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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.

Sunday Mass: December 22, 2013
• 4:30 pm in Memorial Church
no Masses on Campus next Sunday

Daily Liturgy:
No Daily Liturgy this week

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.

Baptisms for the 2013-2014 academic year:
• January 12, 2014 (prep January 4)
• May 18, 2014 (prep May 10)

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Religious Ramblings

House of Gold

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 22, 2013

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 works in the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary and St Dominic, London.

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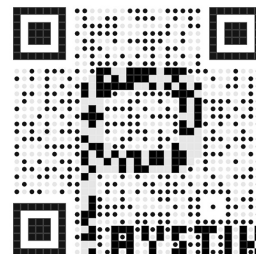
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If you have any questions, please contact
M'Lis Berry at: meberry@stanford.edu.

GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stanford Academic Break Mass Schedule:

* Weekdays from December 16th til January 4th:
no daily 12:20pm Masses

* Sunday, December 22: 4:30pm Mass

* **December 24th (Christmas Eve):**
Midnight Mass, Memorial Church

* **December 25th (Christmas Day):**
Noon Mass, Memorial Church

no Masses on Campus next Sunday

Christmas Choir:

Don't have time for regular choir rehearsals? Christmas Choir might be perfect for you! There are only 4 rehearsals, with singing on Christmas Eve and Day. The Masses are accompanied by organ and harp and include many carols. Rehearsals: Wed, Dec 11, 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Sun, Dec. 15, 2:30-3:30 p.m.; Wed, Dec. 18, 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Sun, Dec. 22, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Mass: Midnight, choir arrives at 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass: Noon, choir arrive at 11:30 a.m.

For info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu

ESTEEM:

(Engaging Students to Enliven the Ecclesial Mission) is accepting applications for the 2013-14 program. ESTEEM provides undergraduate and graduate student leaders with theological and spiritual formation and leadership-effectiveness skills to better serve the Catholic community now and after graduation. We meet twice a month (Wednesday evenings). Contact Stephanie Phipps (sphipp@stanford.edu) or Matthew Colford (mcolford@stanford.edu) for further information.

Friday Prayer Group:

"One-Friday-morning-a-month" prayer group meets at Old Union on campus. All are welcome! If interested call Jo Owen (650) 529-1105 for more details.

Attention Catholic Singles:

Interested in joining an excellent Catholic singles organization? The Catholic Alumni Club International currently has a group in the San Francisco area! We provide a group dedicated to social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. For more information, please check out the following site or contact Elinor at tancke@sbcglobal.net; <http://catholicsingles-sfbayarea.com/>

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-doc 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 lunch gathering on Thursday. For more information, contact Kyoungjin at kjlee99@stanford.edu.

Advent Retreat:

Our Stay-at-Home Advent Retreat is on our website. Just click on Ministries and Programs and scroll down to Advent Retreat which is under CTSF. Enjoy!

High School Confirmation:

Nancy Greenfield will lead a prep class for any high school students in the parish interested in being prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will take place May 4. Classes will meet on Sunday mornings beginning January 12. please contact her by December 15, 2013 for more information (ngreenfield875@gmail.com) or to sign up.

Catholic Community Podcast:

You are invited to subscribe to Catholic Cardinal Reflections, the podcast of the Catholic Community at Stanford. We feature Sunday homilies, theological reflections, Newman Nights and the lectures from our class on the Second Vatican Council. Subscribe on iTunes or through catholic.stanford.edu/media/podcast

Gently used Kindles & Nooks Needed for Children's Program:

The children's religious education program is in need of several used e-readers to load materials on for our older children. If you have recently upgraded and have an older version sitting around taking up space, we could certainly put it to good use! Tax info available for your donation. Please contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony Padua's Dining Room:

The CCAS is committed to serving the needy and homeless at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen in Menlo Park. If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday, Dec. 28 (ESPECIALLY NEEDED) or Jan. 4 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. The CCAS serves every first and fourth Saturday of the month, so plan your schedules in advance, and let Gary know at least by the Tuesday before. John was sent to announce Jesus' coming. Do you accept that message at St. Anthony's?

December 28, 2013 - 8:30am - 1:00pm

January 4, 2014 - 8:30am - 1:00pm

Volunteers Needed on Christmas Day at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room:

The Catholic Community at Stanford is committed to serving the needy and homeless at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen on Christmas Day. If you are interested in volunteering on Wednesday, December 25th on the Setup Shift (8:30am - 11:30am) and/or the Serving Line Shift (11:30am - 2:30pm), please contact Peter Barling (peter_barling@hotmail.com). There are a limited number volunteer slots available so please contact Peter as soon as possible. The deadline for requesting volunteer slots is November 30th!!!

Newman Nights

Each Tuesday evening, 7:30pm, the CCAS' Center for Theological and Spiritual Formation (CTS) offers presentations on the breadth and depth of Catholic Theology. Newman Nights are open to the entire community with special break-out sessions for RCIA, Confirmation, permanent community members, and students.

