

### St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







## 50th Anniversary October 4th, 5th, 6th & 7th 2018

### Thursday, October 4th

~1pm-4pm & 5pm-9pm Harvest Market Hours! ~5pm-9pm Country Store open and ready for you!

### Sunday, October 7th

**KID ZONE & MAIN** 

KID ZONE & MAIN STAGE HIGHLIGHTS!

~11am-2:30pm Lego

Saturday, October 6th

Friday, October 5th Wrokshop ~6pm-8pm Cucina de ~12:45pm Sizzling Santa Maria Seniors ~5pm-10pm Bay Area hottest DJ Adam Barerra will play the best of the best dance music!

~2pm Balloon Artist ~2pm & 5pm 50th **Anniversary Youth** Performance! ~2:40pm Disney Princesses and Star Wars Characters! 7pm Hella Good Party

~11:15am Cake Walk ~ 4pm General Raffle Drawing ~4:30pm MEGA Cash Raffle

For more information: www.stmarysfair.squarespace.com







# It Takes a Village! We Need Your Help!

Volunteering at the fair is a great way to meet others in our community while supporting the church and school. Sign up to VOLUNTEER at the Fair, or to learn more information at

www.volunteermark.com/country-fair

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



#### FAITH FORMATION

Sun. PLAYWAYS 9 a Sept. Elementary Faith Formation 9 & 11 a 16 Malankara Mass 1 p

Youth Choir Practice 4 p WAV - Parent & Teen meeting 6 p

55+ Group Lunch 12 p Mon. Sept. Adoration and Rosary 6 p 17 Women's Support Group 6:30 p

EDGE 7p

Tue. Small Christian Community 6:30 a Sept. Women's Spirituality Group 8 a Prayer Group Meeting 10 a Centering Prayer 7 p RCIA 7 p

Organ Practice 4:30 p Wed. Sept. Country Fair Meeting 6 p 19 Choir Practice 7 p

Thu. SVdP Outreach 9 am Sept. Centering Prayer 3:30 p

Fri. Men's Faith Sharing 6:30 a Adoration Divine Mercy 3 p Sept.

Pie Day for Country Fair 9 a Sat. Sept. Reconciliation 3:30 p

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23 Malankara Mass 1 p Youth Choir Practice 4 p

WAV 6p

#### 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.

VACATION IS OVER AND WEEKENDS CAN STILL BE BUSY — if you forgot your envelopes or are new to St. Mary's, just visiting or you can use **Quick Give** on your mobile phone at stmaryslg.org/donate. You can also register if you like and set-up 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.



#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In this country, we don't name our churches "The Fourth Avenue Catholic Church," but rather seek a patron saint or mystery of faith. We inherit this tradition from an old Roman custom via medieval England. Interestingly, that has not been the practice elsewhere, and parishes abroad often do carry just the name of the neighborhood. In Ireland, the Roman (English) practices didn't take hold, and so churches are known simply by the street they are on, or by a nickname. Saint Francis of Assisi in Dublin is often called "Adam and Eve" after a pub in the same street. The pub sign is an interesting carving of our first parents, so they become patrons by default.

Increasingly in the United States, we are seeing a familiar European pattern emerge when a few churches, each bearing the name of a patron saint or mystery, are gathered into one parish that bears a different name. Thus, we might hear of a parish of "Midvalley City" comprised of Saint Mary, Saint Francis, and Saint Ursula churches. Once a church has been consecrated, its name may not normally be changed. Therefore, when parishes are merged, a new name is given to the parish, which may or may not be that of a heavenly patron, but the church buildings retain their names. In the process, we have lost sight of some worthy patrons of old, but have also seen new parishes open dedicated to twentieth-century saints like Edith Stein, Katharine Drexel, and Mother Teresa.

# 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



We are open Monday - Thursday 8 am - 4 pm (closed for lunch)

and *once a month* on Hospitality Sundays 8:30 am - 11:30 am

We are closed Friday - Sunday\*

(\*except Hospitality Sunday)



**E**QUINOX

From time to time we do well to consider views that border on the extreme. Most professors we had at seminary dismissed ideological views that tended toward the fanatical. Of these teachers, many would agree that a balanced and reasonable view of our faith would supply the essentials for communicating our tradition. The hope for reasonable dialogue is not merely a human desire, even so extreme perspectives often tend towards violence.

We are less than a month away from the autumnal equinox. Any of us can see that daylight is decreasing and balancing with darkness of night. It is easy for us to imagine that this equanimity is possible for us as well, and even

while one might imagine summer and winter as being lopsided, the seasons remind us that there is a natural balance to all things. God's providence pervades all things—there is a time and season for every activity under heaven—Ecclesiastes 3.

