

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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OCTOBER 8, 2017

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THIS WEEKEND www.stmarysfair.squarespace.com

The Los Gatos Lion's Club and the Knights of Columbus present.... the Annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday 8:00 - 11am Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit, Coffee & Juice

Tickets \$8 adults, \$4 Children Tickets sold at the door.



LAST CHANCE TO ENTER (drawing is at 4 pm Sunday, Oct. 8th)
CAR RAFFLE: Enter to win a 2018 Jeep Compass or \$20,000 in cash!!! Buy early and often!! What could you do with \$20,000???

GENERAL RAFFLE: Do you love beautiful Jewelry? Cash? We have some wonderful General Raffle items this year that you won't want to miss!

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.

THIS WEEK...

www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar

Sun. Oct. COUNTRY FAIR! 10 A - 5 P
Malankara Mass 1 p
Youth Choir Practice 4 p

Mon. Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:15 a
Oct. Adoration & Rosary 6 p
9 Women's Support Group 6:30 p

Tue. Small Christian Community 6:30 a
 Oct. Women's Spirituality Group 8 a
 Encounters with Silence Group 10 a
 Prayer Group meeting 10 a

Centering Prayer 7 p RCIA 7 p

Wed. Organ Practice 4:30 p

Oct. 11

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Thu. Centering Prayer 4 pOct. SMS Mens' Club 5 p12 ICF Meeting 6 p

Reconciliation Parent Mtg. 7:30 p

Fri. Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a

Oct. Bible Study 8 a

13 Adoration/Divine Mercy 3 p

Sat. 2nd Collection - World Mission Sunday

Oct. Reconciliation 3:30 p

Sun. 2nd Collection - World Mission Sunday
Oct. Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15a

15 Playways 9 A Malankara Mass 1 p Youth Choir Practice 4 p WAV 6 p

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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

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

We have already had a great start on what can be a relatively easy solution. **O**NLINE **G**IVING. **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* to discontinue them. We are only at 25% of our goal for Scheduled Giving users signed up to date!

Memory Bricks

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 27 through November 5, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1691 The Alar



vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1691 The Alameda in San Jose, or 225 San Antonio Rd, Mountain View, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact:

Rilene at 408-800-5498 www.40daysforlife.com/sanjose or Bob at 415-512-2132 www.40daysforlife.com/mountainview

New to St. Mary's? Any Changes in your life?

Have you moved? Cancelled your landline phone? Got a new cell phone number? Changed your email address? Forgot to let your parish know about any of these changes?

You can easily register or **update** your information online - https://www.stmaryslg.org/parish-registration

or give us a a call at 408/354-3726 or send an email to llawson@stmaryslg.org. Thank you!

Second Collection October 15- World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society.

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 matchyou 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.



COUNTRY FAIR 2017 IS HERE

Greetings and welcome to the 2017 St. Mary's Country Fair!

The Country Fair is always fun! As we come together for this unforgettable event, it's my pleasure to welcome you to join us for this annual celebration. I am most grateful to God for all of our faculty members, staff, and parishioners that continue to support our parish life and commitment to Catholic School Education and to the Mission of the Catholic Church. The proceeds of the Country Fair support us in this endeavor. We have reason to celebrate and show our gratitude to God for all of the blessings we find in our communal life.

The Country Fair is by far the most extraordinary event at St. Mary before the holidays. It also engenders generosity among us, as it requires leaders from the school and parish to coordinate the efforts

of many volunteers. Fair goers get a taste of great food, and the venue offers an exciting atmosphere of fun for everyone in the family. Many anticipate this time so they can visit with friends and family. It truly is a fine parish tradition rooted in a spirit of service that brings out the best in us all.

This event represents countless hours of planning, networking, and implementing. The many volunteers that offer their time and talent to work booths and direct events comprise a workforce of volunteers that is unmatched. Their generosity and willingness to serve underscores the school's theme this year—Be Present! When we are attentive and work together, we can achieve great success.

