



St. Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church

180 Harrison Avenue, Sausalito, CA 94965

Sunday, December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 20: For the parishioners of Star of the Sea

Sunday, December 21: RIP - Lucy Frye

Monday, December 22: RIP - Kathleen Edelmuth

Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24: RIP Kathleen Edelmuth

Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25: RIP - Ernest & Helen Medina

Saturday, December 27: RIP - Fredrick (Fritz) Bullman

Sunday, December 28: For the parishioners of Star of the Sea

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

Monday & Wednesday: 5:30PM

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day: 10:00AM

Rosary: Wednesday at 5:10pm

Confession: **Saturday: 3 - 4PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Mill Valley**

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Office Hours

Monday by phone and email: 1:00PM - 5:00PM

Tuesday by phone and email: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Wednesday in-person: 1:00 - 5:00PM

Thursday by phone and email: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Friday: closed

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Marriage: Contact us at least six months before the desired date of the wedding

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Reconciliation is at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

in
Mill Valley

Reconciliation

Saturday, December 20,

3:00-4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Service

Monday, December 22, 7 p.m.

(This is the last scheduled time)



Christmas Mass Schedules for Star of the Sea and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

St. Mary Star of the Sea

Wednesday, December 24th,
Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
at 5:30pm

Thursday, December 25th,
Christmas Day Mass at 9:00am

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Wednesday, December 24th,
Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at 5:30pm
Blessing of the Tree will be at
5:15pm

Thursday, December 25th
Midnight Mass at 12:00am
(midnight)
Morning Mass at 10:30am



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Unknown 8 th century artist, Joseph's Dream, Castelseprio (southeast of Milan), Italy.

Joseph has no lines in Sacred Scripture. We assume he could speak...we do not hear what he has to say. We do get to know his mind. He wants to do what is right according to the Law of Moses, but he is not interested in bringing any harm to Mary: he wants to divorce her quietly rather than subject her to the extreme

of the law – stoning. We also know that he was a man of faith: he believed in God and in doing God's will. In the Bible, dreams are one of the more common ways in which God's revelation comes to mankind. Think of Joseph's namesake, Joseph, the son of Jacob, whose own dreams come to pass, and his ability to understand

them saves the future of Israel. Our Joseph, the man betrothed to Mary, believes in revelation, and he listens to his dream. He does not say anything, he does something: precisely what God's messenger instructed him to do.

We are not so comfortable with revelation or silence. In our anxiety, we talk endlessly, sometimes even in our prayer, making it so that we might never actually experience revelation. Next time you pray, be silent. Listen to

God's endless expressions of love for you and your world, his invitation for you to join him in that love. See where the revelation takes you.

I visited Castelseprio back in 2011 (it was a very complicated journey including busses not running on Sunday and a long walk). And I realize this seems like a strange image, because it is not in very good condition, but I was profoundly moved when I first saw it, for a number of reasons. First, the movement of the

Angel, apparently rushing in and reaching out to touch the mind (or perhaps the heart) of Joseph who is asleep.

The paint loss, for me, reminded me he was asleep. The divine purpose seems clear...the Angel seems to be filled with joy. The painting should not exist...it is painted in a Byzantine style, and yet the figures are three-dimensional in three-dimensional space, painted between 700 and 800...Giotto will finally break that boundary

in the 1300's. Scholars could only connect it to its period by the "Joshua Scroll" in the Vatican Library. How is God reaching out to us as we prepare to celebrate the Incarnation of his Son?

St. Mary Star of the Sea, Pray for Us