Check our website, our CC@S Newman App, our linked-in or our Facebook page for video and audio recordings of recent Newman Night talks.

The Winter Quarter 2013-2014 starts with:

1/14/14 Sacraments of Initiation: Then & Now

-Announcements for December 22, 2013-

Weekly Readings

Monday, December 23
Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14
Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday, December 24
2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29
Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday, December 25
Christmas Day
Is 52:7-10
Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6
Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18

Thursday, December 26
Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab,
16bc, 17
Mt 10:17-22

Friday, December 27
1 Jn 1:1-4
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday, December 28
1 Jn 1:5-2:2
Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8
Mt 2:13-18

Sunday, December 29
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Col 3:12-21
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Vocations

Discernment Weekend:

Is God calling you? The Dominican Contemplative Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park will host a discernment weekend for women ages 18-40 who are discerning their vocation in life.

The weekend starts from Friday evening Jan. 10th to Sunday noon Jan. 12th, 2014. The sessions will include daily Mass, Adoration, chanted Divine Office, and conferences given by the Dominican nuns and friars. To register please contact the Vocation Directress at (650) 322-1801 ext. 19 or e-mail: vocations@nunsmenlo.org. For more details visit us at: <https://nunsmenlo.org/discernment-weekend/>

GRADS

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.

YOUNG ADULTS

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

UNDER GRADS

Undergrad Women Small Group:

"Calling all Catholic women! If you are interested in growing closer to God, learning more about Catholic women throughout the ages, and building relationships with other Catholic women in your community, please consider joining our women's small group. Contact Megan O'Brien (meobrien@stanford.edu) for more details."

Week at a Glance

Sunday, December 22, 2013

- 4:30pm in Memorial Church
no Masses on Campus next Sunday

Monday, December 23 - Friday, December 27

- Offices closed this week.

Daily Liturgy:

No Daily Liturgy this week

Confessions

by appointment: call 725-0080

Please note:

There will be no Daily Liturgies this week.

No Masses on Campus next Sunday, 12/29/13

Retreat

New Year's Eve Retreat:

Dec. 31, 2013 (7pm to 12) at the Dominican Sisters of MSJ Chapel. An evening of Reflection, Mass, Potluck (bring a dish to share) and Eucharistic Adoration. At 43326 Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539 (Entrance on Mission Tierra Pl) Free Will Offering appreciated; RSVP by Thurs. Dec. 26 at [blessings@msjdominicans.org](mailto: blessings@msjdominicans.org) or 510-933-6335
Bless you and all you touch today, S. Frances Mary Pierson, OP

Community Prayer Requests

Let us offer our prayers for all the students and community members who will travel during the Holidays to be with family. May they enjoy a good rest and a safe trip, and may they return safely soon.

We also pray for all the Community members who are involved in projects big and small. All these contributions are what makes this such a vibrant community.

Liturgies, RCIA, Newman Nights, ESTEEM, service trips, Cath-101, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, ministries to UnderGrads, Grads, Young Adults. Community outreach projects (St Anthony, Children's toys, Rice Bowl, etc), Choir, musicians, greeters, liturgical ministers, readers, collection counters, and of course the pastoral care we receive from Fr Nathan and Fr Xavier, the counseling we have available from Sr Ramona, Nancy, Teresa, Lourdes. The Finance Board and M'Lis who perform miracles to try to keep us within budget. And most importantly, you, the community member. All this would be for naught without your presence and support.

Thank you for your dedication and hard work throughout this year.

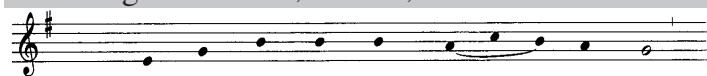


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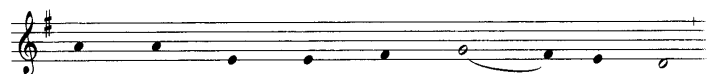
Gathering O Come, O Come, Emmanuel trans. J Neale



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,



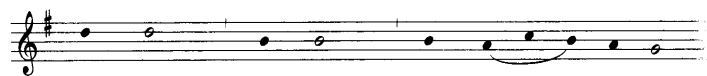
And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
 Who or - ders all things might - i - ly;
 Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height
 From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them
 And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;



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



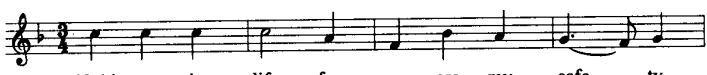
Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

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.

First Reading Isaiah 7:10-14

The Lord offered Ahaz a sign. Ahaz answered, "No." Nevertheless, the Lord gave a sign: "A virgin will bear a son who will be named Emmanuel."

Psalms 25 Hold Me In Life B Huijbers



Hold me in life for you are my safe - ty,



al - ways my eyes are look - ing for you.

