

### **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 14, 2016

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

#### **Daily Liturgy:**

M T W F - 12:20pm - in Memorial Church no Daily Mass on Thursdays

#### **Confessions:**

by appointment: call 650-291-4590

#### 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 2016-2017:

- August 21, 2016
- October 30, 2016
- January 29, 2017
- May 7, 2017

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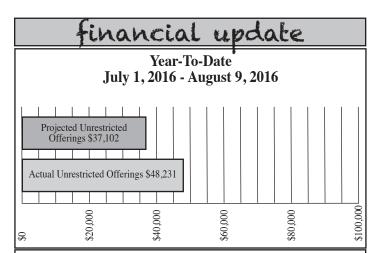
# a new way of life announcement

In our Second Reading from the letter to the Hebrews, the writer says, "...persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus." The author of the letter to the Hebrews has traditionally been considered to be St. Paul, although many scholars question that. However, the quote cited certainly sounds like Paul, doesn't it?

There are three elements in it that more or less jump out at you. The reference to life being a race is similar to other thoughts expressed by St. Paul ("I have run the good race; I have kept the faith"). In addition, there are two key words which also are themes Paul often expressed. Those are found in the word "persevere" and in the phrase "while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus." Paul often points to perseverance as a necessary approach to being a good and consistent Christian. And he also tells us over and over that we must keep our eyes and hopes and motivations on something above, on Jesus.

It is easy to look at life as a race. In doing that nonetheless, we all understand that we are not speaking of a sprint, but of a marathon. In Greek the word used which we translate as "persevere" is hupomone which also might be translated as "endure." God has set a race before us. God wants us to run that race and He wants us to finish it correctly. To do that requires endurance, the willingness to continue and to seek holiness as good stewards, because our focus is on what is to come, not what is.

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Projected Unrestricted Offerings 2016-2017 Fiscal Year: \$422,068 Projected Unrestricted Offerings July 1, 2016 to August 9, 2016: \$37,102 Actual Unrestricted Offerings for July 1, 2016 to August 9, 2016: \$48,231

Offerings Over/Under Projection: +\$11,129

# announcements

#### Sunday, August 28

All Community, 11:30am Mass & Picnic at Arbor House. Join us for our annual All Community Mass and Picnic at Arbor House at 1231 Arbor Rd. in Menlo Park. We will have morning Mass at 11:30am on the lawn, followed by a picnic lunch, jumpy house for the littles as well as games for all.

#### **DESSERTS!**

We will be providing the picnic but would appreciate your providing desserts. Please let M'Lis Berry (meberry@stanford.edu) know if you plan on contributing and thank you very much!

#### **Volunteer Greeters Needed at 4:30pm Mass:**

The summer months offer a challenge in making sure our liturgies continue to provide a welcoming and vibrant space for our community and visitors. Several volunteers have graduated, moved or are away for the summer. We need your help. You are invited to serve the Catholic Community as a 4:30pm Mass Greeter. Greeters arrive 30 minutes prior to Mass to set up and welcome people. They stay 20 minutes after Mass to take a collection, check the sanctuary, and lock up. Training takes 45 minutes and is typically scheduled before one of the Sunday Masses. Based on the current number of volunteers, Greeters serve about once every 3 weeks (less frequently if there are more of us). Please email Teresa at tpleins@stanford.edu.

#### **Catholic Charities' Continuum of Care:**

Finding compassionate care for the people you love can be a challenge. Dealing with the issues of Alzheimer's, dementia, and other aging issues is difficult enough. Day Break Cares can help. We offer services to give you some peace-of-mind for your loved ones. We provide non-medical Homecare, Senior Activity Centers, and Behavioral Health Care. Call our Elder Care Line to learn more about these services, and also receive connections, counseling, and advice for seniors and their families. Our Senior Care Specialists can be reached at (408)-831-0441.

Lectio+Bible Study for Grads and Young Adults, Monday Nights! Grads are invited to a Lectio+Bible Study. Join us in the Bogotá room of the GCC (Graduate Community Center) from 7-8pm on Monday nights. Rosary to follow at 8:15. Since the GCC is above Ray's, people might be interested in getting food at 6:30 and then meeting upstairs. We will be looking in greater depth at the Sunday gospels, both from a meditative (lectio divina) and scholarly perspectives, and discussing how we can apply what we have found to daily life. For more information contact Amy (acalgaro@stanford.edu).

