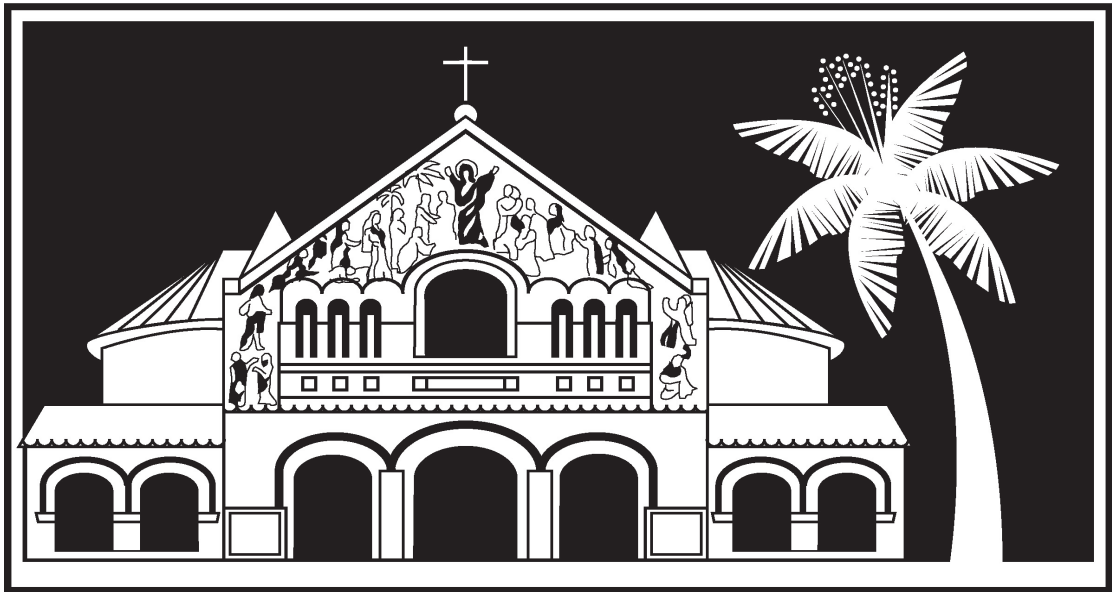


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Memorial Church

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June 29 and Wednesday, July 4.

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 2012-2013 academic year:

August 19, 2012

November 4, 2012

January 13, 2013

May 5, 2013

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fr Colin urges us to see the parables of Jesus Christ not as stories requiring an answer, but as integral to the unfolding of the gift of His Kingdom.

When you tell a joke and somebody stares blankly at you, you know they haven't got it; and you know that if you explain it, it might finally provoke a smile but the fun has gone out of it. On the other hand you might tell a story which illustrates a point, and it's quite normal to explain what you mean. Ezekiel told a story of a powerful eagle plucking the top of a cedar tree and transplanting it to another place, and that was meant to remind his hearers of what had happened when the king of Babylon had exiled the king of Israel and brought him to Babylon; the story we hear in today's reading from Ezekiel is of God doing a similar – yet really very different – thing: God takes a shoot from the top of a cedar tree and plants it on a high mountain, and it becomes a noble cedar which provides shelter to many kinds of bird. The explanation is not a political one, though the hearers may well have hoped that it meant that Israel would be exalted by God and not humiliated by foreign kings. The point of the story (a story in the future) is that God is the true sovereign, and God alone. It's significant that the people of Israel developed an understanding of God's greatness precisely at the point when they found themselves outclassed by political powers far greater than themselves. Rather than moan about their defeat, or seek an improved God, they came to see that the God they had always believed in was greater than they had realised, and had purposes beyond what they could comprehend. Note that the very high mountain on which God was going to plant the new noble cedar does not have a name, like Jerusalem or Zion; it's beyond particular places and political systems, which exclude other places and systems; the power of God is a power over all of reality, including nature and politics; fundamentally it is a power to make things (and of course people) flourish and find a home.

The parables of Jesus are not stories which require an explanation, even though they're sometimes presented as if they were. Today's two parables simply say something and leave you to get it, or not, like a joke.

