# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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October 26, 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



# 30<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"But the tax collector stood off at a distance...and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." - Lk 18:13a, 13c-14

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



### Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope you've had a joyful and peaceful week with your family and loved ones!

This coming Saturday, **November 1**, we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints** — a special day to honor all the holy men and women who have followed Jesus faithfully.

In the Gospel of Matthew, **Jesus gives us the Beatitudes**, calling us to live with love, humility, and holiness. The **Second Vatican Council** reminded us of this same call — that **every Christian is called to be holy**, not just priests, nuns, or a few special people. This message is beautifully explained in the Church document *Lumen Gentium* (Chapter 5), where holiness is described as living in love, following Jesus, listening to the Holy Spirit, and serving others.

Here's what the Council said:

Jesus Christ, our teacher and perfect example, is the one who makes us holy. Through baptism, we become children of God and share in His divine life. Because of this, we are called to live as holy people — showing mercy, kindness, humility, patience, and love. These are the fruits of the Holy Spirit, and they help us grow in holiness.

The Council also made it clear: **holiness is not just for a few special people.** It's for everyone — for all of us! And it's not something we achieve by our own power. Holiness is a **gift from God** — one we are called to accept, treasure, and grow in every day.

**Saint John Paul II** strongly believed this truth. That's why he declared so many people as saints during his time as Pope — to show us that people from all countries, cultures, and walks of life can live holy lives.

We are made in God's image. We belong to Jesus, and the Holy Spirit lives in us. Because of that, we are all called to become more like Jesus — seeking God's will, loving others, and giving our lives in service and joy.

Lumen Gentium also reminds us of that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, shows us what true holiness looks like. She is our model, full of faith, love, and obedience to God. She shines as a guide for all who want to follow Jesus more closely.

As we celebrate **All Saints Day**, let us commit ourselves to live with **kindness**, **humility**, **love**, **and compassion**. In a world often marked by division, selfishness, and darkness, we are called to be lights — bringing hope, peace, and God's love to others.

Let the saints inspire us. Let's live lives full of joy, sacrifice, and faith. **Pope Leo XIV** said this on World Mission Sunday:

"All the baptized must be messengers and builders of hope!"

Thank you again for your generous support of the Church through your Sunday offerings. Your gifts make a real difference.

**In Christ,** Geoffrey

## CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT FAITH FORMATION/PARISH EVENTS



# CONFIRMATION Trunk or Treat 2025 - donation request & event invitation

\* Donation request - St. Joseph

Youth Ministry is seeking donations of candy (or monetary donations to buy candy) for the October 31 Trunk or Treat event. With your help, we can offer families a safe and nice experience. Donations can be brought to Teena at the Parish Center from Monday to Friday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, or during our class times.

- \* Event invitation Trunk or Treat 2025 takes place on Friday, October 31 in the church parking lot from 4:30 to 6:30 PM for children and teens of St. Joseph Parish to trick or treat. Thank you so much for your consideration and support. If you have any questions, we are more than happy to provide information. Contact Teena Posas, Youth Ministry Director at 510-741-4900 extension 1010 or email tp.sjcpinole@gmail.com.
- \* Vehicle sign ups We closed sign ups on Friday 10/24. If you have any questions, you must contact Teena by Wednesday 10/29.

### **SCHEDULE for Grades 7 to 12**

For attendance or questions, please contact your child's teacher/s as soon as possible. Schedules are in PDF format - visit https://campsite.bio/ymsjcpinole. For specific questions, contact Teena Posas - Youth Ministry Director at 510-741-4900 extension 1010 or email her at tp.sjcpinole@gmail.com. All of the classes for grades 7 to 12 are CLOSED.

### \*\* MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY (7th & 8th

graders) - Students must BRING their assigned supplies to every class. Class starts at 6:30 PM and ends at 7:45 PM. This group returns to their classroom on October 29 for the group celebration of All Saints and Souls Day. Questions, contact your teachers. Parents and students need to follow our MANDATORY traffic rules to keep everyone safe! Please refer to the schedule copy that you have for THIS class and for Mass.

### \*\* YOUTH FIRST COMMUNION (2nd yr, 7th to

12th grade) - Students must BRING their assigned supplies to every class. Class starts at 6:30 PM and ends at 7:45 PM. This group returns to their classroom on October 29 for the group celebration of All Saints and Souls Day. Questions, contact your teacher. Parents and

students need to follow our MANDATORY traffic rules to keep everyone safe! Please refer to the schedule copy that you have for THIS class and for Mass.

