

Annual Diocesan Appeal 2016:  
WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Although we have now reached 128% of our goal and raised potentially \$35,170 for our parish—and we are grateful for every dollar—our rebate amount is considerably lower than what it was at this time last year. Without the involvement of more parishioners, our budget for the year will suffer a serious shortfall. There are just 2 weeks left in the campaign. If you have not yet contributed, *won't you consider making a pledge? Your gift will be a blessing for St. Joseph's!*

**Return to me with your whole heart.**

Lenten Reconciliation Service  
Friday, March 18, 7 P.M.  
This service will include scripture, music, and the opportunity for individual confession.

**The Light is On for You**

God is rich in mercy. There is no darkness, sin, burden that Christ's mercy cannot overcome. Visit St. Joseph of Cupertino this Wednesday from 6-8 P.M. and experience the freedom and healing of our Lord Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We encourage you to invite another to the sacrament, especially those who have not been to the sacrament for some time. To find guides to confession and confession times at other parishes visit [www.dsj.org/light](http://www.dsj.org/light).

**St. Joseph of Cupertino Easter Schedule 2016**

Parish Reconciliation Service  
Friday, March 18, 7 P.M.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
March 19-20

Masses Saturday 5 P.M., Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11 A.M., 5 P.M.  
Procession at 9:30 A.M.

Holy Thursday  
March 24

7 P.M.: Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Adoration at altar of repose in the hall until 10 P.M.

Good Friday  
March 25

12:15 P.M. Meditations  
1:30 P.M.: Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
6:30 P.M.: Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday  
March 26

8:30 P.M.: The Easter Vigil  
The Initiation of New Members into the Church  
No confessions Holy Saturday afternoon  
No mass at 5 P.M.

Easter Sunday  
March 27

Masses at 8 A.M., 9:30 A.M. (church & hall),  
& 11 A.M. (church & hall)  
No mass at 5 P.M.

**DOORS OF MERCY**—It's not too late to sign up for our series on the meaning of mercy throughout the Bible. It will discuss the various covenants of the Bible as well as the Divine Mercy devotion. This occurs Tuesdays from 3:30-5 p.m. and repeated at 7 p.m. Call Janice at the Parish Office for details.

**Friday Stations of the Cross  
continue throughout Lent.**

Join Father Athanasius and fellow parishioners at 6 pm in the Church this Friday, March 11 (note earlier time) to pray the Stations of the Cross. Afterwards consider supporting our Holy Name Society by attending the St. Patrick's Day Dinner serving "All - You - Can - Eat" Crab! Tickets are \$40 each and are available outside church on weekends, in the rectory, and in the SJC school office.

**40 Days for Life - Spring Campaign**

Join other Pro-lifers in peaceful, respectful witness to the sacredness of human life and work to end abortion in our country.

Through March 20th we gather daily, 7 am to 8 pm, in front of Planned Parenthood, 1691 The Alameda, San Jose. Please consider committing one sacrificial hour per week during Lent – Sign up at [www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose](http://www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose) Join us March 18th, 7pm, for a candlelight procession from St. Leo Church (99 Race Street, San Jose) to Planned Parenthood



## 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!”**

Stay tuned for events such as talks, discussions, and movies!!!

**MARCH 08 VIDEO SERIES ON THE “YEAR OF MERCY” 3:30—5P.M. COMMUNITY CENTER REPEATED 7 P.M. CHURCH**

**MARCH 18 PARISH RECONCILIATION 7PM CHURCH**

**QUESTION FROM LAST WEEK: What are the “Scrutinies”?**  
*ANSWER: Three scrutinies for the “Elect”(those to be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive Eucharist at the Easter Vigil) are celebrated on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent. They are meant to help uncover and heal all that is preventing us from a full, loving relationship with God. This is a time of spiritual preparation for those in our RCIA process as they examine their lives more fully and journey from darkness to light into full communion in our Catholic faith tradition. We join them in scrutinizing our own lives and in praying for them.*

**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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 13, 2016

Read : Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14 ; John 8:1-11

#### QUESTIONS FOR ADULTS

Have you ever been too willing to “cast the first stone” when you disapproved of someone’s behavior?

#### QUESTION FOR CHILDREN

When have you criticized or made fun of someone?  
What could help you act differently?

#### ACTION

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS LENT TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN PARISH LIFE? Help with the Easter Vigil?**

#### Prayer

Lord Jesus, you have taught us to be merciful and see Christ in those we meet. Amen.



