



AUGUST 13, 2017

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### THIS WEEK...

[www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar](http://www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar)

Presentation on Human Trafficking at  
St. Mary's Parish, Los Gatos  
Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 7 PM

#### **Human Trafficking for labor and sex is Not a Global Issue but also a Local Issue**

*What: Can be done to help eradicate this modern day slavery?*

*How: You can help service agencies working with survivors.*

*How: You can advocate for change.*

*How: To enhance St. Mary's efforts with Ethical Trade products.*

**Thursday, August 31, 2017 - 7:00 PM**  
**St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church**  
**Hofmann Center**  
**219 Bean Avenue, Los Gatos**

**Members from the Catholic Network to End Human Trafficking:**

**BVM Sisters Marilyn Wilson and Elizabeth Avalos,  
and Nancy Moreno from Santa Teresa Parish will  
facilitate the evening's presentation and  
discussion on Human Trafficking**

[www.stmaryslg.org](http://www.stmaryslg.org) or (408) 354-3726 x121 for more information



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| Sun.<br>Aug.<br>13 | 2nd Collection-Pastoral Solidarity Fund<br>for the Church in Africa<br>Malankara Mass 1 p<br>Youth Choir Practice 4 p  |
| Mon.<br>Aug.<br>14 | Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:15 a<br>Adoration & Evening Prayer 6 p<br>Women's Support Group 6:30 p<br>Vigil Mass for Assumption 7 p                               |
| Tue.<br>Aug.<br>15 | Assumption Holy Day of Obligation<br>Small Christian Community 6:30 a<br>Women's Spirituality Group 8 a<br>Centering Prayer 7 p<br>Mass for the Assumption 7 p |
| Wed.<br>Aug.<br>16 | Organ Practice 4:30 p  |
| Thu.<br>Aug.<br>17 | First day of School - St. Mary<br>Centering Prayer 4 p<br>SMS Mens' Club 5 p   |
| Fri.<br>Aug.<br>18 | Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a<br>Bible Study 8 a<br>Adoration 3 p   |
| Sat.<br>Aug.<br>19 | 2nd Collection-MISSION CO-OP<br>Reconciliation 3:30 p  |
| Sun.<br>Aug.<br>20 | 2nd Collection-MISSION CO-OP<br>Malankara Mass 1 p<br>Youth Choir Practice 4 p   |

### MASS TIMES

Daily: Mon - Sat 7:30 am

Saturday (Vigil): 5 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am and 5 pm

Reconciliation: 3:30 pm on Saturdays

Rosary prayed after 7:30am daily mass

### Welcome to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

For more detailed information about what is happening now and in the future at St. Mary go to our online calendar on our website or on the computer in the parish office. Registration Forms can be found online, in the vestibule of the church or in the Parish Office.

# STEWARDSHIP

*is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts of love of God and neighbor.*

During the summer we go on vacations, go to the beach, visit family and friends and more. Using Online Giving provides an opportunity to continue your regular giving while you are away or just happen to forget your envelope.

## HAVE YOU SIGNED UP?

[stmaryslg.org/donate](http://stmaryslg.org/donate)

We have already had a great start on what can be a relatively easy solution.

**ONLINE GIVING. Why Online Giving?** It gives the parish a consistent and predictable revenue stream. This year, we would like to get every family using online giving. It's easy to do — **Sign Up NOW!**

*THANK YOU to those who have already signed up.*

*If you were receiving envelopes please contact Lisa - [llawson@stmaryslg.org](mailto:llawson@stmaryslg.org) to discontinue them. We are only at 25% of our goal for Scheduled Giving users signed up to date!*

## Memory Bricks

12 new Memory Bricks were recently installed in front of the church. The time and material installation was generously donated by Carlo Martina and his son, Sean, of Carlo Martina Landscaping. Memory Bricks are a great way to remember a special event, person or loved one in our community. When you purchase a brick your contributions fund our Parish and School buildings & grounds upkeep and improvements. Information and order form can be found on our website at [stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form](http://stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form).



