

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My dear Parish Family,

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month:

Jesus extended his care in a tender and urgent way to children, rebuking his disciples for keeping them away from him: "Let the children come to me" (Mt 19:14). We pray –

*Lord Jesus,*

*You welcomed and blessed little children; listen kindly to our prayer.*

*Protect our children from all dangers. Watch over them that they may grow in wisdom, age and grace. Bless our parents, friends and all who are kind to us.*

*Amen.*

In light of the shootings this week at Virginia Tech, it is critical that we do all we can to keep our children and young people safe. Parent involvement is critical.

1. Parents, please talk to your children about personal safety. Practice and role play scenarios that your child may encounter (i.e. talking to strangers, internet safety, inappropriate touching). Give your child the tools to stay safe in times of trouble.



2. A parent who is educated about child abuse knows the signs of abuse and can watch for those signs. Teach your children to trust their own feelings; that they have a right to say NO when something feels wrong.

Fr. George



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## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 29:

12:00 pm SAG . . . . . Repose of the soul of  
John Erkman †

Readings: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Monday, April 30: St. Pius V

7:15 am . . . . .

8:30 am . . . . . Repose of the soul of  
Charles Baracchi †

12:15 pm . . . . . Repose of the souls of  
Angelo † and Aurelia  
Baracchi †

Readings: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, May 1: St. Joseph the Worker

7:15 am . . . . .

8:30 am . . . . . Platyna Columba (Health)

12:15 pm . . . . .

Readings: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58

Wednesday, May 2: St. Athanasius

7:15 am, 8:30 am . . . . .

12:15 pm . . . . . Judy Woods (birthday)

Readings: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, May 3: Ss. Philip and James

7:15 am . . . . .

8:30 am . . . . . Repose of the soul of  
Norman Kocikowski †

12:15 pm . . . . .

Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

Friday, May 4:

7:15 am . . . . .

8:30 am . . . . . Charles Baracchi †

12:15 pm . . . . .

Readings: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 5:

12:15 pm, 5:00 pm SAG

Readings: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

## PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday May 5 & 6, 2007

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm . . . . . Fr. Medina

Sun 9:00 am . . . . . Fr. Aranha

St. Thomas Aquinas

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

Sun 8:45 am . . . . . Fr. Rubio

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 . . . . . Fr. Aranha

## MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

There is no regular 9:00 am Mass this Sunday April 29 at St. Albert the Great due to the **12:00 pm noon First Communion Mass**. All are welcome to celebrate!

Regular Mass schedule will resume next week.



### 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, Filip Koperwas, Mary Ann Rundell, Bee Gasser, Barbara Woods, Vincent Boyle, Phillip Chang, Mary Imbomone, Devin Wakefield, Crescentia, Jennifer Wagner, Laury, George Falkenthal, Bill Wall, Jack Morrisroe, Nicholas Humy, Mary Lau, Daroll Adams, Sadie Young, Charlene Briggs, Steve Alba, George Schardt, Patricia Ann Berwald-Jones, Carmen Fuentes, Hal Lesser, Rev. Isaiah Jones

**FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED** — Dean Miller, Patricia Gildea-Vaden, Renata Wood, John Fontaine, Elizabeth Cunningham, Patricia Leu, Alamtaj Shirazian

Please note our email address:  
**bulletin@paloaltocatholic.org**

BULLETIN . . . . . ARTICLE DUE  
May 13 . . **Thu** May 3 noon  
May 20 . **Thu** May 10 noon



### Our Weekly Offering

April 22 . . . . . \$ n/a

### Year To Date

Actual YTD . . . . . \$ n/a  
Budget YTD . . . . . \$  
Variance . . . . . + %

# April 29, 2007

## THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, April 29: Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

9:15 am ..... Religious Ed (OLRH)  
10:15 am ..... Religious Ed (SAG)  
10:30 am ..... Spanish Confirmation (DC)  
10:30 am ..... RCIA Spanish (PC/DR)  
12:00 pm ..... 1st Communion Mass (SAG)  
7:00 pm ..... STAY High School (DC)

