



Holy Family Parish

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October 16, 2016 ❖ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to Holy Family

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

Eucharist (Mass)

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

Parish Office Hours

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

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Faith Formation.....408-265-5374
Life Teen /Edge.....408-265-8650
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Communion of Saints

“What is the Church if not the assembly of all the saints? The communion of saints is the Church.” (CCC 946) The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) builds us a beautiful picture of who we are and where we belong and it leaves no one out. Again, the Catechism states, “Since all the faithful form one body, the good of each is communicated to the others.” (CCC 947) It goes on to tell us that the riches of Christ are communicated through the sacraments. As Christ is the head of the body (the Church) and all is communicated through the body, we must be aware that if one of our brothers and sisters is missing from our assembly, our assembly is not complete.

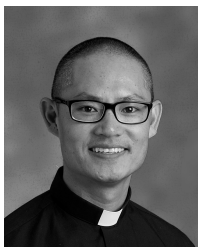
We truly believe that each of us has a role to play in the community where we worship, and indeed in our larger community we are brought closer to understanding the communion of saints. It is so much larger than we can fully contemplate; in fact, even when we die we do not stop being in that communion, spiritual goods are still exchanged between those who live on this earth and those who sleep in the peace of Christ.

Two Saints that the church can rely upon for their constant intercession are St. Dominic and St. Therese of Lisieux. Intercession is when we pray on behalf of another. When your child is ill and you pray for God’s healing, that is intercession. We can ask for the intercession of the Saints in any and all circumstances. But why would we even want to ask for their prayers? What good would their prayers do? The Church teaches that those who dwell in heaven fix the whole Church more firmly in holiness. The Saints that have lived before us and have shown us a good, moral way to live desire to keep doing so even after they have left this life. They are our brothers and sisters and they have “fraternal concern” for us. Through that concern our weakness is greatly helped. We are strengthened to resist evil and to do good.

If you are curious about Saints, the communion of Saints, or have any unanswered questions on this topic, you can find out more in the Catechism of the Catholic Church beginning in paragraph 946 continuing through 962.

Please join us for our next Adult Faith Formation opportunity, Gaudium in Itinere, on October 19th at 6:30 pm in the Community Center. Dolores Davis, Len Piazzon and Gil Gruber will share even more about the communion of Saints!

Kathy Bohac
Faith Formation Associate / Liturgy Coordinator



A Message From Our Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As our festival team met and finalized everything, “Hands of Mercy, Hearts of Joy”, the results were very impressive due to the sacrificial work of so many dedicated individuals. The meeting ended with so much enthusiasm and energy, not only as everyone saw the positive impact of the festival team as we continue to build a more vibrant community, but also the amount money we raised. Although we may still have some unknown reimbursements that need to be made, it is fair to say that we raised about \$60,000, which doubled last year’s profit. The reasons for the increase of this year’s profit are that of those existing booths that are constantly bringing life and benefits each year to our festival. This year we had more sponsorships, a significant increase in profit of the Silent Auction and, above all, from the sale of raffle tickets.

Traditionally, we support our school with what we make from our festival. For at least ten years, the school has received \$30k - \$40k on average each year. Due to our prior arrangement: if we made above \$50k the school got \$50k and the rest went to the parish. Therefore, our school will receive \$50k as arranged. Perhaps, this amount is not much compared to \$3.5 million that the school needs to run yearly, but it is a very significant amount because the school has not received this much from our festival’s profit in years. Again, thanks much to our festival team as well as to our school’s effort in making our community all the more faith-filled and vibrant.

In regards to our festival, Jerry Lane and Chris Schmitz are the most experienced leaders and they have done such a wonderful and gracious job for our community. Not only that, but they also look beyond the current leadership and wanted to recruit and support our future leaders. Their vision and love for our community is deeply appreciated. It is in this line of thought that our festival leadership for next year has also been shaped accordingly. Our next year’s festival leadership will consist of a core team made up of Aileen Styczynski, Trudy Ehlenberger, Richard Racz, Chris Schmitz and Jerry Lane. This core team will equally share their responsibilities and leadership among the team members. They will work side-by-side with me in any hard decisions that need to be made. I am very grateful to Jerry and Chris for suggesting this leadership structure in order for them to pass on their experience and enable potential leaders to step up. I am also very appreciative to Aileen, Trudy and Richard for their willingness in taking up these responsibilities as new festival leaders.

