

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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JULY 1, 2018

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Without A, B & O, we can't save anybody. You are the #MissingType we need.

Los Gatos Community Blood Drive

Located at St. Mary's Church 219 Bean Avenue. Los Gatos

Monday, July 2, 2018 & Tuesday, July 3, 2018 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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.

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

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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.

Welcome to St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

THIS WEEK...

www.stmaryslg.org/#calendar



Sun. 2nd Collection -Peter's Pence

July 1 Hospitality Sunday Parish Office Open 8:30 - 11:30 a

Malankara Mass 1p Youth Choir Practice 4 p

Mon. Red Cross Blood Drive 9:30 a

July 2 Adoration and Rosary 6 p Women's Support Group 6:30 p

Tue. Small Christian Community 6:30 a

July 3 Women's Spirituality Group 8 a Red Cross Blood Drive 9:30 a

Prayer Group Meeting 10 a Centering Prayer 7 p

Wed. JULY 4TH

July 4 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED Organ Practice 4:30 p

Thu. PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
July 5 Centering Prayer 3:30 p

Fri. Parish Office Closed on Fridays

July 6 Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a Adoration Divine Mercy 3 p

Sat. 2nd Collection -SCHOOL SUPPORT

July 7 PACK-A-BACK COLLECTION WEEKEND

Reconciliation 3:30 p

Sun. 2nd Collection - SCHOOL SUPPORT

July 8 PACK-A-BACK COLLECTION WEEKEND

Malankara Mass 1p 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

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.

e 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, stmaryslg.org/donate

ONLINE GIVING

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

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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 found our website on stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As Independence Day draws near, we think of the men and women of the military who serve with courage and competence, some far from home. How does the Church accompany them? In 1939, Pope Pius XII created an independent jurisdiction of the Catholic Church called the "Military Vicariate." In 1985 Pope John Paul II created the "Archdiocese for Military Services, USA." Spanning the globe and serving nearly one and a half million Roman Catholics, more than one thousand priests minister in hospitals, on military bases of all the armed forces, on ships at sea, and on the battlefield. The AMS does not ordain priests, but accepts priests on loan from religious orders and dioceses.

In 1824 a Jesuit priest named Adam Marshall enlisted in the Navy and died at sea in 1825. He was assigned as a "schoolmaster," but he sought out and ministered to Catholic sailors. Twenty years later, President Polk was worried that the war with Mexico was seen as anti-Catholic, so he recruited two Jesuit priests to serve in the army as chaplains. At the time of the Civil War, only about ten percent of Americans were Catholic. Military policies forced Catholic soldiers to attend Protestant services. The Church protested this rule, and many priests volunteered to become chaplains. Their witness and the courage of the "Nuns of the Battlefield" (several orders of sisters who assisted Civil War victims) helped temper prejudice against Catholics and pave the way for the life and ministry of this vigorous and unique archdiocese.

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://stmaryslq.org/text



July 7 & 8 Weekend 2nd Collection St. Mary School Support

July 1 is Hospitality Sunday

Join us after all morning Masses to meet, greet and share in faith & fellowship! And have your morning coffee and donut! The Parish Office is also open from 8:30 to 11:30 am. Please stop by and update your information, sign up for Online Giving or just say hello!



DECLARATIONS OF FREEDOM & INDEPENDENCE

Our celebration of the July 4th holiday this Wednesday recalls the inauguration of our United States. From a historic perspective, when our nation was formed, our founders were instrumental in setting the course for today's geo-political environment. Resistance to tyranny defined us as a nation. The context for nationalism in the late 18th century and its adoption by other sovereign nations is evident by its development in our own time. Freedom and independence remain the deep and abiding force for our unity as a nation and the desire of many people in lands of oppressive rule.

US citizens hold freedom and independence in highest regard. From our very beginning, these were concepts for which many have fought and died. The age

of enlightenment provided the philosophical context for shaping a nation like our own. The sacrifices of so many in defense of these concepts parallels the early Christians' willingness to die for the everlasting freedom offered in the paschal mystery of Jesus. The early Christians were willing to suffer death for the faith imbued in them by their experience of solidarity as disciples. Our current defense of freedom and independence is based on preserving the same for the future generations of our own nation. It's no wonder that our ancestors saw themselves as a people directed by God—as salt of the earth and city on a hill whose light shines before all.

The world is ever evolving and it is difficult to know what directions our nation will adopt for our future. Some may imagine that we would all be better off if nationalism were to dissolve into a utopian worldview where we share equally in the resources the earth provides to sustain life. Such an understanding seems a bit naïve when compared to the differences many find irreconcilable among the political and ideological views today. It is possible to imagine the world

at peace, though it is not likely to happen any time soon.

