ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT CATHOLIC CHURCH
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ST. ANTHONY’S, LOS ALAMOS
270 Helena St.
Mass: 8:45AM & 11:30AM Span.

MASS SCHEDULE: 934-3172
Daily: 6:30AM, 8:00AM
First Fridays: 5:30 PM
Saturday: 8:00AM
Vigil: 5 PM Eng. 6:45PM Span.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30, 3:00 Span. & 6:00PM
Holy Days: Vigil 5:30PM, 6:45 Span.
6:30AM, 8AM, 12 Noon, 6:00PM
Liturgy of the Hours: M-F 6:55AM
Novena/Benediction: Thursdays 7PM
Adoration: 8:30–12 Noon –Mondays
For 1st Friday: 7PM Thurs. to 6:30AM Fri.
Confessions: Sat. 3:15-4:45PM & 8-9PM Bilingual

SAN RAMON CHAPEL, SISQUOC
Foxen Canyon Mass: 10:15AM
www.sanramonchapel.org

ST. JOSEPH SEMINARY: 180 Patterson St. 937-5378
Josephite Website: www.josephite.community
DMJ SISTERS’ RESIDENCE: 937-4956
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 5095 Harp Rd. 937-5571
Regina Fox - Principal www.sldmschool.org
Email: gfox@sldmschool.org
ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL: 4120 S. Bradley Rd.
Joanne Poloni - Principal 937-2038
www.sjhsknights.com

ASAMBLEA DE ORACIÓN: Lunes 7 - 8:30 en la Iglesia
Informes: Salvador y Connie Barajas 934-3097
Eugenia Pacheco 934-0510 o Sergio Valentin 260-2563

REV. AIDAN PETER ROSSITER CJ - PASTOR (EXT.106)
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BAPTISTES: Ages 0-6: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1PM (Eng)
BAPTISM CLASSES: 2nd Sunday of the month at 1PM Pre-registration 10 days in advance.
BAUTISMOS: edad 0-6 años: Cada cuarto domingo a la 1:30PM
CLASES BAUTISMALES: Segundo lunes del mes a las 7PM
INFORMES: Rectoría 937-4555 o Félix González
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: David Dana 937-4134
BODAS/QUINCEAÑERAS:
INFORMES: Diacono Raúl Blanco 937-6642 y Coordinadoras: Gaby G. 937-4435 o María S. 934-4831
MARRIAGES: By appointment at least 6 months in advance.
PREPARACIONES MATRIMONIALES:
INFORMES: Martes 7PM en los salones de la escuela #7 y #8
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RICA - Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos:
Vienes 6:30 à 8PM en el salón parroquial
INFORMES: Mayra Morales y Jorge Farias 478-3123
RELIGIOUS ED./FIRST COMMUNION/IR. HIGH MINISTRY:
Kelly McLoughlin - 937-8363 Kelly@sldm.org
EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA: Martes de 5:30 - 7PM
IÓN: Kelly McLoughlin 937-8363
CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACIÓN: Luis Oros- Orosnadab@sldm.org -937-0701
HS. MINISTRY: 937-0701- Luis Oros-rosnadb@sldm.org
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: Jessica Sheaff, 406-0116 or jess.sheaff@gmail.com
Fr Aidan Peter Writes:

Well it is good to be back after my two weeks of meetings and travels as Vicar General of the Josephites. It was great flying in on the Friday after Thanksgiving. I was upgraded and LAX was virtually empty; I only had to wait for three minutes before I got to the passport desk – usually that’s at least an hour wait for “us Aliens”! Being away meant that my Josephite confreres missed out on my now legendary bread sauce to go with the Turkey, there will be other opportunities I’m sure, but I thank them for the extra works they had to undertake in my absence.

The 30th just past was St Andrew’s Day, may I ask your prayers for Fr Andrew of the English Community of Josephites who is now bed-ridden at the age of 93. His mind is all there but his body fails him and as you can imagine it’s distressing for him. Fr Andrew was a great Josephite teacher of biology, geography and religion and has always been meticulous about his regularity at prayer and community exercises and has a good and sometimes mischievous sense of humor. May God bless him at this time and soon bring him to his heavenly reward.

