# Parish Calendar Mar. 22, 2015 - Mar. 29, 2015

Sunday	Continental Breakfast after the 9am Mass. Second Collection next weekend is for St. Vincent de Paul		
Monday	Next Grief Group Meeting is 4/6 at 7 pm in the Rectory		
Tuesday	The next Ladies Guild meeting is 4/14 at 1 pm in the Fr. Jim Community Center meeting rooms. <b>NEW MEMBERS WELCOME</b> .		
Wednesday	Adoration and Reconciliation 6-8pm in the Church		
Thursday	Adoration after the 9:30 Mass until 6:30pm. Benediction following until 6:45.		
Friday	5:30 pm - Stations of the Cross in the Church followed by a Soup Supper in the Fr. Jim Community Center.		
Saturday	NA meeting in Community Center meeting rooms		
Sunday	Continental Breakfast after 9 am Mass Second collection this weekend is for St. Vin- cent de Paul		

# **SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER**

The prophet Jeremiah foretold the coming of Christ and how his covenant with the people would be different from the one the early Jews had with their God. Jesus would make a covenant with the house of Israel which would be written upon their *hearts*. "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God and they shall be my people." What a gift Jesus gave us. He has given us his heart. He wants us to love Him and love others as he has shown us how to love. The law written upon *his* heart is to be given to *us* and to be shared with others. How can we share this gift of the heart God gave us through His son?

# An Opportunity to Serve

Here at Queen of Apostles we are in constant need of volunteers who can serve God's people as liturgical ministers. God might be inviting you to put your faith into action by participating in his Son's ministry in a more active manner. The need is always there for a Sacristan, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Minister to the Sick, Altar Server, Hospitality Minister, or Musician/Choir Member. If you feel God is calling you to of these ministries, please call Fr. Rey Sarmiento at 408-253-7560 for more information

# **Grief Group**

The grief support group's next meeting will be 4/6. Please call Shirley 408-241-1209 if you have any questions or need to talk.

#### **EASTER VIGIL CHOIR NEEDS INTERESTED SINGERS**

All interested singers are invited to join our Easter Vigil Choir. The Ester Vigil will take place on the evening of Saturday 4 at 8:30 pm. Rehearsals will take place on Thursday, March 26. Please contact Gina at beem47@sonic.net for further information

MASS INTENTIONS	Mar. 22, 2015 - Mar. 29, 2015		
T Sunday	7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 5:00 pm	Magdalena Bernhardt † For Our Parishioners Pauline Lacavalla † Chuljin Choi (living)	
Monday	6:30 am 9:30 am	Minh Tran † Terexa Maria Voc Pham †	
Tuesday	6:30 am 9:30 am	Mary Jean Sack † Minh Tran †	
Wednesday	6:30 am 9:30 am	Roger Evans † Leo Vadeboncoeur (living)	
Thursday	6:30 am 9:30 am	Emily Cupp † Thanksgiving for Nhumg Vu Family	
Friday	6:30 am 9:30 am	Matteo Franceschetto † Melanesia Lewis (living)	
Saturday	8:00 am 5:00 pm	Roger Evans † Rosita Fernandes †	
Sunday	7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Eleanor Sugden †(2yr anniv.) Mac Eric Perez † Tony & Alice Himan †, Maitoza Family For Our Parishioners	

# Weekly Stewardship Report



 Collections for Ollections Year to Date
 \$ 10,630

 Budgeted Year to Date
 \$ 395,579

 Variance
 \$ 22,196

Thank you for your continued support!



# Santa Clara County 2015

through 20) who are affected by the drinking or drug abuse of a family member or friend. There are no dues or fees. The "Heart to Heart Freedom" Alateen group meets every Thursdey avaning have at Overn of Appettes School et 7.45 mm in

day evening here at Queen of Apostles School at 7:45 p.m. in room 7 Please call Jay or Venice at 408-406-7081 for more information.



