

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.

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / OCTAVO DOMINGO DE 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

Friday / Viernes 9:00am
Wednesday / Miércoles 6:30pm

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



A good tree does not
bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree
bear good fruit.
For every tree is known
by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

February 27, 2022

Rectory Office Hours / Horarios de la Rectoría

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Tuesday & Thursday by appointment

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8:15am Mass Intentions

Monday, February 28

† Rev. William Worner

Tuesday, March 1

† Joan Locsin

† Lorda Nuezca

Wednesday, March 2

† Vito Anthony Stralioato

Ash Wednesday

Thursday, March 3

† Salvatore Oliveri

† Kamila Marie Rivera Laidan

Friday, March 4

† Vita LoMonaco

Margarita Barragan

Saturday, March 5

† Alicia Salinas

† Maria Scarcella

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalms — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-59).

Gospel — A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c;
Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20-6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19;
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;
Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

THE DIFFERENCE

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one often comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.

—Henry Ward Beecher

WE ARE KNOWN BY OUR FRUIT

This week, Jesus tells us that we must examine our own inner selves, our attitudes and dispositions, virtues and faults, rather than judging others. What is in our hearts comes out in what and how we speak. If our hearts are filled with kindness and compassion, those qualities will be evident in our speaking, just as beautiful, wholesome fruit comes only from healthy trees. And vice-versa. The Wisdom writer Sirach in the first reading agrees with this concept—that we will be judged by our words. Paul reminds us that the reward of discipleship is eternal life. Today's psalm of thanksgiving and praise reminds us of God's kindness and faithfulness, which we are to emulate in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We are known, each of us, by our own fruit.

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,
that the course of our world
may be directed by your peaceful rule
and that your Church may rejoice,
untroubled in her devotion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

STEWARDSHIP IN SCRIPTURE

by Deacon Rick Haeckel

Welcome to what might be called metaphor Sunday. We heard recently about the difference between knowing and being; today we use indirect references as an aid in understanding. Metaphors are a wonderful way of encapsulating an idea with a word picture, "a good tree doesn't bear bad fruit." If you've inadvertently bitten into a spoiled apple you get a memorable "yuck." In the first reading Sirach tells us, *"The fruit of a tree shows the care that it has had, so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind."* Sit with that a moment, let the image of the harm as well as the good that can come from what we say and how we say it. We do well to pause and reflect before saying things that reflect the hurt we feel or the need we have to justify ourselves. Take a breath and pause first. In case Sirach is too subtle, Jesus calls a spade a spade, *"Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?"* Ouch, that hits close to home. It won't take too much reflection to remember a beam we've had which "blinded" us to our own failings. A common theme reflects that when we are thinking primarily of ourselves we've obscured the view needed to care for a brother or sister. Does the expression "common courtesy" ring a bell? It asks that we consider the other or worthy of respect and so allows for a conversation instead of just a lecture. Once again we are reminded of our call to emulate Jesus by "our love." A love that is inclusive not exclusive, one that looks at another as worthy of respect without regard to their standing or their differing point of view. It can be hard, which is why developing an internal "be with me Lord" can refocus us before we speak in anger or judgment. It is difficult, which is why we seek the support of those with whom we agree. We must not make agreement a binary choice. With practice we can find things which we see in others as deserving of respect. Most of all we are our best selves when our heart enters into our choice of words. It's less about winning or losing a discussion or argument but rather more about meeting a fellow traveler on the road to a virtual Emmaus. Jesus is indeed always with us, we need a lifetime of learning to allow that truth to enter into our discourse. His words at the end of today's Gospel speak volumes, *"from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."* Wow, how often does that come to mind? Fill your heart with the wonder of Jesus who walks with us always.

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

It seems like we are in for a long haul anticipating any return of normal rainfall. It's a difficult choice but perhaps replacing water intensive plantings with hardier ones is needed. We can learn to see the beauty in less colorful plants too... (look in the mirror :-)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. SERGIO OVANDO, PASTOR....

A truth leadership

In every moment and aspect of life we have leaders. Specially in the things that concern us the most we have leaders; sometimes we are the leaders. A leader is one who directs, guides, and walks with us. That is why they differ from us; they need to know or have a plan, they need to be prepared and they need to know where we are going and how we get there.

While it is true that sometime we refer to some as "natural born leaders," because of their ability to guide or their vision of the world in which we live. The leadership that Jesus is talking in today's Gospel requires more. It requires something that the world in our time does not, that is a moral life, living according to our beliefs.

