February 14, 2021 — Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Ash Wednesday is not a holy day of obligation even outside of pandemics. It is, however, a significant and meaningful start to our Lenten journey.

**Ecumenical Service @ 12pm Pacific.** Catholics and other Christians pray together via Zoom (https://stanford.zoom.us/j/93179148201?pwd=bTU5RnBzRFVZTXe3dmQ1MUtqQUxNUT09)

**Outdoor Mass @ 3:30pm,** St. Raymond’s, Menlo Park. For the ashes, we will be following Vatican guidelines to sprinkle ashes on the head, thereby avoiding direct contact. (Why 3:30? It’s the only time available at St. Raymond’s, which is busy with school and services.) **Registration required by noon Ash Wednesday** at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/catholic-community-at-stanford-330pm-mass-ash-wed-february-17-2021-tickets-139006944513

**Pray with a Priest.** Short prayer and distribution of ashes.

- **12pm-2pm:** Fr. Dominic and Fr. Xavier will be outside their home (1231 Arbor Rd, Menlo Park, next to St. Raymond’s Church; enter the driveway with mailbox 1231).

- **8am-12pm, 1pm-3pm:** Fr. Bob will be at Heritage Park (300 Homer Ave. Palo Alto)

**Livestream Mass @ 6:00pm (Pacific)** Live on YouTube and available for later viewing as well. https://youtu.be/7tUBppDlwA

**Ashes at Home:** If you signed up to pick up a Mardi Gras swag bag, you’ll discover blessed ashes and a prayer inside your bag.

**Fasting and abstinence:**

- On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, we fast and we abstain from meat (obligatory for those in good health ages 18-59). Fasting means that one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal, may be eaten.

- On all Fridays during Lent, we abstain from meat (obligatory for those in good health 14 and older).

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**Gathering**

“**How Can I Keep From Singing?”**

Words and music attributed to Robert Lowry, 1826-1899; Quaker hymn.
**Gloria**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.


**First Reading**

**Leviticus 13:1–2, 45–46**

_The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying:_

“When a person has on the skin of the body a swelling or an eruption or a spot,
and it turns into a leprous disease on the skin of the body,
that person shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests.

“A person who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of the head be dishevelled
and shall cover the upper lip and cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean.’
A person shall remain unclean as long as the disease persists; and being unclean, that person shall live alone
with a dwelling outside the camp.”

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**2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

The 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal invites all Catholics to “journey together in hope” to support the ministries, services, and programs offered by the Diocese of San Jose in support of all parishes. Please prayerfully consider your gift to support these important ministries. Gifts to the Annual Diocesan Appeal invest in the mission of our Church by supporting clergy formation and training, seminarian education, pastoral care at 11 hospitals, promoting clergy vocations and developing lay leaders. For instance, this year the Diocese is supporting eight seminarians in their formation for the priesthood. Any gift or pledge, regardless of size, helps our Diocese reveal the presence of Christ in our community. For more information on the work of the Diocese of San Jose or to make a gift online, visit www.dsj.org/ADA

**All Community Mardi Gras Party—Tuesday, February 16**

6:30pm-7:30pm (Pacific)
We will be gathering to play games and get a chance to visit with one another—this year over Zoom! **See the weekly email for the Zoom info.** (Don’t get our weekly email? Sign up for it on our website: [db.stanford-catholic.org/sign-up-for-updates](http://db.stanford-catholic.org/sign-up-for-updates))

Contact us with questions ahead of time: M’Lis Berry at meberry@stanford.edu
Psalm (1:00 Outdoor Mass) (Ps. 32)

(spoken response)
R: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
(R.)

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
(R.)

Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.
Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.
(R.)

Psalm (4:30 Live Stream) “Our Help Is the Name of the Lord” (Ps. 103)
1) Our help is the name of the Lord, who made the earth and the heavens.
   Who is for us the fount of all mercy, faithful and true till the end of time.

2) You call my life away from the grave, you fill my days with happiness; and like an eagle, my youth is restored.
3) This God of ours does not condemn, never repays evil for evil. Greater than our sin are you.
4) Just as a mother, kind and compassionate, you are for us in mercy and love.
   How well you know us, you make us live.


