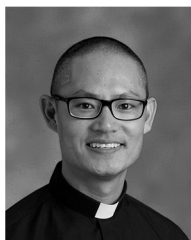


Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with **CRS Rice Bowl**. Rice bowls are available at all the church.

A Message From Our Pastor



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Lent is a liturgical season that deeply reminds us of our human nature, "...all come from dust, and to dust all return." (*Ecclesiastes 3:20*) Nevertheless, we have great faith in our Lord Jesus Christ who gives us hope and salvation. "Wherefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things have passed away behold, they have become new." (*2 Corinthians 5:17*)

Lent is a season of prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and penance to help us deepen our love and relationship with Christ. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday when the Triduum begins. Triduum is a great three days that consist of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday—please keep in mind that all three great days are only one Mass. That is why we begin Holy Thursday with the opening sign of the cross and receive a final blessing with a closing sign of the cross at the end of Easter Vigil Mass. However, there is no sign of the cross in between when we attend service such as Good Friday. Lent begins this year on Wednesday March 1st. Please check the parish Mass times and plan accordingly. Those who are 14 years of age and above are bound to abstain from meat every Friday during Lent, unless one's health does not permit to do so.

The observance of Lent derives from the preparation for Easter. Easter is the most significant celebration of Christianity for we are celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. Without Jesus' resurrection, Christianity would have no value to the way in which we practice our faith. As the old saying goes, "good preparation yields good result." Since Easter is the most significant celebration for it has the power to transform lives through Christ our Lord, if one is serious about one's serenity and salvation, one should take advantage of Lent to prepare one's soul well.

I invite everyone to do something more for the sake of others this Lenten season; as a way to become Christ's hands and feet to those who are in need. With the fervent desire to be transformed and live fully in Christ, I invite everyone to attend the Lenten Retreat, *From Ashes to Glory* by Dan Shutte on Saturday March 18th from 10am – 3pm in the Church. Above all, to truly be immersed in God's grace and forgiveness, please make sure to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Throughout the Lenten season "Light Is On" every Wednesday from 6pm – 8pm we will have priest(s) available to help you with reconciliation. Our parish Lenten reconciliation will be held on Thursday March 16th at 7pm. Please plan to attend and also invite your loved ones to come. We will witness the power of God in transforming us through this Sacrament in a very vivid way.

Let us open our hearts and mind and let God work through us with our cooperation in God's love and forgiveness.

Have a blessed Lenten Season!

Fr. Andrew V. Nguyen



Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays: 12 pm - 3 pm
1st Fridays: 8 am – 5 pm *Benediction*

Infant Baptism

Preparation can begin before or after the birth of your child.

Call 408-265-4040 for more info.

Christian Initiation

(Baptism, Confirmation, Communion)

If interested in the Catholic faith or completing the sacraments of initiation as an adult, youth or child, contact 408-265-5374.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays, 4 pm - 5 pm,
or by appointments at 408-265-4040.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

Communion or Anointing of the Sick can be arranged for the sick or homebound at 408-265-4040.

Wedding

Couples should contact a priest at 408-265-4040 at least six months prior to the proposed date of wedding.

Upcoming Events

- Mar 1 Ash Wednesday
- Mar 4 School's Enchanted Evening
- Mar 15 Adult Faith Formation
—Scott Thomas
- Mar 16 7pm Lenten Penance Service
- Mar 18 Parish Retreat w/Dan Schutte
- Mar 18/19 KoC's "Wheelchair Sunday"
- Apr 5 Adult Faith Formation
—Christina Fenn, Jeff Gans,
Kathy Bohac



Holy Family School News

ENCHANTED EVENING March 4th at the Biltmore Hotel & Suites

Enchanted Evening is Holy Family School's biggest fundraiser! This evening is full of camaraderie and an excellent evening out at a fantastic price. Funds raised help our school reach goals for: Curriculum materials for English/Language Arts, Athletics, Art programs, and Adaptive technology. This event includes dinner, silent auction, live auction and dancing. It is such a great event to support and the theme this year is: A Night on the Red Carpet. Please contact Aileen Styczynski if you are interested in attending, astyczynski@gmail.com or 408-386-5405.

