

St. Simon Catholic Parish Weekly Bulletin

St. Simon Catholic Parish fosters Christ-centered discipleship through life long spiritual formation, open sharing of our gifts, and active participation in our church, schools, and greater community.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2017

Children's Choir

Sign ups for this year's Children's Choir is available on the website: http://parish.stsimon.org/Websites/ssparish/files/Content/1210528/choir_flyer_2017.pdf
Practices start next Thursday, **October 26**, so don't delay.

We are very pleased to welcome **Yvonne Casillas** as our Children and Adult Choir Director. Please be sure to stop by after the 9:00 and 11:15am Masses to greet and welcome her to St. Simon. Yvonne comes to us with extensive experience as Cantor, Soloist, Choir Director and Music Teacher and has served in music ministry at several parishes in the Southern California area. Yvonne and her husband moved to Sunnyvale in 2013. Yvonne is looking forward to ministering with current members and welcoming new members and instrumentalists to both of our choirs, so be sure to let her know of your interest in joining our music ministry. Please join us in welcoming Yvonne as we look forward to the gifts that she brings to our community.

Pancake Breakfast

Come out to support the Youth Ministry at the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 12 from 8:30am to 12:45pm in the Parish Center. The menu includes: pancakes (of course!!), sausages, hash browns, orange juice, tea, and coffee. There are \$10 Bottomless Mimosas!! No tickets will be sold ahead of time, so just come on over after Mass and buy your tickets at the door - cash, check, or credit card. Don't miss out on the delicious food and great company all while supporting the youth at St. Simon!

We are still in need of adult volunteers to help out the day of the breakfast, as well as providing donations. Please sign up on ENGAGE! and help our Youth Ministry have a successful Pancake Breakfast! Thank you!

Music Ministry

Our parish is currently in need of a pianist for the 11:15am Mass. If you can help support this ministry by playing the piano please contact Suzanne at the parish office or sfitzgerald@stsimon.org.

Advent Wreath Making

Sunday, **November 26** from 12:15 - 2:30pm in Spooncer Hall. Bring your family and join others from the parish for a festive afternoon of Advent Wreath making. **Call to Action:** This year we are in desperate need of new sources of juniper. We need a total of 8 large garbage bags of juniper in order for this event to happen. We would love 2-3 bags of holly as well. If you have Juniper or Holly that you can donate (we will help you cut it if you'd like) volunteer please contact Heather Myers at heather_myers36@yahoo.com or (650) 210-6163 or Susana Blanco at susanablanca@sbcglobal.net. We can't make this fun event happen with your help!

Saint Simon Parish School Open House

For Preschool and Kindergarten, Thursday, **November 2**, 10:00am - 12:00pm. 10:30am Preschool Presentation and 11:30am Kindergarten Presentation. Tours Available.

- WCEA/WASC Accredited School serving Preschool - 8th Grade
- STEAM-focused curriculum including, robust extracurricular activities and sports
- Social-emotional Growth and Service Learning programs focused on whole child development

*Tours for all other grades, please contact Sally Prout in Admissions at sprout@stsimon.org.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

Second Reading — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

Gospel — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

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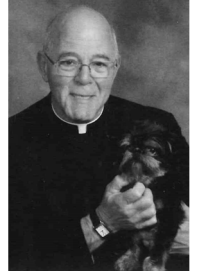
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From the Desk of the Pastor



Safety First

It is getting to the time of the year where we all need reminders about standing in the door ways. If you need a seat, then please ask one of the ushers. If you don't want to sit, then please stand over to a side where you won't be blocking someone's view. Also, if you take a Missalette into the church, please return it following Mass. Kleenex, water bottles, etc. should not be left in church, please dispose of them properly. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

October Mass Count

During the **month of October**, we are required by the Diocese to take a Mass count at Sunday Masses. You will see the ushers going up and down the aisles so that we may be as accurate as possible. Thank you for helping the ushers count by arriving promptly.

Ladies Christmas Dinner

Our treasured annual tradition returns this year with a new and exciting venue. Please join us for another festive gathering as we kick off the holiday season in style. Mark your calendars for Sunday, **December 3**, from 5:00 - 8:30pm for the Ladies' Christmas Dinner at **Michael's at Shoreline** in Mountain View. Grab your girlfriends and a new parishioner as we wine and dine and enjoy an evening of fun and friendship. Please bring a wrapped, newly purchased Christmas ornament if you wish to participate in the ornament exchange. More information to follow in next week's bulletin.

