

Catholic Community at Stanford

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The **mission** of the Catholic Community at Stanford (CC@S) is to develop and form well educated, passionate, and faithful Catholic leaders in order to bring positive change to their disciplines, communities, Church, and world.

Sunday Mass: February 2, 2014 10:30 in Tresidder Oak Room 4:30 in Memorial Church 10pm in Memorial Church

Daily Liturgy:

M W F 12:20 in Memorial Church Th 12:20 in Old Union Sanctuary

Confessions

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30pm and 9pm-10:30pm 3rd Floor, 304 or 319 Old Union, by appointment: call 725-0080

Marriage

To arrange a Catholic Wedding, call the wedding coordinator at Memorial Church at 650-723-9531.

Infant Baptisms

Baptism is celebrated once per quarter. For more information, please visit http://catholic. stanford.edu/baptisms/eligibility.html or contact Teresa Pleins tpleins@stanford.edu.

Baptisms for the 2013-2014 academic year:

• May 18, 2014 (prep May 10)

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Religious Ramblings Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Christ Our Light February 2, 2014

fr Richard Conrad shows how the Saviour, coming into the world, burns like a candle.

St. Luke has run together two legal observances that Mary and Joseph fulfilled.

According to Exodus 13, every first-born male belonged to God. God delights to create human life, and does not want human sacrifice, so a human child had to be 'ransomed' - his life was 'bought' from God. The 'price' was due on the thirtieth day after birth, and did not require attendance at the Temple.

Leviticus 12 prescribes a purification sacrifice in the Temple forty days after birth (eighty days for a girl). This does not imply there is something 'wrong' with giving birth. Giving birth is wondrous; burying the dead a sacred duty - but some time after these 'awesome occasions' a ritual marked the transition back to 'ordinary time', rather as Jews wash their hands after touching the Bible, even though the Bible is not 'dirty'! Nevertheless, purification sacrifices were also part of the process for undoing sins and so spoke of the need for forgiveness.

So Jesus is brought to the Temple on the fortieth day, and welcomed by Simeon and Anna, two elderly people who sum up the long ages of hope sustained by prophecy. They stand for those many people to whom the Holy Spirit spoke God's promises, either in the depths of their hearts, or in the words of prophecy and in the rituals of the Law. All that grace - like the grace of Mary's immaculate conception - was of course given in view of what the Christ would do and suffer.

Hope had been mingled with fear. The Lord would come to His Temple - but who could endure the day of His coming? His presence would burn away the impurities that weigh down on our service of God.

The Lord comes to His Temple - as a Child, graciously willing to be carried in His creatures' arms. He dispels fear by His gentle 'homeliness'. He deepens our 'fear', for we recognise that this is both the Lord's Anointed - and the Light that enlightens everyone, the Creator whom the highest heavens cannot contain. This is Jesus, Yeho-Shua, the Lord whose presence is salvation. This is the Eternal Wisdom, who is God's beloved Child (Proverbs 8:30), who makes all things new and without whom the world would grow old and decay.

In the Holy Spirit, Simeon points to the unexpected - even ironic - way in which Jesus will vindicate the hope of Israel and invite all nations to welcome the promise. Even Mary and Joseph must marvel. Jesus, the penetrating Word, will show up the depth of human sin by being contradicted by His creatures. The source of their life will let them kill Him. Mary's First-Born, who was 'ransomed', shall make Himself a ransom for the many. At the cost of His human life, which He shall lay down for His friends and take up again, Jesus shall set us free from slavery and make us God's beloved children who share His divine life.

By handing Himself over into His enemies' hands, Jesus shall make Himself the sacrifice that truly has the power to undo our sins and turn us into God's friends. The sacrifice Jesus was to offer on the Cross was to mark the transition into a new age: we can follow Jesus the High Priest into the very presence of God and into the resurrection world.

The Church's liturgy for today incorporates a procession that was celebrated at this time of year in pagan Rome - a procession with lights for the purification of sins. For the Holy Spirit had awakened quite widely a sense of the need for forgiveness. The candles we carry to the Church recall Mary carrying Jesus the Light to the Temple, and call us with her to follow Him, our Brother and Leader, into the divine glory we glimpse in our Liturgy. A candle gives light by expending itself, reminding us of how Jesus sacrificed Himself to 'purchase' the world. In some liturgical traditions, such as the Dominican, the people offer their candles after the Gospel.