Just as freedom and independence are eternal concepts that often elude us so too are peace and justice. They are concepts—that at best—we can work to define more carefully and implement for our own time. So long as we continue to allow the concepts of peace and justice to influence the way we form our laws and policies, we will be able uphold the civil right of every person in the context of the common good. In the long run, we know that these things are beyond us and belong more fully to the living God. May we learn to humble ourselves before God and one another so that we may further freedom and independence for all.



A Women's Retreat **Bloom Where You Are Planted**

A Women's Day of Replenishment Saturday, July 28, 2018 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Hoffman Center, St. Mary's

Facilitated by Donna Lenahan Come, join a circle of like-minded women for a lovely day of spiritual renewal as we work with the always -inspiring writings of mystics such as Mary Oliver, Julian of Norwich, Evelyn Underhill, Teresa of Avila, Hildegard of Bingen, and others. I call these writings Miracle Grow for the Soul. They are mind, heart, and soul enhancing. This is a free, bring your lunch event. For more info email Donna at dilenahan@aol.com.





ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

To keep up to date on the

ALMOND GROVE STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT.

the town has a webpage setup to inform us of the road closures and traffic conditions. www.losgatosca.gov/ AlmondgrovePhase2

Do you have 90 minutes to shuttle food for the hungry?

Peninsula Food Runners is a volunteer organization dedicated to alleviate hunger and reduce food waste. We are in urgent need of drivers in the South Bay. We offer a free service to pick up excess perishable and prepared food from restaurants and corporate cafeterias and then transport it directly to shelters, affordable housing, Boys and Girls Clubs, and other non-profits that feed the hungry, right here in our community.

Most food runs take just 90 minutes to complete. Peninsula Food Runners has a wonderful software program that makes volunteering easy and flexible. Most volunteers do a food run once a week (or twice a month) and like the efficiency and ease we provide.

If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, contact our St. Mary parishioner, **Molly Rhine**, the South Bay Outreach and Marketing Manager:

Email: molly@peninsulafoodrunners.org

Please join us to prevent waste and feed the hungry.



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

Faith

Formation



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Remember that Faith Formation is an ongoing and life-long process and children should attend sessions every year to deepen their understanding, knowledge

and relationship with Christ. For information on Faith Formation classes for all ages go to our website at:

> stmaryslg.org/faith-formation Registration will begin in July.

Volunteer Opportunities in High School Youth Ministry

Get involved with St. Mary's High School Youth Group! Our vision is to see the transforming power of Jesus at work in the lives of today's youth. Volunteers are vital in reaching this vision. We are looking for volunteers for two specific roles - ARE YOU WILLING TO SAY YES?

You don't need to be young, athletic, or an outstanding Bible scholar. But, you do need to:

- 1. Be a proud Catholic who is faithfully living a consistent godly lifestyle.
- 2. Believe in and support the teachings of the Catholic Church and be faithfully involved at St. Mary's.
- 3. Desire to minister to young people, are comfortable relating to young people, genuinely likes and respects teens.
- 4. Be available to be regularly involved in this ministry.
- 5. Possess a willingness to learn and to put into practice what has been taught.

Small Group Leaders - 5-7 volunteers (men and women) needed

Make a difference in 4-6 high schoolers life by being their small group leader. Meet Sunday night after the 5pm Mass from 6-7:30pm during the school year (Sept-May). Through small group discussions you will disciple students and strengthen their understanding of the Catholic faith, provide support to navigate high school as a Catholic in today's world, and foster healthy relationships within the small group. Email our High School Minister, Ellie Harris if interested. mharris@stmaryslg.org

Confirmation Catechist - 2-4 volunteers needed

3 Half Day Sessions + 3 Planning Meetings

Confirmation preparation has a stronger emphasis on the content of the Catholic Church teachings. Catechists will help plan the 3 Half-Day Confirmation sessions focused on immediate prep to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. May be asked to give talks, testimonies, and overall share the witness of Jesus Christ with the teens. Email our High School Minister,

Ellie Harris if interested. mharris@stmaryslg.org



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

First Communion Banner Pick Up



Please come to the Parish Office to pick up your child's First Communion Banner. Office hours are Monday through Thursday: 8-4

Get Confirmed in 2019!

