

SAINT CATHERINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY COMUNIDAD CATÓLICA DE SANTA CATALINA



We, at St. Catherine Parish, are a growing, diverse, and welcoming Catholic Community, called to live and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ through Worship, Discipleship and Service.

La Parroquia de Santa Catalina de Alejandría, es una comunidad en crecimiento, acogedora y diversa, llamada a vivir y proclamar la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo por medio de la Oración, el Discipulado y el Servicio.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / VIGESIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

MASSES / MISAS

Monday-Saturday: 8:15am
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sábado: 7:00pm
Sunday: 7:15, 8:45, 10:30am
5:30pm
Domingo: 12:15pm

CONFESSION / CONFESIÓN

Saturday / Sábado: 4:00 - 5:00pm (Or by appointment / O hacer una cita.)

ADORACIÓN / ADORATION
Wednesday / Miércoles 7:00pm

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From the Desk of Fr. Francis Kalaw, Parochial Vicar....

Us or Them?

It has been many years now since the Internet has given us the luxury of connecting people through social-media and other online communities. We all naturally gravitate and follow people who share our own values while we stay away from those with whom we fundamentally disagree. Thus, creating the attitude of the so-called "Us vs Them." And often times, we are guilty of these attitudes:

"We are right but they are not."

"We are doing it for our family but they are in it for the money."

"We know the truth; but they don't understand."

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Desde el escritorio del Fr. Francis Kalaw, Vicario Parroquial.....

¿Nosotros o ellos?

Han pasado muchos años desde que el Internet nos ha dado el lujo de conectar a las personas a través de las redes sociales y otras comunidades en línea. Todos naturalmente gravitamos y seguimos a las personas que comparten nuestros propios valores; mientras nos mantenemos alejados de aquellos con los que fundamentalmente estamos en desacuerdo. Por lo tanto, se crea una actitud de "nosotros contra ellos". Y a menudo, somos culpables de estas actitudes:

"Tenemos la razón, pero ellos no."

"Lo estamos haciendo por nuestra familia, pero ellos lo hacen por el dinero."

"Sabemos la verdad, pero ellos no entienden."

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Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría

Monday - Friday (*Lunes - Viernes*)

8:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday (*Sábado*) / Sunday (*Domingo*)

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Moses said, "Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

Psalms — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19)

Second Reading — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (Jason 5:1-6).

Gospel — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
 Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
 Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12
 Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
 Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
 Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

THE WEEK AHEAD/LA SEMANA PRÓXIMA

Sunday/Domingo, September 30
 9:00-10:15am MC,DC,Rm.8,10,11 Faith Formation Classes
 1:00-5:00pm Rm. 10, 11 Encuentro Matrimonial - Renovación de Evento
 2:00-3:30pm CH Liturgy - Youth Lector Prep. Training
 3:30-5:00pm MC Confirmation Program Intro
 4:00-9:00pm CR1-4,Kit Encuentro Matrimonial - Renovación de Evento
 4:30-5:30pm CH Worship Band & Singers
 7:00-9:00pm MC Life Teen Youth Group
 7:00-9:00pm GYM Open Gym Basketball
Monday/Lunes, October 1
 10:00-11:30am CR-1 SVDP Board Meeting
 6:00-7:00pm CR3-4,Kit Community Super
 6:00-8:00pm Rm. 11 UPDE One on One Meeting
 6:30-8:00pm GYM Danza Liturgica
 6:30-8:30pm NUR Handmaids - Stitching Group
 7:00-8:00pm CH Angelica Choir Rehearsal
 7:00-8:30pm Rm.8,10 JPC - Junta de Equipo
 7:00-8:30pm CR-1 ICF Board Meeting
Tuesday/Martes, October 2
Rm. 11 JPC Coro
 CR1-2 Cubs Scouts Pack 766 - Den 4
 CR3-4,Kit KoC - Assembly
 CH New EM Training - Practicum
 LR Car Raffle Committee Planning
 MC Spanish RCIC Session
 Rm.8 Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting
Wednesday/Miércoles, October 3
 MC,Rm.8,CH Faith Formation Classes
 NUR Choir Practice / Fil/Am Choir
 CH Children's Choir
Rm.10,11,CR1-2 UPDE Meeting
 GYM Danza Liturgica
 Rm.8 Jesus to Mankind Prayer Group
 CH Hora Santa
 MC EDGE - Middle School Ministry
 LR RICA
 CH Alfa-Omega Grupo de Oracion
Thursday/Jueves, October 4
 Rm.10 UPDE - Volunteer Meeting
 CH Spanish Choir
 CR3-4 Capital Campaign Committee Mtg.
 Rm. 11 Grupo Amigos - Teen Leader Mtg.
 Rm.8 Reunion Grupo de Platicas Pre-Bautismales
 MC Cat. Min. Adult FF/RCIA
Friday/Viernes, October 5
 CH Adoration
 CR1-2 Bible Study
 MC Grupo Amigos Youth Group
 Rm.8,10,11 JPC Reunion Semanal
Saturday/Sabado, October 6
 9:15-10:45am MC,DC,Rm.8,10,11 Spanish Faith Formation Classes
 9:15-10:45am CR1-4, Kit Spanish Sac Prep Parent Meeting
 2:00-10:00pm CR1-4, Kit ADOH/UPDE Parent Info Session

