



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 7:00 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

Vigil: 5:00 pm

Tagalog Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday:

8:00 am

10:00 (Livestream)

12:00 pm

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

7:00 pm

Wednesday:

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help

6:00 PM Rosary,

6:30 Novena Mass

First Friday:

7:00 PM (Livestream)

Holy Day Schedule

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day 7:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 PM

Or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

DAILY DEVOTION

6:30 am – Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

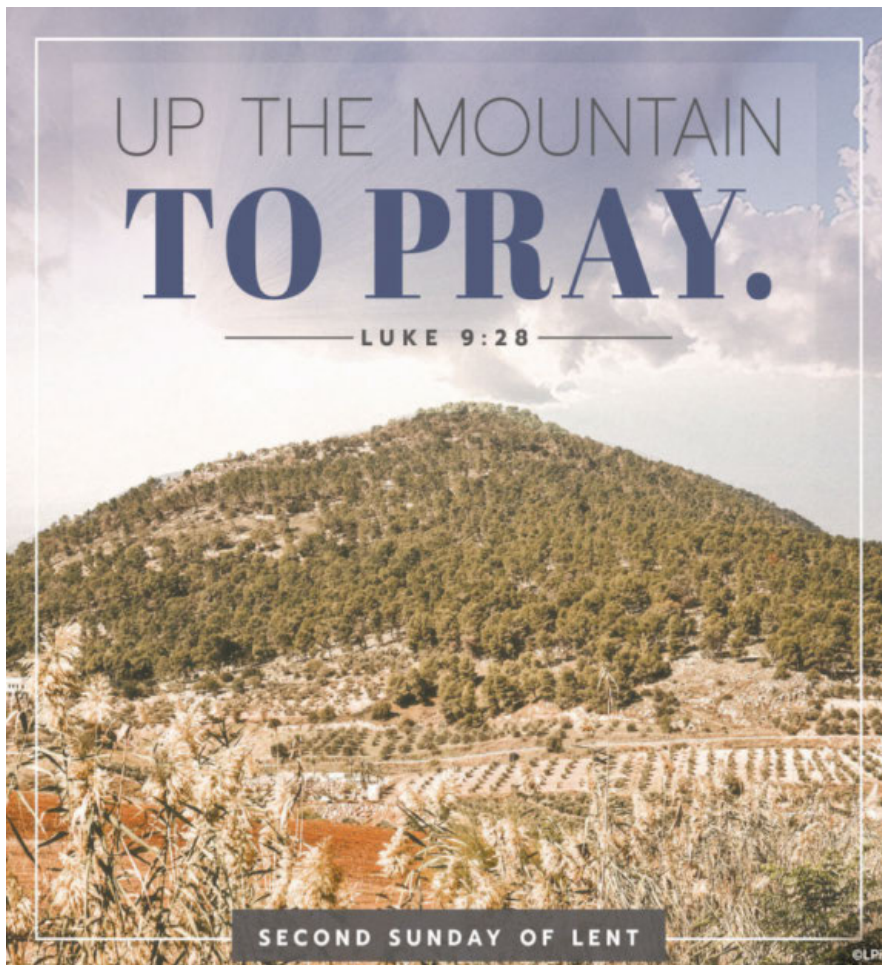
Adoration Chapel

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PARISH PRIESTS

Rev. Msgr. Wilfredo S. Manrique, Pastor

Rev. Edgar Elamparo I, Associate Pastor



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PARISH VISION & MISSION

Vision

We are called to active discipleship to live the values taught by our Lord Jesus Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity. As active disciples, we engage in a "mission" mode of evangelization, forming disciples and inspiring others to do the same.

Strategic Vision

We are a thriving community of disciples who see their role in the life and evangelizing mission of the Church, sustaining a parish school that continuously grows and increases its enrollment every year, and supporting a facility that architecturally highlights the beauty and spirituality of its broader community.

