

## 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.

**Parish Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 9:00 am-3:00 pm

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**Pastor:** Fr. Joseph Pathiyil, MF

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### St. Albert the Great Church

1022 Holly St., Alameda

#### Mass Schedule:

Mon - Sat 7:30 am \***First Friday-9:30 am**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

**Confessions:** Saturday 3:30 pm or by appt.

**Parish Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 9:00 am-Noon

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**Associate Pastor:** Fr. Chacko Muthoottil, MF

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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**

## FEBRUARY 22, 2026 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Readings for the First Sunday of Lent, year A, invite us to reflect on themes of temptation, sin, and redemption – an important journey we undertake every year in this sacred season.

In the First Reading from the book of Genesis, we witness the creation of humanity, formed from the dust of the earth and given life through God's breath. However, we also witness the tragic moment of temptation when Adam and Eve disobeyed God, resulting in the fall. Their story reminds us that temptation is as old as humanity itself. The serpent's cunning words coaxed them to doubt God's goodness, leading to choices that brought pain and separation from God.

In the Gospel, we see Jesus facing the temptations of the devil in the desert. He is confronted with hunger, the desire for power and the challenge to test God's faithfulness. Each time, Jesus responds with Scripture and reliance on God's truth. He models for us the way to confront our own temptations not through our own strength, but through our trust in God's word and promises. As we enter this Holy Lenten season, let us remember that temptation is not just an external challenge, but an invitation to deeper faith. Like Jesus, we are called to turn to God's word and the Spirit for guidance. Lent is the time to realize our sinfulness, but sinfulness should lead no one to despair. Thanks to Jesus, the New Adam, God is not only ready to pardon us but is longing to do it.

Have a fruitful Lent to all.

*Fr. Chacko*

Mass Intentions



St. Philip Neri  
February 21, 2026 – March 1, 2026

St. Albert the Great  
February 21, 2026 – March 1, 2026

Sat Feb 21	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Victoria Delgado † Josephine Ramos † Jose Delgado †
Sun Feb 22	9:00 am 11:30 am	Josephine Ramos † Steve (Istvan) Maklari † For the People of SPNSA
Mon Feb 23	8:30 am	Ditas Solario † Josephine Ramos † Jorge Partida †
Tues Feb 24	8:30 am	Carmel Boyland † Josephine Ramos † Steven Manzo Sr. †
Wed Feb 25	8:30 am	Josue Perez Max Ramirez
Thu Feb 26	8:30 am	Nestor Gangcuangco † (Anniversary) Gabriel Macalino (Birthday) Noel White †
Fri Feb 27	8:30 am	Roberta Ratto (Birthday)
Sat Feb 28	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Aida Gando † For the People of SPNSA
Sun Mar 1	9:00 am 11:30 am	Alfonso Laguicao † Primitiva Balbin † (40 Days) Brian & An Family

Sat Feb 21	7:30 am 4:00 pm	For All Souls Maria Dung Truong †
Sun Feb 22	8:00 am 10:30 am	Vincent Coutinho † Pam Eiselman
Mon Feb 23	7:30 am	Oliver Ordinario (Birthday)
Tues Feb 24	7:30 am	Rosalie Valerio (Birthday) Patricia Kinscher (Birthday)
Wed Feb 25	7:30 am	Nida B. Villalon †
Thu Feb 26	7:30 am	Bernadette Roco Aishi Suresh (Birthday)
Fri Feb 27	7:30 am	Modesto & Luisa Leong † Jose De La Paz †
Sat Feb 28	7:30 am 4:00 pm	Stephen Low Nida B. Villalon †
Sun Mar 1	8:00 am 10:30 am	Joe & LanNha Vu † Jeff Sommers † Anthony Amigo (Healing)

**UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL OFFERING**



Feb 28—Mar 1 Parish Maintenance Fund  
March 7-8 D Catholic Relief Services

**PRAYER WEDNESDAYS**

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

*Come and join us for an hour of adoration & prayer*

**ALL ARE WELCOME**



**We Pray for our sick:** Justin Lee, Angelita Soller Morales, Bob Radecke, Carmelita Gabato, Suresh Jeyachandran, Ishita Suresh, Nathaniel Roco, Dolores Jardine, Zeny Mabagos, Mark Fantillo, Benigno Capulong Sr. Chris Servente, Michael Schmidt, Kathleen Brachaud, Rogelio Felicano 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 Lagoe, Lilian Layante, James Gwynne, Reydante Aguinaldo, Helen Yee, Carol Hoyer, Gail Ferrouillet, 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, Armando Aguilar, Marion Williams

We are still accepting Sanctuary Lamp & Votive Candle offerings for Year 2026 for both St. Philip Neri and St Albert the Great churches. Sanctuary Lamp offering is \$50/month and the votive candle offering is \$30/month (\$300/year).

