

# Catholic Community at Stanford



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### **Sunday Mass** November 27, 2011

\*\*\* no 10:30am Mass on 11/27 \*\*\*

4:30pm Memorial Church

10pm Memorial Church

### **Daily Eucharist**

M - W - F 12:20pm Memorial Church

T - Th 12:20pm Old Union Sanctuary

### **Confessions**

Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm

Old Union, 3rd Floor, 304 or 305

or 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](mailto:tpleins@stanford.edu).

Baptisms for the 2011-2012 academic year:

January 29, 2012

May 20, 2012

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*fr Benjamin Earl OP asks if Christians are to be sleep-deprived this Advent.*

I am given to understand that sleep deprivation is one of the records which is no longer supported by the Guinness Book of Records, for reasons of health: the previously listed world record holder lasted for eleven days without sleep, but suffered from problems with concentration, memory, paranoia and hallucinations.

So I think we can probably be fairly sure that the command that we hear in today's gospel at the beginning of Advent, that we are to "watch", to "stay awake", lest we be found asleep, is not to be taken literally. Either that or critics of our faith are correct in suggesting that Christians can't think straight, refuse to accept historical fact, are paranoid and delusional.

"Well, of course," you might say, "Our Lord tells us to 'watch', to 'be awake' in the context of a parable, and therefore spiritually rather than physically." And you would be right. But play along with me for a moment, and let us suppose he was in fact speaking about staying awake in a literal sense.

There are some innocent-looking words that our lectionary adds at the beginning of our gospel reading to put it into context: "Jesus said to his disciples." Which disciples? Well, if we look earlier in the chapter we find that it is in fact four disciples: Peter, James, John and Andrew, the first four of the apostles to be called. And the gospel reading divides the night into four parts in which the master of the house might come: the evening, midnight, cockcrow and the morning, just as the Romans divided the night into four watches. And who is to watch in the parable? Not all the servants of the master, who have their own work to be getting on with, and no doubt need their sleep, but the doorkeeper. It is not unreasonable then to suppose that it is these four apostles, as doorkeepers, holders of the keys to the kingdom, who take turns to watch through the four watches of the night.

That, I think, puts a slightly different spin on things. Of course, the whole household has to be ready for the

coming of the master, "each with his work", but in the first place it is the apostles who actually keep the four watches so that the house can be roused when the master comes.

This apostolic ministry is extended to all of us by the fact Christ says at the end of the parable, "and what I say to you" - that is, to Peter, James, John and Andrew - "I say to all: Watch!" But we watch in the same way as those apostles: not just looking out for ourselves, depriving ourselves of sleep and making ourselves ill in the process, but looking out for each other and depending on each other. We watch for Christ in the watch assigned to us: watching for Christ in the poor, the sick, the hungry, the prisoner; watching too for the hope of the gospel. We watch for Christ not just as individuals, but as part of a community, his household, the Church.

As we prepare for the liturgical coming of the master at Christmas, the Church gives us four Sundays of Advent, four watches you might say, when we look out for him: four different aspects of the Lord's coming that we look for. In the second, third and fourth watch we will see how it is that the Lord will come. Today, though, we are reminded not only what it is we do in Advent, but who it is who is coming: it is the Triune God, the God of Abraham, recognised by Isaiah both as our Father and our Redeemer, the God who formed us as a potter forms clay. We watch for the one who enriches us with speech and knowledge and the gifts of the Spirit as we wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So over these four weeks, let us watch with the Church for the Lord, and watch out for each other and those around us, that we may be better prepared to receive the Lord when he comes at Christmas, or indeed whenever he comes.

*fr Benjamin Earl is Provincial Bursar of the English Dominican Province. He is a member of the Priory of the Holy Spirit, Oxford and teaches Canon Law in the Dominican Studium.*

## GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holiday Mass Schedule:

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.

### Reconciliation Service:

Our Advent Reconciliation Service will be held in Memorial Church this Thursday, Dec. 1, 7:30pm. Individual confession will be offered during the service.

### 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. Three 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](mailto:tpleins@stanford.edu).

### 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](mailto: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, 8-10:00pm. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [frisaiah@stanford.edu](mailto:frisaiah@stanford.edu) 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. [frisaiah@stanford.edu](mailto:frisaiah@stanford.edu)



## Volunteer Opportunities

### 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](mailto: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 28  
Is 2:1-5  
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5,  
6-7, 8-9  
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29  
Is 11:1-10  
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, November 30  
Rom 10:9-18  
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11  
Mt 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1  
Is 26:1-6  
Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21,  
25-27a  
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 2  
Is 29:17-24  
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14  
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3  
Is 30:19-21, 23-26  
Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday, December 4  
Is 40:1-5, 9-11  
Ps 85:9-10-11-12,  
13-14  
2 Pt 3:8-14  
Mk 1:1-8

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:meobrien@stanford.edu) or [mkoehler@stanford.edu](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:journey2light@gmail.com)

## Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 27, 2011

\*\*\* no 10:30am Mass on 11/27 \*\*\*

- 4:30 pm - Memorial Church
- 10 pm - Memorial Church

Monday, November 28 - Friday, December 2

- Office hours (Tues - Fri) 10am - 4pm
- Confessions  
Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm  
Old Union, 3rd Floor, 304 or 305  
or by appointment: call 725-0080

Daily Liturgy:

- M - W - F 12:20 - Memorial Church
- T - Th 12:20 - Old Union Sanctuary

More Announcements

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:yacircle@gmail.com).

