

Second Sunday of Easter

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My Dear Parish Family,

This weekend, at all Masses, is our 2nd and final in-pew Commitment Sunday for the Diocesan Capital Campaign: Rooted in Faith, Embracing our Future. Our first Commitment Sunday in March went wonderfully for us as a parish community with our drive leaping from **87% to 131%**. Yes, we have made our goal thanks to the generosity of our parishioners and the hard work of our many dedicated volunteers. Now, for every dollar collected over goal, our parish will receive 50% and if we go beyond 150% of our goal, then for every dollar collected after that, we will receive 80%.

So, if you did not get your chance in March to make your pledge and commitment, please do so this weekend, prayerfully making any sacrificial gift God is inspiring you to make for the future of our children, our youth, our families and our church, especially in the Santa Clara Valley. I am a happy Pastor, because I am blessed with such a wonderful parish family and community.

Happy Easter
Fr. George



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 15:

9:00 am SAG Repose of the souls of
Vince Giovannotto †,
Eloise † & Daniel Murphy †

Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118; Rev 1:9-11a,
12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 16:

7:15 am
8:30 am Repose of the souls of
Charles † & Nereida
Ortiz †

12:15 pm

Readings: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 17:

7:15 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

Readings: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 18:

7:15 am

8:30 am

12:15 pm Repose of the soul of
Duane Christiani †

Readings: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, April 19:

7:15 am, 8:30 am, 12:15 pm

Readings: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 20:

7:15 am Repose of the soul of
Lani McKinney †

8:30 am

12:15 pm

Readings: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 21: St. Anselm

12:15 pm Repose of the souls of
Norrie † & Dino Cechin †

5:00 pm SAG

Readings: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

WELCOME & CONGRATULATIONS!

To the newly baptized and fully initiated Catholics (our neophytes): **Caroline Irene Duffy, Rachel Vasquez, and Gloria Angela Johnson**

To the those already-baptized who are now in full communion with us Catholics, having received the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation: **Karen Angelica Bieber, Karen Peng, John St. Clair, and Susahn Stowers**

To those who completed their initiation by receiving the sacrament of Confirmation: **Gretel Colvert, Kathie Fortune, Lydia Kou, and Bill Soule**

We are grateful to all their godparents and sponsors, families, friends and parishioners who prayed for them and supported them on their journey to The Light of Christ. What a glorious Easter Vigil it was, and a wonderful Easter season still ahead! – *Jean Ramacciotti*

PLEASE PRAY



FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND – David Simmons, Tina Reyes, Marian, Mary Lou, Marian Partelow, Laurie, Dave Carlson, Chet Maksim, Mary Hansen, Sue Lubaise, Joel Roberts, Judy Smith, Ron Price Jr, David Rapisardi, Phil Lutz, Steve Bednar, Filip Koperwas, Mary Ann Rundell, Bee Gasser, Barbara Woods, Vincent Boyle, Phillip Chang, Mary Imbornone, Devin Wakefield, Crescentia, Jennifer Wagner, Laury, George Falkenthal, Rosa Casarez-Levison, Elizabeth Cunningham, Maryhelen Macpherson, Bill Wall, Jack Morrisroe, Nicholas Humy, Mary Lau, Daroll Adams, Sadie Young, Charlene Briggs, Steve Alba, George Schardt, Patricia Ann Bernwald-Jones, Carmen Fuentes, Hal Lesser, John Fontaine, Rev. Isaiah Jones

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED – Ana Neves, Helen McGowan-Jones, Andrew Kott, Norma Clark, Dean Miller, Lois Finan, Frank Flick, Pilsas de Solar, Bertha Rohan, Patricia Gildea-Vaden, Renata Wood



PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday April 21 & 22, 2007

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm Fr. Medina

Sun 9:00 am Fr. Schultz

St. Thomas Aquinas

Sun 7:30 am..... Fr. Hester

Sun 8:45 am..... Fr. Wright

Sun 10:30 am..... Fr. Medina

Sun 12 noon Fr. Harris

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun 9:00 am (español) .. Fr. Medina

