



APRIL 8, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Thank you to the many people,
groups and committees that helped decorate, clean
and prepare the way in the church for Easter Sunday**

The women that cleaned the pews "Sparkling Clean"

Veronica Alcantrara, Marcia Greene, Rose Marie McSwiggin, Urusla Szeles,
Nga Tam and Ladies from the 55+ Lunch Group

The Church Environment Committee

Lisa Fanslau, Tina Lally, Brita Matesso and Brooke Randall

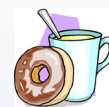


Welcome to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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



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| Sun.
April
8 | 2nd Collection - School Support
Parish Office Open 8:30 - 11:30 a
Hospitality Sunday 8:30
Malankara Mass 12:30 p
Youth Choir Practice 4 p |
| Mon.
April
9 | Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:15 a
Adoration and Rosary 6 p
Women's Support Group 6:30 p |
| Tue.
April
10 | Small Christian Community 6:30 a
Women's Spirituality Group 8 a
Prayer Group Meeting 10 a
Centering Prayer 7 p
RCIA 7 p |
| Wed.
April
11 | Organ Practice 4:30 p
Adult Choir Practice 7 p
Women of Faith -Evening Group 7:15 p |
| Thu.
April
12 | Centering Prayer 3:30 p |
| Fri.
April
13 | Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a
Bible Study 8 a
Adoration Divine Mercy 3 p |
| Sat.
April
14 | Reconciliation 3:30 p |
| Sun.
Apr.
15 | Playways 9 a
Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11:15
Malankara Mass 1 p
Youth Choir Practice 4 p
WAV -Youth - 6 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

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 for online donations. If you would like to discontinue receiving envelopes please contact Jill at jmontanari@stmaryslg.org.

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.



ADA2018

We have made our goal of \$221,972.

All pledges over our goal will come back to support St. Mary Parish.
Thank you for your continued support of the ADA.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes children acquire nicknames in childhood that stalk them through adulthood: "Pinky," "Boo-boo," and the like. This Sunday was once called "Low Sunday," a step down from Easter glory, and an unfortunate nickname since Easter rejoicing goes on for fifty days. Traditionally this is the day when the newly baptized put away their white baptismal robes and returned to their everyday life after a week of intense celebration. Of course, the goal was to take up everyday duties with a very new point of view. A long title for the day was Dominica in albis depositio, or "The Lord's Day for Putting Away the Albs," so no wonder the nickname "Low Sunday" arose. In the old calendar it was also called "Quasimodo Sunday," after the first word of the opening chant, Quasimodo geniti infantes, or "As newborn infants," a reference to the newly baptized taken from the Epistle of Peter. Victor Hugo's bell-ringing hero in The Hunchback of Notre Dame was abandoned as an infant on the threshold of the cathedral of Paris on Low Sunday, 1467, and named "Quasimodo" for the feast.

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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How the Match Works



For more information, visit <http://cfoscc.org/DAF-Match/>



SERVANT LEADERSHIP

In this Easter Season we take the time to consider our fundamental appreciation for our life by saying yes to God's offer of grace in the resurrection of Jesus. We believe that God accompanies us every moment of our lives, and we seek to deepen this relationship to God and others by way of developing a keener sense of the value and meaning life brings. While there may be many paths to understand life's meaning and purpose, each of these may be evaluated on how well we learn to love one another. Jesus makes this message clear in John's Gospel as he teaches his disciples "Love one another as I have loved you."

By answering the challenge to love as Jesus loves we will no doubt experience a tension that requires regular fine-tuning—it's not as easy as looks. The goal is to be centered in Christ so that our point of view may be inclusive, not exclusive; selfless, not selfish; enlightened, not obscure. Wrestling with these tensions can prove our determination for good or ill, and we must allow for the chance to review them as a way of bringing out the best in others and ourselves.

The title above seems oxymoronic. By definition a servant does not lead rather the servant is required to do the bidding of the master. The best master would likely be the best of leaders in a given context, not the servant. Nevertheless, this paradox provides a measure for the course of our spiritual productivity and a synthesis for human progress vis-à-vis the context of the divine nature God offers. Since we regard Jesus as our leader, we are compelled to understand his role in salvation history. As one who did not

regard his true form as something to be grasped, he took the form of slave and accepts death on the cross. The choice Jesus makes for becoming a servant is described throughout the Gospels—"For the son of man came not to be served, but to serve." This unique attitude leads him to wash the feet of his disciples—a clear demonstration of Jesus' genuine desire to impart a way of life.

