

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Sunday, January 2, 2022



Behold,
magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem saying,
"Where is the newborn King of the Jews?
We saw his Star at its rising
and have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2: 1-2

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"Through prayer and service, the Saint Joseph family will strive to bring the community together to love, heal, and support one another as the people we are called to be in Christ."



Parish Prayer
Oh Lord,
You are the Potter,
we are the clay.
Design us to reflect
your glory as we
rebuild your
Church.
Fashion our ears to
hear new ideas.
Shape our hearts to
appreciate others'
creativity and
insight. Form our
eyes to see Jesus in
each other. Mold
our community to
be united in our
pilgrimage.
Help us build a
place of refuge, a
holy temple, with
Jesus as the
cornerstone.
May we work
together with love
and care ever
mindful that the
spirit, not the
structure is the
essence of the
design.
May we come
together as a family
of one, to be guided
by the Father, Holy
Spirit, and Son.
Amen.

GATHERING - *We Three Kings*

We three kings of Orient are, Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

**O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to the perfect Light.**

Born a Babe on Bethlehem's plain, Gold we bring to crown him again;
King forever, Ceasing never, Over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising all men raising, Worship God on high.

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume Breathes a life of gath'ring gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, Sealed in the stone cold tomb. §

PENITENTIAL RITE - *Confiteor*

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking your breast, say:

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Then continue:

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God. §

Kyrie

Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:

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Priest, deacon, or cantor; all repeat or sing longer conclusion:

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GLORIA - *Glory to God*

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heav'nly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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THE PSALM - *Psalm 72: Lord, Every Nation on Earth Will Adore You*



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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Mode VI §

DISMISSAL - *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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PREPARATION - *What Child Is This*

What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping?

Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;

Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate Where ox and lamb are feeding?

Good Christian, fear; for sinners here The silent Word is pleading.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king to own him;

The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.

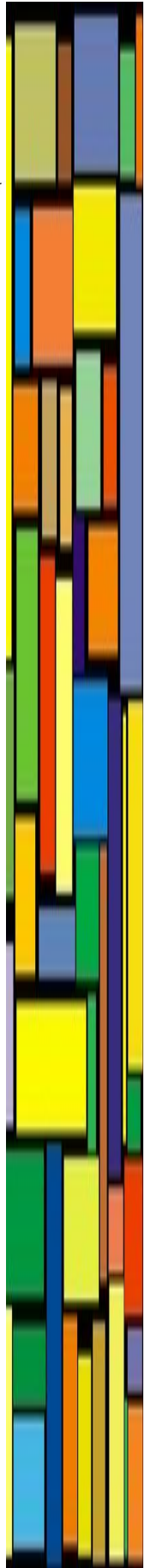
Text: William C. Dix, 1827-1898 §

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS - *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.





Prayer to Saint Michael

“Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of Souls. Amen.”

Mystery of Faith

Save us, Savior of the world, for by Your Cross and Resurrection You have set us free.

Great Amen

Amen, amen, amen.

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LAMB OF GOD - Cantor / All

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2x)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION - Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, And with fear and
 2. King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, As of old on
 3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van-guard



1. trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 2. earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture;
 3. on the way, As the Light of Light de - scend - eth



1. For with bless - ing in his hand Christ our God to earth de -
 2. In the Bod - y and the Blood He will give to all the
 3. From the realms of end - less day, That the pow'rs of hell may



1. scend - eth, Our full hom-age to de - mand.
 2. faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 3. van - ish As the dark-ness clears a - way.

Text: 87 87 87; Liturgy of St. James, 4th cent.; para. by Gerard Moultrie, 1829-1885. Music: French, 17th cent. §

MISSIONING - God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
 Let nothing you dismay; Remember
 Christ our Savior Was born on Christmas
 Day To save us all from Satan's pow'r
 When we were gone astray.

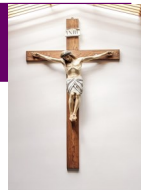
**O tidings of comfort and joy,
 Comfort and joy;
 O tidings of comfort and joy.**

From God our heav'nly Father A blessed angel
 came, And unto certain shepherds Brought
 tidings of the same, How that in Bethlehem
 was born The Son of God by name.

“Fear not, then,” said the angel, “Let nothing
 you affright; This day is born a Savior Of
 Virgin pure and bright, To free all those who
 trust in him From Satan's pow'r and might.”

