

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE APRIL 1ST—APRIL 4TH, 2021



✠THE SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

▫April 1, Holy Thursday **7:00 PM**, (*with live-stream*), followed by *Adoration until 11:00 PM*

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

▫April 2, Good Friday, **3:00 PM** (*with live-stream*), and **7:00 PM**

THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

▫April 3, Holy Saturday, **8:00 PM**

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

▫April 4, Easter Sunday 7:30 AM (*with live-stream*), 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
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SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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MARCH 28, 2021

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☞ *The Sacraments and Parish Information*



BAPTISM

Baptisms are every first Saturday of the month at 10am, or every third Sunday of the month within the celebration of the Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more information on the Baptismal process.

EUCCHARIST

The Eucharist, or Mass, is celebrated every day. For those who wish to receive it for the first time, please contact the Parish Faith Formation Office for more information on the catechetical process.

CONFIRMATION

Receiving this sacrament completes the Initiation in the Church. It is celebrated with the Bishop once a year. Contact the Parish Faith Formation Office for information on the catechetical process.

RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is every Saturday at 3pm, or by appointment. This celebration of God's merciful love must be an incessant celebration for us.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointings are every second Saturday of the even months at 8am, or by appointment. Contact the Parish Office for information on receiving the sacrament.

HOLY ORDERS

This gift of vocation to the priesthood and religious life is nourished in the family and sustained by the parish community. Contact the Parish priests for inquiries.

MARRIAGE

This gift of vocation in creating the domestic Church is a life long process. Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the proposed date and for information on the wedding process.

MASS SCHEDULE

Please visit the Parish website, www.qofa.org, to reserve a seat.

Saturday Vigil: 4pm

Sunday: 7:30am (livestreamed on YouTube)

9am, and 11am

Weekday Masses: 9:00am; Saturday 8:00am

Kindly wear a mask, sanitize hands, and maintain social distancing.

VIGILS & FUNERALS

Contact the Parish Office upon the death of a loved one to arrange a funeral liturgy.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This ancient process of accepting someone into the faith is done through the guidance of the Faith Formation Office. Contact the Parish Office to inquire.



✠ WE LOVINGLY PRAY FOR ✠

Those in our parish who are sick,

Grant Moy, Jr. Richard L. Moy, Carol Meridick,

Ryan Pansoy, Salli Spoon, Mary Kay Gray,

Frances Nguyen, Nina Gazzingan, Maria D'Avolio, Salli

Spoon, Carol Meridick, and Jonathan Sacks.

All the front-liners and our servicemen and women who serve in the Armed Forces throughout the world and we remember them in our hearts today and everyday.



MASS INTENTIONS †

Mass Intention Online Request Form at www.qofa.org,

All intentions are offered at every Mass.

SUNDAY ■ March 28 ■ 7:30am / 9am / 11am

Eleanor Sugden †

Michelle Mac Kenzie (Healing)

Molly Ryan †

Eric Boucher †

Elizabeth Kim (birthday)

Mary Kay Gray (healing)

MONDAY ■ March 29 ■ 9:00am

Paulito Fernandes †

Poor Souls in Purgatory †

TUESDAY ■ March 30 ■ 9:00am

Francis & Family (thanksgiving)

Cecilia Ta †

Anthony Nguyen †

WEDNESDAY ■ March 31 ■ 9:00am

Edeane Ramon (birthday)

Donald McCarthy † (death anniv.)

Suzi & Chips Sutherland (wedding anniv.)

THURSDAY ■ April 1 ■ 9:00am

No Mass (Holy Thursday)

FRIDAY ■ April 2 ■ 9:00am

No Mass (Good Friday)

SATURDAY ■ April 3 ■

Mass for the People (8pm Easter Vigil)

SUNDAY ■ April 4 ■ 7:30am / 9am / 11am

Luciana Joseph (birthday)

Anthony C. Macias †

Michelle Mac Kenzie (healing)

Catherine Kim's family (thanksgiving)

Ericsson Paul Boucher †



CALENDAR & FEASTS ☩

SUNDAY ■ March 28

Palm Sunday

Annual Diocesan Appeal 2021

Faith Formation Classes

MONDAY ■ March 29

SFT Community Rosary on Zoom at 7pm

(QofA.Spirituality@gmail.com for more info)

TUESDAY ■ March 30

Community Rosary on Zoom at 7pm

(Kristie.Manning@dsj.org for more info)

