



Church of OUR LADY OF PEACE

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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21, 2016

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CONVENT SUPERIOR

Mother Maria Regina Pacis, SSVM
Servants of the Lord and Virgin of
Matara

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday Vigil: 5pm and 7:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9 am, 10:30am,
12pm, 2pm & 5pm, 6:30pm (Spanish)
& 8pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

8am, 12pm, 5:15pm; also 7:30pm
Wednesday & 8am Saturday

First Friday: 8am, 12pm, 5:15 pm, &
7:30 pm

HOLY DAY MASSES

Please see our website or contact the
Rector's Office

CONFESSIONS

Sat: 3:30pm - 5pm

Other Times: During all Saturday &
Sunday Masses.

Mondays: 12:00pm & 5:15pm Masses

Tues — Fri: 8:00am, 12pm, 5:15 pm
Masses

2800 MISSION COLLEGE BLVD.

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40th Anniversary of Perpetual Adoration at Our Lady of Peace Church

1976



2016



The Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Peace Church has been continuously adored
24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days per year since August 1976.

OUR LADY OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH & SHRINE MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Peace is a church and shrine dedicated to the greater glory of God and the salvation of souls.

It is a place of prayer & pilgrimage with:

- Perpetual adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
- Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Frequent celebration of the Sacraments, particularly the Eucharist and Reconciliation
- Integrated formation of the person (spiritual, moral, intellectual and emotional)

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

This August 20th, we've had the great joy of celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Perpetual Adoration in our Church, the precious legacy of Msgr. Sweeny to our parish. Indeed, it is a remarkable gift that we should treasure and make it grow. I'm deeply grateful to all the members of the Perpetual Adoration Society and to all the adorers for their faithful commitment to adore the Word Made Flesh in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I also would like to thank Bishop Joseph McGrath for having given us the privilege of celebrating this day us.

The Holy Eucharist is indeed the "inestimable gift" of Christ to us, before which the only fitting response is adoration.

St. John Paul II had written in his *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*: "The worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass is of inestimable value for the life of the Church. This worship is strictly linked to the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The presence of Christ under the sacred species reserved after Mass—a presence which lasts as long as the species of bread and of wine remain—derives from the celebration of the sacrifice and is directed towards communion, both sacramental and spiritual. [...]" (25)

See with what tenderness the Holy Father speaks of Eucharistic Adoration: "It is pleasant to spend time with him, to lie close to his breast like the Beloved Disciple (cf. Jn 13:25) and to feel the infinite love present in his heart. If in our time Christians must be distinguished above all by the 'art of prayer,' how can we not feel a renewed need to spend time in spiritual converse, in silent adoration, in heartfelt love before Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament? How often, dear brother and sisters, have I experienced this, and drawn from it strength, consolation and support!" (25)

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament is a practice, repeatedly praised and recommended by the Magisterium, and it is supported by the example of many saints. JP II quotes in this regard Saint Alphonsus Liguori, who wrote: 'Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us.' The Eucharist is a priceless treasure:" continues the Holy Pope, "by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." (Cf. 25)

Here I'd like to quote some other saints' phrases with a two-fold purpose: on one hand, to give a small token of recognition to the beautiful yet silent apostolate of the adorers; and on the other hand, to encourage others to join us in the holy occupation of adoring our Blessed Lord in the Sacrament of Love. Here is what the saints said:

"Eucharistic Adoration is the most necessary mission to the Church, which has even more need of prayerful souls than of powerful preachers or men of eloquence." St. Peter Julian Eymard.

"Priestly, religious and missionary vocations will stem from your Holy Hour." St. John Paul II.

"A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory." St. Padre Pio.

"Perpetual adoration extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond." Blessed Pope Paul VI.

"There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become docile pupils of adoration." St. John XXIII.

"If souls but understood the Treasure they possess in the Divine Eucharist the Churches would overflow with adorers no less by night than by day." Blessed Dina Belanger.

My dear Friends in Christ: "The Church and the world have great need of Eucharistic adoration. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and contemplation full of faith. And let us be ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.!" (St. John Paul II, *Dominicae Cenae*)

May our Eucharistic Lord bless you all!