May God continue to shower His grace upon our festival team, our community and especially our festival core team. Together, let us look forward to our Festival 2017 with great enthusiasm and love for Christ in building His Church on earth.

God bless,

Fr. Andrew Vu Nguyen

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 & Homebound

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

- Oct 16 11am Faith Formation CC
- 12:30 pm Youth Lector Training
- 2 pm Children’s Play in CC
- Oct 28 6 pm Edge Lock-In CC
- Oct 19 Adult Faith Formation Series
- Nov 1 All Saint’s Day
(Holy Day of Obligation)
- Nov 2 All Soul’s Day
- Nov 5 Dinner Italiano



Holy Family School News

Our parish school will be holding its Fall Open House on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you or someone you know are looking for a school for your child grades Preschool to 8th, please join us at our open house to learn more about our school. For more information or to schedule a tour, visit our website at www.holyfamilyschoolsj.com or call 408-978-1355 X 129.

Next week: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 22 & 23

Liturgy Focus	Date	Time	Music	Presider
Reconciliation	Sat 10/22	4:00pm		Fr. Edsil
General	Sat 10/22	5:30pm	SBC	Fr. Andrew
General	Sun 10/23	8:00am	AFG	Fr. Edsil Dcn Ray Preaches
Young Families	Sun 10/23	9:30am	AFG	Fr. Edsil Dcn Ray Preaches
General	Sun 10/23	11:15am	SJB	Fr. Andrew
Youth Mass	Sun 10/23	6:00pm	Life Teen	Fr. Andrew

Children's Liturgy of the Word Prayer Leaders Needed

Do you love children and helping them learn how to worship God in the Mass? Consider being a prayer leader for Children's Liturgy of the Word! Prayer leaders assist children to participate in the Mass at an age appropriate level, and prepare them to be a part of the community. If you or someone you know is interested in being a prayer leader for Children's Liturgy of the Word, please contact Christina Fenn (cfenn@dsj.org).

What is Children's Liturgy of the Word?

Children's Liturgy of the Word is for kids (3-7 years old) to participate in the Mass at an age appropriate level. During the 9:30 AM Mass, children are invited to the chapel to listen to the Word at their level, reflect on the readings, and pray the prayers of the faithful – just like the assembly! Children's Liturgy of the Word is not a class session or a teaching time – but a time for children to fully and actively participate in the liturgy. Please pray for Children's Liturgy of the Word prayer leaders, and all of the young disciples of our parish!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat—November 11-13 at Mt. Hermon Retreat Center offered by Real Options Pregnancy Medical Clinics

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offers support to anyone whose lives have been impacted by abortion in any way. It is an opportunity to examine the experience, identify ways it has affected your life, and start the healing process. Find comfort in the reassurance of God's love, mercy, forgiveness and acceptance. **Retreats are offered at no cost to attendees and are completely confidential.** These retreats are endorsed by the Diocese of San Jose. The retreats usually fill up. **To register go to www.realoptions.net/hope or call 408-837-0990.**

Stewardship Report

October 8 & 9, 2016

Offertory by Mass

Saturday, 5:30pm\$1,223.25
 Sunday, 8am.....\$2,099.60
 Sunday, 9:30am.....\$3,674.50
 Sunday 11:15am.....\$1,838.05
 Sunday 6pm\$1,040.36
 Received in Office\$4899.67
 Credit Card Receipts \$380.00
 Parish Pay Receipts.....\$12, 378.67
Sub Total.....\$27, 534.10

2nd Collection:

First Friday:\$394.00
 Community Center:\$1,986.78
 Total Collections:\$29,914.88

Thank you for your generosity.

More Hospitality Ministers Needed for All Masses

We are in need of more hospitality ministers at all of the masses. The ministry duties include greeting and seating people, taking up the collection, and just being available for any parishioner needs during the mass. Contact the parish office.

