

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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July 27, 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



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8

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Dear Friends in Christ,

This coming Saturday, August 2, 2025, at 10:00 AM, we have the great joy of welcoming Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ, our Bishop, as he presides over our Deanery Jubilee Year of Hope Mass here at St. Joseph's!

This is a special and meaningful occasion that brings together the faithful from across our Deanery — including St. Rose in Crockett, St. Patrick in Rodeo, St. Paul in San Pablo, St. Callistus in El Sobrante, and of course, our own parish community here at St. Joseph.

I am truly excited to welcome not only our brothers and sisters from these neighboring parishes, but also their pastors and priests, who will join us in this sacred celebration of unity and hope.

Please join me in extending a warm and joyful welcome to all who will be visiting. Let us show them the gracious hospitality for which our community is known. As we continue our journey through the Jubilee Year of Hope, proclaimed by Pope Francis, we are invited to pause, reflect, and renew our hearts in the light of God's enduring promise. This Jubilee is more than a celebration — it is a sacred invitation to rediscover hope: a hope not rooted in passing circumstances, but in the unshakable love of Christ.

In a world so often marked by division, uncertainty, and hardship, Pope Leo said that hope must become our anchor. He added that no situation is beyond redemption, no person is beyond grace, and no darkness can overcome the light of faith. Let this year be a time of reconciliation — with God, with one another, and within ourselves. May we be inspired to live compassionately, seek justice, forgive freely, and embrace the joy of the Gospel.

Together, let us become builders of bridges, messengers of peace, and beacons of hope in our communities.

I look forward to celebrating this joyous occasion with all of you on Saturday, August 2. Following the Mass, we will gather for a light reception, a time to share fellowship and joy as one body in Christ.

In Christ's peace and hope,
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 for Grades 7 to 12:

**** 2025-2026 Registrations are OPEN** - 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. 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 Sep-

tember 2025 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. 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.

**** PRAYER REQUEST from Emmaus Peer Ministry**

- Our fifteen teens and young adults in Emmaus thank everyone who supported the fundraisers with popcorn orders and at Panda Express, which lowered the cost of their individual retreat fees. We will be on retreat on July 26-27 in San Anselmo. This is the first time since summer of 2019 that we are able to take our group away from the parish for this annual retreat. We are thankful for the families who are volunteering to bring food for our two meals there, and for Fr. Geoffrey who is going to offer Mass for our team. Please pray for our young people to have their faith grow stronger, as they prepare to spread the Good News to their peers in the Youth Ministry program.

WEEKLY PRAYER

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike! Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" (Gn 18:25)

Psalms: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)

Second Reading: You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God. (Col 2:12)

Gospel: "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Lk 11:9)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

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 Money-maker, 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, Virgilio de la Vega, Marietta Domingo, Denise Elias, Elizabeth Espanola, Aurora Fronda, Flor Gonzalez, Alexandra Gorgoletis, Elam & Claire Goundar, Alicia Guzman, Ceretta Morgan Hardin, Bill Harper, Michael Edward Rossi, Jeff M. Ibrahim, Joe Knoblauch, Tony Lagasca, Jack Lam, Ethan Benjamin Layne, Paulette Lemmon, Xavier Manga Lindan, Antonio Lopez, Joseph Magaoay, Imelda F. Magat, Nida Monzon, Jaime Ocampo, Ruby Ochoa, Severina Olivito, Claudette Peters, Jenna Peters, Maria Isabal Perez, Leticia F. Poblete, Patricia Rangel, Connie Ibara Ramirez, Deborah Reyna, Jim Richards, Flo Rodich, Lee Rondeau, Edwin Salgado, Lolita Santos, Romeo Santos, Leo Sendaydiego, Helene Staniszewski, Tim & Tom Taliaferro, Bernard F. & Abraham S. Trinidad, Joseph S. Trinidad, Jeffrey Tayag, Yolanda Tayag, Mike Ward, Joy Wi, Peter Wongworavit

MASS INTENTION

Saturday, July 26, 2025

9:00am Aurelio Y Teresa Velasco
(Wedding Anniversary)

Maria Roma Mirandille ✝

4:30pm Pat Hedstrom ✝

6:00pm Parishioners of St. Joseph

Sunday, July 27, 2025

8:00am Jason Determan ✝

10:00am Jennifer Jimenez (Birthday)

12:00pm Maya Jordan Camagong (Birthday)

5:00pm Benjamin H. Barragan ✝

Monday, July 28, 2025,

9:00am Zenaida Gonzalez ✝

Victor Gubatina ✝

Tuesday, July 29, 2025

9:00am James Cueva ✝

Stanko Kaleb ✝

Wednesday, July 30, 2025

9:00am Salvador Gomez ✝

Michael Escoto ✝

Thursday, July 31, 2025

9:00am Clara Tipp ✝

Ayoub Younis ✝

Friday, August 1, 2025

9:00am Luis Concepcion ✝

Zenaida Viduya ✝

7:30pm Teresa Jimenez ✝

Saturday, August 2, 2025

9:00am Zoyla Grace (Healing)

Ma. Monica B. Dean Dizon

4:30pm Maria Davi ✝

6:00pm Modesta Blanco ✝

PARISH, DIOCESAN & OTHER EVENTS/FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP



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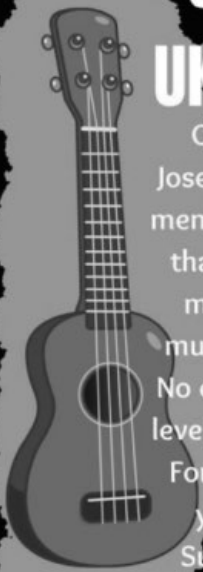
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ST. JOSEPH UKULELE CLUB

Come play with the St. Joseph Ukulele Club. We are members of your community that meet a few times per month to learn and play music from several genres. No experience necessary. All levels and ages are welcome. For more information text your email to Rommel Suratos (707) 646-1418.



