All are Welcome
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

August 4, 2019 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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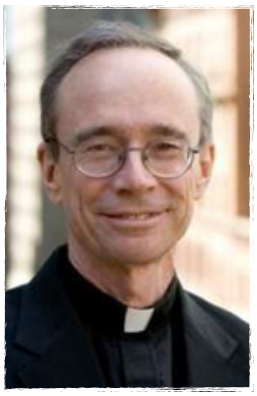

FR. TOM REESE, SJ

Senior Analyst with RNS (Religious News Service), former columnist with the National Catholic Reporter, and Former Chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom

"WHERE IS POPE FRANCIS LEADING THE CHURCH?"

TUESDAY AUGUST 13, 2019
7:00 - 8:30 P.M.

ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HOFMANN HALL

ST. MARY'S COUNTRY FAIR

The St. Mary Country Fair
is in 2 months —
October 4th, 5th & 6th
so mark your calendars!

Preparations are well underway, one of which is **SPONSORSHIPS**! It's a great way to support the fair by either sponsoring a specific booth or event, or simply advertising in the Fair Program. You can go to the fair website to download a form or sign up online: *stmarysfair.squarespace.com/sponsorship*

51st St. Mary's Country Fair 2019 Sponsorship Contract
Event Date: October 4th, 5th & 6th 2019

Questions?
Contact our Sponsorship Team:
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If it is an **Emergency** and you need to reach a priest call 408.482.8021

Parish Office hours:
M-Th 8a - 4p (Closed 12 - 1 for lunch)
CLOSED on Fridays

Hospitality Sunday:
Open 8:30a - 11:30a
1st Sunday of the Month

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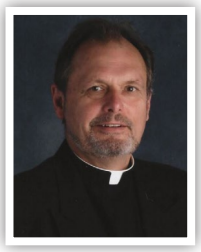
From our Pastor



Communal Wealth

When I started work as a youth minister, my experience working as a Church leader was rather limited, though I did enjoy a rich prayer life as a Church member. My mentor gave me the template for a successful program. Basically, he told me that the youth program would include four dimensions; namely, religious, social, service, and recreational. This got me thinking about how a variety of youth who may have nothing in common could become members of a community that embraced one another. It worked pretty well with the group we formed, and we worked to create events that corresponded to the four components.

The same could be said for parish life in general. There are many devout parishioners at St. Mary that have dedicated time for personal and communal prayer. Many of them as well enjoy the social aspect of the parish by their participation in the gatherings that allow us to know one another better in an informal setting. This is also a service-oriented parish with charitable outreach especially to those most in need and a willingness to volunteer service hours to parish programs and events. St. Mary Parish offers opportunities for recreation with volleyball every Tuesday and Thursday evenings. All of these lend themselves to creating the kind of community that loves and serves.

In that same spirit, St. Mary Parishioners are most edified by the countless number of hours volunteering, and I am indebted to everyone that makes efforts to bring this community to life so that we may all give glory to God. Last Tuesday, many gathered as a community of volunteers and sponsors for this year's Country Fair. It looks like a very promising year and this is due to the leadership of the Fair Chairs Erin Tucci and Emily Callahan. We share this work with them as a parish community and that makes a big difference in providing for the annual revenue that benefits the efforts of our parish and school.

As we make plans for this year's Country Fair, I encourage all parishioners to assist us in this endeavor by sponsoring and/or volunteering for this annual event. Having faith gives us confidence to create more opportunities for enjoying each other's company whether it's at a social gathering, a gift drive, or on the volleyball court. What connects us in all these endeavors is our charity towards one another. This kind of love is embodied in our willingness to serve and to love as Jesus did. We may not do it perfectly, but we are getting better at it everyday. Charity is the communal wealth we are willing to share because we love each other. God be praised in our charity!

Get Involved
Join Volunteer Participate

Diocese of San Jose

Department for Evangelization
Office of Life, Justice, and Peace

Congratulations! While you may have heard that SB 360, the "Confession Bill," has been removed from consideration in the California senate, you might not have heard that the Diocese of San Jose had one of the most resounding voices against the petition. We have proven that when we come together as Church, we can accomplish great things. The Diocese of San Jose proved also to be True. The faithfulness we have shown for what is just and right continues to serve as a model for the Catholic Church in California.