Mission

- We seek to be a community of active disciples who:
- Are diverse, inclusive, and collaborative (Welcoming)
- Continuously grow and share their faith with all generation of spiritual seekers (Word)
- Are involved in a creative, vibrant liturgy (Worship)
- Are involved in areas of service that impact its broader community and the world (Witness)
- Have a strong sense of stewardship, evident in the parish's healthy finances, committed organization, and self sustained ministries (Strengthening)
- Are unafraid to grow by remembering the past, celebrating the present, and believing in the future

CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT

Baptism are being celebrated every **Saturday at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm.** Please make an appointment with the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism interview and to register for the required preparation class. The preparation class is being held every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.

FIRST EUCHARIST: We accept children who are at least in first grade and seven years old. We have two classes: one is every Thursday from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and the other is every Saturday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Registration starts in late July or early August.

CONFIRMATION: It is a two-year program. First Year Confirmandi meet every first and third Friday while Second Year Confirmandi meet every second and fourth Friday. Both will have a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. Regular Class time is 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. We accept children who are at least in seventh grade and up to Junior High (eleventh grade). Registration starts in late July or early August.

Marriage: Before planning your wedding, please make an appointment with one of our priest.

Marriage preparation usually takes at **least six months** period to complete.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist make pastoral visit to parishioners who are sick either confined in the hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, care homes, or at the convenient of their own home. Also, it is for parishioners who are homebound, i.e. their health or medical conditions could be compromised when they leave home. Pastoral visit comprise of the respectful distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick; and as well, as giving them emotional, social, and spiritual support through profound and thoughtful prayers.

Anointing of the Sick: In this Church's Sacrament, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or frailty of old age is sufficient. To request, please call the parish office. Outside office hours, kindly **call (408) 966-4612**. In addition, the Sacrament is also conferred during the communal celebration at the morning Mass every first Saturday of the month.

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MASS INTENTIONS

(I=Intention, H=Healing, D= Deceased)

SATURDAY, March 15 - 7 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Warwick James (Bday)
(H) Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee
(D +) Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Beth Kee, Merby Sanchez, Simplicio Escalona

SATURDAY, March 15 - 5 PM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Felicidad Guajard (Tks), Eva Marie Clarice Navarro (Tks)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Rene Durian, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee, Genina Buco, Mathew Abiva, Anita Miranda
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Camille Illustre, Remedios Obordo, Aida Miranda

SATURDAY, March 15 - 7 PM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Arnold Santos (Bday), Alvin Aquino (Bday)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Ramos Nicolas, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Armila Casaclang, Nick Arimboanga, Aida Miranda, Eddie Tengco, Tony Kee
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee

SUNDAY, March 16 - 8 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Armila Casaclang, Myla Malabed, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, David Perkalis, Isidoro Torres, Jovita Calica, Tony Kee, Mariano Salazar
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Cesar Meneses, Timothy Vu, Beh Kee, Meliton Cunanan, Felicidad Reyes, Alberto & Vicenta Garcia, Maura Daquio, All Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, March 16 - 10 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Ulric Domingo (Tks)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Myla Malabed, Nick Arimboanga, Pinky Valenciano, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Luisa Harbinson, Armila Casaclang, Tony Kee
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Beth Kee, Cornelio Vinluan, Marivic Tuguinayo, Michael Willemsen, Rommel Salonga, Joseph Brian Vu, Paul Lad-ao, Abelardo Salonga, Sr., Paul Marvel

SUNDAY, March 16 - 12 PM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Francisco Abaya, Sr. (Bday)
(H) Pope Francis, Nick Arimboanga, Benjamin Cacao, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Ray Claudio Abaya
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Beth Kee, Angustia Taleon, Rey Domingo, Meliton Cunanan, Alfredo Serrano, Thomas Givler, Bartola Ortiz, Alejandro Andres, Eugene Que, Ratna Sintawati Rahardja, Jose Manalang

SUNDAY, March 16 - 7 PM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp. Int)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Tony Kee, Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Samson Salcedo
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Maura Daquio

