

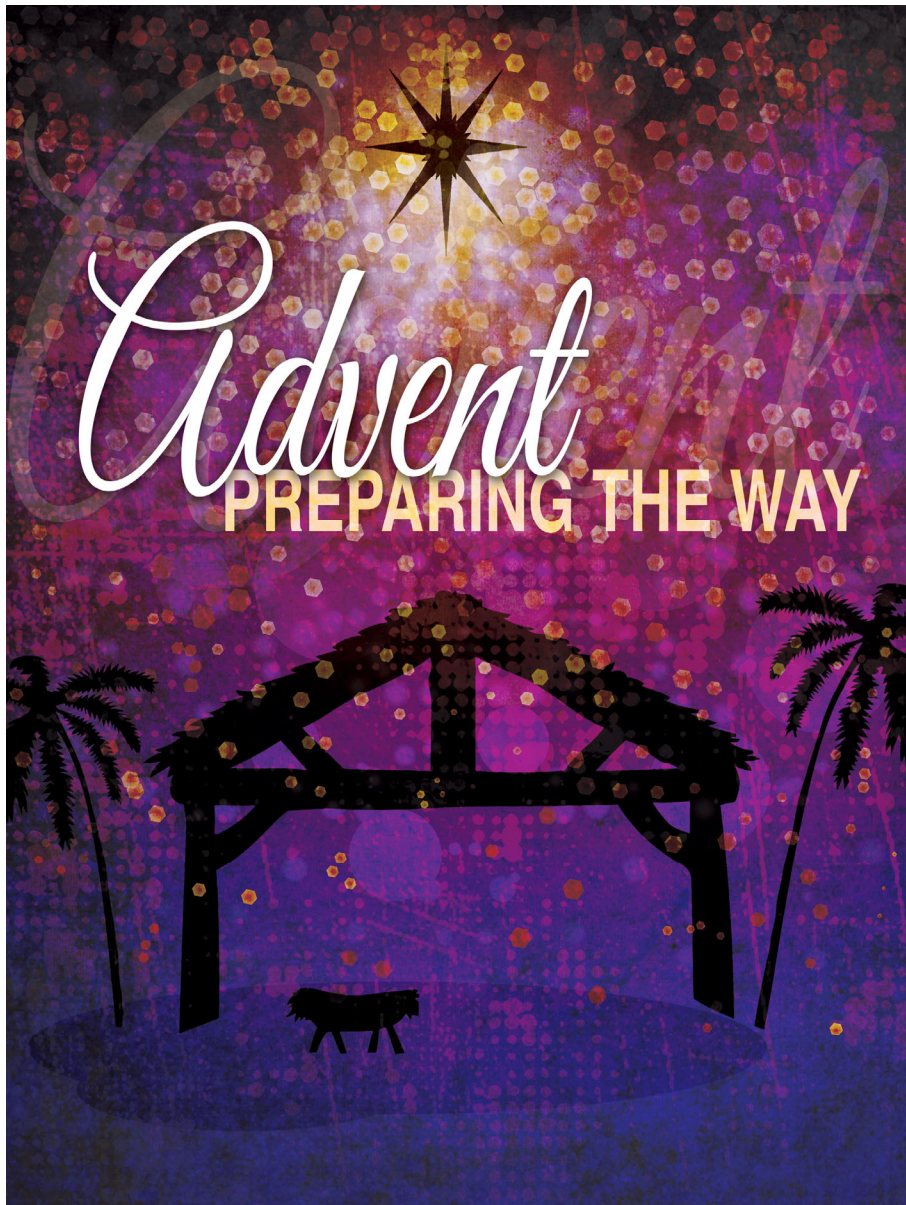


November 27, 2022

First Sunday of
Advent

PARISH COMMUNITY

Santa Clara, California



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PARISH COMMUNITY

Parish Mission Statement

Founded in 1777, Saint Clare Parish is an ethnically diverse Catholic community of faith, united in worship, discipleship and service. In welcoming immigrants, newcomers and strangers, we strive to live the virtues of justice and love, so as to be the face of Christ in the world, becoming in Him a sign of unity and an instrument of God's peace.