Text: 86 86 86 with refrain; trad. English Carol, 18th cent. Music: trad. English Carol; melody fr. Little Book of Christmas Carols, ca. 1846. §

WORSHIP



St. Joseph Prayer List

Ramon Agbayani, Fernanda Barros
 Dale Beatty, Bob Benya
 Edmund Borowicz, Jae Deleon
 Loren Gross, Grady Guinee
 Devin Heinze, Dylan Horwitz
 Aleykutty (Elizabeth) Jacob
 Jack Keller, Lisa Maya
 June Mastrocola, Will Pearce
 George Perry, Janice Pieracci
 Linda Raimundo, Geri Rogers,
 Robert Simpson, James Skokan,
 Zennia Villanueva, Dennis Wild

And please pray for those
 who have gone before us in faith.

Ruth Palmberg
 William Chen

Mass Intentions for the Week

January 1st	5:00 pm	People of St Joseph
January 2nd	8:00 am	†James Santos, †Trina Nicole Wijanco
	10:00 am	†Intentions of Siko Family, †Miguel Angel Caldera
		†Manuel Carlos Maderazo
	12noon	†William Chen
	3:00 pm	People of St Joseph
	5:00 pm	People of St Joseph
	7:00 pm	People of St Joseph
January 3rd	8:00 am	†Severo and Josefina Fernandez, †William Chen
January 4th	8:00 am	†Felix Wang, †Wallace and Katherine Nunotani, †William Chen
January 5th	8:00 am	†Sean and Pam Donahoe, †William Chen
January 6th	8:00 am	†William Chen
January 7th	8:00 am	†Jim White , †William Chen
January 8th	8:00am	†William Chen

Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Holy Mass -	5:30 pm	The Mission
Sunday Holy Mass -	8:00am	The Mission
	10:00am	Main Church
	12:00pm	Main Church
	3:00pm	Main Church (Holy Mass in Vietnamese)
	5:00pm	Main Church (Holy Mass in Chinese)
	7:00pm	The Mission (Youth, Confirmation & Young Adults)

Daily Holy Mass -	Monday through Saturday - The Mission
	7:30 am Holy Rosary, Confession
	8:00 am Holy Mass
	8:30 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Eucharistic Adoration -	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday
	9:00am to 9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church
	Thursday
	8:30am to 6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church
	6:00pm - 6:30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction - Main Church
	7:00 pm - 7:30pm Mass in Vietnamese - Main Church
	Saturday
	9:00am to 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church

First Wednesday of the month - Devotion to Saint Joseph: 7:00pm Mass in the Mission

First Friday of the month - Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: 8:00am Mass in the Mission

First Saturday of the month - Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary: 8:00am Mass in the Mission

Confessions: By appointment or 30 minutes before both daily and Sunday Masses.

Sunday, Jan 02, 2022

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The sanctity of home

"Home is where the heart is" is an ancient proverb. Many folk find their deepest level of satisfaction and fulfillment in family life. But home is also where the hearth is: the place to which we come in from the cold to restore ourselves, where we put up our feet, sigh, and relax. Our homes are sacred to us; why not commend them to

God? On Epiphany, we're invited to gather with our loved ones to bless the door, walls, and table of our dwelling. Compose your own blessing together or visit the USCCB's Blessing of the Home and Household on Epiphany for the rite of home blessing.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 (20). "The star they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was."

Monday, Jan 03, 2022

MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Initial reflections

Do you have anything monogrammed with your initials, perhaps towels or clothing? While monogramming is decorative, it also marks your belongings as yours. Jesus has a monogram too: "IHS," which stands for the first three letters of the Greek spelling of the name of Jesus. Later the monogram was associated with the Latin phrase *Iesus Hominum Salvator* (Jesus Humankind's Savior). There is power in the very name of Jesus and so Catholics venerate it. Perhaps you've seen this monogram on altars or vestments. Jesuits use the IHS monogram as the emblem of their society. You can bear his monogram too—by calling on his name and showing to the world that you belong to him.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (212). "And great crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan followed him."

