

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My dear Parish Family,

We have just completed our October Month of Stewardship. Thank you for your participation and your passion for the parish community.

I want to express my gratitude to Jeanne Ramos and all the Community Life members for organizing this month of Stewardship. They made sure we had tables and signs and food for all the parishioners who took the time to visit after church and to sign up for our many ministries. I am also grateful to the site committees that collaborated to make this Time and Talent venture a success. This year we focused our energies at each site on a given weekend and this made for a good flow of volunteers and staff members. I also thank the clergy for their cooperation and homiletic inspiration. Roland, thank you for the pictures.

I am grateful for the leadership shown by the Pastoral Stewardship Council, and especially the Communications Committee, to prepare all the reports in our very first production of an Annual Parish Report. Your evaluations will help us do a better job in the years to come.

Finally, the Parish Report as I have repeatedly said, is our way to Celebrate who we are and to show Accountability for the blessings that God has given to us, through our Time, Talent and Treasure. So, my special thanks goes to Mary Sullivan who put together the Parish Report and did such a great job in its presentation.

On October 19th, we thanked *Mary Sullivan* for her stewardship at the 10:30 am Mass at St Thomas Aquinas. On October 26th, we awarded a certificate of thanks and excellence to Linda Ballard at the 9 am Mass at St Albert the Great church and to Leslie Scarborough at the 10:30 am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary church for their projects of stewardship that have improved the quality of our faith life in this parish community.



Fr George

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 2:

9:00 am SAG . . . Vince Giovannotto †
 10:30 am OLR . . . Arturo Mercado †
 10:30 am STA . . . Aurelia Baracchi †
 12:00 pm STA . . . All Souls
*Readings: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;
 Jn 6:37-40*

Monday, November 3: St. Martin de Porres

7:15 am Leona McGann †
 8:30 am Inday L. Espiritu
 12:15 pm
Readings: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday, November 4: St. Charles Borromeo

7:15 am
 8:30 am Antonio Palomo †
 12:15 pm Jason Abohwo (special intention)
Readings: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 5:

7:15 am
 8:30 am Deceased members of
 Martinez Family
 12:15 pm Communion Service
Readings: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday, November 6:

7:15 am
 8:30 am Communion Service
 12:15 pm
Readings: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10

Friday, November 7:

7:15 am Leona McGann Farley †
 8:30 am
 12:15 pm Communion Service
Readings: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday, November 8: Blessed Virgin Mary

12:15 pm Angelo Baracch †
 5:00 pm
Readings: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15

PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday November 8 & 9, 2008

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm Fr. Gutiérrez
 Sun 9:00 am Fr. Aranha

St. Thomas Aquinas

Sun 7:30 am Fr. Hester
 Sun 8:45 am Fr. Marini
 Sun 10:30 am Fr. Gutiérrez
 Sun 12 noon Fr. Nahoe

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun 9:00 am (español) . . Fr. Gutiérrez
 Sun 10:30 am Fr. Aranha



Please Pray

FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND — Sue Clingingsmith, Nancy Condon, Nicholas Humy, Mary Hansen, Chet Maksim, Devin Wakefield, Marian Partelow, Mary Imbornone, Virginia Kreutzer, Chet DiLauro, Cypress Winters, Sophie Bandur, Fr. Charlie Maceda, Carole Stuart, Mary Harvey, Michael Fong, Brian Dooney, Rita McAlester

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED — Joseph Kehret, Pat Slevin, Jack Youngs, Carmen Lamb, Ruth Arnold, Mary McNulty, Leona McGann, Mary Gaffney, Elaine Bollier Doyle, Mary Gaffney

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
 Nov 16 . **Thur** Nov 6 noon
 Nov 23 **Thur** Nov 13 noon



Our Weekly Offering

October 12 \$ 9,374.65
 St. Elizabeth Seton School \$ 3,175.00
thank you for your continued generosity

Year To Date

Actual YTD . . . \$ 124,008.28
 Budget YTD . . \$ 121,745.83
 Variance + 1.86%

November 2, 2008

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, November 2: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls); Daylight Saving Time ends
 9:15 am Religious Ed. (OLRH)
 10:15 am Religious Ed. (SAG)
 6:00 pm STAYouth (OLRH)

Monday, November 3: Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Election Day Setup (OLR/SAGC)

Tuesday, November 4: Election Day

all day Election Day (OLR/SAGC)

7:00 pm JustFaith (PC)

Wednesday, November 5:

11:45 am STAYouth (PC)

7:00 pm Retreat Planning (PC)

7:30 pm Transitions (PC)

Thursday, November 6:

7:00 pm First Communion (PC)

7:00 pm Widows/Widowers (SAGC)

Friday, November 7: First Friday

7:00 pm Spanish Young Adult (OLRH)

Saturday, November 8:

HOLY LAND TOUR

Fr George will be leading a tour of the Holy Land from March 9th to the 18th in 2009. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to visit all the Holy places associated with our Catholic faith. The Deadline For Registrations Is November 30th. If you need a brochure that comes with a registration form, please call Sandra Pedersen at the Pastoral Center at 650-494-2496, ext 27. Spread the word about this Holy Land trip to your friends, families, fellow-parishioners and Co-workers.

