

Catholic Community at Stanford



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Sunday Mass November 20, 2011

10:30am Tresidder Oak Room

4:30pm Memorial Church

*** no 10pm Mass on 11/20 ***

Daily Eucharist

***Thanksgiving Mass - Thursday
10:30am in Memorial Church ***

Confessions

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.

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May 20, 2012

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Part eight of an eight part series explaining the changes that will take place to the Missal commencing on the First Sunday of Advent

At its heart, the Eucharist is a sacrament of communion, bringing us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. If we live the fruits of the Eucharist in our daily lives, we will fill our families and our communities with the life-giving qualities that the Liturgy brings: hospitality, concern for the poor and vulnerable, self-offering, and thanksgiving.

An ancient saying in the Church reads “*lex orandi, lex credendi*,” meaning that the law of prayer is the law of faith. More loosely: as we pray, so we believe. To that we might add *lex vivendi*, meaning that as we pray, so we believe, and so we live. In the third edition of the Roman Missal, the bishops and translators have taken great care to ensure that the prayers accurately and fully reflect the mysteries of our faith. Thus, the words that we pray in each liturgical celebration will help to form and strengthen our understanding of the faith.

However, if the effects of the Liturgy stop at the doors of the church, we have not made our prayer and our faith part of our law of living. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) teaches that the Eucharist helps us to grow in union with Christ, avoid sin, increase in charity, strengthen communion with our brothers and sisters, and recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable members of society (see CCC, nos. 1391-1397). But what does that mean in daily life?

Living A Life Of Prayer

Our prayer lives should not be limited to a single hour on Sunday mornings. In fact, the richer our prayer lives are throughout the week, the more fully we will be able to enter into the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. Here are some ways to make your daily life more prayerful:

- * Try attending daily Mass at least once a week. Your parish may have an early morning Mass, or a church near your job may offer a lunchtime Mass.
- * Stop in a church before or after work or on your lunch hour for fifteen minutes of quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.
- * Make it a practice to say grace before every meal—even if you are eating in the car.
- * Schedule time for family prayer at least once a week. This prayer can be as simple as saying the Our Father or a decade of the Rosary together.
- * Take time during the week to read or listen to the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The readings are available online (in print and audio) at www.usccb.org/nab.
- * Begin your day with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to God, offering your day to him.
- * End your day with an examination of conscience, looking at your successes and failures in what you have done or what you have failed to do. If you are aware of serious sin, receive the Sacrament of Penance before you receive Holy Communion again.

Living A Life Of Loving Service

Celebrating the eucharistic Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion should strengthen us to conform our lives more closely to the example of Christ. As Jesus knelt before his Apostles to wash their feet (see Jn 13), giving them an example of humble service, so must we who bear the name Christian live our lives in service to our brothers and sisters.

To help us in this endeavor, Church Tradition has identified works of mercy. These fourteen practices demand great sacrifice and generosity, but they also draw us more deeply into conformity with the Lord. Focusing on one of these works each week may be a practical way to integrate them into our personal, family, and parish lives.

Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feeding the hungry
- Sheltering the homeless
- Clothing the naked
- Visiting the sick
- Visiting the imprisoned
- Giving drink to the thirsty
- Burying the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Converting sinners
- Instructing the ignorant
- Advising the doubtful
- Comforting the sorrowful
- Bearing wrongs patiently
- Forgiving injuries
- Praying for the living and dead

Our parishes and civil communities offer numerous opportunities to live out these works, from assisting with religious education classes or volunteering at a food bank to encouraging our legislators to put forward policies that protect the life and dignity of each person. As we grow in conformity to Christ, we see more clearly that all people are made in the image and likeness of God (see Gn 1:26) and so have an inherent value and dignity. By helping to build a more just and compassionate society, we act as Christ’s Body in the world.

It All Comes Back to the Eucharist

Living the Christian life is not easy. “What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ . . . preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage” (CCC, no. 1392).

