

# Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

606 Mellus Street, Martinez, California

**Twenty Ninth** Sunday in **Ordinary** Time October 19 2025

RECONCILIATION:



# Liturgy Schedule

SAT VIGIL MASS: 4:30 pm (4:00 pm beginning | 1/1) SUN HOLY MASSES: 8:30 am-livestreamed & II:00 am DAILY ROSARY: MON to SAT at 7:30 am MON to SAT at 8:00 am **DAILY MASS: DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: MON to SAT 8:30 am** 

MON to FRI 7:15 am - 7:45 am THU from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

SAT from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm **ANOINTING** of the **SICK**: For those experiencing an

imminent death, please call 925-228-2230 ext. 6.

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE WITH THE CLERGY

Every Tuesday via ZOOM from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm Call the office at 925-228-2230 or email dcnalbertd@stcmtz.org to have your name added to the notification email with the zoom link.



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linkedin.com/company/diocese-of-oakland

# Readings for the Week

https://bible.usccb.org						
SUN	10/19	Exo 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2,3-4; 2Tim 3:14-				
		4:2; Lk 18:1-8				
MON	10/20	Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70,71-72;Lk 12:13				
TUE	10/21	Rom 5:12, 15b; Ps40:7-8a,8b-9; Lk 12:35				
WED	10/22	Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124;5:1b-3,4-6; Lk 12-39				
THU	10/23	Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2,3,4; Lk 12:49-53				
FRI	10/24	Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66,68; Lk 12:54-59				
SAT	10/25	Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-2,3-4ab; Lk 13:1-9				
SUN	10/26	Sir 35:12-14,16-18; Ps 34:2-3,17-18,19-				

23: 2Tim 4:6-8.16-18: Lk 18:9-14

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# **OFFICE HOURS**

Mondays & Fridays: 8:30 am to 2 pm Wednesdays: 8:30 am to 6:30 pm Closed on Tuesdays & Thursdays

# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA SCHOOL

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We welcome visitors, newcomers, and friends. We open our hearts and offer our hands in Christian

fellowship to you worshipping with our community. We invite you to join our parish membership. Please register on the parish website or use the QR CODE here for easy access. Please call the parish office if you need assistance.



You are cordially invited to attend An Evening in the Vineyard'

Srs. Jeanne & Moira's 33th Annual Event Benefitting Faith Formation Programs— Religious Ed, Adult Faith Formation, OCIA and Confirmation Youth

Sat. Nov 15 @ 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall \$20 each

# SCS PARISH RAFFLE

BENEFITTING FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN AT THE ABOVE EVENT NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

\$5 EA OR BOOK OF 5 FOR \$20

1 1ST PRIZE: \$3,000. 2ND: \$1,500. 3RD: \$500

Raffle Tickets & Event Tickets ON SALE NOW after all Masses! There will be a second collection for WORLD MISSION SUNDAY this weekend "Missionaries of Hope among all Peoples"





St. Catherine of Siena
Sweetheart Dance
Dinner & Auction
Sat, Feb 14, 2026
5pm VIP Entry
5:30pm General Admission

For placement in the bulletin, please email your request by Friday for the following weekend's bulletin: bulletinsubmissions@stcmtz.org

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#### "Story of a Soul"

Relics of <u>St. Therese of Lisieux</u> will be available to venerate at the Cathedral of Christ the Light on Wed, <u>Oct 22</u> from <u>7AM to 11AM</u>. The visit comes as part of a national tour making 40 stops in 11 states. Her relics remind pilgrims of the grace God has

brought the world through the story of St. Thérèse, the universal call to simply love one another that was the hallmark of her short but incredibly inspiring life. She died at 24 years old.

# 2025 HOSPITALITY CALENDAR



The Parish needs only 4 more hosts for Sunday hospitality. Please call the parish office if you select a date: Nov 16, 23, Dec 21, or 28.

NOV	DEC					
2-n/a	6/7-YLI					
9-n/a	14-n/a					
16	21					
23	28					
30-Confirmation						
	2-n/a 9-n/a 16 23					



For those who asked, the sacramentals that you receive after donations from various organizations can be brought to the church vestibule counter for others who may want them, however, please remove them from the papers they are attached to in the mails.





# RESPECT LIFE NOVENA October 22-30

Join thousands of Catholics across the country praying for the protection of human life from conception to natural

death. Each day of the novena features a different prayer intention, a short reflection, ideas for building a culture of life, and more. Sign-up to receive the daily prayers in English or Spanish at Respectlife.org

God, Our father, we thank you for giving us Carlo, a model of life for young people, and a message of love for all. You made him fall in love with your son Jesus, making the Eucharist his "highway to heaven." You gave him Mary as a beloved mother, and you made him, through the rosary, a cantor of her tenderness. Receive his prayer for us. Look above all upon the poor, whom he loved and assisted. Grant me too, through his intercession, the grace that I need. AMEN



# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY and ASSISTANCE 9:30 am - 10:30 am Saturdays

9:30 am - 10:30 am Saturdays on Henrietta Street between Castro & Estudillo Streets

For assistance please call 925-788-7409
Thank you all for the food donations.

For the month of OCTOBER, St. Vincent de Paul requests donations of boxed cereal and peanut butter. We are unable to accept expired foods. Donations can be placed in the basket located in the Monsignor Dean's alcove in the church vestibule. Every donation is distributed from our pantry to help those less fortunate. We are grateful for your generosity in helping us help others!