PARISH DAY OF REFLECTION AND SHARING

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, the Catholic Community of Palo Alto, invites you to a day of reflection and sharing on The Spirituality of Saint Paul

Using St. Paul's powerful sense of living "in Christ", you will have the opportunity to explore, reflect and discover anew your own awareness and inner relationship with Jesus Christ.



Saturday, November 15

9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Seton School Auditorium

St. Albert the Great Site, 1095 Channing Avenue
 Palo Alto

Two ways to register:

1. Complete the form below and place it in the designated baskets at all the church sites, or drop it in the collection basket during Mass

2. Register via email: send your name and number of attendees to ebulletin@paloaltocatholic.org

Registration Deadline: Monday, November 10

We will be accepting donations to defray the expense of food and the expenses of the retreat providers.

The Spirituality of Saint Paul

Our Parish Day of Reflection and Sharing
 Saturday, November 15, 2008

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline: Monday, November 10

Please drop in the designated baskets at all the church sites, or in the collection basket at Mass.

Name(s): _____

Number attending: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I would appreciate child-care.

No. of children and ages: _____

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

SETON SCHOOL'S FALL LUNCHEON

Tuesday, November 18th, 12:00-2:00 – St. Elizabeth Seton School would like to invite St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners to our annual Fall Luncheon and School Tour. Social time and lunch will begin at noon, followed by a student-led school tour. If you would like to attend this event, please RSVP to the Development Office at 326-1258 or rsvp@stelizabethseton.com, by November 12.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

All parishioners are invited to a Mass of Remembrance. For all those parishioners who have died over the past year and in loving memory of all deceased relatives and friends of our parishioners. November 22, 5pm St. Albert the Great Church. A reception sponsored by the Widows & Widowers group will follow in the hospitality center.

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/

Happy All Saints / All Souls weekend! Remember those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

Wed, 11/5 XLT (Exult) Praise & Worship music, Talk, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament. 7:30pm Holy Family Parish, 4848 Pearl Ave., San Jose, 95136. Our own Rob Manfrey sings in the band.

Sun, 11/9 STAY High School goes to Golfland USA in Sunnyvale to challenge St. Simon LifeTeen of Los Altos. Start time 7pm.

YOUNG ADULTS [college-age, 20s, 30s] www.paloaltocatholic.org/STAY/

Fri, Nov. 7, 8pm thru Sun 11/9, 2pm. The Deanery 2 Young Adult Circle Retreat 2008: The Dwelling Place of God: Where does God live in you, in me, and in the world? Scripture calls us the temple of God. How do we recognize the divine within us and in those around us? How do we work to promote the kingdom of God on earth? Led by Fr. David Geib, OP, formerly of the Catholic Community at Stanford. Vallombrosa Retreat Center (250 Oak Grove Ave, Menlo Park). <http://www.vallombrosa.org> Cost: \$140 (subject to change; financial aid available) Contact Larry, hudat@stanfordalumni.org for more info or to sign up. More information on our site <http://www.youngadultcircle.org/retreat.html>

Sun, 11/16: Mass and a Meal...join us for 10:30am mass at St. Thomas Aquinas church (751 Waverly St.), then lunch afterward in beautiful downtown Palo Alto. Mark your calendars for Dec. 14 also.

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.

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

TRANSITIONS

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 might be helpful. The meetings are informal and unstructured, confidential and safe. We have a small lending library of helpful books and a DVD you can borrow, keep, or pass on to others. There is no charge.

Location: St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center, 3290 Middlefield Rd, Palo Alto, 94306.

More information: Visit <http://paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html> or contact Randy Jones, 408.739.2881, transitions@paloaltocatholic.org.

SHORELINE PARK HIKE

Meet at Lakeside Café in Mountain View's Shoreline Park near the breezeway between the café and the Aquatic Center at 9 am. Afterwards gather at the café around 10:00 for coffee or brunch. We always hike, rain or shine! www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html or contact Randy Jones, 408.739.2881, age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org.

EDGEWOOD PARK HIKE

Meet at the INNER parking lot inside the entrance to Edgewood Park at 9 am. This is a hike that will take you up and down, in sun and shade, amidst grasses, trees and wildflowers, for about 2 hours. Afterwards gather at a nearby eatery, about 11:30 am, for lunch or brunch. We always hike, rain or shine! Contact Josephine josephine.dorval@oracle.com, 650.619.4024 or visit www.paloaltocatholic.org/AofA.html or email age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org.