



Holy Family Parish

4848 Pearl Avenue, San José, California 95136-2701
www.holyfamilysanjose.org

June 26, 2016 ❖ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to Holy Family

Newcomers Gathering second Sunday of the month at 10:45 in the Parish Office. Our next one will be **July 10**.

Eucharist (Mass)

Saturday: 8:30 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 8 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am, 6 pm
Monday: 8:05 am
Tue – Fri: 7:30 am
Holy days: As announced
Holidays: 10 am
Vietnamese Mass: Saturday 7:30 pm

Parish Office Hours

M-F Mornings: 9:30 am—12 pm;
Mon, Tue, Thu: 1 pm—7:30 pm
Wed, Fri: 1 pm—5:00 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 2 pm
Sunday: 9 am - 1 pm

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“The Lord Is Near”

My son, Xavier, was three years old when he disappeared at Whole Foods. For ten harrowing minutes, I ran down every aisle calling out Xavier’s name, and the supermarket staff blocked all the store’s exits. My heart raced. *Please God let me find him. Let him be in the store.* My prayers were quickly answered. Xavier was hiding underneath a display in the produce section. He was giggling as though we were playing a trivial game of hide-and-seek. I was so angry at this little boy but so thankful to God that He answered my prayers.

If you’re like me, crying out to Jesus in times of crisis and desperation is very easy. Sometimes, it’s harder to remember to communicate with God when life is placid and routine. St. Teresa of Avila, who encouraged people to pray at least 15 minutes a day, once lamented, “How often I failed in my duty to God, because I was not leaning on the strong pillar of prayer.” It’s comforting that even a great saint struggled with the call to pray, but like Saint Teresa of Avila, we are called to get back on the prayer wagon because it is a necessary foundation of our faith. God asks us to be in constant communication with Him, to “persevere in prayer” (*Romans 12:12*).

As someone very interested in health and fitness, I was pleased to learn that prayer was not only good for the soul but the body as well. Recent scientific studies showed that prayer not only had positive spiritual manifestations but it was also good for us physically. For example, *The American Journal of Psychiatry* released a study that showed prayer alleviates depression; *The Journal of Behavioral Medicine* stated that prayer increases people’s capacity for pain; and the *International Journal of Psychiatry in Medicine* found that senior citizens who prayed were less at risk for elevated blood pressure. However, it’s important not to view prayer as a mere technique to achieve physical health.

Prayer humbles people before God, and it reminds us of our dependence on Him. It tethers us to the Almighty, allowing us to seek His help when life goes awry, like when children are sick or when we’re between jobs. However, even when the storm passes, prayer is available to help us seek God’s guidance on life’s regular events and challenges: *How can I forgive someone who has hurt me repeatedly? Who and what should I vote for in the next election? Where should my family go on vacation? Should I continue my relationship with a particular person? Where should my children go to school?* Prayer is the means by which we involve God intimately in our daily lives. It is the vehicle that allows us to develop a relationship with Jesus, our Savior and friend. So let’s set aside at least 10 to 20 minutes daily to sit with Him in prayer because He “is near to all who call upon Him” (Psalm 145:18).

- Guido F. Persicone

Daily Prayer

Just checking in...Have you established a new or increased your existing prayer life? If you have, wonderful! If you’re trying, great! Keep trying. If you haven’t started, now is a good time. Get a “prayer partner,” just someone to give you some accountability. Check out the article “90 ways to pray” on our parish Facebook page. Remember, if you’re just starting, set yourself some realistic goals and make them happen. You won’t regret it.

A Few Words About our Facilities

At the request of our Pastor, Fr. Andrew, the Buildings, Grounds and Safety Committee has been developing plans for the implementation many physical changes to our parish facility.

Currently the parish has engaged the services of an architect who will create the sets of plans required for permits from the City as well as for the approval our stakeholders and the Diocese. It is our hope to have the design portion of the project completed within the next few months with construction to start as funding permits.

