

Mar. 4, 2018 - Mar. 11, 2018	
Sunday	Continental Breakfast after 9am Mass Special Collection next weekend for Catholic Relief Services
Monday	Next Grief Group Meeting is tonight in the Parish Office conference room.
Tuesday	The next Ladies Guild Meeting is 3/13 in the meeting room of the Fr. Jim Community Center, .
Wednesday	“The Light is on For You” 6-8pm, Confession and Adoration
Thursday	ADORATION after 9:30am Mass until 11:45 am
Friday	Adoration after the 9:30am Mass Stations of the Cross at 5:15-church and soup supper following in Community Cent.
Saturday	
Sunday	Continental Breakfast after 9am Mass . Special collection this weekend is for Catholic Relief Services

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

The readings today are about water – the life-giving water that Jesus offers us. Moses was the focus of the people’s anger when they had no water to drink. We reflect that the people had very little sympathy for Moses although he was the one who helped them escape from peril in Egypt. But he came through for them once again, delivering water from the rock.

The Samaritan woman in the Gospel was asked to give Jesus water to drink as he, too, was thirsty. She was caught completely off guard as Jewish men were not supposed to speak to Samaritan women directly in that culture. He surprised her in a number of ways, least of which was offering her the kind of water which led to eternal life. She eagerly accepted this offer of life-giving water.

Henri Nouwen helps us understand what Jesus meant by living water – he meant the water that heals. The water he had to give us would transform us as well as quench our thirst. The woman at the well was transformed and went off to tell the whole town of her experience.

Henri Nouwen says, “Do not despair, thinking that you cannot change yourself after so many years. Simply enter into the presence of Jesus as you are and ask him to give you a fearless heart where he can be with you. You cannot make yourself different, Jesus came to give you a new heart, a new spirit, a new mind and a new body. Let him transform you by his love and so enable you to receive his affection in your whole being.” Comment from Henri Nouwen from *The Inner Voice of Love*.

I want to express my gratitude for all of the amazing volunteers who made our First Communion retreat such a success. The energy and enthusiasm you brought to the day, made it one that those kids will not soon forget. The future of our church is in very good hands! A special shout out to my adult volunteers as well, who throughout the day shared with me the most beautiful phrase any event coordinator could hear...”Don’t worry about this, I’ve got it!” Truly would be lost without you guys.

MASS INTENTIONS +

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Sunday	7:30am	Dan & Bob De Barr †
	9:00am	For Our Parishioners
	11:00am	Dominic Credi †
	5:00pm	Jacques Berger †
Monday	6:30 am	Maureen Joanne Doyle †
	9:30 am	No Intention
Tuesday	6:30 am	Rose Pham †
	9:30 am	Johnny John †
Wednesday	6:30 am	Fr. Edwin Johnson, S.M. †
	9:30 am	Rose Pham †
Thursday	6:30am	No Intention
	9:30am	Special Intention
Friday	6:30am	Maria Abujin †
	9:30 am	Matthew Porter †
Saturday	8:00am	John Walker †
	5:00 pm	Ladies Guild
Sunday	7:30 am	Tony Ramon †
	9:00 am	Swarna Sunder Raj †
	11:00 am	Tony Ramon †
	5:00 pm	For Our Parishioners



Weekly Stewardship Report

Collections for 2/25/2018	\$ 10,030
Collections 7/1/17/-2/25/18	\$ 401,301
Budgeted 7/1/17-2/25/18	\$ 400,116
Variance	\$ 1,185

Please prayerfully consider making a one time tax deductible gift. Contact the parish office for details. Thank you for your continued support!

One time gifts this fiscal year

Gifts for unrestricted use:	\$ 28,325
Gifts for specific projects:	\$ 7,080
Total:	\$ 34,055

Thank you for your generosity.

ANNUAL LENTEN SURVIVAL SACK DRIVE

Generosity is at the heart of Christian life and the Gospel. Through it, we bring comfort and the love of God to our homeless neighbors at Sacred Heart Community Services. You may purchase a backpack for \$5 and fill it. Take home a flyer listing items: socks, women’s and men’s underwear (M, L, XL), poncho, small blanket, 2 rolls toilet paper, comb, razor, 15 oz. shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush & toothpaste, washcloth. Cash and checks (made out to Sacred Heart Community Services) welcome. Donations through Sunday, March 11 at our table. Involve your children and grandchildren!
Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee

Dear Parishioners, Families and Friends,

On behalf of the Development Team, I am grateful to those of you who came and supported the last month's themed Valentine fundraising dinner. The effort of the team and many volunteers remind me that the Christian service brings joy to those whom we serve. I am very happy to serve you, and I am glad that I could not be able to do this alone. I am grateful to Fr. Rey and parish and school staffs for all their dedication and collaboration. I am also grateful to all pastoral volunteers and ministers who are serving in different areas of liturgy, catechesis, social justice ministry, and education ministry. You are invited to a Day of Recollection that enriches your spirituality and enjoys fellowship with one another.

