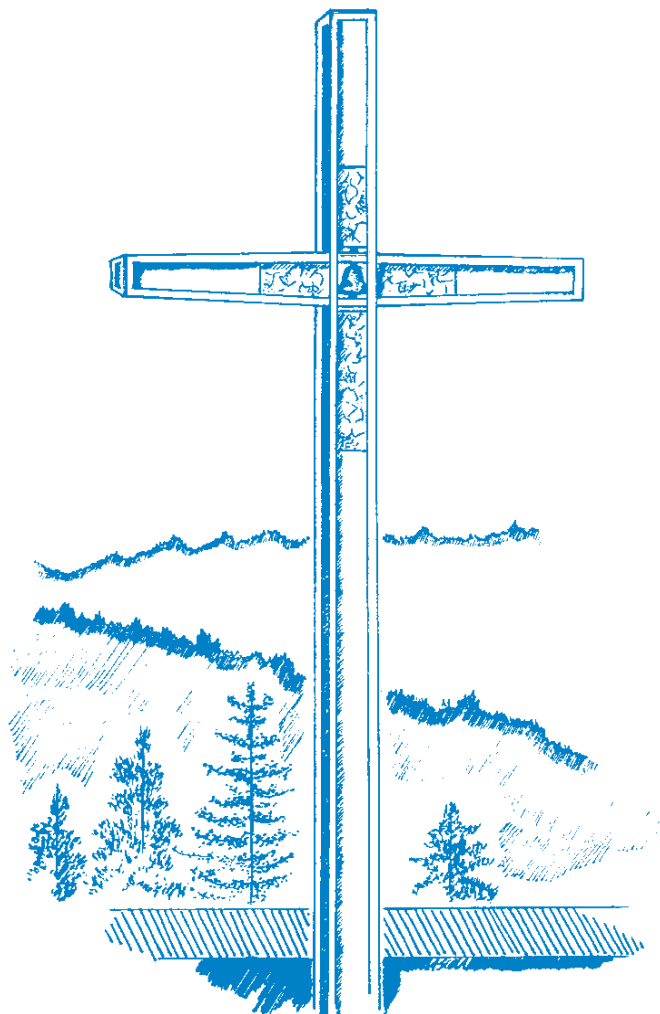


SERVING THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN
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May 1, 2016
6th Sunday of Easter



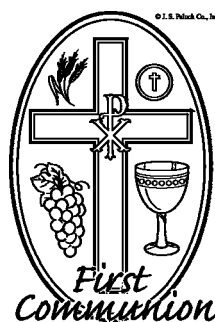
SACRED HEART PARISH



*OUR VISION FOR SACRED HEART PARISH
IS TO BE THE HOME THAT NURTURES
YOUR FAITH JOURNEY WITH JESUS CHRIST.*



*OUR MISSION IS TO
WELCOME THE COMMUNITY,
GROW OUR CATHOLIC FAITH,
WORSHIP TOGETHER,
BUILD OUR PARISH FAMILY AND
ACT AS CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD.*



*Congratulations
1st Communion
Children*

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SARATOGA, CA 95070**

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- Website: www.sacredheartsaratoga.org

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM VIGIL
SUNDAY: 7:30, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM
DAILY: 7:30 AM (M, Tu, W, F, S), 8:00 AM (Th)
FIRST FRIDAY: 7:30 AM MASS
12:00 PM BENEDICTION IN CHAPEL
HOLY DAYS: 7:30, 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM

St. Julie Billiart Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM to 10:00 PM, Monday-Friday

Pastoral Staff (408) 867-3634, Fax, (408) 867-5339
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Welcome

We welcome visitors and newcomers to Sacred Heart. We encourage new parishioners to register as parish members and become active in our parish community. Registration forms are available at the parish office, vestibule of church or on our website, www.sacredheartsaratoga.org

Faith Formation Office (408) 867-1530

Hours: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday—Thursday
 Patrick DeLorenzo, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation,
 x302, p.delorenzo@sacredheartsaratoga.org
 Evelyn Longo, Early Childhood Coordinator, x301
 e.longo@sacredheartsaratoga.org
 Barbara Leo, Administrative Assistant, x300
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Sacred Heart Elementary School, Pre K-8
(408) 867-9241, Fax, (408) 867-9242

Tom Pulchny, Principal, x110
 t.pulchny@sacredheartsaratoga.org

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30-4:30 PM

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office to arrange for baptismal preparation. Baptisms are celebrated monthly except during Lent.

Initiation

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or preparing for First Holy Communion or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office.

Weddings

Arrangements need to be made at least six months in advance. Call the Parish Office.

Renewal

Small scripture reflection and faith sharing groups meet each Fall and each Lent.

Rosary

The rosary is recited after the daily 7:30 AM Mass.