#### **Altar Servers:**

There is a need for several altar servers for the 4:30 Mass. We would especially encourage students to participate in this interactive ministry. Training is provided. You are scheduled approximately every 3 weeks. For more info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

The Catholic Community at Stanford is a parish and campus ministry operating as a guest of Stanford University. We appreciate the support of our community members and visitors to grow and sustain our mission. Please visit us online — http://catholic.stanford.edu/

#### Announcements

#### **New to the Community?**

Whether you are here for a new degree program or just a few weeks for a summer camp, you are welcome to participate in the liturgical ministries. Lectors, eucharistic ministers, greeters, altar servers, and singers/instrumentalists are all scheduled on a "drop-in" basis over the summer. Singers/instrumentalists meet at 3:30 in the church for a run-through rehearsal and then sing for Mass (9:30 for morning Mass in Old Union). Contact Teresa for more info, tpleins@stanford.edu.

#### CC@S:

We are both parish and campus ministry serving Stanford students, faculty, and staff as well as the many non-students who have chosen to make CC@S their home. We are served by the Dominican Order, and are called to share the love of Christ through study, prayer, community, and service. We want to develop and form well-educated, passionate, and faithful Catholic leaders who live out the love of Christ.

# **Interested in Exploring the Catholic Faith?**

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, or a Catholic who has not been confirmed, please contact Father Xavier Lavagetto at xavierop@stanford.edu for information on our RCIA program.

#### 1216 Society:

In honor of our 800th Jubilee, we invite you to join our new 1216 Society by making a monthly gift on your credit card. Like the faithful of the last eight centuries, your support makes our life of preaching possible. Become a monthly donor to the Western Dominican Province by 12/31/16 and be remembered forever on the Founding Members plaque at St. Albert's Priory. Visit opwest.org/1216 or call 510-658-8722. Your support helps us lead souls to Christ!

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

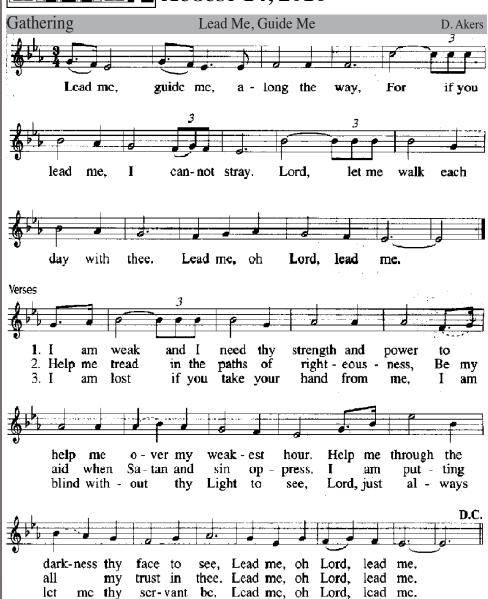
#### St. Anthony Padua's Dining Room:

The CC@S prepares and serves hot meals to those in need at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park (http://paduadiningroom.com) every first and fourth Saturday of the month. If you would like to volunteer on Saturday, August 27 or Sept. 3 from 8:30 - 1pm or a subset thereof, please contact gary. glover@stanford.edu (650 302 6902) by the Wednesday before for information or to have a volunteer position reserved for you. "You must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come [to St. A's]."



**Catholic Community at Stanford University** 

# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 14, 2016



#### Gloria

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.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;

You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

#### The Reading Group:

Our next meeting will be on Monday, August 22nd at the Gelpis' house on campus (870 Tolman Drive) to discuss Louise Erdrich's "LaRose." Erdrich's is our most distinguished and acclaimed Native American novelist, and her most recent book, "LaRose," is a powerful story of guilt and forgiveness. It is readily available in print and e-format. All are welcome to join the conversation.

#### **Young Adults**

#### **Shakespeare in the Park:**

Sat., Aug. 20th at 7pm, Meet at Sequoia High School, 1201 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City, CA. We will meet to watch "The Winter's Tale" on the grounds of Sequoia High School. We will meet together as a group at 7pm for the show that begins at 7:30pm.

