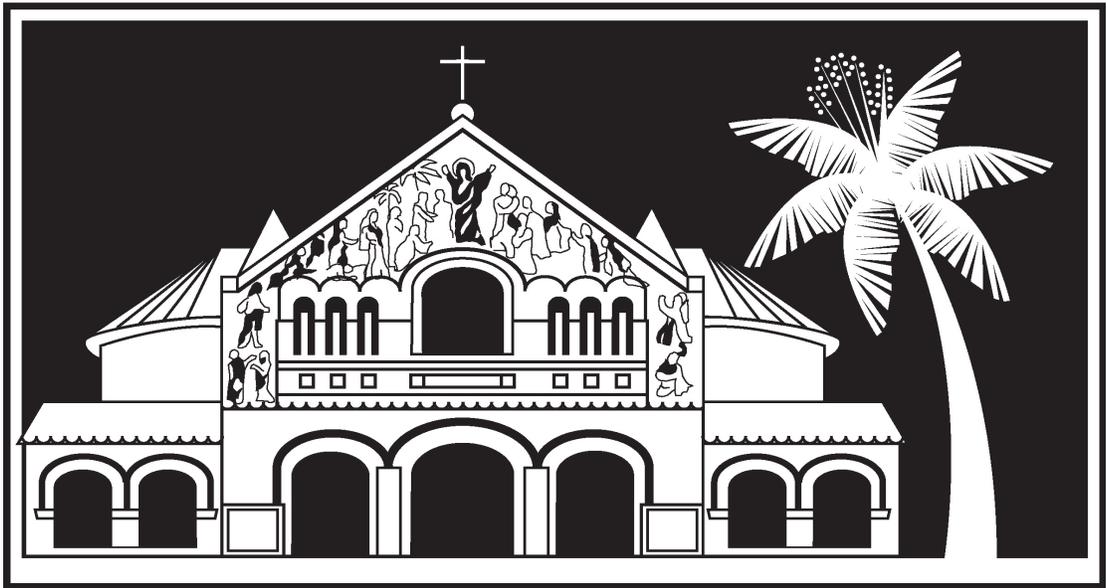


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Sunday Mass February 19, 2012

10:30am Tresidder Oak Room

3pm misa en español - Memorial Church

4:30pm Memorial Church

10pm Memorial Church

Daily Eucharist

no Mass on Monday, 2/20/12

Ash Wednesday Masses at 8am, 4:30pm, 8pm

plus Ecumenical Service at noon

T & Th 12:20pm Old Union Sanctuary

F 12:20pm Memorial Church

Confessions

Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm

Old Union, 3rd Floor, 304 or 305

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.

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May 20, 2012

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fr Aelred Connelly invites us to allow Christ to free us from the paralysis of sin.

The local football team from my part of Fife, Dunfermline Athletic, are nick-named 'The Pars', supposedly short for paralytic, from a period in the past when their fortunes were at a very low ebb. The paralytic in today's gospel story was unable to do anything for himself. He is carried on a stretcher by four men who strip the roof above Jesus and lower the paralytic before him.

Those gathered around Jesus expect a physical healing, but Jesus on his mission brings a much greater gift, the healing of the wounds of sin, which cuts us off from a relationship with our heavenly Father. This is foretold in today's psalm, 'The lord will help him on his bed of pain, he will bring him back from sickness to health. As for me, I said "Lord, have mercy on me, heal my soul for I have sinned against you."'

Like the paralytic in the Gospel, we are unable to do anything but confess our sins before the Lord. Healing and mercy come from him alone. 'Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralytic, "My child, your sins are forgiven."' He speaks as from the heart of the Father. Through his forgiveness and mercy, we become children of God, but this can only come through faith in his only Son, who has authority on earth to forgive sins. This is at the very heart of today's Gospel message. Jesus does indeed have the power to forgive sins.

The accusation in the hearts of the scribes is, in essence, what will send Jesus eventually to his death on the Cross. 'How can this man talk like that? He is blaspheming. Who can forgive sins but God? Yes this is happening in their very midst, proved by the miracle of physical healing. The paralytic goes off home restored in body and soul. So prophesies Isaiah in today's first reading: 'See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light, can you not see it?' The people in the Gospel praise God saying, 'We have never seen anything like this.' The deeper reality can only truly be seen with the eyes of faith.