## Second Collection MISSION CO-OP - August 20

Every summer, as part of the Mission Co-Op Program, the Diocese of San Jose welcomes missionary groups, dioceses from around the world. Each year, these missionaries visit our parishes to educate the people of our Diocese about the missionary work of the Church, to request the support of prayer and to receive financial assistance for their needs. Every parish of our Diocese is given the opportunity to help in this vital work.

This year we have missionaries coming from China, India, El Salvador, Guatemala, Vietnam, Peru, Ireland, Nigeria, Philippines, Mexico, and several missionary societies and religious communities. We are particularly pleased to include again our own Diocesan Mission in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

## Text Giving is now Available ... What does this mean?

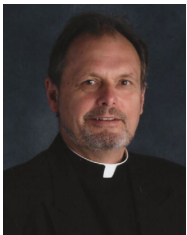
If you have not yet signed up for ConnectNow Online Giving, or even if you have, we are now also providing the ability to text your donation to the Sunday Collection as well as Christmas, Easter and 2nd collections.

Number to text to: 14082605076

1. Text the amount you would like to give to your church's designated number (FOR OTHER THAN SUNDAY COLLECTION READ TIPS BELOW).
2. If you are a first time text-giving donor, or not signed up for ConnectNow Giving currently, you will be prompted to visit a secure URL.
3. Once you click the registration link, you will enter your credit or debit card information.
4. At this point your donation will process.
5. You will see a confirmation text showing your donation and registration were successful.

### IMPORTANT TIPS FOR TEXT GIVING

- If you only text a monetary value, the funds are attributed to your church's Sunday Collection. (Ex: \$50 = will go to default fund- Sunday Collection)
- If you text "Funds" you will receive a reply text including a list of the fund names they can choose to donate to.
- If you text the amount + fund name— the funds will be attributed to that fund name. (Ex: \$10 Building)
- If the fund name you texted does not match— you will receive a message with a list of fund names for you to choose from. Respond with the number of the correlating fund.
- If you text "Help" you will receive a reply text that states: "To give enter the amount you want to give, such as 100. You can also give to a specific fund by typing it after your amount, such as 100 building fund".
- If you text "Reset" you will receive a reply text that states: "Saved card information successfully removed. Please register your card information again when making your next gift by texting an amount to this number."



## BITTER TRUTHS

Many know that a subscription to a YouTube channel will prompt an email to the subscriber regarding regular notification for new episodes released on a given channel.

There are so many—too many to innumerate. Prompting has led me to a subscription of a young philosopher that makes sport of contemporary thinking by pointing out the illogic and irony of the way some people make sense of their world. One of his general targets is the source information on which an argument is predicated.

This uncanny ability is the basis of his humorous sarcasm that can be seemingly ironic in a nice way—so long as you don't take things too personally.

In any case, a recent prompt led me to his exposé on the matter of guilt. In this episode, he took a

completely different approach. He was direct and serious, unambiguous and appeared genuinely concerned for a viewer whom he describes as having guilt for an event over which she could not possibly have control. He addressed the real pain of a mother losing her 19 year-old son in an auto accident. The various circumstances that occurred previous to the accident is the cause for this mom's guilt because she believes that she could have prevented her son's death by making some



minor adjustments to their schedule. Apparently, she has felt this guilt for 7 years and cannot seem to let go of the guilt.

It was unusual to hear this young philosopher describe ways of freeing oneself from a feeling of guilt precipitated by what one cannot

control. He suggested that having guilt is a way to control what is uncontrollable in life. It's also a way to make a connection with a past event and reliving the pain one felt at the time. Lastly, he suggests some healthier ways to connect with her son such as speaking aloud what she might imagine her son would say to her; assuring her that the guilt she feels keeps her from being herself, and to be freed from the burden of self imposed consequence over which she had no control.

