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Preach the Gospel at all times. If necessary, use words.
— St. Francis of Assisi

LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY-SATURDAY

8:30 AM Chapel

FRIDAY

9:00 AM The Villages

SATURDAY

5:00 PM Chapel *

SUNDAY

8:15 AM The Villages (*The Villages Pkwy*)

8:30 AM Chapel *

9:00 AM Gathering Space *

9:30 AM Mt. Hamilton Grange (*2840 Aborn Road*)

10:00 AM Dove Hill School (*1460 Colt Way*)

10:30 AM Chapel *

11:00 AM Gathering Space *

12:30 PM Chapel*

6:00 PM Chapel – Youth Mass

* *Children's Liturgy of the Word is held.*

OUR VALUES

Spiritual Growth

Shared Responsibility

Participation

Hospitality

Diversity

Social Justice

Vietnamese Bilingual Mass

First Sunday of the Month

4:00 pm

Igbo Mass

Second Sunday of the Month

12:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday in the Chapel Narthex

4:15-4:45 PM

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Day Break Caregiver Respite

270-4900

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**MARCH 21, 2010****REFLECTIONS****Good News!****March 21**

What did Jesus write on the ground? For centuries, readers of John's Gospel have speculated about what might be in the dust Jesus bent to. We see what happens to those gathered when Jesus speaks. Did they also see what Jesus wrote?

He was interrupted from his teaching by a woman's accusers. Jesus was put on the spot.

The scribes and Pharisees, the ones whose responsibility it was to keep an eye on Jewish law, brought the woman to him. She was caught in the act of adultery. From their point of view, it was an open and-shut case. What would Jesus say?

He didn't speak, though. Why did Jesus write? To buy time? Is pausing—writing—a strategy to give the atmosphere a chance to calm down? The tension only builds. Jesus waits. His challengers badger him even more. Is Jesus diverting attention, is he detached as he writes? Is Jesus giving them a chance to back down? They don't. Are they getting nervous now? Jesus doesn't act nervous or distracted. He's quite focused when he finally answers.

Who was Jesus writing to? Did he write something for the questioners to see? What he says makes them pause, shuffle uncomfortably, and walk away. He challenges them and they leave.

Then he starts to write again. Jesus' words slice between the woman's sin and the judgment of those who caught her. *They* are caught. Jesus' words echo inside them. They dare not condemn or judge the woman any more. And still Jesus writes. Who is reading now?

What does the woman see, her eyes averted, staring at the ground where Jesus works? We aren't told. But watch the woman. She stays. She remains close to Jesus, the writer who is the fulfillment of the law.

STEWARDSHIP

March 14

Checks & Envelopes	\$ 12,403.00
Loose Change	\$ 3,009.00
Total Week Offertory	\$ 15,412.00
Envelopes Used	405
March Month-to-Date	\$ 33,076.00
March '10 Budget	\$ 73,734.00
Building Fund this week	\$ 2,359.00

Weekly Offertory Envelope: Weekly Offertory envelope contributions support the monthly operating expenses of the parish.

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Thank you in advance for your generous giving.

IMPORTANT DATES**Workshop #3**

First Eucharist Preparation
Thursday, March 25
6:30 p.m. Chapel

Stations of The Cross

Nigerian Igbo Community
Friday, March 26
7:30 p.m. Chapel

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 28

Cesar Chavez Holiday

Office Closed
Thursday, April 1

Good Friday

Office Closed
Friday, April 2

Easter Sunday

April 4

Easter Monday

Office Closed

Next Sunday's Readings: *Palm Sunday*

Gospel at the Procession: Luke 19:28-40
Reading I: Isaiah 50:4-7
Reading II: Philippians 2:6-11
Passion: Luke 22:14-23:56

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ARTICLES IS MONDAY AT 12PM EACH WEEK.

Please send them to bulletin@sfoasj.org for consideration in body of email not attachments.

FROM THE PASTORAL CENTER

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 20	8:30am	Oligario Gutierrez +
Saturday, March 20	5:00pm	Mackey Dimaculangan
Sunday, March 21	8:30am	Marilyn Nichols+
	9:00am	Dolores Macaraeg +
	9:30am	Gerardo A. Garcia +
	10:00am	Maria Quiraga+
	10:30am	Andy Sanford+
	11:00am	Aniseto Manalastas +
	12:30pm	Vallorino Testa+
	6:00pm	Eduardo Concepcion +
Monday, March 22	8:30am	Santiago Leones+
Tuesday, March 23	8:30am	Adelaida Carpio +
Wednesday, March 24	8:30am	Mary Kim Nguyen+
Thursday, March 25	8:30am	Jaime N. Esteban+
Friday, March 26	8:30am	Alice Somers +