From Monsignor Fran Cilia

The Season of Advent helps to prepare us so that we may prepare the way of the Lord. This may sound odd, since Christmas celebrates His Birth more than 2000 years ago.

The season invites us to look back to that coming in time, even as we look forward to His return at the end of time. But it is even more important for us to prepare His way into our daily lives. For just as momentous as was the Incarnation when Jesus was born of Mary, so are the many times Jesus breaks into our world and our lives today, tomorrow and each day.

Advent invites us to be attentive to the Lord and to prepare by works of charity and peace to be His living presence in our world today. God knows how much this is needed.

Let this Advent greeting give us hope: "From Christ who is, who was and who is to come, grace, light and peace be with you all!"

Advent Candles are still available for \$5.50 per set, as are copies of the 2023 Saint Joseph Missal for Sundays and Holy Days, for \$5.00. The **Spanish Misal 2023** will also be here soon and for sale for \$9.50 each.

Flor y Canto

We have purchased 100 copies of the Spanish hymnal, *Flor y Canto* to enhance the music at our Spanish Masses. We are grateful to the Catholic Community Foundation for a grant that made this purchase possible.

Parish Calendars for 2023

If you have not been able to pick up a copy of our calendar for the new year, they are available in the vestibule as you leave Mass.

Pre-Christmas Celebration – December 3 at 6:30 pm

Join us for an Advent/Pre-Christmas gathering at 6:30 on Saturday evening, December 3.

We are hoping to light one of the trees between the church and the hall, sing some carols, have a blessing for the season and share hot chocolate and cookies. This should be a great event for all ages. Hope you can be with us!

Youth Ministry News

Help those who cannot give this holiday season. Participate in this year's Giving Tree by taking an ornament from the Giving Tree in the church. Bring back the wrapped present with the ornament through December 13th.

Confirmation Registrations are still open until December for the 2023 program. Register by visiting stclareparish.org/ymc.



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Creation Care Tips

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" —Isaiah 2:4

In Isaiah's day, technology advancements often focused on military weapons and defense (sound familiar?). Yet his vision for the future was of a society that focused on growing food and tending the earth rather than destroying it and its people. What technology do you use that doesn't contribute to your flourishing or that of your family, community, or the earth? How might you use technology for the restoration of the environment or the betterment of others this week?

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Weekly Justice Challenge

The first reading for this Sunday is one with which we are familiar. It is the passage from the Book of Isaiah (2:1-5) describing what the world will be like when the Messiah comes. The image of people beating swords into plowshares—taking instruments used to kill people and changing them into instruments which help grow food to feed people—is a powerful one. Your challenge in this first week of Advent is to spend some time reflecting on how you are peacemakers (as a family and as individuals). Do you bring people together by your words and actions or do you create conflict? Then decide on one action you can take to make the world a more peace-filled place. Do you want to pray for peace in our world, our country, and our families? Do you want to write to government leaders to advocate for a more peaceful approach to a particular issue? Do you want to take a stand for more gun control? How do you want to bring peace?

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Saint Clare School News

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS FOR 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR NOW OPEN

APPLY NOW: <https://www.stclare.school/admissions-2>
Schedule a Tour: <https://www.stclare.school/schedule-a-tour>

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil *(Livestreamed)*

5:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday

7:30 a.m. (English)

9:00 a.m. (Portuguesa)

10:30 a.m. (English)

12:00 p.m. (Español)

Livestreamed

Liturgy of the Word for Children

During 10:30 a.m.

Mass (English)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.

(In the Tent)

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(for the sick and dying):

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Follow the prompt,
then press 9

We are so proud of our beautifully diverse and caring community that has been a Santa Clara tradition for 166 years. As a Catholic school in the Diocese of San Jose, Saint Clare School provides an opportunity for those who desire an outstanding character-based education steeped in the Catholic worldview, in a safe and loving environment, surrounded by committed and caring educators. Even as the media reports of learning loss due to the pandemic, Catholic schools, including Saint Clare performed better in post COVID assessments (<https://www.americamagazine.org/politicssociety/2022/10/25/catholic-schools-naep-244026>).

