

**Thank you to all whose generous service helped to give us a joyous Christmas celebration this year. Special thanks to the members of our dedicated decorating crew, who made it possible for the faithful to have beautiful places in which to adore Christ the Lord. -- Fr. Greg**

St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish  
2014 Christmas Schedule

Feast of the Holy Family  
December 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*



The Catechetical office is closed and will reopen on Jan. 4.

Sessions will resume on Jan. 4 with the third Family Catechesis gathering.

### MINISTRY

**WE each are called by our Baptism to become actively involved in our Catholic Faith. We are working on a book which will contain all the ministries of our parish and how to be involved. Be sure to look for this to come as well as pray about what you are being called to do!**

**QUESTION FOR FAMILY DISCUSSION:** What resolution can we make to help make Jesus more present in our lives?



*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!*

THANKS AGAIN TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE 2014 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL. PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE ALL PAYMENTS BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2014 TO HELP THE PARISH RECEIVE THE MAXIMUM REBATE.

The SJC Parish Advisory Council wishes all our Parishioners a most blessed and joyful Christmas and New Year. We look forward to another year of working for you! We pray that we all come closer to God and to one another in 2015!

Members of the SJC Community are always welcome to participate in the monthly PAC meetings held on the first Thursday of each month (except July) at 7 PM in the SJC Community Center. A special part of our agenda is dedicated to an Open Forum where Parishioners are invited to bring their ideas. See more about the SJC PAC on the website at <http://www.stjoscup.org/advisorycouncil.php>. If you have questions or comments, email us at [advisory@stjoscup.org](mailto:advisory@stjoscup.org).

**Blessings to all!**



## 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:**

**JANUARY 04 EPIPHANY CELEBRATION  
12:30 P.M. COMMUNITY  
CENTER ALL ARE  
WELCOME**

**JANUARY TBA MOVIE AFTERNOON 2 p.m.**

### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What are the main vessels used for Holy Communion?**

**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 FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY January 4, 2014**

Read: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6;  
Matthew 2:1-12

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

Where have you experienced the presence of Christ?

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

Where and in whom will you look for Jesus this week?

#### **ACTION**

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

#### **Prayer**

Come Lord Jesus Come and make a dwelling place in my heart so I can be the light of Christ to others. Amen



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS



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

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"**). We have already received over \$40,000 in donations!

*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.



#### **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.sjcschool.org/preschool](http://www.sjcschool.org/preschool)



#### **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@sjcschool.org](mailto:development@sjcschool.org).

Meditation begins again on Tuesday, January 6th, at 2 p.m. in the Community Center. Come, learn how to practice this universal means of relaxation, centering of one self, prayers and mind/brain health, especially as we age. For information, call Dr. Dorothy at (408) 255-5185

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40  
 Wednesday: 1Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18  
 Thursday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
 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. 27	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 Buenaventura
Dec. 29	8:30 AM	John L. Mardesich, Jr. (+)
Dec. 30	8:30 AM	Sehr Family (L)
Dec. 31	8:30 AM	Hari Widjaja (+)
Jan. 01	10:00 AM	Frank Ward (+)
Jan. 02	9:00 AM	Robin Luke Dinnoo (L)
Jan. 03	8:30 AM	Stanley Jasinki (+)
	5:00 PM	Kan Hsu (+)
Jan. 04	8:00 AM	Benvinda Medeiros (+)
	9:30 AM	John, Margaret & Nick Mardesich (+)
	11:00 AM	Francois & Mary Ma (+)
	5:00 PM	John Lawlor (+)



**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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In today's Gospel, Simeon tells God that in seeing the boy Jesus, he has seen the salvation God prepared for all the peoples, "a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." How do we see Jesus in our lives?

**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](mailto:primomartinez@yahoo.com).

Human Trafficking is the world's fastest growing criminal enterprise and is an estimated \$150 billion 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>

St. Joseph of Cupertino  
 Social Justice Ministry  
 Mission Statement

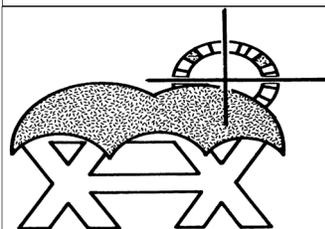
The center of the Church's social teaching is the life, dignity and rights of every human person. Recognizing that the pursuit of social ministry is an essential part of what makes a parish Catholic, we commit ourselves to concrete works of charity, justice and peacemaking.

In Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Peace on Jan. 1, he focuses on God's call to all of us to relate to one another as brothers and sisters, not as slaves. "Since we are by nature relational beings, meant to find fulfillment through interpersonal relationships inspired by justice and love, it is fundamental for our human development that our dignity, freedom and autonomy be acknowledged and respected. Tragically, the growing scourge of man's exploitation by man gravely damages the life of communion and our calling to forge interpersonal relationships marked by respect, justice and love. I would like briefly to consider these, so that, in the light of God's Word, we can consider all men and women "no longer slaves, but brothers and sisters". (ref. to Paul's Letter to Philemon, v 15-16) He goes on to look at all aspects of human trafficking as modern slavery.

The entire message deserves our serious reflection, Google: Full+text+of+Pope+Francis+message+for+World+Peace+Day+2015

The Parish Social Justice Ministry meets on the first Monday of the month at 7pm in the rectory staff room. For information contact Sister Rosemary Everett, snjm, at (408) 656 1311.

**"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 28, 2014**

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all the peoples.  
 — Luke 2:30-31

**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

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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.