

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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Office hours: Tuesday: 8am - 11am Thursday & Friday: 1:00pm-4:00pm

#### **Regular Mass Schedules:**

Saturday: 8:30a.m. & 5:00p.m. (anticipated ) Sunday: 9:30a.m, 11:00a.m. & 5;00pm

Mon.-Fri.: 8:30a.m.

#### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:15pm

#### **Reconciliation:**

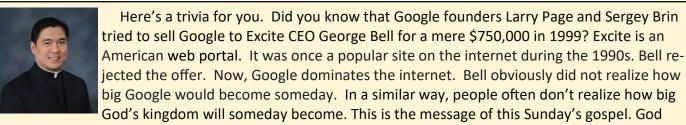
Tuesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (cry room)
Saturday: 3:30pm to 5:00p.m.(Reconciliation

Room)

(Please be sure to check the parish website for changes during the week.)



Please see the bulletin on pages 3-5 for information about the parish staff, sacraments, and other services we offer.



comes calling with the offer of a lifetime, and we find other things to do. God invites everyone to share in His fellowship in His kingdom, including sinners and outcasts. Not everyone, though wants God, because of the terms God requires of those who want to follow Him, like sharing their wealth with the poor and treating the poor as their equals. Some are unable to accept God's invitation not because they are sinners but because of their preoccupation with the necessities of life like their businesses, or work. These pose as obstacles to their coming to God's banquet. Those who willingly accept God's sovereign in their life are those who enter God's kingdom and celebrate the joy of feasting in the heavenly banquet. What's keeping you from fully accepting God's invitation to enter into your life? Ask for the grace that you may have the courage and the resolve to remove these obstacles.

I am inviting all couples to come to the Date Night on October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm through 8:00 pm. This is part of the Be Light: Marriage Enrichment Small Groups, aim to draw married couples closer together in Christ while being transformed into family missionary disciples within their own communities. This program not only supports newly married couples during the first five years of their marriage but also helps all mar-



ried couples in a community to open their hearts to the powerful way God remains present to them and in the Holy bond of Matrimony. For more information about the Program scan the QR code to your left. Food and beverages will be provided for free. Childcare services may be requested. Please register by October 16 at <a href="https://">https://</a>



stjosephofcupertino2.flocknote.com/signup/137726 or simply scan the QR code to your right.

Come to the Halloween Fun Night on Friday, October 27 from 6pm through 9 pm in the School grounds! Come in your Halloween costume for trunk or treat (while supplies last). There will also be haunted house, pumpkin patch, arts and crafts for kids, games, sweets and treats, food trucks, and movie on lawn. See posters for details or visit the website at stjosephcupertino.org.

# Mass Intentions for the Week

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Oct. 14	5:00 PM	Sean Correy; Jesus Calso (+); Parishioners of St. Joseph of Cupertino
Oct. 15	9:30 AM	Valeriana Siazon (+); Rahul Dhamecha;
	11:00 AM	Thinh Nguyen and Family
	5:00 PM	Rosel Jarvis; Jesus Calso (+)
Oct. 16	8:30 AM	Rob Dust
Oct. 17	8:30 AM	Malou Bailon (+)
Oct. 18	8:30 AM	Scott Austin (+); Bee C. Tan; Anna Gawrosch
Oct. 19	8:30AM	Rodrigo Eco (+); Ana Gawrosch
Oct. 20	8:30 AM	Zhong-Yi Sun
Oct. 21	8:30 AM	Zhong-Yi Sun



#### **GROWING IN FAITH**



(If you are interested in any of the offerings below, please contact Fr. Michael Syjueco in the parish office (408 252-7653 ext. 123 or 128)

Good news! The Bible Study is back every 2nd Saturday of the month from 10:00 am—11:00 am at Fr.

Greg Ng Kimm Community Center. Fr. Sebastian is currently a full time lecturer of Sacred Scriptures and Biblical Language at St. Patrick's Seminary & University.

**PROGRAM**. This series draw couples together as they get transformed into family missionary disciples. The first **date nights** will be on October 20, Friday, 6:30 pm —8:30 pm. Register at https://stjosephofcupertino2.flocknote.com/signup/137726 Or visit stjosephcupertino.org.

ACCESS TO "AMEN" APP---Opportunity for prayer Sign up via Formed or download the app free. (for questions or more information contact Fr. Michael Syjueco at michael.syjueco@dsj.org; or call 408 252-7653 ext. 123)

KIDS:Formed.Org. Lukas Story Teller: St. Valentine

ADULTS: Formed.Org.