SUNDAY COLLECTION

JULY 12 & 13

Sunday \$ 13,170

Religious Faith Formation \$1,211



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- Safety. In times when there are concerns about exposure to disease or spreading of a virus, Online Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Whether you are attending weekly service at the church or worshipping at home, your vital support can still happen regardless of where you are.
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Worldwide Marriage Encounter

August 2-3, 2025

Don't store up earthly riches, put God first in your marriage. Participate in an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on 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 JULY 27, 2025

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Wednesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Friday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA DEL 27 DE JULIO DE 2025

Domingo: 17º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Martes: Santa Marta, María, y Lázaro

Miércoles: San Pedro Crisólogo, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

Jueves: San Ignacio de Loyola, sacerdote

Viernes: San Alfonso María de Ligorio, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

Sábado: San Eusebio de Vercelli, obispo; San Pedro Julián Eymard, sacerdote

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Lord, teach us to pray." The disciples are asking how to approach God, how to communicate with Him. Jesus' answer? Have no fear, and have no embarrassment. God waits at the door. Knock. The conversation is yours to start.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

"Señor, enséñanos a orar". Los discípulos preguntan cómo acercarse a Dios, cómo comunicarse con Él. ¿La respuesta de Jesús? No tengan miedo y no tengan vergüenza. Dios espera a la puerta. Llama. La conversación es tuya para comenzar.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Weddings

Question:

This time of year, I attend a lot of weddings. Why do Catholic weddings need to take place in a church?

Answer:

Technically, there is a clause in Church law that could allow for weddings to take place outside of a church, in a suitable space under special circumstances, but it requires the rare permission of the bishop. But the meaning of marriage goes very, very deep, and the Church

has a vested interest in protecting that meaning. As Catholics, we don't see a wedding as an event that needs a pleasing backdrop.



Marriage is a sacrament, both an occasion of joyful promise and symbolic solemnity. It is a spiritual event. The loving bond of marriage symbolizes the mystical union between Christ and his Church. The man and woman profess lifelong vows of fidelity, and they receive supernatural grace from God to keep their promises. Receiving the sacrament of Marriage in a church has broader symbolic meaning for the couple as well. Marriage isn't simply two people in isolation from the world around them. Marriage is the joining of families and the beginning of a new, holy mission in the life of the couple. Weddings are sacred occasions, and it's fitting that they occur in sacred spaces.

¿POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? - VIDA CATÓLICA EXPLICADA

Bodas

Pregunta:

En esta época del año, asisto a muchas bodas. ¿Por qué las bodas católicas deben celebrarse en una iglesia?

Respuesta:

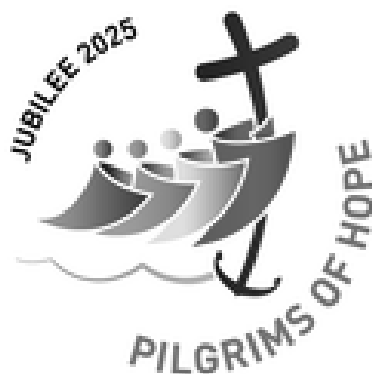
Técnicamente, hay una cláusula en la ley eclesiástica que podría permitir que las bodas se celebren fuera de una iglesia, en un espacio adecuado en circunstancias especiales, pero requiere el raro permiso del obispo. Pero el significado del matrimonio es muy, muy profundo, y la Iglesia tiene un interés personal en proteger ese significado. Como católicos, no vemos una boda como un evento que necesita un telón de fondo agradable.

El matrimonio es un sacramento, a la vez una ocasión de gozosa promesa y de simbólica solemnidad. Es un evento espiritual. El vínculo de amor del matrimonio simboliza la unión mística entre Cristo y su Iglesia. El hombre y la mujer profesan votos de fidelidad de por vida, y reciben la gracia sobrenatural de Dios para cumplir sus promesas. Recibir el sacramento del matrimonio en una iglesia también tiene un significado simbólico más amplio para la pareja. El matrimonio no es simplemente dos personas aisladas del mundo que las rodea. El matrimonio es la unión de familias y el comienzo de una nueva y santa misión en la vida de la pareja. Las bodas son ocasiones sagradas, y es apropiado que ocurran en espacios sagrados.

DEANERY

Jubilee Year of Hope Mass

Sat | Aug 2 | 10:00am



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CURSILLO WEEKEND

Looking to deepen your faith?

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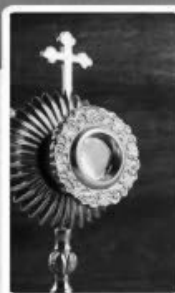
Liturgies



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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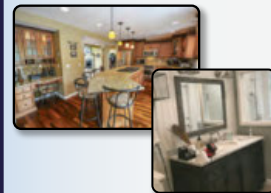


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