Here is Your Opportunity to Change Lives!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017
Catholic Relief Services' Ethical Trade Sale in Spooner Hall after each Mass. Choose beautiful gifts that change lives around the world! Every purchase helps our brothers and sisters to create better lives for their families and improve their communities. Remember to bring cash or your checkbook! Questions? Contact Ana Agan at anaoa@pacbell.net "**Everyone can be an artisan of peace.**" - **Pope Francis**

Why Is There a Baby Bassinet in the Vestibule?

In conjunction with Respect Life Month at St. Simon, the annual **Layette Appeal** begins this weekend, Saturday, **October 14** and continues through Sunday, **November 5**. We collect **NEW** baby clothes and other essentials for infants sizes 0 to 6 months. We especially need onesies, play clothes and sleepers, but any baby apparel, blankets or care basics are welcome. New small toys are also appreciated. Please drop off your donations at Mass in the bassinet in the vestibule of the Church, or in the Rectory during the week. (We want to protect your generous donations from theft!) Cash donations are also welcome; checks should be payable to **Diocese of San Jose, Layette Fund** and dropped at the Rectory. Items are distributed by our terrific Santa Clara County Public Health Nurses to disadvantaged families in our area. Email layette@stsimon.org or contact Penny Osorio at **408-735-1184** if you have any questions. And THANK YOU!

Liturgical Celebrations

MASSES

Daily Mass - Monday—Friday
6:30am and 8:30am

Weekend Mass

Saturday 8:30am,
5:00pm (Sun. Observance)
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:15am,
and 5:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation

6:30am, 8:30am and 6:30pm

Weekday National Holidays

9:00am only

School Masses

8:30am 2nd and 4th Wednesdays
of the month during the school year

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration Tuesdays
from 9:00am to 3:30pm in the chapel.

SACRAMENTS

RCIA Youth and adults interested in exploring the Catholic Faith or completing the Sacraments of initiation, please call 650-967-8311.

Baptism Infant baptism is celebrated upon completion of our parish Baptism Preparation Program. Generally celebrated during Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. For more information contact a parish priest at the rectory, 650-967-8311.

Reconciliation 4:00pm Saturdays or by appointment, 650-967-8311.

Marriage Couples must complete Marriage Preparation. Contact a parish priest to make arrangements at least six months prior to the date of marriage, at 650-967-8311.

Sacrament of the Sick Ministers can bring communion or, anointing can be arranged, for parishioners who are ill, home-bound or in the hospital. For more information please contact the Rectory office, 650-967-8311. Also offered every first Saturday of the month at the 8:30am Mass.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: World Mission Day
Monday: St. John of Capistrano
Tuesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
Saturday: **Ss. Simon and Jude**

Next Week's Gospel Readings

Monday: Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Lk 6:12-16
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10;
Mt 22:34-40

Children's Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

Children's Faith Formation (CFF) Weekly Schedule

Sunday Nursery Cooperation, ages 8 months to 3 years old, caregiving session from 8:45-10:15 am. *The service is provided compliments of St. Simon Parish for parents to attend 9:00am Mass.*

Sunday Pre-School Faith Formation (PSFF), ages 3-5, from 8:55-10:05 am

Sunday Children's Faith Formation (CFF), grades 1-5, RCIA adapted for Children & Older Children Sacramental Preparation, grades 4-5, from 10:10am-11:10am.

Tuesday Children's Faith Formation (CFF), grades 1-5 and RCIA adapted for Children & Older Children Sacramental Preparation, grades 4-5 from 6:30pm-7:30pm.

For more information, <http://parish.stsimon.org/cff> or contact Sister Mary-Han Nguyen, OP at 650-967-8311 ext. 32 or mhnguyen@stsimon.org, Erika Ibarra, coordinator of Pre-School Faith Formation at eibarra@stsimon.org and/or Tracy Joyce, assistant to C&Y FF Office at tjoyce@stsimon.org or 650.967.8311 x27.

Young Adult Circle

Young Adult Circle is a Catholic community for young adults in their 20's and 30's, single or married, from area parishes.

Mass and Halloween Dinner Party, Tuesday, **October 31** at 7:30pm. Young Adult Circle will be gathering for our annual Mass followed by a Halloween themed dinner party. We'll gather in the Chapel. Check back for more information.

Dinner at Crepevine, Tuesday, **November 14** at 7:30pm, 300 Castro St, Mountain View. As Catholics, we come to Mass every Sunday to be fed spiritually. Join us on the 2nd Tuesday of the month to be fed nutritiously as well!

www.youngadultcircle.org or Facebook page. For any questions, contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday 9:00am **Children's Liturgy of the Word**, while the adults listen to the Scriptures and homily in the Church, from now on, we will **only** take children from **1st-2nd grades** out with a catechist to read and reflect on the Scriptures at the children's level.

