All are Welcome
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

January 12, 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

10 WARNING SIGNS OF ALZHEIMER'S

An education program presented by the Alzheimer's Association®

Alzheimer's and other dementias cause changes in memory, thinking and behavior that interfere with daily life. Join us to learn about 10 common warning signs and what to watch for in yourself and others.

The one-hour program covers:

- Typical age-related changes.
- Common warning signs of Alzheimer's.
- How to approach someone about memory concerns.
- Early detection, the benefits of a diagnosis and the diagnostic process.
- Alzheimer's Association resources.

Monday, Feb. 3 at 1 pm
Hofmann Center
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alzheimer's association®

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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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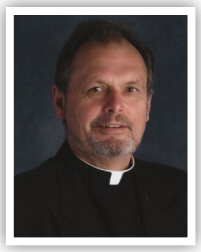


Generosity Engenders Increase

Generosity is essential to our way of life as Catholics. The USCCB describes it as "one who receives God's gifts gracefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with all, and returns them with increase to the Lord." I give thanks to God for all of you who regularly contribute a portion of your income to St. Mary Parish. Your generosity signifies faithfulness and amplifies the blessings we enjoy as a parish community.

Thanks to your dedicated support, we are able to continue the mission of Jesus Christ. This mission includes a rich sacramental life, charitable outreach, catechetical instruction and programing, and Catholic School Education. The impact we make today in forming families as Catholics will resound for future generations of families who come to make their home at St. Mary. Even so as we prepare for the future, we hope for good success with the **Annual Diocesan Appeal—Encountering Christ: Faith in Action**—that begins the weekend of February 8 & 9, 2020. As February approaches, I will present more information regarding our ADA goal for 2020 on behalf of Bishop Cantú.

I'm very happy to report good news about our Parish Endowment. As a result of the campaign over the holidays with an eye towards increasing the Parish Endowment Fund, and with a generous matching gift of every dollar raised up to $20,000, we were able to raise over $28,000. The Catholic Foundation of Santa Clara County (CFSCC) developed this plan with an anonymous donor, and presently with these additional funds our endowment balance stands at $219,000.

Many thanks for all of you who responded so generously to the Parish Endowment Fund.Your contributions mean so much to me and I want you to know how grateful I am to you for your generosity. Please know that donating to St. Mary has never been easier with the introduction of online giving. In whatever way you want to be generous, I ask that you please reflect prayerfully and pledge to make this our best year ever for giving from the heart. There are also many opportunities to strengthen St. Mary Church through the gift of your time or unique talents, which is the foundation of a vibrant parish. Please look over the volunteer opportunities on our website and sign up.

On behalf of the members of the Finance & Stewardship Councils, Fr. Daniel, Mrs. Monica Hernandez, our staff and faculty, and all members of our parish community who benefit from your giving, I thank you for all that you do. May the blessings of God remain with you forever as a source of grace and lasting peace.

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception School

FAITH FAMILY FUTURE
St. M
ST. MARY SCHOOL
A Dreoal School

Providing outstanding education to children in a nurturing, faith-based environment for almost 65 years.
St. Mary School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, or disability in the admission of students, the administration of educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

January 26, 2020 - All School Open House, 10:00am - 1:00pm
During Catholic Schools Week (Jan. 27, 2020), we hold
School Tours and Classroom Observations for TK - Grade 8
Call for appointment, 408-354-3944
See our website, and view enrollment information: www.smslg.org

This is a family event, all are welcome!

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception School | 30 Lyndon Avenue | Los Gatos
TK - 8th Grade | 408-354-3944 | www.smslg.org| admissions@stmaryslg.org

Liturgy

Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the Church look so lovely and who ministered at all of our masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas.

A special thank you to our Art and Environment Committee: Brooke Randall, Brita Matesso, Tina Lally and their families.

Thank you to the extra helping hands of Dan Huddleston and Marcia Green. The Church was beautiful!!!

Another Big thank you to the Despars family who decorated the Hall and made it look so lovely for the 4pm mass on Christmas Eve.

We are so fortunate to have a wonderful and dedicated group of volunteers who help us run our ministries and keep our community active and vibrant!