For more info, see our website, [www.YoungAdultCircle.org](http://www.YoungAdultCircle.org), check the Facebook Fan Page "Young Adult Circle", or contact us at [yacircle@gmail.com](mailto:yacircle@gmail.com).

# The Catholic Community at Stanford University

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
NOVEMBER 27, 2011



## Gathering Come, O Lord (P. Rubalcalva)

**Refrain**

Come, O Lord, to set us free. Give us life and  
lib - er - ty. Re - turn our sight that we might see.

Come, O Lord, to set us free.

**Verse 1**

1. To you, O God, we lift up our souls; we  
1. wait for your com - ing to us, O Lord.

**Verses 2, 3**

2. The Lord is com - ing to save all the na - tions; our  
3. Re - joice in the Lord, for his com - ing is near. God -

2. hearts will re - joice at the sound of God's name.  
3. comes to fill the whole world with joy.

**Verse 4**

4. The jus - tice of God will rain down up - on us; the  
4. earth will bring forth a sav - ior for us.

**Verse 5**

5. You are the Light that gives hope in our dark - ness.  
5. Show us the way through the des - ert to you.

**Verses 6, 7**

6. You are the Word that came to live a - mong us.  
7. You are the prom - ise of proph - ets be - fore us.

6. Teach us the truth that u - nites us with you.  
7. Give us the life to give wit - ness to you.

## First Reading Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7

Isaiah prophesied, "All our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have withered like grass. . . We are the clay and you are the potter. We are the work of your hands."

## Psalm 25 Hold Me In Life (B. Huijbers)

**Refrain**

Hold me in life for you are my safe - ty,  
al - ways my eyes are look - ing for you.

**Verses**

1. Be - cause you are just who you are,  
2. Are you the one who is to come,  
3. You gave your Word to this, our world:

don't pass me by, but show me your mer - cy;  
or must we wait and fol - low some oth - er?  
you are my song, the God of my glad - ness;

**D.C.**

I will wait for you all my life.  
Lord, my God, I am cer - tain of you.  
my de - sire goes out to you.

## Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Paul wrote, "God who called you to oneness with Jesus Christ, is faithful. You lack no spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation, and you will be blameless on the day of the Lord."

## Gospel Acclamation Advent Alleluia (Pischnr)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Gospel Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said, "Stay awake and keep watch, for you do not know when the time will come."

## Offertory How Far Is the Night? (Huijbers)

How far is the night, how far, how far, —  
watch - man? — How far is the night, the night?  
The morn - ing comes, says the watch - man, — but — still  
it is night.

1 Repeat from beginning 2  
3

Sanctus

Missa Emmanuel

Memorial Acclamation:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
Until you come again.

Amen

Missa Emmanuel

(Proulx)

1st Cantor / All repeat

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

Lamb of God

Missa Emmanuel

(Proulx)

Cantor: (Invocation)  
.....have mercy on us,  
(last) .....grant us peace,

All respond:

have mer - cy on us.  
grant us \_\_\_\_\_ peace.

Communion

In Every Age

(J.S. Whitaker)

VERSE 1

1. Long be - fore the moun - tains came to be and the land and  
1. sea and stars of the night, through the end - less sea - sons of all  
1. time you have al - ways been, \_\_\_\_\_ you will al - ways be.

REFRAIN

In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our ref - uge.

1-3 to Verses 2,3 last time: to Refrain

In ev - 'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

Final

God, \_\_\_\_\_ you have been our hope, \_\_\_\_\_

Fine

you have been our ref - uge, \_\_\_\_\_ you have been our hope.

VERSE 2

2. Des - ti - ny is cast, and at your si - lent word we re - turn to  
2. dust and scat - ter to the wind. A thou - sand years are like a sin - gle mo - ment  
to Refrain  
2. gone, as the light that fades \_\_\_\_\_ at the end of day.

VERSE 3

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be  
3. pa - tient e - ven as we wait. Teach us to em - brace our ev - 'ry joy and  
to Refrain  
3. pain. To sleep peace - ful - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ and to rise up strong.

Recessional

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(chant)

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,  
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,  
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,  
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,  
5. O come, O Key of Dav - id, come,

And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
Who or - ders all things might - i - ly;  
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height  
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
To us the path of knowl - edge show,  
In an - cient times once gave the law,  
That trust your might - y power to save,  
Make safe the way that leads on high,

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
And teach us in her ways to go.  
In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.  
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
And close the path to mis - er - y.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el  
Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

6. O come, O Dayspring from on high  
And cheer us by your drawing night;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind  
In one the hearts of humankind;  
O bid our sad divisions cease,  
And be for us our King of Peace.

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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](http://www.vallombrosa.org) or phone 650-325-5614.

#### 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.

#### December 3, 2011: “A Call to Contemplative Prayer”

A Centering Prayer Workshop with Jean Ramacciotti, 8:30am - noon. Join us for this introductory workshop to learn how to deepen your connection with God through Centering Prayer. Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer, prayer in which we experience God’s presence within us. Contemplative prayer is the opening of mind and heart to God. It emphasizes prayer as a personal relationship with God. The cost of the workshop is \$20.00/person, includes scones and coffee.

#### 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.

## 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](mailto: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

— More Announcements —