"This is what the kingdom of God is like". "What can we say the kingdom of God is like?" And Jesus goes on to talk about everyday reality, nature doing what nature does. But this is not "just" nature: it's nature seen with eyes which can spot a mystery: it's not that the growth of the wheat or of the shrub is an illustration of the reality of the kingdom, a kind of visual aid which you could do without if you prefer to describe the kingdom in – er... - real terms. But what real terms? What is more real than the miracle of growth which Jesus has just been talking about? Just let the story of growth be your way into the reality of the kingdom. There is a transformation going on, and maybe we can learn a kingdom mentality by hearing other stories of transformation, stories of hope; by becoming ourselves stories of transformation and of hope; by sharing hopes of transformation with others who long for our world to come alive, to be a home for all. Do I mean we must work with others to build the kingdom? No I don't. No way. We do not build the kingdom; it's not that kind of reality. The kingdom is God's kingdom, not ours. We will only get energised to do useful and creative work if we first learn to welcome the miracle of the kingdom over which we have no control.

What these parables make us think of is life as a gift. (I'm not starting to explain them: I'm trying to sense, with their inspiration, what the God of the kingdom is like). In many if not all societies gifts are not really gifts at all; they are part of a system of exchange – think of Christmas presents and cards. But we do encounter people who simply give – and ultimately what they give is themselves. The kingdom comes as sheer gift from God. The wise person says thank you.

fr. Colin Carr lives in St Dominic's Priory, Newcastle, and is theological consultant to the North East Churches.

A Blessing for Graduates

Eternal God, in you we live, and move, and have our being. In your will we find our purpose, and in your wisdom we find our joy. Bless these graduates who have completed a course of study and now begin a new part of their lives. Let them not be troubled about the past nor anxious about the future, but let them be concerned about the moment they must now live.

Strengthen their faith and ease their fears that they may courageously follow your Spirit and live fully the life you give them. When doubt and confusion about their purpose surround them, light their way and give them peace in your plan for them. Let them use the gifts they have received in their studies that they may become a source of inspiration and blessing for the world.

And when each day is ended, give them delight in knowing that the good work you have begun in them shall come to completion in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Jenny Wales
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Harrison Ward
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Please keep these members of our community in prayer as they move away. We are thankful for the time they have spent with the Catholic Community at Stanford and pray they will find other church homes where they can share their gifts and enrich the lives of the people they meet.

Weekly Readings

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| Monday, June 18
1 Kgs 21:1-16
Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7
Mt 5:38-42 | Friday, June 22
2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20
Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14,
17-18
Mt 6:19-23 |
| Tuesday, June 19
1 Kgs 21:17-29
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11, 16
Mt 5:43-48 | Saturday, June 23
2 Chr 24:17-25
Ps 89:4-5, 29-30,
31-32, 33-34
Mt 6:24-34 |
| Wednesday, June 20
2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14
Ps 31:20, 21, 24
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 | Sunday, June 24
Is 49:1-6
Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab,
14c-15
Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80 |
| Thursday, June 21
Sir 48:1-14
Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7
Mt 6:7-15 | |

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Attention Married Couples:

Come "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage!" Join us on Saturday, June 23rd from 1-3:30pm at the Church of the Resurrection in Sunnyvale for a FREE presentation of the 1st DVD of Mark Gungor's funny and informative "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage" program. Children's activities will be provided with RSVP, so bring the kids. Contact Chris & Ann Aguilar at aguilarbus@yahoo.com or 408-356-7642. Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

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 June 23rd or Saturday July 7th 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"

Back-to-school Backpacks For Needy Children:

The Catholic Community @ Stanford (CC@S) needs 20 volunteers to work at the Family Giving Tree Back-to-School Backpack Project for needy children on Saturday, August 4th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. This project will take place in a warehouse location to be determined. Our task will be to perform quality assurance which involves emptying pre-filled backpacks, sorting items on sorting tables to insure that everything needed is there, shopping in the warehouse for missing items and placing completed backpacks in rows according to age groups. Families with young children who are able to sort with the assistance of a parent(s) are welcome. If you are interested in participating in this quality-time family activity, please contact Peter Barling at peter_barling@hotmail.com to have a volunteer position(s) reserved for you.