Sun 10:30 am..... Msgr. Boyle

Please note our email address:
bulletin@paloaltocatholic.org

BULLETIN ARTICLE DUE
Apr 29 .. **Thu** Apr 19 noon
May 6... **Thu** Apr 26 noon



Our Weekly Offering

April 1..... \$ 12,020.27
thank you for your continued generosity

Year To Date

Actual YTD... \$ 479,502.06
Budget YTD .. \$ 455,216.00
Variance..... + 5.34%

April 15, 2007

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, April 15: Second Sunday of Easter; Divine Mercy Sunday; Yom Ha-Shoa (Holocaust Remembrance Day)

9:15 am Religious Ed (OLRH)
10:15 am Religious Ed (SAG)
10:15-11:45 am ... Parents Sac. Prep. (SAGH)
10:30 am Spanish Confirmation Class (DC)
10:30 am RCIA Spanish (PC/DR)
12:15-1:45 pm ... Parents Sac. Prep. (OLRH)
7:00 pm STAY High School (DC)

Monday, April 16: Income Tax Day

Tuesday, April 17:

10:00 am Funeral Reception Committee (SAGC)
10:00 am Maintenance Comm (PC)
7:15 pm JustFaith (PC)

Wednesday, April 18:

6:00 pm SOUP (OLRH)
6:30 pm RCIA (PC)
6:30 pm RCIC (DC)
7:30 pm Transitions (PC)

Thursday, April 19:

7:00 pm Spanish Parents & Children (PC)

Friday, April 20:

7:00 pm Spanish Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, April 21:

10:30 am Baptism Catechesis Class - Parents (PC)
6:15-7:30 pm STAY Middle School (SAGC/SESC)

PHOTO/VIDEOGRAPHERS NEEDED

The Parish has special upcoming events and happenings in the next several months and needs help in photography and videography. Please call 650-493-2128 and let us know which you can help with. We will be glad to teach you anything you might need in order to fulfill our challenge. We also have equipment for use. Need is urgent so thank you in advance. Or simply email: photography@paloaltocatholic.org

UPCOMING PARISH & DIOCESE EVENTS

TUESDAY APRIL 17TH – FUNERAL RECEPTION COMMITTEE *Who will help me through this very sad time - the loss of a friend or family member?* We will, The Funeral Reception Committee. Please come to our meeting, Tuesday, April 17 at 10:00 am at SAGC (St. Albert the Great Center). Refreshments served. Chairs: Margie Galdez, Winnie McGannon and Barbara Stark.

SATURDAY APRIL 21ST – AGE OF AQUINAS STAR PARTY It's the Grand Re-Opening of Foothill College Observatory. We'll rendezvous at the corner of San Antonio Rd and El Camino Real in Los Altos at 7 pm. Meet under the time-and-temperature sign to carpool or convoy to Foothill College and park in Lot #4, half-way around the campus loop drive. Parking takes 8 quarters per car. More info: www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html or contact Randy Jones, 408-739-2881, age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org, or Carrie Karnos, ckarnos@yahoo.com. Even if it's cloudy, there will still be a tour of the observatory.

MONDAY MAY 21ST – SETON SCRAMBLE FOR KIDS St. Elizabeth Seton School's Twelfth Annual Seton Scramble for Kids will be held at Stanford Golf Course, Monday, May 21. 9 am: contests, 11 am: shotgun start, 4 pm: wine party, prizes, jazz band and auction. A fun day for all, benefiting the scholarship fund for our children from East Palo Alto and nearby low income neighborhoods. \$300 general; \$225 for seniors 65 or over. Call the Development Office before May 16, 650-326-1258.

SETON SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM

We are in the process of setting up a school health program at St. Elizabeth Seton School to provide health education, safety awareness and school health services for the students. The students are in need of a few RNs, or other health professional volunteers, who would be willing to work with the school nurse on a health committee. The purpose of the committee will be to plan, coordinate and implement specific health projects.