The presence of this parish community in the town of Los Gatos continues to be a source of renewal and a place of promise. We welcome all to St. Mary Parish especially as we hold the Country Fair, and we invite you to share in the trust and commitment that join us to the goodness of God and one another. This goodness manifests itself in our enthusiasm to serve by making Christian life an anchor for life at its best. In true Christian charity, our work together equals our greatest success as we seek to become disciples of Jesus.

The efforts we make today enlivens future generations of Catholics.

Many thanks to all who make the Country Fair possible, especially the Fair Chairs and all the leaders and volunteers—your generosity is the real success story. I hope you enjoy the games, rides, food, events, and entertainment. Please know that your participation supports our mission to welcome and share the blessings that God gives to us daily so as to make the bonds of community life at St. Mary's stronger.

I look forward to greeting you at the 2017 St. Mary's Country Fair.



From our School Principal:

Good Morning,

Words cannot express my sorrow that Sr. Betty has passed away peacefully this morning (Oct. 4th) . She was such a bright light to so many people, in fact, to everyone who ever came in contact with her, we are all so sorry for her passing. But, we know that she has gone to a better place and has joined our Lord.

While it is sad that she has passed, her spirit, her influence, lives on in everyone who knew her or came in contact with her. She was such a gentle spirit, yet she was so driven to advocate for students. She brought out the very best in everyone she came in contact with, no one could have a bad day after talking to her. You could feel her presence at our school.

She will be missed, but she would want us all to remember her fondly and honor her memory by doing our very best for each other. She would want us to show the compassion for others that she did and she will be smiling down upon us as we remember our "Sr. Betty moments".

More information is coming, but I want to start by asking a favor from our community. Please send me your favorite "Sr. Betty Moments". We are going to put a memorial picture and these stories on the website in celebration and honor of her life and her commitment to our kids and Catholic Education.

May God Bless each of you,



Yours in Christ, Mr. James Johnston, M.S.,M. Ed, M. Ed. Admin. Principal

FAITH FORMATION



Baptism, Sacraments, Children of all Ages, Youth Ministry, Young Adult, Adult Education www.stmaryslg.org/faith-formation

To register, please go to our website under Faith Formation or email Terri Trotter - ttrotter@stmaryslg.org



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

You can still sign up for Family Faith Formation Classes for all sessions: Pre-school through High School. You can register at stmaryslg.org/faith-

formation-registration-form



Faith Formation

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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to deepen your faith and relationship with God and meet with other women to study:



Part 1: Lives of Integrity

The prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressures — to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and to confront temptations and threats. Today, believers face many of the same trials. This study examines how believers can develop integrity in our modern-day Babylon.

Monday evenings: Six Weeks from 7:00-8:30pm October 23-December 4 in the Parish Conference Room

Led by Karen McQuade: For Women of All Ages, Please contact Karen McQuade at klmcquade@icloud.com or Terri Trotter at ttrotter@stmaryslg.org if you are interested in signing up.

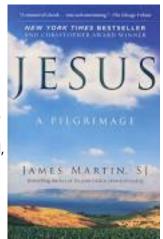
St. Mary's Women of Faith Group

We are a small commmunity of faith-filled mothers of school-aged children seeking a closer relationship with God and with one another. This year, we will be discussing Fr. James Martin's book Jesus, A Pilgrimage. This study of the Gospels will explore the life and ministry of Jesus in a historical, geographical, biblical, and spiritual context. Fr. Martin's writing is accessible to all, light-hearted, and funny.

WHEN: Two Wednesdays a month - 7:15 to 8:30pm. Beginning Sept. 20.

WHERE: St. Mary's Pastoral Ministries Office

CONTACT: Kate Raft at kate.raft@gmail.com



"As each one has
received a gift,
use it
to serve one another
as good stewards of
God's varied grace".

New Parishioners

Jennifer Buonomo Rufina Chettiar Martin Essig Cathy Lewis Nicole Scripps

SCRIPTURE STUDY CLASSES

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,

through November 30.

Facilitated by Tony Zadel and Donna Lenahan.

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Interested in becoming a Catholic?

Join us for our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation Of Adults) journey of faith that meets on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:15pm. During this year-long process we will explore themes of Spirituality, Sacraments, Prayer, The Mass, Social Justice, etc.