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

Class starts at 6:30 and ends at 8:10 PM. Our next class is October 27 in the parish school gym. Please refer to the schedule copy that you have for THIS class and for Mass. Students who complete the requirements for Youth Ministry may be eligible in May 2026 to enroll for their second year.

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

\_Candidates must BRING all of their assigned things to class. Our next class in the gym is on October 26 and is also the FIRST checkpoint due date for the retreat Brown Bag Projects. Class starts at 2:30 PM, ends at 4:30 PM and follows with the 5:00 PM Mass (with parents.) REMINDER: Pre-approval for the required Works of Mercy projects is ongoing; visit https://campsite.bio/ymsjcpinole. Please refer to the schedule copy that you have for THIS class and for Mass. Questions, contact your teachers.

### **OCIA-RCIA:**

This years program has started this past week, but its not too late to register. You may pick up a registrations (Blue) form at the Parish Center Office. We are open from 10:00am to 4:00pm. For more information, call Christine Suarez Director at 510-741-4900 extension #1004, Parish office. Email: <a href="mailto:cs.sjcpinole@gmail.com">cs.sjcpinole@gmail.com</a>



### **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

John Zoom Meeting

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

### **WEEKLY PRAYER**

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading: The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. (Sir 35:20)

Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of the poor. (Ps 34)

Second Reading: The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen. (2 Tm 4:18)

**Gospel:** "For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Lk 18:14)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2025

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16 Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6 Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

# PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS & FAMILIES

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, Darren Espeleta

Air Force- Gino Dela Rosa, Niko Dela

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, Jerin Lazaro, 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, Mary Pratto, 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. & Abrahim S. Trinidad, Joseph S. Trinidad, Jeffrey Tayag, Yolanda Tayag, Mike Ward, Charles Whaley, Joy Wi, Peter Wongworavit

### **MASS INTENTION**

Saturday, October 25, 2025

9:00AM Juana & Pedro Jelasco

Editha Jusay Barte

4:30PM Pat Hedstrom ♥

6:00PM Anastacia & Consuelo Duenas 🕈

Sunday, October 26, 2025

8:00AM Buena A. Escano 10:00AM Jovita Victorio 🕏

12:00PM Ted & Irene Wong Wedding Anniv.

5:00PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

Monday, October 27, 2025

9:00AM Neftali Tinoco 🕆

Andres Ocegliera 🕆

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

9:00AM Peter & Maria Le Nguyen 🕏

Enriqueta Nool 🕈

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

9:00AM Felipe Tiongson 🕏

Bryan Nool

Thursday, October 30, 2025

9:00AM JoAnn Salcido 🕏

Peter St. Onge 🕏

Friday, October 31, 2025

9:00AM Joselito L. Asuncion 🕏

Avelino David 🕏

Saturday, November 01, 2025

9:00AM Deceased Members-Fronda Family

Nemesiana Solis 🕈

4:30PM Librada & Eulogio Galang 🕈

6:00PM Modesta Blanco **T** Sunday, November 02, 2025

8:00AM Phero Ba Nguyen **†** 

10:00AM Parishioners of St. Joseph

12:00PM Joseph Nguyen 🗗

5:00PM Beatriz Trajano む

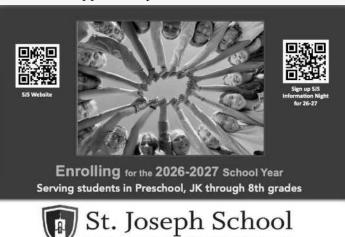
# PARISH, DIOCESAN & OTHER EVENTS/FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP



St. Joseph School What is Happening at St. **Joseph School** 

As we enjoy our last week of October with Unity Day, Red Ribbon Week, Halloween, All Saint, All Souls days and Day of the Dead, we focus on November - the month of Gratitude and Native American and Indigenous Peoples' Month. Advent begins on November 30th.

**CYO** will begin playing games for the first time in over 10 years at the school. We have created a Booster Club to make watching the games a fun community event. Games will begin in early November. Please come and support our parish/school teams!



