Holy Family Parish

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WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY!

Parish Registration Every Sunday (except for holiday weekends) at 10:45am where Coffee and Donuts is held.

EUCHARIST (MASS)

Saturday:	8:30 am & 5:30 pm *(Vigil)*
Sunday:	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am, 6:00 pm
Monday-Thursday:	7:30 am
Friday:	8:00 am
Holy Days:	As announced
Holidays:	10:00 am
Vietnamese Mass: Saturday:	7:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon—Thurs:	10:00 am—12:00 pm; 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Friday:	10:00 am—12:00 pm; 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Saturday:	CLOSED
Sunday:	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

CONTACT US

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School Office	408-978-1355
Faith Formation	408-265-5374
Life Teen /Edge	408-265-8650
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EVENTS

Dec 9 @7:30am (transferred) Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 10 & 11 Parish Advent Retreat
Dec 12 @5am Our Lady of Guadalupe
Dec 16-24 @5:30am Simbang Gabi
Dec 17 @7pm Advent Penance Liturgy
Dec 24 Masses @4pm, 6:30pm, 9:30pm and Midnight
Dec 25 Masses @ 8am, 9:30am & 11:15am
Dec 29 Feast of the Holy Family
Jan 1 10am & 7:30pm Masses for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Jan 4 @11am Deaconate Ordination

SACRAMENTS

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays: 12 pm - 3 pm
1st Fridays: 8:30 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)

Interested in the Catholic faith or completing the sacraments of initiation as an adult, youth or child? 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, please contact a priest at 408-265-4040 at least six months prior to the proposed date of wedding.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEACON

An Encounter of Advent

Autumn is nearly done, leaves have fallen,
Refreshing rain washes our thirsty land.
Our spirits rise, our senses delight,
With sights and sounds of holiday cheer.

Yet in the distance, a sorrowful cry,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

What is that we hear?
Who dares to distract, to interrupt,
Or question our anticipation,
Of this marvelous time of seasonal joy?

Stronger now, the voice proclaims,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

Oh the shame, the unhappy guilt,
Shall I beat my breast in repentance?
I do not feel it, I do not like it.
I want to celebrate, to be glad I'm alive!

Still the voice sounds,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

Two thousand years ago our savior came,
And so we wait, year after year,
Oil lamps full and candles lit,
Expecting his return but to no avail.

The voice does not cease,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

Why do you torment me so?
Why can't I just live my life in peace?
Why must I always try so hard to be good?
How do I know that it matters?

The voice stops.

‹silence›

Then a whisper brushes our soul,
"Because I love you."

–Deacon Ray

LITURGY

*Next week: 3rd Sunday of Advent * December 14 & 15*

Liturgy Focus	Day	Time	Music	Presider
Reconciliation	Saturday	4:00 pm		Fr. Andrew
General	Saturday	5:30 pm	SNL	Fr. Celso (Dcn. Ray Preaches)
General	Sunday	8:00 am	Caritas	Fr. Celso (Dcn. Ray Preaches)
Young Families	Sunday	9:30 am	Caitas	Fr. Celso (Dcn. Ray Preaches)
General	Sunday	11:15 am	Scott & Gina	Fr. Andrew
Youth	Sunday	6:00 pm	Life Teen	Fr. Andrew

DEACONATE ORDINATION

On January 4 at 11am at Holy Family, Bishop Oscar Cantú will ordain seminarians Joseph Tran and Angelbert Chikere to the Sacred Order of Deacon. There will be a reception following in the Community Center. This is a significant step in their journeys to priesthood.

STEWARDSHIP

NOVEMBER 23 & 24

Offertory

Mass Collection..... $13,830.62
WeShare Receipts..... $6,541.50

Total..... $20,372.12

2nd Collection..... $2,011.11
Campaign for Human Development

Average Weekly Goal: $19,000

Average for Nov.: $23,375.23
Total variance for Nov.: +$17,500.92

NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1

Offertory

Mass Collection..... $10, 291.50
WeShare Receipts..... $15,160.00

Total..... $25,451.50,

2nd Collection..... $2,372.89
Buildings & Grounds
Thanksgiving..... $3,432.50

Thank you for your generosity!

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION

Retired religious

Next week's 2nd collection is for the annual Retirement Fund for Religious. The parish-based appeal is coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO), and proceeds help hundreds of U.S. religious communities to care for aging members. Some 30,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests' benefit. Last year, the Diocese of San José donated $223,494.36 to the collection. Please consider helping those who have dedicated their lives to serving others.

