

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

MAY 3, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Readings for the fifth Sunday of Easter, year A, invite us to reflect on our identity as a community of believers and the hope, we have in Christ.

In the First reading from the Acts of the apostles, we see the early church facing challenges as the community grows. The appointment of deacons was a response to the needs of the people, ensuring that no one was neglected, especially the widows. These significant moments illustrate that service and ministry are crucial aspects of our faith. We are called not only to pray and worship but also to act with love and compassion, ensuring that every member of our community feels valued and cared for.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus comforts His disciples with the assurance that He is the way, the truth, and the life. His promise to prepare a place for us in the Father's house is a profound reminder that we are not alone. As we navigate our own doubts and fears, Christ invites us to trust Him and to find peace in His presence.

Moses led the people of Israel through the desert into the promised land; Jesus leads His church into heaven across the desert of this world. Jesus not only knows the way well, but He is also the way, only through Him can we go to the Father. It is indeed a great thing to belong to Christ's Church.

God bless.

Fr. Chacko

Mass Intentions



St. Philip Neri
May 2, 2026 – May 10, 2026

St. Albert the Great
May 2, 2026 – May 10, 2026

Sat May 2	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Cecilia Chen (Birthday) Jasmine Taylor (Birthday) Margaret Bittrolff †
Sun May 3	9:00 am 11:30 am	ICF # 10 Living & Deceased Members Rodolfo Feliciano † Eileen Mc Laughlin †
Mon May 4	8:30 am	Mary Lee † Virginia (Healing)
Tues May 5	8:30 am	Croft Family †
Wed May 6	8:30 am	Daniel Maddix †
Thurs May 7	8:30 am	Rogelio Feliciano † Teodora Merquillo † (Birthday remembrance)
Fri May 8	8:30 am	Ester Gangcuangco †
Sat May 9	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Michael Maddix † Dave Rose † Antonio M. Estrada † Filomena Estrada †
Sun May 10	9:00 am 11:30 am	Margaret Bittrolff † Nico Domagas (Birthday) For All Mothers (Living & Deceased)

Sat May 2	7:30 am 4:00 pm	Armando Aguilar † Ed Perry † Edith Johnson †
Sun May 3	8:00 am 10:30 am	Maria Femminis † Pres and Helen Ordinario
Mon May 4	7:30 am	Rick Lavoie †
Tues May 5	7:30 am	Reynaldo & Maria Linda Rivera
Wed May 6	7:30 am	Maria Femminis †
Thurs May 7	7:30am	Ian Ordinario (Birthday)
Fri May 8	7:30 am	Joni De Guzman Paus
Sat May 9	7:30 am 4:00 pm	For All Mothers For All Mothers
Sun May 10	8:00 am 10:30 am	Edith Johnson † Josephina Rodriguez † Dorothy Brown † Catherine Ordinario (Birthday)

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 the safety of all military personnel serving and protecting our freedom around the world especially Ray Pontemayor and Alvin Garabiles



We Pray for our sick: Kay Regan, Jennifer Hillenbrand, 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 Feliciano II, Hakley Family, Arcely Bernardino, Elon Rowlee, Lora Bracy, Virginia Carlson, June Ogden, Janelle Ogden Lake, Catherine Sherrer, Carol Lagoe, Lilian Layante, James Gwynne, Reydante Aguinaldo, Helen Yee, Carol Hoyer, Gail Ferrouilet, 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 Eisman, Martine Lee, Marian Williams, Sherley Flores, Felicidad Salcedo, Tom Rockwell, Mary "Babe" Goodman, Baby Leana Gigi and family, Ava and Marty Nicandro, Oscar Rivero Senior, Marcos Gatan Jr.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL OFFERING

May 2-3 Parish Maintenance Fund
May 14 Feast of the Ascension Offering
May 16-17 Catholic Charities
May 30-31 St Vincent de Paul



SANCTUARY LAMP and VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERINGS FOR 2026

There are several available dates for offerings for St Philip Neri Church:

Sanctuary Lamp: July thru September and November

Blessed Mother: July thru November

St. Joseph: July thru December

Sanctuary Lamp offering is \$50/month and votive candle offering is \$30/month (\$300/yr)
Mass offering is \$10. *This is a wonderful way to celebrate a loved one.* Please contact the

Parish Office if you have questions.

SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

MAY 2026

St. Philip Neri

People of SPNSA

St. Albert the Great

Living and Deceased Members of Serafica and Ordinario family



SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING

MAY 2026

BLESSED MOTHER

People of SPNSA

ST. JOSEPH

People of SPNSA



VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING

MAY 2026

St. Philip Neri

Joseph Cervelli Family

St. Albert the Great

People of SPNSA



Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

MAY 2026

That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food

MAY DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 10, 2026 Family Mass/Mother's Day
- May 13, 2026 Our Lady of Fatima
- May 14, 2026 **The Ascension of the Lord** (to be celebrated on May 17)
- May 24, 2026 **Pentecost Sunday**
- May 25, 2026 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
- May 26, 2026 St. Philip Neri, Priest



So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. - ROMANS 12:5

Please help support the 2026 Bishop's Ministries Appeal

Pro-Life Second Saturday Rosary, May 9 at 9:30 a.m.