8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, October 1	† Lorraine Sando Fr. Brian Shininger
Tuesday, October 2	† Jose Luis Garcia † Kathy Moritz
Wednesday, October 3	† Cecelia Thompson † Frances Lamantia
Thursday, October 4	† Sarah Quilici † Maria de Jesus Vieyra
Friday, October 5	† Dede Mariani † Ariel Palacios
Saturday, October 6	† Jorge Mariaca † Manuel Zapien

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE

by Deacon Rick Haeckel

Both the first reading and the Gospel speak about the consequences of pride and exclusion. Both Moses and Jesus nip these feelings in the bud, it is not because of pride of place or knowledge that enables prophetic voices to arise from other than the “designated” ones. How easily we slip into the sense that we will be provided with words to strengthen our faith ... but they come from those who are trained to preach and prophesy, right? Well, not exclusively; at our baptism we are sent to go out and spread the Good News of the Gospel. So even if we feel that we lack training we are meant to demonstrate to others the truth of the Gospel by the way we live and especially how we treat others. Indeed, some are chosen and trained to speak about the Kingdom Jesus came to proclaim. But we can't excuse ourselves for lack of training. Life, life lived in imitation of Jesus is real training. Some of the most powerful witness comes from those who have lived both the difficult and the good times in life. Friendships are formed when we find people with whom we share things in common. That's true for our both physical and spiritual lives. The Church is most essentially, as the Second Vatican Council declared, “the people of God.” That isn't meant to diminish the importance of the “professional” leaders but rather to embolden everyone to recognize their importance in the plan of God as exemplified by Jesus. We rightly put Jesus on a very high pedestal, but that cannot cause us to relax and overlook our call to be “other Christs.” Each in our own way, in the arenas where we work and live, are to cherish our call from Jesus to love one another as I have loved you. When we separate our spiritual life from our life in the world, we become two separate people; one who prays and finds solace in Church activities and another who walks in the public square. The separation occurs not out of choice but rather because we have compartmentalized our lives. The fullness of life asks that we merge the two, loving others in both spheres, witnessing by the goodness of our dealings with others. Sharing our goods and our very selves with the most needy. The ominous ending of today's Gospel warns in dramatic words how serious is our call to lift up others. It's worth reflecting on the fact that we can cause others (little ones) to sin, often when our unchecked appetites seek agreement by including others in a wayward path. Keeping the Lord and His presence prominent in our life choices gives a wholeness nothing else can. Spend some time with Jesus today ... and every day.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

At the risk of being laughed at :-) try driving at 60 instead of 80 and see how much better your mileage is ... and therefore how much less we pollute the atmosphere. Try it, pretty please.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. FRANCIS...