CHRISTMAS EVE DRAMA & MOVEMENT

All children ages 6 to 12 are invited to participate in our dramatization of the Gospel for our 4 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve. We need Mary, Joseph, an Innkeeper and shepherds and angels and a few others. If you would like to be a part of this special telling of the story of Jesus' birth, please plan to attend a rehearsal on Tuesday, December 10 from 3:15 to 4:30 pm in the church. If you have any questions, please contact Susan at susanlee.olsen@dsj.org.

MASS INTENTIONS 3

Dec 7 5:30 pm Arlene Michael +
Dec 8 8:00 am Velma Feightner +
9:30 am Bakshish Chahal +
11:15 am Matthew, Nathan & Henry Chang
6:00 pm *HF Parish & School*
Dec 9 7:30 am Anna Thanh Truong & John Tuyen Tran +
Dec 10 7:30 am Fr. Aubin Aguessi
Dec 11 7:30 am Fr. Joseph Karot +
Dec 12 7:30 am John Nguyen +
Dec 13 8:00 am Anna Tran Thi ToLan +
Dec 14 8:30 am Fr. Michel Sellaye
5:30 pm Vina & Conrad Rodricks
Dec 15 8:00 am All Souls +
9:30 am Carleton Cotting +
11:15 am *HF Parish & School*
6:00 pm Ariel Lissa

PLEASE PRAY

For those who have died:

Emiline Baided-Abuan

For those who are ill:

CHRISTMAS TOY COLLECTION

St. Vincent de Paul is hosting a toy drive for Sacred Heart Community Services. Please help them by taking a tag from the trees in the church or office and help them reach their goal of 18,00 toys/books for low income children in our area. All gifts are due by **Sun Dec. 15th.** We are also hosting a "Tree of Life" to support Real Options, a pregnancy crisis center. Your donation could save a life. Volunteers will be outside after most of the Masses to answer any questions & help you pick a tag. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity

HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS FOR SALE

Buy your gift cards from Scrip sellers this holiday season! Amazon, Target, Starbucks, Macy's and so much more are conveniently available for purchase in front of the church after the 8:00 and 9:30am Sunday masses. Buy the gift cards at "face value" and a percentage is given to Holy Family School.

BOOKSTORE
Community Center
Sundays, 9am—1pm

COLUMBIETTES
Women's Fellowship and Service
Nancy Melander
NancyMelander@gmail.com
last Thursday of month at 6:30pm

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION
Help for families after the loss of a loved one. Call the parish office.

50+ SINGLES GROUP
3rd Sunday, 11:00am Hope Room
Dee Stolpe 408-225-7386
deestolpe@yahoo.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Men's Fellowship & Service
Mark Williams 408-532-3532
markrw50@gmail.com
Members meet 1st Thursdays at 7pm

LAY PASTOR MINISTRY
Lay people that work together to reach out and help tend the needs of our community. Patty Trillo 408-264-6134

MEALS TO HEAL
Provides parishioners meals and/or rides to doctor for those in need.
Bernadette Lewis 408-480-1286 or
Lynn Bailey 408-250-6999

MORNING PRAYER
Fridays at 7:30am in the Church (Except holidays)

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

ROSARY
Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the Chapel

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
For emergency financial assistance, call the parish office for an appointment

YOUNG ADULT GROUP
Currently on hiatus. Check out YCP: ycpsiliconvalley.org

Congratulations and welcome to the following children who were recently baptized:

Daniel Emiliano Andrade Martinez
Clare Carter Vanh Khuyen Cho

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

In 1531 La Virgen de Guadalupe appeared to an indigenous man named Juan Diego on the hilltop of Tepeyac. It is at this location that the Basilica of La Virgen de Guadalupe in Mexico City is now located. Twelve million people visit the Basilica each year. Her apparition is celebrated around the world on December 12th. On this day thousands visit the Basilica, some walking miles or even days. In 1979 she was proclaimed Mother of the Americas. In 2002 Juan Diego was canonized by Pope John Paul II in a ceremony at the Basilica in Mexico City.

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Society invites you to a sunrise/mañanitas celebration in honor of La Virgen de Guadalupe at 5 am on December 12th. The mass is celebrated with music by the Trio Majia Blanca and then a traditional breakfast reception.