Bible Study, 10am and 7:30pm on Zoom

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WEDNESDAY ■ March 31

SFT Community Rosary on Zoom at 7pm

THURSDAY ■ April 1

Holy Thursday at 7pm, followed by adoration until 11pm

SFT Community Rosary on Zoom at 7pm

FRIDAY ■ April 2

Good Friday at 3pm and 7pm

SATURDAY ■ April 3

Holy Saturday

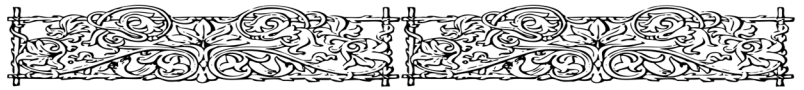
Easter Vigil at 8pm

SUNDAY ■ April 4

Easter Sunday

Annual Diocesan Appeal 2021

☞ The Announcements



OUR A.D.A. PARISH GOAL: \$ 110,120 ☞

The 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal continues to succeed in our parish. **166** families have responded with a very generous amount of **\$96,649** towards our goal of **\$110,120**. If you are not yet part of these donors, we want your participation and need your support. Please pray and answer the call to do your part to support our Catholic Church and the mission of God here in the Diocese of San Jose. Any extra money received over the goal is given back to the parish. Your gift will make a difference! Please send any amount you can give. ADA pledge cards are available in the church and parish office.

SURVIVAL SACK DRIVE UPDATE ☞

Thank you...

... to our very generous parishioners who contributed \$1590 to our Annual Survival Sack Drive. This was a difficult year with the restrictions of COVID in place, so your donations were mostly in cash and checks. Sacred Heart Community Services uses the money to distribute much needed backpacks to homeless brothers and sisters in our community. A filled backpack includes warm socks and underwear, toiletries, a first aid kit, toilet paper, a small blanket, and a rain poncho. Thank you to those who contributed filled backpacks – 5 in all. Mother Teresa tells us, “We don’t have to do great things, just small things with love.” Thank you all for the love you have shown.

Sponsored by our Social Justice Ministry



QUEEN OF APOSTLES SCHOOL NEWS ☞

Our art teacher, Mrs. Seifi, and several dozen Queen of Apostles School students and their families celebrated the start of spring with a flower themed virtual art night project. Everyone gathered their sketchbooks, colored pencils, and watercolors for the project. Their final art compositions were “amazing”, “fantastic”, and “beautiful” according to their art teacher. Future art nights were proposed due to the interest and success of this first one.

If you are interested in applying for Queen of Apostles School for the 2021-2022 school year and learning about our school, please visit our website, QofA.school.

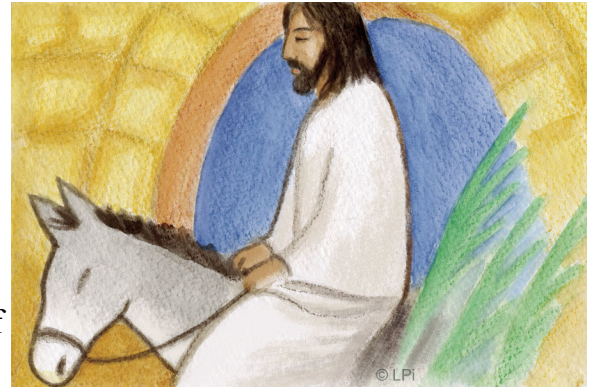




**Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.**

Philippians 2:8-9

The liturgy invites us to share in the joy and celebration of the people who cry out in praise of their Lord; a joy that will fade and leave a bitter and sorrowful taste by the end of the account of the Passion. This celebration seems to combine stories of joy and suffering, mistakes and successes, which are part of our daily lives as disciples. It somehow expresses the contradictory feelings that we too, the men and women of today, experience: the capacity for great love... but also for great hatred; the capacity for courageous self-sacrifice, but also the ability to “wash our hands” at the right moment; the capacity for loyalty, but also for great abandonment and betrayal.



As we read the passion narrative of our savior and redeemer on this Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord and enter the holiest week of our liturgical life as a Church, let us be once again reminded that Jesus died crying out his love for each of us: young and old, saints and sinners, the people of his times and of our own. We have been saved by his Cross, and no one can repress the joy of the Gospel. No one, in any situation whatsoever, is far from the Father's merciful

gaze. Where is our heart focused? Does Jesus Christ continue to be a source of joy and praise in our heart, or do our priorities and concerns make us ashamed to look at sinners, the least and forgotten?

The eternal Son of God become man has entered Jerusalem to die on the Cross, so that we may have eternal life. In this Passion Week, let us open our hearts to the mystery of God's Love. Let us follow every step of Jesus this week and join him in his loving sacrifice.



THE CROSS IS THE KEY TO LOVE

Today on Palm Sunday and in these upcoming Holy Days, we will listen to the greatest love story that was ever written. From the very beginning of time, God fell in love with us. Love was made tangible when God sent his beloved Son to become human, to heal, touch, listen, teach, and forgive. Ultimately His Son, ever obedient, died on the cross, once and for all, for the sins of mankind.