Fr. Gustavo Nieto, IVE

General Superior

Announcements

We joyfully welcome all visitors to the Shrine

Next Week's Second Collection:

Cross Catholic Outreach.

To celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has commissioned Missionaries of Mercy that will be visiting our parish next weekend. They will speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries.

Knights of Columbus

Invite you to Coffee and Donuts after all Sunday morning Masses

Altar Society

Invite you to a bake sale after all Sunday morning Masses and the Cenacle at 3pm.

Intentions to the Blessed Mother

Please see pgs. 5 & 6 of the bulletin for a chance to send an Intention to the Blessed Mother which will be placed in the Shrine on Sept. 11th

Mary of All Nations Exhibit

We are currently accepting submissions for statues and other artwork of Our Lady.

Please see pg. 4 for submission guidelines

Bulletin Reminders

The deadline for submitting promotional materials to the bulletin for parish events in the month of September is Wednesday, August 24th.

Catechism Enrollment

Opens on August 30th. Please see pg. 9 of the bulletin

Nine Month Novena in Preparation for the Centennial of the Fatima Apparitions

Dear Fathers, Brothers, and Friends,

Between the 13th of May and the 13th of October in 1917 the six apparitions at Fatima—with its message of repentance, comfort, warning, and singular protection—took place. In May of next year, we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of this memorable event which has left a deep mark not only on the Church of the twentieth century, but also on Marian devotion, on the Christian conscience, and even on the actions of some Popes (pilgrimages to her shrine, the revelation of the secrets announced by the Blessed Virgin Mary to Venerable Sr. Lucia and to Blessed Jacinta and Blessed Francisco, as well as the consecration of the world to Mary's Immaculate Heart). As is known, the prayers of our Mother, and those intentions that She asked the Church to pray for—the world and some countries in particular (Russia)—were decisive in the events of the end of the last century, in a special way in the fall of Soviet empire, one of the most anti-Christian empires in whole history.



Ours is a time full of lights and shadows, of hopes and of the predication of future storms, of political uncertainties and doctrinal confusion, some of them unlike ever before. Today, as in so many crucial moments, we need the particular intervention of this protective Mother and a new triumph of her Immaculate Heart. Once again the Church goes through history "amid the persecutions of the world and the consolations of God" (St. Augustine), and many hearts are troubled by anxiety and uncertainty. The proximity of the next celebration is a special opportunity to call upon our Mother with all of our strength.

A unique way to prepare for the centennial of her protecting providential help is with a novena, though not of days, but of months. Beginning in August, which starts tomorrow, we have exactly nine months before next May. That is why, from the General House of the Institute, we want to guide and make our own this initiative that was presented to us by Father Miguel Angel Fuentes.

It is the following: without overloading the regular activities with which we already express our Marian devotion, but rather by ordering and emphasizing them, we can make this work of preparation an opportunity to express a distinctive Marian devotion that should characterize us on account of our fourth vow of Marian slavery.

Our proposal consists in joining together these nine months by devoting each one of them to exalt one of the main privileges of Mary and performing some activities, of which some are listed below, as well as all those you would like to add (recitation of the Rosary in community or in family, a continuous recitation of the Rosary on some occasions, pilgrimages to her shrines, etc.).

The privileges that we should keep in mind in each of the months are the following (all of them can be found in the work of Antonio Royo Marín, The Virgin Mary, or in any of the good treatises on the Blessed Virgin Mary, all of which are easily found online):

- 1) August: Mary's Predestination
- 2) September: The Immaculate Conception
- 3) October: Mary's Perpetual Virginity
- 4) November: Divine Motherhood
- 5) December: Spiritual Motherhood
- 6) January: Marian Co-redemption
- 7) February: Mary Mediatrix of All Graces
- 8) March: The Assumption of Mary into Heaven 9) April: Mary Queen of the Universe

In each of these months several activities could be performed.

1. To celebrate all Saturday Masses in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary as the liturgy allows.
2. To preach on the Blessed Virgin Mary at least two Saturdays each month, if possible on the privilege to which the month is dedicated.

