

April 9, 2017 - April 16, 2017	
Sunday	Continental Breakfast after 9am Mass
Monday	
Tuesday	The next Ladies Guild meeting is TODAY at 1 pm in the Fr. Jim Community Center meeting rooms. NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.
Wednesday	"THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU" 6-8PM
Thursday	NO MORNING MASSES HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Friday	NO MORNING SERVICES 1PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS 2PM LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION WITH COMMUNION 7PM
Saturday	
Sunday	NO Continental Breakfast after 9 am Mass EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

Social Justice Corner

We are not gods. We are God's children. We are made in the likeness of Jesus. As it says in Isaiah 50; "we have been given well trained tongues that we might know how to speak to the weary, he opens our ears that we might hear."

As today's reading progress we hear of betrayal, shaken faith and denial. *Free will in full control!* Is this our answer to what God has given us? Did we forget about what God gave us in those well trained tongues? How do they speak betrayal and denial, if given by God? And, what about our ears? Do we truly listen or do we search our mind for a response before the statement or question is fully made?

Jesus asks us to give of ourselves as he gave for us. Not in blood, but in love. On Palm Sunday, we carry palm branches as a tribute of waving joy, before Christ, victorious over death; also as a symbol of our wavering fickleness, betraying Christ unto His Death. Dynamic Catholics, "Best Lent Ever" series, Matthew Kelly speaks, in his first week, of resistance and how we are our own worst enemy. Resistance is that thing that stops us from doing what we really know we should. Resistance keeps us from true happiness. Matthew Kelly goes on to say, "God created man for happiness. What happened on good Friday was designed to restore that happiness for you and me."

Resisting God's will gets in the way of all the things that are good. Can we stop before we speak or do and ask ourselves, what would Jesus do? In this final week of lent, challenge yourself to pause and ask Jesus what he would do, before you act. If your collecting for Rice Bowl, put in \$.25 every time you do and thank God for all the grace He has bestowed upon you.

MASS INTENTIONS +

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Sunday	7:30am Eugene Kassel † 9:00am Joseph Balasamy † 11:00am Maria Jae Park † 5:00pm For Our Parishioners
Monday	6:30 am Communion Service 9:30 am Communion Service
Tuesday	6:30 am No Intention 9:30 am Maria Nhung Vu †
Wednesday	6:30 am David Hakius (Bd.) 9:30 am Jean Mulloy †
Thursday	6:30am No Mass 9:30am No Mass 7:00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	No Morning Services 1 pm Stations of the cross 2pm & Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7pm and Communion
Saturday	8:00am No Morning Mass 8:30 pm EASTER VIGIL
Sunday	7:30 am Anita Barulich † 9:00 am For Our Parishioners 11:00 am Nicholas Choi

Stewardship numbers not available at time of print



To help keep the parish within its budget please prayerfully consider making a one time tax deductible gift. Contact the parish office for details. Thank you for your continued support!

Weekly ADA Update Report



The Annual ADA Campaign has begun. We have finished week three. We have already received

pledges amounting to \$101,743 from 202 families. We are doing great, however, we need everyone's participation in order to be successful. Fr. Thuc thanks everyone for their generosity and for participating and those considering. All gifts are appreciated along with your prayers for a successful campaign. Keep up the good work. **THANK YOU ! THANK YOU!**

My Fellow Parishioners,

Today begins the holiest week in the Christian calendar. Today is so holy that it even has two names, Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. This is very fitting because the coming week sees people at their best and at their worst, just as all of us are at different times in our lives. The week opens with Christ greeted by the crowds who wave palms in His honor. Several days later, however, the same crowds call for His execution in the cruelest manner possible.

The good and evil struggle exists in His very disciples as well. First there is the arch villain Judas who sells out his Savior with a kiss, one of the most significant expressions of intimate love people have. This is not a spur of the moment decision for Judas who took the thirty pieces of silver, then waited for the right opportunity to implement his hateful act. But then he regrets what he has done, throws away the money and hangs himself. So we know that even he is sorry.

