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.

Sunday Masses: December 21, 2014
- no 10:30 am this Sunday
- 4:30 pm in Memorial Church
- no 10:00 pm this Sunday

Daily Liturgy:
- 12/24 Midnight Mass
- 12/25 Noon Christmas Mass
- no daily Masses this week or next

Confessions:
- Sunday, from 9:15am to 10:15am
- at Old Union 3rd Floor offices,
- and 4:00pm at MemChu Vestibule,
- and Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm
- Old Union, 3rd Floor, Rm 304 or 319

Dear Prayer Partner, please pray for:
name:
intention:

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:
- Jan. 18, 2015 (prep Jan. 10)
- May 3 (prep April 25)

Adoration:
in the Sanctuary of Old Union, Tuesdays 9-10:30pm

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Catholic Community at Stanford
The Catholic Community at Stanford is packed with prayer materials, media links, mass times, events, directions, donations, and additional resources for navigating a Catholic life on campus.

Search App Store for CC@S or Scan Codes Below
App Name: CC@S
Fr Leon Pereira urges us to accept Our Lady as our Mother, in accordance with Christ’s command.

Everyone seems to have an opinion on ‘What Would Jesus Do’, the catchphrase of our times. In contrast, Catholicism is not about what we can do for God; it is about what Jesus does for us. It is not about wondering ‘What Would Jesus Do’ in this or that situation. Catholicism is the affirmation of what Jesus did do: he founded the Catholic Church, he sent her the Holy Spirit, he established her on Peter and the apostles, he promised that the Gates of Hell would never prevail against her.

The dream for (pre-)apostolic ‘purity and simplicity’ – one which differs radically from the nature of the Catholic Church – is a vain and fond illusion. Instead, the reality we inherit – of bishops, priests, and deacons, the seven sacraments, the teaching authority of the Church – are all what Jesus left us. If we truly want what Jesus wants of us, we become members of his body on his terms, not ours. It is not something we do for God, but something he does for us.

It is this truth we sing from the psalms, ‘Unless the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it. Unless the Lord keep the city, he watcheth in vain that keepeth it’ (Psalm 126).

Yet King David, psalmist par excellence, provoked God by conducting a census, the implication being that David – not God – was in charge, and later sought to build God a temple. The Lord, through the prophet Nathan, told David, ‘Would you build me a house to dwell in? … the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house’ (2 Samuel 7.4, 11).

David wanted to build God a house, and was told he should not. David is the one who must rely on God, not the other way around. In the Gospel, Mary is asked by God to become the Mother of Jesus. And she replies that she is God’s handmaid, that without him she would be nothing. Through her God does build himself a house. In fact, God fulfils his promise to David in Mary.

Mary knows she cannot do anything without God’s grace. The angel greets her ‘Hail, full of grace’, but this grace is something she has received freely and continued freely to receive. Through her God builds himself a house: the Body of Christ. Jesus and his followers who are part of his body, a kingdom which will never end, the Catholic Church perfected in glory.

Our Lord begins his ministry with this challenge: ‘Destroy this temple, and I will raise it up in three days’. But the temple he spoke of was his body (cf. John 2.19, 21). The other temple, the one David proposed to build and his son Solomon completed (and was rebuilt later by others) became theologically redundant. Only the house built by God, the Body of Christ, is to endure.

David sought to exalt his kingship by conducting a census, and failed. Our Lady, bearing the King of kings in utero, submits herself humbly to a census, trusting that God would fulfil his promises in his way, in his time. For this we call her the Ark of the New Covenant, and indeed, the ‘House of Gold’. She is God’s true Temple because she did things God’s way, and not her own. And she tells those who have ears to hear, ‘Do whatever he tells you’ (John 2.5).

When considering what Jesus actually did do, we should not neglect the fact that He gave Mary to us to be our mother (John 19.27). She, the Mother of the Messiah (cf. Rev 12.5), is revealed also to be the mother of those ‘who keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ’ (Rev 12.17). If what matters is what Jesus actually did, then receiving his mother as our own must rank high in our priorities, no matter our preferences. In her company, we watch and pray for the Lord to come, and that his will be done. Amen.

Fr Leon Kuriakos Pereira OP is completing a Doctorate through the Pontifical University of St Thomas (the Angelicum) in Rome, and is resident at St Dominic’s Priory, London. He is the former editor of torch.op.org.
Holiday/Break Liturgy Schedule:
All are welcome to celebrate services and Masses during the upcoming holiday season. Listed below are times and locations.