In the Catholic world a leader is not a strategist, rather they are a follower of Jesus that imbues everything with the truth of the Gospel. That kind of leader is one who speaks about the things he or she knows, about things they have lived.

The leader that Jesus is talking about first takes care of their own spiritual life and doing so becomes a silent example for others who then starts to guide.

Using philosophical vocabulary, people are moved by different things. Among them are efficient cause and exemplary cause. The efficient cause acts according to Aristoteles as the agent or efficient "cause" of an object which causes change and drives transient motion that moves. In the spiritual world it moves us to do specific things, to choose a specific path. While we choose things in freedom it is the words of council that inspire us to do them. The words leaders preach to us, who talk to us, who inspire us with books or similar things. Though this kind of leadership is accepted and good it is not complete. Something is missing: the exemplary cause.

The exemplary cause is what we consider in order to do something, in this case to become someone or behave in some specific way. Sometimes people we admire, without directly intending to, move us in a specific direction because we want to be like them or have the virtues they have. The leaders mentioned in the Gospel need to be this kind of inspiration. They need to be who people look to as they try to become better Catholics.

Two things are necessary to be an inspiring leader. First, the direction of their words which show the path to walk. Second, the holiness of their life which gives people the understanding of the weight and importance of their council and words; based not only in the truth of their words but also on the life they live. You may have heard he saying: *Words convince, but the example drags.*

If you are a leader in any way, as a teacher, father-mother, friend, please consider that words are necessary but also a life that examples your words. I ask you to pray that our church, parish, schools, families, and whole society will have truthful leaders who imitate the heart of Jesus.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La palabra da a conocer los sentimientos de la persona. No alabes a nadie antes que haya hablado (Eclesiástico 27: 4-7).

Salmo — Es bueno darte gracias, Señor (Salmo 92 [91]).

Segunda lectura — Se nos ha dado la victoria sobre la muerte por medio de Jesús (1 Corintios 15:53-58).

Evangelio — Una persona buena produce lo bueno, una persona mala produce lo malo (Lucas 6:39-45).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Pe 1:3-9; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c; Mc 10:17-27
 Martes: 1 Pe 1:10-16; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Mc 10:28-31
 Miércoles: Jl 2:12-18; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Jueves: Dt 30:15-20; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 9:22-25
 Viernes: Is 58:1-9a; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
 Sábado: Is 58:9b-14; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Lc 5:27-32
 Domingo: Dt 26:4-10; Sal 91 (90):1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lc 4:1-13

¡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): _____
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¿Desea recibir sobres de contribución?

____ Sí _____ No

¿Desea recibir información de la parroquia?

____ Sí _____ No

DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL
P. SERGIO OVANDO, PARROCO.....

Un liderazgo de verdad

En cada momento y aspecto de la vida tenemos líderes. Sobre todo, en las cosas que más nos preocupan tenemos líderes y a veces nosotros somos los líderes. Un líder es quien dirige, guía y camina con nosotros. Por eso no pueden ser como nosotros, necesitan saber o tener un plan, necesitan estar preparados, necesitan saber hacia dónde vamos y cómo llegamos allí.

Si bien es cierto que a veces nos referimos a algunas personas como "líderes natos", por sus habilidades de guía, o por su visión de algún aspecto del mundo en el que vivimos. El liderazgo del que habla Jesús en el evangelio de hoy requiere más, requiere algo que el mundo de nuestro tiempo no requiere, y eso es una vida moral, una vida de acuerdo con la fe.

En el mundo católico el líder no es un estratega, es un seguidor de Jesús, que impregna todo lo que tiene que ver con el Evangelio. Nuestro líder es alguien que habla de las cosas que sabe, de las cosas que ha vivido.

El líder del que Jesús está hablando, primero cuidada de su propia vida espiritual y al hacerlo se convierte en un ejemplo silencioso para los demás, luego comienza a guiar.

Usando un poco de vocabulario filosófico, las personas se mueven por diferentes causas, entre ellas están la causa eficiente y la causa ejemplar. La causa eficiente mueve según Aristóteles como

el agente o "causa" eficiente de un objeto como lo que causa el cambio y conduce el movimiento transitorio, lo que se mueve. En el mundo espiritual es quien nos mueve a hacer determinada cosa, a elegir un camino determinado, mientras que esas cosas las elegimos en libertad, ellos nos inspiran con palabras de consejo para hacerlo. Esos son los líderes que nos predicán, que nos hablan, que nos inspiran con libros escritos, o elementos similares. Aunque esta forma de liderazgo es aceptada y buena, no está completa. Algo falta, y esto que falta es la causa ejemplar.

