

# **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.

# Services

Sunday Mass: February 23, 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 12:20 in Old Union Sanctuary Т Th

# Confessions

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30pm and 9pm-10:30pm 3rd Floor, Old Union, 304 or 319 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) full
- June 8, 2014 (prep May 31, 10-11:30am)

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# Religious RamblingsSeventh Sunday in Ordinary TimeOverwhelming GenerosityFEBRUARY 23, 2014

fr Fergus Kerr wonders whether our society is ready to hear the extraordinary challenge of Jesus's moral teaching.

The history of moral progress is rather erratic. 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth', and 'You shall love your neighbour, and hate your enemy', Jesus reminds his disciples - two moral principles once quite revolutionary. He summons his disciples to even more challenging acts of moral imagination: to abandon retaliation and to love their enemies.

These principles were revolutionary in their day. Jesus is quoting what modern scholars label the Holiness Code, in Leviticus, commonly dated to the sixth century BC. Many of its moral injunctions, particularly about sexuality, are horrifying. On the other hand, perspectives open up which are not without significance in the moral domain today. Whatever the date of composition, Leviticus pictures very graphically a primitive tribal society in which, for one thing, wreaking vengeance on neighbours who injure you was normal practice, even an obligation in honour.

'Anyone who kills a human being shall be put to death. Anyone who kills an animal shall make restitution for it, life for life. Anyone who maims another shall suffer the same injury in return: fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: the injury inflicted is the injury to be suffered' (Leviticus 24: 17-20).

Surely our natural reaction is to say - fair enough? If you kill my son and heir, for example, then I may kill yours, - that's all! What would be the alternative? With mafia boss excess, I would hunt down and massacre your whole family? Here, rather, are seeds of the principle of fair compensation, the first signs of respecting the arbitration of public justice rather than condoning the fury of arbitrary reprisals. It's an advance towards civil society. The lex talionis regulates the punishment that I may expect to mete out to those who have injured me. (Leviticus even includes detailed tables of compensation.)

This moderation in regard to compensation for injuries comes, as it happens, in a speech to Moses by God (Lev 24: 13-23), preparing the people to stone to death a man who has blasphemed the Holy Name in a curse - one of the many items in the Holiness Code that we are unlikely to celebrate.

As regards the principle of loving neighbours the text goes as follows: 'You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord' (Lev 19: 18).

In fact the divine command here does not stop with one's own kith and kin: 'When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress him' - on the contrary, 'you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God' (Lev 19:34). But aliens are one thing; there is no mention of loving your enemies.

It's a beautiful chapter. The injunctions that God gives to Moses include leaving part of the crops in the fields and grapes in the vineyards in order to provide food for the poor and the aliens; being fair in all dealings with neighbours and employees; acting justly towards family and neighbours; showing deference to the aged; practising honesty in all business transactions, and much else. Loving others, clearly, means treating them justly, in a myriad of everyday ways. Nowhere, however, is there any mention of being just to one's enemies. (The Dead Sea Scrolls Manual of Discipline calls for hatred of one's enemies.)

What Jesus proposes, then, is that, rather than require compensation, you might overwhelm the wrongdoer by incredible generosity; and secondly, you might treat your enemies with the same justice as your neighbours.

In the world that we live in, as the media bear witness every day, retaliation is often wildly disproportionate. Family homes are demolished, whole villages punished, for one individual's transgression. Men murder their children to get even with their estranged wives. As for loving one's neighbours, if it includes generosity to the needy, deference to the elderly, honesty in business transactions, and suchlike, aren't we so far short of the principles in the Leviticus Holiness Code that we are simply not yet ready to hear the Sermon on the Mount?

fr. Fergus Kerr is a member of the Dominican community in Edinburgh, where he teaches theology.