Our Liturgy continues with the consecration of the Holy Eucharist. Once again, the Creator is willing to be carried in His creatures' hands. In His presence we, like Anna, give thanks to God. We are drawn into that absolutely pure sacrifice at which Mary's soul was pierced. No wonder, then, that in certain mediaeval rites, the priest would recite Simeon's song when leaving the Altar after Mass: Mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation.

fr. Richard Conrad teaches dogmatic and sacramental theology at Blackfriars, Oxford.

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# GIVE IN LESS THAN A MINUTE!

"Each one should give what he has decided in his own heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

CC@S is a member-supported church. The life of our ministries depends on all of us. We have several ways you may make a gift besides the collection baskets on Sunday. You may download the free Paystik app and give a one-time gift using your credit card. Or you may give through your Paypal account at https://catholic.stanford.edu/giving/treasure.

If you have any questions, please contact M'Lis Berry at: meberry@stanford.edu.

#### **GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### You are Called & Gifted!

Every person through their Baptism and Confirmation is given special gifts or charisms by which God acts through that person to help others. Do you know your charisms? Consider taking the Called and Gifted Workshop on Friday, February 7, from 7pm to 9pm, and Saturday, February 8, from 9am to 4pm. Explore that unique work that God is asking you to do. You might be able to utilize this gift in the Church, at School, in work or in your family. One thing is certain, God wants to touch others through you. Registration: Sign up after Sunday Mass or Email Fr. Xavier (xavierop@stanford.edu) or Lourdes (lalonso@stanford.edu). Fee is \$25 for Students (that's 2/3 off) and \$50 for others (that's 1/3 off). Offerings to cover the total cost of the program are gladly welcome.

#### **Donations for a Local Women's Shelter:**

Stanford Students have opened "Heart and Home" Women's Shelter, a student run shelter that provides women with beds, meals and supportive services. They are requesting donations of cleaning supplies, unused toiletries, bedding and on-the-go food options. Donations can be dropped off in a box outside the Catholic Community offices on the 3rd floor of Old Union. Learn more at www.hhcollab.org/get-involved.

#### Choir:

We welcome all singers and instrumentalists to take part in the music ministries of the community. Each liturgy has its own music group, with various rehearsal times. Come and meet some new friends and get to take part in the Mass through the gift of music. For information, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

#### **ESTEEM:**

(Engaging Students to Enliven the Ecclesial Mission) is accepting applications for the 2013-14 program. ESTEEM provides undergraduate and graduate student leaders with theological and spiritual formation and leadership-effectiveness skills to better serve the Catholic community now and after graduation. We meet twice a month (Wednesday evenings). Contact Stephanie Phipps (sphipps@stanford.edu) or Matthew Colford (mcolford.edu) for further information.

#### Korean Catholic Community At Stanford (KC@S):

KC@S (/ka:s/) is a Korean catholic community at Stanford consisting of a number of Korean under/grad students, post-doc and community members at Stanford. During the academic year, we have a Friday night prayer meeting with various topics and activities to deepen our faith in addition to a lunch gathering on Thursday. For more information, contact Kyoungjin at kjlee99@ stanford.edu.

#### Friday Prayer Group:

"One-Friday-morning-a-month" prayer group meets at Old Union on campus. All are welcome! If interested call Jo Owen (650) 529-1105 for more details.

#### **Attention Catholic Singles:**

Interested in joining an excellent Catholic singles organization? The Catholic Alumni Club International currently has a group in the San Francisco area! We provide a group dedicated to social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. For more information, please check out the following site or contact Elinor at tancke@sbcglobal.net; http://catholicsingles-sfbayarea.com/



Stewardship of Time

My dad practiced law in an era when technology really began to take off. Suddenly, when law firms began to use telex machines, then faxes and finally email, laptops and cellphones, everyone was instantly "available" and expected to give instant responses. My dad used to bemoan the fact that by shortening the time it took to communicate and by making us all immediately available, boundaries on time and place became invisible. Dad felt that this sometimes infringed on our ability to craft an appropriate response, forge a meaningful relationship or communicate graciously with one another. Worse, it made it easier to treat everything that came across a device with the same urgency rather than giving each the attention and priority it deserved. How many times have we become mired in responding to emails rather than working on the big project that really deserves our attention?