Join Youth Group & Confirmation Prep for the 2018-2019 school year. We meet Sundays 6-730pm beginning in September. Register on the parish website www.stmaryslg.org. Contact Ellie Harris for questions mharris@stmaryslg.org

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Terri Boskovich † Carmela Meredith †

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Diane Normandin Azevedo Bishop Richard Garcia Judy O'Neil

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. Jul 2	7:30 a	Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Jul 3	7:30 a	Odette & Darryl Torre (Sp. Int.)
Wed Jul 4	7:30 a	Patrick Ward †
Thu. Jul 5	7:30 a	Virginia O'Rorke †
Fri. Jul 6	7:30 a	Ethel & Nicholas Baxter †
Sat. Jul 7	7:30 a 5:00 p	Barbara Baxter † Erlinda & Phillip Ombao †
Sun. Jul 8	7:30 a 9:00 a 11:15a 5:00 p	St. Mary Parishioners Connie Bodecker † Nicole Fang † Ann Amodio †

Readings for the Week

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23;

Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;

Jn 10:24-29

Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7-

13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34 or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891

Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20,

30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;

Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10;

Mk 6:1-6a



October 5-7, 2018

Want to Help???? please contact Jen Albanese Musolf or Amanda Wayman at fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org



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

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





- Breaking the cycle of poverty starts with giving a child the tools to succeed.
- Can you help with our Summer 2018 Community Outreach project?
- Our parish's goal is to provide 125 -3rd and 4th grade students with a backpack.
- We need pencils, pens, markers, notebooks, folders, glue sticks, crayons. highlighters, USB sticks, binders, backpacks and more.
- Please take a tag from the tree and purchase the item indicated.
- Are you able to fund an entire backpack at \$75.00? Please select the tag with "FUND A BACKPACK FOR \$75"
- Bins will be set up in the vestibule to receive donations from July 7 22nd.
- We need volunteers to help pack the backpacks on Wednesday August 1 in Hofmann Center 9 - noon.
- Please contact volunteer Project Manager Bernadette Yang at ourcubs@hotmail.com or 408-358-1930 to volunteer or for more information
- Thank you for your consideration of Sacred Heart's Pack–A–Back project.

FOR ADS

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www.smslg.org

Rolling Admissions for 2018-2019

St. Mary School will continue to accept applications over the summer months. The enrollment process can be found on our website: www.smslg.org Feel free to call the school office at 408-354-3944 with any questions.

Our summer hours are: Mon-Fri, 10:00am - 2:00pm

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 ** School's out until August 16 **

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

Parish & Pastoral Ministries Offices: 408.354.3726 Fax: 408.354.9302

Fr. Rick Rodoni	Pastor	rrodoni@stmaryslg.org	x139
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Terri Trotter	Pastoral Assoc., Director of	ttrotter@stmaryslg.org	x123
	Faith Formation -Infant throug	h Adult	
Jane Najour	Coordinator of Pastoral Ministri	es jnajour@stmaryslg.org	x121
Ellie Harris	Youth Ministry	mharris@stmaryslg.org	x129
Corliss Greene	Director of Music	cgreene@stmaryslg.org	x122
Jill Montanari	Parish Administrative Asst.	jmontanari@stmaryslg.org	x110
Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager Parish Cat & Mouser	tstucci@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

Jim Johnston	Principal	jjohnston@stmaryslg.org	x119
Lynne Dickerson	Vice Principal	ldickerson@stmaryslg.org	x161
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 7:30 am daily mass

The presiders' schedule can be found on our website at: www.stmaryslg.org/mass times

2018 COUNTRY FAIR planning is off and running! It is time to get involved in this year's very special 50th Anniversary event that the Parish and school community look forward to on **October 5, 6 & 7.** Jen Albanese Musolf and Amanda Wayman at *fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org* are deep in planning and welcoming volunteers now. The fair is a vital fundraiser for our operational expenses and your support is needed.

Sponsorship Opportunities Now Available

The St. Mary's Fair Sponsorship Program is an opportunity to show your support for our Parish and School. This professionally designed program is given out to parishioners and school families and is circulated throughout the Los Gatos community at the Fair. You may choose to simply display a greeting from your family or business or even use this as a forum to promote your business to the community. More information about how you can become a supporting sponsor of the fair can be found on the St. Mary's website, or by contacting Mary Horton or Noelle Schmidt at fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org.

Raffle Information

This year we are changing things up and rather than a Car vs. Cash raffle, we are doing a larger Cash Raffle of \$25,000!! Tickets will be on sale starting in August.

If YOU are able to contribute to our GENERAL RAFFLE with events tickets, iPads, kids' electronics, trips, adult spa/golf packaged and any large items that would make great raffle prizes, please contact fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org.

Committees Still Need Filling

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- *Cake Walk*Mexican Food Booth*Publicity and Promotions*
- *Power and Lighting Crew*General Raffle Coordinator *
- *Printing and Banners* Kids Night In* We hope to hear from you soon!



OCTOBER 5, 6 & 7TH UPDATE