



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 7:00 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

Vigil: 5:00 pm

Tagalog Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:00 (Livestream)

12:00 pm

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

7:00 pm

Wednesday:

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help

6:00 PM Rosary,

6:30 Novena Mass

First Friday:

7:00 PM (Livestream)

Holy Day Schedule

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day 7:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 PM

Or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

DAILY DEVOTION

6:30 am – Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours with your personal access code.

PARISH PRIESTS

Rev. Msgr. Wilfredo S. Manrique, Pastor

Rev. Edgar Elamparo I, Associate Pastor



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PARISH VISION & MISSION

Vision

We are called to active discipleship to live the values taught by our Lord Jesus Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity. As active disciples, we engage in a "mission" mode of evangelization, forming disciples and inspiring others to do the same.

Strategic Vision

We are a thriving community of disciples who see their role in the life and evangelizing mission of the Church, sustaining a parish school that continuously grows and increases its enrollment every year, and supporting a facility that architecturally highlights the beauty and spirituality of its broader community.

Mission

- We seek to be a community of active disciples who:
- Are diverse, inclusive, and collaborative (Welcoming)
- Continuously grow and share their faith with all generation of spiritual seekers (Word)
- Are involved in a creative, vibrant liturgy (Worship)
- Are involved in areas of service that impact its broader community and the world (Witness)
- Have a strong sense of stewardship, evident in the parish's healthy finances, committed organization, and self sustained ministries (Strengthening)
- Are unafraid to grow by remembering the past, celebrating the present, and believing in the future

CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT

Baptism are being celebrated every **Saturday at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm**. Please make an appointment with the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism interview and to register for the required preparation class. The preparation class is being held every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.

FIRST EUCHARIST: We accept children who are at least in first grade and seven years old. We have two classes: one is every Thursday from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and the other is every Saturday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Registration starts in late July or early August.

CONFIRMATION: It is a two-year program. First Year Confirmandi meet every first and third Friday while Second Year Confirmandi meet every second and fourth Friday. Both will have a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. Regular Class time is 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. We accept children who are at least in seventh grade and up to Junior High (eleventh grade). Registration starts in late July or early August.

Marriage: Before planning your wedding, please make an appointment with one of our priest.

Marriage preparation usually takes at **least six months** period to complete.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist make pastoral visit to parishioners who are sick either confined in the hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, care homes, or at the convenient of their own home. Also, it is for parishioners who are homebound, i.e. their health or medical conditions could be compromised when they leave home. Pastoral visit comprise of the respectful distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick; and as well, as giving them emotional, social, and spiritual support through profound and thoughtful prayers.

Anointing of the Sick: In this Church's Sacrament, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or frailty of old age is sufficient. To request, please call the parish office. Outside office hours, kindly **call (408) 966-4612**. In addition, the Sacrament is also conferred during the communal celebration at the morning Mass every first Saturday of the month.

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MASS INTENTIONS

(I=Intention, H=Healing, D=Deceased)

