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:** November 29, 2015

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

**Daily Liturgy:** 12:20pm

- M T W and F in Memorial Church
- Thursdays in the Old Union Sanctuary

**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
- 9:00pm to 10:30pm at Old Union
- or 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 the 2015-2016 academic year:

- January 31, 2016 (Preparation on 1/23/16)
- May 15, 2016 (Preparation on 1/23/16)

**Rosary and Adoration:**

- Rosary: daily at 9pm (10pm on Tuesdays)
- Adoration: Tuesdays 9pm to 10:30pm
- in the Sanctuary of Old Union

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Sunday, November 29, 2015

Today is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a time of preparation for us, a time to prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. (The word “Advent” comes from the Latin word adventus, which means “coming.”) Although Advent refers to Christ’s birth at Christmas, it also refers to the coming of Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Finally, it reminds us of the need to prepare for His Second Coming.

Everything we do during this holy period should be aimed at preparing our minds and hearts for Christ’s arrival. Our readings today, from our First Reading in which the prophet Jeremiah predicts the coming of Christ (“The days are coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise.”) to our Gospel from Luke (“And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”) anticipates Christ’s arrival, both as an infant and in His return.

As individuals and families and households we need to develop or continue Advent traditions. Whether it is setting aside for special prayer or carefully filling a manger or lighting an Advent wreath or singing Christmas carols or reading Christmas poems and stories, we need to do some different things and do them consistently throughout Advent. This will help us have the both the right focus and the right attitude.

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**YTD Budget Overage $8**
Last Week’s Budget $7,829
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<td><strong>Special Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe:</strong> On Sunday, Dec. 6, we will have a special celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe during the 4:30 Mass. Join our Spanish musicians and dancers in this festive Mass honoring the patroness of the Americas.</td>
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<td><strong>Warm and Fuzzy Make-A-Thon:</strong> Friday, Dec 4. All are invited to join us on Friday, December 4th as Stanford makes warmth and gives back. Take a break during dead week and join the Stanford Community in our Warm-and Fuzzy Make-A-Thon. We’ll be making hats &amp; scarves to donate to the Opportunity Center and other communities in need. All materials (along with food) will be provided and no knitting/crafting skills are necessary! This year’s Make-A-Thon will be in held in the El Centro Chicano y Latino in the Nitery next to Old Union from 6-11pm.</td>
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<td><strong>Parent Enrichment Presentation:</strong> On Sunday, Dec. 6, Nancy Greenfield will be offering conversation on “Is Spirituality and religious identity caught or taught?” on how to weave spirituality into the daily lives we share with our children. Meet on the 2nd floor of Old Union, lounge area to the right of the elevator. Session runs 9:00am-10:15. Open to all families in the community. For info, contact Chiara Sabatti, <a href="mailto:sabatti@stanford.edu">sabatti@stanford.edu</a>.</td>
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<td><strong>Christmas Choir:</strong> Don’t have enough time to join the choir on a regular basis? We’d love to have you join for the Christmas Choir! Minimal rehearsals: Dec. 9, 7:30-8:30; Dec. 13, 2:30-3:30; Dec. 16, 7:30-8:30; Dec. 20, 2:30-3:30 Singing with harp and organ for Christmas Eve at Midnight and Christmas Day at Noon. Contact Teresa for more info, <a href="mailto:tpleins@stanford.edu">tpleins@stanford.edu</a>.</td>
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<td><strong>Junior High-led Christmas Outreach:</strong> Our junior high religious ed kids will be leading an outreach drive geared specifically to teens. They will be collecting unwrapped presents (for teens), books (new or used for any age), and girls’ holiday outfits (new or used for teens). Donations can be brought to Masses Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 13. All items will be distributed by our teens to families served by St. Justins Parish, Diocese of San Jose. St. Justins serves over 2,500 children each Christmas and our kids will be representing our community in this outreach work. Please also keep in mind the Giving Tree opportunity that Peter Barling is leading. For more info, contact Teresa, <a href="mailto:tpleins@stanford.edu">tpleins@stanford.edu</a>.</td>
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Save the Date for Our Early Holiday Liturgy:
Saturday evening, Dec. 5, 11:00pm, we hold our Early Holiday Liturgy in Memorial Church. Think Midnight Mass, just before heading into finals week! Candle procession through the darkened church, Advent readings, orchestra and choir with Brass Act ensemble to lead us in Christmas caroling and then on to hot chocolate! Everyone is invited to celebrate the Advent/Christmas season together with this festive Holiday Mass. If you are interested in singing or playing in the orchestra, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