“You can trust us; but be afraid of them.”

“We are all children of God but we are God's favorites.”

“We are the people of God but we pray for them.”

In our gospel today, Jesus is calling for an end to this sort of “Us vs Them” attitude. He admonishes his disciples who seem to be more interested in protecting their special status as disciples than in the healing that was taking place. Thus, failing to recognize the simple acts of compassion taking place before their eyes like relieving the thirsty, nurturing children and the needy.

Let us pray for the grace to acknowledge and build upon even the smallest signs of faith around us. There are plenty of obstacles that might prevent the growth of faith. But there are things in our lives that nurture our faith.

As one of your spiritual leaders, I suggest that we keep talking about the things that nurture our faith: our healthy family relationships, catching up with good friends, reading good literature, continued prayers for the healing of the church and so forth.

Likewise, let us recognize those things that might be an obstacle to faith: unhealthy relationships, bad habits or vices and so forth.

Jesus reminds us today that we are to do everything we can to help one another have faith. May we not contribute to the obstacles that might hinder another person's faith in Jesus.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Have you moved recently and need to update your mailing information with the parish? Email us at office@stca.org, drop us a note in the Sunday collection or call us at (408) 779-3959. We need your complete name, old & new address and your new telephone number if that has changed. Don't miss out on all the great news we mail/email to our parishioners!

VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El espíritu se posó sobre Moisés y los ancianos, y sobre Eldad y Medad. (Números 11:25-29).

Salmo — Los mandatos del Señor alegran el corazón (Salmo 19 [18]).

Segunda lectura — Ustedes que se han hecho ricos rehusando pagar los salarios y con otras obras injustas, ahora se les va a condenar (Santiago 5:1-6).

Evangelio — Cualquiera que esté haciendo el bien en nombre de Cristo está con él. (Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Job 1:6-22; Sal 17 (16):1bcd-3, 6-7; Lc 9:46-50
Martes: Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Sal 88 (87):2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Miércoles: Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Sal 88 (87):10bc-15; Lc 9:57-62
Jueves: Job 19:21-27; Sal 27 (26):7-9abc, 13-14; Lc 10:1-12
Viernes: Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Sal 139 (138):1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lc 10:13-16
Sábado: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Sal 119 (118):66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lc 10:17-24
Domingo: Gn 2:18-24; Sal 128 (127):1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mc 10:2-16 [2-12]

¡Dios es Grande Todo el Tiempo, Todo el Tiempo Dios es Grande!

¡BIENVENIDO!

Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sean residentes de largo plazo o recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no estás registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y colóquelo en la canasta de la colecta o mandarlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

Nombre (s): _____

Dirección: _____

Ciudad: _____

Código postal: _____

Numero teléfono: _____

Email: _____

¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?

____ Yes ____ No

¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?

____ Yes ____ No

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL P. FRANCIS.....

“Puedes confiar en nosotros, pero a ellos tenles miedo.”

“Todos somos hijos de Dios, pero nosotros somos los favoritos de Dios.”

“Nosotros somos el pueblo de Dios pero oramos por ellos.”

En nuestro Evangelio de hoy, Jesús llama a poner fin a este tipo de actitud de "nosotros contra ellos". Él reprocha a sus discípulos que parecen estar más interesados en proteger su condición especial como discípulos que en la sanación que estaba tomando lugar. Por lo tanto, no reconocían los simples actos de compasión que tomaban lugar ante sus ojos como aliviar a los sedientos, nutrir a los niños y los necesitados.

Oremos por la gracia de reconocer y edificar hasta los más pequeños signos de fe que nos rodean. Hay muchos obstáculos que pueden evitar el crecimiento de la fe. Pero hay cosas en nuestras vidas que nutren nuestra fe.

Como uno de sus líderes espirituales, sugiero que continuemos hablando sobre las cosas que nutren nuestra fe: las relaciones familiares saludables, ponerse al día con buenos amigos, leyendo una buena literatura, oraciones continuas para la sanidad de la iglesia y demás.