And so, each Sunday, we return to the Eucharistic table, bringing all our efforts of the previous week, the good and the bad, the successes and the failures, the joys and the sorrows. We gather with our brothers and sisters in the Lord and, together with our priest, we join these efforts to the perfect sacrifice of Christ, asking that God will receive what we offer back to him in humble thanksgiving. The Catechism explains it as follows:

The Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ’s sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering. (CCC, no. 1368)

Then, strengthened by Holy Communion, we are once again sent forth into the world to glorify the Lord in our lives.

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GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holiday Mass Schedule:

Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Mass at 10:30am in Memorial Church
Nov. 27, 4:30pm and 10:00pm Masses
Dec. 4, all Masses
Dec. 10 Early Holiday Liturgy, 11:00pm
Dec. 11, 10:30am and 4:30pm Masses
(4:30 is bilingual in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe)
Dec. 18, 4:30pm Mass
Dec. 24, Midnight Mass (at Midnight)
Dec. 25, Christmas Day Mass (NOON)

All Masses are in Memorial Church, except the 10:30am Sunday Masses in Tresidder Union Oak Room.

Christmas Choir:

Would you consider singing for our special Christmas choir? We will have a Midnight Christmas Eve Mass and noon Christmas Day Mass with choir, organ, and harp. 3 rehearsals--Dec. 14 (7:30-9:30pm), Dec. 18 (2:00-3:30pm), Dec. 21 (7:30-9:30pm) Contact Teresa for more information, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Book of Remembrance:

Throughout the month of November, the community's Book of Remembrance will be present at our Sunday Masses. Names of the dead can be inscribed in this special book and will be remembered in prayer at the liturgies during the month.

High School Confirmation:

We are assessing the need for a high school confirmation group. If your high school-age child would be interested in receiving the sacrament this coming April 29th, please contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu, as soon as possible.

Early Holiday Liturgy Orchestra:

We will be celebrating our special Early Holiday Liturgy on Saturday, Dec. 10, 11:00pm. The liturgy involves a large choir and orchestra. String players are needed, plus a bassoon player. There is a rehearsal on Monday, Dec. 5, 8-10:00 p.m. One of the pieces will be "Fecit Potentiam" from John Rutter's "Magnificat". Music available before Thanksgiving break. Please contact Teresa soon if you are able to play for this beautiful liturgy. tpleins@stanford.edu

Altar Servers:

We are looking for 4 students to help with the ministry of altar serving for the 4:30 Sunday Mass. You would be scheduled about every 4 weeks and trained for special liturgies such as Holy Week, in addition to the Sunday Masses. Altar servers arrive at 3:45 to help with set up. This is a vital ministry to our liturgies, so if you could help out once a month, we would be grateful. For info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Greeting Ministers Needed for 4:30 Mass:

We need 6 more friendly faces to complete our greeting ministry roster at the 4:30 Mass. This is such an important ministry, as we welcome all who pass through our doors on Sunday. It is very rewarding, as you have the opportunity to meet the face of Christ present in his people. You would be scheduled approximately every 3-4 weeks. For info, contact Iris Clark, iris.ccas@live.com.

Adult Confirmation beginning in January!

Preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation for Stanford students, faculty, staff and registered Permanent Community members will begin on Wednesday, January 11, 2012. The process entails 16 90-minute classes over the course of 20 weeks, from 7:30-9:00pm in the Common Room in the CIRCLE. Confirmation will be celebrated in Sunday April 29, 2012 (the feast of St. Catherine of Siena) in Memorial Church. Materials will cost \$40. Please email Father Isaiah Mary for more details.

Easiest ministry in the history of CCAS:

Father Isaiah Mary, the Voice of Catholic Cardinal Reflections (the Podcast of the Catholic Community), is looking for a few able-bodied souls to go the 4:30 Mass, sit in one of the lofts during the Liturgy of the Word, and press two buttons, one before & one after, the preaching of that Sunday. In other words, he's looking for some sound techs. If you are interested in BECOMING FAMOUS, contact Fr. Isaiah Mary.