It was a little strange to witness the change from sardonic humorist to serious counselor, but he did it pretty well. Intelligence and emotion balance and condition us to think higher thoughts and allows for a certain vocabulary to describe pangs of the conscience—a force to be reckoned, not ignored. It's the body's way of saying "you need to be healed." Guilt can cause anyone to fret about many things over which there is no control, and choosing to be a parting of healing is a share in the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ healing.

## ***Drive Carefully! Schools are beginning this week***

St. Mary School begins this Thursday, August 17th along with the rest of the schools in Los Gatos. Street work continues throughout Los Gatos particularly in the Almond Grove area where we are. Currently Bayview is under construction with Glenridge to follow.

During Construction Tait Avenue will be permit parking only 24 hours/day. The Almond Grove streets will only be available to residents of the area. Once Construction is underway main access to St. Mary's will be off of Main Street/Lyndon. Tait and Bean Avenue will be other options (as they are available).

The town also encourages residents, property owners, and parishioners & parents of St. Mary's to visit the Almond Grove Phase 2 project page on the Town's website at [www.LosGatosCA.Gov/AlmondGrovePhase2](http://www.LosGatosCA.Gov/AlmondGrovePhase2). You can also use the "Notify Me" icon located on the left side of the project page to sign up and receive notifications each time the project page is updated.



## **DON'T BE A VICTIM OF CAR BREAK INS**

There have been recent incidents of car break ins around Los Gatos. Follow these precautions:

- \* Lock your vehicle
- \* Never leave valuables in plain sight.







## FAITH FORMATION

Baptism, Sacraments, Children of all Ages, Youth Ministry, Young Adult, Adult Education  
[www.stmaryslg.org/faith-formation](http://www.stmaryslg.org/faith-formation)

To register, please go to our website under Faith Formation or email Terri Trotter - [ttrotter@stmaryslg.org](mailto:ttrotter@stmaryslg.org)



### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Registration material for our 2017-2018 Faith Formation year was emailed out last month. You can also go to our website to register:

[stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form](http://stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form)

for all sessions: Pre-school through High School.

Classes begin the week of September 17

Remember that Faith Formation is an on-going and life-long process and children should attend sessions every year to deepen their understanding, knowledge and relationship with Christ.

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary --Tuesday August 15 Mass 7:00 to 8:00 PM

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The roots of this week's feast of the Assumption can be traced back at least to the fifth century, when it is noted in the Armenian lectionary.

Celebrated in Jerusalem, the feast in honor of the Theotokos, the Mother of God, became the principal feast of Mary throughout the Christian world. The place of celebration was at the tomb of Mary in Gethsemane and was therefore known as the "Dormition of Mary." In some cultures this feast is celebrated today with a resting statue of Mary, much like a wake service of modern times.

The liturgy of this feast provides images of "the place of your rest" in Psalm 132, and reverence for the Ark of the Covenant that held the signs of the Promise. Like that Ark, Mary is for us the ark of the Savior, the one who bore the Son of God. When the doctrine of the Assumption was defined in 1950 the Gospel reading for the feast was changed to include the verses of Mary's song, the Magnificat. The scripture readings for both the vigil Mass and the Mass of the day speak to us of life after death as well as the path to be followed in order to reach it. The key to this promised immortality is found as we take to heart the words of the vigil's Gospel, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."



*Grow in your knowledge  
of Christ  
and your faith  
in God*



#### New Parishioners

Jimmy Dickson  
David Mesa  
Renee Patton  
Azucena Salas  
Johanna Sullivan

### SCRIPTURE STUDY CLASSES

#### September 7 through November 30

Come join us as we explore this 7-week study of James, First Peter, Jude, Second Peter: the Catholic Letters. These New Testament letters were thought to have had a more universal audience than the Pauline letters, thus the designation "catholic."

Come, join with us as we reflect on God speaking to us through the insights of the apostles.



This session meets every other Thursday morning; from 9:30 to 11 in the St. Mary's Conference Room, September 7 through November 30.

Facilitated by Tony Zadel and Donna Lenahan.

### PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Jim Lyon †  
Michael Massa †  
Diana Meyer †  
Waldir Oliveira †  
Rita Oram †

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sister Betty Shields  
Tom Galetto

*We pray for all parishioners who need healing of body, mind and spirit, that Jesus be a source of strength and comfort.*

To place a name on this list (for three weeks), contact Pastoral Care, 354-3726 x121. You also are invited to write names in St. Mary's Book of Petitions and Prayers in front of Mary's statue in church.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Aug. 14	7:30 am	Reggie, Barbara & Julie Pearne (Sp.int)
	7:00 pm	St. Mary's Parishioners
Tue. Aug. 15	7:30 am	Ruth Hanna †
	7:00 pm	Michael Massa †
Wed. Aug. 16	7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
Thu. Aug. 17	7:30 am	Grant Bishop †
Fri. Aug. 18	7:30 am	Brendan O'Donnell †
Sat. Aug. 19	7:30 am	Terry Staumbaugh †
	5:00 pm	Viola & Ted Dynski †
Sun. Aug. 20	7:30 am	Anna Hendig †
	9:00 am	St. Mary Parishioners
	11:15am	Virginia Finocchio †
	5:00 pm	Linda Christine Ficarra †

*St. Vincent de Paul Society - St. Mary Conference*

<http://www.stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul>  
"Help Us Help Others in our Community"

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday:	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday:	Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 -- 19:1
Friday:	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday:	Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

### Office Volunteers Needed

We are looking for parish office volunteers for mornings from around 8 am to noon to answer phones and greet people. Please contact Teri Tucci at 408.354.3726 x 137 or email her at [ttucci@stmaryslg.org](mailto:ttucci@stmaryslg.org)

## The Prayer Shawl Ministry Group

will meet Monday August 14th 10:15 am to 11:45 am in the Parish Conference Room.

We welcome new members! If you have any questions regarding receiving a prayer shawl, donating a shawl or the availability of patterns and supplies, please contact Jane Najour (354-3726 ext. 121) or [jnajour@stmaryslg.org](mailto:jnajour@stmaryslg.org).



## Communion to the Infirm & Hospitalized

### *Our Share in Parish and Diocesan Ministry*

Each Parish in the Diocese is responsible for the pastoral care of those within its parish "boundaries". Hospitals within the Diocese fall under the direct ministry of the parish in which they are located. Communion for the infirmed is a ministry shared by ministers from the local parishes surrounding St. Mary.

Admission practices at most hospital give you the option to identify yourself as a Roman Catholic. Parish staff members or volunteers often learn about the hospitalization of St. Mary Parishioners because they identify themselves as Roman Catholic. When you or a loved one are hospitalized, you can ask the nursing staff to arrange for a Communion visit and one of the local volunteer Eucharistic Ministers will respond.

In the case of urgent pastoral care 24/7, call the Diocese of San Jose Ministry to the Sick (408) 247-6901, for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Only a priest may celebrate the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Confession. As a St. Mary's parishioner, please call our Parish Office during the week at (408) 354-3726 or after hours in the case of urgent pastoral care; please call the priest on-duty at St. Mary's (408) 482-8021.

Care of the sick and dying, and sharing the Eucharist, is an extension of the sacramental life of our parish. Currently St. Mary's hospital volunteers are Marilyn Dueweke, Adrienne Caselli, Larrie Courtney, Mary Schlink and Donna Lenahan.

### Would you like to be a part of this hospital ministry?

(A commitment of about 2 hours a week, every other week) please contact: Jane Najour (408) 354-3726 x121 or [jnajour@stmaryslg.org](mailto:jnajour@stmaryslg.org).

## Married Couples:

Would you like to relive the excitement, romance and passion from your honeymoon? Rekindle that spark on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 10-12, 2017 in San Jose. For more information visit our website at: [sanjosewwme.org](http://sanjosewwme.org) or contact Ken & Claranne at [applications@sanjosewwme.org](mailto:applications@sanjosewwme.org) or 408-782-1413.