Each of us baptized into Christ Jesus is challenged to live as people who love and serve God so as to be for others God's image and likeness. If we fail to recognize the value in God's offer of grace, we will find it difficult to serve in the capacity in which Jesus came to serve. These fundamental approaches effect too the way we put a value on life. When we lose ourselves for the sake of the Gospel, it is then we find ourselves in Christ.

Age Well ~ Drive Smart Senior Driver Safety Seminar

Presented by the
California Highway Patrol

Take Control of Your Driving Future

Topics covered include:

- Myths about older drivers
- Tune up your driving skills
- Rules of the road
- Mobility options in the Public transportation system
- Confidential self assessments
- Compensating for age related changes
- Roles of nutrition, physical fitness, and medications

DATE: Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018

TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Lunch Break; Bring your bag lunch
St. Mary's Church, Hofmann Center
219 Bean Avenue, Los Gatos, CA

COST: FREE

DETAILS: Pre-registration is required to attend

Registration online at:

<https://http://stmaryslg.org/drive-smart>

Or RSVP: Jane Najour, at (408) 354-3726 x121

jinajour@stmaryslg.org Space is limited.



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Sunday, April 29th

4 miles / 8 miles

There is a promo code **STMARYS** for a \$10 Great Race discount to anyone in the parish as a thank you for the inconvenience our event causes the church each year.

Registration is at www.lggreatrace.com. Please keep in mind that Main St. is open so there is still access to the church from that direction. Also note that the money raised from the Great Race does go back into the community through scholarships and other youth and community projects such as St. Lukes homeless program. Thanks again for your patience on our race day.



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



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.

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY HERE AT ST. MARY

As Catholics, we seek healing and strength in the Eucharist every week in Mass. The ministry of Pastoral Care seeks to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot be with us for worship, whether temporarily or ongoing.

Suffering is present for those who are isolated by illness, injury or the effects of aging. Ministers of Pastoral Care are called to be a compassionate presence in imitation of Jesus' care of His people. The primary concern of the Pastoral Care Minister is to show the sick how much Christ and his Church is concerned for them.

If you know of someone who is in need of visits at home or you feel a calling to become a Eucharistic Minister to the homebound, sick or aging, please contact Jane Najour in the Pastoral Ministries Office at 408-354-3726 x121 or jnajour@stmaryslg.org.

It is our hope that St. Mary's parishioners will manifest faith and charity on behalf of our community for anyone seeking compassionate companionship.

Your Lenten Gifts Change Lives

Thank you for your participation in CRS Rice Bowl at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish.

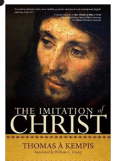


Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Interested in becoming a Catholic?

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

THE IMITATION OF CHRIST BY TOMAS A. KEMPIS

**6 Wednesday Mornings
from 10 am to noon
April 18 thru May 23
St. Mary's
Conference Room**



Come, join a group of like-minded journeyers for a weekly time of spiritual retreat. Focusing on words from The Imitation of Christ, (book is provided) we will read, contemplate, and journal, then have meaningful discussions in small groups. After the Bible, this devotional work is considered the most widely published and read worldwide. We will be working with a 2017 translation by William Creasy.

This group spiritual direction series is facilitated by Spirituality Council member Donna Lenahan.

Please sign up in advance by e-mail: djlenahan@aol.com or leave a phone message: 408-204-6565.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

James Casey †
Nicole Fang †

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Monica Aitken
David Vega

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. Apr. 9	7:30 am	Paul Luu †
Tue. Apr. 10	7:30 am	Gerald Forsyth, Sr. †
Wed. Apr. 11	7:30 am	Gilmour M. Krogstad †
Thu. Apr. 12	7:30 am	Michael Crompton †
Fri. Apr. 13	7:30 am	Justin Malander †
Sat. Apr. 14	7:30 am 5:00 pm	Ethel & Nicholas Baxter † Celeste & Tony Pereira †
Sun. Apr. 15	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:15 am 5:00 pm	St. Mary Parishioners David Anthony Piazza † Alexander Liniecki † Joseph Preston †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday:	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

St. Vincent de Paul Society - St. Mary Conference

www.stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul

"Help Us Help Others in
our Community"

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING FOR STUDENTS 5TH - 8TH GRADE

It's that time of year again when we recruit Altar Servers!

If you're already baptized and have received your first communion, we invite you to become an Altar Server for St. Mary. Applications are due by April 12. Attend one training session in church at 3:30pm (Tues - 4/17 or Wed - 4/18) and get ready to serve! Download the application online at:

www.stmaryslg.org/documents/2018/3/2018ALTARSERVERAPPLICATION.pdf.