Monday, April 30:

Tuesday, May 1:

Wednesday, May 2: Administrative Professionals Day

6:00 pm ..... SOUP (OLRH)  
6:30 pm ..... RCIA (PC)  
6:30 pm ..... RCIC (DC)  
7:00 pm ..... Comm. Life (SAGC)  
7:30 pm ..... Transitions (PC)

Thursday, May 3: National Day of Prayer

7:00 pm ..... Spanish Parents & Children (PC)

Friday, May 4: First Friday

7:00 pm ..... Spanish Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, May 5: First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo

6:15-7:30 pm ..... STAY Middle School (SAGC/SESC)

## UPCOMING PARISH & DIOCESE EVENTS

### SATURDAY MAY 5TH – AGE OF AQUINAS CINCO DE MAYO SPRING FLING

Saturday, May 5, 2007, 8:00 pm, St. Albert the Great Hall. April chances bring May dances... It's spring! The time when, as Alfred, Lord Tennyson once put it, "a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." Hey, it could happen! I mean, you could be popular at the next Age of Aquinas dance! And you will be if the Sharp Nines have anything to say about it! They'll be playing for us again.

Doors open: 8:00 pm. The band will start playing about 9:00 pm. Admission: Still only \$5.00. Snacks and beverages will be provided. More info: Randy Jones, age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org, 408.739.2881, or [www.paloaltocatholic.org/aofa.html](http://www.paloaltocatholic.org/aofa.html)

**SUNDAY MAY 6TH – HFA TELECONFERENCE** Everybody welcome. 14th Annual HFA Teleconference, *Living With Grief: Before And After The Death*. Sunday, May 6, 2:00-4:30 pm OLR Hall. An exploration on the most current theoretical perspectives on loss and grief as experienced by persons throughout a life-limiting illness and by survivors after the death. Sponsored by Pastoral Home Ministry. Full participation of Home Ministers and the parish encouraged. For more info call the Pastoral Center at 494-2496 ext. 22 or Pat Dietrich 856-2048, Mary Fong 494-1660.

**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.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY – TRANSITIONS SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30 pm at the Pastoral Center. Transitions Support Group for the recently separated or divorced, or anyone making the transition from couple-hood to single-hood. More info: [www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html](http://www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html) or contact Randy Jones, 408-739-2881, [transitions@paloaltocatholic.org](mailto:transitions@paloaltocatholic.org)

**EVERY SATURDAY – AGE OF AQUINAS HIKE & COFFEE** Meets every Sat. at Lakeside Café in Mountain View's Shoreline Park at 9 am. We always hike, rain or shine! More information: [www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html](http://www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html) or contact Randy Jones, 408-739-2881, [age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org](mailto:age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org)

## SVDP DOES WHAT?

*We prevent evictions and help with rent mortgages. We feed the hungry. We visit the poor in their homes. We help people get to doctors and pay for medications. We assist with transportation needs. We run a day worker center in Santa Clara County. We care for shut-ins and the institutionalized. We assist with any emergency. No work of charity is foreign to us. When we listen with the heart, we touch many lives.* Those who suffer are not numbers: they are someone's beloved.

**This Sunday** is St. Vincent de Paul Sunday, the fifth Sunday of the month. Think of those who are your beloved ones and please give generously.

## SUPPORT A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN AFRICA

The Tanzania Health and Education Mission is a non-profit organization established by Sherry Cassidy and three other women to support the local schools and health clinics in the Kilimanjaro region of Tanzania.

On Friday, May 11, 2007, we are hosting an "Auction for Africa". Live auction will include "Aloha week" in a luxury ocean-view condominium on Kauai, "Alpine week" in west Lake Tahoe for either summer or winter season, a Yamaha motorcycle and Tanzanian artwork. Silent auction includes Gift Certificates for Spa Treatments, Restaurants, Hotels, Sports Events, as well as crafts and photographs from Tanzania.