The commitment is small; we would meet once a month during the school year (August through May) for one hour. If interested, please contact Lisa Rauch at St. Elizabeth Seton School (650-326-9004), or by email at LRauch@stelizabethseton.com

PIA HERO LUNCHEON

Community Hero Awards from Peninsula Interfaith Action will be presented to exceptional individuals who have demonstrated vision and heart in the community.

Two awards will be given to representatives of the public sector, Hon. Rose Jacobs Gibson, president, San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and Hon Richard S. Gordon, San Mateo County board of supervisors. They will be honored for the creation and funding of the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust (HEART) of San Mateo County.

One award will be conferred to a representative of the private sector. Ms. Becky Morgan, president of the Morgan Family Foundation. She will be honored for her work to create positive change and to encourage philanthropy as an individual and as president of the Morgan Family Foundation. Becky served for 9 years as a state senator serving Silicon Valley.

Community Heroes from PIA congregations from Daly City to Sunnyvale will also be honored, including one from St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. The event will be on Friday, April 27th at the Computer History Museum, 1401 North Shoreline Blvd, Mt View, from 11:45 am to 1:30 pm. For tickets and /or information, call George Chippendale, 856-6350.

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

EASTER CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE PARISH

Holy Week at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish



Father George and Father Tony
Washing Feet on
Holy Thursday at OLR



Veneration of the Cross

St. Thomas
Aquinas
on
Good Friday



Parishioners
bearing the Cross



Saturday Night Vigil
and Baptisms
at
St. Albert the Great.



STAYOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

STAYouth [middle school (6–8), high school (9–12), confirmation (8–high school)]

St. Thomas Aquinas Youth (STAY) www.paloaltocatholic.org/STAY/

Middle School this Sat. **High School** resumes this Sun; Take-home assessments are due by/on that night. Youth Leadership Team will meet at 6 pm, ahead of our session.

Family Fun Raiser – Sun, April 15 – 11 am-2 pm at OLR Picnic Area behind the church. Sponsored by Hispanic Ministry. Food, fun, & dancing. STAY has been asked to supply cakes and staff the Cake Walk (4-5 youth). Drop off your cakes before the 10:30 Mass.

Congratulations – Last month at a special Mass commemorating the end of the diocesan Jubilee Year, Bishop McGrath commissioned 5 STA delegates for their service of youth ministry in our parish: Marielle Freyre (8th Grade), Jason Chu (10th Grade), Heather Stout, Mary Clifford, and Rob Manfrey. See photos on the STAY web site.

Confirmation – Please pray for our 60+ young candidates as they continue their faith journey toward the Sacrament of Confirmation on June 2.

YOUNG ADULT [college-age, 20s, 30s, early 40s – single and/or married]

Our **Deanery 2 Young Adult** web site is www.YoungAdultCircle.org

Monthly Young Adult Mass – April 24 – 7:30pm at TheIntersection near St. Nicholas School. Join us for a more intimate liturgy, with introductions, dialogue homily, and spirited music, followed by friendly fellowship – every last Tuesday of each month. Mark your calendars for our May 29 Mass when Bishop McGrath will be presiding!

Rob Manfrey, Youth & Young Adult Coordinator, 650-494-2496 ext. 21, STAYouth@paloaltocatholic.org

INTRODUCTION TO JUSTFAITH

Where Two or More are Gathered, Introduction to JustFaith with Jack Jezreel. Sunday, April 22, 1–5 pm, Holy Family, 4848 Pearl Ave., San Jose (near Hwys 85 and 87).

JustFaith is an extended justice formation process that meets weekly and employs books, videos, guest speakers, discussion, prayer, retreats and hands-on experiences. Participants also become a community with one another, sharing a journey of faith and compassion that is both life-giving and challenging.

Registration information is available at the parish office, from parish JustFaith contact: Patricia Markee, 650 493 6242. Registrations, \$15 per person with discounts for 2 and more, must be received at Catholic Charities office by Friday. Walk-in registration is \$20 per person.