Then Peter, the leader, who professes undying loyalty to Jesus and even tries to protect Him by cutting off the ear of one of His captors. Yet he too falters and out of fear denies Jesus three times. How typical of us humans to act rashly out of fear. Like Peter, all the other men run away except for John who stays with the women, those whom society deemed less than men, but who remain strongest in their faith.

The significance of the bad human behavior of two of Jesus' best friends should not be lost on us. While Judas regrets his betrayal he is so convinced of his alienation from God that he kills himself rather than ask for forgiveness. In a very real sense his ego convinces him that he is so important God could not love or forgive him. Could it be that his greed in stealing money from the group has blinded him to Divine mercy? We do not know. In any event, he has not grasped the forgiving nature of Jesus who is so full of love that He even asks His Father to pardon His murderers while they are killing Him.

Peter also betrays his friend when he denies he even knows Him. This bullheaded man whom Jesus chose to lead the disciples, turned chicken when the chips were down and fled with the ten other apostles. Yet Peter had just witnessed the Transfiguration. He had actually seen Jesus in His Divine glory so, unlike Judas, he did not despair over his bad behavior. He must have had a sense of Divine mercy because he wept bitterly over his denial soon afterwards. We know Jesus forgave him and the other deserters when His first words to them after the Resurrection were "Peace be with you." Jesus did not condemn them. He offered them His love and forgiveness. Now if Jesus forgives these His closest friends for their betrayal, why would our egos ever make us think that we too are not forgiven? Only one thing prevents us from receiving Divine forgiveness, our pride that stops us from asking for it.

Pope Francis said that God never tires of forgiving us our failures but that too often many of us "tire" of asking for this forgiveness. My friends, let us rejoice this coming week over our salvation. Let us feel the sorrow over the pain and suffering our Savior endured for our lapses. Let us regret our own lapses. But more importantly, let us remember that we are loved totally and unconditionally by our Creator who is always ready to forgive us. All we have to do is ask.

God bless you all.

Dcn. Brian

April 9, 2017



Queen of Apostles students started the Lenten season by receiving ashes.

The students are continuing to present skits on the Saints of Service they are learning about this year. Sixth graders recently presented skits about St. Mary and St. Patrick.

The third graders are practicing in order to be able to present the Stations of the Cross to the whole school and then to the church community before Easter.

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

**Youth Ministry: On the calendar:
April 9 & 23: Confirmation Classes**

Retreat:

June 12-16 Diocesan Youth Retreat in Lake Tahoe
(Registration is now open at www.dsj.org/youth/events/diocesan-youth-retreat-dyr*)

*Follow us on Instagram: QofAYM

*Contact us: youth@qofa.org | 213-6509 |
www.qofa.org .Like us on Facebook: Queen of Apostles Youth*



We will be decorating for Easter soon. I plan on buying the flowers from a local grower and am asking for donations toward that purchase. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated. Checks or cash can be placed in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office with notation "to be used for flowers". Thank you for your continuing generosity.



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 while learning about the Catholic tradition. To learn more call 408-255-9950 or email kmanning@dsj.org



Family Faith Formation 408-255-9950

Office is staffed on Tuesday and Thursday
8:00 am -3:00 pm and on weekends by appointment. Please call before stopping by.

Registration forms for 2017-2018 will be available soon online at <http://www.qofa.org/2017-2018registration-2> or in the parish office. **On the Calendar:**

April 9th: All classes meet at their usual time

April 16th: No classes-Happy Easter!!!

April 23rd: All classes meet at their usual times

Last day of class for 1st grade

April 30th: Last Day of Classes

Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass, 1st grade participating

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

We will be accepting registrations for our Middle School Ministry program for the 2017-2018 school year. More info can be found online <http://www.qofa.org/middle-school-ministry>. MSM meets Sunday nights at 6:15 in the gym.

On the Calendar:

April 9th: Formation Night—Breakout sessions

April 16th: No session—Happy Easter!!!