MONDAY, March 17 - 7 AM

(I) Emmanuel Rodil (Sp. Int.), Dorie Jaramillo (Sp. Int)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee, Pat Fifield, Mariano Salazar
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Ranillo Trillana, Timothy Vu, Merby Sanchez, Cesar Meneses, Beth Kee, Carmelita Estinos, Joeffrey Estinos, Florentina Badajos

TUESDAY, March 18 - 7 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Eddie Tengco (Bday), Dorie Jaramillo
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee, Pat Fifield, Mariano Salazar
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Lelita Benas, Cesar Meneses, Timothy Vu, Francisco Arcegon

WEDNESDAY, March 19 - 7 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Abigayle Asucion (Sp. Int), Jennifer Magtoto (Bday), Dorie Jaramillo (Sp. Int), Sagnip Family (Tks)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Pat Fifield, Tony Kee
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Timothy Vu, Lyle Fifield, Decease Members of Sagnip Family

WEDNESDAY, March 19 - 6:30 PM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Armila Casaclang, Nick Arimboanga, Pinky Valenciano, Alex Gonzales, Eddie Tengco, Myla Malabed, Tony Kee, Thelma de Jesus
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Delfin Bacani

THURSDAY, March 20 - 7 AM

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Pat Fieild, Dorie Jaramillo, Myla Malabed, Rene Durian, Armila Casaclang, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee, Mariano Salazar
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Paul Sahagun, Ranillo Trillana, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Jose Sunga, Rosario Sunga, Lyle Fifield

FRIDAY, March 21 - 7:00 A.M.

(I) Emanuel Rodil (Sp.Int.), Reed Family (Sp. Int)
(H) Pope Francis, Fr. John Hoang, Pat Fifield, Myla Malabed, Armila Casaclang, Rene Durian, Thelma de Jesus, Tony Kee, Mariano Salazar, Dorie Jaramillo
(D +) Fr. Kevin Joyce, Fr. Reynaldo "Bong" Sarmiento, Ranillo Trillana, Merby Sanchez, Beth Kee, Fe S. Manrique, David Cervantes, Estelita Cervantes

Notice: St. John the Baptist Parish accepts multiple intentions for the Masses offered at the Parish. There is no required stipend to request an intention added on the list that is offered during the celebration of Mass. Parishioners are welcome to make a freewill offering with the understanding that their requests and/or intentions will be combined with other requests.

MASS INTENTION



"DISCLAIMER:

Although, if we did not mention your request, it does not mean that your intention was invalidated or disregarded. Remember, what matter is what's in your heart. Your intentions are being always heard by God even unspoken. Nevertheless do not worry, we will still honor your request and just kindly inform us immediately when this happen". Thank you.

THE O.C.I.A CORNER

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

NEW NAME SAME PROCESS!

On Sunday 16 March 2025 our topic will be "The Scrutinies," These are special Rites for the Elect to participate in preparing them for their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Join us and learn more about this special Blessing!

On Sunday 23 March 2025, we will celebrate the First Scrutiny at the 10 am Mass. Our topic will be "The Way of the Cross," During lent we celebrate this event on most Fridays. This is the fourteen stations that remind us of Jesus' suffering on Good Friday. If you would like to know more about the Way of the Cross come join us!

If you see a topic that interests you, come and join us in Pavalkis Hall, room 2A, after the 10 am Mass. OCIA is open to any parishioner that would like to join us!

For more information either contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546 or talk with Dave Meszaros 408-892-0510 or Email mailman6019@yahoo.com.

LITURGY & WORSHIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 16, 2025

First Reading:

It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram,
saying: "To your descendants I give the land,
from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates." (Gn 15:18)

Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Ps 27)

Second Reading:

He will change our lowly body
to conform with his glorified body
by the power that enables him also
to bring all things into subjection to himself.

(Phil 3:21)

Gospel:

Jesus took Peter, John, and James
and went up the mountain to pray.
While he was praying his face changed in appearance
and his clothing became dazzling white.
(Lk 9:28b-29)

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Observances for the week of March 16, 2025

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Patrick, Bishop [OM];
St. Patrick's Day

Tuesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

Readings for the week of March 16, 2025

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9,
13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk
6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21
and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3,
4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk
16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-
17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-
10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7,
8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2,
5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In last week's Gospel, we followed Jesus into the desert where He fasted and prayed. This week, He leads us up a mountain to witness His Transfiguration. Why both of these experiences?