#### Dinner at Pokeworks,

Tues. Aug 23rd at 7:30pm, 211 Castro St., Mountain View. The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering.

# PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE MOVED THE DATE AND LOCATION

#### **Ballgame:**

Saturday, August 27th, Giants vs. Braves at 6:05pm in AT&T Park. Ticket cost will be \$30. To RSVP, please pay ticket via Square cash: https://cash.me/\$MatthewTorok by August 15th and please email yacircle@gmail.com. Tickets will be purchased in advance, so your RSVP/payment is greatly appreciated.

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

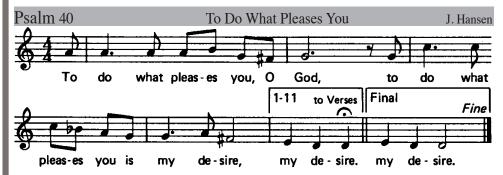
Tues. Aug. 30th at 7:30pm, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. The Young Adult Circle will be gathering for Mass in the Small Chapel at St. Simon Church in Los Altos. Celebrate the Eucharist with young adults (20's and 30's, single or married) from this and neighboring parishes with fellowship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

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.

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 Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

The princes were eager to kill Jeremiah because he constantly challenged them to follow God's law. The king allowed them to throw Jeremiah into a cistern. A friend interceded with the king and rescued Jeremiah.



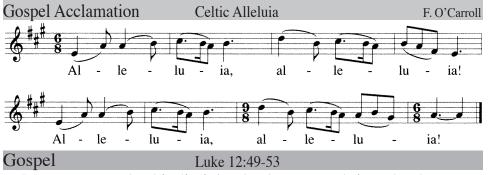
- 1) I called the Lord, my call was heard, the Lord leaned to listen. Lifting me up from the frightening pit, out of the mud and the mire.
- 2) He anchored my feet upon the rock, making my footing secure. Breathing new music into my mouth, singing the praise of our God.
- 3) "Then I said, Here I am, behold I come to do your will, O Lord, within this heart I bear your law, O Lord."

To do what pleases you is my desire, your Word still lives within my inmost parts. Your name is called among the gathering, you know I am not cautious with your name. Your treasured gifts are not held secretly; but sung aloud, your love, your saving help. In the great assembly now still I raise your name in love.

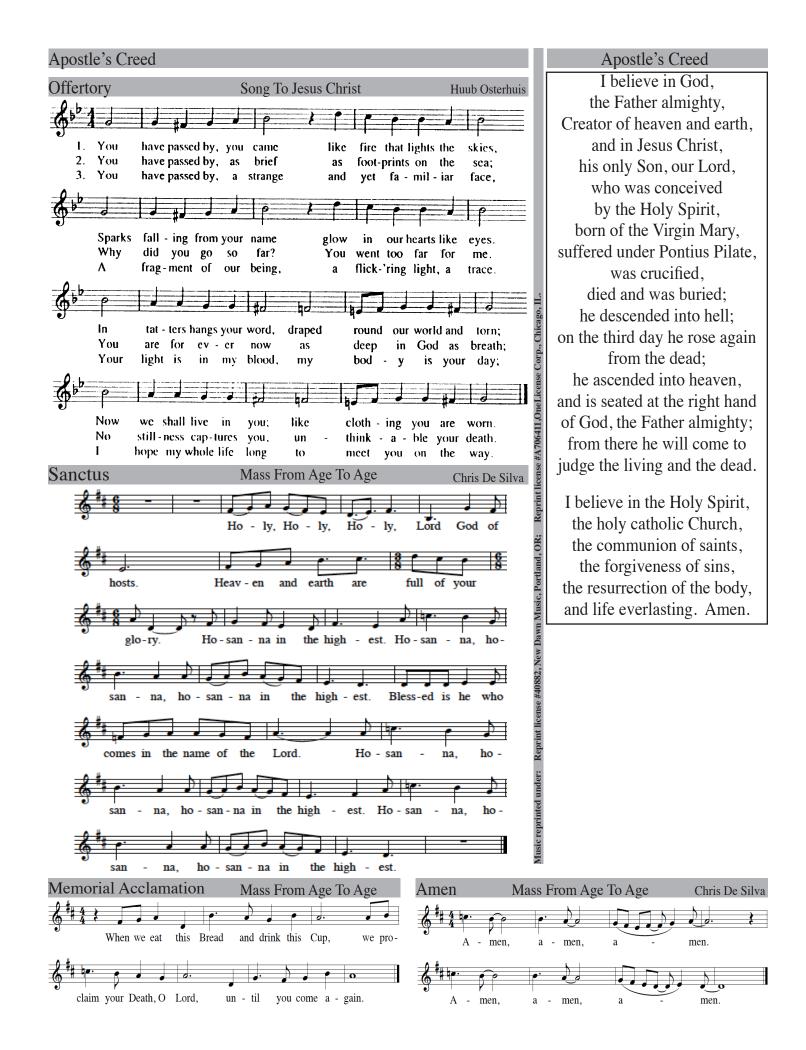
Knowing you as I do, I know you will not hide your face, O Lord, I know my life is safe in you, O Lord, in you, O Lord.