SAT - OCT 12 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Alvin Cortez (Tks/Bday), Max Dumlaio II (Bday) (H) Flor Domingo, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Cyril Pullenayagam, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo
SAT - OCT 12 5 PM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Andy William Mendoza (Tks) Loryssa Joie Manarang (S.P.), Romerico Prieto (Tks), Kaia Tengco (Tks), Ellen Tengco (Tks), Edwing Morga (Tks) (H) Nick Arimboanga, Alex Gonzales, Eddie Tengco, Flor Domingo, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Ranillo Trillana, Timothy Vu, Dcn Joseph Huynh, Florence Abrenilla, Louise Nachazel, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo
SAT - OCT 12 7 PM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Kaia Tengco (Tks), Ellen Tengco (Tks), Edwing Morga (Tks), Paylus Cuison (Bday) (H) Alex Gonzales, Irene Banzon, Pinky Valenciano, Eddie Tengco, Flor Domingo, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Ranillo Trillana, Florence Abrenilla, Arturo Mondragon, Cesar Ebalo, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, Zenaida Dela Cruz, Dionisio Elumba Jr., Prisca Eluma
SUN - OCT 13 8 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Loryssa Joie Manarang (S.P.), Nolie Tabion (Sp. Int), Maria Wong Family (Sp. Int.), Edwin Morga (Bday) (H) Sophia Vinluan, Edna Basco, Flor Domingo, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ofelia & Jose Pacoma, John Lee, Anatacia Kang, Ranillo Trillana, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Jerel Salazar
SUN - OCT 13 10 AM	(I) Loryssa Joie Manarang (S.P.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp. Int.), Bong Sanchez, Kaia Tengco (Tks), Ellen Tengco (Tks), Joy Barrozo (Bday), Adrienne Deldio (Bday), Nolie Tabion (Sp. Int.), Michael Andres (Tks), Daniel Jr. & Mimi Tomista (Wed. Anniv) Edwin Morga (Bday) (H) Pinky R. Valenciano, Benjamin Cacao, Nick Arimboanga, Eddie Tengco, Nona Tolentino, Alex Gonzales, Sophia Vinluan, Edna Basco, Flor Domingo, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Joseph Brian Vu, Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Peter Tan Nguyen, Dr. Rodolfo Halili Sr., Ranillo Trillana, Jose Sunga, Rustico B. Oraa Sr., Eduardo Quiroz Luber, Lo Lun Kei, Florence Abrenilla, Edward Tuason, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, All Souls in Purgatory
SUN - OCT 13 12 PM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Laura Valadez (Tks), Marcie Franz (Bday (Bday), Nolie Tabion (Sp. Int.), Dory Palacio (Sp. Int.), Edric Barbadillo (Tks), Luis Ethan Sebastian III (Tks), Julian Larrazabl (Sbabo) (Tks), Maia Larazabl (Tks), Henry Giancola (Tks), Henry Giancola (Tks), Edwin Morga (Bday) (H) Nick Arimboanga, Nona Tolentino, Maybelline Ubungen, Alex Gonzales, May Nicole Villasol (D+) Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Edward Tuason, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Arsenia Manuel, Aquarius Linis, Cesar Santos, Florence Abrenilla, Rogelio Rudy Limbag
SUN - OCT 13 7 PM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp. Int.), Edwin Morga (Bday) (H) Trinidad Bauzon, Pinky Valenciano, Maybelline Ubungen, Alex Gonzales, Nona Tolentino (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Ranillo Trillana, Edward Tuason, Florence Abrenilla, Rosemary Keyser, Percival Celi, Rosalio Celi, Efren Celi, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo
MON - OCT 14 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Edwin Morga (Bday), Loryssa Joie Manarang (Sp. Int) (H) Sophia Vinluan, Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Gegerio Ha, Tereso Lara, Jerel Salazar, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Albert Navales, Rodrigo Centeno
TUE - OCT 15 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Marianne Brocchi (Bday), Loryssa Joie Manarang (Sp. Int), Ellen Tengco (Bday), Anarita Alma De Souza (Sp. Int) (H) Sophia Vinluan, Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Ramon Raymundo, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, Domingos De Souza
WED - OCT 16 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Judy Perkowski (Bday) (H) Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Polina Bacani, Maribeth Aquino
WED - OCT 16 6:30 PM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Kaia Tengco (Bday), Loryssa Joie Manarang (Sp. Int) (H) Nick Arimboanga, Pinky Valenciano, Trinidad Bauzon, Alex Gonzales, Eddie Tengco, Irene Banzon, Nona Tolentino, Cesar Benitez, Edna Basco, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Jerome & Titus Pecson, Florence Abrenilla, Ranillo Trillana, Rosemary Keyser, Delia Domingo, Mel Cunanan
THU- OCT 17 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Loryssa Joie Manarang (Sp. Int) Carmen Sunga (Bday) (H) Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, Roger Lava
FRI - OCT 18 7 AM	(I) Bong Sanchez (Sp.Int.), Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Loryssa Joie Manarang (Sp. Int) Haley Scheickert (Bday) Judith Ocenar (Tks), Ioann "Uno" Celestino (Bday) (H) Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Maybelline Ubungen (D+) Dcn. Joseph Huynh, Timothy Vu, Ranillo Trillana, Florence Abrenilla, Delia Domingo, Darius Domingo, Japhet Bacani

Notice: St. John the Baptist Parish accepts multiple intentions for the Masses offered at the Parish. There is no required stipend to request an intention added on the list that is offered during the celebration of Mass. Parishioners are welcome to make a freewill offering with the understanding that their requests and/or intentions will be combined with other requests.