This is not just God blotting out or not remembering our sins, but a making new of all things through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Paul assures us of this in today's second reading from the second letter to the Corinthians. 'Remember, it is God himself who assures us all, and

you, of our standing in Christ, and has anointed us, marking us with his seal and giving us the pledge, the Spirit, that we carry in our hearts.' These are the gifts of faith, hope and charity, received in Baptism, further strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation, and nourished by receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, are restored in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, most appropriately celebrated in the coming season of Lent.

During this time, and indeed throughout the Church's year, we follow the public ministry of Jesus as he preaches the Good News of the Kingdom of God, especially to those who experience being cut off for whatever reason from the loving mercy of God. In the early chapters of Mark's Gospel, we have seen Jesus choosing his closest followers sending them out in their turn to become fishers of men. St Dominic did the same with his earliest companions to preach the good news of salvation.

The same task and vocation is there for those of us following both Jesus's and Dominic's footsteps today. As I said to the young men of our small group-Masses in the prison where I work, it is in their interest to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, the permanent diaconate and the religious life. Their future access to the sacramental life of the Church may well depend on it. It is just one of the places where the preaching of the healing mercy of God is so needed in our time.

When we enter the Order of Preachers, we are asked, 'What do you seek?' and we answer 'God's mercy and yours'. It is only by being aware of the need for God's mercy that we are also made aware of the need to be merciful to our fellow human beings, and in turn probably to receive mercy from them. Only through that mercy can we be freed from the paralysis that comes from sin and the hardening of our hearts. God be merciful to me, a sinner.

*fr Aelred Connelly is a member of the house
of St Columba's parish, Glasgow,
and is chaplain to a Young Offenders' Institution.*

GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday Schedule:

Wednesday, Feb. 22

Masses at 8:00am, 4:30pm and 8:00pm.

Ecumenical service at noon.

Ashes distributed at all liturgies.

Spring Break Trip to El Salvador:

As you know, we are sending 12 from our community to El Salvador for Spring Break. They will travel all over the country in order to see how the Church positively influenced the people effected by the Civil War.



El Salvador: Bake Sale & Camping Gear Request

We are pleased to report that we have raised \$6,395 of the necessary \$16,000 needed for our Spring Break Trip to El Salvador! Our team of students are having a BAKE SALE after all the Masses this Sunday in order to further our goal. Come on down and eat all the sugar you can before you swear it off for Lent!

Also, if anyone is willing to lend us your camping equipment for the week of March 23-30 so that our students may use it for the trip, please let Fr. Isaiah know. God bless you all!

Called & Gifted: Thank You.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Called and Gifted Workshop. We hope that this was an inspirational time, a time where you can gladly discern your gifts from God and use them to bring about the Kingdom in our midst. You are all blessed! Let us share that blessing with others!

New Training for Liturgical Ministers:

We welcome anyone who is interested in joining the choir, serving as lectors, greeters, altar servers, or eucharistic ministers. If you've managed to survive the first quarter at Stanford and can now think about the REST of your life, please contact Teresa, tplains@stanford.edu. Service can take place around your schedule. The rewards for ministry are great--serving the Lord, deepening your bond to the community, making new friends!

Catholic Conference, March 23-25, 2012:

You are invited to prayerfully consider joining us at the largest annual gathering of Catholics in the nation! This year, Lourdes and a group from the Catholic Community at Stanford will travel to Anaheim, CA for the the 2012 Religious Education Congress. Learn about a variety of topics offered by nearly 200 speakers ranging from personal growth to theological topics. Experience liturgies representing a variety of cultures and traditions. Enjoy entertainment from a variety of Christian artists, composers, and filmmakers. The 3-day conference is open to all who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith or seek personal growth. Registration for RECongress 2012 is only \$70 and there will be additional expenses for lodging and transportation. For more information and to register, please visit <http://recongress.org/>. Lourdes Alonso will coordinate carpools and provide information on lodging. We welcome any assistance with contacts in the Los Angeles area that could help provide housing. Please email Lourdes if you have any questions at lalonso@stanford.edu.