When Fr. Christopher Bennett, pastor of St. Christopher Parish, was a little boy, his grandmother always reminded the grandchildren, “Wherever we go, we should always carry a cross in our pocket.” *‘The cross is the key to love,’* she would say, ‘and every time you put your hand in your pocket and you touch that cross, remember the love that God has for you.’ Fr. Chris still carries a cross in his pocket today. He says, “In the uncharted waters we are facing, we need more than ever to hold onto that cross.”

“When Jesus was dying on the cross, the thief beside him begged, ‘Jesus, remember me!’ Jesus responded, ‘Today you will be with me in paradise!’ Let you and I not be afraid to plea, ‘Jesus, remember me in my fears, remember me in my pain and suffering, remember me in these moments of uncharted waters.’ Jesus came into the world to pick up the pieces of our broken lives, to heal us, to draw us all to union with Him and His Father. Jesus is reaching out to us, to help us carry the difficult crosses we face. We can never, ever, ever walk away from the cross. The cross is the key that opens the door to Christ. Our crosses encourage us to let Christ come in! The cross is the key to love.”

Instead of looking DOWN at our sufferings and sinfulness, look UP to God. Look UP at each consecration when the host is lifted high before us. “Behold the Lamb of God.” Jesus said, “Remember me.” “Those who believe in me will have everlasting life.”

May these Holy Days, walking with Jesus, bring us closer to Him. We pray for all those who will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil, that these final days of preparation will be a time of transforming grace. We pray for all those who suffer and grieve, especially those affected by the Boulder, CO shootings, the AL tornadoes, and any violence, or racism. May we look UP to the Lord for hope, comfort, and light.

Have a blessed Holy Week.



☞Parish Contacts

PASTORAL STAFF

Reverend Fr. Jeff J. Fernandez, *Pastor*

Reverend Fr. Athanasius Kikoba, *Parochial Vicar*

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Elizabeth Trela, *Principal*

Sophia Paul, *Pre School Director*

Andrea Guel, *School Office Manager*



PASTORAL & SOCIAL MINISTRIES

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Homebound / *Catherine Kim*

Ladies Guild / *Valerie Baker*

Saint Vincent de Paul Society / *Terean Crews*

Spiritual Formation Team / *Richard Lahey*

Social Justice / *Kathy Fanger*

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Baptism / *Kristie Manning*

Extraordinary Ministers / *Bob Wedig*

Funeral / *Phan Nguyen*

Lectors / *Carolyn McDonald*

Musicians / *Teri Silvestri*

Sacristans / *JC Mercier*

☞From the Chancery

COVID-19 VACCINES EXPLAINED ETHICS:

As a faith community concerned about the sanctity of human life, the Diocese of San Jose encourages everyone to strongly consider getting vaccinated, after consulting their physicians or health care providers, for the sake of their own health and the common good of our community. The vaccines are safe and free. Health insurance and immigration status will not affect your eligibility. You can learn more about the moral and ethical issues regarding COVID-19 vaccines and why they have been deemed morally acceptable by the Church by visiting:

<https://www.dsj.org/covid19vaccines/>.

THE EQUITY ACT - EVERYONE DESERVES TO BE TREATED WITH RESPECT AND DIGNITY:

The U.S. House of Representatives will vote soon on the Act which in many ways does the opposite of give Equity and needs opposition. Please go to bit.ly/ljpdjsj21 to learn about how it effects our beliefs about marriage and sexuality, and punishes faith-based organizations. Learn how it risks mandating taxpayers to fund abortions; forces health care workers, to support gender transition; expands what the government considers a “public” place effecting parish halls. Take action! Visit bit.ly/ljpdjsj21.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AND GET VACCINATED: SCIENCE, ETHICS AND THE COVID-19 VACCINES WEBINAR

Friday, March 26, 2021, at 10 AM

The webinar is designed to help arch/diocesan and parish staff to understand the moral, ethical, and medical aspects of the COVID-19 pandemic and to offer answers to common concerns and questions. Presenters will offer explanations of the official Catholic teaching on the COVID-19 vaccinations, as well as their medical efficacy. Tips on how to register for a vaccination will be provided and ideas will be offered on how parishes can assist in that process. Simultaneous translation will be available in Spanish and Vietnamese. REGISTER: <https://mysantaclara.scu.edu/mcae---fy21-love-your-neighbor-and-get-vaccinated>

BLOOD DRIVE

Queen Of Apostles

DATE

Tuesday, April 6th

TIME

2:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION

Bloodmobile @
4911 Moorpark Avenue
San Jose

APPOINTMENTS

sbcdonor.org

Use sponsor code: 0742

888-723-7831

MORE INFORMATION

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- Compete with other teams for prizes!

