December 2008

President’s Message

Here we are again, preparing for the Christmas holidays! I am looking forward to seeing you all at our annual Christmas Tea. It’s a wonderful time to set aside a couple hours from the hustle and bustle, enjoy the company of your WOSJ friends, and make a donation to a worthy cause. See the article in this newsletter for more details. And I also hope to see you at our parish’s New Years Eve celebration. It should be a very fun evening and WOSJ has offered to help support this event passing hors d’oeuvres and monitoring the food stations. However, if you want to help in another way you certainly can. See the flyer to sign up to attend and whom to contact to lend a hand.

May each of us keep our focus on the true meaning of Christmas, and spread love generously to family, friends and those in need. Merry Christmas to all of you.

Nancy

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS --- Mark Your Calendars!

Dec. 14 WOSJ Christmas Tea  1pm-4pm
Barbara Aylward’s home

Dec. 31 St. Joseph Parish New Year’s Eve Party
Church Hall (more info to come)

Jan. 20 WOSJ Board Meeting  Church Hall 6:30pm
Speaker, Father Jeff Finley
General Meeting 7:30pm

January Meeting

The January meeting is the 20th. The speaker is Father Jeff Finley who will talk about recent and future changes to the Mass.

Farewell from Lorelei Remlinger

As most of you may already know, Andrew, myself, and family have quickly decided to relocate. Andrew was transferred to another position in Portland in October. During my visit on Veteran’s Day weekend, I was able to quickly find our home up there. I apologize for my short and abrupt farewell but circumstances keep me from extending our stay here. We will be moving the day after Thanksgiving and I will return the week after to finalize any unfinished business.

I did want to thank all of you, as representatives of the St. Joseph Parish, for making our four year stay in Fremont so memorable. During these times I have experienced the most out of my life. There were so many things that contributed to the development of my Faith at this Parish that all the databases in Silicon Valley could not handle it. I ask your favor to share my deepest gratitude with all. I hope to visit soon as ALL of Andrew & my family is based out the Bay Area. This Parish will always hold a special place in my prayers.
WOSJ Christmas Tea  
Dec. 14  1-4pm

Our annual tea will be held at Barbara Aylward’s home. Please bring your special tea cup and a finger food to share. Donations will benefit St. Joseph’s St. Vincent de Paul ministry.

“Shaken Not Stirred” New Year’s Eve Party
Anote from Chairwoman Debbie Rossetto:
St. Joseph Team Members and Volunteers! The plans for New Year’s Eve at St. Joseph are set! We are going to ring in the New Year in style! Thank you for your tremendous service at our last event (Let’s Get Together! BBQ) and we ask for your help on New Year’s Eve.
The following committees are available for volunteer sign up:
Set-Up/Decorations: 20 rounds with tablecloths and décor, additional 8’ tables with tablecloths and décor
Servers: Passed hors d’oeuvres/Crudite stations/ Desserts/Coffee Station
Food Prep: Baking/Hors d’oeuvres preparation/Plating, traysing, etc.
Check-In/Reservations Cashier: Sell drink tickets, sell raffle tickets at event/Work registration table
Ticket Sales: Sell tickets after various masses (event and raffle tickets)
Clean-Up: Washing dishes/Clean up hall after event

Please let us know where you would like to help out. And don’t forget to purchase your event tickets! There are a limited number available due to the dance floor and sell out should be early! Take care and looking forward to working with all of you again and seeing you at the event! God bless you!
For more information contact: Debbie Rossetto - debbierossetto@comcast.net - 510-656-0957 Don Kaefer - donkaefer@tagusa.com - 510-792-5037 or Lauri Kaefer - lkaefer@comcast.net - 510-791-1980

Holiday Shop Night

Thank you to Laura Dauzat for all your hard work and for your dedication to making our shop night a success!

Take Five: Living Our Baptismal Call  
Nov. 8  9 am -3 pm

Please thank the following for helping serve lunch for the Parish Retreat: Cherry Dunn, Canice McLaughlin, Eleanor Chesterman, Kathy Bray, Kathy Shelly, and Nancy Dorighi.

Fellowship Sunday
Please thank the following for hosting Fellowship Sunday in November and December after the 11:00 Mass: Pat Chesterman, Kathy Hall, Margherita McIntosh, Angie Salter, Mary Meiring, and Nancy Dorighi.
Happy Birthday to Those Born in December!

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He (Joseph) went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. Luke 2:5-7

During this special time of Advent, make time to watch, pray, and reflect, making a special place for Him in our hearts, perform a simple act of kindness each day, as we wait for His coming.

Daily reflections for Advent can be found on many Catholic Internet sites, such as EWTN.com; or listen to many fine programs on Immaculate Heart Radio, 1260 am.

Use this to REGISTER A FRIEND or UPDATE OUR RECORD
Mail to this slip and a check for $20 payable to "Women of St. Joseph" to:
Laura Dauzat 2867 Huxley Pl Fremont Ca 94555 or bring to the next meeting
Name ______________________________________________________________
Address  ........................................................................................................
City, state, zip __________________________ Phone _______________________
E-mail Address _________________________ Birthday (month &day) ___________
Husband’s Name __________________________
“SHAKEN NOT STIRRED!”

No plans for New Year’s Eve?
Want to stay close to home, but not put on a party yourself?

Then, please join us...

Wednesday, December 31, 2008

St. Joseph Parish Hall ..... 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

$35 per person includes:
Hors d’oeuvres, dessert and a No Host Full Bar
Live DJ and Dancing
Poppers, confetti and a glass of champagne to toast in the New Year!
Dressy Attire - Black Tie Optional

DON’T WAIT! SIGN UP TODAY!
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BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY!
All proceeds benefit St. Joseph Parish operating expenses.
Take a chance on winning $100, $250 or $500

Indicate the number of tickets you would like on the form below.
Your tickets will be included in the drawing the night of the event.
You need not be present to win!

----------CUT HERE AND RETURN----------CUT HERE AND RETURN----------CUT HERE AND RETURN----------

_____ YES! I/We want to come!
_____ I/We will need:
reservation(s) @ $35
Send a priest, Dominican or Holy Family sister @$35
raffle ticket(s)
TOTAL ENCLOSED ______
Check in at the registration table.

Send this with your payment to: Parish NYE Event, 43148 Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539

Payment by ___CASH ___CHECK: Payable to St. Joseph’s NYE Event
Check one CREDIT CARD ($20 minimum): ___VISA ___MASTERCARD
Name on card(print)____________________________________________________________________________________
Card #_______________________________________________________________________________________
Exp. date_________________ Security #____________________ Amount: $__________________
Signature________________________________________________________________________

SORRY, I/We can’t make it!
Send a priest, Dominican or Holy Family sister to the event: ______ @ $35 each _______ total enclosed.
_____ Please accept my donation of $_______________ to support the parish.

Mass at 7:00 p.m. in the Church, prior to the event!