

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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May 24, 2026

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

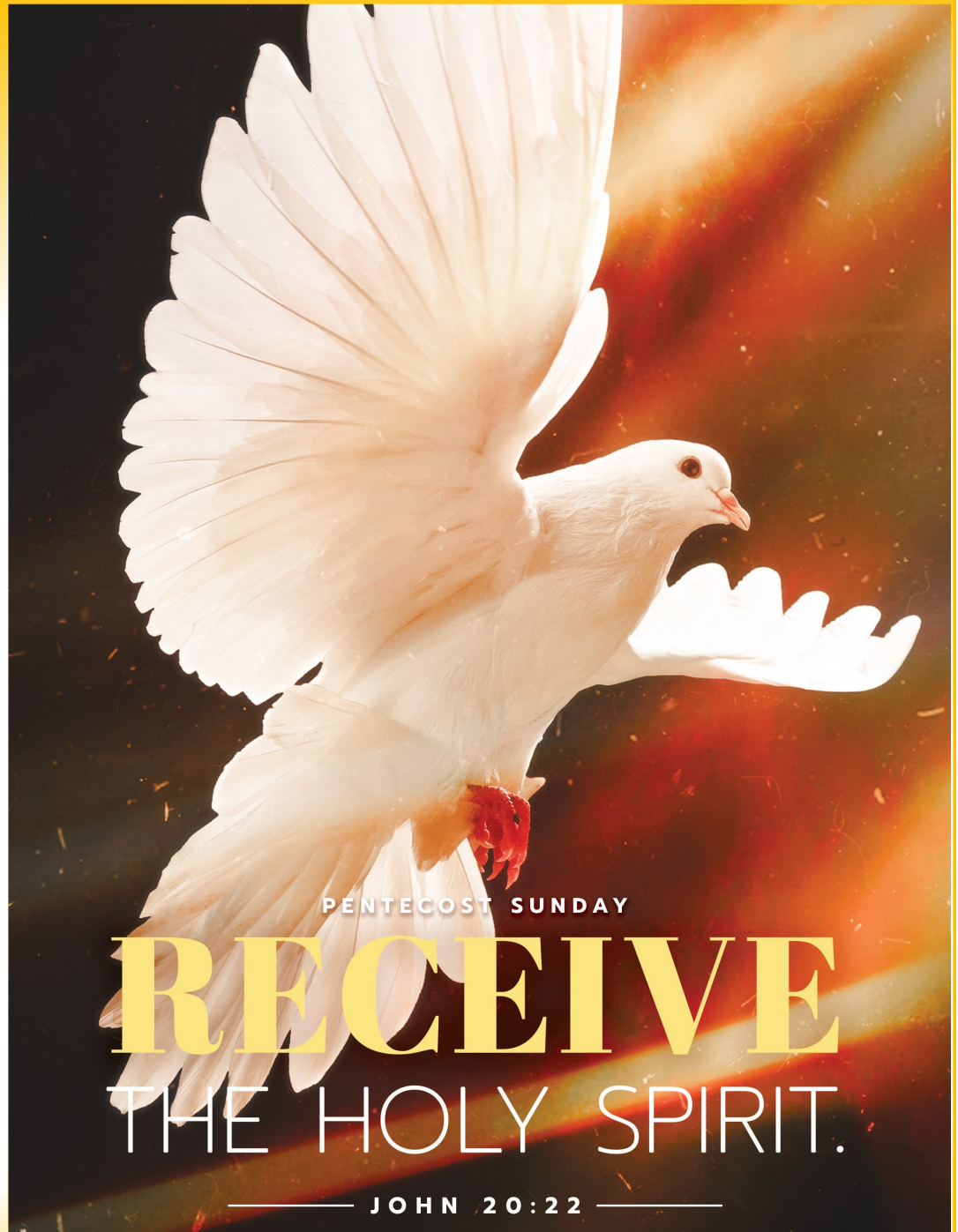
4th Saturday of the month call
the Parish Office.

