

IT'S SOUP TIME!

1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS

Beginning Wed, Sep 20 -- come for SOUP on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays!

The *St. Thomas Aquinas Soup Group* meets twice a month, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, weekly during Lent. Parishioners come with a bowl, a spoon, and perhaps some bread or crackers. Three people bring a large pot of soup to share, and a few bring a bottle of wine or juice.

One of those attending leads us in reciting grace. After the meal, there is an opportunity for announcements, often a joke is told. Each family puts a check or cash into a box representing the money they would have spent at the market or dining out that night.

Meeting from mid-September to mid-May, the group deposits the funds with the parish, and at the last SOUP of the season, votes on how to distribute the funds raised that year. In recent years, the money contributed during Lent has been sent to the Jesuit Missionaries in Los Gatos for the use of Father Jack Donald, SJ, who grew up in our parish. Father Jack has been working in Honduras for over 20 years.

The balance of the fund was divided last spring among the following: Urban Ministry (Palo Alto), Ecumenical Hunger Program, St. Anthony of Padua Dining Room (Redwood City, Father Ed Figueroa (Brazil), and the St. Joseph the Worker Day Worker Center in Mountain View.

Come join us on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays every month, and weekly during Lent (except Ash Wednesday) at OLR Hall at 6 pm.