**Changing Sides** (Look for it at the "Movies / Men and Women of Faith")

**Jesus and the Eucharist** (Look for it under "What's Trending) Session 2: Who is Jesus?

**Renewing a Culture of Life** (Look for it under "Respect for Life Month")

**Catholic Parenting Tips** (Look for it under "Parenting")

#### SJC SCHOOL NEWS

St. Joseph of Cupertino Preschool
Inspires Leadership, Faith, Service,
and Academic Excellence

Enroll today in our TK or K-8 parish school:

sjcschool.org/applications

Call to schedule a tour: 408-252-6441

St. Joseph of Cupertino School is the educational gateway to your child's future. In the heart of Silicon Valley, our TK, K-8th grade Catholic school are focused on the care of the whole person. We go beyond caring for the educational growth of our students and strive to foster their moral, emotional, and spiritual growth. We take our responsibility for our community's well-being and safety very seriously. Earning the top academic schools in the Diocese of San Jose is one example of reaching our academic goals, and our religious studies, the classes in the Fine Arts, and robust club offerings round out your child's education. As a Catholic school, we are committed to faith, love, service, justice, learning, and growth. Check out our website sicschool.org.

#### ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD PROGRAM

For over 50 years the Parish, in collaboration with West Valley Community Services, has been assisting our neighbors and community with the annual Thanksgiving Food Program. We have served over 250 families in our community in each of the last few years. We are hoping for a successful and larger campaign this year too. To successfully execute on this gift card distribution, we appeal to your generosity and request a monetary donation. The 2023 Outreach collection begins today, October 15. Checks may be made out to ST. JOSEPH OUTREACH and be dropped in the collection basket during Mass, or into the Weekend/Night Drop Window outside the Parish Office by November 15. About \$55 provides for one family. Grateful thanks to all.

## CATHOLIC FAITH IS OUR GREATEST GIFT-----ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR COMPLETING INITIATION? WHAT DO YOU SEEK?

If you are an adult or have an older child (age 7 and up) who has not been baptized, or an adult or child baptized in another faith and interested in the Catholic Church, or a Catholic who has not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, then the Order of Christian Initation process is for you! Questions? The OCIA process will begin soon. Please contact Fr. Gabriel Lee at gabriel.lee @dsj.org if you or someone you know is interested.

#### **SJC Catechetical Ministry**

SJC Catechetical Ministry Registrations for our Sunday School, PreK- 6th grade, and our Junior High Edge Ministry, 7th-8th grade, are still open! You may register your child(ren) through our parish website.

For more information, please contact Primo Martinez, Director of Catechetical Ministry.

Email: primo.martinez@dsj.org Office Phone: 408-252-7653 x141. Classes has begun.



MEANT4MORE: Youth Ministry is open to all students in high school. We meet every Sunday from 6-8pm at the Youth Ministry room at the school except during school break. Come join us and make new friends, learn your faith, play games, sing, go on trips and watch movies. For more information email <a href="mailto:primo.martinez@dsj.org">primo.martinez@dsj.org</a>

#### **Love to Sing?**

Do you enjoy listening to music? Singing at home? Or singing at Mass? Please consider joining our dynamic Music Ministry. We have 3 Sunday choirs: 9:30am Folk Choir, 11:30am Parish Choir and the 5pm Adult Choir. Please contact our Music Director Yvonne Casillas for more information.

Do you want to find out what is happening in the parish?
Register for Flocknote at
stjosephofcupertino2.flocknote.com
or Text SJCup to 84576

#### Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

#### Sunday Collection for the Week of 10-08-2023

Sunday Collection: \$ 4,736.00
Online Giving: \$ 5,390.00
Total Collection: \$ 10,126.00
Weekly Collection Goal: 21,908.00

Difference: (\$ 11,782.00); 54% short of the goal

Thank you to all who have been turning in their contributions. Let's continue to help the Parish. Contribution can be done either online, mail it to the Parish Office, or by dropping off in the drop box outside the rectory door.

#### **Stewardship Prayer**

Rev. Gregory Kimm, 2009
God rich in kindness and generous in love,
You call us to be your people, a church, a
community of faith. You have entrusted St. Joseph of
Cupertino Parish to our care. Help us to be good
stewards, always worthy of your trust. As you are
attentive to the needs of each of us, enable us to be
attentive to the needs of our parish, using the gifts
you have given us not just for our own good, but for
the good of all. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our
Brother, and in the Spirit, who makes us one. Amen.