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### Please Join Alumni and Friends at

www.Facebook.com/groups/204136270336908 And on Instagram @stjosephpinolealumni Check out our website for the latest happenings at the school at stjosephpinole.org and https:// www.facebook.com/StJosephSchoolPinole/ Click Here to check out our Alumni News

### Carondelet High School

The Carondelet Admissions Teams is hoping to include the following announcement in your parish bulletin. We understand that space may be limited, but we appreciate any availability you may have. Please let me know if this is something you would be able to do.

Carondelet High School's 25-26 Admissions Season is open! The application deadline for Carondelet is December 5 and Tuition Assistance applications open on December 1. To learn more about Carondelet, come to our Open House on November 16 from 10:30 - 1:00 PM. To register for Open House, find out more about both schools, and apply, visit carondeleths.org.

## **SUNDAY COLLECTION OCTOBER 11 & 12**

Sunday \$ 12,540 Catholic Voice \$ 1,166



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Magnificat, a Ministry for Catholic Women is excited to invite you to attend our upcoming Prayer Meal Saturday, November 15, 2025 9:30 - 12:30

St. Joan of Arc-San Ramon 2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd. San Ramon, CA Please join us as we welcome Fr. Ramon Urbina as our speaker. Father Urbina was born and raised in Antioch,

CA where his parents still live and worship. He will share with us his journey as he went from art student to parish priest as he sought to serve the Lord more fully. \$35 online registration by 11/10 https://magnificatministry.net/chapters/ca-walnut-creek/ For information Michelle Heckle 925 818-3111 \*Please note that we are at a new location: St. Joan of

Arc-San Ramon!

### WEEKLY CONTENT

## **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 26, 2025**

Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Tuesday: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Friday: All Hallow's Eve Saturday: All Saints

### LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA **DEL 26 DE OCTUBRE 2025**

Domingo: 30º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Martes: San Simón y San Judas, apóstoles Viernes: Víspera de Todos los Santos (EEUU)

Sábado: Día de Todos los Santos

# **LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR** THE WEEK

The Pharisee took such pride in his good deeds that he forgot to ask God for forgiveness; the tax collector acknowledged his many sins, and went home justified. Remember that we are saved not by our own merit, but by the mercy of God.

# VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA **SEMANA**

El fariseo se enorgullecía tanto de sus buenas obras que se olvidó de pedirle perdón a Dios; El recaudador de impuestos reconoció sus muchos pecados y se fue a casa justificado. Recuerda que no somos salvos por nuestros propios méritos, sino por la misericordia de Dios.

# WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE **EXPLAINED**

Why Kneel? **Ouestion:** 

Why do we kneel at Mass?

### Answer:

Since the beginnings of the Church, kneeling has been a key posture of prayer. We see Sts. Peter and Paul in the Acts of the Apostles kneeling in prayer. Early in the 4th century, the Council of Nicea prohibited kneeling on Sundays and special feasts. Kneeling began more as a posture of penance for our sins, but in the history of the Church, it has become more a posture or reverence and solemn prayer.

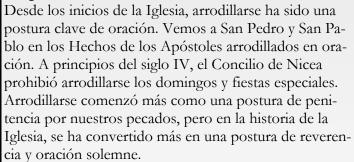
You will notice that the times we kneel at Mass are tied to the consecration of the holy Eucharist. We kneel in both anticipation of what will occur and then in awe of what has taken place: Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us under the guise of bread and wine. The profoundness of this event has over time led the Church to mandate in the current General Instruction of the Roman Missal that kneeling is the only posture allowed during this time. The sheer awesomeness of the holy Eucharist leads us to fall to our knees in wonder and thanksgiving.

## ¿POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? -VIDA CATÓLICA EXPLICADA

### Pregunta:

¿Por qué nos arrodillamos en la Misa?

### Respuesta:



Notarás que las veces que nos arrodillamos en la Misa están ligadas a la consagración de la sagrada Eucaristía. Nos arrodillamos tanto en anticipación de lo que ocurrirá como en asombro de lo que ha sucedido: Jesucristo se hace verdaderamente presente a nosotros bajo la apariencia de pan y vino. La profundidad de este acontecimiento ha llevado a la Iglesia a lo largo del tiempo a ordenar en la actual Instrucción General del Misal Romano que arrodillarse sea la única postura permitida durante este tiempo. La maravilla de la sagrada Eucaristía nos lleva a caer de rodillas en asombro y acción de gracias.

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