Details: May 11, 2007, 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., The Elk's Club in Redwood City, including dinner and music as well as discussion and entertainment from Tanzania. Tickets: \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door. To purchase tickets, please email or call THE Mission or contact me directly at [sherrycassedy@aol.com](mailto:sherrycassedy@aol.com) or (650) 856-8638. Asante (Thank you) for your support!

# St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

## PARISH PHOTOS

All pictures of our ceremonies on Palm Sunday, and all of Holy week are now up for viewing at Parish Photographers website:

<http://www.shutterfly.com/pro/PALOALTOPHOTO/SpecialR1>



## 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/](http://www.paloaltocatholic.org/STAY/)

**Middle School** and **High School** do not have regular STAY sessions this weekend; however, we have designated this weekend for service opportunities. All STAY students have a 20-hour service requirement due by the end of the academic year. Service tracking forms are available on the justice/service page of the STAY web site.

**30-Hour Famine** – Weekend of April 28-29. 2:00 am Sat thru 8:00 am Sunday. Go without food (water allowed) for 30 hours straight, collect pledges/monies beforehand, and help feed those starving around the globe. See Rob for pledge packets. Service Hours available. Do service during the day on Saturday, then do overnight at Dermody Center with Rob from 10pm-8am. Bring Bibles, sleeping bags, cards, and board games! Think how good a donut/meal will taste after morning Mass! [www.30HourFamine.org](http://www.30HourFamine.org)

**Youth Mass** – May 5 – 5pm SAG. Our final youth mass of the academic year. We need youth musicians, choir, 2 lectors, 4-5 ushers, and 2 friendly greeters. All STAY families are welcome and encouraged to participate.

**Confirmation** – Our many candidates have “retreated” and are now in the process of final assessment, interviews, and discernment. Rehearsal for candidates, parents, and sponsors will be Friday, June 1 at SAG Church at 7:00pm. Confirmation Mass with Bishop McGrath and Father George will be Saturday, June 2, at our standard parish 5:00pm vigil mass at SAG Church. Confirmation candidates & their sponsors must arrive at church by 4:00pm on that special day. Reception with Bishop McGrath to follow next door in SAG Center.

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

Our **Deanery 2 Young Adult** web site is [www.YoungAdultCircle.org](http://www.YoungAdultCircle.org) Young Adults from our local parishes gather regularly for social, spiritual, service, and sports.

**Young Adult Mass** w/ Bishop McGrath – Tuesday, May 29, at 7:30pm the Intersection Chapel / St. Nicholas School in Los Altos. See map link on the Young Adult page of the STAY web site. Great music and great fellowship are an integral part of this liturgy, presented by young adults for young adults. Arrive early and stay late, to socialize with young adults from this and other nearby parishes. There’ll be a reception afterwards.

Deanery Softball Team plays thru the summer at Santana Park (Monroe and Tisch Sts. in San Jose near Valley Fair Shopping Center). May games - May 6 10am & May 20 1pm. Come cheer us on, meet new young adults, and make new friends.

Rob Manfrey, Youth & Young Adult Coordinator; 650-494-2496 ext. 21, [STAYouth@paloaltocatholic.org](mailto:STAYouth@paloaltocatholic.org)

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you to the **entire parish for helping us make our goal** for the diocesan Capital Campaign: Rooted in Faith, Embracing our Future. As of April 16 the parish has a total of **426** pledges for a total of **\$2,050,728** or **163%** of goal.

*Thanks to all who have pledged including contributions from these parishioners:*

Jerome & Veronica Duluk  
Robert & Veronica Vierra  
Tom & Vikki Howard  
Adrian Figueroa  
Albert Stura  
Vernon & Alexandra Madison  
James & Alma Lalonde  
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Lawerence & Francoise Mertz  
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William & Helen Wall  
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Linda & James Ballard  
Charles & Jane Volpe  
John & Jean Graham  
William & Jill Thompson  
Jack & Jolaine Woodson

*to be continued...*