This is a wonderful way to celebrate a loved one. Please contact the Parish Office if you have questions or want more information.

**SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING  
FEBRUARY 2026**



**St. Philip Neri**  
Dave Rose †

**St. Albert the Great**

*For living and Deceased members  
of Menchavez Family*

**SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING  
FEBRUARY 2026**



**BLESSED MOTHER**

*Jeffrey, Jason, & Joseph  
Rockwell & Family*



**ST. JOSEPH**

*People of SPNSA*

**VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING  
FEBRUARY 2026**



**St. Philip Neri**

*Daryl Dorn † & Family  
Joseph Cervelli Family*

**St. Albert the Great**

*People of SPNSA*



## Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

**FEBRUARY 2026**

*For children with incurable diseases*

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

### HELP NEEDED to fund new computers for the Parish Office

To keep up with current technologies, software upgrade requirements, and security, we have found it necessary to upgrade our staff computers. Our computers will no longer support these newer updates. We need to replace 4 computers and are asking for monetary donations. All gifts are tax deductible.

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to donate. Thank you in advance for your support!



*Burning of the Palms*

### *World Wide Marriage Encounter*

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

Husbands and wives, offer each other the treasures of your love by participating in upcoming *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences*:

March 6-8, 2026 in Danville CA  
April 10-12, 2026 in Zephyr Point NV  
May 1-3, 2026 in San Juan Bautista CA.

Go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) to find the Experience that is just right for you!

### 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.

#### ST. PHILIP NERI ST ALBERT THE GREAT PARISH STAFF

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St. Vincent de Paul **Help Line 510 373-5226**

#### PARISH VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

##### PLANNING

**Financial Council**

Chair: Sandy Goya

**Liturgical Committee**

Chair: Catherine Morales

**Pastoral Council**

Chair: Karen Cerio

##### MINISTRIES

**St. Vincent DePaul Conference:** Richard White

**Outreach Ministry:** Kelly Baptista

**Knights of Columbus** Matt Raimondi

**Welcome the Stranger** Anna Rossi

**ICF Branch #10** Jim Lee

**Pro-Life** Donna Marchetti

**SPNSA Book Club** Richard White

**Flowers & Arrangement** Terry Grieg

**FAMILY MASS AND HOSPITALITY**

**Sunday, March 1, 9:00 a.m. mass**

Please join our Family Mass  
with the Children's Choir



Hospitality hosted by the  
**Knights of Columbus**



**Stations of the Cross**

Fridays during Lent: **February 20 thru April 3**  
**5:30 pm** at St Philip Neri followed by (ICF) Fish Fry  
**7:00 pm** at St. Albert the Great followed by Simple Soup

**Please Join Us**

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION BRANCH #10

**LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS**



Every Friday Night of Lent at 6pm

February 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>,  
March 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>  
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



**OCIA FAMILY FILMS NIGHT -**  
Immediately following (ICF) Fish Fry

**\*Film: Little Women (PG) 2019**

February 27, 2026

In the Children's Chapel

*\*The film is a classic tale of a young writer who continuously sacrifices for her family of 3 sisters and a very beloved mom. It is a story which illustrates how the love of a family transcends the love of self.*



*A time  
to grow  
spiritually  
through penitential practices  
especially those of  
self-denial, almsgiving,  
and through works of  
kindness and compassion.*

Our Lenten CRS Rice Bowls have  
arrived.



Please remember to give generously.

75% of your CRS Rice Bowl donations support  
Catholic Relief Services work around the world.

25% helps fight hunger and poverty in our own  
community.

Please pick up a Rice Bowl in the Vestibule.



**SAINT PATRICK'S IRISH SOCIAL**

Sponsored by ICF Branch 10

**Saturday, March 7, 2026**

Social Hour, including Hosted Bar, at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Monsignor O'Brien Hall

High Street & Van Buren Street, Alameda

**CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE & ALL THE TRIMMINGS**

ENTERTAINMENT BY YOUNG LADIES

FROM

McBRIDE SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE

Adults \$35.00

Children 12 Years & under \$15.00

Reservations

To: Terry Greig, (510) 504-0498 or [terrygreig3@gmail.com](mailto:terrygreig3@gmail.com),  
by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

