

**CENTENNIAL YEAR
PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**Mass in honor of St. Joseph of Cupertino at 11 A.M.
Followed by a chicken barbecue for all
Mark your calendars now!
Tickets for the barbecue on sale soon**

MISSION APPEAL: Next weekend we will welcome to our parish Fr. Tom Hagan, who serves in a mission in Haiti. He will ask our help with a Catholic mission outreach effort called Hands Together, which runs free schools, medical clinics and nutrition programs for the poor.

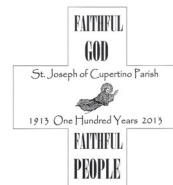
GRIEF SUPPORT: These meetings are open to everyone on a drop in basis and led by a trained counselor. **NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 12:30 P.M. IN THE PARISH OFFICE. (OUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP USUALLY MEETS THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.)**

**Shalom Festival Catholic Conference:
Celebrate Life with Jesus!**

All are welcome! Includes Holy Mass with Bishop McGrath, Catholic speakers, Charismatic praise and worship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Date and time: September 28, 2013, 9 AM to 9 PM. Location: St. Mary's Catholic Church, 324 Gloria Ave., San Jose, CA. Registration fee: \$40 per person, includes lunch and dinner. Children under 7 are free. For information, please go to www.shalomworld.org.

CENTENNIAL MEMORY LANE

**THE CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION AND
THE CHINESE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO
Rev. Gregory Kimm**



(Editorial Note: This is the 2nd and final part of Fr. Greg's article.)

In 1994 we moved the mass to the main part of the church in order to accommodate the growing number of people attending the mass, including other parishioners and some friends from outside the parish. By the time of our celebration in 1996, when I had been transferred to Ascension Parish in Saratoga, I had compiled a list of more than 50 families and individuals of Chinese descent at St. Joseph of Cupertino.

After I moved to Holy Family Parish in south San Jose in 1997, the distance made it difficult for me to return to St. Joseph's for the annual celebration and we took a break for three years. It was not until the year 2000 that I made the attempt to preside at the celebration in Cupertino again. It was at this time, with the permission of Fr. Bob Hayes, SJC pastor, and in consultation with Caroline Thomas, SJC Liturgy Director, and Chinese parishioners, that we decided to make the Chinese New Year a truly parish-wide celebration, moving it to the regular 11 A.M. Sunday mass and holding the reception in the parish hall. Fr. Bob, Caroline, and an organizing committee made it possible for me to return for the celebration each year, even in 2001 and 2002, when I was at St. Thomas Aquinas in Palo Alto, and from 2003 to 2005, when I was pastor of my own parish, St. Thomas of Canterbury in San Jose.

Today, when about half of the parish is of Asian origin, the Chinese New Year celebration is still going strong—and so is the Chinese community. Chinese parishioners come not only from mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan but also from the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand, as well as the U.S. Chinese parishioners are active as eucharistic ministers, lectors, ushers, choir members, ministers to the sick, catechists, parish council members, Scout leaders, and school volunteers. Chinese parishioners share the vision of one parish family, united in faith and love, with respect and understanding for people of all cultures and backgrounds.



Labor Day

The parish offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2nd, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday. The offices will re-open on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd, at 9:00 a.m.



The Catechetical office is now open. Registration packets are ready for the upcoming 2013-2014 school year. The Catechetical program welcomes all children between the ages of 3 up to the 8th grade. For more information or if you would like to add another child in the program, please contact the Catechetical Ministry office at 252-7653x60 or via email at cat-min@stjoscup.org. Registration packets are available in the church vestibule, the rectory, and the Catechetical office.



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:

- AUG. 25** INQUIRY FOR THOSE ADULTS INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC OR COMPLETING THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION- 12:30 p. m. Parish Office
- SEPT. 8** GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP- 12:30-2 p.m. Parish Office
- SEPT. 13, 14, 15** SCHOOL CARNIVAL COME & HAVE FUN
- SEPT. 17** “AMERICAN CATHOLICS SERIES” begins. Bro. Bill Bolts, SM presenter 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday. Comm. Center.
- SEPT. 22** PARISH FEAST DAY MASS AND BBQ 11 a.m. Mass, 12 p.m. BBQ

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Who was St. Pius X?

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 sessions 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 TWENTY –SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 1, 2013

Read Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:1-19, 22-24; Luke 14:1, 7-14

Question for Adults?

Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?

Question for Children:

Does it make you a better person to be chosen first for a team or some other honor? Why or why not??