Wedding

Call the Parish Office at least 6
months ahead.

Funeral

Call to coordinate with the staff.



The office will be closed on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, May 26.

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My dear friends in Christ,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost—the day the Church was born through the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel, Jesus breathes upon the Apostles His gift of love and life—the Holy Spirit.

In the Acts of the Apostles, the Holy Spirit descends like a mighty wind from heaven. Suddenly, this confused and fearful group of disciples is transformed into courageous witnesses of Christ. The Apostles, once uncertain and afraid, become united as one body of believers—the Church, the visible Body of Christ in the world. For this reason, Pentecost is rightly called the birthday of the Church.

In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit came upon the prophets at special moments. But on Pentecost, the Spirit comes in fullness upon all who follow Christ, forming them into God's new and holy people. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church beautifully teaches:

“The mission of Christ and the Holy Spirit is brought to completion in the Church, which is the Body of Christ and the Temple of the Holy Spirit... The Spirit manifests the risen Lord to them, recalls His word to them and opens their minds to the understanding of His death and Resurrection... in order to reconcile them, to bring them into communion with God, that they may bear much fruit.”

Today, that same Holy Spirit continues to come upon us in fullness.

After the death of Jesus, the Apostles were overwhelmed by fear and despair. They locked themselves in the Upper Room, afraid and uncertain about the future. They felt powerless and helpless. Yet the coming of the Holy Spirit changed everything. The Spirit gave them courage to unlock the doors of fear and step out in faith to proclaim the Good News.

The gift of Pentecost continues to transform us today. The Holy Spirit frees us from isolation, fear, and hopelessness. The Spirit calls us to become witnesses of the risen Christ—to bring hope in times of despair, light in moments of darkness, and joy in times of sadness. Every act of love we offer, every service we give, every talent we share, and every faithful step we take is the work of the Holy Spirit alive within us.

There is no doubt that our parish has experienced the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit continues to move among us, leading us into new beginnings and opening doors to fresh possibilities. Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, our community has become a visible sign of life and hope, especially for the poor and those in need through the ministry of St. Vincent de Paul.

Let us rejoice and be glad on this blessed day. May the fire of the Holy Spirit continue to renew our hearts, our families, and our parish community.

Again, **Happy Birthday, Church!**

Your servant in Christ, Fr. Geoffrey

CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT FAITH FORMATION/PARISH EVENTS



CONFIRMATION

THIS WEEK for Grades 7 to 12

For questions, contact Teena Posas - Youth Ministry Director at 510-741-

4900 ext. 1010 or by email tp.sjcpinole@gmail.com.

**** BLESSING OF GRADUATES, Sunday June 14 -**

We invite graduates from high school, college - bachelor's, master's degrees and etc., and those promoted from 8th grade to come with your families on June 14 for the annual blessing of graduates and distribution of prayer cards at the 5:00 PM Mass on Sunday June 14. You are welcome to wear your gowns or school colors to Mass. The blessing will take place towards the end of Mass.

**** MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY (7th & 8th gr)**

- Registration for the 2026-2027 class will open in July for returning and new students. Enrollment is not automatic for current or returning students. Class starts in September; enrollment will close when classes begin.

**** YOUTH FIRST COMMUNION (2nd yr, 7th gr and up)** - The last gathering for YFC students will be at the Parish Center (2100 Pear St., Pinole) on Wednesday, May 20 from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. Questions, please contact Ms. Cecilia. NOTE: Registration for the 2026-2027 class will open in July for returning students. Enrollment is not automatic for current or returning students. Class starts in September; enrollment will close when classes begin.

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

The Confirmation registration meetings for current families continuing into the second year took place on May 4 and May 11. Please remember when your registration appointment is. If you missed the meeting, please contact the Youth Ministry Director as soon as possible. NOTE; Registration for the 2026-2027 Youth Ministry class will open in July for returning and new students. Class starts in September; enrollment will close when classes begin.