Starting with the construction of a new walkway to ease the access from the parking lot on the southwest corner of the church across the front of our church to the landing at the entrance to the vestibule. The proposed walkway will be +/- 9ft in width, with curbing and handrails, and will be capable of accommodating funeral processions as well as ingress and egress for those who are handicapped in addition to the able bodied. The implementation of the walkway will allow for the removal of the existing wooden handicapped access which is sorely in need of replacement.

In addition, to the walkway a retaining wall will be constructed of slump stone masonry at the edge of the current sidewalk on the side which is closest to the church. The wall will be at a height that will enable it to be used for seating as well.

Our existing “Holy Family Parish & School Sign” at the front of our campus along Pearl Avenue has served its purpose for many years and it has deteriorated to the point where it is in desperate need of replacement. We are proposing to replace the sign with a new one that has both interior lighting for nighttime visibility as well as programmable LED display that will highlight upcoming events of interest. We are in the final stages of receiving approval for the new sign from the City of San Jose and hope to have it installed this Fall.

Fr. Andrew has also asked our Committee to replace the cross that at one time was positioned above the vestibule. The architectural team is currently in the process of generating plans for our selection of sizing and materials and, after review of a structural engineer, will be delivering viable suggestions as well as preliminary plans.

During the coming weeks we plan to have our parking lot re-sealed along with fresh striping. Prior to the re-sealing, all of the “speed bumps” will be removed and replaced with appropriately placed “speed humps.”

We announce these projects to advise you of the changes that are coming and to solicit your financial support which is drastically need. Please give generously as we are trying to enhance and beautify the home of our Lord and Savior.

Rick Bressani, Chair
Building, Ground and Safety Committee

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays: 12 pm - 3 pm
1st Fridays: 8 am – 5 pm Benediction

Infant Baptism

Preparation can begin before or after the birth of your child.

Call 408-265-4040 for more info.

Christian Initiation

(Baptism, Confirmation, Communion)

If interested in the Catholic faith or completing the sacraments of initiation as an adult, youth or child, contact 408-265-5374.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays, 4 pm - 5 pm,
or by appointments at 408-265-4040.

Ministry to the Sick

Communion or Anointing of the Sick can be arranged for the sick or homebound at 408-265-4040.

Wedding

Couples should contact a priest at 408-265-4040 at least six months prior to the proposed date of wedding.

Upcoming Events

June 27 – July 2 Life Teen Camp

July 4 *Holiday—Parish Office Closed*
Mass @10am

July 11-15 Vacation Bible Camp

July 17 @12:30pm Parish Picnic

July 19 Summer Movie Nights Begin

July 29 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Aug 6 Mercy Doors Pilgrimage

Sep 16-18 Festival –Hands of Mercy,
Hearts of Joy



Holy Family School News

School is out for the summer. It will be very quiet now without students and staff around.

Have a fun and safe summer! See you in August!

Next week: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 2 & 3

| Liturgy Focus | Date | Time | Music | Presider |
|-----------------|---------|---------|------------|------------|
| Reconciliation | Sat 7/2 | 4:00pm | | Fr. Andrew |
| General | Sat 7/2 | 5:30pm | TBA | Fr. Edsil |
| General | Sun 7/3 | 8:00am | AFG | Fr. Andrew |
| Children's Mass | Sun 7/3 | 9:30am | Seraphim | Fr. Andrew |
| General | Sun 7/3 | 11:15am | Kat Sylvan | Fr. Edsil |
| Youth | Sun 7/3 | 6:00pm | Life Teen | Fr. Edsil |

Daily Mass Intentions

Jun 25 5:30pm Joy Baker +
 Jun 26 8:00am Michael Glen Fulkerson +
 9:30am Catalina Aspiras +
 11:15am Gianenzo Pacheco +
 6:00pm HF Parish & School
 Jun 27 8:05am Robert Laurel
 Jun 28 7:30am Anne Piazzon +
 Jun 29 7:30am Florence DeRiano +
 Jun 30 7:30am Luis & Isabel Lara +
 Jul 1 7:30am Souls in Purgatory +
 Jul 2 8:30am Mr. & Mrs. Ferraz +
 5:30pm Souls in Purgatory +
 Jul 3 8:00am HF Parish & School
 9:30am Maria Ai Pham +
 11:15am Maria Binh Pham +
 6:00pm HF Parish & School

Please Pray

- ◆ For those who have died:
Marlene Duley
- ◆ For those who are ill:
Vincent Martinez

Saint Vincent de Paul Needs New Members

Our Holy Family St. Vincent de Paul Conference membership is dwindling. We have lost one member in May and expect to lose a second member soon. That leaves us with seven active members to meet clients three times per week.