Del mismo modo, reconozcamos aquellas cosas que pueden ser un obstáculo para la fe: relaciones poco saludables, malos hábitos o vicios, etc.

Jesús nos recuerda hoy que debemos hacer todo lo que podamos para ayudarnos unos a otros a tener fe. Que no contribuyamos a los obstáculos que pueden obstaculizar la fe de otra persona en Jesús.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: "¿Cuáles son los tres valores más importantes que motivan sus decisiones diarias?"

Niño: "¿Podría una persona pobre que es sabia ser más rica de una manera que una persona tonta que tiene muchas cosas? ¿Por qué?"

VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

BALONCESTO

El gimnasio de baloncesto estará abierto para jugar de forma gratuita los domingos de 7 a 9pm.

Esto será principalmente para mayores de 30 años. Los jóvenes que están en la secundaria menores de 17 años deben ser acompañados por un padre. Todos los jugadores deben usar camisetas. Será juego limpio y el espíritu deportivo serán requeridos en la cancha. Salga a hacer ejercicio jugando al baloncesto. Para obtener más información, contáctese con Richard Sias en ricweb3.0@gmail.com

SÁBADO, 3 DE NOVIEMBRE

Tengan en cuenta que el sábado 3 de noviembre no habrá misa de las 5:30p.m. ni a las 7:00 p.m. Habrá una misa bilingüe en este día a las 6:00p.m. para la instalación del Padre Sergio como nuestro párroco.

¿QUIÉN ESTÁ A NUESTRO FAVOR?

Jesús, como Moisés que estuvo antes que él, corrige los malentendidos de los discípulos sobre el don del Espíritu. Vieron a personas, que no eran parte de su grupo, echar demonios y hacer otros milagros como Jesús había hecho. Jesús señala que nadie que hace milagros en su nombre puede luego hablar mal de él. Luego señala la importancia de la “gente sencilla”: los pobres, las personas sencillas, los niños, los humildes que no son importantes en el mundo. Es a ellos a quienes fue enviado, no a los ricos ni a los farisaicos. Jesús hace hincapié en la importancia de las pequeñas obras hechas con fe, de la misma manera que las grandes obras como echar a los demonios. “Todo aquél que les dé a beber un vaso de agua...por el hecho de que son de Cristo...les aseguro que no se quedará sin recompensa” (Marcos 9:41). Dios construye el Reino por venir poco a poco con nuestras acciones, sin importar que sean pequeñas o sencillas, si se las hace por amor a Dios y al prójimo.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1648 el franciscano Matías Abad llegó a la selva chocoana en la costa pacífica de Colombia. Allí, a pesar de los ataques indígenas en contra de los misioneros, pudo celebrar la fiesta de san Francisco (4 de octubre). Al pasar de los años la devoción a san Francisco en Chocó se convirtió en una mezcla de la fe católica, las religiones africanas y la brujería. Este sincretismo es una forma de superstición que busca utilizar al santo en lugar de imitarlo.

Esta confianza en imágenes y estatuas es común y hasta peligrosa entre los latinoamericanos. Las hazañas de ciertas imágenes milagrosas llegan a proporciones exageradas. Por ejemplo, la imagen de “san Pachito”, como lo llaman los chocoanos, se le atribuye haber apagado un incendio que amenazaba la población. La pusieron delante de las llamas y las apagó con su propio sudor.

Hay que tener cuidado con la importancia de las imágenes sagradas de nuestras tradiciones. En un descuido pueden convertirse en ídolos o amuletos en lugar del recuerdo de la presencia divina y el desafío de vivir en santidad.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	Santa Teresita del Niño Jesús
Martes:	Santos Ángeles Custodios
Jueves:	San Francisco de Asís
Viernes:	Beato Francis Xavier Seelos; Primer viernes
Sábado:	San Bruno; Beata Marie-Rose Du rocher; Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado

CONOCE A LOS ÁNGELES

Hazte amigo de los ángeles, y contéplalos frecuentemente en espíritu. Aunque no los ves, están siempre contigo. —San Francisco de Sales

Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

La ley del Señor es perfecta del todo y reconforta el alma; inmutables son las palabras del Señor y hacen sabio al sencillo.