"DISCLAIMER:

Although, if we did not mention your request, it does not mean that your intention was invalidated or disregarded. Remember, what matter is what's in your heart. Your intentions are being always heard by God even unspoken. Nevertheless do not worry, we will still honor your request and just kindly inform us immediately when this happen". Thank you.

MASS INTENTION



Saint of the week St. Stanislaus Kostka (1550- 1568), unable to enter the Jesuit order in Vienna, disguised himself to avoid any objections from his family and walked first to Dillingen, Germany and then to Rome to enter the order. He is the patron of Jesuit novices, students, and Poland.

SECOND COLLECTION

WORLD MISSION NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, October 20, 2024

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Attention All Parishioners,

We need your help! Our church bulletin sponsorships play a vital role in keeping our parish connected. When a company advertises in our bulletin and on the web Parishes online, they're not just reaching our community, they're also providing crucial financial support for printing and web hosting. Let's work together to keep our communication strong and vibrant! <https://parishesonline.com/organization/st-john-the-baptist-catholic-church-95035>

For advertising inquiries, please reach out to Anita Aguilar at 720-877-1373, 800 950-9952 x2677 or via email at aaguilar@4lpi.com.

Thank you for your support!

LITURGY & WORSHIP

TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 13, 2024

First Reading:

I prayed, and prudence was given me;
I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne,
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her. (Wis 7:7-8)

Psalm:

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

Second Reading:

Indeed the word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword. (Heb 4:12)

Gospel:

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor
and you will have treasure in heaven; then
come, follow me." (Mk 10:21)

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Observances for the week of October 13, 2024

Sunday:	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr; Columbus Day
Tuesday:	St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday:	St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
Thursday:	St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Friday:	St. Luke, Evangelist
Saturday:	Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Peter of Alcantara
Next Sunday:	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the week of October 13, 224

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
(14)/ Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b
-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47,
48/Lk 11:37-41

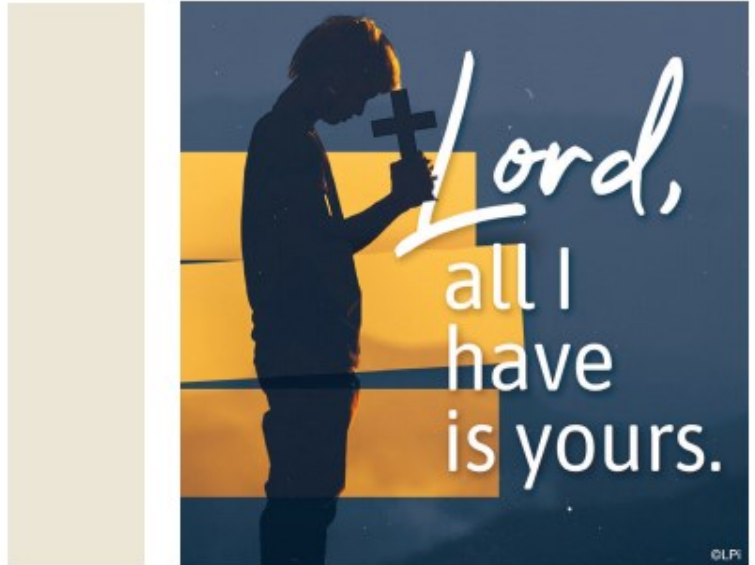
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3 and 6/Lk
11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-
6/ Lk 11:47-54

Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17
-18/
Lk 10:1-9

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/ Lk
12:8-12

Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19,
20, 22, (22)/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

This week we hear of the man who inquires of Jesus how to obtain eternal life. He rejects Jesus' invitation to sell his goods, give to the poor, and follow Jesus. Mark tells us this devastatingly sad line, **"At this saying, his countenance fell and he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions"** (Mark 10:22). The man's heart wasn't centered on Jesus, but on his possessions. Perhaps Jesus intuited this. Now, we don't know if Jesus intended to actually make him go through with it, like God's call to test Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac. But sadly, in this case the willingness was not there to entrust everything to Jesus. And this made the man deeply sad.