Questions for the Week:

Theme: We thank God for *Faithfulness*

Question for Children: In your young life, who has helped you know Jesus as a friend?

Question for Youth: We are supposed to give to God the things that are God's. What in your life is dedicated to God? How to you keep those things sacred?

Question for Adults: If you were to write a thank you note to someone or to a group who has helped you grow in faith, to whom would you write and what would you say?

MS & HS YM

Thank you to all those who joined for our Special Olympics Dance with the community last Saturday. We hope you found the night meaningful and enjoyable, dancing, painting, playing and smiling with each other and our guests! We look forward to another dance in the Spring! :)

Happy Feast Day of Ss. Simon and Jude! Pray + party with our patron Saints today~~Matt



Welcome!

Registration forms may be found in the main vestibule or may be downloaded at www.stsimon.org. For more information regarding registration, or St. Simon Parish's ministries and organizations contact Rose Lue at 650-967-8311 x11, rlue@stsimon.org or the Rectory Office.

Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number / Email: _____

New Parishioner

New Phone Number

New Address

Moving—Remove from list

New Email Address

Please Send Contribution Envelopes



Adult Faith Formation

MOPS

All mothers with Children of Kindergarten age and younger join us in the Simon Room on the **2nd Tuesday** of each month from 9:15 - 11:15am. Childcare available.

New Beginnings: Divorced & Separated Group

For those working through this challenging life change or healing from the past, join us for fellowship, support, discussion, and prayer. We meet the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 7:00-8:30pm in the Holy Family Room. Qs debrancarpenter@gmail.com.

Thursday Faith Sharing

We meet in the Simon Room **Thursdays** from 7:00-8:15am. For more information contact Jean Rousseau at [650-964-0374](tel:650-964-0374). We go over the Scriptures for the following Sunday.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our meetings are held on the **second Thursday** of each month at 10:00am in the Rectory Conference Room. Do you know anyone who could benefit from being wrapped in a shawl? Bonnie [650-387-9001](tel:650-387-9001).

Chinese Bible Study Group

We meet on the **1st and 3rd Friday** of each month in the Rectory Conference Room from 10:00-11:30am. John Yu at [650-625-8816](tel:650-625-8816).

Women's Group Presents.... "God Calls Me By Name"

Women of all ages are invited to dive deeper into this mystery and discover its meaning for their lives. This reflection will be facilitated by Sr. Rebecca and features guest speaker Colette Lafia. Colette Lafia is a San Francisco-based writer, spiritual director, workshop facilitator, blogger and part-time school librarian. She is the author *Seeking Surrender* and *Comfort & Joy*. Plan to attend: Wednesday, **November 8**, 6:15-6:45pm reception; 7-8pm reflection; 8-8:30pm conversation. RSVP through parish website stsimon.org. All women of the parish are automatically part of the Women's Group.

Wednesday AM Bible Sharing

On Wednesday, **September 20** Sr. Rebecca will join us at 9:30am in the Simon Room to present an overview talk on the Holy Spirit. On succeeding Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00am, the group will continue discussing the Holy Spirit and inviting the Spirit into our lives. Please join us in the Simon Room Wednesday mornings. Joan Winkler [650 967 8398](tel:650-967-8398).

Cancer Healing

Welcoming newly diagnosed as well as long time cancer survivors. Our next gathering will be on **November 10** in the Convent Chapel from 10:00am-12:00noon. If interested in joining our group, contact Keeth Courpet at [408-733-1110](tel:408-733-1110).

Forty Days for Life

We had a strong start to the Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign, running through **November 5**. Please bring your bible or rosary, wear comfortable shoes, and come to one of the two active campaign sites in the diocese, San Jose or Mountain View. Please, join us there in peaceful prayer, scheduling yourself at whichever site that is most convenient for you. We pray seven days a week. 7:00am to 7:00pm Planned Parenthood, 225 San Antonio Rd., Mountain View, CA 94040. Information Bob [415-512-2132](tel:415-512-2132) Signup online at 40daysforlife.com/mountainview

Outreach & Social Justice

Society St. Vincent de Paul

We thank the students (and parents) of our school for their generous donation to our food drive! The food comes in and quickly it goes out to help needy families!! Currently we are in need of canned milk, canned corn, and jam and jellies!! Thank you for helping us in our efforts to feed those in need!!

Sacred Heart Outreach Tuesday Morning of Service

Sacred Heart Community Services in San Jose helps low income families and homeless people by providing food and clothing to those in need, along with many other services. We have monthly trips to Sacred Heart on the **1st and 3rd Tuesday** of every month. For further information about volunteering at Sacred Heart please email Sue@marrion.com.