Mass Intentions

Oct 15 8:30 am Faith Formation Families
 5:30 pm Ronald Piccoli +
 Oct 16 8:00 am Jitsuko Hashimoto+
 9:30 am Archie Hampton
 11:15am *HF Parish & School*
 6:00 pm Luis Ramirez
 Oct 17 8:05am Jitsuko Hashimoto +
 Oct 18 7:30 am Jitsuko Hashimoto +
 Oct 19 7:30 am Luis Ramirez
 Oct 20 7:30 am Angelina Castardo DeForge +
 Oct 21 7:30 am Nguyen Family +
 Oct 22 8:30 am Ernstfried Werry + & Family
 5:30 pm Luis Ramirez
 Oct 23 8:00 am *HF Parish & School*
 9:30 am Joe Faraj +
 11:15am Ramon Viernes+
 6:00 pm *HF Parish & School*

Please Pray

- ◆ For those who have died: George Vick, Joe Faraj
- ◆ For those who are ill: *Luis Ramirez, Arius Johnson, Lyle Meacham*

Questions at End of Life: A Catholic Perspective (free)

Wed. Oct. 19, 7 – 9 pm St. Joseph Conference Room, The Chancery 1150 N. First St. San Jose
 Presenter: Fr. Joseph Benedict
 Sponsor: Catholic Cemeteries

MARRIED COUPLES

Getting ready for school means lots of time spent on your children. After school begins, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a **World-wide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 11-13th at Val-lambrosa Center, Menlo Park. For more information visit our website at: **sanjosewwme.org** or contact Ken & Claranne at **applications @sanjosewwme.org** or 408-782-1413.

Small Things Count

Did the wrong people win in the last election or did the propositions go the wrong way? Did you do your part by voting? What's disturbing is that far fewer than half of registered voters actually vote. That means that less than half of those registered—NOT half of American citizens—make decisions for all of us. Our faith requires us to exert our influence whenever we can in order to bring about just laws. We aren't doing that, though, if we leave the decisions to that small percentage of people. We have another chance in November. Between now and then, register to vote if you haven't yet done so and encourage others to do the same. Go online to the Registrar of Voters or pick up a form in the Faith in Action literature rack in the vestibule. Get it sent in. With vote-by-mail, voting is so easy. If you forget to mail in your ballot, drop it by any precinct on Election Day. Voting is not only an American right and responsibility, it's being a conscientious Catholic.

Dinner Italiano

6th Annual Dinner Italiano, a fundraiser for the Community Center Kitchen Renovation.

Saturday, November 5, 6-10 pm
Adults: \$25 (\$30 after Oct. 25th)
Children under 12: \$5.00

Tickets on sale after Sunday Masses and in the Parish office during the week.

Menu: Antipasto, salad, several pasta dishes including gluten-free, meatballs, savory Italian desserts

Bring your family and friends for a fun evening of good food, music, and games.

Beyond Happily Ever-After—A Story of Conversion

Performed by Young Sounds of Praise (St. Thomas Aquinas Parish), Dance for Joy (Holy Family Parish) & Soaring Spirit Dance Ensemble

Sunday, October 16 - 2:00 p.m., Location: Holy Family Community Center

Come and see how Disney's princesses overcome the challenges of evil as they work to bring about conversion of heart in those who would do them harm.

A ballet for children of all ages!!

Catholic Roadmap

Have you thought about nuclear proliferation as a Pro-Life issue? If you value life, it's a big one. The U.S. Department of Defense, for at least 15 years, has had a blank check to upgrade and increase the number of nuclear weapons in our arsenal. In the Presidential race, however, we hear that more is needed, and even that a first strike might be OK. This is directly opposed to Catholic teaching.

Read more here:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/war-and-peace/nuclear-weapons/>

FINAL SURVIVAL SACK COLLECTION

Two weekends from now (Oct. 30) is our final collection for 2016 of items for our annual Survival Sacks for the Homeless. We'll pack all the items on Dec. 3 into backpacks for Sacred Heart to distribute to our homeless brothers and sisters. We still especially need men's undershorts, women's socks (no shorties, please), deodorant (esp. uni-sex), small (individual size) 1st aid kits, lip balm, toothpaste (6 oz. tubes), and washcloths. Please drop them off in the vestibule. And, always, pray for an end to homelessness.

Veteran's Day Breakfast

Please join us and spread the news about our One-Stop Center hosting a FREE Breakfast for Veterans and their families on November 11, 2016 from 8am-10am, located at 304 North 6th Street, SJ CA 95112. RSVP is required at 408-401-1090. A special thanks to AACSA and Midtown Family Services for helping us move this hefty project along and supporting veterans and their families.