Week at a Glance

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More Announcements

Join Our Living Faith Society:

Become a CC@S Living Faith Society member by donating a set amount each month on a predetermined day. You no longer need to remember to bring money to Mass! By joining LFS, not only are you supporting your Stanford Catholic campus ministry, but you will also receive the Living Faith devotional each quarter, a devotional that provides a different scripture verse and short meditation for each day of the year. Join today:



Vocation Events:

Dominican Sisters, Mission San José
For single Catholic Women 18-40

Discernment on the Mountain Top
Arrowhead Retreat June 25-29, 2012
Fatima House, Crest Park, CA 92326

RSVP: Call Sister Marcia, O.P. 510-502-5797 no later than one week before event. Experience will include discernment, sharing, quiet, community, Mass, prayer, study & service (Live-In) Overnight accommodations, meals & snacks provided.
Freewill Offering

GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grad Masses & University Baccalaureate:

Graduation Masses to be held on
Saturday, June 16.

The Mass in Spanish is at 1:00pm.

The Mass in English is at 5:30pm.

Both are in Memorial Church.

**There will be no Sunday Masses the following day,
June 17, as it is University Commencement.**

Children's Religious Education Program for FALL 2012:

We are currently accepting preregistration for our Children's Religious Education Program. The program is called the "Catechesis of the Good Shepherd" and involves a Montessori-based learning style. We meet Sunday mornings in the Old Union Building on campus. Enrollment is open to children ages 3-13. Sacrament preparation (for First Reconciliation and First Communion) is included in the program. The program is open to families of current students, faculty, staff, post-doc, and registered permanent community members. For more information contact Teresa Pleins, tpleins@stanford.edu by Monday, June 11. Note: Currently enrolled families will preregister through their program.

High School Confirmation For 2013:

We are currently assessing the need for a high school confirmation class next year. If you are interested in having your high school child confirmed, please contact Nancy Greenfield at ngreenfield875@gmail.com ASAP.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed for 4:30 Mass:

Our roster of eucharistic ministers has fallen short. Do you feel drawn to serving the community in this part of the liturgy? Training is provided for you. You would be scheduled approximately every 3 weeks. Contact Teresa for more information, tpleins@stanford.edu.

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, tpleins@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!

Check out the CC@S Podcast!

"Catholic Cardinal Reflections" is a weekly podcast of Sunday homilies and theological reflections from the staff of CCAS. Two of our students, pianist Albert Tomasso and Percussionist Shane Clarkson, have graciously added their talents to the podcast by adding a soundtrack! Check it out on iTunes or through the website, catholic.stanford.edu.

If you are leaving the community after this quarter we would like to know. We hope to keep in touch with you and if you would be willing to have your name listed in an upcoming bulletin so the community can hold you in prayer. Please send Lourdes or M'Lisa an email with your full name, non-Stanford email address and mailing address.

YOUNG ADULTS

Dinner at Slider Bar Cafe:

Tues. June 19th at 7:30pm, 324 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.

Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ:

Sat. June 23rd from 11am - 3pm, Mitchell Park, 600 E Meadow Dr, Palo Alto. Join us for our Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ. Summer of Fun is our annual series of events held for the purpose of bringing together Catholic Young Adults for fellowship. For the BBQ, please bring a dessert, drink, or side dish and a small donation to cover the costs of the meat entree. Contact us at yacircle@gmail.com for more information.

Young Adult Mass:

Tues. June 26th 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.

Berry Picking at Webb Ranch:

Sat. June 30th, 10:30AM, Meet at Stanford Oval. Join us for picking berries at Webb Ranch in Portola Valley. We will meet up at the Stanford Oval and carpool to the berry farm. After picking berries, we will eat lunch nearby. Contact us at yacircle@gmail.com for more information.

Young Adult Bible Study:

Tues. July 10th at 7:30pm, Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. Over the next several months, we are going to focus on some common questions we face as Christians. The topic this month is "Twenty Arguments for the Existence of God". We meet regularly on the first Tuesday of each month and we welcome you to join us this summer!

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

Congratulations

Class of 2012

As we say farewell to the Graduates of the Class of 2012...

We hope that you have found
a warm and welcoming home
here at CC@S during your stay at Stanford.

We offer our congratulations and our prayers
that your next stage in life will be fun and rewarding.
We hope that you spread the faith you have shared with us
with your new community.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you
now and again when you pass by this way.

We will miss you all dearly.