In-Person Kick-Off Event:
Sat 4.24 11am-2pm
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www.guadalupehopesociety.org

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For further information, contact Carol Bautista (408) 921-0091 or email philippians1665@gmail.com





ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER

Heritage Month

Saints and Cultural Encounter and Dialogue

Date: April 23 (Friday) Via Zoom

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Link below for Zoom ID

Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Mass

Mass will be live-streamed on [facebook.com/diocesesanjos](https://www.facebook.com/diocesesanjos)

Presider: Bishop Oscar Cantú

Location: St. Victor's Church

Date: April 25 (Sunday) at 12:00 pm



For Zoom IDs & mass registration visit:

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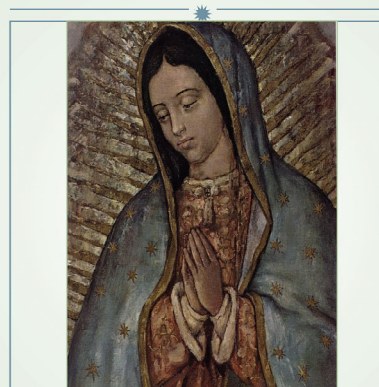


The Guadalupe Hope Society presents



ROSARY AND FAITH TALK

***THURSDAY APRIL 8 @ 11:30AM - 1:00PM**
VIRTUAL ZOOM ROSARY



Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

Rev. Matthew Spencer O.S.J., Provincial Superior of the Holy Spouses Province of the Oblates of St. Joseph, will lead the Rosary and share a faith talk with us. This virtual event is free to attend. To register, please call (408) 447-5433 or email at admin@ghswomenscenter.com

<https://rosaryapril8.eventbrite.com>

Year of St. Joseph Pilgrimage Sites

The plenary indulgence is granted under the usual conditions (**sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father**) to the faithful who, with a spirit detached from any sin, visit any of the following 10 pilgrimage sites within our Diocese for the Year of Saint Joseph through December 8, 2021. Until it is safe to visit these sites in person, spiritual or virtual visits may be made by actively participating a livestream Mass from one of these locations with devotion and full attention to the Eucharist.



St. Joseph Cathedral Basilica, San Jose
www.stjosephcathedral.org



St Joseph Parish, Mountain View
www.sjpmv.org



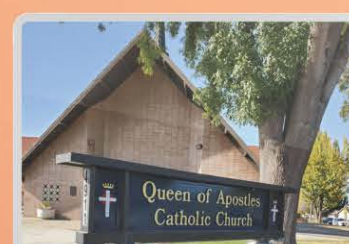
Our Lady of Peace, Santa Clara
www.olop-shrine.org



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Vietnamese Catholic Center, San Jose
www.trungtamcgvnsj.org



Our Lady Star of the Sea, Alviso
www.olsalviso.org



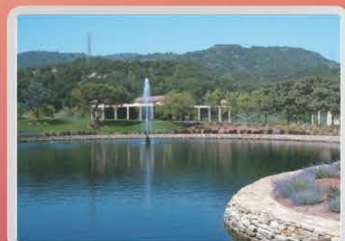
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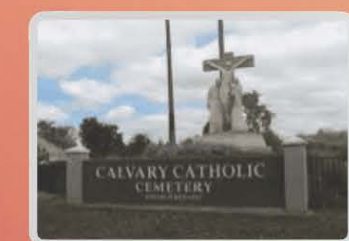
Saint Mary Parish, Gilroy
www.smpgilroy.org



St Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Los Gatos
www.stmaryslg.org



Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Los Altos
www.cfcssanjoze.org



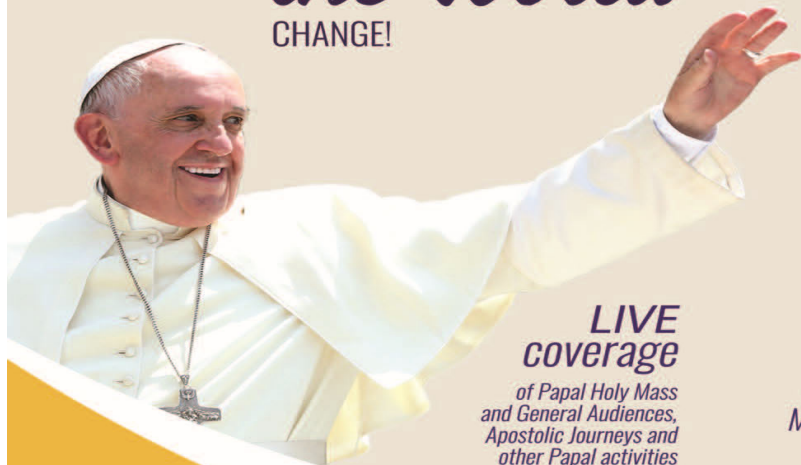
Calvary Cemetery, San Jose
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