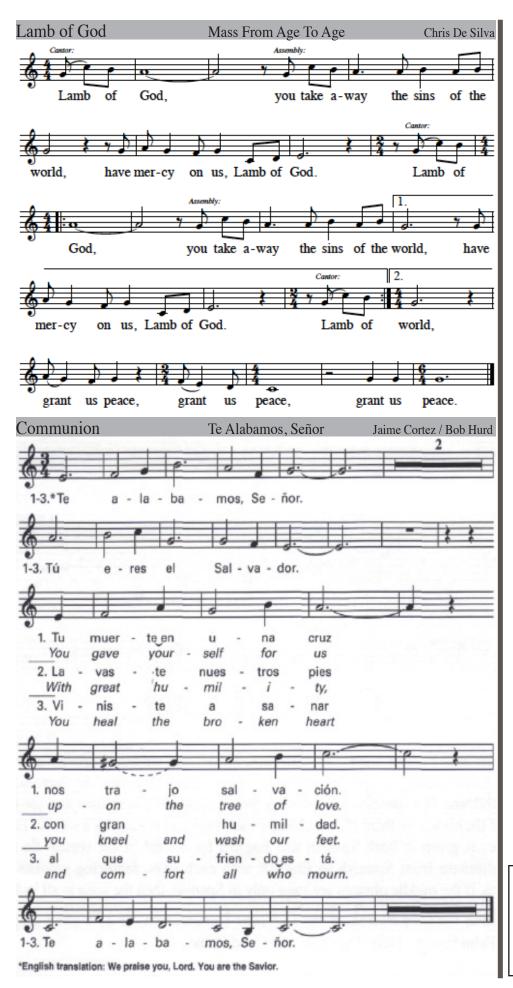
## Second Reading Hebrews 12:1-4

Let us repent of our sins and fix our eyes on the Lord. Jesus gave us an example of endurance and courage in the midst of struggle. In that way he inspires and perfects our faith.



Jesus announced to his disciples that he came to bring a hard message indeed, and some have not listened to it. That is why friends and families divide.





# Statement from Bishop Patrick J. McGrath on Propositions 62 and 66

In these months before November, the electorate of California will prepare to cast ballots on a record number of propositions. Among these is Proposition 62, which would put an end to the death penalty, and Proposition 66, which seeks to expedite the application of the death penalty.

I join with the Bishops of California who favor Proposition 62 and oppose Proposition 66, and I appeal to Catholics of the Diocese of San José to do the same, to affirm that human life – all life – is a gift from God.

Society has the responsibility to protect the common good; however, the death penalty does not achieve this any more effectively than is possible within the prison system. In addition to this, the number of Death Row prisoners who have eventually been found to be innocent calls into question the viability of capital punishment. Among these is a disproportionate number who are members of minorities and/or the poor.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church echoes the teaching of popes, beginning with Saint John XXIII, against the death penalty. Most recently, Pope Francis declared that capital punishment "is an offense to the inviolability of life and to the dignity of the human person. ...It likewise contradicts God's plan for individuals and society, and his merciful justice."

I encourage you to affirm life as you vote in favor of Proposition 62, and against Proposition 66 on November 8.