California has again submitted a bill which - this time - puts the lives of young distressing mothers and unborn children at risk. SB 24 mandates that California tax dollars be used to offer abortion-inducing drugs on public college campuses, in the effort to make these drugs more easily accessible. The California Catholic Conference has banded together to pray a novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, which will be available at your parish at the start of the novena on Saturday August 3rd. To petition against the bill, visit this website: *https://cqrcengage.com/cacatholic/app/write-a-letter?0&engagementId=498430*

Be ready to come together as the great Diocese of San Jose to pray this novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe!

Liturgy

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven..."—Ecclesiastes 3:1 - 8

To all:

I have been working hard for the parish community for the past nine years as accompanist and composer, a position much intensified these past three months as music director.

But the pursuit of joy in one's life is an ongoing adventure that sometimes requires serious evaluation and redirection.

Reluctantly, but with a sense of new wonder at the possibilities that lie ahead for myself and for my family, I have discerned that exactly now is the time in my life for that evaluation and redirection.

I have submitted my resignation as music director and as accompanist at St. Mary's Church.

I know that this comes quite suddenly, but it is the right decision for me and my family.

Wishing you all many blessings and peace.

Paul F. Page

Sunday liturgy is the most important part of our week as Catholics. It is a time to gather in community to pray together, listen to God's word and receive nourishment from the Body and Blood of Christ. We are then called to take Christ out to others as we move through our busy week. Liturgy is the work of the people and it takes many hands to create a meaningful liturgy. If you are interested in volunteering to help plan liturgies, serve as a Lector or Eucharistic minister, help set up our environment, or become a hospitality minister at masses please contact Terri Trotter (*ttrotter@stmaryslg.org*) for further information.

As a community let us work together to create transformative and meaningful Liturgy.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

Weekend Masses
Saturday 5:00p
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a
5:00p

Daily Mass
Monday - Saturday 7:30a

Adoration & Rosary
Monday 6:00p

Rosary
Tuesday - after morning mass

Adoration/Divine Mercy
Friday 3:00p

Centering Prayer
Wednesday 3:00p
Thursday 3:15p

Holy Days of Obligation
Refer to Mass Time Calendar on website

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday of the month 7:00 - 8:00p

Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30p or by appointment

Mass Intentions

Mo 8/05	7:30a	Stan Poncetta †
Tu 8/06	7:30a	Dola Kboury Dinno
We 8/07	7:30a	Richard Dolan †
Th 8/08	7:30a	Sean Noone †
Fr 8/09	7:30a	Bishop Pierre DuMaine †
Sa 8/10	7:30a	Sean Noone †
	5:00p	McDonald Family †
Su 8/11	7:30a	Nancy Ottoboni †
	9:00a	Parishioners of St. Mary
	11:15a	Vincent Seid †
	5:00p	John Jr. & Rose Pearne †

We Pray For

Those who are ill:
Brady Deven
Claire Dinno
Fran Filice
Molly King
Domenic Norcia
Dorothy Yarak

Those who have recently died:
Imogene Bush
Don Coletti
Mary Mohorovich
Bob & Margaret Norris

St. Mary School

www.smslg.org

SUMMER UPDATE

We hope everyone's enjoying their summer! The school office and administration are busy preparing for the upcoming school year…never a dull moment!

We look forward to a TK-Kinder Meet 'n Greet on August 8, a great opportunity for parents and young students to meet our teachers, visit their classrooms, and mingle with new classmates.

Galileo Camps wrapped up on July 26, and our teachers will start preparing their classrooms for the new school year!

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

Aug. 3/4 - School Second Collection
Aug. 8 - 10:00am, TK Meet 'n Greet, TK Classroom
Aug. 8 - 10:30am, Kinder Meet 'n Greet, Kinder Classrooms
Aug. 12 - New Family Orientation & Social
Aug. 14 - First day of School!

