

St. Victor – Youth & Young Adult Ministry Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Youth Ministry Ice Cream Social** Sunday, September 22 from 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm in the Parish Hall. This is a **mandatory** class for all registered Confirmation 1 and Confirmation 2 students. We encourage others who would like to become more involved with our YM to also attend. Yes, Ice Cream will be served!
- ◆ **Youth Ministry Pizza Booth** Saturday & Sunday, October 5 & 6. Help volunteer with our Pizza Booth while hanging out with friends. This is a great way to meet people while also obtaining service hours.

For any information about the above events, contact Debbie Santos at unilord@dsj.org or 408-928-1636.

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Here we are.

The end of Summer is here. School has started for most schools by now. The sun is setting earlier. And there is a chill in the air. Is it true? Is summer really over? I hope that everyone had a great summer and had the chance to relax and enjoy their time with loved ones. We need that break in our lives to unwind and to relax. But, we also need to always keep God in our lives and to continue to praise Him. Over the summer, I had the chance to spend quality time with my 3 young daughters and to do fun activities in the sun such as biking, kite flying, camping, swimming and having picnics. I also had the great pleasure in helping re-start our **Young Adult Ministry (YAM)** here at St. Victor. We had 2 successful events – a gathering at Fr. Mark’s residence and a Hiking Event at Alum Rock Park. I know there are a lot of Young Adults at parish who are eager to become more involved in their faith. So, don’t be shy and come out to one of our upcoming events for us to all meet and gather. The best way to hear what our **YAM and Youth Ministry (YM)** is up to, “like” us on Facebook to stay informed. Remember, YAM is for those aged 18-40 years old (or who are young at heart) and YM is for students 13 –17 years of age.

As we start another school year in Catechetical Ministry (CM), I thank all the Facilitators and Catechist who are helping us in our program this year and for those who return and help

the CM program year after year. They are the unsung heroes who volunteer their time and dedication to serve Jesus and students. Without these adults and students, we would not have a successful CM program like we do. I’m wishing all students, youth & young adults, an exciting and fruitful school year ahead. Your dedication to your school work is admired. Go out and learn as much as you can. I also hope each student in our CM program has a positive and educational year with us learning more about our awesome faith and religion.

I would like to formally welcome **Fr. Vincent Dang** to our St. Victor community. For the amount of time that I have spent with him since July, I already know that he is a great asset to our parish. I hope each of you will have the opportunity to meet and get to know Fr. Vincent in the days ahead.

Let us pray now for all students returning back to school: *O Lord God, school is not always easy, and some days, it is very difficult, and I struggle to relax and be at peace. Yet I know that you will give me patience, wisdom, and courage to be excellent in every way, and you will help me love others, as you love me. Amen.*

I look forward to seeing many of you again this school year and wish you much success in the months to come.

Blessings,

- *Debbie Santos*



Sign Up NOW

Our Catechetical Ministry (CM) program registration began in August, but it's not too late to enroll students into our great program. Registration will continue in our CM Office during these dates:

- Tuesday, September 3: 11am-1pm,
- Wednesday, September 4: 5pm – 8pm,
- Thursday, September 5: 5pm – 8pm,
- Tuesday, September 10: 11am – 1pm
- Wednesday, September 11: 5pm – 8pm
- Thursday, September 12: 5pm – 8 pm



Support our Young Adult Ministry by recycling your old cell phones. Simply drop your unused cell phones in the container in the vestibule.



Events Outside Our Ministry



Catechetical Ministry Dates

Reminder dates for registered students in our Catechetical Ministry program:

* Ice Cream Social: **mandatory for Confirmation 1 & 2 students**, open to all youth, Sunday, September 22 from 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm in Parish Hall

* Confirmation 1, Safe Environment Course: Monday, September 23 from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in Parish Center



Re:sound Community

Friday, September 6, 2013 at 7:15 pm
Parish Activity Center at St. Lucy Church, 2350 Winchester Blvd., Campbell, CA 95008

Join the Young Adults of San Jose & Santa Clara County in praise & worship for September.

Pure Fire Young Adult Retreat

Path. Purpose. Peace.
Friday, October 18 at 7:00 pm –
Sunday, October 20 at 12:00 pm

Vallombrosa Center 250 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Sponsored by the Diocese of San Jose Young Adult Ministry. Find direction on your spiritual journey at this retreat and discover a community of faithful and faith-curious young adults from all over the Bay Area.

On Fire
Saturday, September 21, 2013, 8 am - 9:00 pm at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom 1001 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo, CA 94589.

Celebrate Mass with 4,000 Catholic High School Youth and Young Adults in their 20's and 30's. Go to www.hsyoungconvention.com for more information.



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