Ministry in Las Vegas:

We are excited to announce that we have a team of ten preparing to serve with the St. Therese Center, an HIV/AIDS ministry in Las Vegas. Six undergrads and two grads will join Lourdes Alonso and Fr. Nathan on this service trip as we help with all aspects of the Thanksgiving food distribution. You can still get involved by praying for our team and/or helping provide cranberries for the 400 food boxes that will be distributed. The estimated cost of the cranberries is \$600. Any amount you give will help our team provide this sweet ingredient. Contact Lourdes Alonso, lalonso@stanford.edu, for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers needed at 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 November 26th from 8:30 until 1:00 pm, 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.

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen:

There are two shifts for volunteering Thanksgiving Day: (1) The Set-up shift from 8:30 until 11:30 and (2) the Serving Line shift from 11:30am until 2:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering for either or both shifts, please contact Michael Bova at mpbova2001@yahoo.com. Plan your schedules in advance and please join us in helping those in need on Thanksgiving Day.

Volunteers Needed for Christmas Celebration at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen!

Volunteers needed for the Christmas Celebration at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen on Saturday, December 24th. Two shifts are available: (1) The Set-up shift from 8:30 until 11:30 and (2) the Serving Line shift from 11:30am until 2:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering for either or both shifts, please contact Michael Bova at mpbova2001@yahoo.com before November 30th to have a spot reserved for you. We have a limited number of volunteer positions available, so please do not hesitate reserving your spot on the Catholic Community at Stanford volunteer team.

Weekly Readings

Monday, November 21
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150,
155, 158
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 22
2 Mc 6:18-31
Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 23
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 24
1 Mc 2:15-29
Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15
Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 25
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
1 Chronicles 29:10bcd,
11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 26
1 Mc 6:1-13
Ps 9:2-3,4, 6, 16, 19
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 27
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17
Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28
Mt 25:31-46

GRADS

Grad Bible Study: *New Group Starting up*
Join fellow grad students as we pray and study scripture. We'll meet on Sundays from 6:30-7:30pm in EV building 128 apt 104 (behind the GCC and a tree). A homemade dinner will also be provided at 6:15pm. For more information email cgiam@stanford.edu.

Women's Faith Sharing/Prayer Group:
A couple of members from our community are hoping to start a women's Faith Sharing group. They are inviting grad students or spouses of grad students to see if there is enough interest to start a regular meeting. If you are interested in being part of this new group and sharing your faith journey with others, please email Lourdes at alonso@stanford.edu. She will get you in touch with the group leaders.

Daily Rosary:
10pm, 3rd floor, Old Union. To be added to the list, email George at vidal@stanford.edu.

UNDER GRADS

Fellowship Dinners:
Every Sunday at FloMo. Undergrads join the community for dinner after the 4:30pm Mass. We head over to FloMo around 5:45pm for their Sunday cuisine. They always have ice cream, too. Look for the signs in Cardenal. Email Megan or Margaret for info, (meobrien@stanford.edu or mkoehler@stanford.edu).

Rosary:
Monday to Saturday 10pm to 10:30pm and Sundays 9pm in the Sanctuary, 3rd floor of Old Union.

Rosario en español:
lunes, miércoles, jueves y viernes de 10pm a 10:30pm y los domingos a las 9pm en la sala Z315 de Casa Zapata, Stern Hall. Contactar a Gloria Muñoz: gmunoz@stanford.edu

Lectio Divina:
Our Lectio Divina prayer group is open to undergrads, grads, post grads, faculty, staff and permanent community. Essentially, we are open to ALL. It generally meets on agreed upon Friday mornings from 10 - 11am. For more information please contact Jo Owen (650) 529-1105 or journey2light@gmail.com

Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 20, 2011

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

*** no 10pm Mass on 11/20 ***

Monday, November 21 - Friday, November 25

- Office closed during the Thanksgiving week
- Confessions
by appointment: call 725-0080

Daily Liturgy:

***Thanksgiving Mass - Thursday
10:30am in Memorial Church ***



YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Mass:
Tues. Nov. 29th 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. Dec. 6th at 7:30pm., Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. We will be starting a new topic, "Genesis to Jesus" (<http://tinyurl.com/GenesisToJesus>) and plan on meeting on the first Tuesday of each month throughout the Fall. Our next lesson "On the Way to the Promised Land" will focus on understanding God's covenant with Israel and how this looks forward to the New Covenant fulfilled in Christ. Please join us even if you have never attended a Bible study before!