For most of us, the literal dispossessing of our goods is not our call. But as Christians, a consistent *renouncing* of them is. This week, especially if you're noticing a persisting sadness, I invite you to hear Jesus calling you to acknowledge that none of your possessions are finally *yours*. They are God's and on loan to you. We get so addicted to that stuffy and sad word, "mine." At Mass, we rehearse this attitude of joyful detachment by giving bread, wine, and money to the Lord, as if to say, "Lord, all I have is yours." And what we get back is a sadness-defeating joy beyond all description: knowing that He is ours, and we are His.

What possessions are pre-occupying you at the moment? Write them down. Intentionally offer them to the Lord at the next Mass you attend.

— Father John Muir

SOCIAL JUSTICE



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Wednesday: 3:30 pm-6:30 pm
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Drop in during our pharmacy's flu hours to get your flu shot. Appointments are not required

Valley Health Center Sunnyvale 660 Fair Oaks Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94086	Monday - Thursday Friday	1:30 pm - 4:00 pm 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
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Valley Health Center Tully 500 Tully Road San Jose, CA 95111	Monday - Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
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Valley Specialty Center (VSC) 751 S. Bascom Ave San Jose, CA 95128	Monday - Friday	9:30 am - 4:00 pm
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Valley Health Center Lenzen 976 Lenzen Ave. San Jose, CA 95126	Monday - Friday	8:30 am - 5:00 pm
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at Travel and Immunization Clinic

Valley Health Center Lundy 1996 Lundy Ave, Ste 101 San Jose, CA 95128	Monday - Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
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DAY ON THE BAY

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10am-3pm
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- Multicultural Entertainment
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STEWARDSHIP

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- Support the mission of making Christ known and loved



When you give to #SupportSJBParish, you're not just making a donation - you're investing in the spiritual and physical wellbeing of your faith community. St. John the Baptist Parish is embarking on an important stewardship initiative to fund vital renovations and improvements. By participating, you'll play a direct role in enhancing the church's ability to serve parishioners and spread the Gospel. Whether it's updating the altar, installing a new marble floor, or acquiring a beautiful new tabernacle, your contribution will directly improve the sacred space where you worship. But more importantly, you'll be supporting the ongoing work of making Jesus Christ known and loved in your local community. As a faithful steward, you'll experience the joy of generously sharing the gifts God has entrusted to you.

How can I help SJB?

Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in our community? Look no further, because Saint John the Baptist Parish is seeking volunteers to share their time, talents, and treasures leading to meaningful change, transforming lives and strengthening our community. Together, we can create a positive impact. By filling out our volunteer forms, you can use your skills and resources to make a difference in the lives of those around us. Join us in building a stronger, more connected and God-faithful community. Let's make a difference together!"

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION



Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why don't Catholics add the "For yours is the Kingdom ..." prayer at the end of the Our Father like Protestants do? Where did it come from?

Answer:

The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer that you refer to is called a doxology, which is a prayer of glory and praise. This particular doxology we do use in the Mass. After the Our Father, the priest prays the prayer that begins, "Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil..." and the people respond with the doxology. The doxology is not found in the Bible, but it is very ancient. It was first found in The Didache, also called "The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles," which dates probably from about the

LITURGICAL LIFE

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Possessions

When I was a kid, before smartphones and Amazon, it was the toy catalogs that we waited for.

They arrived in the mail, smiling children's faces splashed across the cover, like a silent promise that real happiness could be purchased within these magical pages. We fought over who got to look at them first. We imagined playtime with this Barbie or that EasyBake Oven.

Without realizing it, we expected that these toys — and the fun they would create out of thin air, the excitement they would inject into our days — would give us new lives. Make us new people.

The toys we did get were fun enough, but they never made us new people. They never gave us new lives. And before long they broke or needed new batteries. They lost their allure, and they went to the attic. And then, many years later, when we got married or moved houses, we found them, and we sighed — more junk to get rid of.