If interested, please contact Territrotter@stmaryslg.org

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED Donald Cariani † Clementine Iacobitti† Michael Massa † Inez Medina † Sal Sanchez † Corrie Simon † PRAY FOR THE SICK Loreen Giansiracusa Sister Betty Shields Elisabeth Valenzuela Michelle Zelesny

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

7:30 am	Merle Brendler †
7:30 am	Rosalie Alberico †
7:30 am	Fernando R. & Family (Sp. Int.)
7:30 am	Christy Lane †
7:30 am	Ethel & Nicholas Baxter †
7:30 am 5:00 pm	Barbara Baxter † St. Mary Parishioners
7:30 am 9:00 am 11:15am 5:00 pm	Joe & Angie Filiponi † Mary Kelly † Christine Banszak † Richard Horzen †
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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: Jon 1:1 -- 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8;

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8;

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday:Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9;

Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: JI 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;

Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6;

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Are you looking for a satisfying but flexible volunteer opportunity?

Peninsula Food Runners is a local, volunteer organization dedicated to alleviate hunger and reduce food waste.

We are in urgent need of drivers in the South Bay. Surplus food is available, but we have too few drivers to transport the food to local non-profits which feed the hungry.

Our volunteers pick up excess perishable and prepared food from participating Donors (restaurants, corporate cafeterias, etc.), and then deliver the food directly to our Recipients (shelters, day centers for the elderly, etc.).

Shifts normally take less than 90 minutes and can work around your schedule. Come join our team of volunteers! Are you interested? Please email Saint Mary's parishioner Molly Rhine at m.rhine@comcast. net or call Molly at (408) 396-8705.



The Prayer Shawl Ministry Group

will meet Monday October 9th 10:15 am to 11:45 am in the Parish Conference Room. We welcome new members! With our busy schedules it may be difficult to attend a particular meeting; participants are welcome whenever they can come. If you have any questions regarding participating, 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.

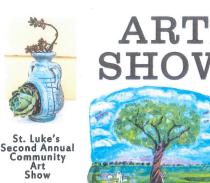
MINISTRY TO THE SICK - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Can you volunteer to be a Eucharistic Minister to the sick? We need volunteers to join the Sunday Morning Team at The Terraces and Wednesday morning team at The Meadows. The lead minister at each location draws up a schedule at the start of the year so there is a lot of flexibility for members to switch dates as needed. Please prayerfully consider if you might be able to serve. Training and support provided. Contact Jane if interested. jnajour@stmaryslg.org

GATE OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC CEMETERY FALL OPEN HOUSE

22555 Cristo Rey Drive, Los Altos, 94024 Saturday, October 14 - 10 am – 2 pm

Pre-planning is part of your estate planning. It ensures that your last wishes will be fulfilled and you will relieve emotional stress on your family, leaving behind a welcomed legacy of love. Learn about our 0% interest financing (up to 60 months, ETF required) and 10% savings opportunities with a cash purchase on all burial space. For more information, contact 650-549-6056 or catholiccemeteriesdsj.org



Saturday October 21 1:00 - 4:00 pm St. Luke's Church 20 University Ave Los Gatos

In Parish Hall & Courtyard With Light Refreshsments

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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. 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 schooladministered programs.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

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

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

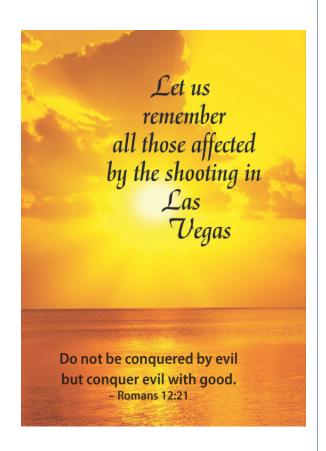
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Mass Times

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



American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive

Los Gatos Community Located at St. Mary's Church

> Hofmann Center 219 Bean Ave Los Gatos, CA 95030

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM

To schedule your appointment or for more information visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: LOSGATOS or call 1-800 RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Donors are needed every day. Don't wait to help save a life.

If you have questions regarding your eligibility to donate blood, please call 1-866-236-3276.