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MASSES

Sundays 08:00, 09:30, 11:00 AM,
12:30 PM (traditional Latin Mass)
Saturdays 08:00 AM and 05:00 PM (Vigil)
Weekdays 07:30 AM and 05:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 09:00 AM - 10:00 AM
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
03:30 PM - 04:30 PM
(also by appointment)

BAPTISMS 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays of the month
(contact rectory 2 months in advance)

WEDDINGS Saturdays 11:00 AM and 02:00 PM
(contact rectory at least 6 months in advance)

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mrs. Mary Ellen Peloso (650) 269-7794

PASTOR

Very Rev. Mark Doherty

PAROCHIAL VICAR

IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Michael Thomas, CSC

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso
Rev. Mr. Bob Andrews

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Noreen Browning
nbrowning@nativityschool.com



FIRST READING

You shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

Exodus 19: 2-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Psalms 100

SECOND READING

God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

Romans 5: 6-11

GOSPEL

Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay.

Matthew 9:36-10:8



The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

14 June 2026

Pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Matthew 9: 38

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 14 - 20 JUN

SAT: 05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN: Masses	Priest's intentions
MON: 07:30 AM	† Modesta Torres
05:30 PM	† Shelby Drazan
TUE: 07:30 AM	† Louise Buonocore
05:30 PM	Mateo Domingo; Lissandro Herrera; † Barbara Wynne; † Alfonso Caballero
WED: 07:30 AM	Jojo Juves
05:30 PM	† Kyla Lambert Eller
THU: 07:30 AM	The Barrette and Ferrando families, living and deceased
05:30 PM	† Roger Murga
FRI: 07:30 AM	The Sigona and Franzella families, living and deceased
05:30 PM	† Dale Firenzi
SAT: 08:00 AM	Rev. Zachary Muñoz; Rev. Scott Borba; Chiara Marian Smith; Samantha Pham; † John Long

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH

Every **Wednesday** evening after the **05:30 PM** Mass there will be a novena to St. Joseph. This novena takes about 20 minutes. In addition to the novena, once a month the **05:30 PM** Mass will be in honor of St. Joseph. All are welcome to join in this celebration in honor of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



SUN	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	08:00 AM	Morning Rosary
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
MON	07:00 PM	Nativity Family Rosary
MON	07:00 PM	Medjugorje Prayer Group
TUE	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
WED	06:00 PM	Novena to Saint Joseph
THU	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
SAT	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
SAT	09:00 - 10:00 AM	Confessions (parish priest)
SAT	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
SAT	03:30 - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)

14 JUN	[Sunday]	
15 JUN	[Monday]	
	08:00 AM	Legion of Mary
16 JUN	[Tuesday]	
17 JUN	[Wednesday]	
	03:00 PM	Infant Jesus of Prague Society
	07:00 PM	Total Consecration to Jesus
18 JUN	[Thursday]	
	12:00 PM	Senior Thursday Group
19 JUN	[Friday]	
20 JUN	[Saturday]	

Electronic giving is offered through our website www.nativitymenlo.org or call the parish office for a paper form



PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 30-31 MAY
	\$10,087
ADA Progress:	\$14,810
2026 ADA Goal:	\$152,365

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse, please call our hotline at **415/614-5506**.

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

19 JUN (Friday):
SAINT ROMUALD, Abbot (~956--1026)
Founder of the *Order of Camaldoli*. An austere hermit and confessor.



Parish Office Hours
09:00 AM-04:00 PM (M-F)
closed 12:00-01:00 PM (lunch)

FATIMA CELEBRATION



On **Monday, 13 JUL 2026**, we will have our next **2026 Fatima Celebration**. It will include Holy Mass (at **07:00 PM**), Rosary Candlelight Procession, and Benediction. The celebration continues each month on or about the **13th** until **OCT**. Please join us as we pray especially for the intercession of the Blessed Mother in these difficult times. For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso, 650/269-6279**.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

PREPARATION FOR THE CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

This course is based on the Method of **St. Louis de Montfort** as described in his book *True Devotion to Mary*.

