

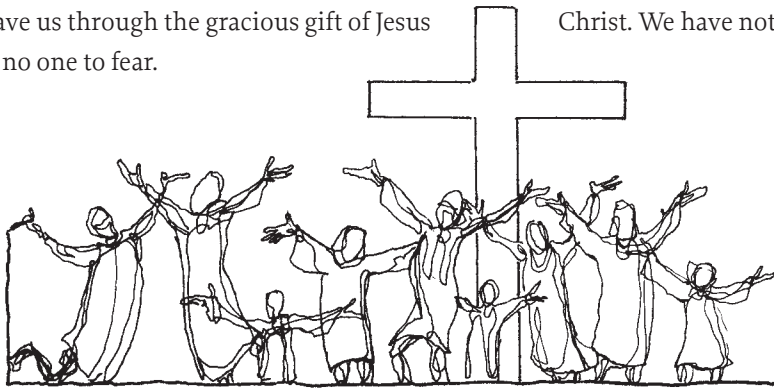
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S MESSAGE

FEAR NOT

How do people find hope in the face of suffering and death? That is the question addressed by today's scriptures. We hear of the suffering of Jeremiah and the psalmist. We hear of the death that "reigned from Adam to Moses" (Romans 5:14). We hear of the fears of the Twelve as Jesus sends them out into the world to preach and heal.

Through all this tribulation one message rings out loud and clear—"Do not be afraid!" The God who saved Jeremiah and the psalmist and Jesus is fully present to save us through the gracious gift of Jesus Christ. We have nothing and no one to fear.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 22:

9:00 am SAG George Schardt (health)
Readings: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69; Rom 5:12-15;
Mt 10:26-33

Monday, June 23:

7:15 am
 8:30 am John Kocikowski †
 12:15 pm Fernando & Mendez
 Family †
Readings: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 24: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

7:15 am Marguerite Purcell
 (thanksgiving)
 8:30 am
 12:15 pm Lucienne Woods
 (thanksgiving)
Readings: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17; Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Wednesday, June 25:

7:15 am
 8:30 am Frances Kocikowski †
 12:15 pm Robert Goveas †
Readings: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 26:

7:15 am
 8:30 am Christopher D'Souza †
 12:15 pm Alphonso D'Souza †
Readings: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 27: St. Cyril of Alexandria

7:15 am
 8:30 am Mrs. D'Souza (health)
 12:15 pm James Cesano Sr. †
Readings: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday, June 28: St. Irenaeus

12:15 pm
 5:00 pm Vilma Missman †
Readings: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

FR. TONY'S GOING AWAY PARTY

Come join us in congratulating Fr. Tony on his new assignment and thanking him for his service at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish.

All parishioners are invited Sunday, June 22, 11:00am - 2:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary picnic area for a "Thank you - Goodbye - Good Luck Picnic".

Please bring either a salad or dessert to share if you can. BBQ meat and drinks will be provided. Sponsored by members of the Hispanic Community and Parish Community Life ministry.



PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday June 28 & 29, 2008

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. Wright
 Sun 10:30 am Fr. Aranha
 Sun 12 noon Fr. Nahoe

Our Lady of the Rosary
 Sun 9:00 am (español) . . Fr. Medina
 Sun 10:30 am Fr. Medina



Please Pray

FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND — Sue Clingingsmith, Nancy Condon, Nicholas Humy, Mary Hansen, Jack Youngs, Chet Maksim, Devin Wakefield, Marian Partelow, Mary Imbornone, Mike Shpall, Delores Stevens, Elizabeth Smider, Betha Cervantes, John Braun, Carole Smith, Danny Chandler, Jim Cesano, Dan Alvero

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED — John Hartmann, Elaine Donald, Stephanie Ziegler, Charles O'Neil, Vi Missman, Helen Garratt, Dorothy Duca, Rosalia O'Grady, Mary Ann Morgan, Frank Kelly, Robert Gaspich, Virginia McCosker, Doña Francisca Camarena de Medina, Margaret Watkins

Pray For Lists guidelines: • Have permission from the person to be listed. • Go through the Pastoral Home Ministry to list the names. • Names will be on the list for 3 months and then be removed. • Can request names to be continued after 3 months. Contact the Pastoral Home Ministry 650-494-2496 x22 or fongmt@hotmail.com

Please note our email address:
bulletin@paloaltocatholic.org

BULLETIN ARTICLE DUE
 July 6 .. **Wed** June 25 noon
 July 13 . **Thur** July 3 noon



