



NOVEMBER 5, 2017

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Mary Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent DePaul (SVdP) serves people in need in Los Gatos on an on-going basis. Typically, the first point of contact for 'neighbors in need' is the parish Pastoral Care Director or the Priests. They collect basic information and then contact SVdP to respond to the situation.

Two important events are upcoming next weekend November 10th & 11th that will support the SVdP ministry:

The Annual St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection: Please make checks payable to St. Mary's with notation for SVdP. Typically, half of our parish SVdP annual operating funds are collected during this November Appeal. Last year \$12K was contributed via the generosity of the parishioners. Another source of funds are your contributions during the year in the Poor Box at the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

The Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive: Food articles such as soup, tuna, peanut butter, beans, rice, cereal, pasta, macaroni and cheese, canned fruit and vegetables may be dropped in the collection baskets in the church vestibule. No glass items or extra-large cans please. Pop top cans are appreciated. We will continue to collect food items in the baskets located in front of the Pastoral Ministries office until November 20. Preparation of food boxes will occur Monday, November 20 at 5:30 pm in Hoffman Center.

If you would care to help, or should know anyone living in the Los Gatos area in need, please contact Jane Najour at jnajour@stmaryslg.org.

The SVdP mission is to help those who have emergency needs such as requests for food, clothing, transportation, gasoline or overnight lodging. The majority of our assistance over the past year has been to provide some measure of funds to offset delinquent utility, phone and rent payments. SVdP funds are paid directly to the landlord or service provider. When a call comes in, if an individual resides in one of the Los Gatos zip codes, a Home Visit is typically initiated by a pair of Vincentians to establish a caring relationship with the 'neighbor in need,' determine what SVdP help is possible, and perhaps refer the neighbor to additional community resources.

The St. Mary's Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for the generous patronage you provide. New members and associates are always welcome. If you would like information about how you might join or support our parish conference, please contact John Thielmann; thielmann2@hotmail.com or visit us on our website; <https://stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul>.



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. **2nd Collection - School Support**
- Nov. Coffee & Donuts after all AM masses
- 5 Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15a
- Playways 9 A
- Malankara Mass 1 p
- Reconciliation Parent & Child Mtg. 1:30p
- Youth Choir Practice 4 p
- Ecuadorian Soup Supper 6 p**

- Mon. Elementary Faith Formation 4 p
- Nov. Adoration & Rosary 6 p
- 6 Women's Support Group 6:30 p
- EDGE 7 p
- Spirituality Committee 7 p
- Women's Scripture Study 7 p

- Tue. Small Christian Community 6:30 a
- Nov. Women's Spirituality Group 8 a
- 7 Red Cross Blood Drive 9:30 a
- Prayer Group meeting 10 a
- Centering Prayer 7 p
- RCIA 7 p

- Wed. Organ Practice 4:30 p
- Nov. 8

- Thu. Centering Prayer 4 p
- Nov. SMS Mens' Club 5 p
- 9 ICF Meeting 6 p

- Fri. **VETERAN'S DAY - PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**
- Nov. Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a
- 10 Bible Study 8 a
- Adoration/Divine Mercy 3 p

- Sat. **2nd Collection - St. Vincent de Paul**
- Nov. Liturgical Ministers Enrichment 9 a
- 11 Reconciliation 3:30 p

- Sun. **2nd Collection - St. Vincent de Paul**
- Nov. Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15a
- 12 Playways 9 A
- Christmas Giving Tree Meeting 10 a
- St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 10:15 a
- 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

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.

We appreciate your ongoing support and commitment to St. Mary Church. If you have ever forgotten your envelope, checkbook or to stop for cash you should consider signing up for **ConnectNow Giving** (online giving). In addition to recurring scheduled donations for Sunday and School collections, **ConnectNow Giving** offers one-time giving via the web, using a mobile app (iTunes) (Android) or via text. Most 2nd collection and special collections are also available as one-time gifts. *Need help getting set-up? Contact Teri Tucci — tstucci@stmaryslg.org or 408.354.3726 x137*



stmaryslg.org/donate

THANK YOU to those who have already signed up. If you were receiving envelopes please contact Lisa - llawson@stmaryslg.org if you would like to discontinue them.

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.



Have a free morning?

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 tstucci@stmaryslg.org



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 call at 408/354-3726 or send an email to llawson@stmaryslg.org.

November 12, 2017--2nd Collection St. Vincent de Paul

Your help provides direct help to the poor in the local communities throughout the United States. Since 1845, Vincentians have met face-to-face with individuals and families in poverty to provide support and help them through the most desperate times. Through your generosity, you help people struggling to survive, including: Housing and Utility Assistance, Job Training and Placement, Food, Clothing, Medical Care.

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.

For more information on Text Giving go to <https://stmaryslg.org/text>



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See the website for detailed reports
Questions - contact Fr. Rick, Teri Tucci or a member of our Finance Committee

Recently members of our Finance Committee presented our

ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT
for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 - June 20, 2017

A more detailed reporting of our income and expenses mentioned in this report, along with a video of the presentation, can be found on our website:

<https://stmaryslg.org/stewardship>



CATHOLICITY

Hearing stories from parishioners that do a lot business travel always piques my interest. Often, their job requires them to stay in foreign lands for short stints or long periods. Normally, their desire to fulfill their Sunday obligation by attending mass is attenuated by the factors of time, location, and language. Many of them are able to speak a language other than English; even so they find it difficult to understand the customs and tradition people revere in a land they know only superficially. Still, somehow they can always find a community with a priest that follows the Latin rite even when they are thousands of miles away from St. Mary.

