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Sunday	<b>Continental Breakfast after 9:00am Mass. Second Collection next weekend is for Home Missions</b>
Monday	<b>Next Grief Group Meeting is tonight at 7 pm in the Rectory.</b>
Tuesday	The next Ladies Guild meeting is 5/10 at 1 pm in the Fr. Jim Community Center meeting rooms. <b>NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME .</b>
Wednesday	<b>OLEM- 7-8:30 am -Chapel</b>
Thursday	<b>OLEM-7-8:30 pm-Chapel</b>
Friday	
Saturday	
Sunday	<b>Continental Breakfast after 9 am Mass Second special collection this weekend is for Home Missions</b>

<b>Sunday</b>	7:30am	For Our Parishioners
	9:00am	Joseph Thang Vu †
	11:00am	No Intention
	5:00pm	Athena Millett & Family
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 am	Athena Millett & Family
	9:30 am	Jaime Echavez (liv.), Perfeecta Echavez †
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 am	No Intention
	9:30 am	Adrienne Schablaske †
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 am	No Intention
	9:30 am	No Intention
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30am	No Intention
	9:30am	Sean & Delphino Youn (Bd.s)
<b>Friday</b>	6:30am	No Intention
	9:30am	No Intention
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 am	No Intention
	5:00 pm	Guadalupe Navarro †
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 am	Betty Moy †
	9:00 am	Baldomero Felix †
	11:00 am	For Our Parishioners
	5:00 pm	Chandsiri Hongsathavij (Living)

**Social Justice Corner**

The new encyclical ‘Amoris Laetitia’ echoes Pope Francis’ message of mercy and love, but this time in regard to the family. His encyclical on the family has five important messages.

1. The Church needs to understand families in all their complexity.
2. Formation of conscience is important in assessing moral issues. Goal is to form conscience not replace it,
3. Divorced and remarried Catholics need to be integrated into the heart of the Church. They are not excommunicated.
4. No longer talk about people as living in sin. They must be offered understanding and comfort.
5. Traditional teachings on marriage are confirmed.

The family is a place of God’s love. Our goal should be to make families a place to experience God’s love.

Let’s work to implement Pope Francis’ encyclical into our daily lives. See Americamagazine.org

Social Justice Committee



**Weekly Stewardship Report**

Collections for 4/10/2016	\$ 13,127
Collections 7/1/15 to 4/10/16	\$ 463,456
Budgeted 7/1/15 to 4/10/16	\$ 470,620
Variance	\$ (7,165)

Please note the budgetary shortfall:  
To help keep the parish within its budget please prayerfully consider increasing your weekly contributions by \$2-\$3. Thank you for your continued support !

**WEEKLY ADA CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

The diocese has ended the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We have a pledge total of \$139,470, and 405 families have pledged. Fr. Thuc thanks everyone who has participated and those who are considering . All gifts are appreciated along with your prayers for successful campaign.

**ASCENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**

Hours of operation, closed Monday and Friday. Open Tuesday through Thursday , from 9 am until 2 pm  
408-257-8302 FAX Number 408-257-4600 Web Site:  
www.ascent-jobs.org PO Box 9604, San Jose CA 95157.  
Ascent is also looking for men’s work shoes.. Please leave at the last garage. Thank you!



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The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a religious formation program for adults and for children 7 years or older, who are interested in joining the Catholic Church. Participants explore their faith learning about the Catholic tradition. To learn more call 408-255-9950 or email kmanning@dsj.org

Today's readings are particularly appropriate in the light of what has transpired in the world during the past year. It seems violence is everywhere – the Brussels bombings last month, the Paris massacre earlier in 2015, the image of the drowned Syrian baby on the Turkish sea shore, the senseless killing of unarmed people by rogue police officers, and the underlying angry tone of the current political campaigns of both parties ; all of these and more can make us wonder whether the Master of our creation is truly a benevolent God that loves all of us totally and unconditionally.

The question for us, therefore, is how can we maintain our faith in the light of these tragedies. The three readings tell us. In the first reading Paul and Barnabas have been invited to the synagogue to address the Jews, some of whom were believers. Yet Paul so antagonized the Jewish leaders that they had to leave the town. We know they did so in disgust because they “shook the dust from their feet in protest.” Nevertheless, we learn immediately that they were happy because they were filled with the Holy Spirit, that is, maintained their faith. The message is clear. We should not be discouraged by bad things that may happen to us.

In the Revelation's reading, John relates a scene of happy people who had kept their faith despite massive persecutions. Writing from prison, John speaks directly to the Jews expelled from the synagogue because of their faith in Jesus. This made them subject to the Roman law that they must worship Caesar or suffer imprisonment or death. John reminds his suffering believers that their pain is temporary and great joy awaits them if they persevere.