In March of 2020, Saint Clare School closed in-person learning on the 13th and reopened with a robust distance learning program in a matter of days on March 17th. Focusing on literacy skills, social emotional learning, and building community despite not being able to be in person, the faculty, staff, and families deepened the commitment we had to accompany one another. It is this commitment that has made the difference in the formation of our students. Our alumni, now attending Catholic high schools and universities, continue to serve their communities because of the priority given to social justice, instilled in their nine years at Saint Clare. The lasting impact of this formation is immeasurable.

We hope that you will help spread the word about our beloved Saint Clare. Tuition assistance is available, thanks largely to support from you, parishioners at Saint Clare Parish, our alumni, and those who value the life changing impact Catholic education has on immigrant families. Our students come from no less than fifteen different parishes in the Diocese of San Jose. All you need to do is tour our school and you will see how our Saint Clare School is a microcosm of this Valley of Heart's Delight. Your continued support by referring families to our school, or your donation towards tuition assistance will help sustain our mission to educate students from diverse backgrounds and cultures. Making a donation towards our Annual Fund will help offset the cost to educate students and will build our endowment to continue to provide tuition assistance. Visit <https://www.stclare.school/supportus> for more information on how you can show your support.



St. Clare would like to thank the following companies for supporting this year's Jogathon:

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Saturday

5:00 pm

Sunday

7:30 am

9:00 am

Daily Readings

Monday

Isaiah 4:2-6
Psalms 122:1-9
Matthew 8:5-11

Tuesday

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Luke 10:21-24

Wednesday

Romans 10:9-18
Psalms 19:8-11
Matthew 4:18-22

Thursday

Isaiah 26:1-6
Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Friday

Isaiah 29:17-24
Psalms 27:1, 4, 13-14
Matthew 9:27-31

Saturday

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26
Psalms 147:1-6
Matthew 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Romans 15:4-9
Matthew 3:1-12

Mass Intentions

November 26– December 3, 2022

Saint Clare Parishioners

All Souls

Manuel & Cristina Jeronimo+

Jose S. Sanches+

Maria Dias+

Jose R. Barcelos+

Jose C. Barcelos+

Maria L. Monteiro+

Dora de Oliveira+

Vidalia Gaspar Rocha+

Fernando R. Moreira+

Lobato Family

Roosevelt Family

Ida Lopez– Salud

Esperanza Torres de Esquivel+

Monday 8:00am

Hawkes Family

Tuesday 8:00am

Angela Souza+

Wednesday 8:00am

Eileen McCarthy+

Thursday 8:00am

Jose B. Monteiro+

Friday 8:00 am

Peadar Hyland+

Saturday 8:00 am

The Peters Family



IMPACT Report 2021-2022

This past year, as we wrestled with the global pandemic and the inequalities and divisions in our communities, we continued “growing together in faith” and shining the light of Christ throughout our Diocese. In the Diocese of San José’s 2021-2022 Impact Report, you will read how the Chancery, the diocese’s central administration, worked to support the parishes and Catholic schools in the Diocese of San José. It is available online at <https://www.dsj.org/diocese-of-san-jose-2021-22-impact-report/>

2022 Layette Donation Program

Isolation Products: 157 San Lazaro Avenue, Sunnyvale 94086. We know that many of you have been busy making your beautiful baby items. In order to keep everyone safe and still serve our babies and moms, we will be collecting your items and donations on Sunday, December 4 from 12pm to 3pm.





TAMALADA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19 • SAINT JOHN VIANNEY - SAN JOSE

Join us at the Farmworker Caravan Tamalada where you'll enjoy a fun day of learning and making tamales with family, friends or colleagues. At the Tamalada Party you'll learn to assemble tamales, enjoy a heart-warming tamale lunch, listen to live music by Cuatro con Tres and play Christmas Trivia with prizes. All tamales made at the event will be donated to the Farmworker Caravan to gift to agricultural workers for Las Posadas en El Campo. Everyone will leave fulfilled with the Christmas spirit of doing good for others! Visit FarmworkerCaravan.com for more information and events.