*Next week: 1st Lent * March 4 & 5*

Liturgy Focus	Date	Time	Music	Presider
Reconciliation	Sat 3/4	4:00pm		Fr. Andrew
General	Sat 3/4	5:30pm	TBA	Fr. Edsil
General	Sun 3/5	8:00am	Caritas	Fr. Andrew
Children Mass	Sun 3/5	9:30am	Seraphim	Fr. Andrew
Rite of Sending	Sun 3/5	11:15am	Scott & Gina Thomas	Fr. Edsil (Dcn. Ray Assists)
Youth	Sun 3/5	6:00pm	Life Teen	Fr. Edsil



Village House, a women's homeless shelter, is coming to Holy Family in November. If you are interested in helping with it in a supervisory role please contact Chris Schmitz at chris@waferprocess.com.

Easter Food Baskets

Please help St. Vincent de Paul supply low-income families with a special food basket for an Easter dinner to celebrate Christ's Resurrection!

Holy Family's St. Vincent de Paul received a special RICE BOWL GRANT to provide Easter Food Baskets for our clients. The Grant funds will be used to purchase hams, turkeys or other poultry, fresh vegetables, fruit & rolls. Your donation of canned vegetables, boxed potatoes, beans, pasta & other NON-PERISHABLE food items will complete the dinner. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

Please place your food donations in the marked box in the church office or vestibule. Please take monetary donations to the parish office only. DEADLINE IS APRIL 2ND. (If you can help pack the food baskets on Saturday, April 8th, please contact Marlene Perez at 408-224-8132.

PARISH RETREAT

From Ashes to Glory

Dan Schutte will be coming to Holy Family on March 18th 10am – 3pm for a parish Lenten retreat. Flyer/registration forms are available in the parish office or on our website.

Stewardship Report

February 18 & 19, 2017

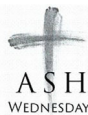
Offertory by Mass

Saturday, 5:30pm \$1,519.00
 Sunday, 8am..... \$2,457.00
 Sunday, 9:30am..... \$2,634.00
 Sunday 11:15am..... \$1,989.10
 Sunday 6pm \$640.75
 Received in Office \$1542.00
 Credit Card Receipts \$2,200.00
 Parish Pay Receipts..... \$3,144.00
Total \$16,125.85

Average Weekly Goal: \$18,000

No 2nd Collection

Thank you for your generosity.



Ash Wednesday is March 1st.

Masses with distribution of ashes will be at 7:30am, (10am w/school,) 5pm and 7:30pm.

Fast & Abstinence Reminder

❖ **Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent** are days of abstinence from all meat. Except for a serious reason, all persons 14 years old and above are bound by this law.

❖ **Ash Wednesday (March 1) & Good Friday (April 14)** are also days of fast. Those of age 18 until the day after one's 59th birthday are bound by this law. On these two days, one full meatless meal may be eaten. Two other meatless meals may also be taken sufficient to maintain strength, but together they should not equal a full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juices may be taken between meals. If health or ability to work is affected, the law does not oblige.

Mass Intentions

Feb 25 5:30 pm *Thanksgiving & Protection*
 Feb 26 8:00 am *HF Parish & School*
 9:30 am *HF Parish & School*
 11:15 am Austin Austin +
 6:00 pm Cesar Presto +
 & Lupe Aguilar +
 Feb 27 8:05 am Zach Mogan +
 Feb 28 7:30 am Tamie Day & Family
 Mar 1 7:30 am *All Parishioners*
 Mar 2 7:30 am Anselmo Bini +
 Mar 3 7:30 am Angel Espiritu +
 Mar 4 8:30 am *All Souls* +
 5:30 pm Olivia Gray +
 Mar 5 8:00 am Eldon McIrvin
 9:30 am *HF Parish & School*
 11:15 am *HF Parish & School*
 6:00 pm Henry Sandoval

Please Pray

♦ For those who have died:

Dorothy Huffman

♦ For those who are ill:

Archie Hampton

Gaudium in Itenere

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesdays 6:30pm Hospitality,
 7-8pm Speaker

Mar. 15 – Journey to the Passion – Stations of the Cross –
 Scott Thomas

Apr. 5 – Holy & Mighty – The Triduum – Christina Fenn,
 Jeff Gans, Kathy Bohac

MAKE A "JOYFUL NOISE"

Prepare for Easter in a special way! Join the choir for Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil (April 13-15). All voices and ages (10 and up); instrumentalists also. Join as a family. Come for one event or all three. Practices are Tuesday evenings 8:00-9:00pm. If you are interested, please leave your name and contact information with the parish office.