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

Congratulations to our candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 14. Our last class gathering is a potluck on Sunday, May 31 from 2:30 to 4:00 PM. Your teachers will contact you on what items to bring for this gathering. Blessings and certificates will

take place towards the end of the gathering. Families attend the weekend Mass of their choice. Questions, contact your teachers as soon as possible.



GRIEF SUPPORT

An Evening with Wanda & Jonathan It is on Tuesday evening from 7pm to 8pm. It is a peer ministry and drop in session.

That means that we are group of people sharing our experience of grief along with each other. Being a drop in session means you can come when you can if you are not able to make it one week that's okay. You can come the next week or when you can. Here is the link there is no password necessary. If you would like to reach out to

Wanda: wandatziemba@gmail.com or

Jonathan: Jonathan.lisowski@gmail.com

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ccsf-edu.zoom.us/j/85965778722>

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.



And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Let the Holy Spirit

infuse your marriage with increased trust and intimacy by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on July 10-12, 2026 in Danville CA, August 21-23, 2026 in Modesto.CA or September 18-20, 2026 in San Juan Bautista, CA. Go to wwme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you!

WEEKLY PRAYER

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 2:3-4)

Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104)

Or Alleluia.

Second Reading: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. (1 Cor 12:12)

Gospel: Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

MAY 24, 2026

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52

Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS & FAMILIES

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

Army- Angel Caliz, Andrew Fontejon, Darryl Jason Garcia, Jack Money maker, Jorge Rodriguez, Justine RB Sangui, Benjamin Serrano, Darren Espeleta

Coast Guard- Meagan Toomey

Navy- Terrence Bauer, Austin Bressler, Leslie Lag Damen, Christopher Dolan, Dean Trias, Jasmin Trias

National Guard- Rebecca Sabatini,

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ron Acuna, Virginia P. Alday, Harper Ananyev, Dan Aquino, Joseph Avalos, Kristal Librato Baughn, Gil Bautista, William Black, Larry Burkhart, David Cardwell, Dennis Chattell, Laura Corona, Kevin



Coughlin, Patria & Manolito Crizaldo, Zenaida Cuizon, Erin Curry, Ludelia Datlag, Virgilio de la Vega, Marietta Domingo, Denise Elias, Elizabeth Espanola, Aurora Fronda, Mary Ellen Gillis, Flor Gonzalez, Alexandra Gorgoletis, Elam & Claire Goundar, Alicia Guzman, Ceretta Morgan Hardin, Bill Harper, Nancy Holiday, Lauren Kizer, Jeff M. Ibrahim, Tony Lagasca, Jack Lam, Jerin Lazaro, Palette Lemmon, Xavier Manga Lindan, Antonio Lopez, Rich & Marcela Kral, Joseph Magaoay, Imelda F. Magat, Flor Malicsi, Nida Monzon, Joel P. Munoz, Melani P. Munoz, Jaime Ocampo, Ruby Ochoa, Severina Olivito, Claudette Peters, Jenna Peters, Maria Isabel Perez, Leticia F. Poblete, Dioscora Quimio, Patricia Rangel, Connie Ibara Ramirez, Jim Richards, Flo Rodich, Leopoldo Rodriguez, Lee Rondeau, Michael Edward Rossi, Edwin Salgado, Romeo Santos, Leo Sendaydiego, Helene Staniszewski, Tim & Tom Taliaferro, Boris Tobar, Bernard F. & Abraham S. Trinidad, Joseph S. Trinidad, Jeffrey & Yolanda Tayag, Joy Wi, Peter Wongworavit, Lawrence Young