School Office summer hours:
Monday - Friday, 10am - 2pm
School resumes August 14, 2019

Youth Ministry

ELEMENT 4:12 Youth Group

The St. Mary's High School Youth Group and Confirmation program will be changing for the 2019-2020 school year. The new name for the high school youth group is now Element 4:12 based off Timothy 4:12 "*Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity*." Our main goal in Youth Ministry is to provide a safe space for teens to strengthen their faith life, talk about relevant issues they face, and educate them about the Bible and Church teachings.

We also are very excited to introduce a two-year Confirmation Program starting in August 2019. A candidate is required to spend one year in **Element 4:12 Youth Group** before beginning the Confirmation program. The earliest age for receiving Confirmation will now be Sophomores in high school. We believe this is a great program for Confirmation because the candidates can devote one year to developing a strong faith foundation before moving onto the education of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

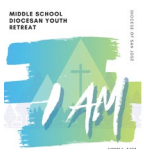
EDGE

Middle School/EDGE Youth Group

Open to incoming 6th-8th graders, will meet Mondays from 7-8:30pm. High School Youth Group/Element 4:12, open to incoming Freshmen through Seniors will meet Sundays after 5pm mass from 6-7:30pm. Register online at *stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form* We are also looking for parent or High School student volunteers to help with meals and small groups.

Middle School Diocesan Youth Retreat!

Some of our 6th-8th grade will be on retreat this coming week at the Mission Springs Camp and Conference Center in Scotts Valley.



Faith Formation

Registration is now Open Online
stmaryslg.org/faith-formation-registration-form

Playways to God
Pre-school - Kindergarten

Elementary
1st - 5th Grade

EDGE
Junior High 6th - 8th grade

Youth Ministry/ Element 4:12
High School

First Reconcilation/Eucharist

Confirmation

As disciples of Christ we are all called to a life-long journey of faith and service. We know this journey starts at the home, and as your children's primary faith teacher, we want to give you the tools to help enrich, nourish and guide them. At St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception we are here to nourish the life of the Spirit through faith formation opportunities that engage the mind, heart, and spirit of people of all ages. Our goal is that each of you can grow in knowledge, wisdom, and understanding of God, through a relationship with Jesus, the Church, and one another. We are looking forward to growing with you.

RCIA

Are you attracted to the Catholic way of life and interested in finding out how to join the Catholic Church?

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) welcomes inquirers and provides information and spiritual guidance for those who are preparing to be initiated into the Catholic Church. RCIA is a year-round process and is open to adults who have already been baptized in other faith communities as well as those who have little or no religious background.

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.

Pack-A-Back 2019

Giving children in need a great start in school.

With gratitude to parishioner Bernadette Yang, our Pack-A-Back coordinator, and all the St. Mary volunteers who helped with the program this year.

We had a very successful collection with $2500 donated and over 130 backpacks filled with school supplies.

Thank you St. Mary's community for your generosity!

Volunteer for the Fair

Sign up early and get the shifts you want for the Fair!
Anyone from St. Mary's community is welcome to join our 51st Annual effort and experience the joy of helping to build community and participate in the fun event.

Shifts are available in 2 hour increments (you can sign up for as many as you want) beginning with set up Friday, October 4th, and ending with tear down Sunday, October 6th.

Country Fair Hours

Friday, October 4th 5pm-10pm

Saturday, October 5th 10am-10pm

Sunday, October 6th 10am-5pm

Sign ups will be available soon at
www.stmaryscountryfair.com

August Second Collections

Aug 3/4	St. Mary School Support
Aug 10/11	Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa
Aug 24/25	Ecuador/Working Boys Center

Sunday Collections

You continued generous support and commitement to St. Mary is greatly appreciated.