— Salmo 19 (18):8

VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

SANTOS ARCÁNGELES



ORACIÓN A SAN MIGUEL ARCÁNGEL

Oh gloriosísimo San Miguel Arcángel, príncipe y caudillo de los ejércitos celestiales, custodio y defensor de las almas, guarda de la Iglesia, vencedor, terror y espanto de los rebeldes espíritus infernales. Humildemente te rogamos, te digne librar de todo mal a los que a ti recurrimos con confianza; que tu favor nos ampare, tu fortaleza nos defienda y que, mediante tu incomparable protección adelantemos cada vez más en el servicio del Señor; que tu virtud nos esfuerce todos los días de nuestra vida, especialmente en el trance de la muerte, para que, defendidos por tu poder del infernal dragón y de todas sus asechanzas, cuando salgamos de este mundo seamos presentados por tí, libres de toda culpa, ante la Divina Majestad. Amén.

ORACIÓN A SAN GABRIEL

Dios Señor nuestro, imploramos tu clemencia para que habiendo conocido tu Encarnación por el anuncio del arcángel San Gabriel, con el auxilio suyo consigamos también sus beneficios. Por Jesucristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

ORACIÓN A SAN RAFAEL

Arcángel San Rafael, que dijiste: «Benedicid a Dios todos los días y proclamad sus beneficios. Practicad el bien y no tropezaréis en el mal. Buena es la oración con ayuno, y hacer limosna mejor que atesorar oro», te suplico me acompañes en todos mis caminos y me alcances gracias para seguir tus consejos.

SAN VICENTE DE PAUL

El ministerio parroquial de San Vicente de Paul está disponible para cualquier persona que lo necesite en nuestra comunidad. Los feligreses donan dinero generosamente para que otros puedan obtener ayuda para pagar la renta, las facturas de PGE, o recibir una tarjeta de regalo para comida, gasolina o cualquier artículo necesario. Llame a nuestra línea de ayuda SVdP al 408-778-2928 y deje un mensaje en inglés o español. Si desea ser voluntario, llame a Blanca Cinco al 408-203-0957. Si desea donar, puede poner dinero en un sobre marcado SVdP en la cesta de la colecta en cualquiera de las misas en Santa Catalina.

HORA SANTA Y ROSARIO MIÉRCOLES DE 7:00 PM A 8:00 PM



Durante los momentos de mas agonía, Jesús nuestro Señor pidió a sus discípulos que oraran una hora con El en el huerto de Getsemaní. Todos los miércoles a las 7:00pm tenemos la oportunidad de orar una hora con el Señor en frente de Santísimo Sacramento. No pierda la oportunidad de pasar una hora con el Señor.

GRUPO AMIGOS

Se les invita a todos los jóvenes que estén en la preparatoria para que asistan al Grupo Amigos. Grupo Amigos es un grupo para hacer buenas amistades y para aprender nuevas cosas que ayudaran en sus vidas y crecer en su fe. Los esperamos todos los viernes a las 7:00pm en el Centro Milani.

JÓVENES PARA CRISTO

Se les invita a las personas mayores de 18 años a reunirse todos los Viernes en el salón 10 en la escuela a las 7:00pm. Tenemos momento de alabanzas con el coro y también compartimos temas acerca de la fe y temas sociales. ¡Los esperamos!

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CARISMÁTICO ALPHA Y OMEGA

Se hace la invitación a toda la comunidad a un tiempo de oración y alabanzas. El grupo se reúne los miércoles al terminar la Hora Santa. De 8:00 pm a 9:30pm. Acompañenos a alabar al Señor con cánticos y oración.

Equipping Families to Pass on the Faith

Family Faith Formation at St. Catherine's Church



If you have been coming to Mass for awhile but are not Catholic,

we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith

Come and meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and who would love to meet you! Join us for our Inquiry sessions - an open and welcoming environment where you can learn about the Catholic faith and have an opportunity to ask questions you may have about the church.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. RCIA is for persons seeking baptism, persons baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic and baptized Catholics for reception of First Communion and Confirmation.

