

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

Phone: 510-373-5200

Email: secretary@spnsa.org

Pastor: Fr. Joseph Pathiyil, MF

510-373-5201 or fr.pathiyil@spnsa.org



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

Phone: 510-373-5225

Associate Pastor: Fr. Chacko Muthoottil, MF

510-373-5202 or chackommf@gmail.com

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

MARCH 15, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ LAETARE SUNDAY

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday), the Church invites us to rejoice because God is bringing us from darkness into light.

In today's Gospel, Jesus meets a man who has been blind from birth. Jesus makes mud, puts it on the man's eyes, and tells him to wash in the pool of Siloam. The man obeys, washes, and comes back able to see. But the miracle is not only about physical sight. The deeper message is about spiritual sight. The man who was blind could not see with his eyes, but he was open in his heart. When Jesus speaks, he listens. When Jesus gives an instruction, he obeys. But the Pharisees, who had perfect eyesight, were spiritually blind.

The Gospel turns our expectations upside down: The blind man begins to see. The religious leaders become blind to the truth. At the end Jesus says, "I came into this world so that those who do not see might see, and those who think they see might become blind." This Gospel invites us to ask: Where might we be blind in our lives? Sometimes we are blind to: The needs of people around us. Our own weaknesses and sins. The presence of God working quietly in our lives.

Lent is the time when Jesus wants to touch our eyes so that we can see again—see with faith, compassion, and humility.

God bless.

Fr. Joseph

Mass Intentions



St. Philip Neri
March 14, 2026 – March 22, 2026

St. Albert the Great
March 14, 2026 – March 22, 2026

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| Sat Mar 14 | 8:30 am 5:15 pm | Cesar Aranas † Merlita Soriano † Dave Rose † |
| Sun Mar 15 | 9:00 am 11:30 am | Eliana Clare Laguicao (Birthday) Ida Mae Kempel † Peter Chen † (Anniversary) Bobby Ybarra † |
| Mon Mar 16 | 8:30 am | Abraham Gangcuangco † Joseph R (Thanksgiving) |
| Tues Mar 17 | 8:30 am | Michael Geib † |
| Wed Mar 18 | 8:30 am | Katie Boyland † Jess James & Remelym Laguicao (Anniversary) Gina Foster (Birthday) |
| Thurs Mar 19 | 8:30 am | Darryl San Buenaventura (Thanksgiving) |
| Fri Mar 20 | 8:30 am | Jacque Rockwell (Birthday) Helen & Emile Carles † Thien.dinh (Birthday) |
| Sat Mar 21 | 8:30 am 5:15 pm | For the People of SPNSA Jeff Rockwell (Thanksgiving) |
| Sun Mar 22 | 9:00 am 11:30 am | Fred Foster † Milagros Garcia † Living & Deceased Members of ICF #10 Jeanette Zugnoni (Birthday) |

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| Sat Mar 14 | 7:30 am 4:00 pm | Elizabeth Griffith Nora & Daniel Giblin † |
| Sun Mar 15 | 8:00 am 10:30 am | Benito Capulong † Armando Aguilar † Margie Teklits † |
| Mon Mar 16 | 7:30 am | For All Souls |
| Tues Mar 17 | 7:30 am | Nathaniel Roco |
| Wed Mar 18 | 7:30 am | Maria Femminis † |
| Thu Mar 19 | 7:30 am | Jose Alcaide & Josephina Rodriguez |
| Fri Mar 20 | 7:30 am | Maria Femminis † Kelly Baptista (Birthday) |
| Sat Mar 21 | 7:30 am 4:00 pm | Nora Doria † Siony Piatos (Healing) |
| Sun Mar 22 | 8:00 am 10:30 am | Roy Coutinho † Vanessa Marie Martinez † |

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL OFFERING

March 22-23 Easter Flowers
March 28-29 St Vincent De Paul



We Pray for the deceased: Helen Walsh
We Pray for our sick: Emily Bennett, Carol Gottstein, Angelita Soller Morales, Bob Radecke, Carmelita Gabato, Nathaniel Roco, Dolores Jardine, Zeny Mabagos, Mark Fantillo, Benigno Capulong Sr. Chris Servente, Michael Schmidt, Kathleen Brachaud, Rogelio Felicano II, Hakley Family, Arcely Bernardino, Elon Rowlee, Lora Bracy, Virginia Carlson, June Ogden, Janelle Ogden Lake, Catherine Sherrer, Carol Lagoe, Lillian 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, Kate Quick, Alex Cruz, Diane Bustos, Cherry Anne Feliciano, Chang Jok Lee, Peter Perata, Chris Messina, Jacek Waszkowiak, James Ogden, Sr., Linda Morales, Tina Jimenez, Jeff R, Anne Loos, Francisca Reyes, JoMarie Mendoza, Sabina Burns, Pam Eiselman, Martine Lee, Marian Williams, Sherley Flores, Anthony Amigo, Felicidad Salcedo

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 good way to remember a loved one. Contact the Parish Office.

SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

MARCH 2026

St. Philip Neri

Eliana Clare Laguicao
(Birthday Thanksgiving)

St. Albert the Great

Flor Ventanilla
In Thanksgiving



SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

MARCH 2026

BLESSED MOTHER

Belinda Rejano
(Birthday Thanksgiving)

ST. JOSEPH

Dave Rose †



VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING

MARCH 2026

St. Philip Neri

Joseph Cervelli Family
Jess James & Remelym Laguicao
(Wedding Anniversary)

St. Albert the Great

People of SPNSA





Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

MARCH 2026

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

MARCH EVENTS at SPNSA

Stations of the Cross—Fridays through March 27

Lenten Fish Fry—Fridays thru March 27

Simple Soup—Fridays thru March 27

OCIA Family Films Night—every Friday thru March 27

Adoration at St Albert—every Wednesday at 6 pm

St. Patrick's Day—March 17

Palm Sunday—March 29

JOIN ST. ALBERT THE GREAT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 7:00 PM

THEN STAY FOR

'SIMPLE SOUP'



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



REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

Refugee Foster Care supports unaccompanied refugee minors fleeing persecution and violence. We are seeking nurturing families to welcome a refugee youth into their home. Join us virtually to learn more!



March 26, 2026
6:30 PM



408-325-5107
snavarro2@ccsc.org

RSVP HERE



SCAN ME

Catholic Charities
of Santa Clara County

Calling all Spartans and Friends!

Join the **Class of 1971** on Saturday, **March 28** for **5:15 PM Mass** with Fr. Bob Glynn and **dinner** following in Monsignor O'Brien Hall!

Dinner catered by **Park Street Tavern**

Adults \$30, Children \$5

Call the Parish Office for Reservations

Make check payable to SPNSA

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.

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

*Film: *To Sir With Love* 1967

March 20, 2026 at 7:10 pm

In the Children's Chapel

Sidney Poitier turns in another outstanding performance as a high school teacher working in London's tough East End in the 60's. The students set out to break his spirit but end up loving and respecting him as he shows them respect too. "Lulu" sings the hit song:

"To Sir With Love"

Laetare Sunday

Laetare is Latin for “rejoice.” It is a day of celebration in anticipation of the end of Lent and the nearness of Easter.

PRAYER FOR LENT

O God, bless us during this season of spiritual renewal. Fill our minds and hearts with love, that we may be a sign of Jesus to all those living in our midst.



PARISH LENTEN MISSION WITH

FR IKE UDOH



Date: March 23-25

Place: St Philip Neri Church

Time: 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

“The mission talks will focus on keys that open the door of our hearts to the saving grace of Jesus.”

March 23: Repentance and Faith

March 24: Forgiveness

March 25: Renunciation and Authority

Closing with Parish Reconciliation on the 25th.

Fr. Ike Udoh, SJ

Unbound Ministries and Chaplain of the
Oakland Charismatic Renewal
Diocese of Oakland, CA

Fr. Ike Udoh, SJ, is currently the Chaplain of the Oakland Diocese Charismatic Renewal.

He is the son of Joseph and Dorothy Udoh, brother to Chika and Osita, and Uncle to two nieces and two nephews. He joined the Society of Jesus in 2004, and was ordained to the priesthood in 2015. Following ordination, he completed studies in Scripture (S.T.L.) and Ignatian Spirituality (Master's), and then served as a priest at Blessed Sacrament church in Hollywood.

Fr Udoh moved back to the Bay Area in 2022 to be the primary caretaker of his mom, and serves in the Diocese of Oakland, primarily at St. Raymond's, St Joan of Arc and St. Augustine. Fr Ike loves music, spirituality and bringing people to Jesus who heals and sets us free in the Sacraments and through the “Five-Keys of Unbound”.



Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent: **February 20 thru March 27**

5:30 pm at St Philip Neri followed by (ICF) Fish Fry
7:00 pm at St. Albert the Great followed by Simple Soup

PRAYER WEDNESDAYS

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

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

ALL ARE WELCOME

ICF Branch 10's

SAINT JOSEPH'S TABLE

Proceeds Support Missionaries of Charity, Pacifica

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Mass at 5:15 p.m. Saint Philip Neri Church

Dinner Served at 6:30 p.m., Monsignor O'Brien Hall

Doors Open at 6:00 pm

Menu: Salad, Pasta, Chicken, and Vegetables

Special Dessert Table

(Members: Please bring a tasty item for the dessert table.)

Hosted Bar with Soda, Beer, and Wine

Prices: \$30.00 for Adults, \$12.00 for Youngsters 14 and under

Reservations: To Jeanette Zugnoni,

Email: jeanette@zugnoni.net or Phone: (510) 206-1743

By 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 15th

Please, Payment in Advance

Make check payable to "ICF Branch 10" and mail to:

Jeanette Zugnoni

1841 Fremont Drive

Alameda, CA 94501

Bringing Lent to Life with CRS Rice Bowls

Please pick up a Rice Bowl from the church vestibule.

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 remember to give generously.



March 29, 2026



EASTER EGG HUNT

April 5 (Easter Sunday)

on the lawn at St. Albert the Great



The Outreach Ministry is hosting this year's Easter Egg Hunt and is asking for monetary donations or individually wrapped candies that will fit into the plastic eggs.

Monetary donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. A container will be in the vestibules of each Hall for candy donations.

We will also need volunteers to help assemble the Easter eggs at:

**St. Albert the Great Rectory,
Saturday, March 21 at 10:00AM**

Please contact Clare Mazala at 510-289-6501 or email: cgarussell@gmail.com

Momentous occasions at SPNSA



*Rite of Election
February 22, 2026
Zhen Deng, Mai Deng,
Isabella Deng,
Bishop Barber, Edward
Mack, Porshia Mack and
Sherry Eastwood-Falls*

*Margaret Mariani's
90th Birthday*

*Margaret with her
SPNSA family:
Fr. Joseph, Fr. Chacko,
Margaret, Joann,
Terry, Ruth, Cathy,
Rudy, and Ken*



First Reconciliation—March 10