Finally, we have the short Gospel in which Jesus makes clear His promise that eternal life awaits all who follow Him. We do that by obeying His new commandment to love one another just as He loves us. That way we can withstand any difficulty that tests of our faith.

I heard a woman describe how she did not let the tragedies dampen her faith. She likened creation to God's beautiful needlepoint. From His perspective everything is just the way it is supposed to be. But we only see the underside of the needlepoint and that looks totally chaotic and confusing. The true beauty will become clear once we get to Heaven to see as God sees.

Sometimes we even get a glimpse of that true beauty here. Recently I heard from two young adults serving prison sentences, one in Hawaii for armed attempted robbery, one in Massachusetts for attempted murder. Both individuals had been active in drug useage, the immediate motive for their crimes. Both now recognize that their prison time is a gift from God whom they had ignored while living in their addictions. Now they have returned to His warm embrace. They have found a recovery that allows them to accept the love of their families and even return it. They are accepting God's plan for their lives.

So today when we look at the troubles around us and in our own families let us use our faith to trust our Heavenly Father that, in the end, all will turn out right for us and our loved ones so we can live in peace. God bless.

April 17, 2016



With all the excitement of preparing for high school, taking graduation photos, and getting their gowns fitted, our eighth grade students haven't forgotten their mission at Queen of Apostles, being leaders of the school. The eighth grade class led the school in collecting items for the Survival Sack Project, a project that Sacred Heart works tirelessly on throughout the year. We are proud to say that our school organized 50 backpacks in conjunction with the parish. These backpacks are filled with personal hygiene products, a first aid kit, blanket, etc. The backpacks are provided for young men and women who are in need of support. Our school lives up to its motto, 'Never Give Up', and through our acts of charity, share the hope that others in need will also, 'Never Give Up'.

#### **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 and Confirmation**

##### **ON THE CALENDAR:**

April 16: Confirmation Conference at Mitty High School, 10am - 6pm

April 17: Confirmation interviews, 6:30pm - 8pm

##### **SAVE THE DATE:**

June 13-17: Diocesan High School Youth Retreat at Lake Tahoe (8 spots available)

Youth/Young Adult Band & Choir rehearsals are every Wednesday evening. Contact [jluu@dsj.org](mailto:jluu@dsj.org) for more information. \*Like us on Facebook: "Queen of Apostles Youth" Contact us: [youth@qofa.org](mailto:youth@qofa.org) | 213-6509 | [www.qofa.org](http://www.qofa.org)

#### **The Spirituality Formation Team**

The book of **Ordinary Lives Extraordinary Mission (OLEM)**.

We hope that you continue reading it to enhance your knowledge and excitement for our great Catholic Church. Fourth & last Workshop : Have a Sword. Reply to e-mail [SFT@qofa.org](mailto:SFT@qofa.org) 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  
The next meetings will be Wednesday, April 20, 7-8:30 am, or Thursday, April 21, 7-8:30 pm.



**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.**

*Alleluia! He is risen!!! Wishing you all a happy and holy Easter season!*

##### **ON THE CALENDAR**

**Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>: All classes meet at their usual times.**

**Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Mandatory Rehearsal for all students receiving First Holy Communion. At least one parent must be in attendance.**

**Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>: Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass. Pre-K and Kindergarten participating**

**Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>: Last day of classes**

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY**

**Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>: Formation Night—Breakout Sessions**

**Apr. 24<sup>th</sup>: General Session—JEOPARDY!!!**

**MSM Summer session—Theology of the Body for Middle School begins May 22nd. Parent Session on May 1<sup>st</sup>. For more info or to register email [kmaning@dsj.org](mailto:kmaning@dsj.org).**

*We lovingly pray for those in our Parish and families who cannot join us at Mass especially, Linda Ann Hanson, Tina Bowen, Venice Romiti, Ken Koenig, Tomas Arguello Joann Caban, Anita Barulich, Rita Bever. Please let us also pray for all our servicemen and women who serve in the Armed Forces throughout the world and remember them in our hearts today and everyday. We remember those dearly departed in our Queen of Apostles family and in our own families and special persons: Jeanne Frenette*

The Diocese of San Jose has partnered with **EthicsPoint** to provide a confidential method to hear suggestions, concerns or reports of financial misconduct. **EthicsPoint** accepts reports of financial misconduct through its website or its Hotline: 1-888-325 -7863. Please direct any questions that you may have about **EthicsPoint** or reporting concerns to Teresa Conville, Diocesan Compliance and Parish Financial Services Director at 408-983-0241 or [tconville@dsj.org](mailto:tconville@dsj.org).