SVdP at Holy Family performs outreach to the local community. We help the needy with food and rental assistance, as well as power bills.

In 2015, SVdP provided over \$47,000 in assistance to the needy in our area. We also have our annual Backpack, Christmas, and Easter Basket Projects.

Please consider becoming a member of our enthusiastic group.

Call the Church Office (408-265-4040) and let them know you are interested.

Buildings & Grounds Collection Next Week

Your generous support helps us keep our facilities well-maintained and safe.

Thank you.



Give Blood "The Gift of Life"!

Your Knights of Columbus and Stanford Blood Center are holding a blood drive. THIS Sunday, June 26th from 8:30am - 1:00pm. Come to the Bloodmobile in Holy Family's East (rear) Parking Lot. Sign up in the office, after Mass, or on-line at www.sbcdonor.org.

Donors must be at least 17 years old and 110 lbs. Final eligibility will be confirmed before donating.

First time donors are especially welcome - its easier than you think.

Please prayerfully consider donating this Gift of Life for others.

Eucharistic Adoration

You're invited to the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in the chapel on Friday, July 1st. Exposition begins at the end of the morning Mass, around 8am, and concludes with **Benediction at 5pm**. Sign up for a 30-minute time of prayer to enable others to come and go during that timeframe. For brief visits with the Blessed Sacrament it is not necessary to sign up in advance.

Monthly Knight's Breakfast

Our Knights of Columbus invite all to attend our monthly Parish Pancake Breakfast NEXT Sunday. Serving begins following the 8 am mass and ends at 11 am. Families new to or visiting the parish receive a free breakfast with the "Welcome" cards provided at the start of each mass!

Save the Date:

July 29th Volunteer Appreciation Social. Stay tuned for more details!

Stewardship Report

June 18 & 19

Offertory by Mass

Saturday, 5:30pm.....\$1,742.00
 Sunday, 8am.....\$2,654.00
 Sunday, 9:30am.....\$2,470.67
 Sunday 11:15am.....\$2,967.98
 Sunday 6pm.....\$408.91
 Received in Office.....\$1,426.00
 Bank Adjustment.....\$23.23
 Parish Pay Receipts.....\$2,207.00

Total.....\$13,899.79

2nd Collection

Community Center/Youth Hall:
\$1,039.18

Thank you for your generosity.

HOLY FAMILY PICNIC

Holy Family Picnic – Potluck style!
 We'd love for you to join us for picnic & fellowship!
 July 17th at 12:30pm in Murphy's Meadow.

A-L: Side dishes or salad
 M-Z: Desserts

Holy Family is providing: burgers, hot dogs and drinks.

Bring your lawn chair or picnic blankets and join the fun!

All are welcome!

Catholic Roadmap

Sunday is the feast day of Saints John & Paul, two brothers who were beheaded because they chose to do God's work rather than to follow the false god of prosperity. Take a moment to pray that we will have the strength to follow their example.

Festival 2016 Hands of Mercy, Hearts of Joy

Mark your calendar September 16 – 18, for the Holy Family Festival. The Festival Organizing Committee is forming. We meet the first Thursday of each month at 7pm. There are a couple of open position on the Festival Committee: Sponsorship, and Food Distribution. To learn more about these position please contact Jerry Lane, jerryflane@earthlink.net.

Silent Auction is seeking and accepting your donations for this year's auction at Festival. Consider donating a timeshare, time at your vacation home, special dinners, items or services from your business, wine, hand-crafted items, a themed basket, and other new or collectible items. Contact Karen Lane at kcslane@yahoo.com or 408-799-6452 with questions or if you need someone pick up your item.