Silicon Valley is rife with stories of people trying to juggle their time. We have honed our skills at multitasking, instantly responding, dealing with interruptions, and cramming more and more activities and responsibilities into the hours of our days. Time management is a burgeoning industry because so many of us feel constrained by doing everything we feel we need to accomplish or want to accomplish in the limited time we have.

Technology is just one of the many distractions we can allow creep into our 168 hours a week. Technology is by no means the villain. We often hear, "I don't have time." But we usually have time for what matters to us. It is we who are the managers of our time. How we use our time, or any of God's gifts, is a reflection of our true priorities.

As Christian stewards of the God-given gift of time, we are asked to do more than cram in more things to our limited hours. We are asked to prioritize our time through a prism of Christ's priorities. Are we treating everything of equal importance? Are we giving some matters more of our time and attention than we ought? Are we (gasp) wasting time?

God has given gifts to us abundantly – but not limitlessly. This week, you might take some steps to assess just how you are managing the wonderful gift of time that God has granted you. Keep a time log for a week. Or make time to quiet yourself enough to notice God's many gifts placed in your life. Spend time in relationship with God through prayer. Or here's a thought: maybe you just need some empty time of silence (which may look suspiciously like "wasting" time). Sometimes that kind of time is exactly what we need to get perspective and listen to God's voice.

As Christian stewards, we have been called to so much more than managing our time from moment to moment. We are asked to live intentionally. We have been shown a model in Jesus himself. Let's steward our time responsibly and gratefully.

# **Weekly Readings**

Monday, February 3 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 4 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 5 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 6 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd Mk 6:7-13 Friday, February 7 Sir 47:2-11 Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51 Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 8 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9-14 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 9 Is 58:7-10 Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16

#### **Catholic Community Podcast:**

You are invited to subscribe to Catholic Cardinal Reflections, the podcast of the Catholic Community at Stanford. We feature Sunday homilies, theological reflections, Newman Nights and the lectures from our class on the Second Vatican Council. Subscribe on iTunes or through catholic stanford edu/media/podcast

#### **Podcasting:**

If you attend either 4:30 or 10pm mass and would like to help with podcasting the sermons, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu for more information.

#### **GRADS**

#### **Catholicism 101 is on a New Night:**

Grad students, join us for Catholicism 101, a forum for graduate students and young adults that fosters community and open discussion. The Winter quarter brings us some special changes as we will meet on a new night. Join us on **Thursday** nights this quarter from 7-8:30pm for dinner and discussions. More information will be available in the weekly email. Let us know if you would like to be added to the grad email list by contacting Lourdes at lalonso@stanford.edu.

#### **Grad Bible Study:**

Sundays: Dinner at 6:30pm, Study 7-8pm, Rosary afterwards. All are welcome to a grad student Bible study. For more information contact cgiam@stanford.edu.

#### **YOUNG ADULTS**

#### **Dinner at Pluto's:**

Tues. Feb. 18th at 7:30pm, 482 University Ave., Palo Alto The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering. Please confirm your attendance on our Facebook Page "Young Adult Circle" or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

#### **Young Adult Mass:**

Tues. Feb. 25th at 7:30pm, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. The Young Adult Circle will be gathering for Mass in the Small Chapel at St. Simon Church in Los Altos. Celebrate the Eucharist with young adults (20's and 30's, single or married) from this and neighboring parishes with fellowship to follow. If you have questions or would like more information on the Mass, please contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

# Week at a Glance

# Sunday, February 2, 2014

- 10:30am in Tresidder Oak Room
- 4:30pm in Memorial Church
- 10pm in Memorial Church

#### Monday, February 3 - Friday, February 7

• Office hours (Tues - Fri) 10am - 4pm

Fr Xavier Lavagetto OP extended office hours: Tuesday to Thursday, 9pm to 10:30pm - 415 336-4203