La causa ejemplar es lo miramos al hacer algo, o en nuestro caso, convertirnos en algo o de alguna manera específica. A veces son las personas que admiramos, que sin su propia intención nos mueven en una dirección específica porque queremos ser como ellos o tener las virtudes que ellos tienen. Los Líderes mencionados en el Evangelio deben ser esta inspiración para los demás, deben ser lo que la gente mira, mientras intentan convertirse en mejores católicos.

Estas dos cosas son necesarias para ser líder, la inspiración y la dirección dada por las palabras, mostrando el camino a andar y la santidad de vida, que moverán a las personas a dar más peso e importancia a sus consejos y palabras, basadas no sólo en la veracidad de las palabras, pero fundamentada en la vida que viven. Puede que escuches el dicho: Las palabras convencen, pero el ejemplo arrastra.

Si eres líder en alguna manera, como maestro, padre-madre, amigo, por favor considera que las palabras son necesarias tanto como una vida que apoye tus palabras. Les pido que oren para que nuestra iglesia, parroquia, escuelas, familias y toda nuestra sociedad tengan verdaderos líderes según el corazón de Jesús.

OFICINA PARROQUIAL CERRADA

La oficina Parroquial estará abierta los Martes & Jueves por cita. Si tiene una alguna pregunta o quisiera agendar un cita, favor de comunicarse a la oficina parroquial 408-779-3959 o por correo electrónico a -

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Ministros de San Esteban: La Gente que esta alli Después

¿Qué es un Ministro Esteban? Somos las personas que buscan.

"Vengan a mi todos ustedes que están cansados y agobiados, y les daré descanso".
Mateo 11:28

Los ministros Esteban de Santa Catalina están allí:

- después de la llamada telefónica que nunca esperabas recibir.
- después de que se cumplan/firmen los papeles de divorcio y sienta que se le derrumba su vida.
- después del funeral, cuando todos se han ido y las emociones que mantuviste a raya se estrellan contra ti.
- después de que el médico dice: "Lo siento, pero no hay nada más que podamos hacer".
- después de que el director del hogar de ancianos le da la mano y le dice: "Bienvenido a su nuevo hogar".
- después de que su familia y amigos hayan escuchado su historia demasiadas veces, pero aún necesita hablarla/contarla.
- después...

Compuesto por voluntarios capacitados, Stephen Ministry es el cuidado cristiano uno a uno de nuestra parroquia para los feligreses que enfrentan desafíos o dificultades de la vida. Si necesita un Ministro Stephen o tiene preguntas sobre cómo un Ministro Stephen puede ayudarlo en su situación, Comuníquese con - Claranne Schirle (408) 782-1413 o Santa Alvarez (408) 776-7827

SE NOS CONOCE POR NUESTROS FRUTOS

Esta semana, Jesús nos dice que deberíamos examinar nuestro interior, nuestras actitudes y temperamentos, virtudes y defectos, en lugar de juzgar a los demás. Lo que está en nuestros corazones se manifiesta en lo que hablamos y en cómo lo decimos, Si nuestros corazones están llenos con bondad y compasión, esas cualidades serán evidentes en nuestra forma de hablar, así como los frutos saludables y esplendidos solo se dan de árboles en buen estado. Y viceversa. Sirácides, el escritor del libro de la Sabiduría de la primera lectura está de acuerdo con este concepto, que seremos juzgados por nuestras palabras. Pablo nos recuerda que la recompensa del discipulado es la vida eterna. El salmo de acción de gracias y alabanza de hoy nos recuerda la bondad y fidelidad de Dios, que debemos imitar en nuestros pensamientos, palabras y obras. Cada uno de nosotros es conocido por el fruto que damos.

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

FORMACIÓN DE FAMILIAS EN LA FE

Amable Recordatorio: Padres de familia de segundo año de catecismo. El próximo sábado 05 de marzo, tendremos el *Retiro Viviendo el Sacramento de Reconciliación*. Por favor pedimos que por lo menos uno de los padres de familia este presente con los niños. Nos reuniremos en el gimnasio a las 10:45am. ¡Los esperamos!