Advent has started and it is the shortest length of time this year, the 4th Sunday is also Christmas Eve! So there will be Sunday Masses and then Christmas Masses over the two days; phew! Our English speaking Reconciliation Service is this Tuesday evening at 7pm. On Dec 12th we all give glory to God for the gift of Our Lady of Guadalupe with Mananitas starting at 5am, our Parish Carol Service on Friday 15th and the various Pastoreles celebrations leading up to Christmas. A busy program preparing us all for the gift of the birth of our Lord. Please take part.

God bless you and your families
Fr AP CJ
FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Friday, December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation. See the front of the bulletin for Mass times or visit the Parish Website.

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JR. HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Lou’s Grotto will be available to Jr. High and High School students for social and recreational purposes every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:00pm—5:00pm. For more information, please contact the youth Ministry Office at 937-0701. Don’t miss this opportunity to spend time with your friends.

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A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

My name is David Watso. I am the son of Sam and Matilda Watso and the brother of Marsha Miller. My family and I visited for the Thanksgiving holiday and attended Mass at St. Louis de Montfort. In reading the bulletin, I saw that your community was very generous in their contributions to Disaster Relief. On behalf of the cities of and around Houston, I would like to thank your congregation for their generosity. My family, by the grace of God, was spared damage though it was close. Our house was an island as we were surrounded by water with only about four inches to spare. We were very blessed.

Many, many folks lost so much, and it has been very difficult for those affected. However, the burden is lightened by the outreach of communities like those of St. Louis de Montfort.

So frequently, people give their hard earned money to people they don’t know but never hear a “thank you”. On behalf of the Houston area, my wife and I would like to say “thank you all very much”.

Sincerely,

David and Linda Watso

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THREE O’CLOCK -- THE HOUR OF GREAT MERCY

“I want to prepare my heart for the coming of the Lord Jesus by silence and recollection of spirit, uniting myself with the Most Holy Mother and faithfully imitating Her virtue of silence, by which She found pleasure in the eyes of God Himself.” --(St. Faustina, Diary #1398). The Divine Mercy Prayer Group meets Fridays at 3:00 at the Josephite Chapel.

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ROSEMARY HILL PANTRY NEEDS YOU!

Please help us with the following:

- White Rice (1 or 2 lb bags only)
- Pinto Beans (1 or 2 lb. bags only)
- Commercially packed beans & rice only, please!
- Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Chicken
- Jams/Jellies, Top Ramen

Please check expiration dates!

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Rezamos por Nuestros Enfermos:

Joe Vasquez, Jhenna Manko, John Padilla, Yolanda Garcia, Art Canfield, Carys Tomilloso, Pat Carriel, Christina Meraz.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND JR. HI. NEWS

Junior High group is open to anyone entering the 7th or 8th grades. We gather every Thursday from 6:00-7:30pm in the upper room. Parents can register their son/daughter in advance during any week of the group gatherings.

December Parent Session/Workshop: Wednesday 12/6 or Thursday 12/7 (same topic each night—only choose one or the other) from 7:30-8:30pm in the parish hall. The topic will be “Jesus Christ”. These meetings will be for parents of children of all ages Kindergarten through 12th grade. (Religious Education and SLdM school year 1 and year 2 Communion parents are required to attend a minimum of 1).

Family night for December is Wednesday 12/20 from 6:30-7:30 in the parish hall and the topic is “Christmas”. We will have a variety of activities during the hour including prayer, craft activity to make and take home and snacks. All ages of family members are welcome. (Religious Education and SLdM school year 1 and year 2 Communion parents are required to attend a minimum of 1).

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PROJECT NOREEN

Did we take a breath after Project Jo went so well? Some devoted/energetic friends are already full tilt with being Santa or St. Nick to needy families. And I have heard of families that would benefit from this same loving kindness.