The sessions are open to all who want to journey toward a deeper understanding of our faith and a closer relationship with Jesus.

**1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month
October 4th and 18th
in Milani Center**

If you or someone you know would like further information please contact Rose at the Faith Formation Office at (408) 779-9604.



EVERY TEEN IN HIGH SCHOOL WHO HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED:

Come to the Milani Center today (Sunday) at 3:30pm AND **bring your phone!**

Yeah, you read me, I want you to bring your phone with you. This is not a drill.

Whether your parent has been to a meeting or not, please come and we'll figure out your parentals later. If you want to take an extra step then come with your phone with Slack & Manifestly downloaded on your phone. If you don't have a smartphone or can't download the app, you are still more than welcome to come.

Edge is Wednesdays 7-8:30pm in Milani

Edge is for any youth in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.



Life Teen is Sundays 7-8:30pm in Milani

Life Teen is for any youth in high school.



Grupo Amigos is Fridays 7-9pm in Milani

Grupo Amigos is the youth group for high schoolers who speak English and Spanish, or just English but want to learn more Spanish!



Edge working as a team to build a marshmallow

Questions: contact Deepu at deepuk@dsj.org or 408-874-6742

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of "Anglicizing" the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of "hedge schools." In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and "civil disobedience" ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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ST. CATHERINE GHANA SERVICE TRIP

Be part of St. Catherine mission team to travel to Africa in 2019! Planning is underway for travel to the school we built in Awaso, Ghana. Lots of service opportunities are available to work in the school, farm, or bakery; provide art, reading, math, science or health workshops to children, grades k-8th grade; conduct enrichment classes for teachers or parents; coach sports games; construct campus building; and many more. Group planning meeting will begin in October. Those interested please contact

Janet at janet95037@gmail.com or
408 221 9944.

NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones,": the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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KNOW THE ANGELS

Make yourself familiar with the angels, and behold them frequently in spirit. Without being seen, they are present with you.

—St. Francis de Sales

ATTENTION:

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SAFE CAR PARK NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Trailer Repair Help?

Our Morgan Hill Safe Car Park ministry has a donated trailer that is being used by a homeless family while they secure affordable housing. We are in need of some help sealing the roof seams of the trailer before any winter rains. Materials are already purchased. If you have some time to offer, we'd appreciate it. Contact Carol Lillig for more information. 408 -857-4516 or Lillig.carol@gmail.com

**God is great all the time,
all the time, God is great!**

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

The Gym is open for drop-in play on Sundays from 7-9pm.

This is primarily for ages 30 and older. Youth in middle school or high school under 17 years old must be accompanied by a parent or grandparent. All players must wear T-shirts or tank tops. Fair play and sportsmanship are required on the court. Come out get some exercise by playing basketball. For more information, please contact Richard Sias at ric-web3.0@gmail.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join with others in South County to end abortion, support the sanctity of life, and support young mothers who struggle to make a life affirming choice.

Join our 40 Days Prayer that kicked off on Wednesday, September 26th, at 11:45am. Hosted vigils three days per week M,W,F 11:45 am adjacent to Planned Parenthood, 760 Renz Lane, Gilroy.

For information call Brian Cunningham 408-847-2000 or email 40daysforlifegilroy@gmail.com

MASS TIMES

When traveling and don't know the mass times for the local church go to www.masstimes.org, search by zip code or by address and locate any church's mass times anywhere.

Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Would you like to receive envelopes? Yes / No

ADJUSTING TO CHANGE?

Changes can be difficult especially when they are unexpected. Stephen ministers are trained to help people learn to cope with the changes that have happened in their life. If you have experienced great changes or know someone who has and would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry call either Claranne Schirle at 408-782-1413 or Kenny Carvalho at 408-772-7600.

