

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 Masses: August 9, 2015

10:30am Mass in the Sanctuary at Old Union 4:30pm Mass in Memorial Church

Daily Liturgy:

M T W & F 12:20pm in Memorial Church (no Daily Mass on Thursdays during Summer)

Confessions:

Sunday:

9:45am to 10:15 at Old Union 3:45pm to 4:15 at MemChu Vestibule

Tuesday:

1:30pm to 3:00pm at Old Union or by appointment: call 415-336-4203

Marriage:

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

Infant Baptisms:

Baptism is celebrated once per quarter.

For more information, please contact Teresa Pleins tpleins@stanford.edu.

Baptisms for the 2014-2015 academic year:

• August 30, 2015 (prep August 22,10-11:30)

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Sunday, August 9, 2015

The city of Ephesus was one of St. Paul's major centers of operation. Although his letter to the Ephesians is not lengthy (it is about one-third the size of his letters to the Corinthians), many scholars consider it to be the most theologically sound of all his letters. One of Paul's major purposes in writing it was to make clear to the Gentiles that they have been brought together with the Jews in the Body of Christ.

Unity is important, as much now as in the early Church. Furthermore, Ephesians is one of Paul's most encouraging letters. In the interest of Christian unity Paul includes an important piece of advice in today's Second Reading: "All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ."

The idea of forgiveness is so important to us if we truly wish to be Christians and good stewards. Most of us understand that we need to be forgiven, but that does not make it any easier for us to forgive. Yet, that is at the basis of our ability to be unified and loving in the way Paul advises. When we learn to forgive, we take a large step toward holiness, as indicated by the famous quote from Alexander Pope, "To err is human, to forgive, divine."

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financial update **Year-To-Date July 1 - August 4, 2015** Budget \$31,937 Actual \$35,347 \$0

First Month of Fiscal Year

YTD Budget Overage \$3,410 Last Week's Budget \$5,165 Last Week's Actual \$2,334

new announcements

Children's Religious Education:

We offer a wonderful program for children ages 3-grade 5 called the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a Montessoribased curriculum based on scripture, prayer, and liturgy. There are 3 levels for the children. Catechists are experienced and have received national certification. There are many "hands-on" materials, providing a gracefilled environment for the children to learn and explore their relationship with God. Sessions meet Sunday mornings, 8:45-10:15am beginning Oct. 4. Sacrament preparation is included.

We also have a seminar-style junior high group that meets 9-10:15 on Sunday mornings. Confirmation prep is included. This group discusses a variety of topics including Catholic faith issues, social justice, living your faith in the world, multi-faith exploration, scripture studies, and the kids are partnered with Stanford University students as mentors.

Space is limited for both programs. Registration materials will be available for NEW families Sept. 7-20. There is an orientation session on Sunday, Sept. 27.

For more information, contact Teresa Pleins, tpleins@ stanford.edu.

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GENERAL COMMUNITY

Summer Ministries:

Here for the summer? Life a bit easier than during the "regular" year? Consider volunteering your time for our summer liturgical ministries. Singing, instrument playing, eucharistic ministry, greeting, lectoring, and altar serving are all available and would welcome your gifts. Training is provided, flexible time commitment. For more info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Grad Bible Study:

Come take a deeper look at the Sunday gospels, alternating methods from the more contemplative Lectio Divina to a more discussion-based bible study format. Bible study meets at 6:30pm every other Sunday In August we'll meet on the 2nd, 16th, 30th. For more info contact Chiara at cgiam@stanford.edu

Lectio Divina:

Lectio meets at 7:30pm every other Friday. In August we'll meet on the 7th and 24th.

Room Request to Support Missions in Asia:

The St. Francis Xavier Lay Missionary Society is looking for someone to offer a room for a young woman who is devoting herself to our missionary cause in Asia. She is a recent graduate from Stanford and an active member of our community. Desired room availability is for six months from July 31. If you would like to share your home in support of missions in Asia, please contact Tricia at: tricia@laymissionary.org Thank you and God bless!





Catholic Community at Stanford University

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 9, 2015



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. 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.

Grads

Grads Share Your Gifts With Your Community As A Leader:

Are you being called to share your gifts in our Grad or Young Adult Ministry? We would like to invite you to consider sharing your gifts in any way you feel called like joining the team that plans our weekly Catholicism 101 nights, leading a small group, organizing a service project or social event, or any other way that will help us build community. If you would like to explore this further over a meal or coffee, please contact Lourdes, lalonso@stanford.edu

Young Adults

Dinner at Pluto's:

Tues. Aug 18th at 7:30pm, 482 University Ave., Palo Alto. The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering.

Shakespeare in the Park:

Sat., Aug. 22nd, 7pm, Meet at Sequoia High School, 1201 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City, CA. We will meet to watch "Romeo and Juliet" on the grounds of Sequoia High School. We will meet together as a group at 7pm for the show that begins at 7:30pm.

Young Adult Mass:

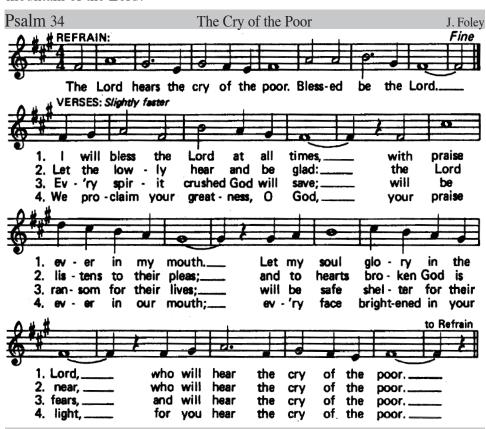
Tues. Aug 25th at 7:30pm, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. The Young Adult Circle will be gathering for Mass in the Small Chapel at St. Simon Church in Los Altos. Celebrate the Eucharist with young adults (20ís and 30ís, single or married) from this and neighboring parishes with fellowship to follow.