Sunday, Dec. 21
4:30 Mass in Memorial Church

Wednesday, Dec. 24
Midnight Christmas Eve Mass in Memorial Church

Thursday, Dec. 25
Noon Christmas Day Mass in Memorial Church

Sunday, Dec. 28
NO MASSES due to University closure

Sunday, Jan. 4
4:30 and 10:00 p.m. Masses in Memorial Church
Sunday, Jan. 11 All Masses, return to regular schedule

Second Collection For December
This month’s second collection will be for the retirement fund for the religious. A percentage of this week’s collection will be sent to the Diocese of San Jose for this purpose. Please be generous.

A Big ‘Thank You’ from the Friars!
The Dominican Friars of the Western Province thank you for generously supporting the RosarySunday: Dominican Student Appeal. You’ve made it a record year! Without your help, we could not train our 26 student brothers in formation. Thank you for advancing our mission to teach and preach the Gospel! You all remain in our daily prayers of gratitude.

Eucharist For The Homebound:
We are starting a new ministry here at CCAS. If you are unable to make it to us for Mass, any one of several volunteers would be honored to bring you the Eucharist at your home. If you are interested in the service, or if you would like to volunteer to be one of our special Eucharistic Ministers, please email Nancy Greenfield (ngreenfield875@gmail.com)

“Experience The Joy Of the Gospel”
Join us to Pray, Read and Discuss Pope Francis’ teaching. OPEN TO ALL. A series of 5 presentations on Pope Francis’ document. 5 Weds (7:00-8:30pm) Jan. through May, 2015 (Jan. 14, Feb. 4, Mar. 11, Apr. 15, May 6). At the Dominican Sisters of MSJ Motherhouse 43326 Mission Blvd. (entrance on Mission Tierra Pl), Fremont, CA 94539. Facilitators: Sisters Ingrid Clemensen, OP & Marcia Krause, OP; Copies of THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL may be obtained online (Google ‘The Joy of the Gospel’). Register/RSVP on our website: msjdominicans.org

Small Faith Group for St. Ignatius Spiritual Exercises:
We are starting a small faith group for St. Ignatius spiritual exercise! It consists of individual spiritual exercises and a group sharing. You will spend 30 minutes x 3 days on daily practice of contemplation and journaling, and during the group meeting we will share what we’ve heard from God. The book, The Ignatian Adventure by Kevin O’Brien, SJ will be used. If you are interested, contact Eun-Soo (eschoi@stanford.edu) immediately.

ESTEEM:
Engage your Faith as a Leader in the Catholic Church. ESTEEM (Engaging Students to Enliven the Ecclesial Mission) is looking for new members who desire to learn what it takes to be a leader inside and outside of the Catholic Church. By focusing on our Catholic theological traditions and the example of Christ leading his disciples, ESTEEM teaches its members how to be disciples focused on leadership at both Stanford and in the real world. ESTEEM meets Tuesday nights in the Sanctuary on the third-floor of Old Union. Please contact Lourdes Alonso, lalonso@stanford.edu.

Sister Ramona -- Here for You:
How may I be of service? A companion to walk with You:
-Spiritual Direction  -Prayer
-Discernment   -Daily Life ups and downs
-Relationships  -Other
Where?     Old Union, 3rd floor
When?      Tuesday 1-5pm;
            Wednesday 1-5pm,
            Thursday 1-4pm,
or by appointment.
How?   email: ramonabascom@gmail.com

Roger W. Heyns Lecture Featuring Cardinal Reinhard Marx, Archbishop of Munich and Freising:
Thursday, January 15, 2015, 6:00pm, Cemex Auditorium at the Knight Management Center. Free tickets available starting on Wednesday, December 3, 10:00am at heynslecture.eventbrite.com

Cardinal Reinhard Marx, Archbishop of Munich and Freising, has emerged as one of the Roman Catholic Church’s most influential figures. He currently serves as the head of the German Bishops’ Conference and as President of the Commission of the Bishops’ Conferences in the European Union. He is a member of the Council of Cardinals, which advises Pope Francis on church governance, and was appointed head of the new Council for the Economy, designed to oversee the Vatican’s economic management.

Cardinal Marx has written and spoken widely on economic issues and the contemporary relevance of Catholic Social Teaching. His book Das Kapital: A Plea for Man (2008) echoes the economic worldview that Pope Francis put forth in Evangelii Gaudium.