The RCIA meeting occurs every Sunday of each month at 10:15 -noon in the Rectory

Conference Room. Our next scheduled meeting is Sunday, March 22, 2015. If interested call Kathy Fanger at 408-242-3543 or e-mail rcia@qofa.org.

# A Caregiver's Retreat Day

focusing upon Compassion and care for self while walking with someone who suffers. For more info, call 650-428-3730 x214 or cemeteryinfo@dsj.org. The date for the workshop is March 28, 2015

# Fifth Sunday of Lent



The Blessed Mother as the Model of Discipleship (The Annunciation of the Lord)

25<sup>th</sup> March 2015

"In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary." (Luke 1:26-27)

For Luke, Mary is the first Christian disciple. In Luke 1:38, Mary gives us the definition of herself as "handmaid of the Lord". As a handmaid, she associates herself with the poor and a slave of Yahweh, who belongs to Him and receives His protection and help. She freely submits herself to the Word, both heart and body, and cooperates positively to the plan that she will be the mother of the Son of God. This is the source of the greatness of her saying "Let it be done according to your word"- essentially an act of faith. She is invited to rejoice for hearing the Word of God and submitting to it, thus, allowing her to have the first access to the divine plan.

According to Scott Hahn, a famous theologian, the question of Mary "how will this be" is not a question of God's ability to give her a son; rather it is a question of how such a plan will unfold. Mary is doing an act of contemplation to understand what discipleship is. Discipleship requires knowing that God acts beyond our understanding and we are to just trust in His wisdom. Discipleship also entails relationship. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI says that Mary being full of grace means that she has a connection between the "I" and "thou". That is, Mary's life is connected with God and that God is connected with her.

Just like Mary, we, as disciples of the Son of God, Jesus Christ, respond to God's invitation every day to rejoicing in His presence, contemplating the meaning of this presence in us and relating with God in a manner to become truly one with Him just as the Son is one with the Father and the Father with the Son. This is the vision that God has for each of us: that we may be one in His divine life. We can only praise God in awe for the unfathomable love of God for us. For God so loved the world that He sent His only Son not to condemn the world but to save it.

Be Blessed Fr. Rev Queen of Apostles School is proud to educate the whole child and the events of next week are evidence of that:

Many of the survival sacks that are in the church this weekend were the result of Queen of Apostles School families' generosity. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade coordinated the drive and each class brought items. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will participate in the annual off campus retreat on Tuesday. We are happy to offer them this opportunity during Lent. Grades 3-8 will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday and Thursday. Ath and 5<sup>th</sup> grades will visit the Hiller Aviation Museum on Friday. Upper grades for 2015-2016 will be full so if you are thinking of a Catholic education for your child/ren you should consider enrolling in the lower grades. You will not regret it.

#### Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults

Diocese of San Jose - Anthony Gonzalez Phone: 408-983-0113 Fax:408-983-0147 Emergency line: 408-983-0141

# **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

Join us in Poland for World Youth Day! More information can be found at www.qofa.org/youth-young-adults

March 22: Parent and Teen night March 29: Confirmation session youth@qofa.org | 213-6509

#### ASCENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Tuesday 9 am –2 pm thru Thursday, closed on Friday and Monday 408-257-8302 FAX Number 408-257-4600Web Site: www.ascent-jobs.org PO Box 9604, San Jose CA 95157.

#### Our Queen of Apostles Food Pantry Needs Your Help!

Cereal, Juice, Mac and Cheese, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce are urgently needed to help our hungry neighbors. Please place your donations in the wooden crates located near the Baptismal font.

Attention parents of students in grades 6-12: On Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Queen of Apostles MSM program will host guest speaker Ed Sarrett MFT. Ed is a licensed marriage and family therapist, as well as a personal and academic counselor at Bellarmine College Prep. He will be speaking to parents on how to foster communication with their teens and tweens. All parents of middle and high school students are encouraged to attend. The evening begins with prayer in the church at 6:30, followed by presentations for parents and teens respectively. For more information, contact Klarissa dela Fuente at 408.213.6509



Family Faith Formation 408-255-9950

Office is staffed on Tues. and Thurs. 8-3 and on weekends by appointment. Please call before stopping by.