INFORMATION

Monday, December 19, 2022
9:00am - 6:00pm
Saint John Vianney Community Center
 4600 Hyland Ave, San Jose, CA 95127

TICKETS

Free Admission
 Volunteer for 4 Community Service Hours

\$35 p/person*
 Tamalada Party + Tamale Meal

\$65 p/person*
 2 Chef Demos + Tamalada Party + Tamale Meal

\$750 for Table of 8
 La Tamalada VIP Table includes:
 Reserved VIP Table (All Day) + VIP Seating at all
 Chef Demos + Recipe Book + Tamale Meal

RSVP

FarmworkerCaravan.com
 *\$10 Discount for SJV Parishioners
 USE CODE: SJVADVENT



CHEF DEMO SCHEDULE

9:00am
Tamalada Party Begins

10:00am
Tamale Making 101
 Erica & Lupita of Mexi-Tamalli

11:30am
Kapampangan Filipino Tamales
 Chef Steve Cortez of S&C Catering

1:00pm
Michelin Star Gourmet Tamales
 Chef John Alvarez of Five Course Provisions

2:30pm
Puerto Rican Pasteles & Cuban Tamales
 Rochelle Segura of Mama Roc's Rockin Catering

4:00pm
Traditional & Creative Sweet Tamales
 Chef Sonia Barron

6:00pm
Tamalada Party Ends

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De Monseñor Fran Cilia

El Tiempo de Adviento ayuda a prepararnos para que preparemos el camino del Señor. Esto puede sonar extraño, ya que la Navidad celebra Su Nacimiento hace más de 2000 años.

La temporada nos invita a mirar hacia atrás a esa venida en el tiempo, incluso mientras esperamos Su regreso al final de los tiempos. Pero es aún más importante para nosotros preparar Su camino en nuestra vida diaria. Porque tan trascendental como fue la Encarnación cuando Jesús nació de María, también lo son las muchas veces que Jesús irrumpe en nuestro mundo y en nuestras vidas hoy, mañana y cada día.

El Adviento nos invita a estar atentos al Señor y a prepararnos con obras de caridad y de paz para ser su presencia viva en nuestro mundo de hoy. Dios sabe cuánto se necesita esto.

Que este saludo de Adviento nos dé esperanza: “¡De Cristo que es, que era y que ha de venir, la gracia, la luz y la paz este con todos ustedes!”.

Las **velas de Adviento** todavía están disponibles por \$5.50 por juego. El **Misal en español 2023** también estará aquí pronto y a la venta por \$9.50 cada uno.

Flor y Canto

Hemos comprado 100 copias del himnario en español *Flor y Canto* para realzar la música en nuestras misas en español. Estamos agradecidos a la Fundación de la Comunidad Católica por una subvención que hizo posible esta compra.

Calendarios parroquiales para 2023

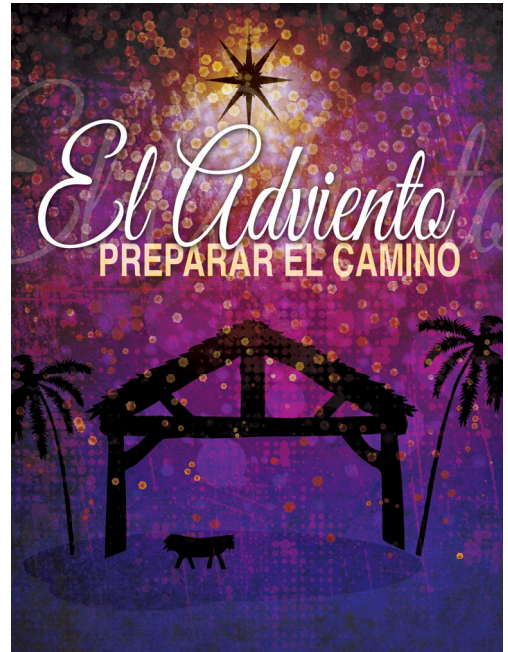
Si no ha podido recoger una copia de nuestro calendario para el nuevo año, están disponibles en el vestíbulo al salir de Misa.