Tuesday Homeless Lunch

It takes 3 - 5 people weekly to shop, prepare the food (usually done at St. Simon), then deliver and serve at the Opportunity Center from 12:00noon to 2:00pm. Please contact Joan Mibach, jmibach@stsimon.org, [650-967-8311](tel:650-967-8311) x16



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Please pray for our sick, homebound, those with special prayer needs, and all the sick of our parish. *With permission we publish the names of those individuals who request special prayers for themselves or immediate family members. Names will appear in this section of our bulletin for three weeks. If you wish to have your name left on or included please call 650-967-8311 or email bulletin@stsimon.org.*

Jerry Bellerive	Rita McDevitt
Nancy Bettini	Joanne Moore
William Brugnoli	Emma Napoli
Christine Brugnoli	Patrick O'Sullivan
John Cherrstrom	Anita Patton
Betty Clarke	Shelly Profitt
Ann D'Amore	Edward Schlosser
Ron Essary	Thai Quang Tang
Antoinette Fouillard	Maureen Teubert
Nelson Guiab	Larry Thompson
Connie Hall	Barbara Turner
Tom Henley	Catherine Veit
Joan W. Hill	Eberhard Veit
McCoy Martin	Virginia Weersing
Lisa McBride	Jaime Well
	Art Woods

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Name Robin Bano

Address 408-460-1671

Phone _____

F. J. Remy Co., Mineola, N.Y.

Please help us find/identify this winner! We are in need of the mailing address and correct spelling of the name. To identify, we could use a DL, photo ID or call from this #. Thanks!

Mass Intentions for October 21/22			
Sat., Oct. 21	8:30am	Sp. Int. of Paul Wang	Fr. Mike
	5:00pm	June & Gaetano Giurlani	Fr. Maurice
Sun., Oct. 22	7:30am	Bob Keller	Fr. Mendie
	9:00am	Sp.Int.The Dzigurski Family	Fr. Mendie
		Forum Residents' Mass *PPI	Fr. Mike
	11:15am	Dominico Nguyen Le	Fr. Warwick
	5:00pm	Don Ryan	Fr. Warwick
Mon., Oct. 23	6:30am	Madeline Stetson	Msgr. Mitchell
	8:30am	Sp. Int. Ella & Ezen Raihl	Fr. Mendie
Tues., Oct. 24	6:30am	Grace Chapin	Fr. Mendie
	8:30am	Helen Krogh	Fr. Maurice
Wed., Oct. 25	6:30am	JoAn Deaton	Fr. Maurice
	8:30am	Philip L. Rich	Fr. Warwick
		STUDENTS PRESENT	
Thur., Oct. 26	6:30am	Alex Dzigurski	Fr. Mendie
	8:30am	Susan Raffo	Fr. Warwick
Fri., Oct. 27	6:30am	JoAn Deaton	Fr. Warwick
	8:30am	Carmen Pothin	Fr. Warwick
Sat., Oct. 28	8:30am	Angelina Miranda	Fr. Maurice
	5:00pm	John Gallagher	Msgr. Andres, Clergy
Sun., Oct. 29	7:30am	Anna Gerstner	Fr. Warwick
	9:00am	Sp. Int. of Elizabeth Fox	Fr. Warwick
		Forum Residents' Mass *PPI	Fr. Mendie
	11:15am	Julie Ma	Fr. Maurice
	5:00pm	Edmund Wisniewski	Fr. Maurice

*PPI = Priest's Personal Intention.

Please pray for the repose of the souls who've died this week.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's organization. Its purpose is to support Christian values in men and to support church and community needs. Interested in becoming a member? Contact Alvin Cura at (650) 469-3072 or visit www.kofc-sjc.org.

Baptism Prep. Class

2nd Thursday of the month Parents and Godparents Baptism Preparation session, Infant/children 1-7 years old, from 7:15 – 8:15 pm in the Parish Office Conference Room. Parents are required to attend. It's recommended that godparents attend. Please call to make a reservation at 650-967-8311.

PLG Cash Calendar

Congratulations to our Golf Tournament two, \$250 Cash Calendar winners: **M. Mendiburu-Perez** and **D. Ferreira!**



Tickets are \$10 each. Raffle tickets may be purchased at our parish and school offices as there are still many opportunities to win this school year: (12) \$500 and (21) \$100 in prizes! Thank you.

Sharing the Gifts of Treasure

Following is the budgeted and actual money received from Sunday and Holy Day collections: as of **October 15, 2017**.

YTD Budgeted	\$331,582.
YTD Collected	\$293,844.
YTD Variance	(37,738.)

Join over 310 fellow parishioners who now enjoy the convenience of safe, secure and easy Online Giving. Please visit: <http://parish.stsimon.org/online-giving> to sign up today.