He is preparing us to go with Him in a few short weeks to a hilltop — Golgotha — where He will lay down His life for our sake, and then finally to take us to an empty cave where He triumphed over sin and death once and for all.

Jesus perfectly understands our humanity. He knows we need desert experiences — times of self-denial and testing — in order to arrive at mountain-top moments when we see and feel His glorious presence in our lives. The purpose of these two types of experiences is summed up in the description of the Apostles who were with Jesus at that mountain-top experience in today's Gospel: "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory...."

The reason for all of our fasting and prayer and almsgiving during lent is to be reawakened to all God has done for humanity, and to all that He has done for each of us personally. It is all too easy to get lulled into complacency in our daily routines, to "sleepwalk" through life, getting up and getting ourselves out the door, going to work, returning home for dinner and dishes, meetings, or sports activities, and finally flopping on the couch to watch TV until bedtime. While there is nothing inherently sinful in this routine, as Christian stewards, we are called to so much more!

This lent, let us train ourselves, or more precisely, allow Him to train us to say "Yes" to His will and to offer our lives back to Him in gratitude. In so doing, we, too, will become "transfigured." This is what it means to live fully awake; this is a stewardship way of life and it is glorious indeed.

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For the readings, click on the day of the week or visit

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To learn more about saints, click on the name above or visit

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St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish



2025 LENTEN SCHEDULE

(Unless specified otherwise, all activities/events below will be held in the church.)

Fridays of Lent – Stations of the Cross

March 7 – 6:00 pm; March 28 – 7:00 pm;
March 14 – 7:00 pm; April 4 – 6:00 pm;
March 21 – 7:00 pm; April 11 – 7:00 pm

Different parish groups will sponsor meatless soup after the Stations.

April 1 – Lenten Reconciliation Service

7:00 pm – Parish Reconciliation Service

OCIA Lenten Events

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

March 9, 10:00 am: Rite of Sending
March 9, 10:00 am: Rite of Sending (Basilica of St. Joseph)
March 23, 10:00 am: First Scrutiny
March 30, 12:00 nn: Second Scrutiny
April 6, 8:00 am: Third Scrutiny

Holy Week Schedule

April 13 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 5pm; Saturday 7pm (Tagalog);
Sunday 8am, 10am, 12nn, 4pm (Vietnamese), & 7pm
Blessing of Palms at all Masses in front of the Church

April 14 – Monday of Holy Week

7:00 am: Daily Mass
7:00 pm: (tentative) Reflection Night

April 15 – Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 am: Daily Mass
7:00 pm: Praise and Worship (Youth & Young Adults Ministry)

April 16 – Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 am: Daily Mass
6:15 pm: Angelus, Rosary, & OLPH Novena Mass

April 17 – Holy Thursday

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (No Morning Mass)
5:00 pm: (Vietnamese) Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 pm: (English) Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:30 pm: Altar of Repose Adoration until midnight (Hall)

April 18 – Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (No Morning Mass)
12:00 nn: Live Stations of the Cross
1:30 pm: Reflections on the Seven Last Words
3:00 pm & 7:00 pm: (English) Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion
5:00 pm: (Vietnamese) Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion
8:30 pm: (English) Liturgy of the Lord's Burial
Outdoor Procession of the Santo Entierro
(Church & Hall parking lot)
After Procession: Vigil around the Santo Entierro until midnight (Hall)

April 19 – Holy Saturday

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (No Morning Mass)
8:00 pm: (English) Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection
TBD: (Vietnamese) Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection

April 20 – EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

5:30 am: Salubong – Easter Sunrise Service
6:00 am; 8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12:00 nn, & 7:00 pm:
(English) Easter Masses
4:00 pm: (Vietnamese) Easter Mass

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Entering 6th week of our **2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal**, we thank the **100 families** who have already pledged **\$99,056 – 40%** of our **\$250,000** goal. Average pledge per family is **\$991**.