Knights of Columbus

Men's Fellowship & Service
Len Piazzon: 408-268-5196
lepazz@hotmail.com
1st Thursday of month at 7pm

Bookstore

Community Center
Sundays, 9am—1pm

Ministry of Consolation

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

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

50+ Singles Group

3rd Sunday, 12:30 Hope Room
Dee Stolpe 408-225-7386
deestolpe@yahoo.com

Columbiettes

Women's Fellowship and Service
Barbara Jorgensen - 408-778-7328
Barbara_Jorgensen@msn.com
last Thursday of month at 6:30pm

Pre-K – 5th Grade Faith Formation

Faith Formation has begun! We are off to a great start this year, using *Finding God* a curriculum from Loyola Press.

You are welcome to join! Sessions are from 11 AM—12 noon. Please contact Christina Fenn for more details.

If you love Jesus and want to share that love with our young disciples, we are recruiting for Faith Formation **teachers, assistants and floaters**. Email or call Christina to volunteer. cfenn@dsj.org

Sacred Scripture Study

An opportunity to grow in *your* Faith! A new study began the last week in September.

Jesus said “This is my Body” and “This is my Blood.” Some say they’re merely symbols of remembrance. Others say they’re really the Body and Blood of Christ, but can’t explain how that’s possible. The Eucharist is the center-point of the Mass – but why?

Acclaimed author and scholar Dr. Brant Pitre will tackle those questions and more in **Lectio: Eucharist, Discovering the Mass in the Bible**. In ten sessions, YOU will open Sacred Scripture and deepen your understanding of the mystery and wonder that is the Eucharist – and how it will transform your life.

All are welcome, especially first timers to a Bible study!

Please ‘reserve’ your study guide now...

Morning group meets: Mondays 10 am – 12 noon
Please contact Donna Holt, phone 408.371-3682
goodsamnurse@gmail.com

Evening group starts: Tuesdays 7-8:45 pm Please contact Terry G, tgetti@aol.com text: 408.497-9276

Holy Family's Seraphim Choir Recruiting for Band Members

Is your child familiar with playing any musical instrument and wants to improve on technique? Seraphim's assistant director, Hugo Garcia, is offering his support and guidance to instrument players with the hopes of forming a band. This is an opportunity for your child to learn to play together in a group, learn music theory, and learn how music connects to the Mass and to Jesus. It is also an opportunity to play in upcoming school, parish, and youth events. Rehearsals take place every Monday, from 5:30-6:30pm at Holy Family Church. We hope you can join us! Feel free to contact Hugo Garcia at hugogarcia.music@gmail.com for any further information. Thank you!

 LIFE TEEN



Join us in **EDGE** this week as we help the youth understand what true freedom is and how to combat the increasing peer pressure they will face as they are growing up.

In **Life Teen** we will encourage teens to be merciful by participating in the works of mercy. We will be examining the corporal and spiritual works of mercy as we are made of both body and spirit, and the entire person is in need of mercy.

Holy Homework is looking for more volunteers to help supervise during the week. Please visit holysfamily.ivolunteer.com/holyhomework to sign up.

Life Teen Inspiration at Six Flags Magic Mountain is coming up on November 5th. Contact Jeff for more details.

Don't forget to sign up for our **EDGE Halloween Lock-in** on October 28-29. All Middle School students are invited!

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

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

GAUDIUM IN ITENERE

Faith Formation for Adults

Gathering 6:30pm in the Community Center, snacks and beverages will be served. Presentation 7-8 pm. Please join us for an introduction to the series and inspiration to continue drawing close to Jesus.

Mark your calendars for the next in our series:

Oct. 19th Living as the Communion of Saints presented by Len Piazzon, Gil Gruber & Dolores Davis
Come grow in your relationship with Christ, and deepen your understanding of our Catholic faith.

Questions? Please contact the Faith Formation office

“As its first goal, faith formation helps adults to acquire an attitude of conversion to the Lord. This attitude fosters a baptismal spirituality for adults. It leads them to recognize and repent of sin in their hearts and lives, to seek reconciliation through the sacraments, and to embrace the invitation and challenge of an ever-deepening faith in Jesus. It means putting on the mind of Christ, trusting in the Father's love, obeying God's will, seeking holiness of life, and growing in love for others. Deepening personal prayer is a significant means toward growth in holiness in daily life.” --- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Word is Alive

Thursdays 7:15-9 pm in the Hope Room.
We are currently studying the prophet Isaiah.
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