#### On The Calendar

Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass. 4<sup>th</sup> grade participating. Classes meet at their usual times

March 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday, all classes meet at their usual times

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Rehearsal for Stations of the Cross Sunday at 3pm in the church-Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>: Parent Night—topic: Fostering Communication with your kids

Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>: Formation Night -breakout sessions

The book of **The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic**... The workshop on the Fourth Sign: is next scheduled on, *April 15th 7:00am* – 8:30am in the chapel, *OR Thursday*, *April 16th 7:00pm* – 8:30pm in the chapel. Please RSVP to SFT@qofa.org by April 1, 2015 which date you will attend as well as the number of the adults in your party. For the Thursday session, please also include any children you will be bringing and their ages, as we will provide free childcare. Fr. Thuc and the Spirituality Formation Team.

#### ADA COLLECTION

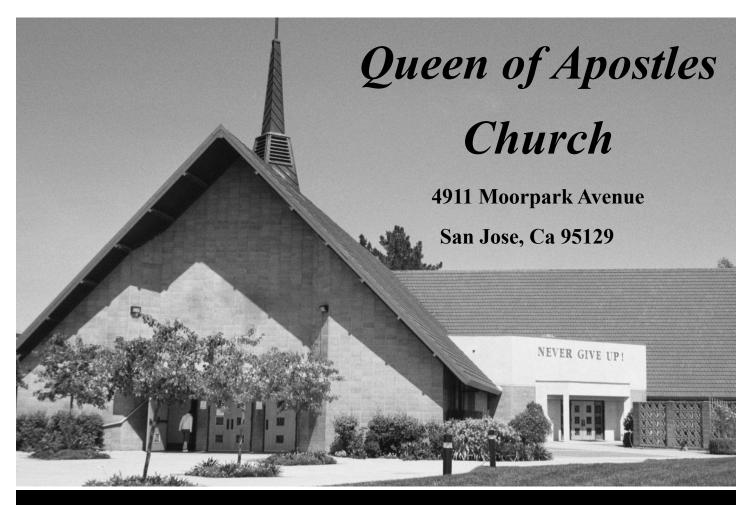
This weeks collection is \$7,005.00 with 27 families responding, the total amount pledged so far is \$111,184.00 with 243 families contributing. Thank you so very much.

# 5th Sunday of the Month Collection

Queen of Apostles continues to answer the call of those in need in our community. Through prayer, financial assistance, food and information sharing, we attempt to help alleviate the suffering of our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Please be generous in your giving to SVDP on Sunday, March 29.

# **Marriage Enrichment & Preparation**

All adults are invited to join a new study group facilitated by the Theology of the Body group entitled "Beloved: Finding Happiness in Marriage", a DVD-based study group on Tuesdays, March 24th-June 9th, 7-8:30pm in the Community Center. For further details: www.tinyurl.com/BelovedSeries or tob@gofa.org



# Never Give Up!

**PASTORAL STAFF:** 

Rev. Thuc Si Ho, Pastor

Rev. Reynaldo Sarmiento, Parochial Vicar

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# **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:00 p.m.

**Sundays:** 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.,

5:00 p.m.

**Weekdays:** 6:30 and 9:30 a.m.

**Saturdays:** 8:00 a.m.

**Holy Days:** (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m.,

6:30, 9:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

**Marian Devotions:** After the 8:00 a.m. Mass on

Saturday

# **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Seminar required. Please contact Rectory for information.

# **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays - 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

#### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:**

Contact Rectory at least SIX MONTHS prior to any proposed wedding date.

# INQUIRY SESSION ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

Contact number: RCIA@qofa.org.or 408-252-4103