

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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September 27, 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) 6:30 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. Joseph Nguyen

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

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.

RCIA

Contact Christine Suarez

Together We Are Strong

Oktoberfest 2026



9AM-5PM
SAT-SUN, OCT 3-4

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MASS 8AM
BREAKFAST 9AM

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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 - 4:00 PM Saturdays: 2nd, 3rd, & 4th of each month: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
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My dear friends in Christ,

I hope you had a wonderful week!

This Sunday's Gospel gives us a simple but powerful message. Jesus tells the story of a father who asks his two sons to go and work in the vineyard. One says, "No," but later changes his mind and goes. The other says, "Yes," but never goes. Jesus asks, **"Which of the two did his father's will?"** The answer is clear: **the one who went and did the work.**

There is something very timely about this Gospel as we prepare for our **Oktoberfest next weekend!** Our Oktoberfest is more than a celebration, more than good food, music, fellowship, and fun. It is one of those special moments when we come together as a parish family and put our faith into action.

Our theme this year is: **"Together We Are Strong."**

Those words are not simply a slogan. They describe who we are as a community. A parish becomes strong when people are willing to say "yes"—and then show up, participate, volunteer, invite others, share their gifts, and work together.

The Gospel reminds us that it is not enough simply to say "yes." What matters is that we **go and do**. And that is what Oktoberfest gives us an opportunity to do.

Some will cook. Some will serve. Some will set up and clean up. Some will welcome our guests. Some will work behind the scenes. Some will donate. Some will bring family and friends. Some will simply come, enjoy the celebration, and help create an atmosphere of joy and fellowship.

Every contribution matters.

Perhaps you have been saying, "Someone else will help." Maybe this is the moment to change that "maybe" into a "yes." Come and be part of it! Bring your family. Invite your neighbors. Call a friend who has not been to church in a while. Welcome someone who may be coming for the first time.

Our Oktoberfest is an opportunity to open our doors and say to our community: **You are welcome here. Come, celebrate with us, and be part of our parish family!**

Let us make this Oktoberfest a beautiful expression of who we are: a parish that works together, laughs together, welcomes together, serves together, and celebrates together.

Together we are strong. Together we are a family. Together we make a difference.

I look forward to seeing you next weekend. Come hungry, come joyful, bring your family and friends—and most importantly, **come ready to be part of the celebration!**

May God bless our Oktoberfest, all those who are preparing for it, all our volunteers, and everyone who will join us.

See you at Oktoberfest!

Your servant, Fr. Geoffrey

CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT FAITH FORMATION/PARISH EVENTS



THIS WEEK FOR GRADES 7 to BIBLE STUDY

12 Access to class folders at <https://campsite.bio/ymsjcpinole>. Questions and absences, contact your child's teacher/s.

**** MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY (7th or 8th grade) -** We meet in the 6TH grade room on Wednesday, September 30 from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. Please follow our traffic rules and reminders. Students must bring their book bag and supplies to every class. This is the class for returning or new 7th or 8th graders.

**** YOUTH FIRST COMMUNION (2nd yr, 7th to 12th) -** This class is CLOSED. We meet in the 8TH grade room on Wednesday, September 30 from 6:30 to 7:45 PM. Please follow our traffic rules and reminders. Students must bring their book bag and supplies to every class.

**** YOUTH MINISTRY (1st yr, 9th to 12th) -** This class is CLOSED. We meet in the St. Joseph School GYM on Monday, September 28 from 6:30 to 8:10 PM. Questions or absences, contact Teena Posas, Youth Ministry Director.

**** CONFIRMATION (2nd yr, 10th to 12th) -** This class is CLOSED. (1) NEXT CLASS & MASS: We meet on Sunday, September 27 in the SJ GYM at 2:30 PM. Bring your book bag and supplies. Parents and candidates must be sitting in church by 4:45 PM for the 5:00 PM Mass. (2) PROJECTS: Families must use the At Home projects worksheet and our pre-approval form to plan out your projects as soon as possible.



FORMED

Encounter the Holy Spirit! - Do you wish you could lead a ful-

filling, 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!

You are invited to join a newly revised, free Bible study course taught by Deacon Ben at St. Joseph Church in Pinole this fall. The Bible Timeline – The Story of Salvation is a 24-session course covering both the Old and New Testaments.

Class Options: Mondays: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM (beginning October 12, 2026) Thursdays: 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM (beginning October 15, 2026)

Location: Parish Hall, Space is limited to 63 participants per class. Register early to reserve your spot.

To register, please email: DeaconBenAugustin@gmail.com Include your name, email, phone number, and preferred class day.



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>

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WEEKLY PRAYER

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

Psalm: Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

Second Reading: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil 2:10-11)

Gospel: Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS & FAMILIES

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

Army- Angel Caliz, Andrew Fontejon, Darryl Jason Garcia, Jorge Rodriguez, Justine RB Sangui, Benjamin Serrano,

Coast Guard- Meagan Toomey

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

National Guard- Rebecca Sabatini,

Marines- Carlos Aguilera, Julian Chan, Pedro Mazar Egos, Jacob Rudis, Dariell Diaz



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ron Acuna, Virginia P. Alday, Harper Ananyev, Jovita Atencion, Dan Aquino, Joseph Avalos, Kristal Librato Baughn, Gil Bautista, Larry Burkhart, David Cardwell, Dennis Chattell, Laura Corona, Maria E. 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 Ann T. Gee, Mary Ellen Gillis, Flor Gonzalez, Alexandra Gorgoletis, Elam & Claire