Our Weekly Offering

June 8 \$ 8,602.94
 Catholic Comm. \$ 2,254.00
thank you for your continued generosity

Year To Date

Actual YTD . . . \$ 623,166.12
 Budget YTD . . \$ 606,102.64
 Variance + 2.82%

June 22, 2008

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, June 22: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, June 23:

Tuesday, June 24:
7:30 pm. HCC (OLRH)

Wednesday, June 25:

Thursday, June 26:
10:00 am. Facilities Comm (PC)

Friday, June 27:
7:00 pm. Spanish YA (OLRH)

Saturday, June 28:
7:00 pm. Young Adult Fundraiser (OLRH)

AN OLD ENGLISH PRAYER

*Give us, Lord,
a bit of sun
a bit of work and
a bit of fun.
Give us in all the struggle and sputter
Our daily bread and a bit of butter;
Give us health and our keep to make,
And a bit to spare for others' sake;
Give us, too, a bit of song,
And a tale, and a book to help us along.
Give us, Lord, a chance to be
Our goodly best, brave, wise and free..*

DRIVERS FOR CAMP

Thanks to those of you who have volunteered to drive campers from East Palo Alto to Hidden Villa camp in Los Altos Hills. Camp continues thorough the week of August 11th, so drivers are STILL needed!

Know any college students around for the summer who could help? We have had some loyal young people who have assisted in transporting children. Or have you returned from your vacation and now would like to contribute to this most important ministry? If so, please call George Chippendale. 856-6350

WE STILL NEED HELP!! Don't let a child not be able to attend camp because of lack of transportation!

UPCOMING PARISH & DIOCESE EVENTS

SATURDAY JULY 19TH – AGE OF AQUINAS SUMMER DANCE The Age of Aquinas Summer Dance is coming soon to a dance floor near you! Dance to the tunes of Songs by Dave -- back for a return engagement. Starts Saturday, July 19! Sure to be a blockbuster! Dress is always casual, so be comfortable, but don't miss it! Cost: Still only \$10.00! Snacks and beverages will be provided. Time: Doors open 8:00 pm, the music will start around 8:30 pm. Location: St. Albert the Great Hospitality Center, 1095 Channing Ave, Palo Alto, CA 94301. More information: Email age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org, or contact Mabel Ngo, 408.623.2763, m-ngo@sbcglobal.net. "Produced and directed by Age of Aquinas, Music by Dave, Starring YOU."

WIDOW AND WIDOWER EVENTS – THURSDAY JUNE 19TH: Members and their guests are invited to the Drop-in Dinner at the Cheesecake Factory restaurant, University avenue in Palo Alto. Social hour starting at 5 p.m. No reservations necessary. **THURSDAY JULY 17:** Also Save this date for our Festive Picnic Barbecue at Foothill Park, Bring appetizer, salad or dessert and beverage. Join the fun of board games and sports. Coordinate food choice by calling Joan Meyn 650-494-3467.

Reserve today so see the hilarious production of "The Full Monty" matinee in Half Moon Bay **SUNDAY JULY 27**. It will surely be a sellout. Call Pat Muller by June 13th (650) 712-1158 for tickets (\$15). Enjoy a Pre-Theater Pot Luck Brunch hosted by Pat at her ocean front home. **WHAT'S COOKIN?** Pat Muller invites members and friends to a cooking class by Casey's Café and Catering in Half Moon Bay. Cost is \$35 each for 6 or more students, who get to feast on the menu. Call Pat for availability and interest (650) 712-1158.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY – TRANSITIONS SUPPORT GROUP 7:30 pm at the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center. Transitions is a drop-in support group for those who are undergoing the transition from couple-hood to single-hood. If you or someone you know has suffered the breakup of a marriage or significant relationship, this group may be helpful. The meetings are informal and unstructured, confidential and safe. Occasionally we will have a special guest speaker on a topic of interest. More info: www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html or contact Randy Jones, 408-739-2881, transitions@paloaltocatholic.org

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Parishioners interested in taking part in the RCIA ministry are invited to "An Evening of Initiation Ministry" on Wednesday evening July 2 at 7:30 at St. Albert's Hospitality room. The evening will consist of a welcoming by Fr. George, prayers and discernment of your calling to this ministry, and presentations by members of the Diocese Catechumenate Team on the various parts of the RCIA process. Dessert will follow.

