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August 03, 2025

REGULAR MASS TIMES

DAILY MASS: 9:00 am FIRST FRIDAY: 7:30 pm Mass Adoration until 10pm SATURDAY: 9:00 am (Vigil) 4:30 pm

(en español) 6:00 pm

SUNDAY: 8:00 am 10:00 am

12:00 pm

(Youth) 5:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

PRIESTS & DEACONS

PASTOR.

Fr. Geoffrey Baraan

PAROCHIAL VICARS

Fr. Salvador Lopez-Ramirez SdeJ.

RETIRED IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Francisco Figueroa-Esquer

DEACONS

Dn. Ben Agustin

OFFICE STAFF:

Aura Mendieta, Business Manager

Teena Posas, Youth Ministry Director

Christine Suarez, Faith Formation & RCIA Director Michael Chio, Music Director Sr. Christine Le, Bookkeeper

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism

4th Saturday of the month call the Parish Office.

Wedding

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months ahead.

Funeral

Call to coordinate with a priest or



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." - Lk 12:20-21

Church Address: 837 Tennent Avenue, Pinole, CA 94564, Parish Office: 2100 Pear Street, Pinole, CA Phone: (510) 741-4900; Fax (510) 724-9185 Monday-Friday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturdays: 2nd, 3rd, & 4th of each month: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM E-mail: contact.sicpinole@gmail.com Visit: https://www.sicpinole.church/ St. Vincent de Paul Assistant 510-691-1813 Saint Joseph School 1961 Plum Street, Pinole, CA Phone: (510) 724-0242 Fax (510) 724-9886 Principal: Natalie Lenz-Acuña Email: nlenz-acuna@csdo.org Visit: www.stjosephpinole.com

Reflections



My dear friends in Christ,

I hope you are enjoying these beautiful summer days!

Though summer often brings a sense of calm, you might think there would not be much happening in our parish community during this season. But not for us. It has been a particularly busy summer. We have celebrated so many important events, from funerals to First Communions and baptisms. This past weekend, we had the privilege of gathering for our Deanery Jubilee Year of Hope Mass with Bishop Michael Barber, joined by priests and faithful from our deanery parishes. And today, we were blessed to welcome Bishop James Thoppi from the Diocese of Kohima, India.

As we continue to live out our faith, it is important to remember that our understanding of it is key to truly celebrating and practicing it. The more deeply we understand our faith, the more meaningful it becomes in our lives.

Today, I would like to share a bit more about the two main types of prayer in our tradition: **Liturgical** and **Devotional**.

Liturgical Prayer

Liturgical prayer is the public worship of the Church. The word "liturgy" itself means "public work" or "service on behalf of the whole people." Unlike personal or private prayer, liturgical prayer is the collective prayer of the assembly, gathered as God's people. In Christian tradition, liturgy is our participation in the "work of God"—specifically, the public worship of God by His Church.

The core of liturgical prayer includes the Mass, the sacraments, and the Divine Office (or Liturgy of the Hours). The Eucharistic celebration, especially the Divine Sacrifice of the Eucharist, is the primary act of worship for Catholics. It is in this act that the "work of our redemption is accomplished." Through liturgy, we offer God praise and thanksgiving.

The Church calls us to "full participation" in this sacred work. As the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* reminds us: "Those who have faith in Christ, when present at this mystery of faith, should not be there as strangers or silent spectators. On the contrary, through an adequate understanding of the rites and prayers, they should take part in the sacred action, conscious of what they are doing."

Every person's participation in the Eucharist is vital; we are not bystanders or secondary participants in the liturgical celebration. Each of us has an important role in the worship of the Church.

Devotional Prayers

Devotional prayers, while not part of the official liturgy, are deeply connected to it. They can be personal or communal practices that enhance our relationship with God. There are two types of devotional prayers:

- 1. Those that extend the sacraments, such as the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
- 2. Those that can be done privately or in groups, such as praying the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, or Novenas.