Annual Christmas Party:
Sat. Dec. 10th from 7pm-10pm, St. Albert's Church Meeting Hall, 1095 Channing Ave, Palo Alto. Please join us for our annual Christmas Party. Please bring your favorite dessert or side dish and a \$5 donation to help cover expenses. We will also be collecting Christmas gifts for children in need. After the party, we will head to the Midnight Mass being held at Stanford Memorial Church at 11pm. Please confirm your attendance on our Facebook Fan Page "Young Adult Circle", or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

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

The Catholic Community at Stanford University

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 20, 2011



Gathering The King Shall Come (J. Hirten)

The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And
Not as of old a lit - tle child, To
Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn When
Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn Shall
The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And

light tri - um - phant breaks, When beau - ty gilds the
bear and fight and die, But crowned with glo - ry
Christ, vic - to - rious, rose And left the lone - some
dawn up - on our race The day when Christ in
light and beau - ty brings. Hail, Christ the Lord! Your

east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.
like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.
place of death De - spite the rage of foes.
splen - dor comes And we shall see his face.
peo - ple pray: Come quick - ly, King of kings.

Gloria Mass of Light (D. Haas)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, Sing! Glo - ry to
God! Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth!

First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

The Lord said, "I will look after my sheep. As a shepherd I will tend my flock. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy or dark. I will pasture them, give them rest, bring back the strays and heal the sick."

Psalms 23 (T. Conry)

REFRAIN
God a - lone may lead my Spir - it far a - way from want and fear,

for the Lord is my true shep - herd and I know the Lord is near.

VERSES
1. I am led be - side God's peace - ful wa - ter and I sleep in the
2. Though I wan - der the val - ley of dy - ing, I shall know that I
3. You have spread your ban - quet be - fore me in the un - bro - ken
4. On - ly mer - cy and good - ness pur - sue me while that breath and that

1. arms of the earth. Who guides me a - long paths of
2. walk in your sight, with your staff that is ev - er be -
3. sight of my foes, while my head is a - noint - ed with
4. jus - tice en - dure. And I'll dwell in the house of God's

to Refrain
1. hon - or? Who re - fresh - es my life from my birth?
2. fore me and your rod to guard at my right.
3. kind - ness and the cup of my life o - ver - flows.
4. keep - ing who has o - pened the mouths of the poor.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "Just as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will come to life again. Christ must reign until the last enemy, death, is destroyed, so that God may be all in all."

Gospel Acclamation Mass From Age to Age (De Silva)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat first time only Last time
al - le - lu - ia.

Verse Response (2x) D.C.
Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

As a shepherd separates sheep from goats, so will the son of Man come in glory to separate those who fed the hungry from those who did not. "As often as you did it to one of these little ones, you did it to me."

Offertory The Cry of the Poor (J. Foley)

REFRAIN: The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless - ed be the Lord. Fine

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.

Sanctus Mass of Light (D. Haas)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry! Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Ho - san - na in the
 high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

1. reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. Where we di -
 2. hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. Where we are
 3. rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. Where we sur -
 1. vide your peo - ple you are wait - ing there
 2. tired and wea - ry, you are wait - ing there
 3. vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed,
 to Refrain
 1. on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.
 2. to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.
 3. you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - ry need.

Memorial Acclamation: Mass of Light (D. Haas)

Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ris - ing you re - stored our life.
 Lord Je - sus come! Lord Je - sus come in glo - ry!

Amen Mass From Age to Age (De Silva)

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

Lamb of God Mass From Age to Age (De Silva)

Cantor: Lamb of God, *Assembly:* you take a - way the sins of the
 world, *Cantor:* have mer - cy on us, Lamb of God. *Cantor:* Lamb of
Assembly: God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have
 mer - cy on us, Lamb of God. *Cantor:* Lamb of world,
 grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Bread For the World (B. Farrell)

Refrain: All
 Bread for the world: a world of hun - ger. Wine for all
 peo - ples: peo - ple who thirst. May we who eat
 be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love.
Verses: Cantor
 1. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro - ken to
 2. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in - to
 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the

Communion No Body But Yours (Hervé Kieffel)

Christ has no body, No body,
 No body now but yours; No hands,
 No feet on Earth but yours.