#### 'Young Ladies' Grand Institute

A Catholic Women's Organization

St. Joseph's of Cupertino Young Ladies' Institute ("YLI") meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of

every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Fr. Gregory Ng Kimm Community Center. Come join us for a pre-social and recitation of the rosary beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you would like information on how to become a member, please contact <a href="mailto:

## Automated Giving is here—Have you signed up yet?

All parishioners are encouraged to give a set monthly amount. There are a number of ways this can be accomplished. You can sign up for online giving by clicking on "Give" tab on the St. Joseph website home page (www.stjosephcupertino.org). You can use your bank's online bill pay service to set up a recurring monthly payment to St. Joseph, or you can write one check each month and either drop it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office. If you have questions, please contact the parish office.

#### Bingo:

Bingo is open! We run Bingo game every
Saturday night. Bingo is a source of
significant funds for our school, along with other
donations to Outreach, scholarships and other
needed charities. Bingo takes place in the Parish
Hall. Warm-up games start at 6:30pm with the regular games at 7:15pm. Come join the fun and spread
the news! More information is also on our parish
website at stjosephcupertino.org. Go to
the "Events" Tab. We also need volunteers to help. Please contact Tom Lewis
at tlewisjr61@gmail.com

#### **ONLINE RESOURCES**

- Parish website: www.stjosephcupertino.org
   You will find the bulletin, a calendar of events in cluding funerals, and links to other resources as well
   as Sunday homilies.
- Diocesan Website: www.dsj.org
- AmericanCatholic.org —you'll find information about the Catholic Faith, Saint of the Day, as well as a place for prayer requests!
- Vatican—www.vatican.va in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

#### **WAYS TO REPORT MISCONDUCT**

**Safe Environment** If you suspect abuse in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:

 Child Protective Services 408.299.2071 / Police 911
 Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults— Anthony Gonzalez 408.983.0141

**Financial Mismanagement** *If you suspect financial mismanagement or misconduct in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:* 

- Ethics Point: dsj.ethicspoint.com or the hotline telephone number 1-888-325-7863
- The Finance Office—Director of Compliance & Parish Financial Services, 408.983.0241 or email at julio.bermudes@dsj.org

#### St. Joseph of Cupertino—Staff Information

Parish Office: (408) 252-7653

Pastor—x124
Business Administrator—x123

Parish Administrative Assistant - x121

Catechetical Ministry – x141

Catechetical Ministry Administrative Assistant - x141

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)/ Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC) – x128

School Principal – (408) 252-6441

Youth Ministry/ Young Adult Ministry - x138

Music- x161

Outreach

Altar Server Coordinator-x 128

Infant Baptism- x128

Hospital Ministry x 126 (only for patients at Kaiser Hospital, Santa Clara from 7:00am to 6:00pm. Patients at other locations please call 408-639 5422) / Funeral x 126

Ministry to the Sick-x124

**Finance Council** 

Communications Ministry

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## Weekly Prayer

#### **Sunday's Readings**

#### First Reading:

The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face. (Is 25:8)

#### Psalm:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

#### Second Reading:

I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry,

of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. (Phil 4:12-13)

#### Gospel:

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." (Mt 22:9)

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# Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The goodness and mercy of God are gifts He wants to share with each one of us, but we have to be ready to receive them. Let's be prepared for whatever the Lord will ask of us this week.

# Observances for the week of October 15, 2023

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary

Alacoque, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Wednesday: St. Luke, Evangelist

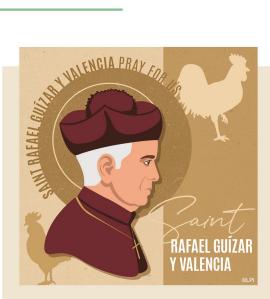
**Thursday:** Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues,

Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Friday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

World Mission Sunday



#### Saint of the week

Saint Rafael Guízar y Valencia was a Catholic bishop who cared for the poor in Mexico. He bravely continued his mission while in exile, in the face of constant life-threating conflicts with the Mexican government.

#### **Prayer**

Our Lord and God, In Saint Rafael Guízar You have given us a model of a shepherd for the children, the poor, the sick, and those far from You. Grant us through his intercession that we may live united in our families; that the Mexican nation may have peace and harmony; that the sick who live in our homes be lovingly cared for and receive healing from their diseases; that marriages that have been broken find a reason to fight and overcome the evil that stalks them.

Attend to our supplications and hear our needs so that one day, like Saint Rafael Guízar, we can all contemplate the beauty of Your glory in eternity.