MASS INTENTION

Saturday, May 23, 2026

9:00AM Louis Mandriguez †

Clemen Cabacoy †

4:30PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

5:00PM Francisco Rojas & Julia Tamayo †

Sunday, May 24, 2026

8:00AM Marciana Cuyno- Tremor

10:00AM Richard Parker

12:00PM Ibrahim Kawa †

5:00PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

Monday, May 25, 2026

9:00AM Emmanuel Hoang Thanh †

Antonio Spampinato †

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

9:00AM Tony Spampinato †

Erick Weinstein †

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

9:00AM Carol Bautista Birthday

Antonio Spampinato †

Thursday, May 28, 2026

9:00AM Beatriz Yamang †

Rosalina Victorio †

Friday, May 29, 2026

9:00AM Carmen & Augusto †

George Tipp †

Saturday, May 30, 2026

9:00AM Isabela Sabado †

Josedel C. Andrada †

4:30PM Melva Santos †

6:00PM Parishioners of St. Joseph



St. Joseph School
Learning through Faith, Service, and Community

What is Happening at St. Joseph School

At Parents and special friends viewed a collection of student work in all types of writing genre. Parents came to an open house type atmosphere where they could speak to the authors about their work, enjoy hor d'oeuvres and get the autographs of the authors. Last Friday we practiced our Emergency Safety Plan where we imagined a large disaster such as a major earthquake. We evacuated the building communicated frequently with parents and asked all parents/guardians to pick up each student with an I.D. to ensure parents and students were reunited safely. This allowed staff to evaluate what we needed to change to do better during this urgent situation. Our 4th, 5th, 6th and 8th grade Girl's Basketball made it to the Diocesan Playoff games last weekend. We are so proud of them.



Applications for the 2026-2027 School year at St. Joseph School is now open for Preschool, Junior Kindergarten, Kindergarten through 8th grades. **Encouraging enrollment in Preschool, Kindergarten**

through grades 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th

Tell your friends and family about the wonderful school that teaches learning with heart, mind and spirit.

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Check out our website for the latest happenings at the school at

stjosephpinole.org and [https://](https://www.facebook.com/StJosephSchoolPinole/)

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SUNDAY COLLECTION

MAY 2 & 3

SUNDAY \$ 18,026

BUILDING FUND \$ 2,235

PARISH COLLECTIONS

This weekend, we will have one collections:

- **1st Collection:** Sunday Stewardship
- Next weekend, there will be two collections:
- **1st Collection:** Sunday Stewardship
 - **2nd Collection:** St. Vincent De Paul

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH GIFT SHOP

We invite you to visit our Gift Shop, which is open every 1st and 3rd Sunday, after all the Masses (7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m, and 11:30 a.m.). We have a nice selection of religious items, including jewelry, rosaries, books, decor, etc. and items for children. We also always have Baptism, 1st Communion (including a few veils and ties) and Confirmation items. We can only accept cash and checks for purchases. All proceeds from this fund raiser allow us to provide needed items for the church.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE

ENCOUNTER

"And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Trust in the Lord that He is in your marriage. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on July 10-12, 2026 in Danville CA, August 21-23, 2026 in Modesto.CA or September 18-20, 2026 in San Juan Bautista, CA. Go to wwme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you!



Encounter the Holy Spirit! - Do you wish you could lead a fulfilling, purposeful life energized by the power of the Holy Spirit? Now you can learn how! The Augustine Institute has produced an excellent 14-episode series of half-hour videos called, "The Wild Goose with Fr. Dave Pivonka" that you can watch for free on their FORMED Catholic streaming channel. Just sign up for your free access at this link: <https://formed.org/subscribe>. Provide your full name, email address, phone number, and in the "Find your Parish or Organization" box type in "St. Joseph Catholic Church, Pinole". Now you have free access to FORMED using your email address!