We thank Fr. Miguel Angel Fuentes for having taken the initiative to make this nine-month novena and we wish you all a very fruitful preparation to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria in 2017.

In the Incarnate Word,
P. Gustavo Nieto, IVE
General Superior

P. Ricardo Clarey, IVE
Pro-secretary



New Assignments with the IVE Sisters

With the promise of prayers and an abundance of gratitude we would like to announce that Mother Regina Pacis has received a new mission.

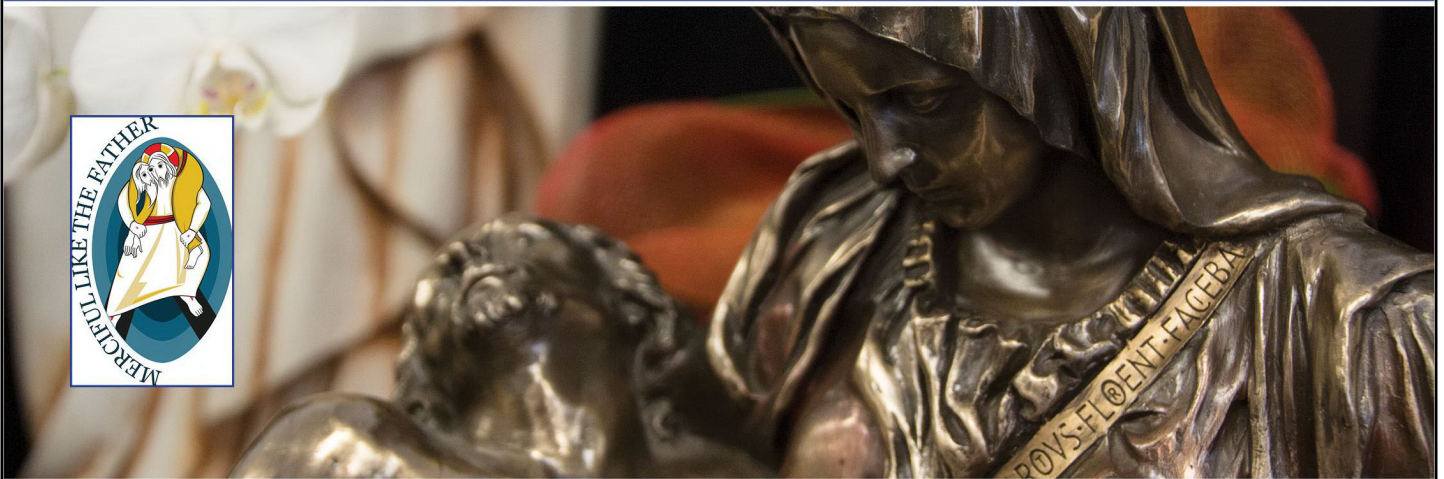
Mother Pacis will soon enter one of our Monasteries as a Contemplative Sister for the SSVM, where we know she will be praying for our community of Our Lady of Peace. Thank you Mother Pacis for your service to God and to this community these past 3 years.

On September 15th we will warmly welcome Mother Maria de la Caridad as new superior of the sisters at Our Lady of Peace. Mother Caridad is from Argentina, and lived in the United States for 12 years in various missions including as superior in the SSVM Juniorate and Novitiate. She is now returning to the United States after serving as Provincial Superior in Northern Europe for the last 6 years.

We congratulate Mother Pacis and Mother Caridad on their new missions and assure them of our prayers!

MARY | MOTHER OF ALL NATIONS

Exhibit Coming Soon!



ABOUT THE EXHIBIT

"MARY, MOTHER OF ALL NATIONS" IS AN ARTISTIC EXHIBIT OF STATUES AND IMAGES OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER FROM DIFFERENT NATIONS/CULTURES... REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY.



