

# THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A Holy Day of Obligation  
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

Masses: Monday, December 7 at 7 P.M.;  
Tuesday, December 8 at 6:30 A.M., 9 A.M. and 7 P.M.

## Welcome New Parishioners!

### Welcome to St. Joseph of Cupertino Church!

Atlanta Cormier with grandchildren KeAndra, Ayana & Tim,  
Catherine Denise Alexander, Cinto Sunny,  
Constancio & Loretta Fernandes & Family, Francis & Reena Victor & Family,  
Jeff & Carrie Pritchard & Family, Mathews John & Preethi Joseph & daughter Alicia,  
Teresa Nguyen & Family, Thai & Trinh Nguyen & Family  
(\*New parishioners who have joined since September 2015)

#### Christmas Advent Calendar



With the holiday season quickly approaching, many people, possibly including yourself, will be out and about doing some shopping in the coming weeks. While you're out shopping, would you consider adding one more child/family to your "Good" list? The Christmas Giving Tree will be put up at the parish chapel on November 28 in support of the West Valley Community Services and Sacred Heart 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. Please stop by the Christmas Giving Tree to pick out an ornament and/or gift tag. **Unwrapped** gifts should be back to the parish **no later than Tuesday,**

December 8

**BAKE SALE:** YLI (Young Ladies Institute) aureen #136, an organization of Catholic women will be having a **BAKE SALE on November 21/22 after the 5pm, 8am, 9:30am, and 11am Masses.** All proceeds are to benefit our Diocesan Seminarians and other local charities!

**Thanks to Sr. Rosemary for a fantastic and informative presentation on Human Trafficking.**



**THERE IS NO JUNIOR HIGH MEETING ON NOV. 25 AND NO CATECHETICAL SESSIONS ON NOV. 29.** Sessions will resume on Wednesday, Dec. 2 and Sunday, Dec. 6, respectively.



### Guadalupe Celebration Coming Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>!

Please mark your calendars for the 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Friday evening, December 11<sup>th</sup> at **St. Joseph of Cupertino Church.** Rosary at 6:30 and Mass at 7:00 p.m. This very festive Mass will be concelebrated by several priests, and will include the Mariachi Azteca, and the Guadalupe drama and liturgical dance enacted by the parish children. A grand fiesta with traditional Mexican food, Mexican dancers, and piñatas will follow Mass in St. Joseph of Cupertino's parish hall. For more information, please contact Mariqueta Churchill at (408) 245-3504.

*What better way to prepare for Christmas  
than to come to this beautiful celebration!  
May Our Lady comfort and enlighten your heart.  
May she be present to you and guide all the  
Members of your family.  
May you grow closer to Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
through His most Blessed Mother.*

### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Please join St. Joseph of Cupertino parishioners in honoring Our Blessed Mother in the Chapel on Saturday December 5th starting with: Rosary at 8:00 a.m., Mass at 8:30 a.m. and talk by Fr. Athanasius (or substitute) at 8:30 a.m.



## 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!”

**NOV 26** LECTIO-THE EUCHARIST TRACE ITS ROOTS THROUGH SCRIPTURE FROM THE GARDEN OF EDEN THROUGH REVELATION 9:30 AM COMMUNITY CENTER

**DEC 11** OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION—RECITATION OF ROSARY AT 6:30 P.M. MASS AT 7:00 PM FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION IN THE PARISH HALL

**QUESTION FROM LAST WEEK:** What feast are we celebrating next Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>? *ANSWER: We are celebrating the Feast of Christ the King of the Universe. Christ is the “Logos”, the Word that rules the world.*

### 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



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**THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS** who came to the dinner . Thanks for all you do---we had a very special evening.

Thanks to Larry Compagnoni and his wife Abbie for a very meaningful and helpful workshop on “Healing After Divorce or Separation.”

### BE BETTER PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK’S MASS

#### THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 29, 2015

Read :Jeremiah 33:14-16; I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-26

#### QUESTION FOR ADULTS

What have been the strengths of your prayer life? What habit of prayer could you strengthen during this Advent season?

#### QUESTION FOR CHILDREN

What prayers will you say each day and each week during Advent?

#### ACTION

**MAKE YOUR ADVENT MORE PRAYERFUL AND LESS HURRIED.**

#### PRAYER

O God, come to my assistance and make your ways known to me.  
Amen



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

*A Thanksgiving Wish to our Parish...*

During this season of Thanksgiving, we lift our hearts in prayers of gratitude for all you have done for our school, our families, and our children. Thank you for your continued generosity and kindness. You and your loved ones will be remembered in our prayers.

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

*Love, the St. Joseph of Cupertino School Community*



### ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO SCHOOL “KICKS-OFF” OUR ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT DRIVE

Each November, we conduct our Annual Development Drive to ensure that our parish school will be here to educate the children of our community for years to come. Because of your generosity, 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 parish 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)

### ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET

The SJC School Budget is reviewed each month at the School Board Meeting, and interested parents are invited to attend these monthly meetings. In addition, we offer a detailed explanation of the budget-setting and tuition-setting process at the March meeting each year. We also post a SUMMARY BUDGET REPORT/PIE CHART on the school website. To view the summary for fiscal year 2014-2015, please log onto [www.sicschool.org](http://www.sicschool.org), click on School Board under “News and Info” and look for the links under the SJC 2014-1015 Budget Summary article. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the principal at [mary.lyons@sicschool.org](mailto:mary.lyons@sicschool.org) and/or the SJC School Board at [School.Board@sicschool.org](mailto:School.Board@sicschool.org).