Our Goal for July was $77,647

Actual for July was $70, 616

Sign Up for Online Giving
stmaryslg.org/donate

Stock Transfer
stmaryslg.org/stock-transfers

Building Forever Value with our Parish Endowment
stmaryslg.org/parish-endowment

Create a Memory - Buy A Brick
Perfect for Special Occasions, Anniversaries, Baptisms, Births, Graduations, Marriages, Memorials, Thank You's and much more. All gifts will be directed to church and school improvements.
stmaryslg.org/brick-order-form

Volunteer
Our parish offers many opportunities to use your time and talent as a good steward of the gifts God has given you. In responding to one or more of these opportunities for ministry in the parish, you'll find new and satisfying ways of using your gifts and talents, and make new friends.
stmaryslg.org/volunteer

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Pastoral Ministries

At St. Mary, we are blessed by a community of loving, faith-filled members who support one another generously. When life inevitably gets hard, we turn to the Church for support. St. Mary offers ministry of care, we bring the Body of Christ to those who cannot attend mass both in the parish and beyond to those in the hospital and senior living/assisted living facilities.

Pastoral Care Eucharist to the Homebound - a St. Mary Ministry

The Pastoral Care to the Sick and Homebound Ministry seeks to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot be with us for Mass, whether temporary or ongoing. The primary concern of the pastoral care minister is to show the sick how much Christ and his Church is concerned for them. We bring Christ's love in the form of the Eucharist, the Word of God in scripture and prayer, and the Body of Christ as community.

Pastoral Care - Good Samaritan Hospital - a St. Mary Ministry.

Communion for those hospitalized is a ministry with volunteers from St. Mary. Each parish is responsible for the care of those within its parish boundaries. When St. Mary is aware of the hospitalization of a parishioner, the priests and staff make every effort to visit. When you or a loved one are hospitalized, just ask the nursing staff to arrange for a Communion visit and the local volunteer ministers will respond. In the case of urgent pastoral care 24/7, hospitals can contact the Diocesan On-Call clergy for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Only a priest may celebrate the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Confession. As a St. Mary parishioner, please call our Parish Office during the week (Monday-Thursday) at (408) 354-3726 or after hours in the case of an emergency - end of life, please call our St. Mary's priest on duty at (408) 482-8021.

Pastoral Care Eucharist to those in Senior Housing and Assisted Living Facilities - a St. Mary Ministry

Mass, prayers and communion weekly is provided to Cedar Creek Care Center, Los Gatos Commons, The Terraces and Vasona Creek.

Would you like to be a part of these ministries? (A commitment of 1 hour a week.) For more information about Pastoral Care at St. Mary, contact Jane Najour, at (408) 354-3726 x121 or *jnajour@stmaryslg.org*.

Parish Events & Activities

Mon 8/05			
Tue 8/06	6:30a 8:00a 10:00a 7:00p	Small Christian Community Women's Spirituality Group Prayer Group Adult Parishioner Coed Volleyball	Conference Rm Church Library Annex Howley Hall
Wed 8/07	10:00a	Adult Enrichment Class - Spiritual Direction ...	Conference Rm
Thu 8/08	7:00p 8:00p	ICF Adult Parishioner Coed Volleyball	Lounge Howley Hall
Fri 8/09	6:30a 8:00a	Men's Faith Sharing Group Pack-A-Back: Sorting & Delivery	Conference Rm Hofmann Ctr
Sat 8/10			
Sun 8/11	12:00p	EDGE & Element 4:12 ~ Family BBQ	Howley Hall

Connect with us!

Keep up to date with what is happening in our community at St. Mary's in a variety of ways.

Website:

Our website - *stmaryslg.org* links you to contact information, sacrament and mass times, Faith Formation programs, Faith in Action (Outreach and Social Justice programs), Get Involved (Country Fair, Parish Picnic, Stewardship, Volunteering, etc), our School and more.

Bulletin:

Our bulletin is handed out after each mass. If you missed it or want to check back on a particular bulletin date they are archived online at *stmaryslg.org/bulletins*

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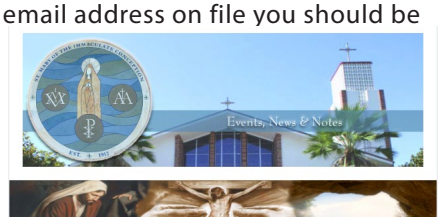
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