



Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

606 Mellus Street, Martinez, California



**November
16, 2025
23rd Sunday
in Ordinary
Time**

Liturgy Schedule

SAT VIGIL MASS: 4:00 pm *NEW TIME*
SUN HOLY MASSES: 8:30 am-livestreamed & 11:00 am
DAILY ROSARY: MON to SAT at 7:30 am
DAILY MASS: MON to SAT at 8:00 am
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: MON to SAT 8:30 am
RECONCILIATION: MON to FRI 7:15 am - 7:45 am
 THU from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 SAT from *2:30 pm to 3:30 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: Diocese of Oakland [www.](http://www.linkedin.com/company/diocese-of-oakland)
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Readings for the Week

<https://bible.usccb.org>

SUN	11/16	Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6,7-8; 2Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
MON	11/17	1 Mac 1:10-15, Ps 119:53,61; Lk 18:35-43
TUE	11/18	2 Mac 6:18-31, Ps 3:2-3,4-5; Lk 19:1-10
WED	11/19	2 Mac 7:1,20-31; Ps 17:1bcd; Lk 19:11-28
THU	11/20	1 Mac 2:15-29, Ps 50:1b-2,5-6; Lk 19:41-44
FRI	11/21	1 Mac 4:36-37, Ps 1Chron 29:10bcd; Lk 19:45-48
SAT	11/22	1 Mac 6:1-13, Ps 9:2-3,4 & 6; Lk 20:27-40
SUN	11/23	2 Sam 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

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OFFICE HOURS

Mondays & Fridays: 8:30 am to 2:00 pm

Wednesdays: 8:30 am to 6:30 pm

Closed on Tuesdays & Thursdays

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA SCHOOL

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Welcome

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.



**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CEMETERY
IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
SORRY FOR THIS INCONVENIENCE.**

Please take note that
beginning January 2026,
Birthday & Anniversary
Blessings will occur on the
first weekend of each month.



**OFFICE
CLOSED**

**Please take note that the
Parish Office will be
closed from Nov 25
through Nov 30 and will
reopen on Mon, Dec 1.**



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY and ASSISTANCE

9:30 am – 10:30 am Saturdays
on Henrietta Street—SVdP Garage
For assistance please call 925-788-7409

For **NOVEMBER**, SVdP is planning to serve 125 families for our Thanksgiving distribution on **Sat, Nov 22**. With food security uncertainties, we may have even more requesting help. We are requesting donations for our food boxes: instant Stovetop stuffing, canned cranberry, canned green beans, canned corn, canned pumpkin, evaporated milk, cream of mushroom soup and boxed corn muffing mix. Please place your contributions in the basket in the Msgr Dean's alcove in the church vestibule. *We are unable to accept expired foods or actual turkeys.*

You are also invited to **ADOPT A TURKEY** by donating **\$20 after Masses** for SVdP to purchase turkeys to include in our baskets. Or use this code to contribute. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



IN SYMPATHY

St. Catherine of Siena Parish offers deepest condolences and prayers for the families

and the repose of the souls of

Bob Jimison (funeral 11/21 @10am)

Tomas Herrera Gomez

2025 HOSPITALITY CALENDAR

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



Join us in the Parish Hall on Sun, Nov 30th. The Youth Confirmation group will be hosting Hospitality after both Masses. They have been preparing to share their rendition of a "Live Nativity" after each Mass. This is an event that you don't want to miss.



Thanksgiving Mass, Thu, Nov 27 @ 9 AM



All are invited to bring with them their bread and/or wine that will be served to be blessed.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Mon, Dec 8 @ 8:00am, 12:10pm & 7:00pm

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

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Wed, Dec 10 @ 6:00pm

Advent Reconciliation Service

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Fri, Dec 12 @ 7:00pm

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Bilingual Mass

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Christmas Eve

Wed, Dec 24 @ 4:00pm

Children's Mass



Wed, Dec 24 @ 11:30pm

Lessons & Carols

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Christmas Day

Thu, Dec 25

Midnight Mass



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Thu, Dec 25 @ 8:30am & 11:00am

Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

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Wed, Dec 31 @ 4:00pm

Thu, Jan 1 @ 9:00am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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There will **NOT** be Adoration on Christmas & New Year

Thank you! to all who donated their time,

cakes, raffle baskets, and their presence at the 33rd Annual Srs. Jeanne & Moria's Wine & Cheese Fest. A special thanks to **Kalama Kai Karaoke & Entertainment** for providing the music!



Concentrate on the 4 dots in the middle of the picture for about 30 seconds. Then, take look at the wall and start blinking your eyes. You will see a circle of light. Continue looking at the circle. What do you see?

