



# Santa Clara University Catala Club

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## President's Message - Joanie Cattermole

Dear Catala Family,

Spring is here! As a favorite comedian, Robin Williams once said:

"Spring is nature's way of saying 'Let's Party!' "

With that in mind, I hope you can join us at our April 17 luncheon in the Williman Room in Benson Center when Professors Rose Marie Beebe and Robert M. Senkewicz will enlighten us about our namesake Father Catala and the early days of Mission Santa Clara.

Our March retreat was a wonderful day of connection. Thank you to Cathy De Maria for a beautiful setting and thanks to Julie Jaroshenko for help with the clean-up. Our Chaplain, Father Jack, led us in meaningful prayer, reflection and laughter. And, thank you to Fran Lowry for helping with mass and the liturgy.

I'm happy to mention the wonderful news that our University President, Julie Sullivan, had a private audience with his holiness Pope Francis. What a blessed experience that must have been.

Sullivan is quoted, "I came away feeling so uplifted by who he is as a person and the way the Holy Spirit powerfully radiates from him." Among other things, a delegation was there to discuss global Jesuit higher education and the ethical use of artificial intelligence. Please see Page 4 for more information and photos and the SCU website.

Finally, DON'T FORGET! April 10 is Day of Giving at Santa Clara. If you can give to the University on this important day, consider giving to Catala Club for our scholarship funds. It all helps the bottomline of our ability to enhance the affordability and accessibility of a Bronco education. In May, we will hear directly from some of the students we are assisting. It is always so gratifying to hear their stories.

May you all have a happy and joyous Easter,

With blessings,

Joanie Cattermole



# April Birthdays



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|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Mary Atwell      | 15 Charlene Raisch   |
| 2 Nicole Cox       | 18 Lois Gordon       |
| 3 Sarah Morihara   | 19 Joanie Cattermole |
| 3 Deborah Winter   | 21 Ursula Szeles     |
| 4 Nirupa Patel     | 22 Andrea Holtan     |
| 6 Mona Lisa Blouin | 24 Dora Cuadra       |
| 12 Betsy Caffell   | 25 Sue Davison       |
| 13 Elaine Bruni    | 25 Annamarie Louie   |
|                    | 30 Sherry Kaufman    |

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR SAVE THE DATE

- April 10 **DAY OF GIVING**
- April 17 Guest Speakers, Rose Marie Beebe and Bob Senkewicz, who will share their fascinating research on the namesake of our Club, Father Catala; Williman Room
- May 15 Installation Mass in the Mission Church Luncheon in Nobili Hall – Special Guests, Catala Club’s Scholarship Recipients
- August 11 Summer Social, Mass and Dinner
- October 25 Forever Fabulous “Mama Mia” Fashion Show and Luncheon! Santa Clara Marriott

## FROM THE DESK OF OUR FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, NANCY TARANTINO

Our April general meeting will be Wednesday, April 17 at 11a.m. Our guest speakers are Rose Marie Beebe and Robert Senkewicz whose presentation will be about our Club’s namesake Fr. Catala. Please see the attached invitation and rsvp at <https://mysantaclara.scu.edu/Catala/MonthlyReg>.

Save the Date for our Annual Installation Luncheon on Wednesday, May 15. We will start with 11a.m. mass in the Mission Church followed by lunch in Nobili Hall. Look for your invitation in a separate upcoming email.

## FOOD INSECURITY at SCU Bronco Pantry Update by Sue Davison

There will be a 50/50 raffle at our April Luncheon; half of the proceeds will go to the SCU Food Pantry. Please bring CASH to participate.

In addition, if you would like to make a donation to the SCU Food Pantry, please visit the Amazon wish list from the QR code below.

Donations to the Food Insecurity Program at SCU may also be made via Amazon at Amazon Wish List. Please search "SCU Students: Food Insecurity at SCU" for the public wish list of items on Amazon.com or use the QR code below. Please select "Jason Fitzer 500 El Camino Real," as the mailing address.

Gift Cards and purchases from the Amazon Wish List may also be dropped off at the Santa Clara University address noted above.



We extend our Prayers of sympathy and consolation to Kathy and Karl Winkelman and family with the passing of Karl’s brother, Kurt; and to the families and friends of the victims of violence, terrorism, and disease.



Our Prayers for Healing and Restored Good Health for the mother of Kate Canessa, Pat DeMarlo, Loydene Kiley, Marge Papp, Carol Sabatino, Michelle Sola’s grandson, Áedán, Jeanne Torre, for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them

## “42nd Street”

**Mainstage Musical, Mayer Theatre  
Sunday, June 2, 2 p.m.**

You are invited to join your Catala friends on Sunday, June 2, for the 2 p.m. matinee performance. We will first gather at 12:30 at the Bannan Alumni House for a Champagne Reception and then go to the Mayer Theatre.

Catala Members, use code “Senior” to attend this event. The discounted group ticket price is \$32 per person. Our Catala section is in Section 200, Rows G-M.

[website](https://scupresents.universitytickets.com/) | <https://scupresents.universitytickets.com/>

by Kate Canessa





**SCU Catala Club Presents**  
**MAMMA MIA!**


**Forever Fabulous Fashion Show and Fundraiser**  
Santa Clara Marriott, 2700 Mission College Boulevard, Santa Clara

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Friday October 25, 2024**

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY  
CATALA CLUB ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

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Thank you, Father Jack,  
for our  
Annual Catala Mini-Retreat,  
“Embraced and Empowered  
by Christ.”  
A powerful “spiritual oasis”  
for all who attended!

## A delegation of leaders from Santa Clara University and its Jesuit School of Theology visited Rome March 17-19 to meet with various senior Vatican leaders and leaders of the Society of Jesus.



The SCU delegation included:

- Santa Clara University President **Julie Sullivan**
- JST Dean **Agbonkhianmeghe Orobator, S.J.**
- Incoming rector of the JST-SCU Jesuit Community **Thomas Smolich, S.J.**
- SCU Board member and Chair of JST Board of Directors **Agnieszka Winkler**
- Rector of the Santa Clara Jesuit Community **Luis Calero, S.J.**
- SCU Board of Trustees Chair **Larry Sonsini** and his wife **Ashley Sonsini**

“The purpose of the delegation’s visit is to deepen ties and engage in wide-ranging discussions on global Jesuit higher education; the ethical use of artificial intelligence; advancing a synodal Church; and meeting the needs of the changing Catholic Church through theological education and formation.

The delegation discussed programming underway at Santa Clara’s Jesuit School of Theology to advance the goals of Pope Francis’s two-part Synod on Synodality. During this year between two Rome-based synod gatherings, JST is hosting, in collaboration with partners such as SCU’s Division of Mission and Ministry, “Synodal Journey,” a programmatic series featuring speakers and events to invite deep and meaningful discussions on key themes from the Synod.

On March 18, University President **Julie Sullivan** had a private audience with **His Holiness Pope Francis**.

Pope Francis “is an extremely joyful person who exudes an extraordinary light and magnetic human connection,” said Sullivan. “I came away feeling so uplifted by who he is as a person and the way the Holy Spirit powerfully radiates from him,” she added.

He urged President Sullivan to continue Santa Clara’s focus on educating the entirety of each student.



“He’s very expressive,” Sullivan said of Pope Francis. “He was touching his head, his heart, and his hands. And he said often education is about filling the head. And it really needs to be about finding harmony between the head, the heart, and the hands,” she said.”

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“Live in such a way so that those who know you  
but don’t know God  
will come to know God because they know you.”

Author Unknown