April 23rd: Formation Night—Breakout sessions

April 30th: End of the year party!!

FORMED

Looking for a new way to grow in faith? Check out **FORMED.org**. Formed is an online resource for families where you can find amazing Catholic resources available to you for FREE as a gift to you from Queen of Apostles. Register now using our parish code: **RKQKKG** and enjoy movies, podcasts, e-books and more!

ASCENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Hours of operation, 9:00 am -2:00 pm, Tuesday thru Thursday

Contact 408-257-8302 FAX Number 408-257-4600

Web Site: www.ascent-jobs.org PO Box 9604, San Jose CA 95157.

Invitation to our Surf and Turf – Crab/ Ribs/Pasta Fundraising Dinner April 29th.

You, your family and friends are cordially invited to the Queen of Apostles Surf & Turf Fundraising Dinner in support of the Parish. There will be great catered food along with DJ and Live music and fun for everyone including raffles and auction items. The dinner will help us raise needed funds to successfully alleviate the growing budgetary shortfall and put us on track to continue to provide all of the great programs and ministries of the parish. The Dinner will be held on Saturday April 29th at 6:30 pm after the 5pm mass in the Fr. Jim Community Center. Tickets are \$65 for all you can eat crab and/or baby back ribs and \$25 for Pasta only and Children under 12. Tickets will be available after all masses and online starting this weekend April 8th. Thank you for purchasing tickets in advance so we can plan for all you can eat. Tickets purchased at the door (if available) will be \$75.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**1. Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 pm followed by Adoration in the Community Center.**

2. Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 1:00 pm. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Communion at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

**3. Easter Vigil at 8:30 pm 4. Easter Sunday -
Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:00 am. **NO EVENING MASS****

NEED YOUR HELP!!!

The St. Vincent de Paul Council of Queen of Apostles is in urgent need of your help. The group of volunteers is asking for anyone who might be interested in joining the group as a volunteer. You can contact Terean Crews at tereancrews@yahoo.com for more information.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Queen of Apostles & Disciples Sports (Young Adult program of Diocese of San Jose) presents:
SPRING BASKETBALL LEAGUE for Young Adults

**AGE: 18-39
Tuesday Nights
March 28-May 2
7:30 PM-10:30 PM**

PEACEMAKERS

St. Julie Billiart

St. Julie was born in 1751 of a peasant family in France. She was the co-founder of Notre Dame de Namur and thus the spiritual namesake of San Jose's Notre Dame High School. St Julie took a vow of chastity at age 14 and pursued works of mercy all her life. During the French Revolution, she got in trouble for harboring priests who were being captured and killed. She encouraged young girls into the sisterhood and established more than fifteen convents. She was afflicted with many physical maladies during her life which she bore with patience. At times she was unable to speak.

She died on April 8 and was canonized in 1969.

Quote: "The good God likes me to grope my way along."

Registration is now open for Vacation Bible Camp !



Camp will take place from June 19-23; 9 am to 12 pm. Register by April 30th to take advantage of early bird pricing! Forms available in the vestibule, online or in the parish office. For more info call 408.255.9950

Book: Rediscover Jesus

Chapter 15: Making Sense of Suffering

WE ALL SUFFER. "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23). the mandate is clear. I don't know what your cross is, but I sure know what my own is. Some days I am more reluctant than others to pick it up and carry it. That's life. What cross is Jesus inviting you to take up and carry today? Whatever it is, the Risen Christ wants to help you carry it. You are not alone. To find out more, read Rediscover Jesus. Kelly, Mathew. *Rediscover Jesus: an Invitation*. United States:

We lovingly pray for those in our Parish and families who cannot join us at Mass especially: Nancy Verbanec, Clara Destro, Tomas Arguello, Venice Romiti, George Hakius, Jeanne Futrell, Barbara Carrillo, Earle Bowman, Trish McManaman, Patrick Dougherty, Evelyn Franzen,. 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:



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Never Give Up!

PASTORAL STAFF:

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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: 408-255-9950 or kmanning@dsj.org