EXHIBIT SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 7TH - SEPTEMBER 11TH

WED. - FRI.	1PM TO 8PM
SAT.	10AM TO 8PM
SUN.	10AM TO 6PM

FAMILY LEARNING CENTER
ROOM 1101-1103

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

You are all encouraged to submit for consideration any painting, framed image, or statue of Our Lady to be displayed at the exhibit. **It should be approved for use in a Church and can be brought in to be exhibited.** This is a wonderful opportunity to share your image with others as a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you would like to submit, please fill out and return the submission application provided by **August 24th, 2016**



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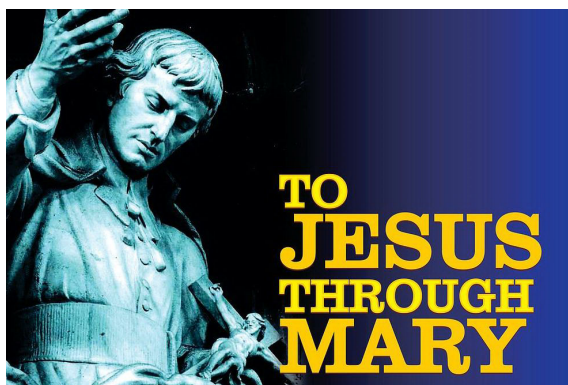


CELEBRATION OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

You and your loved ones are cordially invited to join us for the
Annual Placing of Prayer Petitions into the Heart of Mary on:

September 11th
after the 2:00pm Sunday Mass

To participate, please fill out the form on the reverse page, write down your prayer petitions, thanksgiving and/or names of loved ones. You may also attach an 8.5x12 page full of petitions but please do keep your document one sided, unstapled, unfolded, and untaped as they are scanned. You are most welcome to return it to the rectory (via collection basket, mail, or in person) with your sacrificial gift (see form) in the enclosed blue envelope. The deadline is September 1, 2016. Your tax-deductable donations will be utilized by the parish to maintain the Shrine.



The Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary Program
at Our Lady of Peace Church and Shrine is based on St. Louis de Montfort's book True Devotion to Mary. This program consists of 33 days of prayer and exercises which help purify souls to prepare one for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary.

In this program, there are two different periods assigned to these exercises:

- The first period includes 12 days of exercises employed in casting off the spirit of the world which is contrary to Jesus Christ
- The second period consists of 3 weeks: the first devoted to the Knowledge of Ourselves, the second devoted to the Knowledge of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the third devoted to that of Jesus Christ.

All Consecration Participants will consecrate together on November 19, the Vigil of the Feast of Christ the King at the 5pm mass at Our Lady of Peace Church & Shrine. Prayers can be recited at one's home if one is unable to go to the church.

For more information, visit: www.consecrationgroup.org



Follow @OLOPShrine on Social Media for more updates on events at Our Lady of Peace

You are always welcome at Our Lady of Peace Church and Shrine where our church doors are open 24 hours per day, 7 days a week.

- ◆ *We celebrate Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation over 30 times a week to over 5,000 individuals.*
- ◆ *We have over 800 children in our religious education program.*
- ◆ *Many conferences and resources are available to help you grow in holiness.*

We invite you to bookmark our website and visit our special events section often.

www.olop-shrine.org



SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Saturday, September 10th

Please fill out this form (or attach an 8.5x11 sheet of paper) and include with your offering in the enclosed envelope to Our Lady of Peace Church.

Name: _____

Card Billing Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____

Zip: _____ Tel: _____

(important)

Petition:

Credit Card Authorization: (Name and address shown above should match billing name and address)

The issuer of the card indicated below is authorized to pay the amount shown upon proper presentation. I promise to pay such TOTAL subject to and in accordance with the agreement governing the use of such card.

Credit Card: (Check One) Discover Master Card Visa

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Authorized Signature : _____

Date: _____

We appreciate Our Lady of Peace Shrine and wish to pledge our support with our enclosed offering of:

\$125

\$50

\$80

\$25

Other: _____

Checks Payable to: "Our Lady of Peace Shrine" or use Credit Card Authorization below.



Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, August 20th

- 8:00 AM + Leonida D. Ibanex, Death Anniversary
 5:00 PM Amelito Panergo, Health
 7:30 PM E. Bowers, Birthday & Family, Special Intentions

SUNDAY, August 21st

- 7:30 AM FOR THE PEOPLE
 9:00 AM Basilia Caboluna & Ridney Cabaluna, Health
 10:30 AM +Michael T. Nguyen, Special Intentions
 12 NOON Michael Uche Ajawara Egonu, Health & Thanksgiving

- 2:00 PM Jason Floro & Floro Family, Birthday & Thanksgiving
 5:00 PM +Maura & +Sheila Gallagher
 6:30 PM Ramiro Hernandez & Adriana Medino, Thanksgiving
 8:00 PM John Perez, Birthday

MONDAY, August 22nd

- 8:00 AM +Carmen & +Jose R. Abuan, Death Anniversary
 12 NOON Rolly Herrera, Thanksgiving
 5:15 PM +Daniel McQuillan Jr. & +Rose Johnson

TUESDAY, August 23rd

- 8:00 AM Fr. Stout & Irene Stout, Special Intentions
 12 NOON Wildanger Family, Special Intentions
 5:15 PM Thao & Hoang

WEDNESDAY, August 24th

- 8:00 AM Joycelyn Ann George, Birthday
 12 NOON +Liz Ahumada, Death Anniversary
 5:15 PM +Felix Ty
 7:30 PM Luisa Fernandez & Estelita Fernandez, Health & Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, August 25th

- 8:00 AM +Terrence Valladares, Death Anniversary
 12 NOON +Joseph Peter Hieu
 5:15 PM Hipolito Esposo & Hazel Narciso Alabado, Birthday

FRIDAY, August 26th

- 8:00 AM Herbert Merida, Special Intentions & Thanksgiving
 12 NOON Phile & Quangle Family, Health
 5:15 PM +Marianito Ignacio, Special Intentions

SATURDAY, August 27th

- 8:00 AM +Alex DeLipski
 5:00 PM Special Intentions pm)
 7:30 PM +Rolando Cayabyab, Death Anniversary

Weekly Offering

Thank you! May God reward you a hundredfold!

Weekend Totals: August 7th

Sat. 5:30 pm..	\$2,402.00	Sun. 12 Noon ..	\$2,713.00
Sat. 7:30 pm..	\$1,047.00	Sun. 2:00 pm ..	\$1,476.00
Sun. 7:30 am ..	\$8,417.00	Sun. 5:00 pm ...	\$2,111.00
Sun. 9:00 am..	\$2,711.00	Sun. 6:30 pm ..	\$1,242.00
Sun. 10:30 am ..	\$3,022.00	Sun. 8:00 pm ..	<u>\$2,044.00</u>

Offering Total: \$27,185.00

Second Collection: \$6,839.00

Offices and Ministries

RECTORY (408) 988-4585

Monday: 9am-4:30pm (closed 12-1)
 Tue. - Fri. 9am-7pm (closed 12-1pm);
 Sat. 9am-1pm; Closed Sunday

CATECHISM (408) 988-7648

Tues. & Thu. 9-11:30am & 5:30-8pm
 Wed. 9-11:30am & 3-6pm
 Sat. 9am-1pm

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDU. (408) 988-7543x1113

Tue. - Fri. 2 to 7pm
 Sat. 9am-1pm

LIBRARY (408) 988-4585x1214

Sun.-Tue. 9am-5pm,
 Wed. 1pm-3pm, Fri 9am-5pm

GIFT SHOP (408) 980-9825

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 1-(800) 557-1961

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, AND FUNERALS

Please contact the Rectory Office for more information.

Diocese of San Jose Ethics Point

You may use either of the following two methods to submit a report:

Select the "Make a Report" link at the top of this column *OR* Dial toll-free, within the United States, Guam, Puerto Rico and Canada: 888-325-7863

After you complete your report you will be assigned a unique code called a "report key." Write down your report key and password and keep them in a safe place. After 5-7 business days, use your report key and password to check your report for feedback or questions.

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 Do not use this site to report events presenting an immediate threat to life or property. Reports submitted through this service may not receive an immediate response. If you require emergency assistance, please contact your local authorities.