SAVE THE DATE
Holy Family Parish Columbiettes will be hosting a **Mardi Gras** dinner on February 22nd. All are welcome. Check the bulletin for further details

ADVENT RETREAT
December 10 & 11 at 7:00pm
Join us for a presentation on
"Faith & Science"
by Dr. Steve Keller, PhD

Steve Keller has a B.S. in Physiology and a Ph.D. in Human Genetics; and is currently a Scientific Director at a Pharma company, developing new medicines for cancer, inflammatory conditions, and Alzheimer's disease. He and his wife, Erin, have 6 children and are new parishioners at Holy Family. Steve lives at the intersection of science and faith and will present two talks: the first is a history of the church and science, and the opposing views of believers and non-believers; and the second examines the experimental data surrounding the Shroud of Turin: is it really the burial shroud of Jesus?

COURAGE & ENCOURAGE
Do you or a loved one struggle with same-sex attraction? The Catholic Church welcomes all of her children. Our identity is not our sexual orientation. We are created in the image of God. Christ died so that we all may have eternal life in Him. For confidential Catholic help, contact grc1254@sbcglobal.net or 650-450-2286 or CourageRC.net.

VETERANS CHRISTMAS VISIT
Please join the Knights of Columbus in visiting our vets at the VA hospital in Palo Alto on Saturday 12/14. We will pass out baked goods, knitted scarves, and sing Christmas carols. Meet us in the back Holy Family parking lot at 11 AM and we will car pool together or contact Grand Knight Mark Williams at markrw50@gmail.com

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

At Holy Family we offer sessions for those who are interested in discovering more about the Catholic Church. This process is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. The process is for all persons who are seven years old or older and not yet baptized. You may be the one, or know of someone, who has an interest in learning more, and is asking questions. For information, please call Cristina Ruiz at 408-265-4040.

HELP WITH RCIA

We are looking for people who can help with tasks such as setting up and cleaning up for RCIA retreats and receptions.

We are also looking for a few people to assist with "dismissals" for those who are in process to become Catholic. You would accompany those being "dismissed" from Mass to explore the Word of God. If you read and reflect on Holy Scripture and pray, you have met the qualifications to do this ministry. Please contact Cristina Ruiz in the parish office for more info.

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CATHOLIC ROADMAP

When December rolls around, things get hectic. We feel pressure to decorate, go to all the parties, and find the perfect gift for everyone on our list. But what if we took a step back, and started to rethink the holidays? What if we prioritized spending quality time with our favorite people? What if we prioritized selecting thoughtful, sustainable gifts, instead of the latest toys? Consider a charitable donation in your loved one's name.

LIFE TEEN EDGE

The EDGE: Join us this Tuesday for a special Advent-themed night that will help us "prepare the way" to receive Jesus this Christmas season. See you then, and bring a friend!

Life Teen: Join us this Sunday night as we conclude our 4-part series on encountering Jesus in the Mass. God's Grace is so abundant and always around us! How do we live out our lives in a way that we can always be ready to respond to grace in our lives as teens? Come this Sunday to find out!

For more info., contact Chris: chris.mardesich@dsj.org

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Children are a gift and a joy from God. We at Holy Family Church believe that children's faith formation and all Catholics of all ages is a continuing journey of faith. Families are the domestic Church, where love for Jesus grows; He grows in the love of spouses, He grows in the lives of children. Holy Family provides opportunities for families to engage in building this foundation together. Our Faith Formation program is A formal process of learning about the teachings of the Catholic Church and developing a personal understanding of Jesus. Students are taught in age appropriate classes and learn with their peers. Contact Maria: maria.chacko@dsj.org or 408-265-5374.

WE NEED CATECHISTS & ASSISTANTS

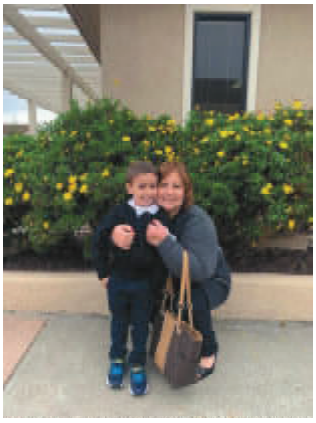
Are you serious about your faith? Do you enjoy communicating with children? We need you! Faith Formation catechists are needed for Children's Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation Sessions. For more information, please contact Maria: maria.chacko@dsj.org or 408-265-5374.

