

ST. PHILIP NERI ~ ST. ALBERT the GREAT PARISH

We are a Christian Community - Welcoming to all!

St. Philip Neri Church
3100 Van Buren St., Alameda



Mass Schedule:

Mon - Sat 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil 5:15 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:30 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 pm or by appt.

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EVERY FIRST FRIDAY

Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction at

St. Philip Neri - 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Mass and Anointing of the Sick at St. Albert the Great - 9:30 am

JANUARY 25, 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORINARY TIME

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today's Gospel marks a turning point, not only in Jesus' ministry, but in the lives of ordinary people who dared to respond to an extraordinary call. Jesus begins his public ministry with a simple yet powerful message: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Repent does not simply mean to feel sorry for sins. It means to change direction, to turn our lives toward God, to realign our priorities with his will. In the public ministry of the Lord there is a reference to the prophecy of Issah and the call of the first disciples.

"The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light." Darkness can mean many things: confusion, fear, sin, injustice, loneliness, discouragement. He goes to Galilee, a place considered insignificant and even suspect. This reminds us that God's light reaches us exactly where we are. Christ still walks into the "Galilees" of our lives: our struggles, failures, and uncertainties. Jesus called the first disciples, they left everything. The nets represent security, habit, comfort, and control. Following Jesus always involves letting go. Called not only to follow, but to share. Jesus does not call disciples simply to walk behind him. He calls them to share in his mission.

Jesus continues to pass by the shores of our lives. He continues to say, "Come after me." The question is not whether he calls us. The question is how we respond. May this Eucharist give us the courage to leave behind what holds us back, the grace to walk in his light, and the joy of following him with trust.

God Bless,
Fr. Joseph

St. Philip Neri
January 24, 2026 – February 1, 2026



St. Albert the Great
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Sat Jan 24	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Yolanda Reyes † Denise Maddix †
Sun Jan 25	9:00 am 11:30	Vicente Sarmiento † Cris Foley †
Mon Jan 26	8:30 am	Ed Brady †
Tues Jan 27	8:30 am	Tim Boyland †
Wed Jan 28	8:30 am	Aida Gando † (Anniversary) Jose Jao † (Anniversary) Jess James & Remely Laguicao (Wedding Anniversary) Samantha Faith Peckenpaugh (Birthday)
Thu Jan 29	8:30 am	Valerie Chen (Birthday)
Fri Jan 30	8:30 am	Veronica Velasco †
Sat Jan 31	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Cresenciana Sarmiento † ICF #10 Living & Deceased Members
Sun Feb 1	9:00 am 11:30	Ester Geronimo † Eddie Malenk

PRAYER WEDNESDAYS
at St. Albert Church 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Come and join us for an hour of adoration & prayer

First Wednesdays: For Families
Second Wednesdays: For Promotion of Life
Third Wednesdays: For Religious Vocations
Fourth Wednesdays: For Youth
Fifth Wednesdays: Strengthening of Married Life

 **We Pray for our sick:** Sue Hansen, Bob Radecke, Josephine Ramos, Carmelita Gabato, Suresh Jeyachandran, Ishita Suresh, Nathaniel Roco, Dolores Jardine, Zeny Mabagos, Mark Fantillo, Benigno Capulong Sr. Chris Servente, Michael Schmidt, Kathleen Brachaud, Rogelio Feliciano II, Ann & Peter Dinh, Hakley Family, Arcely Bernardno, Mary Reiser, Elon Rowlee, Lora Bracy, Virginia Carlson, Sarah Nordstrom, June Ogden, Janelle Ogden Lake, Catherine Sherrer, Carol Lago, Lilian Layante, James Gwynne, Reydante Aguinaldo, Helen Yee, Carol Hoyer, Gail Ferrouillet, Ida Mae Kempel, Veronica, Mario Cicero, Rose Brown, Al Hugger, Jing Jing Costello, Roger Dorn, Harry Rogers, Marianne Schenone, Patricia Faria, Mary Lee, Kate Quick, Alex Cruz, Diane Bustos, Cherry Anne Feliciano, Chang Jok Lee, Peter Perata, Lea Murphy, Chris Messina, Jacek Waszkowiak, James Ogden, Sr., Linda Morales, Vicki Cuadra, Ana Brown, Tina Jimenez, Jeff R., Anne Loos, Francisca Reyes, JoMarie Mendoza, Sabina Burns, Pam Eiselman, Martine Lee,



Sat Jan 24	7:30 am 4:00 pm	For All the People of SPNSA Halona Harshfield
Sun Jan 25	8:00 am 10:30 am	Lino Meiorin † Ann & Peter Dinh (Healing) Trisha Parra (Healing)
Mon Jan 26	7:30 am	Paul Marchetti † Roseller Hernando
Tues Jan 27	7:30 am	Deceased Members of the Nguyen Family
Wed Jan 28	7:30 am	Maria Femminis †
Thu Jan 29	7:30 am	Ann & Peter Dinh (Healing) Jose De La Paz Maria † (Death Anniversary) Francisca M. Perisima (Birthday)
Fri Jan 30	7:30 am	Desmond Serpanchy † Anjelica Mendoza (Birthday) Rose O. Darang George Mendoza †
Sat Jan 31	7:30 am 4:00 pm	Anjelica Mendoza Rick Lavoie †
Sun Feb 1	8:00 am 10:30 am	Paul Marchetti † For the People of SPNSA

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UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL OFFERING

January 24-25 SPN School Support
January 31-February 1 Parish Maintenance



SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

January 2026

St. Philip Neri
Rejano & Laguicao Family (Thanksgiving)
St. Albert the Great
Alice Blancaflor



SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

January 2026

BLESSED MOTHER



Jess James & Remely Laguicao (Anniversary)



ST. JOSEPH

Jess James Laguicao (Birthday)



VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING

January 2026

St. Philip Neri

Daryl Dorn † & Family
Joseph Cervelli Family
St. Albert the Great
Alice Blancaflor



Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

JANUARY 2026

For prayer with the word of God

Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



Rite of Illumination



Feast of Santo Niño—January 18, 2026

TIPS FOR THE NEW YEAR 2026 (Part 4) from Sherry Eastwood Falls

44 tips from "The 80-Year-Old Wall" by Hideki Wada

24. If sleep won't come, don't force it. Rest however you can.
25. Joyful activities wake up the brain. Dance. Paint. Sing. Whatever works.
26. Say how you feel. No need to bottle it up anymore.
27. Find a good family doctor. Early. Not during a crisis.
28. Be bold. You don't need to be overly patient all the time.
29. It's okay to change your mind. You're not a statue.
30. Dementia? A divine gift. A gentle way to forget pain.
31. Keep learning. Stop, and you'll feel old instantly.
32. Fame isn't everything. You've got enough.
33. Switch off the telly sometimes. Don't just watch—live.

SWEATER, JACKET AND COAT DRIVE



Cold winter weather is here again and there is a need for warm coats, jackets and sweaters (clean and gently used). **Men's coats are in short supply.**

Collection containers will be placed in the vestibules of both St. Philip and St. Albert. Your donations will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for continued generosity to neighbors in need.

Outreach Ministry—Garage Sale in July 2026

We are asking for donations of used or new household ware, decorative items, toys, shoes, small appliances, tools, gardening supplies, craft items, jewelry. At this time, we are NOT ACCEPTING large furniture, books or clothing.

Your generosity will continue to allow Outreach Ministry to provide needed support to our parish and outside community.

Donation drop off will be on Wednesday mornings (8:30 am–11:30 am) at St Albert Hall. If you need items picked up or more information about donations, please contact John at (408) 829-0740.



Mass and Open House

January 25, 2026

Mass at 9am followed by

Open House 10-11:30am

Participate in a Student-Led tour of our campus, visit the classrooms, our Middle School Science Fair display and meet the teachers.

Our Second Collection on January 24-25 is for St. Philip Neri School Support. This fund helps close the gap between what families can pay and what it costs to keep our teachers teaching and children learning. Thank you for your support!!



Women In God's Spirit (WINGS): Winter 2026

Wings is a group of women from many parishes who seek to deepen their faith and grow in their relationship with God and one another and meet on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:15 in the Meeting Rooms at St. Theresa parish, 30 Mandalay Boulevard in Oakland. All are welcome.

For more info, contact Dee McDonough at deigns@comcast.net

January 28th Service Project

February 4th Margaret Roncalli, Pastoral Associate, St. Columba Catholic Church *Pilgrimage of Hope: The Word in My Life*

February 11th Barry Brown, Director, Formation Labs and Retreat Leader, *The Descending Path Leading Upwards to Hope*

February 18th Ash Wednesday Service

The Saint Philip Neri/Saint Albert Parish Outreach
Presents

“Love Is In The Air”

With Our
11th Annual Heritage Dinner

Valentine's Day February 14th

MONSIGNOR O'BRIEN HALL
3108 Van Buren Street, Alameda

Menu: Heartfelt Cuisine by Chef Leo

Mixed greens with hearts of romaine, lemon vinaigrette, bread and butter, Surf and Turf: prime rib, au jus, prawn skewers, lemon caper sauce, green bean, red pepper stir fry, roasted potatoes, red velvet cake.

Reservations Required

No Host Bar, Social hour 6pm, Dinner 7pm
Adults \$60 Children (12 and under) \$30
For questions, reservations, or ticket information call
Jeanette Zugnoni 510-206-1743
We celebrate our Heritage!

FAMILY MASS AND HOSPITALITY

Sunday, February 1, 9:00 a.m. Mass

Please join our Family Mass
with the Children's Choir



Hospitality hosted by the
Knights of Columbus



Purchase Tickets

HERE



SPN Athletic Board
Crab Feed



**Saturday Feb. 7 @6:00 in
Monsignor O'Brien hall**

\$90 per person

No Host Bar **50/50 Raffle**
Super Bowl Squares

Crab served with Pesto Pasta, Salad, Bread and Antipasto
(Chicken available in lieu of Crab)

All Proceeds benefit Athletics at SPN!
Questions, contact Jeff Croft
jcroft@csdo.org

Please Join Us

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION BRANCH #10

LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS



Every Friday Night of Lent at 6pm

*February 20th, 27th,
March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
Saint Philip Neri Hall*

Everyone Welcome

Complete Meal

Fish **Pasta** **Salad** **Rolls** **Dessert**



Take-Out Option Available

Adults \$15

Children \$5

Dinner follows

*5:30 Stations of the Cross
in Saint Philip Neri Church*



Italian Catholic Federation Annual Crab Feed



The ICF East Bay District **Dave Rose Memorial Crab Feed** is on **February 21st** at St. Phillip Neri in Monsignor O'Brien Hall. All are welcome!

Join us in an evening of friendship and fun with plenty of crab, pasta, salad and chicken (for non-crab diners) as well as dessert!!

Cocktails are at 6pm with dinner at 7pm. A raffle of those famous ICF gift baskets will be part of the fun. This event is the main fundraiser for the many charities we support- including college scholarships, seminary studies and thalassemia research. **Tickets: \$80.00 / \$20.00 for children under 10 yrs.**

Deadline for reservations is Friday Feb 1st! Contact John Zugnoni: John@Zugnoni.net, (510) 326-3474 for details.