

THANK YOU

TO THE 242 PARISHIONERS (15%)

WHO HAVE PLEDGED \$122,284 OR 96% OF OUR ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL GOAL. WE ARE *SO* CLOSE-- WILL *YOU* BE THE ONE TO PUT US OVER?? IF YOU HAVE NOT YET TURNED IN YOUR ADA PLEDGE, PLEASE DO IT THIS WEEK.

The Light is On for You!

On Wednesdays from 6-8PM, the doors of St. Joseph of Cupertino are open and the Light is on For You! Bring a family member or friend, come in, and rediscover God's heart of mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation in this Year of Mercy. Jesus Christ desires to lift your burdens off your heart which you may have been carrying for a short time or years. To find guides to confession and testimonials of people from around our diocese visit www.dsj.org/light

Our Parish-wide "Novena for Peace" begins this Tuesday, February 16 and concludes Wednesday, February 24. Please pray the "Novena for Peace" (prayers included on flyer in this week's bulletin) at home each day. Join with your Parish family on the final day of the Novena, Wednesday, February 24, at 7PM in the Church for a "Prayer for Peace" Service.



No catechetical sessions on Sunday, February 15. No junior high session on Wednesday, February 17. Sessions resume on Sunday, February 21, and Wednesday, February 25, respectively.

Friday Lenten Stations of the Cross, Soup Suppers & Faith Sharing Join Father Athanasius and fellow parishioners at 6:30 pm in the Church each Friday during Lent to pray the Stations of the Cross. Afterwards we'll enjoy fellowship and faith sharing over a bowl of soup! Please consider providing a crock-pot of your favorite home-made vegetarian soup to share one Friday! Call or email Ellen Haas if you are able to help - ellen-haas@yahoo.com or 408-666-1959

A senior parishioner (who lives on Rainbow Dr. in Cupertino) is in need of an occasional ride to Saturday or Sunday Mass. Please call Donene Harrison (408) 253-7113

Young Adult Ministry (for 18 to 40 years old) will meet on Saturday, February 20 from 6:30-8:00pm in the Youth Ministry room (third classroom facing the baseball field). Come meet other young adults in the parish and learn more about your Catholic faith.

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County invites you to a special presentation

Dying Well - What Does It Mean?

By Father Gerald Coleman

Father Coleman will explore critical moral concerns we face, including "right to die" legislation.

Thursday, February 18

10 am - 12 Noon. 9:30 am - Registration

Location: St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish, 10110 N. De Anza Blvd., Cupertino

This event is FREE but requires RSVP

Call: Alison Poetsch 408-325-5288 or **Visit:**

www.CatholicCharitiesSCC.org/FrColeman

St. Ignatius of Loyola Spiritual Exercises Workshop Series The Discernment of Spirits

Saturday, Feb 20, 10 am - 12 noon

Most Holy Trinity Parish, Community Center

What are Consolation and Desolation? What causes desolation? What is Discernment of Spirits? How do you make sense of your own interior movements? How can this be useful in making decisions about vocation, family, and goals in daily life? In the Discernment of Spirits Workshop Fr. Bob Fambrini, SJ, pastor of Most Holy Trinity Church, will share his knowledge and experience of Ignatian Spirituality with you. We have also invited Fr. Alberto Olivera to share how he heard God's call to priesthood through a discernment of spirits. Brunch provided.

For more information, please call one of the following:

John Martinez 408-439-7247, Kathy Myers

408-476-514, Margarita Hua 408-623-0838

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Please join St. Joseph of Cupertino parishioners in honoring Our Blessed Mother in the Chapel on Saturday March 5th starting with: Rosary at 8:00 a.m., Mass at 8:30 a.m. and talk by Fr. Athanasius (or substitute) at 9:00 a.m.



The parish offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 15th, in observance of the President's Day holiday. The offices will re-open on Tuesday, Feb. 16th, at 9:00 a.m.

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

- FEB 23** "ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT!"
WHAT IS THE YEAR OF MERCY?
HOW DOES POPE FRANCIS
ENCOURAGE US TO CELEBRATE IT?
PRESENTATION BY DIANA
MACALINTAL, DIRECTOR OF
LITURGY FOR THE DIOCESE OF
SAN JOSE 7PM COMM. CENTER
- FEB 28** MOVIE: LITTLE BOY DEACON RON
2 P.M. COMMUNITY CENTER
(EXCELLENT PREPARATION FOR
LENT AND YEAR OF MERCY) TBA
- FEB 29** BOOK CLUB: REACHING OUT BY HENRI
NOUWEN 7:30 PM PARISH OFFICE
- MAR 01** VIDEO SERIES ON THE "YEAR OF
MERCY" 3:30 -5P.M. COMMUNITY
CENTER (REPEATED AT 7P.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 reli-
gious education?