Goundar, Alicia Guzman, Ceretta Morgan Hardin, Bill Harper, Jeff M. Ibrahim, Jack Lam, Jerin Lazaro, Palette Lemmon, Xavier Manga Lindan, Antonio Lopez, Joseph Knoblauch, 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 Poblete, Dioscora Quimio, Patricia Rangel, Connie Ibara Ramirez, Jim Richards, Flo Rodich, Leopoldo Rodriguez, Lee Rondeau, Michael Edward Rossi, 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, September 26, 2026

9:00AM Edilberto Magallanes

Tito Montances

4:30PM Parishioners of St. Joseph

6:30PM Rosario & Ignacio Cruz ✠

Sunday, September 27, 2026

8:00AM Aurora Mallari

10:00AM John Paul Santos (Birthday)

12:00PM Melani Munoz (Thanksgiving)

5:00PM Sofia C. Izou

Monday, September 28, 2026

9:00AM Exuperio Tioseco

Sue-Ellen Menezes (Anniversary)

Tuesday, September 29, 2026

9:00AM Velia & Samuel Rodriguez

Rodolfo Salinas ✠

Wednesday, September 30, 2026

9:00AM Asencion Pascual ✠

Shirley Antonio ✠

Thursday, October 1, 2026

9:00AM Pacifico Estepa ✠

Joe & Jenna Aure (Wed. Anniversary)

First Friday, October 2, 2026

9:00AM Richard Flores ✠

Jean Uhlenbrock ✠

First Saturday, October 3, 2026

9:00AM John Sebastian & Monica Kraynik de la Rosa

Ismael Aniza (Birthday)

4:30PM Gene Status ✠

6:00PM Julio Melara Jr ✠

Sunday, October 4, 2026

8:00AM Parishioners of St. Joseph

10:00AM Leonor Gomez (Birthday)

12:00 Maria Oanh Tran

5:00PM Bartolome Bensa (Death Anniversary)

PARISH, DIOCESAN & OTHER EVENTS/FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP



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What is Happening at St. Joseph School

Applications for the 2026-2027 School year at St. Joseph School is open for Preschool, Junior Kindergarten, Kindergarten through 8th grades. Encouraging enrollment in Preschool through 5th Grades Tell your friends and family about the wonderful school that teaches learning with heart, mind and spirit.



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SUNDAY COLLECTION

SEPTEMBER 5 & 6

SUNDAY \$ 14,685

RELIGIOUS FAITH FORMATION \$ 2,826

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:** Building Fund

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.



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.



OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Monday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Wednesday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday: The Holy Guardian Angels

LAS CONMEMORACIONES DE LA SEMANA DEL 20 DE SEPTIEMBRE 2026

Domingo: 26° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Domingo del Sacerdocio

Lunes: San Wenceslao, mártir; San Lorenzo Ruiz y compañeros, mártires

Martes: San Gabriel, San Miguel y San Rafael, arcángeles

Miércoles: San Jerónimo, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia

Jueves: Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús, virgen y doctora de la Iglesia

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The owner of the vineyard gave both his sons the same opportunity. Only one took it, even though he had rejected it at first. Always remember: it is never too late to do the will of God. He waits for you.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

El propietario del viñedo dio la misma oportunidad a ambos hijos. Solo uno la aceptó, aunque al principio la rechazó. Recuerda siempre: nunca es demasiado tarde para hacer la voluntad de Dios. Él te espera.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

St. Jerome

Question:

Who is St. Jerome, and why is he so significant that we honor him with a feast on September 30?

Answer:

St. Jerome (345–420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that

he was, as well as the time in which he lived.



Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366–384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality. Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times.

Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

POR QUÉ HACEMOS ESO? - VIDA CATÓLICA EXPLICADA

San Jerónimo

Pregunta:

¿Quién es San Jerónimo y por qué es tan importante como para honrarle con una fiesta el 30 de septiembre?

Respuesta:

San Jerónimo (345–420) fue considerado el mayor erudito bíblico de su época, versado en latín, griego y hebreo. Se dedicó a traducir los libros de la Biblia de sus lenguas originales al latín.

Gran parte de la correspondencia de Jerónimo ha sobrevivido y nos ofrece una visión poderosa del tipo de persona que fue, así como de la época en la que vivió. Jerónimo acabó convirtiéndose en secretario personal del papa Dámaso (366–384). En Occidente, el latín estaba superando al griego como lengua del pueblo común. El papa deseaba una traducción de la Biblia que se tradujera con precisión de los idiomas originales al idioma del pueblo. Existían traducciones anteriores al latín, pero eran de mala calidad. Jerónimo se puso manos a la obra y pasó el resto de su vida traduciendo meticulosamente. Se le atribuye la traducción de la Biblia conocida como la Vulgata, una traducción latina destinada a atender las necesidades del pueblo común. Esa traducción se convirtió en el estándar y la única utilizada por los católicos hasta tiempos modernos. Los católicos no participaron activamente en un proceso similar hasta 1943, cuando Pío XII permitió a los estudiosos católicos volver una vez más a los idiomas originales y traducir una versión precisa y meticulosa de la Biblia. Continuamos esa tradición hasta hoy.



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- Record and reconcile financial transactions
- Assist with accounts payable and receivable
- Prepare bank reconciliations
- Support payroll and reporting
- Maintain organized financial records
- Assist with year-end reporting and the annual audit
- Collaborate with the pastor and business manager as needed



QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience in bookkeeping or accounting (preferred)
- Knowledge and experience with Parish Data System (PDS)
- Familiarity with general ledger and financial reporting
- Proficiency in QuickBooks and Microsoft Office
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills
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