Reading Group

Our next meeting will be on Monday Feb. 22nd at 7:30pm (Pacific) via Zoom to discuss Pope Francis’s new book Let Us Dream: The Path to a Better Future, available in book form or on Kindle. Francis’ critique of the current social and political crisis and plea for reform of political institutions and social policy for the common good is an urgent call as we seek to move to a more just and more compassionate society in our country. Anyone not on the mailing list who wants to join the conversation should contact Albert Gelpi (agelpi@stanford.edu). The Zoom link will be sent to the list closer to the date of the meeting.
Second Reading  1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,  
do everything for the glory of God.  
Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks  
or to the church of God,  
just as I try to please everyone in everything I do,  
not seeking my own advantage, but that of many,  
so that they may be saved.  
Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation  from “Mass from Age to Age”


Gospel  Mark 1:40–45

A man with leprosy came to Jesus begging him,  
and kneeling said to Jesus,  
“If you choose, you can make me clean.”  
Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him,  
and said to him, “I do choose. Be made clean!”  
Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.  
After sternly warning him Jesus sent him away at once,  
saying to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone;  
but go, show yourself to the priest,  
and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded,  
as a testimony to them.”  
But the man went out and began to proclaim it freely,  
and to spread the word,  
and people came to Jesus from every quarter.

Their Stories: You’re the Hero

Hopefully you’ve had a chance to read our email that shares our students’, alumni, and community members’ stories. If you haven’t read the stories yet, you can pick up the link to them on our home page at stanfordcatholic.org

St. Anthony’s Padua Dining Room

During this time of pandemic, CC@S continues to help prepare take-away hot meals for those in need at St. Anthony’s Padua Dining Room in Menlo Park (http://paduadining-room.com) every first and fourth Saturday of the month. However, to reduce the risk of virus transmission we are not able to accept new volunteers, currently. Please stay tuned for volunteer opportunities to resume. For further information, please contact gary.glover@stanford.edu (650-302-6902).

Marriage Preparation

Were you going to be married at Stanford’s Memorial Church or were you being prepared by the Catholic Community at Stanford to be married elsewhere but now are unable to find a wedding prep program? If so, contact Fr. Xavier (xavierop@stanford.edu) about the possibility of joining our online program.
Offertory

If you have found spiritual encouragement from our virtual Sunday Mass, please consider making an offering. CC@S relies on individual donations from supporters all over the country to fund Sunday Mass, spiritual programs for students, faculty, staff and other permanent community members.

- To make an online donation through Venmo, Venmo @stanford-catholic
- To make a tax-deductible donation through PayPal, Check, or stock transfers, see stanfordcatholic.org/give/ways-to-give

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

[bowing:] who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory  “In the Arms of Your Mercy”

1) You never said the path would be easy.
   You never said the doors would fly open for me.
   Any fight worth winning is worth working for, and with faith in you, I step into the light of day.

2) I’m standing now. I lift up my eyes and see
   your love is waiting beyond all the darkness, and I know
   I can do this now. I can do anything
   ‘cause I’m alive again, alive in you, and I know I will rise.

3) [Bridge] In the arms of your mercy my hope is born.
   In the arms of your mercy I am made whole,
   and I’m coming home. I’m coming home.

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**Sanctus** from “Mass from Age to Age”

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho-san-na in the highest. Ho-san-na ho-san-na ho-san-na in the highest.


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**Memorial Acclamation** from “Mass from Age to Age”

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.
**New announcement**

* Vallombrosa Center: Catholic Cosmologies

**Bro. Guy Consolmagno, President of the Vatican Observatory**

**Saturday, February 20, 10AM–11:30AM PST**

With Q&A. Recording made for Ticket Holders! From angels and demons to photons and quarks, we’ve always been curious about how the universe works. But every cosmology, from materialism to Catholicism, is based on assuming things that we may not even realize we are assuming: things we take on faith. And so our cosmo logies can be as fun and quirky as the people who invented them! We’ll look into the stories behind how St. Paul, St. Augustine, Galileo and Kepler and Newton, and on up to Stephen Hawking, have all cast their own peculiar take on the big questions of the universe.


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**Great Amen** from “Mass from Age to Age”

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**Agnus Dei** from “Mass from Age to Age”

Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus, you promised to be with your church until the end of time. Help us to believe that you are with us now in our hour of need.

We long to experience your presence more deeply and more intimately, even when we can’t gather together as your church to celebrate the Eucharist.

Deepen our belief that you are present within us and that you bind us together in communion with you.

May our communion with you and one another move us to reach out to others, especially those who seek justice.

We know that you abide with those whom you created. Never let us forget your love. Amen.

Communion “To Love Like You”

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If you need any help with your donation, please contact M’Lis Berry at meberry@stanford.edu
Join the Live-Stream Choir!

At the end of our live streamed Masses, singers and instrumentalists from all over the world join together to lead our community in song.

Would you like to “join” the choir?

It’s not difficult and you don’t have to be a recording star to join in. The music is pre-recorded and then mixed together, so your voice is blended with others.

God is calling us in many different ways these days. Perhaps Live-stream choir is a way to help others pray through song about mercy, grace, forgiveness, and hope.

For more info, contact Eric (elebel@stanford.edu)

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