If you care about how the past has influenced the present, look here:

When a small group of students founded a Catholic club at Stanford in 1903, no one could have predicted how a small off-site gathering would grow successively into a Newman Club and ultimately into a large Catholic Community located at the center of campus.

Put this coming April 17 on your calendar to hear about the history of our welcoming liturgy, lively music, and flourishing engagement in programs that foster both spiritual growth and community service. More information on panelists and content will follow, but remember this date and time:

Finding its Place: the Catholic Community at Stanford (presented by the Stanford Historical Society, planned jointly with CCAS) Tuesday April 17, 4:30 The Sanctuary, Old Union

For more information: Mary Jane Parrine parrine@stanford.edu

Vallombrosa Retreat Center

Vallombrosa Center is sponsoring the following retreats, workshops and events:

February 26, 2012: The Catholic Church in the World 2012: Healing in the Church 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Tom Plante, professor of psychology at Santa Clara University, will speak on Sexual Abuse in the Catholic Church: A Decade of Crisis, 2002 - 2012. A leading expert on the clergy sex abuse, Mr. Plante will have just returned from a worldwide conference in the Vatican on the crisis, and will give us his ideas on how far we have come in dealing with this devastating passage in our church's history.

March 2 – 4, 2012: Silent Private Retreat Weekend begins 4:00pm (March 2) and concludes after lunch (March 4)

Vallombrosa Center opens its doors several weekends throughout the year to people to make a silent retreat beginning Friday afternoon and concluding midday Sunday. There will be opportunities for spiritual direction, morning and evening prayer each day. The cost for the weekend is \$226.00-private, \$202.00-shared, all meals included.

March 18, 2012: The Catholic Church in the World 2012: Healing in the Church 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Our Sunday afternoon series continues with a talk on FORGIVENESS; "To Forgive or Not to Forgive: A Road to Happiness" led by Fr. Patrick LaBelle, OP. Growth in the Spirit is something that comes when we are at peace within ourselves and with the people and world around us. Getting to that peace is never easy. The Gospel mandate to "Love One Another" is not a suggestion. Rather it is the only certain way to finding peace. We will look at the most available means to that love: FORGIVENESS. Won't you join us at 2:00 pm for this thoughtful discussion?

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Marriage Enrichment Opportunities for the New Year!

Make Your Marriage Your Top Priority this Year! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to rekindle your romance and renew your marriage. The next weekend in the San Jose Diocese is Mar. 2-4, 2012 in Mountain View. For registration information go to www.wmme12.org or contact Thomas & Sandy Pavick at 408-262-4061 or gr8marriages@sbcglobal.net.

-Announcements for February 19, 2012-

Weekly Readings

Monday, February 20
Jas 3:13-18
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
Mk 9:14-29

Thursday, February 23
Dt 30:15-20
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Lk 9:22-25

Tuesday, February 21
Jas 4:1-10
Ps 55:7-8,9-10a,
10b-11a, 23
Mk 9:30-37

Friday, February 24
Is 58:1-9a
Ps 51:3-4,5-6ab,18-19
Mt 9:14-15

Wednesday, February 22
Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13,
14 and 17
2 Cor 5:20-6:2
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Saturday, February 25
Is 58:9b-14
Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, February 26
Gn 9:8-15
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Pt 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15

GRADS

Catholicism 101:

Purgatory in Scripture. Monday Feb 20 7pm
(Location Change!) Common Room, Old Union 3rd Floor.
We've all heard about Purgatory, but where is it mentioned in Scripture? At our next Catholicism 101 we'll go through the biblical and doctrinal basis for Purgatory, what it means to pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, and especially as we begin Lent, discuss some things the Church has available to us to decrease our time in Purgatory or even avoid it altogether. All grad students and young adults welcome. Dinner will be served. contact ireneo@stanford.edu with questions.