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[www.smslg.org](http://www.smslg.org)

## REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2017-2018!

**We are accepting applications for all grades, Transitional Kindergarten - 8th Grade. Our Extended Care Program provides after-school supervised care until 6:00pm. Applications and enrollment information is available on the St. Mary School website, [www.smslg.org](http://www.smslg.org). For more information, call the school office, 408-354-3944.**

St. Mary School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in the admission of students, the administration of educational policies, scholarships, loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.



## UPCOMING ST. MARY SCHOOL EVENTS

Thurs. 8/17- First day of School  
Fri. 8/18- Student Council Retreat  
Mon. 9/4- Labor Day Holiday  
Wed. 9/6- School Photos



## PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

Parish & Pastoral Ministries Offices: 408.354.3726 Fax: 408.354.9302

Fr. Rick Rodoni	Pastor	<a href="mailto:rrodoni@stmaryslg.org">rrodoni@stmaryslg.org</a>	x139
Fr. Biju Daniel Varghese	Parochial Vicar	<a href="mailto:bvarghese@stmaryslg.org">bvarghese@stmaryslg.org</a>	x138
Terri Trotter	Pastoral Assoc., Director of Faith Formation -Infant through Adult	<a href="mailto:ttrotter@stmaryslg.org">ttrotter@stmaryslg.org</a>	x123
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Ellie Harris	Youth Ministry	<a href="mailto:mharris@stmaryslg.org">mharris@stmaryslg.org</a>	x129
Corliss Greene	Director of Music	<a href="mailto:cgreene@stmaryslg.org">cgreene@stmaryslg.org</a>	x122
Lisa Lawson	Parish Secretary	<a href="mailto:llawson@stmaryslg.org">llawson@stmaryslg.org</a>	x110
Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager	<a href="mailto:ttucci@stmaryslg.org">ttucci@stmaryslg.org</a>	x137

*If it is an emergency and you need to reach a priest call 408.482.8021*

## SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

School Office: 408.354.3944 Fax: 408.395.9151

Jim Johnston	Principal	<a href="mailto:jjohnston@stmaryslg.org">jjohnston@stmaryslg.org</a>	x119
Lynne Dickerson	Vice Principal	<a href="mailto:ldickerson@stmaryslg.org">ldickerson@stmaryslg.org</a>	x161
Cecile Mantecon	Vice Principal	<a href="mailto:cmantecon@stmaryslg.org">cmantecon@stmaryslg.org</a>	x148
Sheryl Becker	Office Manager	<a href="mailto:sbecker@stmaryslg.org">sbecker@stmaryslg.org</a>	x132
Kathy Rosendin	Administrative Assistant	<a href="mailto:krosendin@stmaryslg.org">krosendin@stmaryslg.org</a>	x118

## MASS TIMES

Daily: Mon - Sat 7:30 am Saturday (Vigil): 5 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am and 5 pm  
Reconciliation: 3:30 pm on Saturdays Rosary prayed after 7:30am daily mass

*The presiders' schedule can be found on our website at:*

[www.stmaryslg.org/mass\\_times](http://www.stmaryslg.org/mass_times)

## Country Fair Raffle

We are looking for **donations** for the General Raffle and we hope you can help! Some great ideas for prizes are popular electronics (game consoles, tablets, iwatch, etc), sporting event tickets, an evening out or concert/event tickets. You get the idea! If you want, ask a friend to join you for a combined donation. The goal is to have all items identified by mid August. If you have any questions, contact Kristine Maus at [mauskris@gmail.com](mailto:mauskris@gmail.com) or [fair\\_chairs@stmaryslg.org](mailto:fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org). Thank you for your generosity!



## ST MARY'S COUNTRY FAIR IS COMING!

Mark your calendars and join us for the Country Fair on October 6th, 7th and 8th. The Fair is fun for all, and is a major fundraiser for both the parish and the church. For more information or to volunteer go to:

[www.stmarysfair.squarespace.com](http://www.stmarysfair.squarespace.com)