Diocese of San Jose

For information about the parishes and schools in the Diocese of San Jose, refer to the diocesan website: www.dsj.org.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE MAY 2-8

Day	Time	Activity/Event	Location
Monday 5/2	8:30 AM	Liturgy Committee	Parish Center
	7:00 PM	Parish Council	Parish Center
Tuesday 5/3	3:00 PM	Music Spirit Team	Church
	7:00 PM	Choir	Church
Wednesday 5/4	8:45 AM	Yoga	Geary Hall
	7:00 PM	Music Spirit Team	Church
Thursday 5/5	11:30 AM	Senior Luncheon	Parish Center
Friday 5/6			
Saturday 5/7	6:00 PM	Young Adults Group	Parish Center
Sunday 5/8			

WELCOME THE COMMUNITY

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH STAFF

“Year of Mercy”
A Reflection on the
Corporal Works of Mercy
“Shelter the Homeless”

Alone. Vulnerable. The stoplight turns red. A pleading sign is displayed; eye contact is made, though often avoided. I am embarrassed. I am ashamed. I am overcome with emotions. But, *who* am I? Am I the driver? Or am I the “beggar”?

In Santa Clara County, we are confronted with homelessness wherever we turn: street corner, grocery store, or parking lot. At night in parking lots and churches throughout the county, programs are in place to provide many homeless with a safe place to park overnight, in addition to offering meals.

One gentleman described the personal impact of this safe haven. He was one of the fortunate to secure a spot for a month. Over the days a relationship developed between those serving and those served. He opened himself to share his story and his hopes. What impacted me was how protected he felt. With a sound night’s sleep he was able to face each day and make clearer decisions. I had never factored sleep deprivation into my understanding of homelessness.

In April, I worked at a multi-day event where I camped. Those of us in our makeshift campsite learned that one night, during a two hour window, a shower trailer would be available to us. We were all excited! On “shower day” at shift end, a large number of people arrived to check into the event, which delayed our close. I became annoyed that I might miss my shower. As we locked the door, I hurried to my campsite, grabbed my clothes and made straight to the trailer. Standing with warm water flowing over me I was overcome with the depth of homelessness. A temporary shelter can nourish. But standing in this water –I was cleansed. I was a new person.

Homelessness is not a condition. It is an insult to humanity. It affects the very dignity of the individual. Many of us have seen tough times. Each day we are but one step away from either side of that sign. God says be still and know that “I am.”

Who *am I*? *I am* God’s reflection – driver or beggar with no distinction.

Do works of charity, but seek justice. Jesus doesn’t suggest this – in God’s name, he commands us. This is Mercy.

Janice Thornburg
Parish Administrator

CALENDAR

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Steve Jasper †
Tuesday	John McNerney †
Wednesday	Andree Cheiney †
Thursday	Angelo Traina †
Friday	Steve Jasper †
Saturday	Zoltan Szucs †
	Nora Family Intention

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Marie Adinolfi	Patsy Ludwig
Daniel Adler	John Machado
Kristina Atchoe	Julia Martinez
David Bishop	Michael McKenna
Jeannie Brown	Anita Montgomery
Ryan Christensen	Jean O’Connell
Bill Church	Andrew Osborn
Alice Cooper	Celia Ortiz
Ignacio Corrales	Howard Pollard
Brian Dietrick	Nancy Polisso
Eric Frederickson	Lorna Ritter
Mary Guarjardo	Shelby Rusconi
Jennifer Hayes	Rosa Marie Santos
Frances Heininger	Bryan Shiver
Ronald Jacobson	Antoinette Smiehorowski
Kathy Johnson	Barbara Souza
Melanie Lara	Michael Totah
Jerry Larkin	Julie Wright
Catherine Leffew	Stephen

SUNDAY READINGS

This Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29;
Revelation: 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29
Next Sunday: Acts 7:55-60;
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26

WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; John 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

Second Collections

May 8—Catholic Communications
May 15—Catholic Charities
May 22—School Support

Mass Presider Schedule May 7/8

5:00 PM (Sat.) Mass—Father Gary Thomas
7:30 AM Mass —Father Robert McKay
9:00 AM Mass—Father Anthony Giampietro
11:00 AM Mass—Father Anthony Giampietro
11:00 AM, SRC—Father Gary Thomas

WORSHIP TOGETHER



Adoration Chapel
St. Julie Billiart Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Monday-Friday

Come Home and Worship Together
Mass Attendance 4/24/16—794

Gluten Free Hosts Available

If you have allergies to gluten or have Celiac Disease and cannot take the Eucharist due to gluten content, we offer gluten free hosts at Sunday Masses. Please contact Hung Pham at (408) 867-3634, x530 for more information.

Catholic Mass at Good Samaritan Hospital

Good Samaritan Hospital in San Jose offers a Catholic Mass in the hospital chapel. The Mass is held at 12:30 PM, Monday through Thursday. All are welcome!

PARISH MISSION SUPPORT

SUNDAY COLLECTION 4/24/16: \$8,795
YEAR TO DATE GOAL: \$709,929
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL: \$682,144
VARIANCE: (\$27,785)

APRIL FAITH DIRECT/PARISH PAY: \$29,784

HOME MISSIONS COLLECTION: \$1,992

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Sacred Heart Church code: **CA686**

*“Offertory cards” are available with your account
and in the vestibule of church*

ACT AS CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD



Holy Year of Mercy—Volunteer

Pope Francis announced this is a Holy Year of Mercy. Volunteer by helping “feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty and clothe the naked.”