As of this time last year, we already had **159 pledges**. Please prayerfully consider your gift to support the ADA. To those who have not made a pledge: Pledge forms are available with the ushers and on the diocesan website.

For more information on the work of the Diocese of San Jose or to make a gift online, visit www.dsj.org/ADA.

COMPANY MATCHING

Double your donation!

Does your employer offer "Charity Donation Matching"?

Charity donation matching programs help employees support causes they care about. In these programs, employers match the donations made by their employees to eligible non-profits, like Saint John the Baptist Church. For example, if you donate \$100, your employer may match that with another \$100, doubling your impact.

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To benefit from these programs, ask your employer if they have a matching program. Make sure you understand the rules, like minimum or maximum donation amounts and submission deadlines, to ensure your contributions qualify for matching.

As part of the church community, your support helps us serve others. Enjoy the rewarding experience of sharing the gifts God has given you, and take advantage of these matching programs.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Saint John's Council No. 5796

Because of the Parish Evening of Reconciliation scheduled for 13 March 2025, we will be moving our Monthly Membership Meeting to 20 March 2025 at 7 pm in Pavalkis Hall. Please mark your Calendars and plan on attending! We will be discussing many events scheduled for Lent and Easter.



If you attend the 10 am Mass on Sundays, you may be pleasantly surprised to hear the Knights of Columbus Choir leading us in song. If you are interested in joining this Choir, it is open to Knights and their families and are looking for more members to build the Choir. For more info contact the Grand Knight whose contact info is listed below.

If you like the service projects that the Knights are supporting, consider becoming a Knight! The Knights of Columbus have a great Insurance program rated as one of the top ten in the United States. And any profits go back into the support of the Catholic Church! What are the requirements to become a Knight? You must be at least 18 years of age and be a practicing Catholic Gentleman. **Simply scan the QR code with this article or contact the Grand Knight whose info is listed below! Be sure to enter Council number 5796, that you want to join.**

Join us on our NEW WEBSITE: KOFMilpitas.org. See the latest pictures of what we have been doing.

Want more info about becoming a Knight or what we do, contact **Grand Knight Manny Q. Managbanag at 669-225-0613 or email MANAGBANAGMANNY@yahoo.com.**

PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



We have our usual Lenten Cross out. White rolled-up pieces of paper are on the Cross containing different Corporal Works of Mercy that you can carry out during the season of Lent.

As you pick a piece of white paper, you are invited, in return, to write your own prayer, supplication, and sacrifice on purple sheets of paper, also available by the Cross, and place it on the Cross as a way of surrendering them to the Lord.

Starting **Monday, March 10**, until **March 18**, we will pray the Novena to St. Joseph during the **7am Mass**.

St. Joseph, husband of Mary, is the principal patron of our Diocese



YOUTH ASSEMBLY

Empowering Young Voices

The Diocese of San José is inviting 6th to 12th graders from our parishes and schools to share their experiences and help shape the path forward. Please pray for a meaningful day of connection and dialogue.



Saturday, March 29, 2025
09.00 AM-3.00 PM



St. Francis High School
1885 Miramonte Avenue
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Annual Parish Fiesta is three months away! We are making preparations early. Like last year, we will hold a mini-festival with food and other vendors. If you wish to be a vendor, please contact MariCris Benitez or call the Parish Office.



The Youth Assembly, scheduled for Saturday, March 29, at Saint Francis High School, aligns with our Diocesan Pastoral Plan, Renewed in Christ, Together in Mission, which prioritizes youth as one of its six strategic priorities. This assembly reflects our commitment to spiritually renewing our diocese by giving attention to the voices of and engaging our young people (grades 6-12, under 18 years old).

Purpose of the Youth Assembly

- **Listening:** By hearing their stories, ideas, and concerns, we can better support their faith journey.
- **Building Community:** The assembly fosters connection among youth from parishes, schools, and Catholic movements.
- **Inspiring Hope:** Together, we will empower youth as the Church of today and tomorrow.



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