For all events, please confirm your attendance on our Facebook Page "Young Adult Circle" or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com. These and other upcoming events can be viewed at www.youngadultcircle.org.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
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 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah drew tired as he walked in the desert. An angel appeared to him and gave him food and drink. After that Elijah walked forty more days to the mountain of the Lord.



Second Reading

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Paul encouraged the Ephesians to replace harsh words with kindness for each other. He wrote, "Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us."



Gospel John 6:41-51

Jesus claimed to be the bread from heaven. No one can go to God except through Jesus. Anyone who believes and eats his bread will have everlasting life.

Apostle's Creed

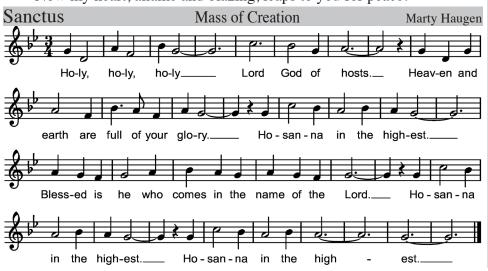
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from 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.



Far too late have I begun to love you; you were there within me, I was outside, and I sought you, seeing blindly just beyond myself; and poured away like water, I took flight from you and I was lost, surrounded by such beauty which is not you.

Then you called and cried aloud to me, breaking through the silence of my deafness. Dazzling brightness, you appeared to me, and at once you put to flight my blindness. Drawing deep I smell your fragrant presence; still I gasp for breath and long for you. Since I tasted you, I only thirst and hunger after you. How with a simple touch your fire consumes me. Now my heart, aflame and blazing, leaps to you for peace.



Lunch and Learn:

Thursday, August 27, 12 noon. All are welcome to a summertime series of lunch time discussions on current Catholic topics. The format is very casual. Lunch will be provided in the comfort of an air conditioned meeting space. We will read a short journal or news article and have an open discussion about the ideas presented. Join us the fourth Thursday of the summer months in the Common Room located on the 3rd floor of Old Union from 12-12:45pm. Contact Lourdes, lalonso@stanford.edu for more information.

5th Annual Diocesan Young Adult PureFire Retreat:

SEE • LOVE • WALK

When: Oct 16-18 (Fri evening-

Sunday afternoon)

Where: Mt. Hermon Ponderosa

Why: Encounter God in everything, everybody, everyday; discover God's mercy and selflessness; and answer the call to service. Website: https://purefire2015.eventbrite.com

https://purefire2015.eventbrite.com Facebook: Young Adult Catholics of San Jose and Santa Clara County. Questions: purefire@dsj.org

The diocesan retreats are usually limited in space and book up since they advertise to so many people.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony Padua's Dining Room:

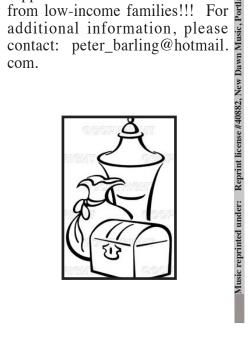
The CC@S serves the needy and homeless at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park every first and fourth Saturday of the month. If you would like to volunteer on Saturday, September 5 from 8:30 - 1pm or a subset thereof, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu (650 302 6902) no later than the Wednesday before to discuss and/or have a volunteer position reserved for you. Christ multiplied the loaves and fishes to feed the crowds; at St. A's you do the same.

Collection Counter Volunteers needed:

The Catholic Community at Stanford is seeking volunteers to process the Sunday collections and make the deposit. The process requires about 30 to 45 minutes, and takes place on campus sometime between 9am and Noon on Tuesdays. The ideal candidate should be available about once per month. For further information or to volunteer, please contact Guillermo at gcolombetti@yahoo.com

Preliminary Report – Back-to-School Backpacks for Children/ Students from Low-Income Families:

As of Wednesday, July 29th we have collected 9 backpacks filled with school supplies. In addition and with the help of a very generous and anonymous donor who donated \$500, we have collected \$959 in cash which is almost twice the amount of our original donation goal of \$500. These donated backpacks and cash donations result in a total of 36 backpacks filled with school supplies. Please see me at my Back-to-School Backpack display at the 10:30am and 4:30pm Mass today to deliver donations. Donated backpacks may also be left at Lourdes office up to 1:00pm on Monday, August 3rd. Thanks everyone from the Catholic Community at Stanford for your support of these children/students from low-income families!!! For







Retrouvaille... A lifeline for marriages:

Do you feel lost, frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse? Retrouvaille helps married couples heal and renew their marriages. The Retrouvaille Program begins with an Initial weekend: Friday August 14, 7:00pm to Sunday, August 16, 5:00pm. There are 12 follow up sessions: Saturdays, August 22, 29, September 12, 26, October 10, 24 from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Register at www.HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Antonio and Claudia Flores at (408) 605-4998. Retrouvaille provides marriage help!

If you suspect financial mismanagement or misconduct in your parish or in the Diocese of San José, please contact: EthicsPoint: dsj.ethicspoint.com or hotline telephone number 1-888-325-7863. Teresa Conville, 408-983-0241 or email:tconville@dsj.org.