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

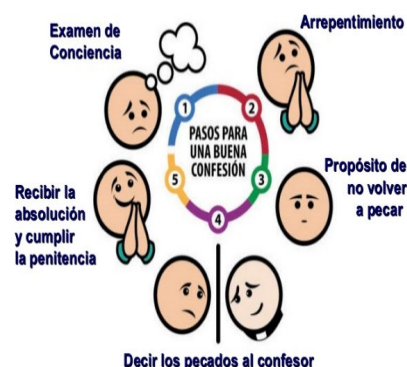
Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Concédenos, Señor, que tu poder pacificador dirija el curso de los acontecimientos del mundo y que tu Iglesia se regocije al poder servirte con tranquilidad.
Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Adulto: ¿Cuándo te has sentido más hipócrita? ¿Cómo superó este sentimiento?

Niño: ¿Es bueno o malo actuar diferente a lo que estás sintiendo? Explique.



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DETENERNOS

Nuestros pueblos y ciudades ofrecen hoy un clima poco propicio a quien quiera buscar un poco de silencio y paz para encontrarse consigo mismo y con Dios. No Es fácil liberarnos del ruido permanente y del asedio constante de todo tipo de llamadas y mensajes. Por otra parte, las preocupaciones, problemas y prisas de cada día nos llevan de una parte a otra, sin apenas permitirnos ser dueños de nosotros mismos.

Ni siquiera en el propio hogar, invadido por la televisión y escenario de múltiples tensiones, es fácil encontrar el sosiego y recogimiento indispensables para encontrarnos con nosotros mismos o para descansar gozosamente ante Dios. Pues bien, precisamente en estos momentos en que necesitamos más que nunca lugares de silencio, recogimiento y oración, los creyentes mantenemos con frecuencia cerrados nuestros templos e iglesias durante buena parte del día..

Se nos ha olvidado lo que es detenernos, interrumpir por unos minutos nuestras prisas, liberarnos por unos momentos de nuestras tensiones y dejarnos penetrar por el silencio y la calma de un recinto sagrado. Muchos hombres y mujeres se sorprenderían al descubrir que, con frecuencia, basta pararse y estar en silencio un cierto tiempo, para aquietar el espíritu y recuperar la lucidez y la paz. Cuánto necesitamos los hombres y mujeres de hoy encontrar ese silencio que nos ayude a entrar en contacto con nosotros mismos para recuperar nuestra libertad y rescatar de nuevo toda nuestra energía interior.

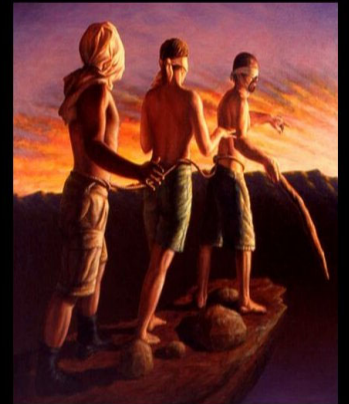
Acostumbrados al ruido y a la agitación, no sospechamos el bienestar del silencio y la soledad. Ávidos de noticias, imágenes e impresiones, se nos ha olvidado que sólo alimenta y enriquece de verdad aquello que somos capaces de escuchar en lo más hondo de nuestro ser.

Sin ese silencio interior, no se puede escuchar a Dios, reconocer su presencia en nuestra vida y crecer desde dentro como seres humanos y como creyentes. Según Jesús, la persona "saca el bien de la bondad que atesora en su corazón". El bien no brota de nosotros espontáneamente. Hemos de cultivarlo y hacerlo crecer en el fondo del corazón. Muchas personas comenzarían a transformar su vida si acertaran a detenerse para escuchar todo lo bueno que Dios suscita en el silencio de su corazón.

José Antonio Pagola

Jesús hizo a sus discípulos esta comparación:
"¿Puede un ciego guiar a otro ciego?
¿No caerán los dos en un pozo?"

San Lucas 6,39-42.