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS



Please keep the Second Grade class in your prayers. They will be on a Family retreat this weekend focusing on Eucharist & Confirmation. Additionally, the class is going on a school day retreat focusing on Reconciliation and Forgiveness.

### SJC Science Fair

Interested in Science? Come by and see what the SJC students have generated for our Annual Science Fair.

The SJC Science Fair is open for viewing in the Parish Hall

Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 6pm (set-up day)

Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 6pm

Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 3pm

### *Do You Know?*

Last week we listed the great support the school receives from the Holy Name Society. One way they financially support the school is by donating all proceeds from the upcoming Crab Feed to the after school sports program.



#### Communion and Liberation Lay Movement.

**ARE YOU AN ADULT LOOKING TO DEEPEN YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND EXPERIENCE OF THE CHURCH?** Come to our “School of Community” Thursdays at 8:00-9:00pm in the SJC School Art Room. We are currently working on the book *The Religious Sense* by Msgr. Luigi Giussani. For more information contact Yvonne Fernández at [yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com](mailto:yvonnefernandez@yahoo.com) or go to our website at [www.clonline.us](http://www.clonline.us)

### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent;  
Girl Scout Sunday

Monday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity

Tuesday: St. John of God

Wednesday: St. Frances of Rome

Friday: Abstinence

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b;  
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14,  
17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12;  
Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14;  
Jn 8:1-11; Alternate readings (Year A):  
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;  
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

Mar. 05	5:00 PM	Fr. Gordon Kalil (L)
Mar. 06	8:00 AM	Lawrence Ragni (+)
	9:30 AM	John, Margaret & Nick Mardesich (+)
	11:00 AM	Francois & Mary Ma (+)
	5:00 PM	Marian Sisters of Santa Rosa
Mar. 07	8:30 AM	Roy Barnes (+)
Mar. 08	8:30 AM	Feliciana & Cesar Aricheta (+)
Mar. 09	8:30 AM	Thank you Mass
Mar. 10	8:30 AM	Bonnie Lowe (+)
Mar. 11	8:30 AM	Grace Delnero & Mike Dill (L)
Mar. 12	8:30 AM	Elizabeth Armand (L)
	5:00 PM	Mike Biskupski (+)
Mar 13	8:00 AM	Kathryn Mooring (+)
	9:30 AM	Vera Rodrigues (+)
	11:00 AM	Mary Therese Dang (+)
	5:00 PM	Maya & Peter Moschetti (L)



**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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The stewardship message in the parable of the prodigal son is that it is never too late to be a good steward. Blessed is the elder brother who had been a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal, who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he had been given. Do I *really* understand the value of my gifts?

**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).

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The Family Retreat taking place on Saturday, March 5 at 9:30 AM in the parish hall is for children preparing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation and their families. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

One of the first steps to a Catholic wedding takes place in the parish rectory, as the newly engaged come forward to "set a date." We owe this scenario to reforms made by the emperor Charlemagne late in the eighth century. He required that nobles and commoners alike have public weddings, and also required that marrying couples be examined for factors that would block a marriage, such as previous marriages or close kinship. The pope was more conservative, however, and resisted the emperor's creativity. It was enough for the pope that the couples exchange consent. That tradition is passed on to this day, to some couples' surprise. In 866, Pope Nicholas ruled that a marriage was legal and binding even without a liturgy or public celebration. After that, it was the consent of the couple, not the blessing of parents or priest, that made a marriage "count." If consent was lacking, such as through abduction or fear, then the marriage could not "take." Charlemagne got a great deal done, but he was a political flash in the pan, and the empire had virtually collapsed by the year 1000. Europe broke into a checkerboard of princedoms and languages, and at last all marriages came under the church, the glue holding the known world together.

**"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)*

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 6, 2016**

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation:  
the old things have passed away;  
behold, new things have come.  
— 2 Corinthians 5:17

**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](http://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](mailto:ppcteam@stjoscup.org) or call Mike Hoffman at (408) 315-1463.

**PARISH WEBSITE!!—([stjoscup.org](http://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](mailto: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 **website**. All requests are welcome & confidential.

**St. Joseph of Cupertino  
 Staff Information**

**Parish Office: (408) 252-7653** [stjparish@stjoscup.org](mailto:stjparish@stjoscup.org)  
 Secretary: Free Draga [Fri. Admin. Asst: Tracey Govola](mailto:Fri.Admin.Asst@stjoscup.org)  
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Wedding Coordinator – (408)252-7653.....Janice LaMotte

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

Infant Baptism..... Rev. Athanasius Kikoba

Hospital Ministry - x26.....Rev. Don Morgan

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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.