta (+)
	9:30 AM	Stephanus Freddy Wiryadi (+)
	11:00 AM	Peggy Anne Martone (+)
	5:00 PM	Edgardo Ulpindo (+)
Dec. 31	8:30 AM	Hari Widjaja (+)
Jan. 01	10:00 AM	Frank Ward (+)
Jan 02.	8:30 AM	In Thanksgiving
Jan 03	8:30 AM	Anna Allegri (+)
Jan. 04	9:00 AM	Edgardo Ulpindo (+)
Jan. 05	8:30 AM	Tom & Totsie Taylor (+)
	5:00 PM	Hai Nguyen
Jan. 06	8:00 AM	Celine Joseph (+)
	9:30 AM	Massimo Vaccaro (+)
	11:00 AM	Albert Saenz (+)
	5:00 PM	In Thanksgiving



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

Stewardship Prayer

Rev. Gregory Kimm, 2009

God rich in kindness and generous in love,
 You call us to be your people, a church, a community of faith.

You have entrusted St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish to our care.
 Help us to be good stewards, always worthy of your trust.

As you are attentive to the needs of each of us,
 Enable us to be attentive to the needs of our parish,
 using the gifts you have given us not just for our own good,
 but for the good of all.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Brother, and in the Spirit, who makes us one.

Amen!



Meant4More Youth Ministry is open to all students in high school. We meet every Sunday from 6-8pm. Come join us and make new friends, learn your faith, play games, sing, go on trips and watch movies. For more information email primomartinez@yahoo.com.

PRAYER GROUP: MEETS THURSDAYS FROM 12:30-1:30 p.m. IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER. ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME AND PRAY FOR OUR PARISH AND ANY PERSONAL REQUESTS. Many, many thanks to ELLEN HAAS for leading the group each week.

Join us in for the first event of our centennial year. On January 5th we will have a special 5 PM mass, followed at 7 PM with a concert. The mass will have historical overtones, and the concert will include an expanded choir as well as a Christmas carol sing-a-long.

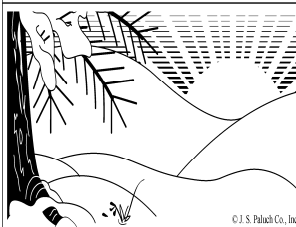
Taking Good Care of Our New Breaking Bread Books!

This is just a little reminder about our new Breaking Bread song books. The new books were placed in the pews on December 1st, and already the crew who cleans and straightens the church each week have noticed that a number of the new books are damaged, with bent and torn pages.

May we request that you please take extra care to be sure the books are properly handled, and treated with respect, as they contain the Word of God. Many thanks!

GRIEF SUPPORT :These meetings are open to everyone on a drop in basis and led by a trained counselor. **NEXT MEETING; SUNDAY, JANUARY 20TH AT 12:30 P.M. IN THE PARISH OFFICE. (BEGINNING IN JANUARY THE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP WILL MEET THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH.)**

“BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY” This ministry is for grieving families. Teams from the parish supply **salads or desserts for a small group** of people in the family’s home or our community center following a funeral. *(If you would like to be part of this ministry, please call Marlene at (408) 741-1615)*



**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
 December 30, 2012**

Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.
 — 1 John 3:2a

Automated Giving is here—Have you signed up yet?

All parishioners are encouraged to give a set monthly amount. There are a number of ways this can be accomplished. You can sign up for online giving by clicking on “donations” on the St. Joseph website home page (www.stjoscup.org). You can use your bank’s online bill pay service to set up a recurring monthly payment to St. Joseph, or you can write one check each month and either drop it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office. If you have questions, please contact the Planned Parish Giving team at ppcteam@stjoscup.org or call Mike Hoffman at (408) 255-

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 **Sunday homilies**.

PRAYER LINE! (Prayerline@stjoscup.org)

OTHER WEBSITES:

Diocesan Website— www.dsj.org

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

Vatican—www.vatican.va in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

The Christophers website at www.christophers.org.

Loyola Press —www.loyolapress.com

Sacred Space—<http://sacredspace.ie>(good for spirituality & prayer)

Busted Halo —www.bustedhalo.com(good for young adults)

USCCB.org (the U.S. bishops website)

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

(stay tuned---hope to have some homilies, etc. in Chinese)

CATHOLIC RADIO: 1260 AM (Immaculate Heart Radio)

Check out “Catholicism Series.com”--- interesting information about our Catholic faith.

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.

WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW MEMBERS AND VISITORS. Your presence helps enliven our community and we thank and praise our God for each and every one of you. **If you would like to register with our parish, registration forms are in the vestibule and outside the chapel, or online.**

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! Information is also on the parish website under **ACTIVITIES**.

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Staff Information**

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Infant Baptism..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

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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.

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