Stewardship / Offering

		<u>MONTH</u> <u>TO DATE</u>	<u>MONTHLY</u> <u>GOAL</u>
November 9, 2025			
Weekly	\$7,268.00	\$16,191.00	\$41,500.40
Maint	\$ 302.00	\$ 2,085.00	\$ 2,250.00



11-16 Second collection:

Diocesan Campaign for Justice & Hope is the local successor to the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD),

Second Collections will be reported quarterly.

Online Giving: www.stcmztz.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.



Send an email to inquire & sign-up for vigil hours.

Concord Planned Parenthood: 2185 Pacheco Street
Walnut Creek Planned Parenthood: 1357 Oakland Bl.
Both 7am to 7 pm daily, except Sunday

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Mass Intentions

SAT	11/15	4:00	Jennie Mario Balestrieri †
SUN	11/16	8:30	People of the Parish
		11:00	Dolores & Julia Polina †
MON	11/17	8:00	Carlos Gonzalez †
TUE	11/18	8:00	Barbara & Bill Nicks †
WED	11/19	8:00	Int. SCS School Families
THU	11/20	8:00	Pearl Balestrieri †
FRI	11/21	8:00	Ambrosio Tagatac †
SAT	11/22	8:00	Int. Leo Manigbas for healing.
		4:00	Int. Travis Crume
SUN	11/23	8:30	Deceased members Legion of Mary†
		11:00	People of the Parish

NCYC

National Catholic Youth Conference

Digital Experience: A Journey with Pope Leo Friday, November 21 @ 7:15 AM

For the first time ever, a Pope will engage directly with young people at the NCYC—a digital dialogue with youth in the United States. Register for this opportunity to participate in a 45 minute real time dialogue with the Pope at the following:

<https://ncyc.us/ncyc-digital-experience-a-journey-with-pope-leo-xiv/>

YOUNG ADULTS: BE A PART OF THIS HISTORIC DIALOGUE



Memorial Candles Requests 2026

Votive candles are located in the Most Sacred Heart alcove in the church. Candles burn in silent prayer in memory of those who have gone home to the Lord. If you would like a candle in memory of someone special. They are available to burn for one calendar year and can be renewed in subsequent years. The first year from January through December is \$225, and \$200 to renew thereafter. If purchased mid-year, the amount is prorated. Each candle is provided with a brass plate with a personalized inscription that you furnish. Inscriptions are limited to 2 lines with 20 characters per line. Characters include the spaces between words.

Example Headings: In Memory of = 12 spaces; and: In Honor of = 11 spaces

FIRST LINE: _____ = 20 spaces

SECOND LINE: _____ = 20 spaces

REQUESTED BY: _____ **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: _____

Check Date: _____ Check # _____ \$ _____ Year 1 _____ Year _____

Clip and place in marked envelope in collection basket or send with check payable to St. Catherine of Siena Church to the Parish Office at 1125 Ferry Street, Martinez, CA 94553



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.

DEC 28 SUN Holy Year Closing Mass Oakland

Cathedral of Christ the Light*

*Cathedral is planning special Mass



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

JUBILEE 2025 HOPE Calendar of Major Events

NOVEMBER

22-23: Jubilee of Choirs



DECEMBER

14 Jubilee of Prisoners

Read More & Get More Info from the
Diocesan Site



<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

You are invited to bring a framed photo of your deceased loved ones to display on the Dia Delos Muertos altar in the church through the month of November. Please have your name & number on the back. Please pick up your photo by Sun, Nov 23rd. Thank you



YLI Holiday Lane

Get a jump on holiday shopping!

Baked goods! Raffles!

Join in the Festive Fun!

Take a picture with Santa!



Saturday, Dec 6, 5:30 PM—8:30 PM

Join us for a special evening of wine & appetizers as you listen to good music & get ahead of others on shopping. **Kalama Kai Karaoke & Entertainment** will be providing holiday music while we enjoy fellowship with each other. Santa will also be present for Christmas photos & early Christmas wishes.

Sunday, Dec 7, 8:00AM—1:00 PM

Santa will be joining us for pancakes (sold by the Knights of Columbus), pictures & play. Make a special frame to hold your Santa picture & purchase some tasty foods provided by other parish organizations (word from the elves is there may be lumpia & tamales). Warm up with a cup of our delicious hot chocolate. Lots of good deals all day. Carols will be played by **Kalama Kai Karaoke & Entertainment**

Advent Reconciliation Service

Wed, Dec 10 @ 6:00pm



Come to see forgiveness as a gift you give yourself, a means to reclaim your own peace of mind and emotional balance. There will be several priests present to hear confessions.

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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