Currently, much of the news we hear diminishes the promise of dialogue and exacerbates the kind of division that can lead to violence. Jesus says, "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." This statement creates a dissonance between what we hope to become and our current situation. Human nature tends to exact an equal amount of suffering on those who cause harm—"an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." (Ex. 21:23) Jesus presents the possibility of transformation, but many regard this as too extreme and quite impractical as a response to criminal behavior.

Still, the underlying importance of what Jesus means by loving, doing good, or praying for those that

perpetrate crimes against us is not a passive reply to a great offense. Rather, Jesus seeks to encourage his disciples to avoid the trap of becoming like those who offend. We are meant to eschew hatred and rely upon God's justice and mercy. This is essential to Jesus' character, and such challenging statements in the scripture make us aware of a balance that only God's providence can supply.

Clearly, the grand jury's report regarding sexual abuse perpetrated by 300 priests in six Pennsylvanian dioceses over 70 years is both indefensible and demoralizing. Current expressions of extreme views will create more instability and lead us further away from becoming what we hope to be. Certainly, the wisdom of the gospel will prevail, but bringing this wisdom to bear in our lives will no doubt be challenging. As in all things, we will need to balance what is essential for dealing with this scandal. By adopting Jesus' wisdom, we can avoid becoming as those that hate us.

# Veterans Foundation of Los Gatos

The Veterans Memorial and Support Foundation of Los Gatos are curently in the process of raising funds to build a World Class Memorial in Los Gatos to honor those whe have served their Country to deliver the Freedom that we all enjoy. This Memorial will be constructed at the Civic Center and is scheduled for completion and dedication on November 10, 2018.

We urge you to attend this momentous occation as we honor all of those Veterans who given so much. If you know a Veteran or have a Veteran in your family, this is a wonderful opportunity to honor them.

We are offering you the opportunity to be a Major Donor to this cause or to consider purchsing a Paver to show your support. Please visit www.honoraVet.org for a view of this Memorial designed by acclaimed artist Frank Morris and being built by Devcon Construction.

For more information contact John Lochner at (408) 888-6951 or papaloc@gmail.com

# Catholic High School Information Night

A high school information night will be held at Holy Spirit School on Tuesday, Sept. 18 beginning promptly at 7:00 pm.
The school is located 1198 Redmond Ave. in San Jose. Representatives of the five Catholic high schools will be on site making presentations, and answering questions. All 7th and 8th grade parents and students are invited to attend.



### In Memory of...

San Jose.

Dennis Browne, a priest-on-leave of the Diocese of San Jose since 1994, died on August 27, after a battle with cancer.
Ordained on May 19, 1979, he had been pastor of Saint Mary Parish in Los Gatos (1989-1992) and Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish in Palo Alto (1992-1994).
Prior to that, he had served as Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of

The Funeral Mass will be at St Joseph of Cupertino Parish on October 11, at 11:00 am, on what would have been his 68th birthday.

Please keep him and his loved ones in your prayers.

### **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

### CLASSES BEGIN THIS WEEK!!!

### REGISTER ONLINE AT stmaryslg.org/faith-formation.

For information and to register for Faith Formation classes for all ages go to our website at: stmaryslg.org/faith-formation. For more information contact Terri Trotter at ttrotter@stmaryslg.org.



Faith Formation

### St. Mary's Choir Needs You!!!!

It's the best time of year to join the St. Mary's choir! Don't read music but love to sing? You're in luck! Approximately half of our membership are not music readers... they just love to sing and are willing to put the time in to learn the songs



with CD recordings made of their parts! We are a loving, strong, kind community. We would love to have you join us. We rehearse on Wednesday nights from 7:00 – 9:00, September through May. Won't you consider getting back in touch with your inner musician and joining us in praise and worship at the 11:15 service every Sunday? Questions? E-mail Corliss Greene, Director of Music, at cgreene@ stmaryslg.org. I'll be thrilled to talk to you!

### **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?** 

### 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 Mini Maryalice Sands † ster, Ellie Busmire if interested. ebusmire@stmarysla.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 Busmire if interested. ebusmire@stmaryslg.org



# CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR OUR PLAYWAYS PROGRAM!

Come Make a Difference in the lives of our young children with your time and talent!

Our PLAYWAYS pre-school and kindergarten program that meets in Howley Hall on Sundays during the 9:00 AM mass, is in need of Catechists for the coming year beginning September 16, 2018. Young adults, parents, grandparents, retired teachers please consider volunteering your time as a Catechist. A Teaching Guide will be provided to assist you with the weekly lesson.

