

St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish
2013 Christmas Schedule

Advent Reconciliation
Wednesday, December 11
7:00 P.M.

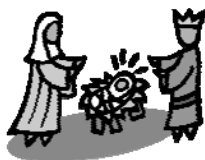
Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24
No morning mass or confessions
Masses: 5 (church and hall), 8 & 10 P.M.
The 5 P.M. mass in the church will have a special focus on children.

Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25
Masses: 8, 9:30, & 11 A.M.
No mass at 5 P.M.

Feast of the Holy Family
December 28-29
Regular weekend mass schedule

New Year's Day
(Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)
Wednesday, January 1, 2014
Mass at 10 A.M. only
This day is not a holy day of obligation this year.

St. Joseph of Cupertino
Christmas Eve Mass with Focus on Children



The Christmas Eve mass in the church on **Tuesday, December 24th** at **5:00pm** is a mass with focus on Children. There are many ways for your child to participate in this mass. If your child would like to participate, please let us know. Need more information? Contact Tam Tran at 252-7653x60/ttran@dsj.org

Candleholders: 3rd grade and up
Gospel Nativity roles: Kinder up to 4th grade (Angels, Shepherds, and Sheep)

REVISED Survey for Pope Francis and the Bishops of the World
At the request of Pope Francis, Catholics around the world are being asked to give input in regard to issues affecting family life, including the church's ministry to divorced and remarried persons, contraception, and same-sex unions. This information will be used for the Synod of Bishops, which will take place in October 2014. *The revised survey is much simpler and takes just minutes to complete.* If you would like to participate in the survey, please follow the link on the homepage of our parish website, www.stjoscup.org or go directly to https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Synod_Survey
The deadline for survey submission has been extended to December 9.



Advent deserves our special focus for our joyful preparation and anticipation, although Christmas is the culmination of the Season.

“Simbang Gabi” has been observed at SJC as an Advent parish celebration for the past 6 years. The origin is a beloved Catholic tradition in the Philippines. The mass includes special songs, a lantern offering ritual, and a simple fellowship gathering.

As in last year, Simbang Gabi is a wonderful collaboration of Saint Joseph of Cupertino Parish, St. Cyprian Parish, Resurrection Parish, Queen of Apostles, and St. Simon Parish, in the truest Christian spirit of community and unity!

The novena masses are spread among the participating parishes to complete the 9-day novena. Many churches in the diocese celebrate Simbang Gabi, but our partnership with other churches is unique and specially uplifting.

St. Joseph of Cupertino will celebrate the first 2 nights, at the 5pm mass on Dec. 15, Sunday, and 7pm Dec. 16, Monday. Be a part of this beautiful Advent pilgrimage!

With holiday season in the air, many people, possibly including yourself, are out and about doing some shopping. While you're out shopping, would you consider adding one more child/family to your “Good” list? The Christmas Giving Tree was put up at the parish chapel in support of the West Valley Community Services annual drive. Each ornament on the tree represents an item that will be useful and/or give happiness to the underprivileged children and family.
If you have not picked out an ornament or consider picking out another one, please stop by the Christmas Giving Tree. Unwrapped gifts should be back to the parish **no later than Monday, December 9, 2013.**



Alviso Christmas Outreach has begun. Please have your child bring in his/her gift to class by Dec. 15. Thank you for your continuous generosity.



Dec.15 (Sun.)St. Joseph of Cupertino 5:00PM 10110 N. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino

Dec.16 (Mon.) St. Joseph of Cupertino 7:00PM 10110 N. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino

Dec.17 (Tues.)St. Cyprian 6:30PM 1133 W. Washington Ave. Sunnyvale

Dec.18 (Wed.)Resurrection Parish 5:30PM 725 Cascade Dr. Sunnyvale

Dec.19(Thurs.)Resurrection Parish 5:30PM 725 Cascade Dr. Sunnyvale

Dec.20(Fri.) Queen of Apostles 6:30PM 4911 Moorpark Ave. San Jose

Dec.21(Sat.) Queen of Apostles 5:00PM 4911 Moorpark Ave. San Jose

Dec.22(Sun.)St. Simon 5:00PM 1840 Grant Rd. Los Altos

Dec.23(Mon.)St. Simon 6:30PM 1840 Grant Rd. Los Altos

Contact Mabel: 408-395 -1306, mabelhoffman@yahoo.com for SJC. Please call the other churches' parish office for contact information.

(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 OFFERING:

- DEC. 10** American Catholic Series-Bro. Bill Bolts, SM
7p.m. Community Center
- DEC. 11** Parish Reconciliation- 7p.m. Church
Come & be renewed & prepared for Christmas
- DEC. 14** Consolation of Grief During the Holidays 10-12 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14th Fr. Chris Bennett
- DEC. 15-17** Simbang Gabi

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



URGENT NEED!!! Altar Care is in great need of people who will assist in caring for the church on Mondays.. If you can help with this important ministry, please call the office at (408) 252-7653.

QUESTION FROM LAST WEEK: What is the term used to describe God taking on a human nature? ANSWER: The INCARNATION. This is what we celebrate at Christmas!

BE BETTER PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK’S MASS THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT-DECEMBER 15, 2013

Read: Isaiah 35:1-6, 10; James 5:7-10;
Matthew 11:2-11

Question for Adults?

What would Jesus see to praise you about right now?

Question for Children:

What good thing have you done so far during Advent to be like Jesus?

ACTION

PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CHURCH RENOVATION AND BAPTISMAL FONT!