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# CC@S Financial Update:

Fiscal Year to Date	July-Jan. 2013	July-Jan. 2014	Y2Y Change	Y2Y Change %	2014 Budget (July-Jan)
Sunday Collections	\$50,351	\$43,928	(\$6,423)	-13%	\$52,906
Pledges/General Donations	\$255,789	\$260,885	\$5,096	2%	\$221,662
January	January 2013	January 2014	Y2Y Change	Y2Y Change %	January Budget
Sunday Collections	\$4,672	\$4,555	(\$117)	-3%	\$7,558
Pledges/General Donations	\$55,061	\$34,512	(\$20,549)	-37%	\$31,666

• Sunday Collection reflects all gifts that are placed in the baskets at Liturgies that are not previously pledged by donors.

• Pledges allow us to plan programming.

• Pledges are made through the Annual Commitment form or through the electronic giving on the CC@S website. Pledges can be made on a monthly or annual basis. You may make an electronic gift at www.catholic.stanford.edu/giving/treasure where you will find instructions for either a one-time or recurring gift selection using PayPal. There is no service charge to the donor for electronic giving.

#### **GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### The Catholic Community at Stanford Announces A New Course For Spring Quarter

Are religion and science irreconcilable enemies, respectful conversation partners, or perhaps even necessary and complementary aspects of a single interpretation of the human in the world? This course will explore these kinds of questions by introducing tools for pursuing a fruitful dialogue between religion and science, and analyzing specific contemporary issues facing the academic fields of religion and science. This course is designed for both Stanford undergraduates and Stanford Continuing Studies students. Same course, different listings:

#### Undergrad Course Listing:

#### **Relgst 28: Religious Studies Department. Stanford University Religion And Science In Dialogue: Possibilities And Future Directions**

Terms: Spr | Units: 1-2 | Grading: Letter or Credit/No Credit There will be a voluntary Wednesday evening discussion session for undergraduates.

Stanford Continuing Studies Course Listing: **Rel 84: Stanford Continuing Studies Religion And Science: Opposing Forces Or Intellectual Partners?** 

23,2014-To register for the Continuing Studies course, please visit their website at continuingstudies.stanford.edu. Mondays, 7-9 p.m., Pigott Hall, 113 Professor Paul Crowley, SJ, Santa Clara University, Visiting Professor,

and Professor Oliver Putz, Santa Clara University ~~~~

#### **Bake Sale Today!**

Satisfy your appetite with some special treats today after Mass. The Alternative Spring Break team is hosting a Bake Sale to help raise funds for their upcoming trip to Seattle to work with the L'Arche community.

#### Your Marriott Points Can Help!

-Announcements for February . Do you have Marriott Rewards points that you would be willing to donate to a mother and her child, a Palo Alto High School senior? They have become homeless and are living in their car so they can have shelter nearby until the student graduates. The mom and child are committed to remaining together and the available non-profit shelters and affordable nearby apartments would require that they be housed separately. This is a short-term need, just until the senior graduates in June from PALY. They have available housing that will work for them after graduation. If you are interested in helping this family, please contact Diane Guinta at DRGuinta@sbcglobal.net<mailto:DRGuinta@sbcglobal.net> for details on how you can donate your points. Please entitle your email "PALY family". Thank you!

#### **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.

#### Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA):

The gifts to the ADA support the Office of the Bishop, Office for Parish Services (e.g. Faith Formation and Youth and Young Adult programs), Office for Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults, the Clergy and Seminarians, the Tribunal and Diocesan operational services (e.g., HR, Finance and Communications). The Diocese has a \$5.7M goal for this year. Please consider supporting our Diocese as part of your stewardship. If you have not received your appeal letter from the Diocese, there are envelopes available on the tables outside Mass.

#### 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.



Matthew's Gospel continues Jesus' Sermon on the Mount that we have been Stewardship hearing for the past several weaks. Consistent with the weeks. Consistent with the prior Sundays' excerpts,

Jesus exhorts us to go above and beyond what the expected behavior of the day: "When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well.... Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles." This directive has become no easier in current society than it was two thousand years ago. The Sermon on the Mount is plentiful with stewardship messages and this one is probably one of the most well known. As Christian stewards, we are called to put it into practice. Pax Christi, an international Catholic movement that began in World War II France, offers such an opportunity right here at Catholic Community at Stanford.

