



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish  
2014 Christmas Schedule

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

Feast of the Holy Family  
December 27-28  
*Regular weekend mass schedule*

New Year's Day  
(Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)  
Thursday, January 1, 2015  
Mass at 10 A.M. only  
*This day is not a holy day of obligation this year.*



*The St. Joseph of Cupertino School Community  
thanks you for the many blessings you have be-  
stowed on us this year and joyfully wishes you a  
Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year!*



**Walk for Life West Coast 2015:** Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 24, 2015. Last year's Walk drew 40,000+ people and eleven Catholic bishops! For complete information about the Walk, visit [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com) or email [chuckhaas@yahoo.com](mailto:chuckhaas@yahoo.com).

St. Joseph of Cupertino Social Justice Ministry will have a Bus to/from the Walk again this year. The cost is \$10 per person, \$25 for a family. Please email [chuckhaas@yahoo.com](mailto:chuckhaas@yahoo.com) to reserve your seat.

Join us on **Saturday, January 24, 2015** Time: 11:00am – 5:30pm and let's Walk for Life.



There are **NO CATECHETICAL SESSIONS** on Dec. 21, Dec. 24, Dec. 28, and Dec. 31. Sessions will resume on Jan. 4 and Jan. 7. The Catechetical office is closed from Dec. 21 – Jan. 3.



The parish offices will be closed from noon, on Dec. 23rd, 2014 until Jan. 04th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., for the Christmas holidays. We wish everyone a blessed time with family and friends.

**QUESTION FROM LAST WEEK: What is the Incarnation?** *ANSWER: "The union of the divinity of the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity with humanity in the person of Jesus Christ. Because Jesus is the Son of God, he is divine. Because he is the Son of Mary, he is human. Jesus is one divine Person with two natures, one divine and one human. This doctrine is at the center of Catholic belief." (Look It Up! Janet L. Alampi)*



## GROWING IN FAITH



*(If you are interested in any of the offerings below, please contact Janice LaMotte in the parish office (408 252-7653 ext. 30)*

**“ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT!”  
CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING OFFERING:**

- DECEMBER 21 SIMBANG GABI 5p.m. Mass followed by reception**
- JANUARY 04 EPIPHANY CELEBRATION 12:30 P.M. COMMUNITY CENTER ALL ARE WELCOME**
- JANUARY TBA MOVIE AFTERNOON 2 p.m.**

**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



### **BE BETTER PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASS**

### **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH**

**DECEMBER 28, 2014**

Read: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21;  
Luke 2: 22-40

#### **Question for Adults?**

What about your family do you treasure the most?  
Why

#### **Question for Children:**

What family member needs your kindness right now? How can you give it to them?

#### **ACTION**

**HELP THE PARISH BY GIVING OF YOUR TIME, TALENT, OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!!!**

#### **Prayer**

Dear Lord, bless our family. Keep everyone safe from harm and bless them with good health, wisdom, and the grace to follow you. Amen



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS



### **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, and we have received over \$30,000 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](mailto:development@sicschool.org)



### **SAVE THE DATE: KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> 7 - 8pm**

SJC School extends a warm invitation to all families with young children to find out about our unique Kindergarten program at a special Information Night on Tuesday, January 13th at 7pm in the Kindergarten classroom.

Come meet our kindergarten teachers discuss our kindergarten curriculum, meet our principal, Mary Lyons, and talk with school board members about why St. Joseph's School is a wonderful place for your child.

For more information or to RSVP call the school office at 252-6441 or send an email to [development@sicschool.org](mailto:development@sicschool.org).



### **Save the Date!**

The St. Joseph of Cupertino  
Preschool Information Night is  
Wednesday, January 21, 2015 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](http://www.sicschool.org/preschool)

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

**What are you doing to "grow your faith"? Consider reading a spiritual book, joining a prayer group, or becoming involved in one of our ministries.**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56  
 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66  
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79  
 Thursday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]  
**Night:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14  
**Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20  
**Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]  
 Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
 Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

Dec. 20	5:00 PM	Nora Ortiz-Mallaney (+)
Dec. 21	8:00 AM	Charles & Frances Corey (+)
	9:30 AM	Anna Allegri (+)
	11:00 AM	Albert Fabilli (+)
	5:00 PM	Sanicolas Family (L)
Dec. 22	8:30 AM	Imre Horvath (+)
Dec. 23	8:30 AM	Simon & Manuela Gonzales
Dec. 24	5:00 PM	Frank & Mary Ward (+) (CHURCH)
	5:00 PM	Donna Brock (+) (HALL)
	8:00 PM	Joe Ignatowicz (+)
	10:00 PM	Michael Saenz (+)
Dec. 25	8:00 AM	Zenaida Bailon (L)
	9:30 AM	Mr & Mrs Harry Peter Wang (+)
	11:00 AM	Tom Taylor & Peggy Anne Martone (+)
	5:00 PM	NO 5PM MASS
Dec. 26	8:30 AM	Purificacion Cabaal (+)
Dec. 27	8:30 AM	Ryan Morrissey (+)
	5:00 PM	Consuelo Crosby (+)
Dec. 28	8:00 AM	Leonard & David Ezerski (+)
	9:30 AM	Robert & Teri Steinberg (L)
	11:00 AM	Ralph Mirra (+)
	5:00 PM	Reynaldo Buenventura

**“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)*

Please join St. Joseph of Cupertino Church parishioners in honoring Mary on the First Saturday Devotion (January 03, 2015) with Rosary, Mass, and talk with Fr. Athanasius (or substitute) starting at 8:00 am.



**Fourth Sunday of Advent  
 December 21, 2014**  
 The child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.  
 —Luke 1:35



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](mailto:primomartinez@yahoo.com).

Human Trafficking is the world’s fastest growing criminal enterprise and is an estimated \$150billion a year industry. If you think someone is a victim of trafficking, call 1-888-373-7888. For more information, visit <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking>



**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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 All of the people in today’s reading – the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist – seem to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and to do. Do I?

**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!

St. Joseph of Cupertino  
 Social Justice Ministry  
 Mission Statement

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.

Holiday gathering of families and friends give us an opportunity to look at/reflect on the Catholic Social Teaching re: Community. “The person is not only sacred,” say the US Bishops, “but also social. How we organize our society – in economics and politics, in law and policy – directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community.” This organization of society moves from the basic unit, the family, to the larger community while ensuring that everyone participates. The emphasis on the larger social group counterbalances unregulated individual rights, that left unconstrained, can turn toward anarchy. In his first encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est*, Pope Benedict summarized the centrality of this concept to our faith: “Only if I serve my neighbor can my eyes be opened to what God does for me and how much he loves me.”

**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) 315-1463.

**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**

**Parish Office: (408) 252-7653** sjeparish@stjoscup.org  
Secretary: Free Draga Fri. Admin. Asst: Tracey Govola  
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 – (408) 252-7653..... Diane Ikeda

Organist –(408) 996-9352..... Lothar Bandermann

Outreach..... Dick Sherman

Pastoral Associate – x30 .....Janice LaMotte  
(adulted@stjoscup.org)

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

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

Youth Ministry Coordinator --x38 .....Primo Martinez  
(Primo.Martinez@yahoo.com)

Young Adult Coordinator - x28 ..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

Deacon..... Ron Hansen  
(ronnebr@aol.com)

Altar Server Coordinator..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

Infant Baptism..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

Hospital Ministry - x26.....Rev. Don Morgan  
(wmorgan@dsj.org)

Parish Advisory Council.....advisory@stjoscup.org

Finance Council.....finance@stjoscup.org

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.