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 p.m. Gathering Space

Good Friday, April 2

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

2:00 p.m. The Villages

5:00 p.m. Gathering Space

7:30 p.m. Gathering Space

Holy Saturday, April 3

Easter Vigil

8:00 p.m. Gathering Space

Easter Sunday, April 4

6:00 a.m. Salubong

8:15 a.m. Villages

8:30 a.m. Chapel

9:00 a.m. Gathering Space

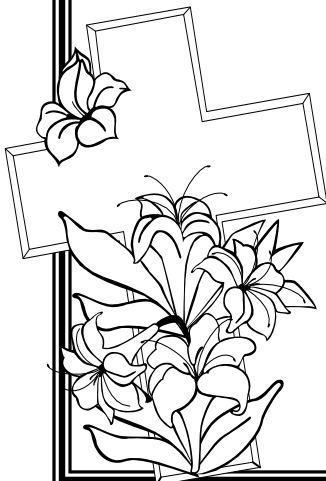
9:30 a.m. The Grange

10:00 a.m. Dove Hill

10:30 a.m. Gathering Space

11:00 a.m. Chapel

12:30 p.m. Gathering Space



**ECCLESIAL COMMUNITIES
(E)CCLESIAL, (W)ORSHIP, AND
(P)ASTORAL COORDINATORS**

WEEKLY MASSES

MONDAY-SATURDAY DAILY MASS

(E) Rusty Kilkenny

(W) Lina Casanova

(P) Ester DeGuzman

SATURDAY, 5:00 P.M. CHAPEL

(W) Rick Caton

(P) Ederlyn Suriaga and Rudy Garcia

SUNDAY, 8:15 A.M. VILLAGES

(W) Cindy Juleson

(P) Skip Dugger

8:30 A.M. CHAPEL

(E) Mario Dizon and Victor Espino

(W) Tina Graham

(P) Virginia Dutton

9:00 A.M. GATHERING SPACE

(E) Joe Cabrido

(W) Marnie & Butch Francisco,

Rich Friedrich, and Stan & Colleen Alger

(P) Diane Haaser

9:30 A.M. GRANGE HALL

(E) Alan Covington

(W) Jerry Ososkie and Dan Sagisi

(P) Nancy & Steve Schwalen

10:00 A.M. DOVE HILL SCHOOL

(E) Cora Lu

(W) Julie Parayno

(P) Remy Mercado

10:30 A.M. CHAPEL

(E) Lerma Simpson and Bev Brown

(W) Cris & Frank Salamanca

(P) Joe & Beth Millares

11:00 A.M. GATHERING SPACE

(E) Julio & Jesusa Moral

(W) Hunter & Gina Elkins

12:30 P.M. CHAPEL

(E) Sharon Hurley

(W) Fernando & Gloria Saraya

(P) Peter Vu

6:00 P.M. CHAPEL

(E) Ben Cruz

(W) Michael Back and Angela Cortese,

(P) Lito Vasquez

MONTHLY MASSES

4:00 P.M. VIETNAMESE MASS

(E) My Hanh Nguyen and Hai Au Phan -Vu

(W) David Phan and Theresa Nguyen

(P) Nhat Nguyen and Hung Le

12:30 P.M. IGBO COMMUNITY

(E) Aidan Ogamba

(W) Sunny Oforjebe

(P) Celine Ogamba and Gudluck Ukwuije

FROM THE PASTORAL CENTER

Stations of the Cross



Please join the Nigerian Igbo Community on **Friday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m.** for a bilingual Stations of the Cross followed by music. All are welcome.

Housekeeping

The Facilities Team needs your help. This is our Parish and we work hard to keep it clean. If you smoke, please use the ash trays provided around the Facility. Also, please use the garbage cans provided around the facility to dispose of any trash you may have. Your help will help us to keep our Parish clean.

Donation

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is looking for someone who is willing to donate a pickup truck in running condition. Please contact the Alan at 223.1770 x313 if you have one or know someone who might want to donate one.

Upholstery Classes

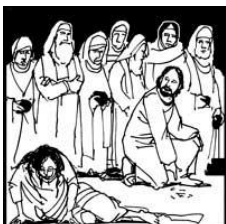
There will be a series of Upholstery Classes held in the Fireside Room on **April 6, 8, 13, and 15.** This is a set of four classes that complete the course. Betsy Toole will demonstrate how to recover the seats of the chapel chairs. While you are learning this skill you will be helping to recover the worn and stained seats for the parish. If you would like to take this upholstery class you must register in advance by calling Betsy at 270-4131. You will need to bring protective eye wear and may need to purchase a few specific upholstery tools. Registering in advance will assure that the needed tools will be ordered & available at the first class.

Book Group

On Tuesday, April 6 at 7:30 we will meet to discuss the classic novel A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith. For more information contact Mary Fitzgerald at 223-8205. All are welcome.