Please call or email me…….and let us go in the name of Sr. Noreen, with Sr. Regine at our side.

Have a fervent Advent!

Sr. Catherine

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VIRTUS AND FINGERPRINTING

St. Mary of the Assumption Church

Virtus: In English, Monday, December 4, 2017 from 6:00pm-9:00pm in the Music Room (Space is limited)

Fingerprinting: Friday, December 15, 2017 in the Parish Hall.

It is important that you contact the rectory in advance at (805) 922-5826.
DID YOU KNOW?
Child Advocacy Centers can be a great resource
Child Advocacy Centers are a resource for parents and children who have come into contact with sexual abuse. These centers work with children who have been victims of sexual abuse or violence, or who have witnessed traumatic events. Parents and others may need guidance as to how best to support children who have been victimized – advocacy centers provide guidance, interviewing and counseling services to help victims of abuse heal and find justice. For a list of centers in California, visit http://cacc-online.org/find-a-center/.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Looking for a wonderful, fulfilling holiday season? Give your time to help others who are less fortunate by volunteering at Catholic Charities! There are plenty of opportunities to serve—in our thrift store, food pantry, upcoming postal food drive and Posada celebration. If you are interested in volunteering, email or call David Coelho in the Santa Maria office: dcoelho@ccharities.org (805)922-2059

FIFTY PLUS CLUB
The 50+ Club will have their monthly luncheon on December 14th, 2017, at 11:30am. Menu will consist Ham, Baked Potato, Green Salad, Vegetable, Cake, for Dessert, all for $12.00. Please call Irene at 934-2511 for reservations.

Please bring something for the Pantry, Dried Beans, a Can of Vegetables, Tomato Sauce, etc. Any one 50yrs or older can join our club, dues are $7.00 a year.

We will be celebrating Christmas with the children from St. Louis de Montfort School entertaining us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

¿SABIA USTED?
Los Centros de Defensa del Niño pueden ser un gran recurso
Los Centros de Defensa Infantil son un recurso para padres de familia y niños que han estado en contacto con el abuso sexual. Estos centros trabajan con niños que han sido víctimas de abuso o violencia sexual, o que han presenciado eventos traumáticos. Los padres de familia y otras personas pueden necesitar orientación sobre la mejor manera de apoyar a los niños que han sido víctimas, los centros de defensa ofrecen servicios de orientación, entrevista y asesoramiento para ayudar a las víctimas de abuso a sanar y encontrar justicia. Para obtener una lista de los centros en California, visite http://cacc-online.org/find-a-center/.

FESTIVAL WRAP UP
The festival planning committee is very thankful for the perfect weather and excellent turn-out. Expenses have been reconciled and the festival earned the following for our parish ministries:

Raffle Net—$23,608.38
Festival Net -$20,735.11
Total for festival - $44,343.49

We’d like to thank the chairpersons, sponsors, volunteers, all who donated and all who attended and enjoyed the festival. We are in need of additional co-chairs for next year. Please consider lending your talents to make the 54th Annual Family Festival just as successful. If interested, please call the rectory.

For a more detailed financial report, please visit the parish website.

GOD HAS A DIFFERENT PLAN
We begin the season of Advent with a heartfelt call for our own repentance. We remember God’s faithful love for us, and call upon God to help us to turn back. For “behold, you are angry, and we are sinful” (Isaiah 64:4). In the first reading and in the psalm, we recall God’s promises and lament our unfaithfulness and our guilt. We call upon God’s might and power in order to save us. With Isaiah, we ask God to “rend the heavens and come down, / with the mountains quaking before you” (Isaiah 63:19).

Yes, God is faithful to us, because we are the work of God’s hands. God is the potter, we are the clay. And yet, our concept of how God will come to save us is rooted in our own expectations of a warrior God who crushes mountains and thunders into our lives with great noise and glory. But God has a different plan: the Incarnation.