It's the same now, thirty years later, as much as I hate to admit it. The catalogs have become social media, and the toys have become promotions or pay raises or home improvement projects. I scroll through the feed and my mind lights up. *What if we had this? What if we could buy that? What if we could go there?*

The rich young man was not sad as he walked away from Jesus because he was losing his riches. He was sad because he wasn't — because he *couldn't*. He couldn't give them up. Such is the dark magic of materialism: it takes hold when you're not looking. He thought he was being a good person and doing good things. But he had given his heart away, and he hadn't given it to God. And now he couldn't get it back.

Whatever of this world we seek to possess — dollars, cars, clothes, prestige — will come to possess us, in the end.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

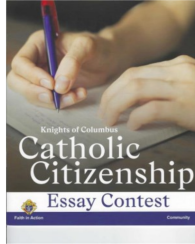
year AD 90. It was a letter of instruction to early converts to Christianity. Protestantism dates only to the sixteenth century, so the doxology is actually a Catholic prayer. Some scholars and the catechism (#2760) indicate that the doxology was connected to the celebration of the Eucharist and was not used apart from it. Remember, both the Lord's Prayer and the Eucharist were part of the "mysteries of faith," things taught only to believers. Ironically, a remnant of a prayer used during the celebration of the Eucharist has come to be used widely by many Christian churches that do not celebrate the Eucharist! Truth is indeed stranger than fiction!

KNIGHTS NEWS



Knights News Knights of Columbus Saint John's Council No. 5796 October 13, 2024

Our next Contest is now open to all children K – Eighth grade. The Contest is a Christmas Poster titled "Keep Christ in Christmas." Judging will consider: Slogan on the poster, Visual content, and Overall Impact. The contest will close on 12 Nov 2024. We will try and have the judging done on 19 Nov 2024. We hope to announce the winners at our Thanksgiving Dinner in Pavalkis Hall on 28 Nov 2024. The Judging will be grades K, 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th, 7th & 8th grades. We will have prizes for the winners! The Poster size is suggested to be 11 X 17 inches and there must be an entry form (#5025) with each entry. For more info contact Joe Ruggiero at 408-890-1729 or joseruggiero@comcast.net.



We had a great response with the 8th Grade from St John the Baptist School submitting entries. Judging is going on now and will finish Monday. We will be announcing the winners next week. We thank the 8th Grade Teacher and the Principal Mr. Brazil for their support for this project.

We are continuing our Family of the Month recognition. If you know a family that is deserving of being recognized let our Committee know! The Committee Chairman is Ray Maglalang at 408-506-8626. The committee is not looking for the Perfect Family but a family that live Traditional Christian Family values.

If you like the service projects that the Knights are supporting, consider becoming a Knight! The Knights of Columbus have a great Insurance program rated as one of the top ten in the United States. And any profits go back into the support of the Catholic Church! What are the requirements to become a Knight? You must be at least 18 years of age and be a practicing Catholic Gentleman. Simply scan the QR code with this article or contact the Grand Knight whose info is listed below! Be sure to enter Council number 5796, that you want to join.

Join us on our NEW WEBSITE: KOFCMilpitas.org. See the latest pictures of what we have been doing.

Want more info about becoming a Knight or what we do, contact Grand Knight Manny Q. Managbanag at 669 -225-0613 or email MANAGBANAGMANNY@yahoo.com.

THE R.C.I.A CORNER

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process will be changing its name in December 2024. We will be known as the "OCIA" (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), the Catholic Church is updating the Rites that are used in the Initiation Process and releasing a new translation of the RCIA. No major changes just trying to get back to a closer intent of the Initiation Process.

On Sunday 13 Oct 2024 at 10 am Mass we will have our first "Rites" of the RCIA Process! We will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance and the Rite of Welcoming. After Mass we will have the Topic of the RCIA process and Rites. This is an explanation of what the Catechumenate Process is all about.

On Sunday 20 Oct 2024 we will have the Topic "The Sacraments: An Introduction". This sets up the next topics of the individual Sacraments of the Catholic Faith.

If you see a topic that interests you, come join us! We will meet in Pavalkis Hall after the 10 am Mass in room 2A. This is free to anyone in the parish that wants to join in the discussion.

For more information either contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546 or talk with Dave Meszaros 408-892-0510 or Email mailman6019@yahoo.com.

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