"Mary is the safest, easiest, shortest, and most perfect way of approaching Jesus" -- St. Louis de Montfort

WHAT: A 33-week course of study in preparation for the Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary

WHERE: O'Hare Center (Guadalupe Room)

WHEN: every Wednesday, until **15 JUL 2026** (07:00-08:30 PM)

CONTACT: Mauricio Montezuma (860/751-2203)

MORE DETAILS: For more info, visit bondsofmarianlove.net
Sponsored by the *Missionaries of Bonds of Marian Love*

FATHERS DAY CARDS

Father's Day is **Sunday, 21 JUN 2026!** As we prepare to celebrate Father's Day, our parish will again offer a Spiritual Gift for all fathers. Throughout June, Father's Day Spiritual Gift cards will be available for you to take home.



Kindly return your intentions to the rectory office. These will be placed upon the altar for the month, a visible sign of our love, gratitude, and remembrance.

Would you consider offering up your time in Eucharistic Adoration? Particularly during the summer months, there are many opportunities to keep a vigil with the Blessed Sacrament. It has been said that Adoration is fasting of your time and sleep, and the Blessed Mother has said that **fasting is powerful enough to stop wars** (especially poignant in our current times).

One huge devotee of Eucharistic Adoration was Venerable Fulton Sheen (he will become a "Blessed" in SEP of 2026), who would sometimes make a Holy Hour on a plane or in an airport parking lot. In one story, he famously recounted how he arrived at a church after a long plane flight, and finding it was locked, he made a prayer of adoration and then fell asleep. He awakened one hour later, and says he heard his Guardian Angel say, "Well, that's how the Apostles made their first Holy Hour, but try not to let it happen again."

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE PRAYER SOCIETY

NOVENA, LITANY, PRAYER INTENTIONS/THANKSGIVING, AND ADORATION

The **Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Society** invites parishioners and guests to join in prayer before our Infant Jesus shrine on **17 JUN 2025** at **03:00 PM**. Each month, on the 17th day, we begin the first day of the *Infant Jesus of Prague Novena*, a litany, prayer intentions/thanksgivings, and conclude with adoration.



Our Lord answers all prayers; it is how God answers that is most compelling. Let the Word made flesh, the Infant Jesus, open your heart, mind, and soul to receive and trust in His Divine Plan for your life. Our 24-hour Infant Jesus Prayer Line is always open to receive any prayer request and thanksgivings. Please call **650/281-3339** or write to prayzinfantjesus@aol.com.

We give glory to God through our gratitude.

TRIDENTINE MASS

Connect (or re-connect) with a centuries-old tradition of the Church. The **12:30 PM** Mass every **Sunday** is celebrated in the Extraordinary Form (the Traditional Latin Mass) as a *Missa Cantata* (sung Mass). This Mass is celebrated according to the Roman Rite Missal of 1962. Don't have (or can't find) your copy of the 1962 Roman Missal? <https://tinyurl.com/1962missal>

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Nativity Church is open **24x7**. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won't you join us by signing up for a weekly Holy Hour? Jesus told an Irish priest (in our current century) that midnight adoration is as powerful as fasting.

Please consider the following hours as there is no one currently assigned to them (or pick an hour that works for you):

Sunday: **01:00 AM, 02:00 AM,**
03:00-05:00 AM (twice per month)

Tuesday: **01:00 AM**

Friday: **11:00 AM**

Saturday: **03:00 AM, 04:00 AM**

Call **Mary Ellen Peloso (650/269-7794)** to sign up.

You have never strayed too far for the Father's forgiveness and grace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please keep all of our newest members in your prayers, as well as those who have preceded us to the Father.



- BAPTISMS**
- Maria Clara and Maria Alice Bonilauri, daughters of Bernardo Bonilauri and Thaylah Gessica Ceniz.
 - Christian Ahmed Saadeh, son of Yousef Saadeh and Elyssa Davis

LOST AND FOUND

A gift envelope has been turned into our Lost and Found. The rightful owner is asked to contact the rectory office to provide identifying details.