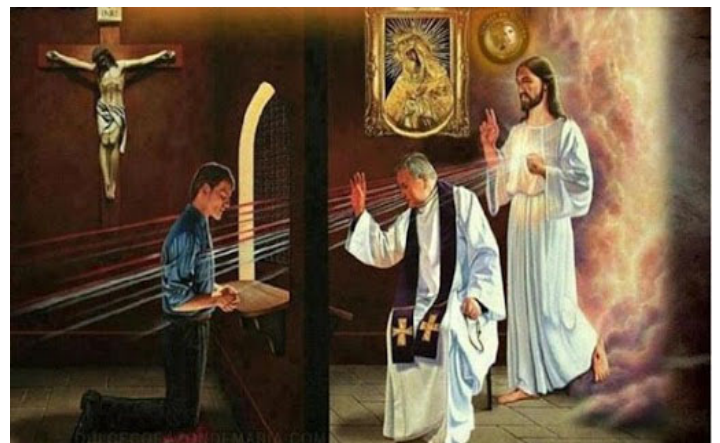
MISA EN ESPAÑOL Y HORA SANTA

Tenemos una misa en español los miércoles comenzando a las 6:30pm y adoración al Santísimo Sacramento al terminar la misa. También los Viernes al terminar la misa del día de la mañana.. Venga a pasar un rato con el Señor.



CONFESIONES

El Sacramento de la Reconciliación continua en nuestra parroquia el día y horario de siempre, Sábados de 4 a 5 de la tarde. Los sacerdotes están escuchando confesiones dentro del Centro Parroquial.



Discovering God in the Everyday



Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowls are available after all Masses!

Join our faith community, and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a transformative Lenten journey with a CRS Rice Bowl.

CRS Rice Bowl gives is a wonderful opportunity to encounter different people from around the world, to know more about their lives and recognize them as our sisters and brothers.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday be transformed and transform the world by:

- Using your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar each day to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- Reading the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey.
- Preparing the CRS Rice Bowl recipes for simple, meatless meals on the Fridays of Lent to eat in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world.
- Visiting crsricebowl.org to watch videos of the people and communities you support through your Lenten gifts to CRS Rice Bowl.



CONFIRMATION UPDATES | NOTICIAS DEL PROGRAMA DE CONFIRMACIÓN

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2022-23 PROGRAM YEAR BEGINS JUNE 12, 2022! PLEASE VISIT WWW.STCA.ORG/CONFIRMATION FOR MORE INFO

¡LA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL AÑO DEL PROGRAMA 2022-23 COMIENZA EL 12 DE JUNIO DE 2022! ¡VISITE A: WWW.STCA.ORG/CONFIRMACION-PARA-ADOLESCENTES PARA OBTENER INFORMACIÓN!



HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

TO JOIN VISIT WWW.STCA.ORG/YM

<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL GROUP</u>	<u>HIGH SCHOOL GROUP</u>
EVERY TUESDAY @ 6PM	EVERY THURSDAY @ 6PM

FOR TEXT UPDATES AND YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR TEXT "@stcat-ym" to 81010 or visit www.rmd.at/stcat-ym

FEELING CALLED TO SERVE IN YOUTH MINISTRY?

Service is what Catholics are called to do, as part of Stewardship. Volunteering in Youth Ministry is what courageous Catholics do, not because the youth appear to be especially tough, but because in order to build any relationship, you need to open yourself up. It is truly a rewarding and fulfilling ministry.

VISIT: WWW.STCA.ORG/VOLUNTEERING
FOR INFORMATION AND TO APPLY

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners,

The Parish office is open Tuesday and Thursday by appointment. If you would like to make an appointment please call the Parish office at 408-779-3959.

If you have questions, we are here to serve you remotely. Please email us -

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ONLINE DONATIONS

Many have asked about financial support and how to get your offertory envelopes to us. Although you can mail them to the office, we ask that you consider giving online. We need your financial support now more than ever. The online donation system we use is safe, secure and convenient. You can use a credit card, debit card or direct transfer from your bank account. Please visit our website (www.stca.org) to donate now.

We thank you for your continued support of our parish especially in these difficult times.



Stephen Ministers: The After People

What is a Stephen Minister? We are the *After People*.

"Come to me all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28

St. Catherine's Stephens Ministers are there:

- after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- after the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.
- after the funeral when everyone has left and the emotions you held at bay come crashing in on you.
- after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."
- after your family and friends have heard your story too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Comprised of trained volunteers, Stephen Ministry is our Parish's one-to-one Christian care to parishioners facing life challenges or difficulties. If you are in need of a Stephen Minister or have questions on how a Stephen Minister can help in your situation, Contact - Claranne Schirle (408) 782-1413.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED

St. Vincent de Paul

The **St. Vincent de Paul** Help Line (408-778-2928) is answered every day by parish volunteers. Local people in need contact us for help with rent, utilities, food, gas, etc. This ministry is for everyone in the community, including YOU! Feel free to call if you need anything. In this COVID season call volume is high, mostly for help with rent, as so many have experienced economic hardship; but financial assistance is available thanks to generous donations from parishioners and the community. If you'd like to help with a donation or as a Help Line volunteer, it would be appreciated. Thank you to all who have been so thoughtful during these times of hardship.