Questions? Email patrick.m.clifford@gmail.com for clarification.



SISTERS OF THE HOLY NAMES - STRAWBERRY LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

You're invited to Celebrate 150 Years of Ministry in California with the Sisters of the Holy Names at the annual Strawberry Luncheon, May 2nd, at 11:30 am in the Orchard City Banquet Hall, Campbell, CA. Tickets are \$30, by advance reservation.

The Sisters have been serving the South Bay since 1952. Their annual luncheon features a gourmet lunch, drawings for Gift Baskets and Door Prizes. Many lives are touched by the Sisters' ministry including at Casa Maria Montessori, St. Mary School and Parish, St. Christopher School and their continued volunteer work in the community.

Gather your friends and celebrate with the Sisters!

Tickets and information at 408-275- 2141, or email jrosso@snjmuson.org, before April 14th.

THE ST. MARY HOSPITALITY SUNDAY MINISTRY facilitates our faith-loving parishioners in coming together to visit and get to know one another. Hospitality Sunday takes place on the First Sunday of the month in the courtyard outside of Church after the 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Masses. Coffee and donuts are served. All are welcome to come and meet with fellow parishioners.

Each month a different ministry of the Parish (or grouping of ministries) sponsors Hospitality Sunday. Information is provided about the hosting ministry and volunteers are available to answer questions or to sign-up individuals to give of their time or talent in that area.

Please enjoy the hospitality provided by the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Sunday, April 8th.

A TIME FOR YOU – A RETREAT DAY FOR CAREGIVERS

April 21, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Location: Santa Teresa Parish

For anyone who is a caregiver, near or afar. A retreat day focused on compassion, self-care and balance while walking with someone who suffers. Receive practical and spiritual support, while enjoying a sacred time to renew, rejuvenate and replenish your mind, body and spirit. For more information and to register, call 650-428-3730. RSVP by April 17.

FOR ADS

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www.smslg.org

SPRING APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 2018-2019!

Applications! Campus tours!
Assessments! Shadow days!

Now's the time to look at Catholic education for your child(ren) and we are here to help you. The enrollment process is found on our school website,

www.smslg.org

Give the school office a call, 408-354-3944, if you are considering St. Mary School for your child(ren), grades TK through 8. Enrollment information is available on the St. Mary School website, www.smslg.org

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.



Important Dates

Apr. 9 - NO SCHOOL, Drexel work day
Apr. 10 - DUE DATE for Country Fair Art Contest!
Apr. 11 - Mitty High School 7th Grade Day
Apr. 12 - Altar Server Registration DUE!
Apr. 28 - PTG Spring Auction, SAVE THE DATE!



Father Rick met up with the 8th Graders during their memorable **Washington DC trip!** Of particular interest was their visit to DC's newest museum, the Museum of the Bible. At 430,000 square feet, it houses the largest assembly of biblical artifacts and texts.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

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Ellie Harris	Youth Ministry	mharris@stmaryslg.org	x129
Corliss Greene	Director of Music	cgreene@stmaryslg.org	x122
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Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager	tsucci@stmaryslg.org	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

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Cecile Mantecon	Vice Principal	cmantecon@stmaryslg.org	x148
Sheryl Becker	Office Manager	sbecker@stmaryslg.org	x132
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



Calling all St. Mary School & Faith Formation Students in Grades
TK - 8!

**WE Need YOU! Your design could be the front cover of the
Country Fair Program!**

Art Specifications



- Include:
 - 2018 (in large font)
 - Fair Dates: October 5th, 6th & 7th
 - Fair Address: 219 Bean Ave, Los Gatos
- Can be 2-3 colors instead of full color
- Submit artwork on 8 1/2 x 11 paper - VERTICAL orientation
- Pastels, crayons, watercolor, colored pencils are acceptable
- **FYI: It is the 50th year of the Fair! Make it fun, be creative!!!**

How to Enter

- Submit artwork in a large, flat envelope labeled "St. Mary's Country Fair T-Shirt Contest" (Do NOT fold artwork!)
- Turn artwork into either the school or parish office
- On back of artwork, please include name, school, grade in 2018-2019 school year, phone number, and age
- DEADLINE for entry is Tuesday April 10. Winners announced Wednesday, May 9, 2018
- Contest date: March 20- April 10, 2018

First Place Winner

Receives one (1) all-day Butler ride pass and fair T-shirt!

Questions? Email fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org