Yours are the eyes with which he looks,
 He looses compassion on this world.
 Yours are the feet
 With which he walks to do good.
 Yours are the hands
 With which he blesses all the Earth.

Yours are the hands;
 Yours are the feet;
 Yours are the eyes.
 You are his body.

Christ has no body, No body,
 No body now but yours.

Recessional Soon and Very Soon (A. Crouch)

1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 2. No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 3. No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King, Hal - le -
 No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
 lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!
 Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah,
 jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

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Vallombrosa Retreat Center

Vallombrosa Center Retreats and Events:

Vallombrosa Center is located at 250 Oak Grove Avenue in Menlo Park. For more information visit www.vallombrosa.org or phone 650-325-5614.

November 20, 2011: Thanksgiving Prayer Service:

With the Vallombrosa Choir, 2:00pm – 4:00pm. All are welcome to join us for an afternoon of music, prayer and reflection in celebration of the great gift of God's love.

December 2 – 4, 2011: Silent Private Retreat Weekend:

begins 4:00pm (Dec. 2) and concludes after lunch (Dec. 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 and morning and evening prayer each day. The cost for the weekend is \$226.00-private, \$202.00-shared, all meals included.

Join us at Vallombrosa Center this Christmas Season for the following:

December 11, 2011: A Gaelic Christmas Concert featuring Mary Mc Laughlin's Cór Ainglí, 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Vallombrosa Center is pleased to present A Gaelic Christmas Concert, featuring Mary Mc Laughlin's Cór Ainglí in the Vallombrosa Chapel on Sunday, December 11. Mary Mc Laughlin formed the Cór Ainglí (Irish Gaelic for "Angelic Choir") in 2006 in Santa Cruz, California. An Irish Gaelic speaker and singer, Mary wanted to establish a choir that she could teach to sing her original arrangements of Irish sacred music, particularly Christmas songs, in the Irish language. The concert begins at 2:00pm and is open to the public. The cost is \$25.00/adult, \$20.00/youth (under 16).

December 18, 2011: Christmas Lessons and Carols with the Vallombrosa Choir 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Come celebrate the season with us through music, prayer and reflection as we make our way from Advent towards Christmas. On Sunday, December 18 the Vallombrosa Choir, under the direction of Patrick Feehan will perform a Christmas Lessons and Carols concert. Mr. Feehan is a local composer, teacher, and conductor who has assembled a choir of more than 50 for liturgical celebrations throughout the year. Christmas Lessons and Carols begins at 2:00pm and is open to the public. There is a suggested donation of \$20.00/person.

For more information or to register for an event, please visit www.vallombrosa.org or phone 650-325-5614

Wedding Anniversary Mass:

Greetings! The Diocese of San José will once again acknowledge the couples who have honored the sacrament of matrimony with their faith and love for God and their spouses at a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration.

Bishop Patrick J. McGrath invites couples celebrating their 25th, 40th or 50th wedding anniversaries (or more) to a Mass celebrating their commitment at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph on February 4, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. The Mass will be bilingual in English and Spanish, and the couples will have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. A reception in the Cathedral's parish hall will follow.

Please make copies of the registration form to distribute to your parishioners and their families who may be interested in participating. They can print or type their information on the form and mail it to the Diocese of San José or fax it to 408-983-0121 (attention: Sylvia Blanch). They may also register online.

The deadline for registration is January 25, 2012. Due to limited seats, please reserve seats only for anniversary couples and handicapped.

If you need more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sylvia Blanch at 408-983-0128 or email her atsblanch@dsj.org.

Please know that the Bishop also invites the pastors to concelebrate at the Mass with him if they are able. Please let Diana Macalintal know if your pastor plans to join him at this celebration.

Thank you for your continued care for the all members of our diocese.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

25 and 50+ Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration
Aniversario de Bodas de Plata y Oro
February 4, 2012 / 4 de Febrero, 2012
2:00 pm
Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph / Catedral Basílica de San José

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