Mass Schedule
Weekdays: 8:00 am / Saturday: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am & 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday at 3:30 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

Third Sunday Ordinary Time, January 26, 2020

They left their nets to followed him.
Mt 4:20
What is National Catholic Schools Week (CSW)?

It is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. CSW has traditionally been held the last week in January. Schools typically observe the week with Masses, assemblies and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members to celebrate and congratulate.

This year’s CSW Theme is *Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.* The theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, we, as educators, are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed. The official CSW logo brings the theme to life. The open book made up of multi-colored pages symbolizes how all areas of Catholic schools blend together, with faith - symbolized by the cross - at the forefront. Catholic schools are vibrant, dynamic and excellent.  

(Resource: [https://www.ncea.org/](https://www.ncea.org/) )

To learn more about our Parish schools visit:

St. Joseph Elementary School:  
[https://stjosephalameda.org/](https://stjosephalameda.org/)

St. Joseph Notre Dame High School:  
[https://www.sjnd.org/](https://www.sjnd.org/)
Dear Friends,

I want to start by thanking you for the welcome you gave me two weeks ago on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. To hear the words “welcome home,” so many times was such a boost to me emotionally and spiritually. When Monday came around and I sat down to some 80 emails that had been sent to my not yet activated parish email address, I was ready! On the outset of this new mission it was helpful to celebrate our Lord’s baptism and to remember that through our own baptism we have been given a share of God’s grace, that is, His own life. He lives within us; we are His temples, and so no task, no challenge, no difficulty in life is too much for us to accomplish or overcome.

As I said in the beginning of my homily, let us continue to keep each other in prayer, but not just me, but all the priests in our lives, our deacon on his way to priesthood, our sisters, and our staff. We are a family, and you know the saying, “the family that prays together, STAYS TOGETHER!”

With that being said, I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone from our two parish school families, St. Joseph’s Elementary and St. Joseph Notre Dame High School. This week we kick off Catholic Schools Week, and it is fitting that we begin by celebrating Mass together. The Mass after all is the main classroom for us Catholics. During my time at Christ the King in Pleasant Hill I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to lead the RCIA. What we stressed to those seeking full initiation into the Church is that this process is not so much about learning data from the Catechism – although this is extremely important – but about encountering a Person, Jesus Christ, who is alive, who calls us, and who reveals to us the answers to the most important questions that we have about life: who are we, why are we here, where are we going? By celebrating Catholic schools we are reminded – even if we aren’t affiliated with the schools themselves – that we have the great task of educating ourselves and our families in the ways of Jesus Christ; after all, our parish mission is “Learning to Live as Jesus Taught.” Only when we embrace this opportunity to meet Jesus and learn from him can we say we have reached the goal of a truly Catholic education.

My most profound thanks go out to all who work to educate our young people in their faith, and in other subjects that promote a more just community and world.

God bless you,
Fr. Mario Rizzo

Second Year Teen Confirmation Candidates

We have nineteen candidates who attended a retreat at the Diocese Youth Retreat Center in Lafayette on January 10 - 12. They will receive their confirmation at a Mass on May 9 to be held in St. Joseph. The Mass will be presided by Bishop Michael C. Barber. Please keep them, their sponsors and their parents in your prayers.
Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 25
8:00 am  Lunar New Year Thanksgiving
For An Nguyen Family
5.00 pm  †Ben Patrick Posadas
†Perfecto M. Posadas

Sunday, January 26
7:30 am  †Norman Skip Eltringham
9:30 am  For the People of the Parish
- Living & Deceased
11:30 am  †Constancia Lopez
†Paz Posadas
7:00 pm  Helene Pare - 97th Birthday

Monday, January 27
8:00 am  †Joan Stelmach
Angela Alcantara - Birthday

Tuesday, January 28
8:00 am  †Julita Manese

Wednesday, January 29
8:00 am  †Maurice Harnett Family
†Herb Robles - Birthday
Rememberance

Thursday, January 30
8:00 am  †Rosita Galang

Friday, January 31
8:00 am  †Mateo Ramos - Death
Anniversary

Saturday, February 1
8:00 am  Vietnamese Community
- Lunar New Year
5.00 pm  For the People of the Parish
- Living & Deceased

Sunday, February 2
7:30 am  For All Souls
9:30 am  †Ceferino Pablo Vento
†Harnett Family - Living & Deceased
11:30 am  †Jim Mason
7:00 pm  For the People of the Parish
- Living & Deceased

Pray for the Sick

May those who are in need of our prayers, place their trust and faith in the comforting presence of the Lord


If you would like prayers for a loved one please call the Parish Office (510) 522 0181.

DEVOTIONS

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Mon.- Sat., 7:30am

First Friday Adoration
10:00am - 1:00pm & 7:00 - 9:00pm

First Tuesday Adoration - Vietnamese
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesday after 8:00am Mass

St. Joseph - Our Patron
Thursday after 8:00am Mass

Act of Consecration to The Sacred Heat of Jesus
First Friday after 8:00am Mass

Prayers to The Sacred Heart of Jesus
Every Friday after 8:00am Mass

Anointing of the Sick
First Saturdays after 8am Mass

Parish Volunteer Needed On A Regular Basis

We are in need of a volunteer on Monday mornings 9:00 am - 12 noon or afternoons, 1:00 - 5:00 pm, effective March 2020.