4:30 Choir Looking For Basses:
If you sing bass, we need you! Singing with the choir gives you an up-close way of celebrating Mass with a group of new friends. Upcoming special liturgies include the Early Holiday Liturgy in December and the Liturgical Arts Performance Lamentations: Images of War and Protest in February. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights, 8-10:00pm in Old Union. No auditions! For info contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu. (other voices are also welcome to join)

Knitting Needles Wanted:
Calling all knitters! Do you have any knitting needles sitting around at home that you would be willing to lend for a great cause? You are in luck because we need to borrow knitting needles to use during our Warm and Fuzzy Make-A-Thon on Friday, December 4, 2015. They will be used to knit scarves for people in need and we promise to ensure their safe return. Please bring them to Lourdes’ office in Room 305 Old Union with your name and phone number taped to them by December 3.

Undergrad Special Dinner:
Saturday, December 5, at 6pm. All undergrads are invited to ring in the holiday season during our Christmas themed Special Dinner. Join us on the 3rd floor of Old Union on Saturday, December 5 at 6pm for a Festive Dinner with lots of homemade desserts.

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**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

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
   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 give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.

   Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

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

7- O come, O Desire of nations, bind
In one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our sad divisions cease,
And be for us our King of peace.
Prayers for France:
We are united in prayer with our French students, families and alumni who are suffering the loss of loved ones and remain fearful in the wake of the Paris attacks. We pray for peace and healing in our world.

Reading Group:
The next meeting will be on MONDAY DEC. 7th at 7:30 at Albert and Barbara Gelpi’s house on campus, 870 Tolman Drive. We’ll be reading and discussion poems by DENISE LEVERTOV. She is a major figure in 20th century American poetry, and she taught for a number of years at Stanford and was a member of our community. Al has written about Levertov’s poetry and recently gave a talk at a conference on her life and work at Loyola Chicago, and he will lead the discussion. All are welcome to join in the conversation. If you are interested and would like the texts of the poems to be discussed, contact him at agelpi@stanford.edu.

Grads
Grad Early Holiday Dinner and White Elephant Gift Exchange:
Saturday, December 5 at 8:30pm
Grads and Young Adults are invited to enjoy great food, good company and lots of fun as we celebrate the Advent Season. The Festive FREE DINNER begins at 8:30pm in the Common Room located on the 3rd floor at Old Union. Bring a “White Elephant” gift for the exchange*. Continue the celebration as we walk over for the Early Holiday Liturgy. Feel free to bring friends and family to this festive celebration.

*SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT WHITE ELEPHANT GIFTS:
A white elephant gift exchange is the opportunity to take part in the holiday gift-giving tradition. The key is to have fun with it, and think a bit outside the box. Participation takes just three easy steps. (1) Either purchase something, costing at most $5, or recycle that gift that just wasn’t right for you. It can be something useful, or not so much... You never know what will be considered useful by someone else. (2) Wrap it in a deceivingly clever way, such that there are no clues as to what is inside. (3) Bring it to dinner, the rest will be explained there.

First Reading  Jeremiah 33:14-16
The time is coming when the Lord’s promise to Israel will be fulfilled. An offspring of David will come and bring justice for all nations of the world.

Psalm  25  Hold Me In Life  Bernard Huijbers
Refrain
Hold me in life for you are my safety,
always my eyes are looking for you.

Verses
1. Because 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 mercy;
or must we wait and follow some other?
you are my song, the God of my gladness;
I will wait for you all my life.
Lord, my God, I am certain of you.

Second Reading  1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Paul prayed to the Lord for the Christians of Thessalonica that their love for one another would overflow and that their hearts might be blameless and holy before God.

Advent Alleluia  Andrew Wright

Jesus said to his disciples, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. Raise your hands for your redemption is at hand.”
Young Adults

Annual Christmas Party:
Sat. Dec. 5th 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.

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.

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.

Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse’s lineage coming,
As men of old have sung,
It came, a flow’ret bright,
Amid the cold of winter,
When halfspent was the night.

Isaiah ’twas foretold it,
The Rose I have in mind,
With Mary we behold it,
The Virgin Mother kind.
To show God’s love aright
She bore to us a Saviour,
When halfspent was the night.

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Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony Padua’s Dining Room: The CC@S serves free hot meals to those in need 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, Dec. 5 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. No one knows the hour of the Lord’s coming; be ready by serving at St. A’s.

Spirit of Mission:
Dec. 3rd - Heroes of Mission
Meets 2x/quarter. Next meeting: Thursday, Dec. 3rd at 7pm @ Seminar Room, 3rd Flr, Old Union, Stanford University Dinner will be served.
Info: tricia@laymissionary.org www.laymissionary.org/spirit-of-mission

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Communion

Come, O Lord
Pedro Rubalcava

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