For more information on the Roger W. Heyns Lecture, please visit religiouslife.stanford.edu/programs/roger-w-heyns-lecture

Korean Catholic Community At Stanford (KC@S):
KC@S (/ka:s/) is a Korean catholic community at Stanford consisting of a number of Korean under/grad students, post-docs and community members at Stanford. During the academic year, we have a Friday night prayer meeting with various topics and activities to deepen our faith in addition to a weekly lunch gathering. New students and summer visitors are all welcome to join us. For more information, contact Kyoungjin at kjlee99@stanford.edu.
Sunday, December 21, 2014

“May it be done to me according to your word.” (Lk 1:38) With that simple statement, our Blessed Mother Mary represents everything that a good steward must be — someone who has put total trust in God regardless the consequences. On this Fourth and final Sunday of Advent, it is imperative for all of us to keep that in mind. Mary’s response is what each of us needs to strive for. We, too, need to be prepared to place our lives in God’s hands, and to react to whatever happens with a sense of thanksgiving and resolve.

Holy Scripture reminds us these few days before we celebrate the birth of Christ that we have been on a journey, an Advent journey. This journey should have prepared us for the joy of this week, but it also should have been marked by our own ongoing conversion and effort to be better Catholics and Christians. St. Paul tells us in the second reading “…according to the revelation of the mystery… manifested.” Jesus is the manifestation of this mystery. At Christmas, we must acknowledge this because it represents our salvation, and it is the reason why we must celebrate with great happiness. “For unto us a child is born; unto us a child is given.”

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Financial Update

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“You Visited Me”

There is an upcoming opportunity to become an Ombudsman, an advocate to address problems that arise in long term care or rehabilitation centers. Visit an assigned nursing home or assisted living facility, listen to the residents, investigate complaints and resolve problems. Catholic Charities provides training and the State provides certification. Our program needs new recruits especially to cover N. Santa Clara County.

Orientation/Information: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 from 10:00am to Noon. Training dates are listed on the Catholic Charities website www.catholiccharitiesscc.org click on the VOLUNTEER banner and then go to Volunteer Opportunities. To learn more about becoming an Ombudsman, contact: Wanda Hale at 1-408-325-5269 or email whale@catholiccharitiessccj.org. You can also be in touch with a member of the CC@S who has been doing this work for 10 years.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony Padua’s Dining Room:
The CCAS is committed to serving the needy and homeless at St. Anthony’s Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park. If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday, Dec. 27 or Jan., 3 from 8:30 - 1pm or a subset thereof, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu to discuss and/or have a volunteer position reserved for you. We serve every first and fourth Saturday of the month, so plan ahead and let Gary know at least by the preceding Wednesday. Like Mary, say “Here I am Lord”, and volunteer at St. A’s to serve others.

Volunteers Needed – St. Anthony’s Soup Kitchen on Christmas Day 2014:
The CC@S is looking for volunteers to help setup, decorate and serve hot meals to 500-600 diners on Christmas Day 2014. There are two shifts to fill for a total of 10 volunteers (5 volunteers for each shift and volunteers can work both shifts). The Setup/Decorating Shift runs from 8:30am – 11:30am and the Serving Line Shift runs from 11:30am to 2:30pm. Volunteer positions fill quickly so please contact Peter Barling at peter_barling@hotmail.com if you are interested in volunteering. Purgatory Reduction Time (PRT) is earned by all volunteers!!!

Catholicism 101:
Cath-101 will return in January.

Grad Bible Study:
Sundays: Dinner at 6:30pm, Study 7-8pm, Rosary afterwards. All are welcome to a grad student Bible study. For more information contact cgiam@stanford.edu.
1) Give your wisdom, O God, to the King.
Grant your justice to the King's own Son
that he may judge your people in honor
and the poor in the light of your truth.

2) Then shall the mountains deliver your justice;
then shall the hills be covered with peace;
then shall the harvest yield peace in abundance,
while the lights of the heavens endure.

3) All the kings of the earth shall offer him homage,
ev'ry nation and coastland shall bow at his bidding,
from the river to the ends of the earth.

4) For he shall save the least among people,
he shall be friend to those who have none.
For the nameless forgotten, his word within reach,
and his hand on the side of the poor.

5) And they shall live amid harvests of plenty.
Their grain and their fruit as grass on the earth;
and people shall sing in the midst of their feasting,
"Take heart at the name of the Lord."

6) Blessed be God, the Lord of all ages,
whose name alone works wonders on earth:
a city of peace, both now and forever.
Amen.