The office needs someone who is able to do some admin and computer work. If you like to share your time and talent, please call Sherley (510) 995-9420 or email, secretary@sjbalameda.org. We would love to have you join on office Team!

Please remember to include St. Joseph Basilica in your will
**eGiving With Faith Direct**

What is *Faith Direct*? It enables parishioners to make church contributions through either direct debit from your bank account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way to Mass. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make payment for your mortgage, car, etc. Faith Direct also offer you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. To enroll visit: www.faithdirect.net and our parish code is CA702. All enrollment is secure online.

**Community Blood Drive**

Hosted by our Knights of Columbus on Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 10am to 3pm in Notre Dame Hall. To schedule an appointment or for more information visit: redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code ALAMEDAKOFCA or phone 1-800-REDCROSS. (800-733-2767). Celebrate the New Year with the gift of life!

**Around the Diocese...**

**Concert: Voices Of the North**  
**February 15, 8:00 pm, Cathedral of Christ the Light**

Join Cappella SF under the direction of Ragnar Bohlin in a concert featuring musical Nordic choral masterpieces. For tickets, please go to the following link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/northern-voices-musical-gems-from-nordic-countries-tickets-

**What is Eucharistic Adoration?**

*The best time you will spend on Earth.”* - Mother Teresa

Eucharistic Adoration is a complete liturgical service for the adoration of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Normally the consecrated host is kept in a tabernacle. During Eucharistic Adoration it is placed in a monstrance to be venerated; to be kept company by the faithful for visitation, contemplative prayer and meditation. Adoration is a sacred time to keep Vigil with the Lord; to spend quiet time with Him.

We invite you to spend some quite time with Lord and join us at the First Friday Eucharistic Adoration on February 7, anytime between 9:30am - 1:00 pm or 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

Reborn explores the deeply personal power of Baptism, bringing to light the spiritual reality. It presents the foundation of the Church's teaching on Baptism, with a step-by-step explanation of the rite itself, including its profound place in Scripture and Tradition. Parishioners watch FREE at FORMED.org.

Haven't registered? Registration is free and it is easy at: www.sjbbalameda.FORMED.org
Parish Office Hours:
Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
(Office Closed for lunch: Noon to 1:00pm)
Volunteer Coverage
Sat. 8:30am - 12:30pm / Sun. 8:30am - 1:00pm

Parish Website: www.sjbalameda.org (currently not working)
Facebook: www.facebook.com/sjbalameda
FORMED: www.sjbalameda.formed.org

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Rev. Sunil Orathel - Priest In Residence
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Dcn. Peter Lawongkerd (Youth Ministry Coordinator)
510-995-9474 / deaconpeter@sjbalameda.org

Sacrament of Marriage
Preparation for registered, active parishioners should begin at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Please contact Parish Office (510) 522-0181 for details.

Sacrament of Baptism
Please stop by the Parish office or check our website under “Sacraments” for information.
- For infant baptism (6 or younger) contact Parish Office, 510-522-0181
- For adults or children over age 6 please contact Anne Marie, 510-995-9409

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Katherine Francisco – Principal, Elementary School
510-522-4456 / kfrancisco@csdo.org

St. Vincent de Paul Hotline: (510) 995-9471
St. Joseph Basilica Ministries
All God’s Children Prayer Group - Mondays, 7:00-9:00pm, Basilica
Basilica Choir Rehearsal - Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00pm, Basilica
Bible Study - Thursdays, 10:00-11:30am, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Children’s Choir - Thursdays, 4:00-5:00pm, Basilica
CIA (Christ in Action Children’s Performing Arts) - Tuesdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Basilica
Cub Scouts - 1st Monday, 6:45-8:00pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Grief Support Ministry - 2nd Thursday, 6:30 - 8:30pm, Parish Center (Damien Room)
Girl Scouts - 2nd Wednesday, 6:15pm - 8:00pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Guadalupe Ministry - 1st Thursday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Knights of Columbus - 2nd Thursday, 7:00-8:30pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Legion of Mary - 2nd & 4th Fridays, 7:00 - 8:30pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Legion of Mary - 1st & 3rd Saturdays, Reconciliation Room
Moms’ Bible Study Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Pastoral Care Team - 1st Saturday, 8:45-9:30am, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Inquiry - Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00pm, Parish Center (Mother Teresa Room)
St. Vincent DePaul Society - 4th Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm, Parish Center (St. Joseph Room)
Spirit Ensemble rehearsal Thursdays, 7:30-9:30pm, Basilica
Sp. Needs Inclusion Ministry - 4th Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Parish Center (Mother Teresa Room)
Taize Prayer Service - 4th Friday, 8:00-9:00pm, Basilica
Young Adults - 1st & 3rd Wednesday,7:30pm-9:00pm, Parish Center (Damien Room)
Young Families Potluck - 3rd Saturday, 10 – noon, Notre Dame Hall
The Great St. Joseph Parish Survey Part 3

Dear Parishioners;

Thanks for your feedback and attention to the information we have been sharing. Some of you noted that in the January 11/12 Bulletin it was difficult to understand the results on question 4 which read as follows "How satisfied are you with the following". We’re displaying the results again but this time with percentages. Don’t forget, in this survey generally a rating of “1” is very good, and “5” means no opinion or does not apply. In addition, we’ve managed to add one more new question; question 9. Thanks again for your attention. If you have questions continue to contact Rich Davis at oskidavis@sbcglobal.net.

(Parish Survey: Question 4)

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