ACTION

CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CENTENNIAL FUND OR BAPTISMAL FONT OR BOTH

Prayer

Gracious God, may we always rejoice in your goodness and generosity to us. Help us to be good stewards as you would like us to be. Amen



SJC SCHOOL NEWS

ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO PARISH SCHOOL

Applications for our parish school for the 2013-2014 school year are available and still being accepted. We still have openings available in some grades, and will continue to accept applications for waiting lists in classes that are full.

Note: SJC parishioners receive priority consideration in all acceptance and financial aid policies.

Please call (408) 252-6441 for more information about the openings available.

Also, visit our website at www.sjcschool.org for more information about our parish school.



Safeway’s 10% Goes Back to Schools Program has started. St. Joseph of Cupertino School can earn 10% of your Safeway purchase amounts on thousands of participating products.

Just look for the School Bus Tags from **August 14th to September 10th**. Use your Safeway Club Card to buy participating

items. eScrip customers contribute automatically; otherwise pick

St. Joseph’s to get 10% at the end of the program.

SAVE THE DATE



The Carnival is Coming!

The Cupertino Carnival will be here Friday, Sept. 13 through Sunday, Sept. 15.

Sponsorship opportunities are available now. Go to www.sjcschool.org/carnival/sponsorship for more details.

Advanced Tickets will be sold after masses. if bought before the Carnival begins. Remember: ride tickets are ½ price if bought before the Carnival begins.



Safeway and eScrip **Renew now.**

If you participated last year, renew now so St. Joseph of Cupertino school can continue to earn contributions.

- Go to eScrip.com
- Click on “**YES RENEW!**”
- Enter either your phone number, email, or Club Card number

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday: 1	Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab, 17; Mk 6:17-29
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Mass Intentions for the Week

Aug 24	5:00 PM	Brad Lefte (+)
Aug 25	8:00 AM	Jack & Janet Birkholz (L)
	9:30 AM	Vincent Anthony LaPorta (+)
	11:00 AM	Peter Shin Ang Kang
	5:00 PM	Special Intention
Aug 26	8:30 AM	Robert Dust (+)
Aug 27	8:30 AM	Veries Morris (+)
Aug 28	8:30 AM	Special Intention
Aug 29	8:30 AM	Florentina Romero (+)
Aug 30	8:30 AM	William Wang & Ching Shuen Sue (L)
Aug 31	8:30 AM	Enrique & Teresita Torres (+)
	5:00 PM	Stephanus Freddy Wiryadi
Sept. 01	8:00 AM	Andres, Angela & Remedios Salandanan (+)
	9:30 AM	John & Margaret Mardesich (+)
	11:00 AM	Pauline Muzik (+)
	5:00 PM	William Wang (L) & Ching Shuen Sue (L)



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

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Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself – my patient endurance and fidelity to the word of God – is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

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: WILL BREAK until SEPTEMBER.. Many, many thanks to ELLEN HAAS for leading the group each week.

Poor Clare Convent

Everyone who loves Our Lady is invited to join the Friends of Guadalupe to pray with the Poor Clare sisters at their beautiful convent, 28210 Natoma Road, Los Altos Hills. The Poor Clare sisters are a cloistered order, so we do not see them behind the grille in the chapel, but we hear their angelic voices praying and singing. They pray the Liturgy of the Hours and the Rosary.

On Saturday, August 24, we will gather at St. Joseph of Cupertino parking lot at 3:15 P.M. and will carpool at 3:30 P.M. The sisters' prayers begin at 4:00. Following prayers in the convent chapel, we will go to the beautiful grotto of Our Lady on the convent grounds for a potluck (bring whatever the spirit moves you to bring, and something to sit on), and enjoy each other's company with conversation and song. It's always a beautiful experience! For more information, please contact Mariqueta Churchill at (408) 245-3504 or dmeccent@aol.com.

FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

The center of the Church's social teaching is the life, dignity and rights of every human person. Recognizing that the pursuit of social ministry is an essential part of what makes a parish Catholic, we commit ourselves to concrete works of charity, justice and peacemaking.

The church has proclaimed as a basic principle of its social teaching that each person is created in the image of God. It is the responsibility of every society to ensure that human life is protected from the moment of conception until natural death. For further reading, *Brothers and Sisters to Us* (U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Racism, 1979); The U. S. Bishops' Statement on Capital Punishment issued in November 1980; and the encyclical of Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, March 25, 1995.

"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)*



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2013

Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees.

Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

— *Hebrews 12:12-13*

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**.

**St. Joseph of Cupertino
Staff Information**

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Outreach..... Dick Sherman

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Wedding Coordinator – (408)252-7653.....Janice LaMotte

Youth Ministry Coordinator --x38Primo Martinez
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Deacon..... Ron Hansen
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Altar Server Coordinator..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

Infant Baptism..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

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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.

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