

A Prayer for Peace for the New Year

Give peace to our world, O Lord: peace to every troubled heart, insight to those who believe violence is the solution to their problems, respect and acceptance to bridge the differences dividing the human family, justice for those who are exploited, conversion for those who exploit them. Give peace to our world, O Lord, your own peace, which the world cannot give itself. Amen.

--Santa Rita Abbey, Sonoita, AZ

Thank you to all—from musicians to decorators—who helped to bring joy to our Christmas masses this year. Your generous service is a reflection of the divine love we celebrate at Christmas. —Fr. Greg



The Catechetical office is closed and will reopen on Jan. 3. Junior high sessions will resume on Wednesday, January 4. Catechetical sessions will resume on Sunday, January 8.

The 9:30 am Mass next Sunday, January 8 will be liturgy with a focus on children.

**歡迎參加
迎接新年**

We are continuing to prepare for our parish Chinese New Year celebration and would welcome the help of any parishioners willing to be part of the planning committee. Please come to a meeting on **Wednesday, January 11 at 7 P.M. in the staff room of the parish office.** For more information, please contact Fr. Greg at 252-7653 x24 or pas-tor@stjoscup.org.

The clergy and lay staff of St. Joseph of Cupertino express their gratitude for the good wishes and other kind gestures of support they received from parishioners at Christmas. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated!

Retrouvaille helps married couples heal and renew their marriages. The next weekend is Friday January 27th to Sunday, January 29th. There are 12 follow up sessions: Saturdays-Feb 4th, Feb. 11th, Feb. 25th, March 11th, March 25, and April 8th. Register at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Alex and Rowena Radich at (510) 919-9675 or Antonio and Claudia Flores at (408) 605-4998.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Are you an adult 18 or over who has not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you would like to celebrate this sacrament this Spring, you are invited to an informational meeting on Sunday, January 29th at 12:30 p.m. in the Parish Office.



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!

- JAN. 08 **GRIEF SUPPORT MEETS THE 2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 12:30PM-2PM PARISH OFFICE**
- JAN. 19 **BIBLE STUDY ON THE BIBLICAL ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST 7-9PM COMMUNITY CENTER**
- JAN. 28 **CONSOLATION OF GRIEF THROUGH MUSIC FR. CHRIS BENNETT 10-12PM COMMUNITY CENTER**
- FEB. 08 **CELEBRATION OF CHINESE NEW YEAR 11AM FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION IN THE PARISH HALL**

**BOOK CLUB MEETS THE 4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7PM PARISH OFFICE
PRAYER GROUP MEETS 1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 12-1PM COMMUNITY CENTER**

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

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY January 8, 2016

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

QUESTION FOR ADULTS

What insights about your own faith have you gained from learning about other faith traditions?

QUESTION FOR CHILDREN

What could you do to be like a star and lead someone to know about Jesus?

ACTION

MAKE A RESOLUTION TO HELP YOUR FAITH GROW THIS YEAR BY REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT MASS, INVOLVEMENT IN PARISH MINISTRIES ETC.

Prayer

Father, you revealed your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to your glory in heaven by the light of faith.
(Liturgy of the Hours, Evening Prayer II – Epiphany)



SJC SCHOOL NEWS



National Catholic Schools week begins the weekend of January 28th!

Save the Date!

The St. Joseph of Cupertino School Open House: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 from 9am – noon.
Take a tour (Preschool through 8th grade) and see our school in action!



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!



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

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"**). We have already received over \$27,000 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.



All young adults, ages 18 and over, are invited to our next Young Adult meeting on Saturday, January 7 in the parish office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
 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. 31	5:00 PM	Frank Ward (+)
Jan. 01	8:00 AM	Anna Gargano (+)
	9:30 AM	George Morris (+)
	11:00 AM	Frank Ward (+)
	5:00 PM	NO MASS
Jan. 02	8:30 AM	In Thanksgiving
Jan. 03	8:30 AM	Bereavement Ministry
Jan. 04	8:30 AM	Chase Malynn(L)
Jan. 05	8:30 AM	Norma Bernard (+)
Jan. 06	9:00 AM	Edgardo Ulpindo (+)
Jan. 07	8:30 AM	Charles & Frances Corey (+)
	5:00 PM	Darlene Granera (+)
Jan. 08	8:00 AM	John, Margaret & Nick Mardesich (+)
	9:30 AM	Enda Carolan (+)
	11:00 AM	Francois & Mary Ma (+)
	5:00 PM	Gertrude Mallon (+)



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 we start a new year and the readings remind us that this can be a year of peace and celebration as heirs of God. Let us reflect on the gifts we have been given and how we live can show our gratitude for all our loving Father has given us. What can we do today to show that gratitude?

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>

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
 The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;
 World Day of Prayer for Peace;
 New Year’s Day
 Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
 Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
 Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Thursday: St. John Neumann
 Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday
 Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Saturday;
 Julian Calendar Christmas

“**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)*



Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017

Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.
 — Luke 2:19

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 **website**. All requests are welcome & confidential.

**St. Joseph of Cupertino
 Staff Information**

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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/Comera 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, Michael Lee.