#### **Daily Liturgy:**

M W F at 12:20 in Memorial Church T Th at 12:20 in Old Union Sanctuary

#### **Confessions**

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#### **Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary:**

Tuesdays, 9pm to 10:30pm Old Union, Third Floor Sanctuary

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

# St. Anthony Padua's Dining Room:

The CCAS is committed to serving the needy and homeless at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen in Menlo Park. If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday, Feb. 22 from 8:30 - 1pm or a subset thereof, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu to discuss and/or have a volunteer position reserved for you. The CCAS serves every first and fourth Saturday of the month, so plan your schedules in advance, and let Gary know at least by the Tuesday before. Jesus called his disciples to be fishers of men; you too can serve those who walk in darkness.

February 22, 2014 - 8:30am - 1:00pm

#### **Newman Nights**

Each Tuesday evening, 7:30pm, the CCAS' Center for Theological and Spiritual Formation (CTSF) offers presentations on the breadth and depth of Catholic Theology. Newman Nights are open to the entire community with special break-out sessions for RCIA, Confirmation, permanent community members, and students.

Check our website, our CC@S Newman App, our linkedin or our Facebook page for video and audio recordings of recent Newman Night talks.

Feb 4 Excellent Sex: Sexual Ethics from a Virtue Perspective

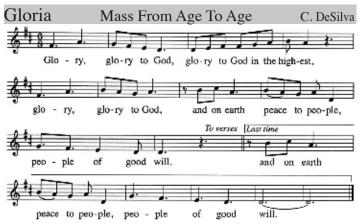
Feb 11 Transubstantiation: *Not* a Train in Russia

# The Catholic Community at Stanford University

# FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEBRUARY 2, 2014

Gathering

Spoken Introduction and Readings by the Presider



1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.



3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# First Reading Malachi 3:1-4

The prophet Malachi prophesied that the Lord God would send a messenger "to prepare the way." The Lord would appear at the temple and God will "refine and purify" the people.



# Second Reading Hebrews 2:14-18

Jesus was fully human. Through his death he frees all who live in fear of death. Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help all who are tempted.



# Gospel Luke 2:22-40

Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple to be consecrated. Simeon, a holy and pious man, took the child in his arms, and Anna the prophetess gave thanks to God.

# Apostle's Creed

I believe in God. the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried: he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

> I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory instrumental





- 1 My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my savior: You have looked upon your servant, you have visited your people.
- 2 I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward That my name will be remembered, for all will call me blessed.
- 3 I proclain the pow'r of God, you do marvels for your servants; Though you scatter the proud hearted, and destroy the might of princes.

- 4 To the hungry you give food, send the rich away empty. In your mercy you are mindful of the people you have chosen.
- 5 In your love you now fulfill what you promised to your people. I will praise you Lord, my savior, everlasting is your mercy.



#### **Wedding Anniversary Mass:**

We will once again acknowledge the couples who have honored the sacrament of matrimony, with their faith and love for God and their spouses, at our annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration.

This year, we are starting a new tradition. We are inviting newlyweds to join us!

Couples celebrating 5 years of marriage (or less), together with those celebrating their 25th, 40th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversaries are welcome to a Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph on **February 15, 2014**, at 2:00 p.m. The Mass will be bilingual in English and Spanish, and the couples will have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows.

A reception in the Cathedral's parish hall will follow.

If you need more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sylvia Blanch at 408-983-0128 or email her at sblanch@dsj.org<mailto:sblanch@dsj.org>.

#### **Taize Prayer:**

every 3rd Friday of the month (8-9pm)

Taize Prayer is an ecumenical service, open to all faiths. This prayer and song around the Cross is held in the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Chapel every 3rd Friday of each month from 8 to 9pm. In a spirit of peace and reconciliation, our TAIZE service is attended by people of all ages. Join us at 43326 Mission Blvd. (entrance is around the corner on Mission Tierra Pl), Fremont, CA 94539. For more information, please contact Sister Marcia Krause, OP at 510-502-5797. Please help us spread the word about this prayer service.