The goal is to get more parishioners to take responsibility for part of this all-encompassing and growing ministry which includes sacramental preparation, education, catechesis, liturgical rites, hospitality, sponsor recruitment, and mystogogy with the neophytes. Come, if only to educate yourself about The Catechumenate!

The Inquiry group meets Monday June 23 at the Pastoral Center at 7:30pm. Contact Jean if you, or anyone you know is seeking Baptism, Confirmation, or Reception into the Catholic Church.

Jean Ramacciotti, Director of the Catechumenate (RCIA), 650 494-2496 ext. 34, pajejanr@yahoo.com

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

TORTURE IS WRONG

We hope you took the prayer card "Jesus, Our Tortured Brother Today" last week and are saying the prayer. We need a solid base of prayer if our efforts to ban torture are to succeed.

In next week's bulletin we will suggest something you can do to advance the cause. In the words of that prayer . . . "give us the will to bring this horror to an end, in the name of love, justice and he God of us all."

Have you checked the Human Concerns website for two recent pieces on torture?

STAYOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

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

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

Please welcome home our Tahoe youth retreatants joyfully and eagerly. 22 of our parish youth are now more alive than ever and on fire with the Holy Spirit!

St. Thomas Aquinas Youth Ministry (STAY) has an immediate need for a part-time "Youth Ministry Associate / Middle School Coordinator". Applications are now being accepted as soon as possible. If interested, please contact Rob Manfred, Youth and Young Adult Coordinator, for details at 650-494-2496 x21 or stayouth@paloaltocatholic.org

2008-09 STAY Registration Form & color-coded Calendar now available via the HS & MS pages of the STAY web site. Registration forms also available in hard-copy yellow at our church vestibules or at our Pastoral Center on Middlefield. Early registration helps us plan ahead for another exciting year of faith and fun.

Please watch your email, parish bulletin, and of course the STAY web site for exciting summer happenings.

YOUNG ADULTS [college-age, 20s, 30s, early 40s – single/married; w/, w/o children]

St. Thomas Aquinas Young Adults www.paloaltocatholic.org/STAY/

- Board Game Night – Sat 6/21 – 7:30pm @ St. Albert the Great Hospitality Center. 1095 Channing Ave., Palo Alto. Bring a drink or snack to share and your favorite game to play. As always, spread the word and invite your friends.
- Monthly Young Adult Mass – Tues 6/24 – 7:30pm at St. Nicholas School in Los Altos (the Intersection Teen Chapel). Presider is our own Fr. Antonio Medina, as we bless him as he leaves St. Thomas Aquinas to become pastor of St. Martin's Parish in Sunnyvale, effective July 1.
- Monterey Bay Aquarium - Sat, 6/28, All Day. Join the Circle as we travel to the nation's best aquarium, situated in the historic Cannery Row district of Monterey Bay. Carpools will be arranged from the Stanford campus. Contact Larry, hudat@stanfordalumni.org

DEANERY 2 YOUNG ADULTS www.YoungAdultCircle.org Young Adults from our local parishes gather regularly for social, spiritual, service, and sports. Register online to receive our weekly e-newsletter for the latest and greatest info. Watch for exciting Summer of Fun events and our monthly Summer Speaker Series, running from June thru September.

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

125 years ago on April 23, 1833, Blessed Frederic Ozanam founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The need for the works of SVDP was very great at that time, as it still is today. Here in our own parish the SVDP workers are quietly involved in helping those less fortunate in the community. Often it can be just one incident which can cause someone to become dependent on the good will of others.

A woman was driving to her exercise class and was hit from behind by another car. This one event started a spiral of back problems. She was no longer able to work, eventually lost her home, and is now on the streets waiting for her disability checks to become activated. A disabled man, confined to his wheel chair, came to the Pastoral Center seeking help for his utility payments. He was very worried because he is dependent on electricity for his bodily functions. A 52 year old woman with mental problems, whose two daughters had always been with her, left to take jobs in other parts of the country. We are all vulnerable to such random events.

When the collection basket is passed your way, think of the 125 years of service Saint Vincent de Paul has provided. Think of the people that have been helped and please give generously.

SEARCHING FOR OLR ALUMNI

If you attended Our Lady of the Rosary Elementary School from 1954-1979 you are cordially invited to an all classes reunion on Friday August 1 at the Crying Room, OLR, in Palo Alto. The event is casual, and is from 7 pm -11 pm. \$5.00 at the door.

Details can be found at classmates.com and reservations can be made by emailing Annette Anderson at OLR2008Reunion@live.com. So far more than 50 alums have signed up!