We ask you through your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit and God the father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: https://www.facebook.com/ SanRafaelGuizarV/posts/654984824967963/, translation by LPi.)

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## **Worship & Meditation**

# Readings for the week of October 15, 2023

#### Sunday:

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd)/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

#### Monday:

Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Lk 11:29-32

#### **Tuesday:**

Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

#### Wednesday:

2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/ Lk 10:1-9

#### Thursday:

Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/ Lk 11:47-54

#### Friday:

Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

#### Saturday:

Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43/ Lk 12:8-12

#### **Next Sunday:**

Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 (7b)/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21



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# **Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

I confess that I have a soft spot for the scary things Jesus says because they are usually ignored. But there's gold in them thar hills, if we have courage to look. This week Jesus gives us a terrifying warning in his parable about the king who gives a marriage feast for his son and promptly goes berserk when people don't respond. The point: those who do not properly respond to God's generous invitation will face totally devastating consequences. The invitees who don't show up get their city burned to the ground. The poor homeless man is tortured for not wearing the correct clothes. Scary indeed.

Is Jesus trying to intimidate or bully us into following him? No, because that is certainly not how he treats anyone in the Gospels. A better view is this: to Jesus, your life *matters*. The universe is not an empty wasteland where anything goes. It is a theater of love offered and either accepted or rejected. How easy it can be to glide through life thinking my life doesn't make a difference. But it does. It really does.

This should not only be sobering but exhilarating. The positive side of the negative in Jesus' scary parables is the thrill and joy that he is inviting us, therefore our lives matter a great deal. There is a reason to get up in the morning. God's generous love is relentlessly calling us. True, obstinately saying no through our indifference is a catastrophe for us and those around us. But how wonderful must the consequences of our 'yes' be?

— Father John Muir

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## **Liturgical** Life

# CATHOLIC

#### **The Wedding Garment**

I like to think that any self-respecting doomsday prepper would find something to admire in my van's stores of extra clothes, snacks, boredom-busting toys, sunscreen, and seasonal outerwear. You never know when you're going to pass a free splash pad or a particularly amazing sledding hill. And you never know when one of the kids is going to find the world's most irresistible mud pile or fall into a river.

All this pre-planning for fun and disaster, and still, I usually devote a fraction of that effort to spiritual preparedness.

I swap out my traveling first-aid kit every season, imagining hypothetical emergencies — and I push confession off another week. "I haven't committed any mortal sins," I tell myself, "And I'm just so busy."

I shove extra outfits into my car's trunk on the off-chance my son decides to paint himself in Go-Gurt — and I shrug off the daily examinations of conscience that could help me overcome a persistent sin.

I stock my purse with bags of Cheerios to ward off sneaky attacks of kid hunger — and I fall asleep without saying the Rosary, murmuring to myself: "I'm so tired. Mary understands."

I am overwhelmed by the here-and-now, consumed by the minutiae of earthly life, that I forget there is only one eventuality I — or any of us — can expect with any certainty. We will all be invited to the feast.

Is my van stocked for that?

"The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?""
— Matthew 22:12

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

# Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

#### **Answer:**

Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.

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## **Liturgical** Life

"'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests." - Mt 22:8b-10

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We need volunteers for social events, hospitality, office work, marketing, finance, lectors, extraordinary ministers of holy communion, ushers, greeters, choir singers. Share your time and talent and help in the vineyard of the Lord. Please contact Fr. Michael Syjueco at michael.syjueco@dsj or at 408.252.7653 extension 123.

#### **Questions of the Week**

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

The prophet Isaiah speaks of a future when God will be fully present, and we will experience complete joy. What gives you hope for the future?

#### **Second Reading**

Paul shares with the Philippians that regardless of his circumstances, he has learned to draw strength and gratitude from his faith in Jesus. How does your faith sustain you in good times and bad times?

#### **Gospel Reading**

Jesus's parable of the wedding feast offers a warning to be open to God's invitation to answer His call. How do you stay open to God's presence in your life?



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DON'T MISS OUT!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 I 6:30PM - 8:30 PM I PARISH HALL

FOOD & BREVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR FREE

CHILD CARE SERVICES MAY BE REQUESTED

REGISTER BY **OCTOBER 16**:
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# MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

NOVEMBER 2 | THURS | 7:00 PM CHURCH

a special Mass honoring members of our Parish who passed away last year and this year.



Those who are invited to offer candles for their loved ones please RSVP By
October Friday, October 27 to Fr. Michael
Syjueco at michael.syjueco@dsj.org, or
call 408.252.7653 extension 123 or 124.