Noticias del Ministerio de Adolescentes



¡Nuestro árbol de regalos de Navidad pronto estará listo! *The Christmas Giving Tree* ayuda a las familias menos afortunadas a proporcionar regalos de Navidad a sus hijos. Da el don de dar tomando un adorno del árbol de la iglesia y trayendo un regalo. Aceptaremos regalos hasta el 13 de diciembre.

Las inscripciones de confirmación siguen abiertas hasta diciembre para el año 2023. Regístrese visitando stclareparish.org/ymc.



Celebración Pre-Navideña – 3 de diciembre a las 6:30 pm

Únase a nosotros para una reunión de Adviento/Pre-Navidad a las 6:30pm el sábado 3 de diciembre por la noche.

Esperamos encender uno de los árboles entre la iglesia y el salón, cantar algunos villancicos, tener una bendición para la temporada y compartir chocolate caliente y galletas. Este será un gran evento para todas las edades. ¡Espero que puedas estar con nosotros!

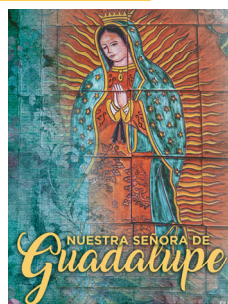
Desafío de Justicia Semanal

La primera lectura de este domingo es una con la que estamos familiarizados. Es el pasaje del Libro de Isaías (2:1-5) que describe cómo será el mundo cuando venga el Mesías. La imagen de personas batiendo espadas en las rejas de arado, que toman instrumentos utilizados para matar personas y los transforman en instrumentos que ayudan a cultivar alimentos para alimentar a las personas, son poderosos. Nuestro reto en esta primera semana de Adviento es pasar tiempo reflexionando sobre cómo somos constructores de paz (como familia y como individuos). ¿Reúnes a la gente con tus palabras y acciones o creas conflicto? Luego decida una acción que pueda tomar para hacer del mundo un lugar más lleno de paz. ¿Quieres orar por la paz en nuestro mundo, nuestro país y nuestras familias? ¿Quieres escribir a los líderes gubernamentales para abogar por un enfoque más pacífico de un problema en particular? ¿Quieres tomar una posición para mas control de armas? ¿Cómo quieres traer la paz?

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¡Misa Anual Diocesana Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe!

Te invitamos este **2 de diciembre del 2022** a una misa Diocesana con el Señor Obispo Oscar Cantú como el celebrante principal, en la Parroquia Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. La procesión de bienvenida comenzara a las 6:00pm La celebración Eucarística empieza a las 7:00pm.



Programa de Donación de Prendas para Bebe 2022



Sabemos que muchos de ustedes han estado ocupados haciendo sus prendas para bebe. Para mantener a todos seguros y todavía dar servicio a nuestros bebes y mamas, vamos a coleccionar sus donaciones el Domingo 4 de diciembre de 12pm-3pm en Isolation Products: 157 San Lazaro Avenue, Sunnyvale 94086.

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Boletim Paroquial Português

Domingo I do Advento -A

Reflexão pelo: Padre Francisco Rodrigues S.J.

Mt. 24, 37-44

Estejamos atentos!

PARISH COMMUNITY

Nenhum de nós sabe o dia e a hora do encontro pleno com o Senhor das nossas vidas. Não vale a pena pensar que os mais idosos são os primeiros a partirem. A vida mostra-nos que não é bem assim. Partimos, quando partimos e muitas vezes em circunstâncias surpreendentes ao ponto de até o Senhor ser surpreendido com algumas partidas antes da “sua hora”. Sabendo que as partidas não têm data marcada, o evangelho deste domingo convida-nos a vivermos sempre de malas feitas. Ou seja, estarmos sempre preparados, termos sempre a vida espiritual, sacramental e humana em dia para o encontro com o Senhor.