What: Enrichment for Pastoral Volunteers and Ministers*
When: This coming Saturday, March 10, 2018
Where: Church: 10:00 AM – Speaker: Fr. John Hurley
Community Center: 12:00 Noon – Luncheon
RSVP: by Tuesday, March 6 to tho@dsj.org
or call the parish office (408) 253-7560

“The Light Is On for You” is an opportunity for all Catholic Churches in the Diocese of San Jose to be open on every Wednesday night during Lent from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. At Queen of Apostles Church, the Blessed Sacrament is also exposed during these evenings. It is individual time with the Lord in the Adoration, and the Sacrament of Confession and counseling will be available as well. The rest of the evenings are Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28.

Gratefully,
Fr. Thuc

** Enrichment for Pastoral Volunteers and Ministers was awarded a grant from the Catholic Community Foundation of Santa Clara County. For more information about the Catholic Community Foundation, visit cfoscc.org.*



You are invited to our Queen of Apostles School Mini Open House for prospective families this Sunday, March 4, 2018 from 10 am to 12:30 pm. More information about our school can be found at qofa-school.org or by calling the school office. Our students are Active Learners throughout the school year and in their daily lives. At the end of 2017, 3rd and 6th-8th grade students had the opportunity to see and hold human brains! A neurology student shared her knowledge with us and allowed them to see various animal and human brains that had been donated for educational purposes. In December, sixth graders attended outdoor school and then in late January, sixth grade students dissected sheep hearts. Our K-3rd grade students extend their science lessons into activities outside the classroom and at home with guided lessons from their teacher.



Family Faith Formation

408-255-9950

Office is staffed on Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 am -3:00 pm and on weekends by appointment. Please call before stopping by.

On the Calendar:

Mar. 4th: All classes meet at their usual times
 RCIA—First Scrutiny at the 9am Mass
 Mar. 11th: All classes meet at their usual times
 RCIA—Second Scrutiny at the 9am Mass
 Mar. 18th: All classes meet at their usual times
 RCIA—3rd Scrutiny at the 9am Mass
SAVE THE DATE!!! Shipwrecked—Vacation Bible camp will be held June 18th-22nd. Registration opens soon, so stay tuned!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Mar. 4th: Formation Night—Breakout sessions
 Mar. 11th: Formation Night—Breakout Sessions
 Mar. 18th: Formation Night—Breakout sessions
 Mar. 26th: Formation Night—Breakout sessions

Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism Series

This series is a drop in program designed for adults. There is no registration required. Sessions take place from 10:15-11:15 in room 6.

Mar. 4th: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist Part I
 Mar. 11th: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist Part II
 Mar. 18th: A Vast Company of Witnesses--The Communion of Saints
 Mar. 25th: A Vast Company of Witnesses--The Communion of Saints



The Diamond Jubilee Needs Your Help

Were you around in the early years of our Parish? Do you know any of the early Parish families or how we may reach them? Can you help us make contact? Do you have memorabilia, pictures, or video recordings of pastors, priests, parishioners or events we may reference, copy and/or share? (*We'll take good care of everyone's treasures, we promise*). Do you know someone who might? Have you researched our history before? Are you interested in helping us compile the information we gather? If you answered yes to any of these questions, we need to speak with you. Please e-mail us at qofajubilee@gmail.com and a committee member will contact you to discuss what you have, who you know and how you can help.

Easter Vigil Choir:

"It is said that singing is praying twice." Would you like to make service to our parish community through music a part of your Lenten journey? Consider singing with our Easter Vigil choir. Voices of all types and experience levels are needed and welcomed. Rehearsals will be on Thursdays, March 1, 8, and 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The Easter Vigil will be on Saturday, March 31 at 8:30 p.m. Contact Gina Schultz at (408) 515-9998 Or beem478@sonic.net, if you are interested

Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults

Diocese of San Jose - Anthony Gonzalez Phone: 408-983-0113
 Fax:408-983-0147 Emergency line: 408-983-0141

HIGH SCHOOL Youth Ministry and Confirmation

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR:

March 3: Confirmation Conference
 March 4: No classes

HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR:

March 17: Youth Meeting open to all teens, 6pm-8:30pm
 Save the Date !!
 The Stanford Blood Center will be at Queen of Apostles on Tuesday, March 6th, from 2pm - 8pm.
 You can now make an appointment online at <https://bloodcenter.stanford.edu/>.

*Like us on Facebook: Queen of Apostles Youth
 *Follow us on Instagram: QofAYM
 *Contact us: youth@qofa.org | 213-6509 | www.qofa.org

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a religious formation program for adults and for children 7 years or older, who are interested in joining the Catholic Church. Participants explore their faith while learning about the Catholic tradition. To learn more call 408-255-9950 or email kmanning@dsj.org



SOLACE – SOUL + GRIEF

Monthly Drop-in Grief Support Group
 Fourth Wednesday of each month
 Wed. Mar.28 7 pm – 9 pm
 O'Connor Hospital Chapel – near main entrance
 2105 Forest Ave., San Jose
 Facilitator: Candee Lucas, M.A. Pastoral Ministries
 Each month we will use a different scripture as a seed for our sharing, discussion and support. We hope to create a sacred space for you to share your grieving. No RSVP necessary. Free.
 Sponsored by Catholic Cemeteries 650-428-3730 or www.ccdsj.org

You are invited to purchase scrip gift cards in the vestibule exit to the parking lot.