IN THE COMMUNITY

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUMMER CAMP

Catholic Charities CYO Summer Camp is part of the San Francisco Archdiocese and is located in beautiful Occidental, California (about an hour and a half north of the city) on 216 acres of redwood forest. We are honored to be celebrating our 80th anniversary this year. Campers are between the ages of 8 and 17. We offer six different 7-day sessions to choose from and proudly offer financial assistance because we believe camp should be accessible.

Contact: summercamp@catholiccharitiessf.org

Phone: 707/874-0180

Website: <https://www.catholiccharitiessf.org/cyocamp>



MASS FOR THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA

WHERE: Church of the Nativity
210 Oak Grove Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94027

WHEN: 27 JUN 2026 (Saturday)
11:00 AM





CONTACT: Opus Dei
<https://www.opusdei.org/en-us>

MORE DETAILS: Celebrant: **Most Rev. Jose Gomez**, Archbishop of Los Angeles
Concelebrant/Emcee: **Very Rev. Mark Doherty**, Pastor of Church of the Nativity and President of St. Patrick's Seminary University
Confessions are available, beginning at **10:00 AM**.
Reception follows after Mass.



FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

Spend some time with your fellow parishioners after the **09:30 AM Mass** on the **1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays** of each month!

 The Food and Fellowship Ministry will be serving coffee and donuts.   

If you're interested in helping the Food and Fellowship Ministry, please sign up using the QR code or email liz.palla@gmail.com.

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

We are currently seeking volunteers to serve as **Readers** and **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** for all Masses. This critical area of service to our parish is a wonderful way to add to your own weekly devotion while attending Mass. You can set your own preferences for whichever Mass you regularly attend, indicate dates when you are unavailable, and training is provided. If you think you can offer time in service, please contact the *Nativity Ministry Coordinator* at

nativityministrycoordinators@gmail.com

REGISTER WITH THE PARISH

We welcome all visitors and invite those who are considering coming home to the Catholic Church to register. Church attendance alone does not make you or your family registered members. To register online, please go to www.nativitymenlo.org and fill out the *Parish Registration Form*. To obtain one in the mail, please call the rectory office **650/323-7914** during regular business hours.

NATIVITY HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS

Everyone is invited to attend our weekly holy hour for priests each **Sunday** evening at **07:00 PM**. It includes a rosary, chaplet of Divine Mercy, a meditation, brief talk on the spiritual life, and Benediction. We all need to lift up our priests both here in the parish and throughout the world with our prayer. Please join us.

SVdP VOLUNTEERING

Our *St. Vincent de Paul Society* has experienced some turnover recently and while we can always use more assistance, we are particularly in need of volunteers who can "shop" at the *Second Harvest Food Bank* on either **Tuesday** or **Wednesday** morning of each week. Our volunteers work in pairs, and this food procurement can be completed in a couple of hours. If you could spare a Tuesday or Wednesday of any given month, please contact the SVdP President, **Dan Winnike** at **650/714-4644** or contact the Parish office at **650/323-7914**.

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact

• Birth and Beyond • (331/444-5433),

• The Gabriel Project • (800/910-0191),

or • San Juan Diego Centro por la Vida • at St. Francis (650/322-2152).

FROM THE HOLY SEE

Each month His Holiness asks for prayer intentions.
For **June 2026**, the Holy Father's intention is:

Intention: *For The Values Of Sports*

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



DID YOU KNOW?

ON-GOING PRAYER GROUPS AND DEVOTIONS

WEEKDAY MORNING ROSARY

A group meets every morning (**Mon-Fri**) in the church to pray the rosary at **08:00 AM**. They have been practicing this devotion since the 1970s. Perhaps you'd like to join them!

EVERY MONDAY AT 07:00 PM ...

Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group meets for Rosary and the latest message from Medjugorje, now approved by the Vatican. All are welcome (in the **Guadalupe Room**).

CENACLES OF LIFE PRAYER GROUP

After the **05:30 PM** mass on **Tuesdays**, the *Nativity Cenacles of Life Prayer Group* pray two rosaries for the protection of all life and for the protection of religious liberty in the Church. They pray a decade or two in different languages. They welcome and enjoy this addition to their prayer; please come and join the group.

FRIDAY EVENING ROSARY

A group meets at **07:30 PM** every **Friday** at Vallombrosa, year-round at the Lourdes shrine, to pray the rosary. They have been practicing this devotion for 5 years. All are invited to join.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Men have been meeting every week for the last 16 years to pray together and share experiences in spiritual growth. We meet at **06:15 AM** on **Saturdays** in the O'Hare (Parish) Center in back of the church. It has been a time of grace and strength for everyone who attends. You are welcome to join us. For questions, call **Deacon Dominick Peloso: 650/269-6279**

EVERY FIRST TUESDAY AT 07:00 PM ...

A **Spanish-language** prayer group, *Our Lady Queen of Peace*, meets for the Rosary and the latest message from Medjugorje. All are welcome in the Guadalupe Room. For more information, call **Aurora Abramson at 650/400-8911**.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY AT 05:30 PM ...

An evening of adoration, prayer and reflection with *Our Lady Queen of Peace* starting at **05:30 PM** Mass followed at **06:00-08:00 PM** rosary, music, meditation and closing with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome. (in the church).

CALENDAR OF NOVENAS

14 JUN (SUN)

15 JUN (MON)

16 JUN (TUE)

17 JUN (WED)

18 JUN (THU)

19 JUN (FRI)

20 JUN (SAT) FIRST Day: Saints Peter and Paul

21 JUN (SUN) SECOND Day: Saints Peter and Paul

22 JUN (MON) THIRD Day: Saints Peter and Paul

23 JUN (TUE) FOURTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul

24 JUN (WED) FIFTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul

25 JUN (THU) SIXTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul

26 JUN (FRI) SEVENTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul

27 JUN (SAT) EIGHTH Day: Saints Peter and Paul

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena to Saints Peter and Paul:

op54rosary.ning.com/events/novena-to-ss-peter-and-paul

OTHER NOVENA PRAYERS

Infant Jesus of Prague (nine-hour):

www.ewtn.com/library/PRAYER/PRAGNOV.TXT

St. Therese "24 Glory Be's" Novena:

www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/24_glory.htm

Novena for Priests:

www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/novena/priests.htm

Effacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

www.ewtn.com/devotionals/heart/sh_novena.htm

BOOKLET: PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR THE WORLD

The *Praying the Rosary for the World: God's Power is in our Hands When We Pray the Rosary* booklet was compiled by the **Cloistered Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery** in Menlo Park. It includes a prayer for each mystery of the Rosary, and a special intention for each "Hail, Mary" related to the mystery being said.



Using this booklet while saying the Rosary will not only be helpful to you, but also for the world. You may purchase these booklets in the parish office during regular office hours, **Monday-Friday, 09:00 AM-04:00 PM**. The booklets are **\$2.00** apiece. All money will go directly to Corpus Christi Monastery.