Isto pode ser encarado de dois modos. Primeiro: vivermos cheios de medo que o Senhor nos apanhe desprevenidos e em pecado por não podermos voltar para trás para pôr a vida em dia. Segundo: encontrar na fidelidade a Deus, ao evangelho e à Igreja, um modo de viver que nos sai naturalmente como modo de vida. Destes dois, eu recomendo o segundo. Deus não nos quer como filhos que vivem numa atitude de espera passiva, cheios de medo e ansiedade. O que Deus quer é que não tenhamos medo. Que vivamos marcados pela confiança, esperança, empenho, trabalho, dedicação, construção do Reino que deve começar nas nossas vidas. Deus não quer que vivemos sob a égide do medo e receio que o mundo acabe ou que sejamos encontrados em falta. O que Deus nos pede e o evangelho deste domingo nos recorda, é que, apesar das tempestades da vida, dos motivos para desânimo, apesar das nossas sombras e das sombras da sociedade em que vivemos, apesar da nossa vida cristã nem sempre ser coerente, Deus quer que encontremos um estilo de vida fiel, espiritual, profunda e humana. Na verdade Deus quer que cada um de nós se habitue a ser bom e a fazer coisas boas. Trata-se de um bom hábito, de um bom modo de ser, de bom um modo de fazer. E quando Ele vier, ou nós formos ao Seu encontro, não haverá surpresas de última hora. Haverá sim, espanto, alegria, júbilo, porque não nos passa pelo coração e pela cabeça o que Deus tem preparado para aqueles que O amam e vivem o seu amor de um modo permanente e como forma de ser. Provavelmente, todos lidamos com pessoas que ainda não conhecem esta mensagem de Jesus. Por meio de testemunho e boas obras, seria bom levarmos Cristo às nossas conversas do dia-a-dia. É um bom modo de as despertar e como quem anuncia, desperta as consciências para este encontro com Jesus que não sabemos quando... mas que sucederá com todos. Desejo a todos um santo tempo de advento, preparação para receber Jesus no nosso coração.

Convívio Natalício de Natal

O Conselho Paroquial Português está a elaborar um convívio de Natal para a nossa comunidade . Este convívio terá lugar no salão paroquial no Sábado dia 17 de Dezembro próximo. Este convívio interrompido nos últimos dois anos será reavivado para darmos continuidade a um convívio pelo qual todos nós seremos uma grande família a celebrar o nascimento do Emanuel . Os detalhes deste convívio serão anunciados nos próximos boletins, tal como, os ensaios que se irão fazer com as crianças que são parte integrante deste convívio. Para o registo das crianças façam o favor de contactarem com Eduina Faria, Claudia Madruga e João Arruda.

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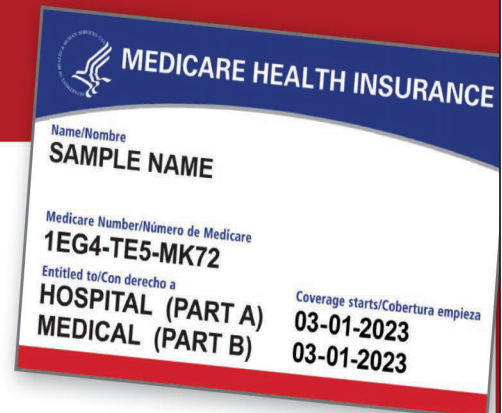
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8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week from October 1 to March 31.

CCA Medicare Excel (HMO) Santa Clara County and CCA Medicare Excel (HMO) San Joaquin County are health plans with a Medicare contract. Enrollment depends on contract renewal. This information is not a complete description of benefits.



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Stewardship Report

*Sunday Collection:
November 19th and November 20th*

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The advertisement features a background image of a city skyline at sunset. A QR code is located in the upper right corner, with a 'SCAN ME' button below it. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts.

Bishop Oscar Cantú invites every person in our community to complete an anonymous online survey as part of our Diocesan Synod to gain a greater understanding of the pastoral needs of the Catholic community in Santa Clara County, including those no longer practicing their faith. The responses will help inform how our diocese serves God's people in the coming years. The survey is available in English, Spanish or Vietnamese. You can go to dsj.org/synod-survey or scan the QR code image to complete the survey.