

ST. LUCY PARISH eNews - January 2015

St. Lucy Parish - Christmas Celebration

Many thanks to all the volunteers and staff that made our St. Lucy celebration of Christ's birth wonderful!

If you were traveling, you may have missed seeing the lovely art in the church courtesy of the volunteers of the Art & Environment Ministry.

The music was wonderful! Many thanks to our choirs for the extra work to make our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses so special!

Fr. Steve's Christmas Eve homily challenged all of our visitors to join St. Lucy for just 30 days. If you missed his homily, check it out on our website: <u>http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/events.html</u>

Newcomers are welcome anytime!

St. Lucy's Social Justice Ministry Sends Care Giver Kits to Africa

On Dec. 6, the Social Justice Ministry at St. Lucy's Parish along with over 60 volunteers gathered together to assemble 90 Care Givers Kits for use by those caring for AIDS victims in Africa. The Hispanic Children's choir, "Friends of Jesus and Mary", wrote personal notes of encouragement, love, and hope to put in each kit. These were perhaps the most touching of all the items going into the kits. The day closed with group prayer followed by a rousing cheer by all of "God Bless Africa".

Volunteers Needed for St. Lucy:

- ADA Volunteer HELP! Someone is needed to help with the weekly tasks of updating the ADA posters, and keeping the pews stocked with ADA brochures for the 10 week period from Jan 24 Apr 5. No public speaking or handling of donations is required. Contact Bach Nguyen at 408-540-4969 or bachnguyen89@yahoo.com if you are able to help.
- Need help? If your ministry would like to have a volunteer opportunity listed here, please send it to <u>SLPeNews-Editor@dsj.org</u>.

Date	Time	Event	Location
Jan 3 - Sat	8:00 AM	Mass - Anointing of the Sick	Church
Jan 5		Art & Environment - Christmas Clean Up	Church
Jan 10/11		Registration Table for SF Walk for Life	Church Entrance
Jan 18	12:00 PM - 4:00 PM		PAC-A
Jan 22	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Leadership Monthly Meeting	PAC A/B/C
Jan 24/25		Annual Diocesan Appeal	

Upcoming Events - January 2015

If you like and use the **Upcoming Events** section of St. Lucy Parish eNews, please send an email to <u>SLP Editor</u> with "Yes. I like **Upcoming Events**." Any comments are welcome!

Did You Know?

A recent survey of US adults by Pew Research Center showed the following findings:

- 73% believe that Jesus was born to a virgin
- 81% that the baby Jesus was laid in a manger
- 75% that wise men guided by a star brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and
- 74% that an angel announced the birth of Jesus to shepherds
- 65% believe all four of these elements of the Christmas story

Only 14% believe none of them.				
Source: Wall Street Journal - Dec 31, 2014, <u>The Christian Heart of American Exceptionalism</u> by William A. Galston				
Discernment Weekend For Men January 16 @ 12:00 pm - January 18 @ 1:00 pm				
Considering a vocation to the priesthood? Find out more about how to discern God's will in your life at the Men's Discernment Weekend.				
WHEN: Friday, January 16th at Noon to Sunday, January 18 at 1:00 pm All meals and lodging are provided. REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 9				
Must be a single male, 21 years or older and sponsored by a priest or recommended by Fr. Joe Kim, Diocese of San Jose's Director of Vocations.				
Contact Fr. Joe Kim at <u>vocations@dsj.org</u> for more information about registering for this retreat.				
ADA - Annual Diocesan Appeal Begins January 25				
The Annual Diocesan Appeal provides support for the Diocese of San Jose's common services and programs to the parishes of Santa Clara County. These services insure the vitality and growth of our church.				
Last Year ADA Results				
Goal - Last Year	\$175,433			
Pledge Total	\$190,801			
Total Collected	\$177,838 (as of Nov. 30, 2014)			

of Families Participated502Average Gift\$380

It is time to consider how you can support our Diocese. Please prayerfully consider 1-2 hours of pay per month.

If you have questions about the ADA, please contact Bach Nguyen (bachnguyen89@yahoo.com) or Raymond Langford (rlangford@dsj.org).

St. Lucy Links...

Parish Office: 408-378-2464

<u>St. Lucy Parish Website</u> – http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/ <u>Bulletins</u> - http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Bulletins.html <u>Homilies</u> - http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/events.html <u>Leadership Summaries</u> - <u>http://www.stlucy-</u> campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Leadership.html