The times for scrip sales are:
Saturday at 5:00 pm mass
Sunday after the 7:30 am mass
before and after the 9:00 am mass
and **before** the 11:00 am mass.

Homeless Donations

We meet on the first and third Wednesday at 10 AM to make bag lunches for the homeless. If you would like to donate items you may bring granola bars, peanut butter, jam or cup-of-soup to Fr. Jim's garage. If you would like to make sandwiches please call Margie at (408) 203-7747. Thank you!

ASCENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Hours of operation: Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm .

Contact : 408-257-8302 FAX Number: 408-257-4600 Web Site: www.ascent-jobs.org PO Box 9604, San Jose CA 95157.

Grief Support Group 1st and 3rd Mondays 7 pm – 8:30 pm in the Parish Office

Are you, a family member or friend, grieving the loss of a loved one? Whether it's a current loss or one in the past, we will reassure you that there is hope for those whose loved one has died. Join others in support, friendship, and prayer in a confidential setting. We meet every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month in the Rectory. If you have any questions or need to talk, please call Shirley at 408-241-1209

SHARE THE JOURNEY: OPERATION RICE BOWL

Operation Rice Bowl invites you this Lent to SHARE THE JOURNEY. Yes, share the journey of those in need around the world by walking with them in prayer and support. Your neighbors live across the street and around the world. It is really simple: substitute a low-cost meal for a more expensive one once a week during Lent and put the money saved in the cardboard rice bowl provided. Funds donated will be used to help the poor around the world as well as in this country. Just turn the bowls in at the end of Lent. Thank you! Program started on Ash Wednesday

SAVE THE DATE and RSVP:

Time for Enrichment and Fellowship

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Mary, Beacon of Peace

In the classic Christian stories of the Annunciation, the Visitation and the Magnificat, and in Mary's journey, we see the basic steps on the road to peace.

In the Annunciation we see how Mary welcomed the God of peace into her life. She represents contemplative non-violence in her acceptance of her special role. In the Visitation, she reached out to a person in need and loved her neighbor. This represents an active non-violence. In the Magnificat, she publicly announced God's reign of justice for the poor and God's mercy at work in the world. Mary emphasizes that the work of justice is the work of peace.

Mary teaches us how to be peacemakers and she taught Jesus to be non-violent as well. Jesus called us to be peacemakers, to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Mary calls us to be people of peace through her acceptance of her duty, her active love for others and her acknowledgement of the need to be public peacemakers. It is not enough to feel peaceful, we must act to make it a reality.

Taken from John Dear in *Mary of Nazareth: Prophet of Peace*.
Social Justice Committee

THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL CONTINUES

The Sixth week has a total of 22 families responding with \$13,460 pledged. The Annual Diocesan Appeal is an annual campaign of the Diocese of San Jose that supports ministries and services to all parishes and the local community. It also gives parishes the opportunity to raise funds by earning rebates over each parish's own parish goal. Thank you to all who responded and welcome those who have not yet done so. Every bit has helped to obtain our goal.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

*Our Deanery 5 presents a Six-Week Discussion Series
about the Catholic Church*

Thursdays from February to March 22, 2018

7:00 – 8:30 PM

St. Thomas of Canterbury Parish

1522 McCoy Avenue

San Jose, CA 95130

We welcome those who have been away from the Catholic Church or need updating to come, see, learn and be heard.

We lovingly pray for those in our Parish and families who cannot join us at Mass especially: Joan Grotzinger, Joel Rivera, Rajesh George, Micki Dunaway, Barbara Mertzluft, Antonia Luna, Janet Decker, Patrick Hoins, Tomas Arguello, Jeanne Futrell, Barbara Carrillo, Patrick Dougherty, Cochita Noemi Romero, Jim Snow. Please let us also pray for all our servicemen and women who serve in the Armed Forces throughout the world and remember them in our hearts today and everyday. We remember those dearly departed in our Queen of Apostles family and in our own families. Especially : Catherine McCloskey, Elah Cortes.



Queen of Apostles Church

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Never Give Up!

PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Thuc Si Ho, Pastor
Rev. Reynaldo Sarmiento, Parochial Vicar, Dir. Of Liturgy
Deacon Brian McKenna, Coordinator of Social Justice
Kristie Manning, Faith Formation/RCIA Director
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Mary Ann Oddo, Administrative Assistant II
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Open 9-5 Monday - Friday Closed for lunch: 12-1

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday
(Vigil Mass): 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.,
5:00 p.m.
Weekdays: 6:30 and 9:30 a.m.
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m.,
6:30, 9:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.
Marian Devotions: After the 8:00 a.m. Mass on
Saturday

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Seminar required. Please contact Rectory for information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Contact Rectory at least SIX MONTHS prior to any proposed wedding date.

INQUIRY SESSION ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

Contact number: 408-255-9950 or kmanning@dsj.org