ROSARY CRUSADE

Please join the 2018 Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on October 13 at 12:00 noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally takes place at Saint Catherine of Alexandria School, 17500 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill in the Rosary Garden. Thank you.

SAINTS CHAPEL

Clean chapel area and put new candles out. Help is needed throughout the day and evening. Small candles need to be changed every four hours. Contact: Ralph Ortega at ralphndebbie@icloud.com.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

Please note that there will be no 5:30pm or 7:00pm mass on Saturday, November 3rd. There is a bilingual mass on this day at 6:00pm for Fr. Sergio's installation as our pastor.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: "What are the three most important values motivating your daily decisions?"

Child: "Could a poor person who is wise be richer in a way than a foolish person who has many things? Why?"

Business Office Update

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

The Finance Council has established a Goal this year of a 5% increase in our weekly collection versus last year. We will update the Parish in October on the results of this past Fiscal Year. As always, thank you for your generosity to the Parish.

Sunday September 16, 2018		
This Week	\$22,392	
Goal	\$23,453	
Difference	-\$1,061	-4.5%
Fiscal Year to Date		
This YTD	\$232,685	
Goal	\$228,737	
Difference	\$3,948	1.7%

DID YOU KNOW?

The **Bright Beginnings Nursery** is open on Sundays for the 8:45am and 10:30am Masses. We have toys and activities for children from ages 1 to 4. Hiedi Betancourt is the Nursery Supervisor and has led the Nursery for years. Enter the Parish Center and the Nursery is off to the left. We are open when you see the **Bright Beginnings** sign in the front of the Parish Center.

SUNDAY COFFEE and DOUGHNUTS

We are looking for more volunteers for Sunday Hospitality. This is a ministry at St. Catherine's for parishioners and visitors to enjoy each other's company with **Coffee and Doughnuts** after the Sunday morning Masses. It is simple to do, all we ask is that you stay 30 minutes before or after the Mass. Can you commit to once every 2 months? Please email me at Ivillano@dsj.org if you are interested.

CAMPUS UPDATE

I hope you have noticed that the facade on **Milani Center** has been completed. The lower façade collapsed at the end of February during a heavy rainstorm. We have worked closely with the Diocese to bring this project to a successful close. We hired a Structural Engineer to determine the cause and make recommendations for the reconstruction. He concluded that the wear and tear over thirty years led to the collapse of the lower façade, so we were not able to collect any insurance monies.

The newly organized **Facility Advisory Committee** is hard at work. They have created an inspection sheet and are walking through the campus to make their recommendations later this Fall. If you are still interested in being a part of the committee, please email me at Ivillano@dsj.org.

St. Catherine School News



Seventh graders having fun at the Fun Fest. In addition to enjoying the rides, games, prizes and food, the boys also worked at the game booths over the weekend.

ST. CATHERINE SCHOOL WALKATHON

The Walkathon is coming up on - **Friday, October 5th!** There is still time to sponsor this event or make a pledge with your favorite St. Catherine student. Thanks for helping our school continue to provide the best possible Catholic education for our children. Of course, all donations are fully tax deductible. Donations may be submitted to the school office.

A HUGE thank you to all our sponsors for their support in helping us make this event such a fabulous success!

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Pray for peace throughout the world and in every heart.



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CLASS RETREATS

Students in grades 4-8 each attend a mini-retreat during the first trimester of the school year.

These retreats are held on campus in either O'Donnell or Milani Center. They are designed to promote positive respect and teamwork within the class. Through a variety of activities, students are reminded that we are each children of God and as such deserve to be treated and to treat others with respect at all times. Anti-bullying strategies and policies are also reviewed for each class.

During the fourth grade retreat, the students receive the Bible they will use in class through eighth grade.

The retreats are coordinated by the classroom teacher and our Campus Minister, Lisa Kellett, along with support from our parish Youth Minister, Deepu Kochuparambil.



Eighth graders having a great time at the Fall Fun Fest. Hard to believe 8th grade is already here for them.

**The Walkathon is Coming!
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Watch for more information on our
9th Annual St. Catherine School
Walkathon October 5.**