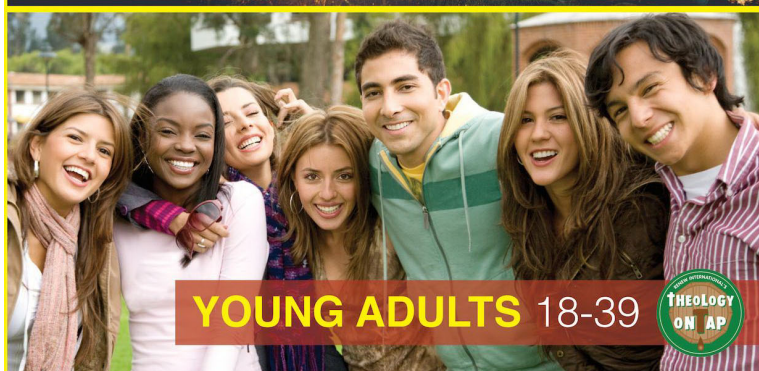
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RISE ABOVE THE CULTURE



YOUTH AGES 13-17



YOUNG ADULTS 18-39



PARENTS AND ADULTS

SEMINARS IN ENGLISH
& EN ESPAÑOL

NOVEMBER 4TH-5TH, 2016



Colin Nykaza

*"As the family goes,
so goes the nation,
and so goes the
world in which we
live."*

- St. John Paul II



Sarah Swafford

FREE ADMISSION WITH REGISTRATION

Register at www.riseba.org f t i @risebayarea2016

Our Lady of Peace Church - Family Learning Center ■ 2800 Mission College Blvd. Santa Clara, CA 95054 ■ Ph: (408) 988-4585



Saturday, September 17
7:00pm-9:00pm

**Monthly
Marriage
Enrichment**



Sal and Josephine Caruso have been parishioners at Our Lady of Peace since they were engaged. Father Sweeney officiated their wedding. They will share their views on having children and raising a new generation for Christ. They will also give testimony to the importance of preserving a strong bond of marriage and a healthy sense of humor through it all.

Our Lady of Peace Church,
Family Learning Center
All married couples are invited to attend.

DATE NIGHT is a parish ministry to enrich and support Catholic marriages. Attendees will learn not only what the Church teaches about marriage, but practical ways to apply the teachings to have a more joy-filled marriage.

For more information:
Greg & Claudia Schussman
408-643-1814 claudia.olop@gmail.com



If you want to help the senior community while beginning a health care career at Catholic Charities, our pre-CNA Course at might the thing for you. It gives you the training to become a Geriatric Home Aide and includes 104 hours of training, a 40-hour practicum, and guaranteed job placement with successful completion of the course. Orientation begins 9/21/2016, and classes will be held at our central Catholic Charities office at 2625 Zanker Road in San Jose. Classes be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesdays from 2:00pm - 6:00pm and will begin 9/26 through 11/23. The best part is the classes are FREE!

To make a difference and get more information please contact Irmela Vrankic at ivrankic@CatholicCharitiesSCC.org or call her at (408) 325-5171. Thank you





**Children and Youth
Religious Education Program News**
"The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." John 1:14



**Registration for Catechism Program
2016-2017**

Tuesday, August 30, 2016 -Thursday, September 15, 2016

We offer classes for:

Baptism (7 years old and up)

First Holy Communion (2nd grade and up)

Confirmation (7th grade and up)

**Continuous Education for children, teens, and adults who have
already received the Sacraments.**

**A copy of the Birth & Baptism certificates
is required for all classes**

Classes are offered for:

Children and youth grades K through 11 and adults

**Catechism Office hours:
ONLY DURING REGISTRATION:**

**Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00AM-11:30 AM
5:30 PM-7:00 PM**

Saturday 9:00AM-12:00 PM

IMPORTANT:

The Religious Education Office will be CLOSED until TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

olopccdooffice@servidoras.org Website: www.olop-shrine.org

SCHEDULE OF CHURCH DEVOTIONS

Full 15-Decade Rosary	Weds-Mon 6-7 PM
Santo Niño Novena	Mondays 7:00PM
Rosario en Español	Mondays 8:00 PM
Men of the Sacred Heart	Tuesdays 12AM-1AM
Holy Hour	Tuesdays 11AM
St. Anthony Novena with Mass	Tuesdays 6 PM
Rosary in Vietnamese	Tuesdays 8 PM
Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Mass	Wednesdays 7 PM
St Joseph the Worker's - Hour	Thursdays 7PM

On-Going Parish Activities

Thursday Mornings @ 10:45 A.M.