Students:

Learn more about your Catholic Faith, March 23-25, 2012
Spend your spring break in Anaheim, CA growing in your faith by joining us for the largest gathering of Catholics in the nation! Learn about this trip under "Catholic Conference" in the General Community Announcements section.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen:

The Catholic Community at Stanford is committed to serving the needy, elderly and homeless at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen in Menlo Park.

If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday, February 25th or Saturday, March 3rd from 8:30 until 1:00pm, please contact Michael Bova at mpbova2001@yahoo.com to have a volunteer position reserved for you. In general, the CCAS has the first and fourth Saturday's of the month reserved for us at St. Anthony's. So plan your schedules in advance and please join us in helping those in need"

Student Reflection after serving at Hotel de Zinc Shelter:

"Thank you for inviting me to partake in this opportunity to provide food and conversation to these women. They were all very nice and grateful for our cooking and baking. I was more than happy to share God's love with these women and just sit down with them to show them that they are not alone. They were all so thankful for the dinner we had made them, and they were pretty enthusiastic about sharing stories with us all. I'm also glad that I got to spend more time with my friends, while getting to know Lourdes and John as well." - AIG

Week at a Glance

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- 10:30 am - Tresidder Oak Room
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or by appointment: call 725-0080

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

Community Prayer Corner

2/14/12 - Please pray for Lourdes and her dad. - GC

YOUNG ADULTS

Dinner at Pluto's:

Tues. Feb. 21st 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. 28th 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.

Young Adult Bible Study:

Tues. March 6th at 7:30pm., Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. We will be finishing the topic "Genesis to Jesus" (<http://tinyurl.com/GenesisToJesus>) with the lesson "Fulfillment of the Promises". We meet regularly on the first Tuesday of each month. Please join us even if you have never attended a Bible study before!

For more info, see our website, www.YoungAdultCircle.org, check the Facebook Fan Page "Young Adult Circle", or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
FEBRUARY 19, 2012

Gathering Rain Down Jaime Cortez

Rain down, rain down, rain down your
love on your peo - ple. love, God of life.

VERSES:
1. Faith-ful and true is the word of our God. All of God's
2. We who re - vere and find hope in our God live in the
3. God of cre - a - tion, we long for your truth; you are the

1. works are so wor - thy of trust. God's mien - cy falls on the
2. kind - ness and joy of God's wing. God will pro - tect us from
3. wa - ter of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your

to Refrain
1. just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.
2. dark - ness and death; God will not leave us to starve.
3. peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

Gloria Mass From Age To Age C. DeSilva

Glo - ry, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est,
glo - ry, glo - ry to God, and on earth peace to peo - ple,
To verses: Last time
peo - ple of good will. and on earth
peace to peo - ple, peo - ple of good will.

Verse 1
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.

Verse 2
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are

Assemb.: D.S. Al.
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.

Verse 3
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 Isaiah 41:2-3, 4-5, 13-14

Isaiah prophesied for the Lord, "What is past, is past. Something new is to spring forth, for the Lord wipes out all our offenses and remembers no more our sins."

Psalm 34 The Cry of the Poor J. Foley

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless - ed be the Lord.
VERSES: Slightly faster

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise
2. Let the low - ly hear and be glad: the Lord
3. Ev - 'ry spir - it crushed God will save; will be
4. We pro - claim your great - ness, O God, your praise

1. ev - er in my mouth. Let my soul glo - ry in the
2. lis - tens to their pleas; and to hearts bro - ken God is
3. ran - som for their lives; will be safe shel - ter for their
4. ev - er in our mouth; ev - 'ry face bright - ened in your

to Refrain
1. Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
2. near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
3. fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.
4. light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Paul wrote to the church of Corinth that Christ Jesus anoints them and gives them the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation Mass From Age To Age

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Mark 2:1-12

Jesus healed a paralyzed man saying, "Child, your sins are forgiven." All were amazed.

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.

Amen Mass From Age To Age DeSilva

A - men, a - men, a - men.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Lamb of God Mass From Age To Age DeSilva

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

world, have mer-cy on us, Lamb of God. Lamb of

God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have

mer-cy on us, Lamb of God. Lamb of world,

grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion The Lord Is My Light L.Boukni

The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion, the Lord is my

light and my sal - va - tion, the Lord is my light and

my sal - va - tion; whom shall I fear?