ST. CLARE'S RETREAT EVENTS

St. Clare's Silent Retreat

Sisters and Lay Women's 8-day Silent Retreat

Retreat Master: **Fr. Jim Sullivan**

26 JUN - 03 JUL 2026

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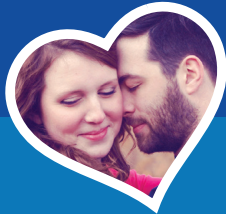
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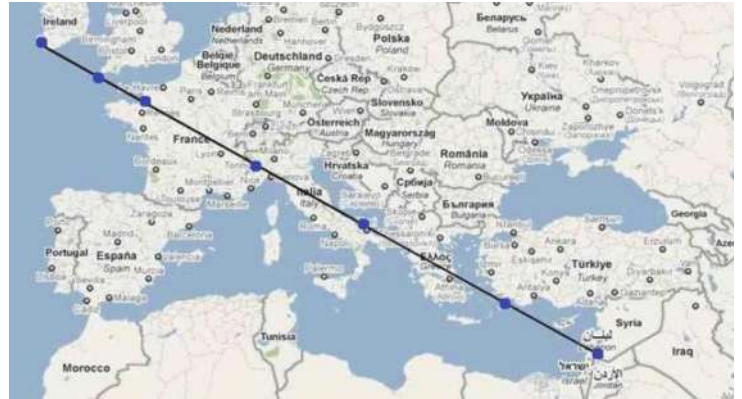
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DID YOU KNOW?

Seven sanctuaries dedicated to **Saint Michael the Archangel** are geographically connected by an absolutely-straight line? This line is referred to in legend as "*The Sword of Saint Michael*" or "*The Sacred Line of Saint Michael the Archangel*" and is said to be the mark upon the earth where his sword smote Satan into Hell.



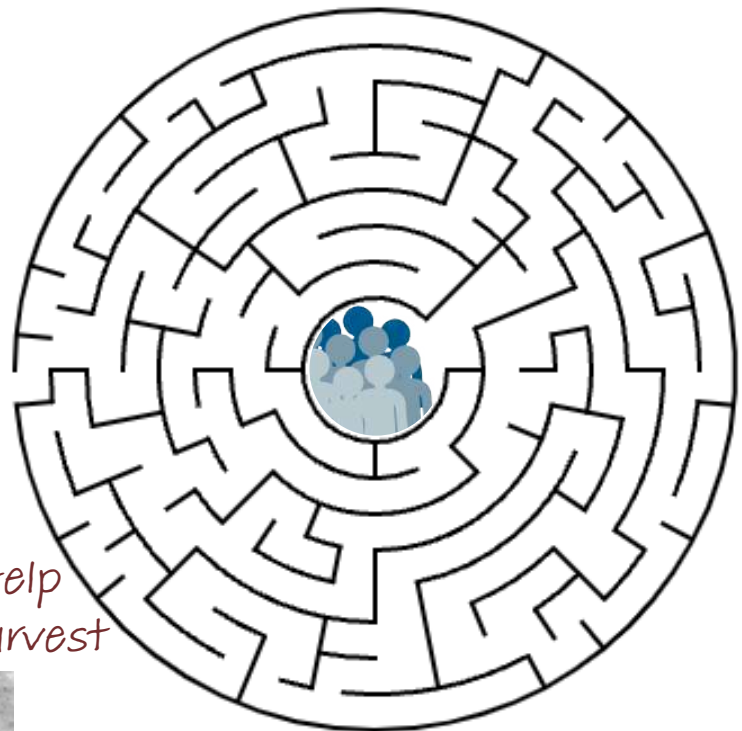
These seven monasteries stretch from Ireland to Israel. It is surprising how well these sanctuaries are aligned. The details of such alignment are astonishing: the three most important sites, **Mont Saint Michel** in France; the **Sacra of San Miguel** in Val de Susa; and the **Sanctuary of Monte Sant'Angelo** in the Gargano are all the same distance one from the other. Some say this is a reminder from the Holy Archangel: the faithful are expected to be righteous, walking the *straight path*.

If all this was not surprising enough, the Sacred Line also is perfectly aligned with the sunset on the day of the Northern Hemisphere's Summer Solstice.

Read the original article at:
<https://tinyurl.com/stMichaelLine>



By the way...the first monastery in the line is **Skellig Michael** in Ireland, on a deserted island. At least, it was deserted until *Star Wars VII* used it as Luke Skywalker's isolated hermitage!



*Send More
 Workers to Help
 with the Harvest*



PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT
 Our Lord revealed to St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from Purgatory each time it was said.
 "Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."