Men's Retreat

The St. Francis Annual Men's Silent Retreat will be held from **April 30 through May 2** at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos. Please call Bob Juleson at 238.3623 or the JRC at 650.948.4491 for more information.



**March 21,
5th Sunday of Lent**
"Let the one among you without sin cast the first stone." John 8:11

**Youth Ministry
Upcoming Events**



Krispy Kreme Donut Sale
Sunday, March 28 after every Mass.

IGNITE will be selling krispy kreme donuts to raise funds for retreats and World Youth Day. Please support our youth. Pre-orders will be available.

IGNITE Passion Play
April 2, at 6:30pm in the Chapel cost: FREE

Our high school youth group will be re-enacting the Passion on Good Friday. A wonderful spiritual experience. Students interested in participating, our practices are Mondays, March 15 (Office), 22 (Fireside Room), and 29 (Fireside Room) from 7pm - 8:30pm.

Tahoe Retreat
"Let the Spirit Move"
June 21 - 25, 2010 Cost: \$310
Registration Due March 26.

Open to all incoming high school freshman to graduating seniors.

World Youth Day 2011: Madrid, Spain
Information Night, March 29 at 6pm Evergreen Rooms.

Open to all 16 years old and over.

ECHO Jr. High Retreat
"Jesus: The Ultimate Transformer"
Open to all 6th - 8th graders
April 30 - May 2
Cost: \$130

Registration Deadline: April 11
If interested, contact Nelson Gonzales at (408) 826-2043.

Confirmation Home Group Update *(by Sammy Garcia)*
On Friday, March 12, our home group helped cook and serve dinner at the San Jose Family Shelter. When we left for the shelter it was cold and rainy. Similar to the day we left for our Retreat. After a long day at school we were on our way to do our service project. Wearing our hair nets and gloves, we immediately began preparing dinner. On the menu: spaghetti with meat sauce or no meat sauce, salad, bread, and dessert.

The families at the shelter were extremely grateful for us being there and thanked us for our support. Their appreciation made us feel good inside. Not knowing what to expect, it was nice to know that our small efforts were appreciated. It felt good to know that the families would go to sleep with a full belly. Service with a smile was easy, because we were happy to help. It may have been cold outside, but our hearts were full of warmth.

FROM THE PASTORAL CENTER



St. Francis of Assisi Preschool
IS YOUR CHILD KINDERGARTEN READY?

One of our goals as a preschool is to get your child ready for kindergarten. With this in mind, we will be changing our schedule to accommodate this goal.

We are implementing a new schedule for the Monday, Wednesday, And Friday classes ONLY. **Our instruction time will start promptly at 9:00 AM and promptly at 12:30 PM for the afternoon class.**

This means our circle time will be first thing in the morning and again at 12:30 PM. It helps us be timely so that we can get the valuable academic instruction completed, as your child gets ready for kindergarten. This new schedule will start **Monday, March 22, 2010**. Please help us by being on time, so that your child will not miss this important instructional time. Just like being on time for class is necessary, picking your child up on time is just as important. Please be mindful of your pick up time.

Easter

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be Thursday, March 25 and Friday, March 26. Please feel free to share any special Easter treat that you may want to bring to class.

Spring Break

We will be closed for Spring Break from March 29-April 5. Classes will resume on April 6.

Space is available for the remainder of the 2010 school year. We have also started accepting registration for the 2010-2011 school year. If you have a preschool aged child who meets our requirements please contact us at 223-1770 x309. Space is limited, so please make sure to contact us soon.

www.sfoapreschool.org

**2010
Annual Diocesan Appeal**

Total to date	\$ 182,799.00
Percent to total goal	98%
Average Gift	\$ 308.00
Active Families	1522
Contributors to date	593
Percent of Participants	39%

If you have not submitted your pledge yet, please feel free to add them to the collection basket next week.

Even the smallest donations make a difference.

Thank you in advance for your generous giving.

Do You Want to Make A Difference?

Are you involved in weekly service to the poor or marginalized? Would you like to deepen your prayer life through Ignatian spiritual reflection? Can you commit to a 10 month program which involves your weekly service, two full day retreats, a monthly program meeting with your fellow Companions, a liturgy, and a monthly meeting with your spiritual advisor? Are you over 50 and free to meet during the day?

Come and hear about **The Companions In Jesuit Spirituality and Service**. There will be two informational sessions at Santa Clara University at 7:30 PM on **Wednesday, March 31** and **April 7**. Currently, eight parishioners are participating in the Companions journey. If you are interested in attending or would like to learn more about this program please contact Barbara or Gene Gerwe at 223-7901 or Stan Fitzgerald at 223-8205, or click on ignatiancompanions.org

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