Please contact Playways Coordinator Whilma D'Souza at *playways@* stmaryslg.org or whilmadsouza@ hotmail.com if you would like to volunteer.

### **Get Confirmed in 2019!**

Join Youth Group & Confirmation Prep for the 2018-2019 school year. We meet Sundays 6 -7:30pm beginning September. Join the parent/student meeting on **September 16 at 6pm**. Register on the parish website. Contact Ellie Busmire for questions ebusmire@stmaryslg.org



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

### Mass Intentions

Book of Petitions and Prayers in front of

Mary's statue in church.

Mon Sep 17	7:30 a	Lois Richardson †
Tue. Sep 18	7:30 a	Carmela Meredith †
Wed Sep 19	7:30 a	Souls in Purgatory
Thu. Sep 20	7:30 a	Pearne Family (Sp. Int.)
Fri. Sep 21	7:30 a	Dono MacLean †
Sat. Sep 22	7:30 a 5:00 p	Nancy Ottoboni † Cesar Mayo †
Sun Sep 23	7:30 a 9:00 a 11:15a 5:00 p	Neil O'Bryon † Matthew Mesa † Janet Harmsen † St. Mary Parishioners

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17;

Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5;

Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday:1 Cor 12:31 -- 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12,

22; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2,

16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5;

Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:

10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16

-- 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

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

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

"Help Us Help Others in our Community"

# Cucina de Santa Maria

Friday, October 5, 6pm-8pm

Made with LOVE by Phil Micciche and friends.

PRESALE ALERT!!
Pre purchase a pan of
lasagna TO GO
for pick up Friday
Oct 5th at noon.
9 x 13 pan feeds 6-8
people!
\$40, limited pans
available!

Meat Lasagna or Cheese Lasagna ONLY offered with Pan Pre Sale (meat only the eve of Oct 5th) Please specify when ordering online

http://stmarysfair.squarespace.com/ Pre Purchase tickets for that evening or TO GO Pans.

### **Santa Clara Faith Formation Conference Registration Open**

Nov 29-Dec. 1, 8am- 5:15pm

Santa Clara Marriott and Santa Clara Convention Center

Registration is open for the Santa Clara Faith Formation Conference. Check out SCFFC.org to register. There will be no billing for on-site registration.

### It's Time for the Cake Walk!

The popular Cake Walk is coming back to the St.

Mary's Country Fair

When: Sunday, October 7th at 11:15am

Where: Main Stage Here's how it works:

- o Pick up a cake box (school office, church, school car line)
- o Make a homemade cake or cupcakes- must label ingredients
- o Get creative, we will be judging and handing out prizes for:
- o Most unique, Funnies, Spookiest, Loveliest
- o Complete the bottom portion of this form and tape it to top of the cake box
- o Bring cake on Saturday October 6th to Howley Hall between 10:00 am- 2:00 pm or on Sunday October 7th to the kitchen in Howley Hall by 10:15 am. Questions? Please contact: Ellie Busmire ebusmire@stmaryslg.org or Terri Trotter ttrotter@stmaryslg.org



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#### www.smslg.org

# Rolling Admissions for 2018-2019

St. Mary School will continue to accept applications over the next month. 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.

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**

Sept. 28 - 9am School Mass

# St. Mary's Country Fair 50 Years of Fun!

Help us celebrate the

50th Anniversary of the Fair!
We are looking for pictures,
memorabilia, stories or quotes.
Contact Liz Dolan at
lizdolan@gmail.com



#### PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

Parish & Pastoral Ministries Offices: 408.354.3726 Fax: 408.354.9302

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Terri Trotter	Pastoral Assoc., Director of	ttrotter@stmaryslg.org	x123
	Faith Formation -Infant through	Adult	
Jane Najour	Coordinator of Pastoral Ministrie	s jnajour@stmaryslg.org	x121
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Teri Shepherd Tucci	Business Manager	tstucci@stmaryslg.org	x137
Coco	Parish Cat & Mouser		

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

Monica Hernandez Interim Principal mhernandez@stmaryslg.org x119 Lynne Dickerson Vice Principal Idickerson@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

### Sign-up online to Volunteer for the Fair.

### Sign up now and get the shifts you want for the Fair!

It takes a VILLAGE to put together a successful fair. Sign up now online -

http://www.stmaryscountryfair.com or just scan the QR code. It is a great opportunity to have fun, meet new people and build community

Sign up now at www.stmaryscountryfair.com











## **Advance Tickets Sales**

for the Country Fair are now available online. Save on Butler Ride Tickets when you order before the fair begins.

or go to www.stmaryslg.org/ country-fair-ats