Get Involved

Join Volunteer Participate

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:1420

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:2128

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:2939

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:4045

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:112

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:1317

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Weekend Masses
Saturday 5:00p
Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 11:15a & 5:00p

Daily Mass
Monday - Saturday 7:30a

School Mass
January Mass - TBA

Adoration & Rosary
Monday 6:00p

Rosary
Everyday - after morning mass

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Tuesday - after morning mass *(Not Rosary)*

Adoration/Divine Mercy
Friday 3:00p

Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group
Tuesday 10 am

Centering Prayer
Wednesday 3:15p
Thursday 3:30p

Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30p or by appointment

Holy Days of Obligation
Please refer to Mass Time Calendar on website

Mass Intentions

Mo	01/13	7:30a	Robert & Sheryle Bresniker (60th Wedding Anniversary)
Tu	01/14	7:30a	Reggie & Barbara Pearne
We	01/15	7:30a	Special Intention
Th	01/16	7:30a	Parishioners of St. Mary
Fri	01/17	7:30a	Stacey Hawes Melle †
Sa	01/18	7:30a	Donald H McGilvra †
		5:00p	Robert Rutgers †
Su	01/19	7:30a	Olivia Gray †
		9:00a	Tom Lackovic †
		11:15a	Janice Hacker †
		5:00p	Alexander Liniecki †

We Pray For

Those who are ill:
Raymond Bortolussi
Kathy King
Louie Rocha
Claire Dinno
Fran Filice
Domenic Norcia
Dorothy Yarak

Those who have recently died:
Tim Starkey
Sophie Ortez
Mary Brausell
Marion Trumbull
Diamara Nunes

St. Mary School

www.smslg.org

Non-Discrimination Policy: St. Mary School does not unlawfully ….
to view the entire Non-Discrimination Policy,
go to https://www.smslg.org/enroll

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

Jan. 13-14-15 - Spring Musical AUDITIONS, Library
Jan. 17 - NO SCHOOL, Faculty In-Service
Jan. 20 - NO SCHOOL, MLK, Jr. Holiday
Jan. 21 - Robotics Club
Jan. 26 - 10am - 1pm, All-School OPEN HOUSE! Tell a friend!
Jan. 30 - Spring Musical Student Art Contest deadline
Jan. 31 - Yearbook Cover Contest deadline
Feb. 6 - SAVE THE DATE! STATE OF THE SCHOOL Address
Feb. 6-9 - SAVE THE DATE! School Book Fair!

SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021

If you are interested in our Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten programs, please proceed to our website, smslg.org, and follow ENROLLMENT instructions. When your students application is complete, you will be contacted to schedule an Entrance Assessment time on our TK/ Kinder Assessment Day, February 8, 2020. Our All-School Open House is Sunday, January 26, 2020, 10am - 1pm. Classrooms will be open, all are invited!

2019 ADVENT PROGRAM, WE ARE CALLED TO TELL THE STORY

The St. Mary School families came together Tuesday evening before Christmas for the school's Advent program, "We are Called to Tell the Story." The evening intertwined a narration of the Nativity story by Kindergarten teacher, Paula Mastropolo, with Advent and Christmas songs performed by TK through fifth grade classes, all decked out in holiday attire. A select junior high choir led the community in a rousing chorus of jubilant carols, reminding everyone of the joy of Christ's coming.

Youth Ministry

Enrollment is now open for high school youth group, Element 4:12, Confirmation Year One and middle school youth group, EDGE.

ST. MARY CHURCH
ELEMENT 4:12
Youth Group

Our main goal in youth ministry is to provide a safe space for teens to strengthen their faith live, talk about relevant issues, educate them about the Bible and Church teachings as well as prepare them for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Element 4:12/Confirmation Year One is open to freshman-seniors in high school. We meet most Sundays from 6pm-7:30pm in the Annex, which is located next to the BBQ on the blacktop.

EDGE

EDGE is open to 6th-8th graders. Our meetings most Mondays from 7pm-8:30pm in the Annex as well.

Please visit our website to see our full calendars: https://stmaryslg.org/faith-formation

We are also excited to introduce a two-year Confirmation program starting August 2019. A candidate for Confirmation must spend Confirmation Year One in Element 4:12. The earliest age for receiving the Sacrament will be 10th grade. We believe this is a great layout for Confirmation because it allows the candidates to devote one year to developing a strong faith foundation before moving onto formal Confirmation education in Year Two.

Please contact our Youth Ministry Coordinator, Katie Sullivan, via ksullivan@stmaryslg.org or 408-354-3944 ext. 129, with any questions.

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

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.

As Catholics, we affirm the goodness of God's creation. We experience life as capable of physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual response. So, in formation, we do not appeal to the intellect alone, but draw structure and activities from several "languages:" the language of movement, the language of art, the language of story, the language of faith skills, the language of music and the language of relationships.

Diverse activities appeal to the different learning styles of individuals, but of more importance is the way they establish and strengthen relationships. Where discussion can sometimes serve to highlight our differences, a common movement challenge or art exploration offers us a chance to work with the differing gifts of others in a spirit of discovery and respect. We grow in the very gifts needed for our common life in Christ.