Our RCIA sessions are held on Wednesday
evenings at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. For more informa-
tion, please call Janice LaMotte at (408) 252-7653 ext. 30



QUESTION FROM LAST WEEK: How are the 40 days of Lent
calculated? **ANSWER:** The forty days of fasting were originally
counted from the beginning of the Easter Triduum (3 days) that began
on Holy Thursday evening. This determined the date of the First Sun-
day of Lent. Fasting, however, was never done on Sundays, which
were considered as "little Easters." By the 7th century, the six-week
season of Lent was anticipated on Wednesday and included Good
Friday and Holy Saturday to keep the days of fasting at forty. (*Catho-
lic Customs & Traditions-Greg Dues*)

BE BETTER PREPARED FOR NEXT WEEK'S MASS
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 21, 2016

Read: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18: Philippians 3:17-4:1;
Luke 9:28-36

QUESTION FOR ADULTS

How are your priorities affected by your faith in Jesus Christ?

QUESTION FOR CHILDREN

When you have important choices to make, do you and your
family pray to make the right choice?

ACTION

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS LENT TO GET MORE
INVOLVED IN PARISH LIFE?**

Prayer

Oh Lord, please hear the sound of my call and have pity
on me . Amen.



SJC SCHOOL NEWS

**APPLICATIONS FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR
ARE BEING ACCEPTED!**

Applications for our parish school for the 2016-2017 school
year are available and still being accepted. You may download
an application by logging on to our school website at
www.sjcschool.org and clicking on Admissions. You may also
pick up an application at our school office or contact us at (408)
252-6441 to request an application. We continue to process
applications and keep an active waiting list throughout
the year.

*Please note: parishioners are given priority consideration in
our acceptance policy.*



The Cookies Are Here!!!!
The Girl Scout troops of St. Joseph School
are selling Girl Scout cookies.
The girls are selling after every mass
the weekend of 2/20 and 2/21.



Thank you to the many generous donors who
have contributed to the **L.I.F.E. Program**
(L.I.F.E. stands for "Legacies In Faith and Education").

Our Final Numbers:

To date we have received:	
Development/Unrestricted/	
Special Projects	\$41,570
Scholarship Funds	\$18,979
Teacher's Helper	\$ 1,245
Total	\$61,794



Communion and Liberation Lay Movement
**ARE YOU AN ADULT LOOKING TO DEEPEN
YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND EXPERIENCE
OF THE CHURCH?** Come to our "School of Com-
munity" Thursdays at 8:00-9:00 pm in the SJC
School Art Room. We are currently working on the
book *Why The Church?* by Msgr. Luigi Giussani.

For more information contact Yvonne Fernández at yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com or go to our website at www.clonline.us

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
 Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

Mass Intentions for the Week

Feb. 13	5:00 PM	Fernando Guida (+)
Feb. 14	8:00 AM	Robert Dust (+)
	9:30 AM	John Edward Shiffer (+)
	11:00 AM	Albert Saenz (+)
	5:00 PM	Judy Hendricks, Brian Taaffe & Ignacio Zocco (+)
Feb. 15	8:30 AM	Elizabeth Armand (L)
Feb. 16	8:30 AM	Elizabeth Armand (L)
Feb. 17	8:30 AM	Elizabeth Armand (L)
Feb. 18	8:30 AM	Vern & Ruth Grimslid (+)
Feb. 19	8:30 AM	Keith Schueler (+)
Feb. 20	8:30 AM	Roy Barnes (+)
	5:00 PM	Bereavement Ministers (L)
Feb. 21	8:00 AM	Kathryn Mooring (+)
	9:30 AM	Dr. Patrick Rooney (+)
	11:00 AM	Albert Fabilli (+)
	5:00 PM	Peg Mariga (+)



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 first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord 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!



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.

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>

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Valentine's Day; World Marriage Day
 Monday: Presidents' Day
 Wednesday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
 Friday: Abstinence

FIL-AM COUNCIL ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO

SAVE THE DATE MARCH 12, 2016

The Fil-Am Council Saint Joseph of Cupertino will present:

The Way of the Cross-Jesus's Face of Mercy: A Lenten Recollection

Retreat Master: Fr. Noel Sanvicente, JCD (Parochial Vicar, St. Simon Parish, Diocese of San Jose)
 7:45 AM—11:45 AM Details to follow

Cursillo News

Ultreya – Feb. 18, 2016, Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Transfiguration Parish

Speaker – Bishop P.J. McGrath

Men's Weekend, April 14-April 17

St. Clare Retreat Center

Women's Weekend, April 28-May 1, St. Clare Retreat Center

For more information about Cursillo, go to www.sanjosecursillo.org or contact parishioners Geni at genisundquist@gmail.com or Mary Jo at mjsw50@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)*



First Sunday of Lent February 14, 2016

The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart.

— Romans 10:8

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!

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

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 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

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

sjcparish@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 --x38Primo 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.

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.