Dementia and Alzheimer's Support Group

Are you or someone you know dealing with dementia or Alzheimer's?

Wednesday July 27 from 6-7:30pm at the Carlton Senior Living, 380 Branham Lane.

Carlton Senior Living has partnered with VITAS Hospice to provide a free support group for families challenged by dementia and Alzheimer's disease. A light dinner will be served.

RSVP: 408-972-1400

You need not be a resident or have someone at the Carlton or in hospice care to be a part of this group. There's no obligation to join.

It's Easy Being Green

That feline favorite, catnip, is quite useful. The plant (part of the mint family) attracts butterflies, bees, and birds, repels mosquitoes and cockroaches, eases aches from a cold (add to bath), and makes a great poultice--and it's all natural!

50+ Singles Group

Meets the 3rd Sunday at 12:30pm for Rosary in the Chapel and meeting following in the Hope Room. Dee Stolpe 408-225-7386...deestolpe@yahoo.com

August 6th, Holy Family Parish Mercy Doors Pilgrimage

Sign-up in the parish office
To keep our cost down, we ask you to bring your own lunch.
There will not be a charge for the pilgrimage.

Support the Kitchen Renovation Project

You are invited to submit your "tried and true" recipes for our Holy Family International Cookbook SUPPLEMENT coming out this summer. Please include a family story with your recipe if you have one. AND do we have a deal for you! Submit 5 or more recipes, and you will receive the supplement for FREE. We are especially looking for recipes that are Gluten-free, Kids in the Kitchen, Backyard BBQ, and Vegetarian/Vegan. Email your recipes to Gary Miskimon at macvguy69@gmail.com. Please use the forms on the website or get one in the Church office. Submission Deadline: June 30th. Questions: contact Kathryn Gray at kgray@dsj.org.



Keeping our Loved Ones Safe

For violations of the Safe Environment Program you may contact the Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults Office at 1-408-983-0144 or protection@dsj.org.

Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Are you an adult, teen or child over the age of 7 and have questions about the Catholic Faith? Are you interested in learning more about how to receive Baptism in the Catholic church? If so, please come and talk with us. Conversation sessions are Sundays at 10:40am for adults and Wednesdays at 4pm for children and teens. No registration needed, just drop in! For more information contact Kathy in the Parish office kbohac@dsj.org.

Columbiettes

Women's Fellowship and Service
Barbara Jorgensen - 408-778-7328
Barbara_Jorgensen@msn.com
4th Thursday of each month.

Bookstore

Community Center
Sundays, 9am—1pm

Ministry of Consolation

Support, Care & Service before, during and after grief.
Contact George 408-226-6606.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

If you know a parishioner who would like to be visited, please call the Parish Office.

Stephen Ministry

One-to-one Christian care-giving ministry for those experiencing life's 'hurts' and struggles.
Contact George 408-226-6606.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

For emergency financial assistance, call the parish office for an appointment

Prayer Line

Leave a prayer request message with Jeanette, 408-723-0445.

Rosary

Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the Chapel

Charismatic,

Contemplative Group

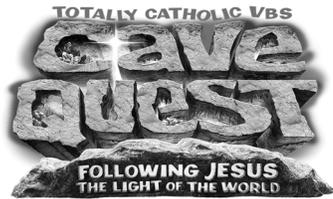
Praise and worship & quiet meditation, 4-5pm, Hope Room.
Annie Esget at 408-386-4062.
1st, 3rd, and 4th Sundays.

Encore Amour -- Re-Married

Encoreamour.webs.com
Joe & Laura Trovato,
408-295-4793

Knights of Columbus

Men's Fellowship & Service
Eugene Okafor: 408-500-8852
gene_okafor@sbcglobal.net
Members meeting, 7pm,
1st Thursday of each month.