Of course this kind of travel is different from the immigrant's need to move. The immigrant wagers a good deal more in the roll of the dice than that travel for business or

pleasure. News reports from around the world show immigrants going where economic opportunities proliferate, and there are those that flee because of war, oppression, or persecution. It is these whose desires for a new life also hope that they too will find something in the new land that resembles what they learned in their own land. Many people throughout the world can find such familiarity in the communal prayer of the Mass. When for the moment one can feel a sense of alienation when traveling in a foreign land, the Church (the local people) reminds the traveler that we are all citizens of the world and brothers and sisters in Christ.

Growing up I was very proud to be a part of a world Church, still I could not possibly relate to the Catholic Church in world without first understanding the customs and traditions of my local parish. It helps if one lives in a community that pulls together and works on a common mission and goals.

When a local parish can exhibit these qualities, the greater potential for this to occur on a world stage. The papal visits with the Church's youth is a good example of how the members of so many parish communities can influence the hearts and minds of believers and non-believers alike. It is very impressive indeed.

Anywhere we might travel, it is almost certain we can find a place to pray with a local community. We may lack to courage or find it too foreign. Still, Catholic means universal. This in no way diminishes local custom or tradition, and it's likely that every Catholic community is unique and will to one degree or another follow the universal call to prayer in the Mass. Our membership in the local community confirms our communion among Catholics with differing customs and traditions.

Christmas Giving tree 2017



St. Mary Parish Community Annual Christmas Giving Tree

Giving Hope and Joy to Those in Need

We are holding a short meeting

Sunday, November 12th

after the 9:00 Mass

in the Pastoral Ministries Conference Room.

This meeting is for anyone

interested in volunteering for the Christmas Giving Tree program.

The meeting will provide information

on the various tasks

and any necessary materials.

Contact: Jane Najour (408)354-3726 x121 or

Karen Camara at (408) 354-8866

for further information.

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception
**Hospitality &
Conversation**

After Mass:

Saturday, Nov 10th, 5pm

Sunday, Nov 5th 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am

Join the Catholic Community Foundation Center
Mass for a conversation about an optional
financial opportunity for our development and
building a stable future for this community



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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

408.995.5219 www.cfosccc.org



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.

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 Terri - ttrotter@stmaryslg.org

NEW PARISHIONERS

Barbara Lencioni
Shari Oldfield

**Advent & Christmas
with Thomas Merton**

**4 Tuesday Mornings
Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, and 19**

**from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
St. Mary's Conference Room**



Come, join us on an inner Advent journey, as we venture into a place of interior silence in order to hear and respond to the Holy Spirit as we prepare to celebrate Christmas, a day made holy by sacred mystery. These morning gatherings help us put the focus of Christmas on Christ. There are informational flyers at the entrances to the church with pre-registration information.

Los Gatos Annual Interfaith

Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

7:30 PM Service
8:30 PM Reception

St. Mary of the Immaculate
Conception Church

219 Bean Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Participating Los Gatos Congregations

Bahá'í Faith of Los Gatos ~ The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Congregation Shir Hadash ~

St. Luke's Episcopal Church ~ St. Mary's Catholic Church (hosting)

The Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos ~ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Los Gatos United Methodist Church

Chaplains from Good Samaritan, Terraces, Stanford Health Care

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Lucy Burke †
Chris Butler Comeau †
Mary Althoff-Manning †
Sister Betty Shields †

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Betty Roudebush
Kevin Dircio

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. Nov. 6	7:30 am	Franica Barbato †
Tue. Nov. 7	7:30 am	Gianni Siracusa †
Wed. Nov. 8	7:30 am	John Pearne Jr. †
Thu Nov. 9	7:30 am	Marya Catalana Evans †
Fri. Nov. 10	7:30 am	Pearne Family (Sp. Int.)
Sat. Nov. 11	7:30 am 5:00 pm	Gloria Chew Mananquil † Tony & Celeste Pereira †
Sun. Nov. 12	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:15am 5:00 pm	Richard Horzen † Edward Kramar † The Stuglik Family St. Mary Parishioners

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:	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

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.

1-800-RED-CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

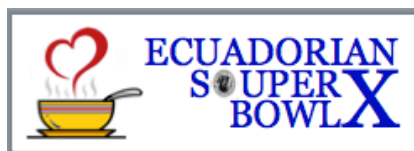
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Martha's Kitchen is having a Benefit Concert

Hosted by Hunger at Home on 11/10/17 at the City National Civic in downtown San Jose. The Joe Sharino Band will be performing. This is part of their Farewell Tour because Joe Sharino is retiring after 45 years. The event will also feature 8 food stations and 15 bars throughout the theatre hall. We have chefs from different hotels and sports teams to prepare food for our event..

For tickets, please go to **www.marthas-kitchen.org**



All parishioners
are invited to the
**Ecuadorian Soup Supper, Sunday evening,
November 5, 6:00 pm
in Howley Hall**

FOR ADS

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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 school-administered programs.



All proceeds from your purchase directly support the 8th Grade trip to Washington D.C.

Why purchase a Community Card?

The Community Card:

- Provides special discounts for many Los Gatos businesses that you already patronize and others you should visit!
- Can be used multiple times, until it expires next year!
- Pays for itself after just a few uses!

Community Cards will be sold after ALL masses!, or you can contact amydespars@hotmail.com.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

Parish & Pastoral Ministries Offices: 408.354.3726 Fax: 408.354.9302

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Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager	tstucci@stmaryslg.org	x137

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

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

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Kathy Rosendin	Administrative Assistant	krosendin@stmaryslg.org	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*

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