Though devotional prayers are not part of the liturgy itself, they still hold an important place in our spiritual lives. While liturgical prayer, especially the Eucharist, takes precedence because it is the celebration of the Body of Christ, devotional prayers have the power to strengthen the entire Church. Even in private devotion, the graces we receive flow outward, enriching the Body of Christ.

In Conclusion

Both liturgical and devotional prayers are essential elements of our faith life. Liturgical prayer is the communal expression of worship, but devotional prayer offers a deeply personal connection to God, strengthening our individual spiritual journeys. Together, they form a beautiful balance that nourishes both our community and our personal faith.

May God bless each one of you, and may you find peace in the prayer that connects us all. In Christ's peace,

Fr. Geoffrey

CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT FAITH FORMATION/PARISH EVENTS

FAITH FORMATION

Reminders to the parents of 2nd year Sacramental Preparation: We are open for registrations now, please register your children early to ensure a seat in class. We have limited classrooms this year. We are also appealing to the generosity of parents' time; if you want fulfill service hours, sign up to volunteer as catechist's aide & help your child's class. We are offering Faith formation for grades 1-6 and sacramental preparations program. We also offer Bilingual Classes for Sacramental preparations only. Bilingual classes are held every Wednesday from 4:45pm -6:00pm, English classes are held every Wednesday from 6:30pm -7:45pm. We accept cash, check & now, credit cards. Registration fee is \$100. Per child, \$160.00 for 2 kids \$160.00 and \$180.for 3 or more kids

We will begin the year with a Family Mass for all students, parents/guardians on Saturday, September 13, Saturday at 4:30PM. All catechists will be commissioned at the mass. Regular classes; will begin Wednesday September 17, with an Orientation for parents & students. Have a great summer! But don't forget to go to church on Sundays. "God does not take a vacation."

YOUTH MINISTRY & CONFIRMATION

REGISTRATIONS & Start Dates for Grades 7 to

- ** 2025-2026 Registrations are OPEN and will CLOSE when classes begin - For families with returning, continuing or new students rising to grades 7 to high school, our Registration Packets are now available at the Parish Center during office hours and in PDF format, online at https://campsite.bio/ymsjcpinole. For questions, please contact Teena Posas, our parish Youth Ministry Director, at 510-741-4900 extension 1010 or by email at tp.sjcpinole@gmail.com.
- ** CLASS for 7th and 8th graders This class is for rising 7th & 8th graders who have never had spiritual formation, who are continuing with their next grade for spiritual formation, or coming for their first year for sacrament preparation. This class begins in September 2025, meets on Wednesdays and ends in May 2026. The MANDATORY first meeting for students and parents in THIS CLASS is September 24, in the church. Specific information is in our Registration Packets.
- ** YOUTH FIRST COMMUNION (2nd year, 7th

grade and older) - This is the second year class for rising 7th to 12th graders who completed their first year in spiritual formation (2024-2025) and would like to prepare for first communion. This class begins in September 2025, meets on Wednesdays and ends in May 2026. Students who complete the requirements for the second year may receive First Communion in the spring of 2026.

** YOUTH MINISTRY (1st yr, 9th to 12th grade) -

The St. Joseph Parish Confirmation Program is a two year preparation process. The earliest that a teenager can begin the two year preparation process is 9th grade. His/her first year is called Youth Ministry. This class begins in September 2025, meets on Mondays and ends in May 2026. Students who complete the requirements for the first year are invited in May 2026 to enroll for the second year for the Confirmation class. Students who complete the requirements for the second year may receive Confirmation in the spring of 2027. The MAN-DATORY first meeting for students and parents in THIS CLASS is September 15, in the church. Specific information is in our Registration Packets.

** CONFIRMATION (2nd yr, 10th to 12th grade) -

The appointments for 2024-2025 Youth Ministry families to register for their second year are closing. Please prepare everything that needs to be turned in at your appointment. This is the second year class for teens rising to 10th to 12th grade who completed their first year in Youth Ministry. This class begins in September 2025 and meets on Sundays. Students who complete the requirements for the second year may receive Confirmation in the spring of 2026. The MANDATORY first meeting for students and parents in THIS CLASS is September 14, in the parish school gym.