Volunteer Opportunities

Sacred Heart Comm. Svc. Mon., May 9, 8:30 AM
Martha’s Kitchen Every Tuesday, 3:00 PM

Re: Sacred Heart Community Service:

Join our volunteer team to help distribute food and clothing to the needy in our community. Meet in our church parking lot on the second Monday at 8:30 AM. For more information please contact Bill Kroenung at (408) 255-6529 or email Bill at billkroen@aol.com

Re: Martha’s Kitchen visits:

Every *Tuesday* we meet in our church parking lot at 3:00 PM and carpool to Martha’s Kitchen. If you would like to join us please contact Sue Sullivan at (408) 230-2198.

Re: West Valley Community Services:

The CARE program incorporates both case management and wrap around services to help at-risk and vulnerable families manage crisis and provide stabilization to help them to move towards self-sufficiency. Become a part of a fantastic team, consider lending a hand.

Volunteer opportunities include sorting food, serving clients in the food pantry, picking up donations of food, administrative and IT support. WVCS is located in Cupertino. For more information please contact Len Perrone at (408) 515-8458.

Pregnant? Need Help?

Gabriel Project—Call (408) 214-2324

Members of the Church will help you and your baby at any stage in your pregnancy. To volunteer to help a pregnant mother in need, please contact: (408) 620-4120 or gabrielproject@dsj.org.

GROW OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

SACRED  YOUTH MINISTRY

JESUS > (EVERYTHING ELSE)

DYR: Diocesan Youth Retreat @ Lake Tahoe

Monday, June 13, 2016 at 8:00 AM - Friday, June 17, 2016 at 5:00 PM

Cost: \$380

For eventbrite link and further information, email Mitch Narvasa m.narvasa@sacredheartsaratoga.org



The Sacred Heart Women's Club is happy to celebrate Mother's Day with a media tribute to all the moms of the parish after each Mass on Mother's Day weekend. Please

send us your **DIGITAL** photo (*ex. JPEG, no hard copies*) of Mom with children. High resolution images that are bright and in focus work best. Close-up photos are preferred. Email photos to garciarac@aol.com. We also need a media release form for each person in the photo. You can download a media release form from the parish website.

Please note that there is no guarantee that all images submitted will be used. Submission deadline is May 1st.

F.I.R.E. Faith Formation

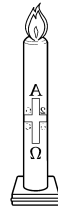
Our Faith Formation Classes have ended for this year. We want to recognize and congratulate the following students for their PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

*Kaitlyn Babbage
Andrew Hunyady
Amanda LaMorte
Nathan Negranza
Larry O'Brien
Nicolas Probst
Sophia Probst
Brandon Wong*

Registration for next year will be Sunday, August 21.

POWER OF PRAISE SESSIONS

For all Parishioners
2nd & 4th Mondays in the Church (9am-10am)
Next Sessions: May 9 & 23



*We welcome the newly baptized to
Sacred Heart Parish*

*Tristan Maxwell Radovic
Child of Mark & Monica Radovic*



SACRED HEART SCHOOL

**Schedule
a tour**

Pre-K to 8th Grade

(408) 867-9241

school.sacredheartsaratoga.org



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*We welcome these children
to the table of the Lord*

*Robert Amaral
Joseph Bacich
Sammy Baumert
Garrick Chau
Alex Cisler
Owen Fitzpatrick
Giorgio Gagliasso
Nico Gagliasso
Eli Graef
Isabella Grassi
Sophia Green
Andrew Hunyady
Grace Johnson
Liliana Levin
Nora Loweth
Malia Lu
Khalan Mahaffey
Kylie Mayder
Jack Mendoza
Joana Moniz
Natalia Morgan*

*Kimberly Nguyen
Lawrence O'Brien
Renzo Pezzia
Nicolas Probst
Sophia Probst
Peyton Raak
Sofia Scavuzzo
Jason Schuyler
Kassidy Studer
Kendall Sutherland
Gabe Swendsen
Sophia Talamantez
Reese Templeton
Olivia Tumacder
Daniella Vargas
Diego Vasquez
Gordon Vermooy
Luke Warren
Hayden Weber
Joshua Weber
Henry Withers*

BUILD OUR PARISH FAMILY



*Luncheon for Seniors
Thursday, May 5
11:30 AM Parish Center*

Come celebrate Cinco de Mayo with good friends, good food, and good cheer! Our upcoming spring luncheon for seniors will be held on Thursday, May 5, at 11:30, in the Parish Center.

Fr. Robert will offer his experience and insights for our spiritual growth! Ramon will serenade us on his guitar with some of his favorite Mexican songs.

Let us know if you are coming, if you need a ride, or if you would like to help. Sign up at church, or call Maureen Wright (408) 867-2565, Marion Lee (408) 996-9594, or Joan Kuczma (408) 257-1663.



- I would like to receive a registration form to become a member of the parish.
 I would like information on becoming a Catholic.
 I would like information about volunteer opportunities with Sacred Heart.
 I would like _____

Name _____ Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Mail this form to: Sacred Heart Parish
13716 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga, CA 95070

Or visit us online at www.sacredheartsaratoga.org