Monday Night Community Supper

Serves 60-75 hot meals to-go during COVID restrictions instead of the usual sit-down dinner. If you'd like to help, our dinner guests are sometimes in need of laundry soap. Donations are appreciated. Also individual containers of juice, sports drink, sparkling water and bottled water are always welcome. You can drop off items at the back door of the Parish Center Kitchen on Mondays, 5-7pm. Contact Joe 408-781-3847 for more info. Thank you to all who have made donations. We are grateful.

Reach Out

Reach Out, our community's food pantry, located behind the Parish Center and staffed by volunteers, provides food to many in need. At this time, Reach Out can use **Mac & Cheese, canned pasta (spaghetti-os, ravioli, etc) and of course large clean brown grocery bags.** We really appreciate all the donations that are given to help the hungry of our area. Donations may be dropped off at the Reach Out building M-F from 8:30-9:45am or 12:30-2:30pm if the morning isn't convenient. Due to COVID protocols we accept your donations outside the building.

Thank you so very much.

***Thank You to all who continue to support the parish and our Neighbors in Need during these difficult times.
Many blessings to all.***

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From March 2nd through April 10th you are invited to join other people of faith in 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray together during this time on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11:00am to 12:30pm in front of Planned Parenthood in Gilroy (760 Renz Ln – behind Lowes).

For more information contact
Paula Barbara 408-858-4300.

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: _____

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THANKS

No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks.

—Ambrose of Milan

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: When have you most felt like a hypocrite? How did you overcome this feeling?

Child: Is it a good thing or a bad thing to act differently from what you are feeling? Explain.

RMD Giving

Getting ready to make your RMD?

Are you required to take a distribution from your IRA accounts that you don't need yourself?

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Current Capital Campaign Progress:

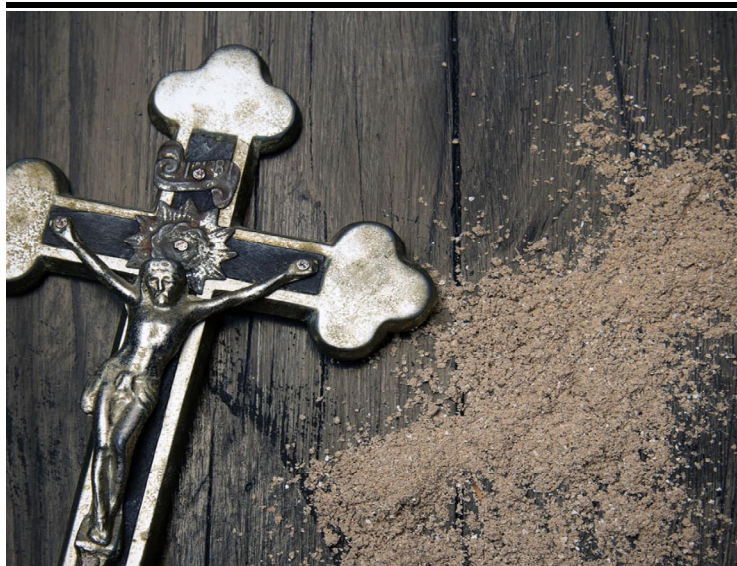
of Pledges (as of 02/14/22): 985

Amount received: \$5,775,706.41

Amount Pledged to date: \$7,406,880.40

Thank you for your generosity!!

Electronic Giving	2/13/2022
Vanco	\$5,463.50
We Share	\$200.00
Electronic Total	\$5,663.50
Sunday Mass	\$6,606.00
Sunday Offertory	\$6,057.00
Total Offertory	\$18,326.50



Saint Catherine Parish



Ash Wednesday Schedule Horario de Miércoles de Ceniza

8:15am Mass (English)
(This Mass will be live-streamed as well)

12:00pm Ash Service (English)

4:30pm Mass (English)

6:00pm Servicio de Ceniza (Español)

7:00pm Misa (Español)
(Misa será transmitida en vivo también)

Save the date / Aparte la fecha

Lenten Reconciliation Service
Servicio de Reconciliación Cuaresmal

Monday, March 21, 2022
Lunes, 21 de Marzo del 2022
6pm - 8pm

In the O'Donnell Parish Center



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