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.

How to set-up Online Giving
https://www.stmaryslg.org/getting-started-with-online-giving

If you are already using Online Giving and would like to make changes or update your payment information please go to:

How to Change your Account Details for Online Giving
https://www.stmaryslg.org/how-to-change-online-giving-details

How to Edit a Recurring Gift
https://www.stmaryslg.org/edit-a-recurring-gift-online-giving

Stock Transfer
stmaryslg.org/stock-transfers

GIVE SERVE ATTEND GROW
Stewardship
RECOGNIZING GOD'S GIFTS & GIVING BACK IN GRATITUDE

New Year's Resolution

This year, we encourage you to make a New Year's resolution that will make a big difference for you and St. Mary's: commit to consistent giving. We understand this can be difficult, but we have a tool that will make it just a bit easier. Those who give online tend to give more and give consistently. Through our secure ParishSOFT Giving program, accessible from our website at *stmaryslg.org/donate*, you can set up recurring or one-time gifts, contribute to specific funds, and see your giving history at any time.

To view the St. Mary's financial report for Fiscal year 2018-19 online:
stmaryslg.org/stewardship

To download the financial report:
stmaryslg.org/documents/2019/11/2018-19EOY_report_to_Parishioners.pdf

Welcome

Welcome to the Community of
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception!

What would you like to know about our community? We would love to connect with you.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ How would you like us to reach you:

Phone: _____ ❍ Email ❍ Phone

Please drop this card in the collection basket, hand it to any usher or to the presider on your way out.

Upcoming 2nd Collections

Jan 25 Ethnic Minorities & Church in Latin America

Sunday Collections

Our Goal for January is $77,647

Thank you!

Thank you for your generous financial support in December. Our Sunday Collections for December were $112,050. Contributions for Christmas totaled $49,556

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

Pastoral Ministries

We, in Pastoral Ministries, serve and support our Parish families in need along with the homeless at St. Luke's here in Los Gatos. St. Mary sends out volunteers who weekly help with homeless laundry service, showers and meals. As we should. But we believe it is also important to take aside occasional time to connect our service to the larger global work of the church. We feed the hungry person right in front of us, and work towards there being less hunger in our whole world. Both are feeding the hungry, and both are part of what God calls the church to do.

Packing 10,000 meals is no small feat. We loved having you come serve with us and the rest of our church family last Sunday! You took time out of your day, rolled up your sleeves, and packaged meals going to one of 31 countries around the world.

(The destination of our meals packaged on 5/26/2019 here at St. Mary went to Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North) for Christian Friends of Korea.)

The work of feeding the hungry is deeply connected to our call as Christians, but it is also one of the most important pieces of interrupted global cycles of poverty. We want to thank you for the meals you packaged to reach people experiencing hunger in some of the poorest places worldwide.

Jane Najour/Tom Connelly

Parish Events & Activities

Mon 1/13	10:15 a	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room
Tue 1/14	6:30 a 7:00 p 7:00 p	Small Christian Community RCIA Adult Co-Ed Volleyball	Conference Room Conference Room Howley Hall
Wed 1/15	10:00 a 6:30 p 7:00 p	Spiritual Direction - The Universal Christ Choir Practice SMS -School Board Meeting (SAB)	Conference Room Church Conference Room
Thu 1/16	3:30 p 6:00 p 7:00 p	Centering Prayer Finance Meeting Adult Co-Ed Volleyball	Church Conference Room Howley Hall
Fri 1/17	 6:30 a 8:30 a	Parish Office Closed SMS - No School Men's Faith Sharing Group DSJ Collaboration	 Conference Room Howley Hall/Hoff Ctr
Sat 1/18	11:00 a	Sacred Heart Secular Franciscans Meeting	Conference Room
Sun 1/19	12:30 p	Malankara Mass	Church

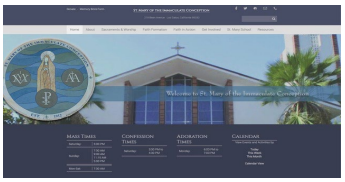
Parish Offices closed for Holiday - Monday, January 20th

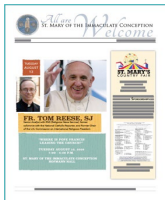
Connect with us!

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

eNewsletter:

Receive early invitations to special events, our ministries, talks and stay informed about special liturgies, upcoming community events and more. If you are a registered parishioner with a *current* email address on file you should be receiving our eNewsletter. Anyone can receive our eNewsletter by simply signing up online: *stmaryslg.org/#communication* or contacting our parish office - *mjaraya@stmaryslg.org* or 408.354.3726 x110

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