RCIA:

Mew group program will start Aug. 16 with Orientation at the Parish Hall from 10:00am-11:30am. If you are interested in completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion & confirmation, and would like to register for the program, please pick up a form from the main parish office, we are open from 10:00am-4:00pm M-F. For questions regarding Faith Formation or RCIA please call Christine Suarez, Director of Faith Formation & RCIA.at (510) 471-4900

WEEKLY PRAYER

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart

with which he has labored under the sun? (Eccl 2:22)

Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90)

Second Reading: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel: Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." (Lk 12:21)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 03, 2025

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23 Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS & FAMILIES

Air Force- Gino Dela Rosa, Niko Dela Rosa, Jenna Keomany, Maxine Lucas, Alan Serrano, Chris Trias, Julian Trias

Army- Angel Caliz, Shawn Bets Chart, Andrew Fontejon, Darryl Jason Garcia, Jack Moneymaker, Justine RB Sangui, Benjamin

Serrano, Army Branch, Darren Espeleta

Coast Guard- Meagan Toomey

Navy-Terrence Bauer, Austin Bressler, Leslie Lag Damen, Carlo Evangelista, Dean Trias, Jasmin Trias

National Guard- Rebecca Sabatini,

Marines- Carlos Aguilera, Richard Antonucci, Joseph Belman, Julian Chan, Carlo Spampinato, Pedro Mazar Egos, Jacob Rudis

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ron Acuna, Sally Aguilera, Virginia P. Alday, Jeannette Alm, Harper Ananyev, Dan Aquino, Joseph Avalos, Kristal Librato Baughn, Gil Bautista, William Black, Larry Burkhart, Diane Butson, Dennis Chattell, Pamela Chong, Laura Corona, Kevin Coughlin, Patria & Manolito Crizaldo, Erin Curry, Ludelia Datlag,



MASS INTENTION

Saturday, August 2, 2025

9:00am Zoyla Grace (Healing)

Ma. Monica B. Dean Dizon

4:30pm Maria Davi ♥ 6:00pm Modesta Blanco ♥

Sunday, August 3, 2025

8:00am Parishioners of St. Joseph 10:00am Feliza & Vicente Suguitan

12:00pm Matlde David ♥

5:00pm Joseph & Nedra Dezylva

Monday, August 4, 2025

9:00am Luis Frausto (Healing)

Claire Catherine Hamoy Dixon

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

9:00am Nemesio S. Dela Cruz, Jr. (Birthday)

Luisito Gudani 🕈

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

9:00am Lily Estepa V

Estella Corona (Health)

Thursday, August 7, 2025

9:00am Lauren A. Taylor (Birthday)

Dorothy Penquite 🕆

Friday, August 8, 2025

9:00am Robert G.Chevis (Birthday)

Betty Dover 🕈

Saturday, August 9, 2025

9:00am Aurora Sandoc (Birthday)

Delfin G. Plamenco 🕈

4:30pm Jovita Atencion (Birthday)

6:00pm Aurora Benitz ♥



What is Happening at St. Joseph School



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Worldwide Marriage Encounter August 9-10, 2025

"Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." Are you trustworthy in the care of your spouse? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences are August 22-24 in Sonora, Sept. 19-21 in San Juan Bautista, Nov. 14-16 in Danville. Go to https://wwme.org/ to apply for the Experience that works for you!

ST. JOSEPH VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers must have a current Safe Environment Certificate on file in the office. If you have not done Virtus before or need to renew go to VirtusOnline.org to fulfill this requirement. If you need to confirm the renewal of your Virtus certification or please email Aura at am.sjcpinole@gmail.com.