WEEKLY CONTENT

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10, 2026

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

Monday: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Memorial Day

Tuesday: St. Philip Neri, Priest

Wednesday: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Friday: St. Paul VI, Pope

LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA DEL 17 DE MAYO 2026

Domingo: Domingo de Pentecostés

Lunes: Santísima Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia; Día de los Caídos en Guerra (EEUU)

Martes: San Felipe Neri, sacerdote

Miércoles: San Agustín de Canterbury, obispo

Viernes: San Pablo VI, papa

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Today, Jesus calls the Holy Spirit “the Advocate.” The Latin for lawyer is “advocatus.” Like a lawyer, the Holy Spirit defends us. The Holy Spirit guides us. So, when you’re in trouble, don’t forget: ask for your lawyer, and do what he tells you.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Hoy, Jesús llama al Espíritu Santo “el Defensor”. El latín para abogado es “advocatus”. Como un abogado, el Espíritu Santo nos defiende. El Espíritu Santo nos guía. Así que, cuando tengas problemas, no lo olvides: pide a tu abogado y haz lo que te diga.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Faith

Question:

Someone close to me has left the Church. How should I reach out to them?

Answer:

For many of us, this can be a challenging question. When people we love leave the Church, we may not always know how to relate to them in certain ways. Are some conversation topics off limits? Are there certain behaviors or decisions we can’t support in good conscience? When someone or something is lost, Jesus shows two different attitudes in his parables.

One is *actively seeking*. Don’t give up on this person and their life of faith. Ask them about their spiritual journey. Invite them to spend time with you in faith settings, as appropriate, and outside of them. Continue in relationship with those you love.

The other attitude Jesus shows is *consistent witness in the waiting*. In the parable of the Prodigal Son, the father doesn’t go after the son. He waits for his return.

However, the son knows his father is trustworthy. He remembers his father’s fair treatment of the hired hands and knows it is safe to return, despite all he has done.

Your ability to change someone is quite small. However, you can change yourself. Make sure you consistently treat others with kindness, compassion, and respect. If your loved one wants a deeper conversation, they’ll know you are a person to trust, a place to which they can return.



POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? - VIDA CATÓLICA EXPLICADA

Fe

Pregunta:

Alguien cercano a mí ha dejado la Iglesia. ¿Cómo debo comunicarme con ellos?

Respuesta:

Para muchos de nosotros, esta puede ser una pregunta desafiante. Cuando las personas que amamos abandonan la Iglesia, es posible que no siempre sepamos cómo relacionarnos con ellas de ciertas maneras. ¿Algunos temas de conversación están fuera de los límites? ¿Hay ciertos comportamientos o decisiones que no podemos apoyar con buena conciencia? Cuando alguien o algo se pierde, Jesús muestra dos actitudes diferentes en sus parábolas.

Uno está *buscando activamente*. No renuncies a esta persona y a su vida de fe. Pregúnteles sobre su viaje espiritual. Invítalos a pasar tiempo contigo en entornos de fe, según corresponda, y fuera de ellos. Continúa en relación con tus seres queridos.

La otra actitud que muestra Jesús es *el testimonio constante en la espera*. En la parábola del hijo pródigo, el padre no va tras el hijo. Espera su regreso. Sin embargo, el hijo sabe que su padre es digno de confianza. Recuerda el trato justo de su padre a los jornaleros y sabe que es seguro regresar, a pesar de todo lo que ha hecho. Tu capacidad para cambiar a alguien es bastante pequeña. Sin embargo, puedes cambiarte a ti mismo. Asegúrate de tratar constantemente a los demás con amabilidad, compasión y respeto. Si tu ser querido quiere una conversación más profunda, sabrá que tú eres una persona en quien confiar, un lugar al que puede regresar.

OKTOBERFEST 2026

Saturday, Oct 3

Sunday, Oct 4

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -

COME JOIN OUR

PLANNING COMMITTEE

CONTACT CHAIRPERSON

LINA SONICO @510-283-8976



We'd love for you to join us to celebrate the YLI Annual Luncheon. Bring a dish to share and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship, activities, raffles, and music.

YLI Luncheon

Date: May 30, 2026

Time: 11:00 - 2:00 PM

St. Joseph School Gym

Cost: \$25 per person

RSVP to Marlene 510-334-1390



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