The 2nd Saturday Rosary takes place this month on Saturday, May 9 at Alameda City Hall (corner of Oak and Santa Clara Ave.) We meet at 9:15 and start the Rosary at 9:30 am. All are welcome.

FAMILY MASS AND HOSPITALITY Sunday, May 10, 9:00 a.m. mass

Please join our Family Mass with the Children's Choir

Hospitality hosted by the Knights of Columbus



ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CHURCH NEWS

This week, Bishop Barber announced an important update to the Mission Alignment Process which impacts 13 parishes and pastoral center. Bishop Barber has determined it necessary to close 13 parishes including St Albert the Great church.

There isn't yet a specific timeline for closure and St Albert will continue to be open and operating until further notice.

The list of 13 parishes designated for closure, Bishop Barber's letter and a set of FAQs can be found on diocesan website (www.oakdiocese.org).

Returning ...

LECTIO DIVINA starting **June 5th** immediately following Friday morning mass in the conference room of the rectory.

ALL ARE WELCOME

OCIA CORNER ~ Living God's Word

We pray the Lord to give us confidence to trust in His word that He has gone to prepare a permanent dwelling place for us, where we will be with Him and all those who have gone ahead of us. We pray that this assurance may strengthen us to live as if we were already there.

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Consider signing up for eGiving and setting up your recurring donation. You can use eGiving from your computer, smartphone, tablet for recurring or one-time gifts. Sign up by visiting spnsa.org website "GIVE ONLINE" which goes directly to ParishSoft "Give Now" page.



LOVE IN ACTION THIS SPRING

We have been serving our neighbors in the East Bay for over 90 years. Please help us continue our programs that address housing stability, mental health needs, and immigration legal support.



DONATE TODAY AND PLANT A SEED OF HOPE

cceb.org



@catholiccharitieseastbay





Outreach Ministry's
Mother's Day Pop up Sale
St. Albert the Great Church

Saturday, **May 2nd** after the 4:00 pm mass
Sunday, **May 3rd** after the 8:00 a.m. and
10:30 a.m. mass

Come shop for wonderful gifts and jewelry
to celebrate Mother's Day!



Magnificat Servants of the Immaculata (SOTI)
Women's Ministry Meal is hosting a
pre-mother's day event in Diocese of Oakland.

Saturday, **May 9**, 0930-1230, with guest speaker
Paul J Kim at Cathedral of Christ the Light, [2121
Harrison Street, Oakland](http://2121HarrisonStreetOakland.com).

Please contact Kathleen Ding at 510 928-3133 for
more information or questions.

Register early by mail or on-line:
<https://bit.ly/MagnificatWCR>

Make checks payable to Magnificat SOTI
P.O. Box 4626 Walnut Creek, CA 94596



SAN DAMIANO RETREAT
An Oasis of Peace

Retreat Weekend—**Weekend of June 13-15**
San Damiano Retreat Center,
710 Highland Dr, Danville, CA

sandamiano.org/events/rebuild-my-church-franciscan-jubilee-year-parish-retreat/

Phone: (925) 837-9141 • Email: katerik@sandamiano.org
Register today-space is limited. Suggested donation is
\$350.

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.



Full meal for only \$10!

Too tired to cook for Mom? We got you!

Special Treat on Mother's Day, May 10, 2026

St. Albert Church after 8 and 10:30 A.M. mass

St. Philip Neri after the 9:00 and 11:30 A.M. mass

SPECIAL COMBO 1

SPECIAL COMBO 2

PANSIT

RICE

CHICKEN ADOBO

CHICKEN ADOBO

LUMPIANG SHANGHAI

LUMPIANG SHANGHAI

A LA CARTE still \$10 (PANSIT or CHICKEN ADOBO)

We accept pre-paid orders. Please call to order:

St Philip Neri Parish Office	510 373-5200,
Ruth Pontemayor	510 917-0845
Helen Ordinario	510 769-1148

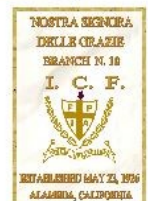
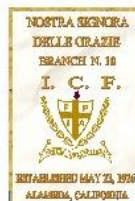
Reservations can be made until May 7, 2026

WARNING: May cause sudden happiness, full stomachs, and
Mom asking, "Who made this?!"

Don't wait-come hungry, leave happy!

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO ST. ALBERT'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

100th Anniversary Dinner



Monsignor O'Brien Hall

High Street & Van Buren Street, Alameda

Saturday, May 16th, 2026

Social Hour 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.



Adults \$60 includes Hosted Bar

Children 12 & under \$20

Dinner by Chef Leo Munoz

Menu:

Antipasto, Salad, Pasta
Prime Rib or Salmon, Dessert



Reservations

To: Terry Greig, (510) 504-0498

by noon on Monday, May 11th