Communion Precious Lord, Take My Hand G. Allen

Precious Lord, take my hand, bring me home through the night,
Through the dark, through the storm, to Thy light.
I have been to the mount, I have seen the Promised Land:
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

Precious Lord, take my hand, bring Thy child home at last,
Where the strife and the pain all are past;
I have dreamed a great dream that Thy love shall rule our land:
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

Precious Lord, take my hand, take Thy child unto Thee,
With my dream of a world that is free.
For that day when all flesh joins the glory Thou hast planned,
Precious Lord, precious Lord, take my hand.

Offertory What Wondrous Love Is This? Ed Nowak

What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?

What won-drous love is this, O my soul?

Invitation to Prayer

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Sanctus Mass From Age To Age DeSilva

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of

hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your

glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation: Mass From Age To Age

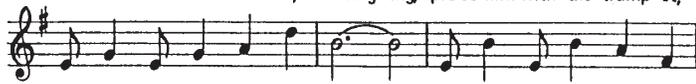
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-

claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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- VERSES:
1. Sing of the Lord's good-ness, Fa-ther of all wis-dom,
 2. Pow-er he has wield-ed, hon-or is his gar-ment,
 3. Cour-age in our dark-ness, com-fort in our sor-row,
 4. Praise him with your sing-ing, praise him with the trump-et,



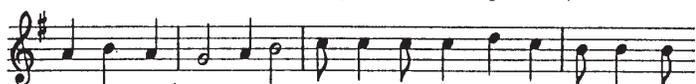
1. come to him and bless his name. Mer-cy he has shown us,
2. ris-en from the snares of death. His word he has spo-ken,
3. Spir-it of our God most high; so-lace for the wear-y,
4. praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cym-bals,



1. his love is for-ev-er, faith-ful to the end of days.
2. one bread he has bro-ken, new life he now gives to all.
3. par-don for the sin-ner, splen-dor of the liv-ing God.
4. praise him with your danc-ing, praise God till the end of days.



REFRAIN:
Come, then, all you na-tions, sing of your Lord's good-ness, mel-o-dies



of praise and thanks to God. Ring out the Lord's glo-ry, praise him with



your mu-sic, wor-ship him and bless his name.

Rice Bowls

last year we raised over \$540 to feed the less fortunate.
Your spare change counts.

Dominican "Come & See" Vocations Weekend:

Have you thought about entering religious life or studying for the priesthood? Come to the Dominican Vocations Weekend at St. Albert's Priory in Oakland, California. 4pm Friday, March 9 – 1pm Sunday, March 11. St. Albert's is the house of studies for the Dominicans in the Western US. Meet the brothers studying for the priesthood, visit the school and novitiate, listen to presentations on the religious and priestly life, and spend time in prayer. For more information or to register contact Fr. Steven Maekawa, OP. (510) 596-1821, vocations@opwest.org

Korean Catholic At Stanford (KC@S) bible study:

Are you interested in studying the bible of Mark in Korean? This Friday we are going through Mark 1:14-4:34 with the supplementary book, Yeo-Jung. You are encouraged to read the chapter in advance. We also have a lunch meeting on Thursday as always. For more information, contact Eun-Soo at eschoi@stanford.edu.

Life and Family Initiatives

The Catholic bishops of California are supporting two proposed initiatives for the November 2012 ballot: the Parental Notification Initiative (PNI), which would require that parents be notified when a teenage girl aged 12-17 seeks an abortion, and the SAFE California Initiative, would replace the death penalty with a sentence of life imprisonment without possibility of parole. The convergence of these two initiatives presents a "unique teaching moment" on vital issues of life, dignity, and family, according to the bishops. Bishop McGrath has directed every parish to participate in the effort to gather signatures for both of these initiatives, before and after all Masses, on the weekends of February 18/19 and 25/26. For more information, including contact information for the campaigns, please visit the diocesan webpage at www.dsj.org/LifeandFamilyInitiatives.