MONDAY & TUESDAY SCRIPTURE STUDIES

Our Monday study is from 10-Noon in the Faith Room. We are using a 14 part DVD series by Dr. Mark Gray to discover the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome and no Scripture experience is necessary, just a desire to grow closer to Jesus. A helpful study guide is included for a small fee. Contact Donna Holt goodsamnurse@gmail.com 408-371-3682 or Victoria Flynn 408-603-9473.

Our Tuesday at 7pm study is "The Bible and the Virgin Mary, Journey Through Scripture" explains the truths about Our Lady. This program shows us how she has been part of God's plan to bring salvation to world since the beginning of time. This series will help us deepen our love for Mary. Contact Neyla Brown Neyla7@aol.com or 408-314-1751.

Here are some pictures of our Grandparent's Day Celebration



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS POSTER CONTEST

The Knights are promoting a poster contest with the theme of keeping Christ in Christmas in a visual image. The contest is open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 14. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of November 1. Contest entrants compete in one of three age groups — ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10 and 11 through 14. In each age group, 1st place will receive $30, 2nd place $20, and 3rd place $10

- Poster must reflect the theme of "Keep Christ in Christmas".
- Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.
- Poster should be approximately 11x17 inches. However, posters will not be disqualified based on poster size.if pastels,chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.
- Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest entry forn. Please download your entry form from here: https://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/keep-christ-in-christmas/5025-kcic-poster-contest-entry-form.pdf (also available in the Parish Office)

o The name and age of the entrant should be printed on the reverse side of the poster in case the poster and entry form get separated.

o A 100-point scoring system will be used to determine the winners.

o Slogan — 30 Points: How clearly is the theme presented?

o Visuals — 30 Points: How well do the visuals convey the message?

o Overall impact — 40 points: How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic at hand?

o Poster entries should be submitted to the Parish Office by **Sunday December 8th.**

SIMBANG GABI 2019 KICK-OFF

All are welcome to celebrate the Kick-Off of Simbang Gabi 2019 on Tuesday, December 10th at 7pm at St. John the Baptist in Milpitas. Bishop Oscar Cantú will be the presider.

IT'S EASY BEING GREEN

Pick up a copy of "How to Have a Green Christmas" from the FIAT literature rack in the vestibule and put some of the dozen ideas into action this month.

DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE VOCATION RETREAT

Come, Seek & Pray
January 24-26
St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish,
Santa Clara
Open to men
between the ages of 18-35
RSVP at bit.ly/DSJV-menr20
For more info contact vocations@dsj.org
or 408-983-0155 or @dsjvocations

SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE COLUMBIETTES

The Columbiettes will be awarding a $1000 scholarship to a graduating high school senior. Application packets will be available in the church office starting Dec. 13th and the deadline to return the packets will be Feb. 23. Stay tuned for more details.

The Catholic Professionals speaker for December will be **Mel Kennedy, Musicianary** presenting on "Joy to the World: Living Christmas All Year Long" Thursday, December 12th from 7-9am (Mass, breakfast, networking and presentation). At Three Flames Restaurant, 1547 Meridian Ave., San Jose RSVP early at: www.sjcatholicprofessionals.com or 408-491-9229 or cpbcinfo@gmail.com

BLANKET MINISTRY IS LOOKING FOR HELP

We are the Holy Family Blanket Ministry. We knit or crochet blankets, Father blesses them, then they are given to those who have suffered a loss.

We have expanded by making items for baptisms, the Diocesan Layette and the Veterans in the VA Hospital when the Knights barbeque for them.

Wouldn't you love to be part of this ministry? If you knit or crochet or would like to learn, contact Lurine at 408-267-2588.

ROSARY LUNCHEON

Guadalupe Hope Society presents a Rosary Luncheon on Friday, December 13th from 11:30am - 1:00pm at Santa Maria Hall. Fr. Michael Hendrickson, will lead the Rosary and present a faith talk on "Our Lady Of Guadalupe". Santa Maria Hall is located at 2211 Shamrock Drive in Campbell. The Knights of Columbus will serve lunch. There is no charge for the event but seating is limited. To register go to https://rosarylunchdecember13.eventbrite.com or call (408) 447-5433 or email admin@ghswomenscenter.com.

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