(The cost has increased due to unforeseen obstacles!!!)

Prayer

Oh Lord, come and save us, our church, and our world
Amen



ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO SCHOOL’S ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT DRIVE OFF TO A GREAT START!

We “kicked off” our school’s Annual L.I.F.E. Development Drive a month ago, and we have already received over \$32,000 in donations! We are so grateful for your generosity, which inspires us each day. Because of your support, St. Joseph of Cupertino is among the healthiest and most innovative schools in the area. But even more importantly, we are committed to our identity as a Catholic school. If you find yourself in a position to support our efforts, we would be most grateful. God Bless you! If you have not received a copy of the mailing or have any questions, contact the school office (408) 252-6441 or development@sicschool.org



Save the Date!

The St. Joseph of Cupertino
Preschool Information Night is
Wednesday, January 22, 2014 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.sicschool.org/preschool

Gift Cards on Sale! Next WEEKEND!

- Gift cards make great Christmas gifts.
Gift cards will be sold after all masses (December 14th and 15th).
Stock up on dining cards and gas cards in time for the Holidays.
- Panera Bread (\$10) or Le Boulanger (\$25) for rolls
 - Starbucks (\$10/\$25), Peet’s (\$20) for coffee after dessert
 - Arco (\$50) and Chevron (\$50) for your travels
 - Target (\$10/\$25), Toys R Us (\$20) for toys
 - iTunes (\$15/\$25) and Barnes & Noble (\$10/\$25) for fun
 - Bath & Body Works (\$10/\$25) for pampering Mom
- And don’t forget we have grocery stores too:
- Safeway (\$25/\$100), SaveMart (\$25/\$100), and Whole Foods (\$100).

Don’t forget babysitters, coaches, and teachers too.
A portion of the sales will benefit the school.
Bring your checkbook.

BOUQUET OF THANKS! YLI wishes to thank Father Greg and the staff at St. Joseph Church for their support of our recent Bake Sale and Turkey Raffle. We especially want to extend our gratitude to each and every one of you who supported our bake sale and raffle. Your generosity is appreciated. Thank you for making this event such a huge success! Congratulations to **Geraldine Conlan** won the turkey raffle. In the spirit of the season Geraldine generously donated the turkey to St. Joseph Outreach.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
 Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10;

Mass Intentions for the Week

Dec. 07	5:00 PM	Hari Widjaja (+)
Dec. 08	8:00 AM	Jecca Viray
	9:30 AM	Bill Blasser (+)
	11:00 AM	Charles Fels (+)
	5:00 PM	Hari Widjaja (+)
Dec. 09	8:30 AM	Charles & Frances Corey (+)
Dec. 10	8:30 AM	Maria Lorenza Bailon
Dec. 11	8:30 AM	David Malcolm (+)
Dec. 12	8:30 AM	John Michelis (+)
Dec. 13	9:00 AM	Phuong Augustine Nguyen (+)
Dec. 14	8:30 AM	Fr. Baltazar Ayala (+)
	5:00 PM	Lew Viray (+)
Dec. 15	8:00 AM	Ming Ming Tse (+)
	9:30 AM	Massimo Vaccaro (+)
	11:00 AM	Sakti Widjojo (L)
	5:00 PM	David Anthony Von Hatten (+)



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 we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of *my* life? How well do I serve *Him* after all He has given me?

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!

Did You Know?

Reaching Out to Others

St. Joseph of Cupertino School focused on reaching out to children in need across the world as they enjoyed the fun of Halloween celebrations. During the daytime on Halloween, the 7th graders and SJC Room Parents planned and ran a "Mission Carnival." The Carnival had lots of great activities and enjoyable treats. All proceeds were donated to the Missions. The student body recently blessed and sent off a donation of \$1,650 to Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Missions (in honor of Sr. Peter Joseph and Sr. Vivian, SJC staff members).

Carnival Profits

Carnival 2013 was a huge success! Our final profit is \$54,001! We appreciate the support (and patience!) of all of our parishioners.

You are invited...

Consolation of Grief During the Holidays

Are you, a family member, or a friend grieving the loss of a loved one? The holidays often accentuate our feeling of grief and sadness. Fr. Chris Bennett offer stories from scripture and his own life to support our holiday traditions and practices that bring healing during times when our loved ones are especially missed. Come receive support and comfort.

Sponsored by Catholic Cemeteries and offered at *two* local parishes. Free. All are welcome.

PLACE: Transfiguration Parish

4325 Jarvis Avenue San Jose 95118

DATE: Mon. Dec. 9th *Time Changed to 10 am - noon*

PLACE: St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish-Activity Center

10110 N. De Anza Blvd. Cupertino 95014

DATE: Sat. Dec. 14 10 am – 12 pm

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.

 "We have seen that the true face of the Church appears only when and if we recognize the equal dignity of men and women and consistently act on that recognition. It is this face, shaped through the centuries, that is visible to the world. From the beginning, women have been essential to this visage: from Mary, the mother of Jesus, and the women of the early Church, through the martyrs, through the doctors of the Church—Saint Teresa of Avila and Saint Catherine of Siena—to the women closer to our own time, such as Saint Elizabeth Seton, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, Dorothy Day, Mother Theresa, and Sister Thea Bowman, who have graced the Church in both traditional and new ways."

(*Ordinatio Sacerdotalis* , Pope John Paul II)

"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*)

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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School –(408) 252-6441 ... Mary Lyons (www.sjcschool.org)

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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.