

December 27, 2020

**Mass Intentions Of The Week**

- ◆ Sat 12/26 5:00 + Hector Gomez  
+ Tom & + Chris Hitchcock  
+ Lucian Musso  
+ Susan Raymond  
+ Dr. Frank Brau
- ◆ Mon 12/28 9:00 + Lucian Musso  
+ Joe Kingston
- ◆ Tue 12/29 9:00 + Alfredo McEvoy  
+ Leonard Mena
- ◆ Wed 12/30 9:00 + Hector Gomez  
+ Joe Kingston
- ◆ Thur 12/31 9:00 Ken Allen & Family
- ◆ Fri 1/1 9:00 + Phyllis D'Arrigo  
Mike & Linda Micheletti
- ◆ Sat 1/2 5:00 + Edward Fritsche  
+ Hector Gomez  
+ Marie Woerz  
+ Bob Nunes  
+ Joe Kingston  
+ Gene Nielsen

**In accordance with the Bishop's directive, per governor's orders, all masses are suspended. There are no publicly celebrated masses until further notice. We live stream the daily mass at 9 am, Monday through Friday. Sunday's mass is live streamed on Saturday during the vigil mass at 5 pm and is posted on Facebook. Please continue checking our parish website regularly for updates.**

[www.stjchurch.org](http://www.stjchurch.org)

**MEETINGS OF THE WEEK**  
**NO MEETINGS DURING THIS TIME**  
**GOD BLESS!**

**Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**Pray for the Sick & Those In Need**

Mary Bianchi, Jeremy Bernardi, J.T. Borofka, Larry Breeden, Ken & Patty Cook, Frank Duenas, Andrzej Goroch, Rebecca Granger, Diane Green, Nancy Griffin, Mary Hayes, Sandra Hill, Paul & Cindy Kohatsu, Joon Manalang, Stephanie McFarland, Mike Micheletti, Jan Reynolds, Sandra Sammut, Tiffany Sammut, Cindy Sandobal, Gillian Stirling-Nelson, Christine Marie, Nick



*Please pray for them!*



**Please Pray For Our Troops**

Kevin Allum, Jeffrey Burke, Preston Coulson, Brian Flannery, Jonathan Garibay, Hannah Brown Paul



This year marks over 25 years St. Joseph's has hosted a Giving Tree to share our blessings with families in need in our community. In this year of changes – our Giving Tree has gone virtual. Instead of purchasing clothing and shoes for each child – we are collecting monetary donations that will be used to purchase grocery store gift cards for 68 farm worker families in Soledad. Donations (in any amount) can be made online via our website (<https://stjchurch.org>) - choose the 'Donate Online' button and use category = 'other Giving Tree' or via check (payable to St. Joseph's, please note 'Giving Tree' on memo line). **Donations and ornaments will be collected through December 31.**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Gratefully Received**

Electronic Giving:	\$ 4,100.50
Sunday Plate:	\$ 10,074.00
Christmas:	\$ 7,545.00

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Religious Education (grades 1-5): Christmas Break**

Merry Christmas! If using this time to catch up on any missed lessons, please reach out to your catechist or Marge Callahan ([mcallahan@stjchurch.org](mailto:mcallahan@stjchurch.org)) for help, ideas and inspiration.

**Mass Activities for Children**

Are your children missing Children's Liturgy of the Word? See our website for an interactive, online version from Gospel Kids. You'll also find a children's missal, videos and fun activities to share the Word of God each week at <https://stjchurch.org/special-programs>

**Confirmation (virtual sessions – please check your email for Zoom meeting details)**

**Confirmation I**

Tuesday, January 12: 7-8pm

**Confirmation II**

Rite of Commitment -- TBD

**Youth Group (virtual sessions – please check your email for Zoom meeting details)**

**POP's Place Jr. (grades 6-8)**

Thursday, January 14: 7-8pm

**POP's Place (grades 9-12)**

Thursday, January 21: 7-8pm

Email Christina Brigantino ([cbrigantino@stjchurch.org](mailto:cbrigantino@stjchurch.org)) for more info.

RCIA for New Catholics. Do you know . . .

- ◆ An adult seeking Baptism?
- ◆ An adult from another tradition (denomination) already baptized, who wishes to become a Confirmed Catholic?
- ◆ A Catholic adult needing Confirmation?
- ◆ A Catholic adult who has been away from the church for awhile and wants to "reconnect?"

Please suggest they email Deacon Steve Brau [sbrau@stjchurch.org](mailto:sbrau@stjchurch.org) or call 831-455-2249 to learn more about the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.**

**Can your marriage survive COVID 19?**

This article:

<https://www.cnn.com/2020/03/24/health/marriage-coronavirus-wellness/index.html>

is on how to help your marriage survive the Coronavirus. It provides useful suggestions in **communicating**, embracing space, establishing routines, focusing on the little things, and other suggestions that have helped many couples. Communicating is bolded above because the Retrouvaille program is one of the best available to help in this area. It teaches a hurting couple how to turn angry fights to caring communication that builds relationship. The Retrouvaille marriage program is a great resource for struggling couples. No one **ever** asks what your problems are. Led by mentor couples who have been there themselves and done that, the program gives you the tools to deal with your problems privately between the two of you.

To learn more about the program starting with a VIRTUAL weekend January 14-17 please register at [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org) If you have any questions you may call Mike & Charlotte at 831-479-1260, Retrouvaille of Santa Cruz/Monterey. All inquiries are held in the strictest confidence.

During this time, please remember you are in Fr. Roy's, Fr. Tyler's, and the staff's prayers. **Our office is closed this week, December 28th - January 1st.** Please take care of yourselves and heed the expert's advice on keeping safe and healthy. If you need immediate help call the answering service at 758-7685.

Your continued support is what keeps our parish running! **Thank you! Thank you!** You can sign up for electronic giving on our website at [www.stjchurch.org](http://www.stjchurch.org), or call the parish office at 455-2249. You may also send in your donation to PO Box 7158, Spreckels, CA 93962 or drop it in the mail slot at the office. **Your support is greatly appreciated!**

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*  
John 3:16