# **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.



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 8:30 am-2:30 pm Parish Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am-Noon Email: secretary@spnsa.org Phone: 510-373-5200 Phone: 510-373-5225

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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

# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 27, 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The Gospel of the day speaks about the importance of prayer. Jesus himself set us an example for prayer. Do we know how important prayer is in our life. Many of us struggle to pray. The disciples of Jesus felt the same way, which is why they asked: "Lord, teach us to pray." Today, Jesus gives us not only words to pray but also a way of approaching God-with trust and persistence.

Jesus taught his disciples the pattern of all prayers, "Our Father...". Prayer Begins with Relationship. The first word of the Lord's Prayer is "Father". Jesus invites us to approach God as a loving parent, not as a distant judge. Prayer is not just asking for things, it's a relationship built on love and trust. Our prayer should begin with praising God: "Hallowed be your name." Before asking for anything, we acknowledge God's greatness and goodness.

We often come to God with a long list of requests, but Jesus teaches balance: First, "Your kingdom come" – putting God's will before ours. Then, "Give us each day our daily bread" - trusting God to provide what we truly need. This "daily bread" is not just food but everything necessary for life, including forgiveness and peace. Don't give up praying. Jesus tells the parable of the friend knocking at midnight to remind us: Do not give up in prayer. Persistence does not mean God is unwilling; it means prayer changes us. We learn patience, humility, and dependence on God when we keep asking, seeking, and knocking. God Gives the Best Gift. The greatest answer to our prayer is God Himself—His Spirit living in us. Let us pray not just for things, but for a deeper relationship with God, and for the Holy Spirit who helps us live as true children of the Father.

God bless.

Fr. Joseph Pathiyil

JUBILEE THEME FOR JULY



~ FREEDOM ~ WORDS OF WISDOM: INDEPENDENCE St. Philip Neri July 26, 2025 – August 3, 2025



St. Albert the Great July 26, 2025 – August 3, 2025

Sat July 26	8:30 am 5:15 pm	Francisco Delgado † Dave Rose † Dolores Romero †	Sat July 26	7:30 am 4:00 pm	Clementina Duenas † For the People of SPNSA
Sun July 27	9:00 am	Jeffrey Croft Family Jeanette Minot	Sun July 27	8:00 am 10:30 am	Maria Femminis Vicki Cuadra
	11:30 am	Leonida Posas † Jimmy Ta †	Mon July 28	7:30 am	Robert Carlson +
Mon July 28	8:30 am	Aida G. Gando † Francisco Delgado †	Tue July 29	7:30 am	Gregoria Mangalonzo †
Tue July 29	8:30 am	Albina Galetto † Ian Pabelico (Birthday)	Wed	7:30 am	Aidea Ding (1st Birthday)
Wed July 30	8:30 am	Goldie Boyland † Francisco Delgado †	July 30 Thu	7:30 am	Bienvenida Romero †
Thu July 31	8:30 am	Fr. Vince Cotter †	July 31 Fri	7:30 am	Michael Q. Kelly, Dewainte
Fri Aug 1	8:30 am	Darren Falls	Aug 1		Michael & Kelly Baptista
Sat Aug 2	8:30 am	William Eckert, Jr. † Cresenciana Sarmiento †	Sat Aug 2	7:30 am 4:00 pm	Fr. Pickett Robert Carlson †
Aug Z	5:15 pm	Michael Lee †	Sun	8:00 am	For the people of SPNSA
Sun Aug 3	9:00 am 11:30 am	Nick & Claire Economos Stephan Cordova † Michael Zugnoni †	Aug 3	10:30 am	Cesario De Guzman Piamonte †

<u>We Pray for our deceased:</u> Peter Gabriel Garcia, Francisco Delgado

We Pray for our sick: Richard Jones, Ann & Peter Dinh, Hakley Family, Malou Hartrick, Arcely Bernardino, Justin Lee, Mary Reiser, Norma Murray, Elon Rowlee, Lora Bracy, Vicky Bell, Norma De la Cruz, Michael Kempel, Virginia Carlson, Sarah Nordstrom, June Ogden, Catherine Sherrer, Aurora Custodio, Ginni Carlson, Carol Lagoe, Lilian Layante, James Gwynne, Reydante Aguinaldo,

Fr. Bob's Cousin Suzy, Helen Yee, Susan Anderson, Wanda Bishop, Carol Hoyer, Gail Ferrouillet, Ida Mae Kempel, Veronica, Mario Cicero, Rose Brown, Al Hugger, Jing Jing Costello, Roger Dorn, Harry Rogers, Maria Femminis, Marianne Schenone, Patricia Faria, Mary Lee, Donna Vaughn, Kate Quick, Alex Cruz, Diane Bustos, Cherry Anne Feliciano, Chang Jok Lee, Peter Perata, Lea Murphy, Chris

**OUR 'PRAYERS FOR THE SICK' LIST NEEDS TO BE UPDATED** Please advise the Parish Office. Email *secretary@spnsa.org* or call the office, 510-373-5200.

#### UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL OFFERING

July 26-27 Missionaries of Faith August 2-3 Parish Maintenance

SANCTUARY LAMP OFFERING JULY 2025

St. Philip Neri

Joseph Cervelli †

St. Albert the Great

Living & Deceased Members of Artero, Femminis, Giorge & Bovo Families

#### SANCTUARY LAMPS OFFERING JULY 2025



Living & Deceased Members of Cerio Family

## <u>ST. JOSEPH</u>

Living & Deceased Members of Gatan & Rockwell Families

#### <u>St. Joseph</u>: September and November Sanctuary Lamp offering is \$50/month Votive candle offering is \$30/month (\$300/yr) This is a wonderful way to celebrate a loved one

Mass Offering is \$10

SANCTUARY LAMP and VOTIVE CANDLE

**OFFERINGS FOR 2025** 

THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS FOR ST. PHILIP NERI CHURCH:

Sanctuary Lamp: July, August, September Blessed Mother: September and November

> VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING JULY 2025 <u>St. Philip Neri</u>

> > Joseph Cervelli +

St. Albert the Great

People of SPNSA

## Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention JULY 2025

## For formation in discernment



Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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

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**FIRST FRIDAY** - **AUGUST 1, 2025** Come and embrace the joy of being in His presence.