Our next season of **Arise** starts this week.

There's still time to sign up in the parish office or on the link on our website: holyfamilysanjose.org or parish app.



Who's taking CARE of the Caregiver?

Are You or someone you know a Caregiver who is...

...helping a family member struggling with the Ups & Downs of life?

...feeling lonely, frustrated, discouraged, unappreciated, maybe a little angry?

...feeling guilty for feeling unable to speak up for what you really want, need or deserve because you are not the one who is sick?

...feeling invisible and don't know how to become visible or validated?

Holy Family is beginning a support group for Caregivers who are experiencing and going through overwhelming challenges, conflicting emotions, questions and doubts of "Am I enough?" or "Who's taking care of me?" or "Should I speak up, really?"

If this sounds like you or someone you know, please contact Gina Masero at maserogina@gmail.com or 408-892-4933. ***Our first meeting will be on Thursday, March 9th at 10:15am in the Youth Hall***

Mark your calendars: Sixth Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner



Sat. March 11th 5:30-9pm in the Community Center. Presale Tix: Adult: \$18; Child under 12: \$6; Family: \$40. Tickets at door: Adult: \$20; Child under 12: \$8; Family: \$45. YUM: Corned beef brisket, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, dessert. Tickets available following Masses and in Parish Office starting Feb 26th. A fundraiser for your Holy Family's Knights of Columbus Church programs

Wheelchair Sunday

Since 2003, the Knights of Columbus have enabled the purchase of over 50,000 wheelchairs for children, teens, and adults who needed one, but couldn't afford one. Join the Knights of Columbus, and representatives from The American Wheelchair Mission, to learn how \$150 can purchase and deliver a wheelchair to someone in need. "WHEELCHAIR SUNDAY", March 18 & 19.

Columbiettes

Women's Fellowship and Service
Barbara Jorgensen - 408-778-7328
Barbara_Jorgensen@msn.com
last Thursday of month at 6:30pm

Knights of Columbus

Men's Fellowship & Service
Len Piazzon: 408-268-5196
lepazz@hotmail.com
1st Thursday of month at 7pm

Bookstore

Community Center
Sundays, 9am—1pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society

For emergency financial assistance, call the parish office for an appointment

Prayer Line

Leave a prayer request message with Jeanette, 408-723-0445.

Morning Prayer

Mondays at 7:30am in the Church
(Except holidays)

Rosary

Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the Chapel

Encore Amour -- Re-Married

Encoreamour.webs.com
Laura Trovato,
408-295-4793

50+ Singles Group

3rd Sunday, 12:30 Hope Room
Dee Stolpe 408-225-7386
deestolpe@yahoo.com



First Annual Winter Classic Boys Basketball Tournament here at Holy Family

The First Annual Winter Classic Boys Basketball Tournament was held at Holy Family School this January. The four-day tournament, initiated by Athletic Director Kevin Hashimoto, brought several diocesan schools together for an opportunity of friendly competition. The level of play by each school demonstrated strong fundamentals, which resulted in some quite exciting games, including several that went into overtime! Hearing the supportive cheers for all our student-athletes reinforced the focus on sportsmanship and appreciation of the players.

Hosting a tournament is a community effort and the Holy Family parents and friends came out to assist. So many volunteers took charge of welcoming the visiting teams, serving food at the snack shack, and being responsible for the score table, allowing the tournament to run like clockwork.

St. Francis Cabrini 7th grade were crowned the champs and the 8th grade Holy Family Bears were hailed as the champions. An All-Tournament Team, comprised of a student-athlete from each school, was announced at the end of the championship games. Win or lose, all the teams showed great sportsmanship, team work and dedication to the sport. GO BEARS!



VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Hi I am Decker! I can't wait to meet you at VBC the first day! We will learn about how GOD MADE YOU wonderfully. Vacation Bible Camp is **July 10-14.**

Online registration begins

April 1st, 2017. Have questions? Please contact: Christina Fenn (cfenn@dsj.org)

Need hours for community service? Why not get them at VBC! We have lots of opportunities for you to help out!

Liturgy Link

Together we Stand!

Standing is the primary posture we take at Mass. It demonstrates our active participation. Outside of the liturgy, we stand to take oaths, we stand to recognize important people, at the national anthem and for the flag. Our posture signifies our participation and what we believe.

During the Mass, the first time we stand is when the procession enters, we join in song, and in common posture. We together stand every time we raise our voices in prayer as we sing. We stand when Father gathers our prayers together and on our behalf prays to God. We rise when the Alleluia is sung and when we listen to the Gospel. We stand as we profess our faith in the Creed. As the Eucharistic prayer begins Father invites us to our feet to pray!

In honor of Christ's presence in the Gospel, we stand during Holy Communion out of respect for the Body of Christ in the Sacred Host and in the Precious Blood. Our posture means something, Stand Tall!

Kathy Bohac—Director of Liturgy

It's Easy Being Green

Get rewarded for recycling. Recyclebank, a free app at <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/recyclebank/id395692431?mt=8>, does just that.

Catholic Roadmap

Our approach to migration is rooted in the Gospel and in the rich tradition of Catholic social teaching. Five principles that help guide the Church's approach to migration have been recently re-emphasized, for instance persons have the right to migrate to support themselves and their families. Read about them at <http://justiceforimmigrants.org/what-we-are-working-on/immigration/catholic-principles-of-migration/>

Students 1st-12th Grade can be Ministers at Mass

If you would like to find out more about being a candle bearer, lector, altar server, usher, singer, musician or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist stop by the parish office to fill out an interest form. Training provided! We work with you for flexible scheduling.



No **EDGE** or **Life Teen** due to our Core teams being away at Religious Congress. Please keep us in your prayers as we spend our weekend hearing God's word through Praise, prayer, and fellowship.

Holy Homework is looking for more volunteers to help supervise during the week. Please visit holyfamilly.com/ivolunteer.com/holyhomework to sign up.

Save the new date for our youth fundraiser, **Holy Smokes!** This year our event has moved from April 29 to **Saturday May 27.**

All registration forms are available at holyfamilysanjo.org (under Faith Formation/Youth & Young Adults)

Contact Jeff Gans for more info
at 408-265-8650 or jgans@dsj.org.

Sacred Scripture Study

Peter: Cornerstone of Catholicism - This powerful resource was created to lead you deeper into Scripture as you **read, reflect, and respond.** YOU will explore the life of Peter, from his first encounter with Jesus to his own crucifixion. Includes a video presentation by Dr. Tim Gray.

It is an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus...with like-minded individuals.

Please reserve your study guide.

Morning group: Mondays 10am – 12pm. Contact Donna Holt, 408-371-3682 or

Evening group: Tuesdays 7-8:45pm. Contact Terry Giorgetti, tgetti@aol.com or text: 408-497-9276

Newcomers welcome!

The Word is Alive—Scripture Study

Thursdays 7:15-9 pm in the
Hope Room. All are welcome!

Tijuana Ministry Immersion Trips - Summer 2017

Parishioners from Holy Family will again be participating in the Tijuana Ministry activities this summer along with members of St. Julie Billiart, St. Simon and Resurrection parishes. There will be two trips to the San Eugenio Parish in eastern Tijuana. The first week, **June 24 to July 1**, will be focused on home construction, and the second week, **July 8 to July 15**, will have home construction, as well as, programs for the local children, teens and mothers. Trip sign ups will be accepted until **March 15**. Fr. Andrew will be going the 1st week and encourages parishioners (adults and children from 9th grade on) to join him on this immersion trip. No experience necessary, just willingness to serve, but needed are people skilled in carpentry, plumbing and electrical to help train others.

For more information please contact Deacon Bob Malone at 408-640-0206 or bmalone@dsj.org or visit the website: www.tijuanaministry.org or our parish contact: Mimi Bini at 408 623-0447 or mbini@sbcglobal.net