#### (The following is excerpted and adapted from the Pax Christi International website, www.paxchristi.net.)

The story of Pax Christi began during World War II when Pierre-Marie Theas, Bishop of Montauban in southern France, spoke out against the deportation of Jews to labor camps and was arrested himself. During this experience, he came to understand how difficult and demanding true reconciliation between enemies would be. Later, he met Marthe Dortel-Claudot, who had thought about and prayed for the German people. She formed a small group that prayed with her for the rebuilding of Germany and for peace. She received support from Bishop Theas and the prayer project was given the name Pax Christi. The movement quickly grew in both Germany and France. It became more than a prayer project for peace solely for Germany, but rather, for all nations. In 1952, Pope Pius XII gave official recognition to Pax Christi's mission as the Catholic peace movement. Pax Christi was beginning to realize that its spirituality would lead it towards social and political action, including conflict, poverty and underdevelopment of countries. Today each national section takes up issues of particular concern in its region.

Pax Christi USA was formed in 1972 and has established four priorities: spirituality of nonviolence and peacemaking; disarmament, demilitarization and reconciliation with justice; economic and interracial justice in the US; and human rights and global restoration. Member groups have formed in all 50 states, consist of well over 100 bishop members, and over 75 college and high school groups. Each group determines its own action projects among the national priorities. The groups meet regularly for prayer, study and action to work for alternatives to violence and a culture of peace.

Two of our community members, Mary Jane Parrine and Ed Ehmke, have been long time members of Pax Christi at Stanford. If you are interested in learning more about Pax Christi or feel called to this ministry, please contact Ed at ehmke@stanford.edu.

# Weekly Readings

Monday, February 24 Jas 3:13-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 25 Jas 4:1-10 Ps 55:7-10a, 10b-11a, 23 Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 26 Jas 4:13-17 Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11 Mk 9:38-40

Thursday, February 27 Jas 5:1-6 Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20 Mk 9:41-50 Friday, February 28 Jas 5:9-12 Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12 Mk 10:1-12

Saturday, March 1 Jas 5:13-20 Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday, March 2 Is 49:14-15 Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 4:1-5 Mt 6:24-34

**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

#### **UNDER GRADS**

#### Undergrad Sunday Supper, Today

Meet students from the Catholic Community today for dinner. We'll be meeting after the 4:30pm Mass to head over to Stern Dining Hall on the Larkin side. Walk over with us or meet up there at 6 p.m. Contact Matthew Volk at mvolk@stanford.edu for more information.

#### GRADS

**Catholicism 101:** 

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**

#### 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.

#### **Lenten Scripture Series:**

Want to connect with others through Bible study and faith filled discussions? Following Ash Wednesday, Young Adult Circle (20s and 30s, single or married) will be starting a Lenten Scripture series. Join us as we prepare for Easter by setting aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ. The study will journey through the readings that we'll be hearing during Easter Vigil mass. We will meet weekly during Lent. If you'd like to join, contact Emily at egismervig@scu.edu.

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

# Week at a Glance

#### Sunday, February 23, 2014

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

## Monday, February 24 - Friday, February 28

• 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

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

#### **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, Mar. 1 or Mar. 22 from 8:30 - 1 PM 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. The Lord said to Moses, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

March 1, 2014 - 8:30am - 1:00pm March 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 linked-in or our Facebook page for video and audio recordings of recent Newman Night talks.

Feb 25 Forgiveness, Spirituality, & Health: What You Need to Know:

Jesus makes clear that we are called to "forgive those who trespass against us." Yet, forgiveness isn't easy to do. Research and clinical practice demonstrates many health benefits of forgiveness. Dr. Thomas Plante of Stanford and Santa Clara will introduce us to a bio-psycho-spiritual approach to forgiveness which provides both spiritual and mental health benefits.