Pray the Rosary for the protection of the unborn and born babies at starting at 10:45 a.m. at the Mountain View Planned Parenthood (intersection of California & San Antonio).

1st Thursdays—Our Lady of Vailankanni Novena & Holy Mass

The novena will be at 7pm followed by the Holy Mass at 7:30pm.

Saturday Morning Roster for Altar Workers (August 27th):

Helen Hovland, Ellie Superio, Claudia Velasquez, Mila dela Concha

Saturdays @ 9:30 A.M.

Rosary Making Classes held in the Old Hall, 9:30 to 11 a.m. for adults & children (materials provided).

2nd Saturdays:

Rosary at the Shrine after 8am Mass for the beatification of Fr. Patrick Peyton, CSC

Last Saturday of the Month: @ 9:15 AM

Come pray the rosary in front of the Planned Parenthood abortuary at 1691 The Alameda (Taylor & Naglee), San Jose. Other pro-life activists have been picketing and providing help to future mothers at this site for several decades. Call Maria Christine at 408-398-4111

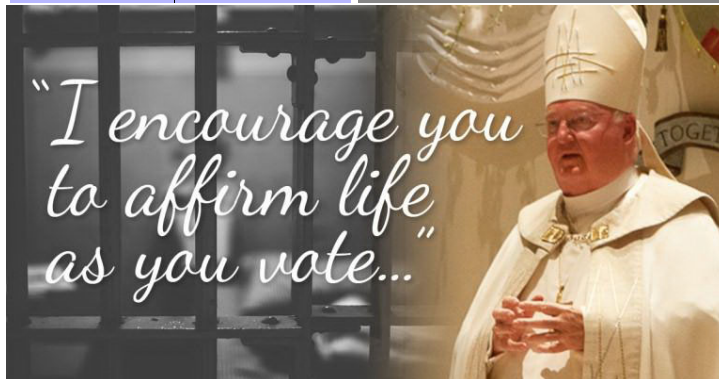
2nd Sundays: The next Lay Carmelite meeting will be September 11. Please contact Donna Rae Smith for further information: donareyesmusic@gmail.com

Fatima Mass: There will be a Fatima Mass every 13th of the month from May to October at 7:30pm followed by a procession.

Every 3rd Sunday

•Altar Society Bake Sale after all morning masses.

•Cenacle Holy Hour to pray for Priests, Seminarians & Vocations at 3PM



Bishop Patrick McGrath on Propositions 62 & 66

In these months before November, the electorate of California will prepare to cast ballots on a record number of propositions. Among these is Proposition 62, which would put an end to the death penalty, and Proposition 66, which seeks to expedite the application of the death penalty.

I join with the Bishops of California who favor Proposition 62 and oppose Proposition 66, and I appeal to Catholics of the Diocese of San Jose to do the same, to affirm that human life – all life – is a gift from God.

Society has the responsibility to protect the common good; however, the death penalty does not achieve this any more effectively than is possible within the prison system. In addition to this, the number of Death Row prisoners who have eventually been found to be innocent calls into question the viability of capital punishment. Among these is a disproportionate number who are members of minorities and/or the poor.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church echoes the teaching of popes, beginning with Saint John XXIII, against the death penalty. Most recently, Pope Francis declared that capital punishment “is an offense to the inviolability of life and to the dignity of the human person. . . It likewise contradicts God’s plan for individuals and society, and his merciful justice.”

I encourage you to affirm life as you vote in favor of Proposition 62, and against Proposition 66 on Nov. 8.



Mr. JOWELL TAN LIM, son of Edmer Yap Lim and Lolita Lim Tan, and **Ms. ANGELINE ONGLO YU**, daughter of Guillermo Cu Yu and Severina Chua Onglo, intend to marry on January 20th 2017 at San Tuaro de San Antonio Church in Makati City, Philippines. If you know of any hindrance or reason why they cannot or should not marry in the Catholic Church, Please notify the pastor immediately.

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Contact: Anthony Johnson 408 966 8744 or atjohnson@dsj.org

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