Second Reading Romans 1:1-7

Paul told the Romans he was called to be an apostle and set apart to proclaim the gospel of God about Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acc. Advent Alleluia Stephen Pishner



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



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

Gospel Matthew 1:18-24

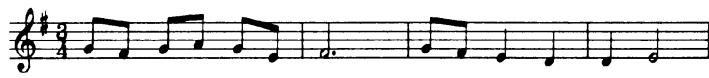
Mary was engaged to Joseph, but before they wed, Mary became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. Joseph decided to break the engagement, but changed his mind when an angel in a dream told him to receive Mary as his wife.

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.

Offertory Song of God Among Us M Haugen



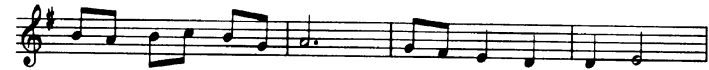
1. Lest the Word be far from us, God pre-pared his com-ing.
2. Who is ev-'ry-where at hand, who is whol-ly hu-man,



One who longed to share our fate made with us his dwell-ing.
one who goes un-rec-og-nized si-lent, nev-er spo-ken.



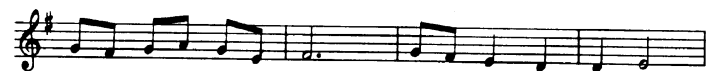
In the midst of you is One you do not know.
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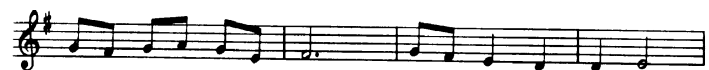
3. God from God and light from light, hope of earth's sad cry-ing,



face to face with hu-man-kind, speaks of love and dy-ing.



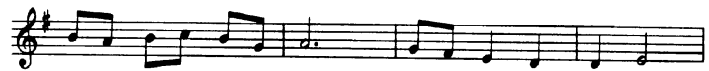
4. Then let pa-tience be your guide, walk in ways of jus-tice;



show each oth-er at all time ev-'ry kind of good-ness.



In the midst of you is One you do not know.



5. Now be care-free, full of joy: God a-lone, who calls us,



touch-es all who live on earth, makes a home a-mong us.

Sanctus Veni Emmanuel Proulx



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might.

Cantor: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.



All: 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. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.



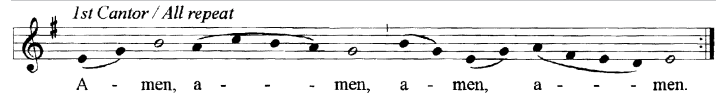
All: Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

Memorial Acclamation: Veni Emmanuel Proulx



Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a-gain.

Amen Veni Emmanuel Proulx



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

Lamb of God Veni Emmanuel Proulx



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

All respond:

have mer-cy on us.
grant us peace.

Communion Come, Emmanuel J Wolfe



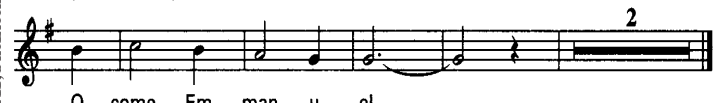
Come, O come, Em-man-u-el, O come, Em-



man-u-el. God of light, of



hope, of peace, come, Em-man-u-el.



O come, Em-man-u-el.

Verses

- 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 all are 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 Advent Lullaby J. Bell

Lullaby, lullaby, wait till tomorrow,
Lullaby, lullaby, wait till tomorrow;
Your time will come, your time will come.

Lullaby, lullaby, God comes tomorrow,
Lullaby, lullaby, God comes tomorrow;
God is here, and God is here.

Recessional People Look East Eleanor Farjeon

1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare.
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
 5. An - gels an - nounce on this great feast

Of the crown - ing of the year.
 One more seed is plant - ed there:
 One more light the bowl shall brim,
 Him who com - eth from the East

Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
 Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
 Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
 Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming

Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.
 That in course the flow'r may flour - ish.
 Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.
 With the word, the Lord is com - ing.

Peo - ple look East and sing to - day:

Love the Guest is on the way.
 Love the Rose is on the way.
 Love the Star is on the way.
 Love the Lord is on the way.

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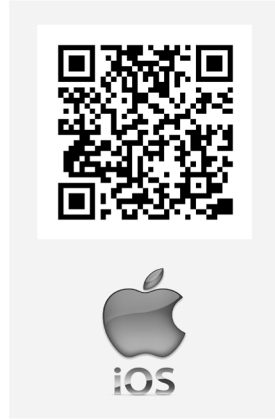
Stewardship is based on our need to give back to God out of gratitude, not on the Church's need to receive. It is based on the premise that all that we have and all that we are comes from God and, as a way of thanking Him for all our blessings, we return a portion of the time, talent and treasure He has allotted to us. Soon, we will begin a Stewardship Effort at our parish. Please be generous in giving of yourself; of your time, your talent and your treasure to your CC@S community as well as to others.



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