WEEKLY CONTENT

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 03, 2025

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. John Vianney, Priest

Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary

Major

Wednesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord Thursday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions,

Matyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest Friday: St. Dominic, Priest

Saturday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and

Martyr

LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA DEL 03 DE AGOSTO DE 2025

Domingo: 18º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Lunes: San Juan María Vianney, sacerdote

Martes: La dedicación de la basílica de Santa María la

Mayor

Miércoles: La transfiguración de Jesús

Jueves: San Sixto II, papa, y compañeros, mártires; San

Cayetano, sacerdote

Viernes: San Domingo, sacerdote

Sábado: Santa Teresa Benedicta de la Cruz, virgen y

márti

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

<u>VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA</u> <u>SEMANA</u>

Jesús nos advierte que en cualquier momento podemos ser llamados ante Dios para enfrentar el juicio. Cuando lo seamos, nuestra vida no se medirá en dólares o logros, sino en lo que le importa a Dios. ¿Qué tenemos que mostrar por el tiempo que pasamos en la Tierra?

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Watching Mass on TV

Question:

Does watching Mass on TV fulfill my Sunday obligation?

Answer:

In the age of instant communication, email, voice mail and teleconferencing, many people wonder if these media of communication can be used for sacraments. Many priests, I am sure, have had people ask about going to confession on the phone. While it may seem like a convenient way to do things, there are many reasons why we don't.



Watching the Mass on television can be a good thing, especially for those who are shut-in. But it really doesn't fulfill our obligation. The obligation to attend Mass is more than just simply listening to the Mass or following the prayers and the readings. Gathering together as a community of faith is important. Sacraments are community events where we encounter God and one another. When we gather together, we are most visibly the Church, the Body of Christ. Besides, television is a one-way medium. It allows us to watch without really being able to give a response. In faith, our response is as important as anything that we hear. We need to take an active part in the religious expression of our community.

¿POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? - VIDA CATÓLI-CA EXPLICADA

Ver la Misa en la Televisión

Pregunta:

¿Ver la misa en la televisión cumple con mi obligación dominical?

Respuesta:

En la era de la comunicación instantánea, el correo electrónico, el correo de voz y las teleconferencias, muchas personas se preguntan si estos medios de comunicación se pueden utilizar para los sacramentos. Por seguro que muchos sacerdotes han tenido personas que han preguntado sobre confesarse por teléfono. Si bien puede parecer una forma conveniente de hacer las cosas, hay muchas razones por las que no lo hacemos.

Ver la misa en la televisión puede ser algo bueno, especialmente para aquellos que están encerrados. Pero realmente no cumple con nuestra obligación. La obligación de asistir a Misa es algo más que simplemente escuchar la Misa o seguir las oraciones y las lecturas. Es importante reunirse como una comunidad de fe. Los sacramentos son eventos comunitarios en los que nos encontramos con Dios y con los demás. Cuando nos reunimos, somos más visiblemente la Iglesia, el Cuerpo de Cristo. Además, la televisión es un medio unidireccional. Nos permite mirar sin poder realmente dar una respuesta. En la fe, nuestra respuesta es tan importante como cualquier cosa que escuchemos. Necesitamos tomar parte activa en la expresión religiosa de nuestra comunidad.

Hot Summer Nights

FOOD ENTERTAINMENT MUSIC

Friday, August 15 5PM-8PM

St. Joseph Church 837 Tennent Ave. Pinole (Church Parking Lot Fernandez side)

CURSILLO WEEKEND

Looking to deepen your faith?

Have you experienced a Cursillo weekend? It's a great way to accomplish that goal.



Liturgies



Talks



Music



Sacraments



Food



Fellowship

Men's Weekend - Thursday evening, Sept. 11 through Sunday afternoon, Sept. 14 Women's Weekend - Thursday evening, Sept. 18 through Sunday afternoon, Sept. 21 Weekends will be held at St. Elizabeth Seton, Pleasanton.

Sat, Sept. 27, 4th Day Gathering for all 2-4PM, Corpus Christi, Piedmont

For more info, contact anyone you know who has already made a Cursillo weekend, or Nita Volker at nitavolker@hotmail.com or 925-984-7980. Pre-registration is required.

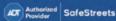


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