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

Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction



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





## SPNSA PARISH BOOK CLUB

Everyone is invited to join our book club. We have a new book

"The Seven Secrets of Divine Mercy" by Vinny Flynn

We meet on Tuesday's on ZOOM. For more information, please contact Richard White: 510-521-9389 or rjjmwhite@gmail.com

# PRAYER WEDNESDAYS

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

Come and join us for An hour of adoration and prayer

> First Wednesdays For Families

Second Wednesdays For Promotion of Life

Third Wednesdays For Religious Vocations

Fourth Wednesdays For Youth

<u>Fifth Wednesdays</u> Strengthening of Married Life

## FR. VINCE COTTER FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

St. Ignatius of Antioch 3351 Contra Loma Blvd. Antioch, CA 94509

Wednesday, July 30 Viewing: 1:00-6:45 PM Vigil Service: 7:00 PM

<u>Thursday, July 31</u> Viewing: 9:00-10:30 AM Funeral Mass: 11:00 AM





**Do you know who I am?** *I am one of the most celebrated disciples of Jesus. I was one of the witnesses of the Crucifixion and burial of Jesus and famously was the first person to see the resurrected Christ. I was the first person to announce the joyful message of Easter. St. Thomas Aquinas gave me the title of Apostle of the Apostles. I am the patron of contemplative life, converts, penitent sinners, people ridiculed for their piety, women, hairdressers, glovemakers & pharmacists.* 

Answer to last week's Do you know ...? St. Kateri Tekakwitha

#### FR. BERTRAND KUNDU—A MISSIONARY FROM THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF KITALE KENYA, EAST AFRICA IS COMING TO ST. PHILIP NERI-ST ALBERT THE GREAT PARISH ON AUGUST 9-10, TO SPEAK AT THE MASSES.



Fr. Bertrand Kundu is 48 years old, 3rd born with 3 brothers and 3 sisters, all in Kenya. He did his seminary formation in Kenya and was ordained on June 16, 2007 as a diocesan. He has worked in Kitale all these years through April 2024 when his bishop sent him to the United States. He is the pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes-Mobile Archdiocese Alabama.

## FUN FAIR SEPTEMBER 2025 Fun Fair Committee!!



Interested in helping plan our Fun Fair this year?

We will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 6 in the Rectory Conference Room at 7pm.

We are looking for additional team leads for the day of the event!

Questions? Gina Foster (gfoster@csdo.org)

## St. Philip Neri-St. Albert the Great **Casino Fundraising**

WHEN:	SATURDAY,	August 9.	2025

#### WHERE: RED HAWK CASINO

- COST: \$45 per person
- REFUND: \$20 Credit to your card
- PICK UP: ALAMEDA MARINA VILLAGE (Lucky's) Boarding Time: 7:30 a.m. Departure Time: 8:00 a.m.

#### SCHEDULE: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM **RED HAWK CASINO**

#### For information, call:

Office: 510 373-5200 **Ruth:** 510 917-0845 Helen: 510 769-1148 Becky: 510 387-3161

Please make your payment to St. Albert the Great on or

before July 24, 2025 to reserve your seat.

Please note: There will be no refund for cancellation or "no show."

Reminder: Please bring a picture ID.

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED ON THE BUS** \*\*\*\*\*THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK\*\*\*\*\*

#### **OAKLAND DIOCESE OFFICE OF LIFE & JUSTICE**

The Oakland Diocese offers immigration "Updates, Resources and Event" information through their website in English and Spanish.

#### Learn about:

- **Resources for Immigrants & Families** •
- Know your Rights
- **Catholic Immigration Support Networks**
- **Immigration Legal Resource Center** •
- and more
- oakdiocese.org/immigration

## ~ TO ALL VOLUNTEERS ~

#### SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING/RETRAINING THROUGH VIRTUS

During this mid-year pause, we invite you to take a moment to revisit your Safe Environment Training through Virtus, the Diocese of Oakland's program designed to ensure that our parish remains a safe and welcoming place for all.

As dedicated volunteers, your role in the life of our parish is not only deeply appreciated but also truly essential. Whether you serve in liturgy, catechesis, hospitality, or behind the scenes, your presence reflects Christ's love to those we serve.

## Please take these steps:

#### Visit <u>www.virtusonline.org</u>

- 1. Log in to your existing account
- 2. Check your status to see if your training is due for renewal
- 3. Complete any required training modules

4. Update your personal account information, including your address, email, and phone number

If you are having trouble accessing your Virtus account or have questions, please contact the parish office at **510-373-5200** (Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM) or via email secretary@spnsa.org

## THANK YOU!!!

**<u>OUTREACH</u>** MINISTRY would like to express their appreciation for helping to support our Garage Sale. Your generous donations of goods, the large turnout in volunteers to help set up & clean up for the sale and all who attended the sale has made this a very successful event.

Because of you, Outreach Ministry is able to contribute to the many and varied projects throughout the year such as St. Vincent DePaul, St. Philip Neri school, Flowers for both SA and SPN, Parish maintenance, Midway Shelter, Alameda Food Bank and Alameda Meals on Wheels.