Mar 4 Learning the Living Jesus in the Life of the Church

Mar 11 Making Sense of Everyday Life Through the Gospel



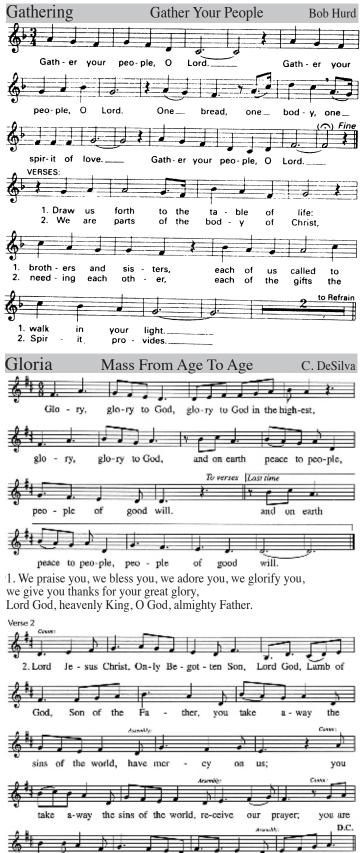
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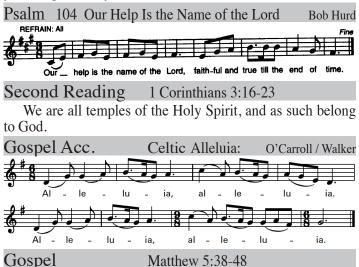
# SEVENIH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 23, 2014



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 Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Moses urged the Israelites to holiness. They must bear no hatred in their hearts. Rather, they must follow this law: Love your neighbor as yourself.



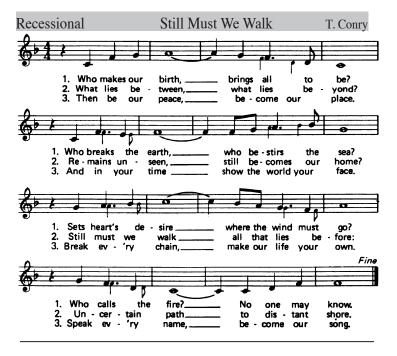
Jesus tells us that we must return good for evil and love for hate. We must go the extra mile and love our enemies.

# 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.





#### Light of the World: CC@S Cafe Night:

Friday, February 28th, from 9:30 to 11:30pm in the Common Room of Old Union. You're all invited to be the(lime)light of the night--to showcase your talents while getting your fill of cafe beverages and sweets with the Catholic Community at Stanford. You do not need to perform to attend, nor do you need choir-caliber talent to perform; participation of any form is \*highly\* encouraged! Contact Matt Gonzalez at mgonz324@stanford.edu to RSVP.

#### Mardi Gras Community Dinner:

Save the date for a Catholic Community Dinner on Sunday, March 2. Come and meet members of the community while sharing a pre-Lenten feast. Want to help students prepare the meal in the Old Union kitchen? Contact Sheila at sonyiah@stanford.edu.

#### >>>>> Palms:

Please bring in your palm leaves from last Palm Sunday to one of the Masses today, February 23 or on March 2. They will be collected at the door and used to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday. (March 5th)

#### **Lenten Prayer Partners:**

Still thinking of what to do for Lent this year? Why not sign up to be a prayer partner? Pray for a specific community member every day for forty days, and they will pray for you in return – this could be anything from a general prayer to a specific prayer intention. Contact Hannah Abalos to sign up, hrabalos@stanford.edu Or sign up at http://tinyurl.com/stanfordlentenprayerpartners.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### Vallombrosa Center:

Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park is offering a morning workshop on March 8, 2014, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon. Theology of the Body will be presented by Ed Hopfner, the new director of Marriage and Family Life for the Archdiocese of San Francisco.
Ed will give an overwiew of Pope John Paul II's teaching on marriage and sexuality. COST: \$10.00/person. To register or to read more about it go online at www.vallombrosa.org Any gC-Ed questions, call Rachel Alvelais at 650-325-5614.