Second Reading Romans 16:25-27

According to Paul, the gospel reveals the mystery hidden
for many years but now, at God’s command, made manifest
in Christ.


The angel called Mary, “Highly favored daughter” and
“Blessed among women.” When Mary said, “Be it done as
you say,” she became a model for all.

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.
Prep of Gifts  Guadete  from Piae Cantiones

1. When the chill is on the sea and the icy river,
   All the world is crying: “Lord, Lord our soul deliver.”
   Gaudete, Gaudete,
   Christus est natus ex Maria virginæ, Gaudete.

2. There are voices in the air as the snow is falling.
   Eve’ry bird and eve’ry beast knows the King is calling.

3. See, the branches bowing low when the wind is drumming.
   Eve’ry rock and eve’ry tree knows the King is coming.

4. Eve’ry morning sends a prayer as the year is fading.
   Eve’ry angel crying: “Lord! Lord the world is waiting!”

Sanctus  Veni Emmanuel

Cantor first/all repeat:

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\text{Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord... God of hosts,}
\]

Cantor: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Response: (Cantor first/all repeat)

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\text{Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.}
\]

Cantor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

(Cantor, then all, repeat Response)

Memorial Acclamation: Veni Emmanuel  Proulx

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-

claim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Amen  Veni Emmanuel  Proulx

1st Cantor / All repeat

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\text{A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men.}
\]

Lamb of God  Veni Emmanuel  Proulx

(Cantor: invocation)

All respond:

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\text{...have mercy on us, (last)...grant us peace,}
\]

Communion  Come, Emmanuel  J Wolfe

Refrain:

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\text{Come, O come, Em-man-u-el, O come, Em-
man-u-el.}
\]

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\text{God of light, of hope, of peace, come, Em-
man-u-el.}
\]

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\text{O come, Em-man-u-el.}
\]

God is light, in God there is no darkness. Let us walk in the light of the Lord. God, we wait, we hope, we pray, make our darkness bright. Come Emmanuel.

On that day we will beat our swords to plowshares. On that day we will all live as friends, valleys filled and mountains made low, peace for all the world. Come Emmanuel.

Do not fear for I bring you news of great joy; you will bear a son for the world. His name shall be Emmanuel. Come o Prince of Peace. Come Emmanuel.

Come to us, be the light to fill our darkness. Come to us for we long for your face. Come to us and set us free, save your people, Lord. Come Emmanuel.

Lord, we come to your table of salvation; feed our hearts with the bread of new life. In this meal we are all one, make your home in us. Come Emmanuel.

Take and eat of the bread come down from heaven. Drink this cup shed for you and for all. Bread of Life and Wine of Peace, heal our broken hearts. Come Emmanuel.

Communion  Lo, How A Rose E’re Blooming  D Haas

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.
Discernment Day:
Are you seeking for Truth? Are you yearning for the infinite and for happiness? Christ is the Answer! Come and See! During the Year of Consecrated Life, the Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery located at 215 Oak Grove Avenue in Menlo Park, CA will host a Discernment Day for young women on January 17, 2015. RSVP by January 12th or for more information contact Sr. Joseph Marie O.P. at vocations@nunsmenlo.org or visit our website at nunsmenlo.org/vocation-discernment-day-january-2015. The day begins with Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by Divine Office, Rosary, Conferences, and much more given by our Dominican nuns and friars.

Interested in Missions to Hong Kong?
Do you feel God calling you to serve as a lay missionary in Asia? Are you interested in the challenge of living in a diverse foreign culture to share the beauty of your faith and relationship with Jesus Christ, and to touch others’ lives in a profound and meaningful way? The St. Francis Xavier Lay Missionary Society is currently recruiting Catholic laity who are interested in serving as lay missionaries for a year in Hong Kong and other parts of Asia through a diverse ministry of evangelization, faith formation and social justice. Our upcoming mission in Hong Kong begins in Fall 2015. Application deadline is: April 10th, 2015. Summer formation program begins June 19th. Apply online at: www.laymissionary.org/apply or contact Tricia at: (650) 260-3799 or tricia@laymissionary.org

Operations Director needed at Vallombrosa:
Vallombrosa Conference & Retreat Center in Menlo Park, which is owned by Archdiocese of San Francisco, is looking to hire an Operations Director. The position involves assisting the Director with policies, procedures, organization, decisions, supervision and administration involved with the daily operations of the Center. Send resume to apply@vallombrosa.org.

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