# 2026 HOSPITALITY CALENDAR



It's not too early to be thinking about dates to host hospitality in 2026. Please call the parish office for selection and scheduling. Thanks for participating.

JAN	FEB	MAR	APRL	MAY	JUN
JAN 4	1	1	5	3	7
11	8	8	12	10	14
18 25	15	15	19	17	21
25	22	22	26	24	28
		29		31	

# Stewardship / Offering

**MONTH MONTHLY** TO DATE GOAL

## **OCTOBER 12, 2025**

Weekly \$7,418.00 \$15,456.50 \$40,000.00 Maint \$ 773.00 \$ 2,486.00 \$ 2,250.00

# Second Collections will be reported quarterly. Online Giving: www.stcmtz.org

Online giving helps support our church by allowing you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device, or computer.

Thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support.

# POPE'S OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



The organizers of World Youth Day Seoul 2027 are accepting entries for a theme song for the event. The event's theme is "Take courage! I have overcome the world" inspired by the Gospel of John 16:33. WYD 2027 theme song contest has begun and entries from around the world are accepted, the event's local organizing committee said in a Sep 25 press release.

The winner of the contest's song "will accompany millions of young people at the next World Youth Day (WYD) celebration" which begins on **Aug 3, 2027**.

Thé organizers believe "this message proclaims Christ's victory and peace anew" during a time when the world is "marked by anxiety, division, and rapid change."

People from all around the world, of all nationalities and residences, are invited to submit up to three songs for the contest. The songs should be original compositions and inspired by the theme of WYD, and they must be in any of the official WYD languages which are Korean, English, Italian, Spanish, French, or Portuguese.

In addition to becoming the official theme song of WYD Seoul 2027, the composer will receive a plaque and support for their pilgrimage to World Youth Day. The songs will be judged on both artistic merit and their faithfulness to the theme. Songs that are "easy to sing and remember" can be sung in a group setting, and are able to be translated into different languages will be given "special weight" in the contest. Songs must be submitted by Nov 30, 2025.

Additional details for the contest can be found on the WYD Seoul 2027's website. https://wydseoul.org/en/ participation/wydthemesongContest. Good Luck

Beginning Saturday, November 1, 2025 the 4:30 PM Mass time will change to begin at 4:00 PM, and therefore, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will move to 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

#### **Mass Intentions** SAT 10/18 4:30 Pearl & Joe Balestrieri + SUN 10/19 8:30 Int. People of the Parish 11:00 Int. Jillian Crume MON 10/20 8:00 Int. Alan McFarland TUE 10/21 8:00 Int. Judith Abesamis Birthday Blessings WED 8:00 Int. SCS School Families 10/22 THU 10/23 8:00 Kristine Zamudio + 8:00 Fr. Alexander Snyder † FRI 10/24 SAT 10/25 8:00 Monica Abesamis Birthday Blessings 4:30 Int. Narodzonek Family SUN 10/26 8:30 McLoughlin & Curtin families † 11:00 Int. People of the Parish

In the end, what we regret most are the chances we never took." -K. Grammer





Come to see forgiveness as a gift you give yourself, a means to reclaim your own peace of mind and emotional balance. Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on

Monday to Friday 7:15 am to 7:45 am, Thursday from 5 pm to 6 pm, and Saturday from 3 pm to 4 pm. Beginning November 1st, Saturday reconciliation will move to 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

"It is very helpful to confess with a certain regularity. It is true: our sins are always the same, but we clean our homes, our rooms, at least once a week, even if the dirt is always the same, in order to live in cleanliness, in order to start again. Otherwise, the dirt might not be seen, but it builds up. Something similar can be said about the soul."

- Pope Benedict XVI, Meeting with children who had received their First Holy Communion 2005.

# Jubilee 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE



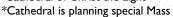
# Jubilee Year designated Pilgrimage Sites in the Diocese of Oakland

In order to make the Holy Year pilgrimage indulgence available to as many people as possible, the following churches and chapels in the various regions of the diocese are "designated Pilgrimage Sites" for one day only. Cathedral of Christ the Light, Oakland and Mission San Jose in Fremont are permanently designated sites for the 2025 Holy Year.

NOV 7 FRI DEC 28 SUN

St. Felicitas, Region 5 Southeast Holy Year Closing Mass San Leandro Oakland

Cathedral of Christ the Light\*





FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT www.oakdiocese.org/jubilee-2025

# MANDATORY LECTOR TRAINING

for current Lectors
Come to One of these Dates:
Wednesday, October 22 @ 6pm
Saturday, October 25 @ 10am
Both trainings will be held in the Church
Pick-up your Lectionary for 2026
when you attend the training
Those who are interested in joining this ministry
are invited to attend as well; and, a NEW lector
training will be scheduled in the near future.

# JUBILEE 2025 HOPE Calendar of Major Events

#### **OCTOBER**

31-Nov 2: Jubilee of the World of Education



### NOVEMBER

16: Jubilee of the Poor 22-23: Jubilee of Choirs



#### DECEMBER

14 Jubilee of Prisoners

Read More & Get More Info from the Diocese Site https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html

# Saint Raphael the Archangel

serves as the patron saint of healing. Unlike most saints,

Raphael was never a human being who lived on earth. Instead, he has always been a heavenly angel. He was declared a saint in honor of his work helping humanity.



# **AVAILABLE NOW!**PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Jose Altamirano from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



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