### Save the Dates!

The St. Joseph of Cupertino Kindergarten Information Night is Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7p.m.



Preschool Information Night is Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 7p.m.

If you have any questions, contact:

Principal Mary Lyons at (408) 252-6441

[mary.lyons@sicschool.org](mailto:mary.lyons@sicschool.org); or

Preschool Director Jean Wilson at (408) 252-9778

[jean.wilson@sicschool.org](mailto:jean.wilson@sicschool.org)

Or go to the school website [www.sicschool.org](http://www.sicschool.org)

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4  
 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11  
 Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19  
 Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28  
 Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:  
 Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19  
 Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33  
 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36  
 Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

Nov. 21	5:00 PM	Tony Draga (+)
Nov. 22	8:00 AM	Raymond Paul Bailon (L)
	9:30 AM	Geno Draga (+)
	11:00 AM	Ray Tadiar (+)
	5:00 PM	Gabriela Fernandez (L)
Nov. 23	8:30 AM	Nancy Huettl (+)
Nov. 24	8:30 AM	Doris Shaffer (+)
Nov. 25	8:30 AM	Raymond Paul Bailon (L)
Nov. 26	9:00 AM	Simon Chang (L)
Nov. 27	8:30 AM	Laura Pickler (+)
Nov. 28	8:30 AM	Raymond Paul Bailon (L)
	5:00 PM	Elizabeth Kennedy, Hugh & Catharine Crawford (+)
Nov. 29	8:00 AM	Muriel Leisen (+)
	9:30 AM	LaMotte & Hannan Families (L)
	11:00 AM	John Carroll (+)
	5:00 PM	Clem Joseph (+)



**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 second reading for the feast of Christ the King reminds us that the sacrifice of Christ frees us from sin and makes us a kingdom of priests *in the service of God*. How am I using my gifts to serve God and others?

**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!

**CAMPBELL'S LABELS & GENERAL MILLS BOX TOPS**

Please save Campbell's labels and General Mill's box tops during the holiday season and New Year. You may drop them off in the box in the church vestibule. Our parish school redeems them for educational materials.

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.

*Have you ever noticed that in reporting a weather forecast of colder weather, the weatherperson reminds us to "protect the plants and bring in the pets", but never mentions bringing in the human beings?*  
 From Laudato Si by Pope Francis: #139

When we speak of the "environment", what we really mean is a relationship existing between nature and the society which lives in it. Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live. We are part of nature, included in it and thus in constant interaction with it. Recognizing the reasons why a given area is polluted requires a study of the workings of society, its economy, its behaviour patterns, and the ways it grasps reality. Given the scale of change, it is no longer possible to find a specific, discrete answer for each part of the problem. It is essential to seek comprehensive solutions which consider the interactions within natural systems themselves and with social systems. We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental. Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature. Your parish Social Justice Ministry meets on the first Monday of the month in the rectory staff room from 7-8:30 pm. For more info contact Sister Rosemary Everett, snjm, (408) 656- 1311; [everettsnjm@gmail.com](mailto:everettsnjm@gmail.com)

**"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)*



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).

**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](http://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](http://www.vatican.va) in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

**The Christophers** website at [www.christophers.org](http://www.christophers.org).

**Loyola Press —**[www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com)

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

**Busted Halo —**[www.bustedhalo.com](http://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!**

**CATHOLIC RADIO: 1260 AM (Immaculate Heart Radio)**

**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.**

**WAYS TO REPORT MISCONDUCT**

**Safe Environment** *If you suspect abuse in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:*

*Child Protective Services 408.299.2071 / Police 911*

*Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults*

*Anthony Gonzalez 408.983.0141 or email [protection@dsj.org](mailto:protection@dsj.org)*

**Financial Mismanagement** *If you suspect financial mismanagement or misconduct in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:*

*Ethics Point: [dsj.ethicspoint.com](http://dsj.ethicspoint.com) or the hotline telephone number*

*1-888-325-7863*

*The Finance Office*

*Teresa Conville, Director of Compliance & Parish Financial Services,*

*408.983.0241 or email at [tconville@dsj.org](mailto:tconville@dsj.org)*

**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**.

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

**St. Joseph of Cupertino  
Staff Information**

**Parish Office: (408) 252-7653**

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Fri. Admin. Asst: Tracey Govola

Bingo Information – x37

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Infant Baptism..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

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Communications Committee.....[communications@stjoscup.org](mailto: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.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT PARKING**

Through an agreement with the property owner, parishioners may use the Apple/Comerica parking lot for weekend masses and evening events. **However, on weekdays, parishioner access to the lot is limited to daily mass and the dropping off and picking up of students.** Parishioners using the lot beyond these specified times **MAY BE TOWED**. Please be respectful of these limitations and help show that St. Joseph of Cupertino is a good neighbor. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Fr. Greg or our school principal, Mary Lyons.