Vacation Bible Camp

Beginning July 11 - 15th, our church will be getting a subterranean makeover as we begin a gem of an adventure at Cave Quest VBC! Kids will worship

Jesus through songs and prayer, experiment with Sciency-Fun Gizmos, and discover life-changing Bible truths in fun and memorable ways.

To have the best adventure possible, we need lots of volunteers who can give some time, energy, and love to the kids who will attend. Please check out the following list, and then pray about how YOU might be a part of VBC:

Crew Leaders: Shepherd a mixed-age group of five elementary children through each day's activities...and there's no preparation!

Crew Leaders for preschoolers: Be a friend and helper to a group of five preschool children...again, no preparation required!

We'd also love to have a...

Registration team

Decorating team

Adults to baby-sit small kids for parents volunteering

We believe that God will use this incredible program to reach many children with the ultimate message of his love, so please prayerfully consider your role in Cave Quest VBC.

Campers and volunteers can sign up on the parish website. Contact: cfenn@dsj.org

Scripture Studies

Monday mornings (10 am - noon) We are on summer break. Join the "Joy of Love" Book Study, at the same time. Contact Donna Holt 408-371-3682 or goodsamnurse@gmail.com for questions.

Tuesday evenings (7-9 pm) Faith Room. We are currently on our summer break. Fall session TBD. Will start back September 27th. A great resource: The Word Among Us (www.wau.org) for daily scripture reflections!

Thursday evenings (7:15-9 pm) Hope Room "The Word is Alive" Bible Study. Ongoing—All are welcome. Questions, contact GinaT@mac.com.

"The Joy of Love" Book Study

Please join us for a summer reading group to explore Pope Francis' latest interesting and very readable teaching "The Joy of Love". We meet on Mondays at 10am to noon. All are welcome. Each week we will discuss a chapter or two of Pope Francis' new pastoral approach to various topics. Feel free to come to all of the sessions or just the ones of most interest to you. For more information call or email Laura Trovato 408-348-4793 blueturbogranny@aol.com



EDGE has finished it's semester on the Creed, stay tuned for Summer activities.

Life Teen is on Summer break. Please keep us in your prayers as we spend the months of June traveling to different retreats and camps.

Holy Homework is over for the year. See you again this fall.

All registration forms are available at holyfamilysanjose.org (under Faith Formation/Youth & Young Adults)

Contact Jeff Gans for more info at 408-265-8650 or jgans@dsj.org

Mornings of Recollection

In honor of the Year of Mercy, the Discalced Carmelite Friars at Mount St. Joseph (12455 Clayton Rd, San Jose) hold a Day of Recollection on the first Saturday of each month during the Holy Year. Schedule: 9am – Mass, 10am – conference, 11am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Priests will also be available for confession at this time. Noon – Benediction.



Little Lambs Play Group

1st & 3rd Friday's from 10am-12pm

Little Lambs provides parents and caretakers of newborns, toddlers and preschoolers a chance to meet others in our parish. Come and visit informally with other parents and caregivers while the children socialize with their fellow parishioners too! The group meets the first and third Friday of each month from 10am-noon in the Faith Room. No need to register. Just come when you can. Contact: kiragardin@yahoo.com.

Discernment Retreat Weekend

August 5-7, Friday, 4pm until Sunday Noon. for single Catholic women (age 18 to 40). Is God calling you? Come and find out!

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose, 43326 Mission Circle, Fremont
RSVP and Register online at www.bit.ly/discernRLife
www.msjdominicans.org.

Support for the Homebound

If you have not seen someone at Mass for a long time, they may be stuck at home with an illness that keeps them from coming to Mass. Listen to the Holy Spirit speaking to your heart. If you feel moved, give them a call and check-up on them. Ask if they want to receive Communion at home (then call the office 408-265-4040.) Or if you're not one already, with training, you could become a communion minister for the homebound.

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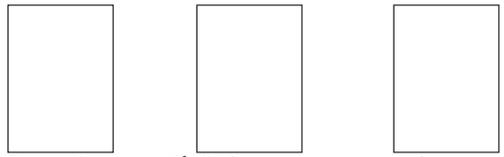
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