## Support World Youth Day Pilgrims

**We have reached 78% of our \$26,000 goal!**

### **Special thanks:**

To the Queen of Apostles 8th grade class and families for coordinating weekly bake sale fundraisers for our WYD pilgrims!

### **WYD Prayer:**

"God, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, We entrust to you today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman".

We entrust to you in a special way young people of every language, people and nation: guide and protect them as they walk the complex paths of the world today and give them the grace to reap abundant fruits from their experience of the Krakow World Youth Day.

Heavenly Father, grant that we may bear witness to your mercy. Teach us how to convey the faith to those in doubt, hope to those who are discouraged, love to those who feel indifferent, forgiveness to those who have done wrong and joy to those who are unhappy. Allow the spark of merciful love that you have enkindled within us become a fire that can transform hearts and renew the face of the earth. Mary, Mother of Mercy, pray for us. Saint John Paul II, pray for us. Saint Faustina, pray for us.

## Grief Group

The grief support group's next meeting will be 4/18/2016. Please call Shirley 408-241-1209 if you have any questions or need to talk.

## **Guess who's coming to Queen of Apostles!**

John Wood and his musical guests!

May 14, 2016 from 9am – 1:30pm

Become Extraordinary and identify God's purpose in your life!

Tickets on sale now!

**Children's Choir:** Our Children's Choir will be leading the assembly in song at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, April 17. The children will also be singing for the 5:00 pm Mass First Eucharist celebration on Saturday, April 30 with practice on Friday, April 29 at 7:00pm. Both practices will be in the church. New and experienced singers in 3rd through 8th grades are welcome to join us.

## PEACEMAKERS

### **Corrie Ten Boom**

Corrie Ten Boom lived in a devout Christian family in Holland during World War II. Her family lived the Gospel in their daily lives and worked for peace. Corrie prayed that there would be an opportunity for her to help, in particular, the Jews who were persecuted by the Nazis in Holland. That opportunity came in the form of a Jewish woman who knocked on her door. She was followed by several other Jews until there were over 10 living in her home. An upstairs hiding place was built. But the hiding place did not last long and Corrie was found out and sent to Ravensbruck concentration camp. She survived, though her sister did not. She continued for the rest of her life, giving testimony to Christ and the love of God. How do we testify to the love of God? In our words? In our deeds? Quote: "You can never learn that Christ is all you need, until Christ is all you have." Social Justice Committee



## Santa Clara County 2015

is a safe place for young people (12 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 Thursday evening here at Queen of Apostles School at 7:45 p.m. in room 7. Please call Jay or Ven-

## Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers:

Anna K., Cassidy H.,  
Celeste H., Ethan A,  
Hannah L., Hannah S,  
Julianne M.,Katie G.,  
Rakan K.,Timmy B. , Vincent D.

### **Sacrament of**



### **Confirmation**

## 40 Hours for the Lord:

### Eucharistic Adoration Prayer for Vocations

The Vocations Office for the Diocese of San Jose will be hosting the Annual 40-hour Vocations Prayer Vigil asking our Lord to call more of our young people to service as priests, deacons and religious. The Vigil will be at the Carmelite Monastery in Santa Clara and will begin Friday, April 15th with an Opening Mass and Eucharistic Procession at 5 pm. The monastery chapel will be open all night and all day until the Closing Mass with Bishop Patrick J. McGrath, Sunday, April 17th at 10:30 am. Children who received First Communion this year are invited to participate at Friday's Mass and Eucharistic Procession in First Communion attire (see website for more information). To sign up for an hour of prayer, view the full schedule, or learn more, go to [www.dsj.org/40hours](http://www.dsj.org/40hours).



# *Queen of Apostles Church*

4911 Moorpark Avenue

San Jose, Ca 95129

## **Never Give Up!**

### **PASTORAL STAFF:**

**Rev. Thuc Si Ho, Pastor**  
**Rev. Reynaldo Sarmiento, Parochial Vicar**  
**Brian McKenna, Deacon**  
**Kristie Manning, Faith Formation/RCIA Director**  
**Gregory Elsner, Accountant**  
**Mary Ann Oddo, Receptionist / Secretary**  
**Marie McCarthy, Receptionist / Secretary**  
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4911 Moorpark Ave. Closed for lunch: 12-1  
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**Web Site:** [www.qofa.org](http://www.qofa.org)

**Marty Chargin, School Principal**  
**School Address:** 4950 Mitty Way  
408-252-3659 San Jose, CA 95129

### **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: 408-255-9950 or [kmanning@dsj.org](mailto:kmanning@dsj.org)