Tuesday, Jan 04, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

Fed by the bread of life

Raised Episcopalian, Elizabeth Ann Seton knew about Jesus multiplying loaves. On Sundays, she was a devout communicant at historic Trinity Church on Wall Street. But it wasn't until Elizabeth went to Italy with her children and husband in 1803, attending Mass with Catholic friends, that she was drawn to the Real Presence in the Eucharist. "How happy would we be, if we believed what these dear souls believe," she wrote, "that they possess God in the sacrament, and that He remains in their churches and is carried to them when they are sick!" In honor of Mother Seton, the first U.S.-born saint, resolve to receive Communion more often this year.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44 (213). "He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people."

Wednesday, Jan 05, 2022

MEMORIAL OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

Get to know your neighbors

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint John Neuman, the first Redemptorist priest ordained in the United States and the first male U.S. citizen named a saint. Neumann, who emigrated to the United States from Bohemia as a young man desirous of being a missionary, is revered for his tireless work among immigrants in the Northeast. He had a talent for understanding people and knowing what would bring them peace and comfort. Seek to emulate this holy man, who one of his fellow bishops observed, "had a solution for every question posed," and an "unruffled composure, which betokened deep humility and perfect self control. I always regarded him as a saint."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214). "If we love one another, God remains in us, and [God's] love is brought to perfection in us."

Thursday, Jan 06, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ANDRÉ BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS

The comeback kid of Québec

Saint André Bessette's remarkable life began when he was born into poverty in 1845. Orphaned by age 12, considered a failure in school, he practiced unskilled trades until his pastor encouraged him to join the Congregation of the Holy Cross. The congregation reluctantly admitted him, concerned about his frail health. Brother André defied expectations, living to age 91 and becoming famous throughout Québec for the many healings people experienced after visiting him in his role as a humble doorkeeper. Why not ask Brother André for his intercession, be it for mental, spiritual, relational, or physical healing?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:19—5:4; Luke 4:14-22 (215). "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

Friday, Jan 07, 2022

MEMORIAL OF RAYMOND OF PEÑAFORT, PRIEST

Make straight your path

Through its long history, the church has been careful to make a distinction between the canons, or rules, of the church and the laws of the state. The canons, from the Greek *kanon* for "straight," were meant to guide Catholics toward the mission of the church—to keep them on the straight and narrow of faith, so to speak. There are 1,752 canons, many that pertain to all of us. For example, Canon 210: "All the Christian faithful must direct their efforts to lead a holy life and to promote the growth of the church and its continual sanctification, according to their own condition." In honor of the patron saint of canon lawyers, Saint Raymond of Peñafort, do your best to follow the rules of the church and give witness to God's saving love.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16 (216). "God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."

Saturday, Jan 08, 2022

SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

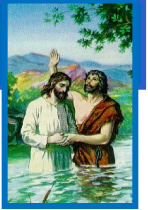
Increasing Christ

Tomorrow, the Baptism of the Lord, marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. The days, dates, and seasons of the church's liturgical calendar focus the whole People of God on the same celebrations. During Advent we prepare. In Christmas we welcome. Lent is a time of reflection and repentance. Easter is new life. In Ordinary Time we celebrate the ongoing effects of God's grace. So when "Silent Night" or "We Three Kings" is sung throughout the world, the air fills with the grace generated by God in our hearts. Sing a Christmas hymn today and know that the stars are singing with you.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30 (217). "He must increase; I must decrease."



DISCIPLESHIP



RCIA Update

The adults and children of the RCIA wish the St Joseph Community a very happy and blessed New Year!

STEWARDSHIP



Second and Special Collections

1/01/22	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1/09/22	Seminary Collection
1/23/22	Parish Wide Scholarship Fund
1/30/22	St Vincent De Paul

Parish Offering Totals

12/12/21

Electronic Fund Transfer:	\$16,054.00
Plate Collection:	\$4,647.00
Grand Total:	\$20,701.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Match Your Donations



Double Your Donation!

A question was asked at our July 24th Parish Meeting whether companies we work for can match our financial donations. The short answer is, "Yes." Although many corporations will not match contributions directly to the parish, some do. Most companies will match donations to St Joseph School. The parish can also benefit from donations to the Committee for the Restoration of the Mission San Jose (CRMSJ), which is a non-sectarian, non-profit corporation. Contributions to St Joseph School and CRMSJ help to fund needed improvements and operating expenses at the school, Mission church and mission museum.

If your employer has a matching gifts program, please consider supporting St. Joseph parish with a gift to one of the following: Committee for the Restoration of the Mission San Jose, Tax ID number 94-2341096; St Joseph School, Tax ID number 94-3145818; US Catholic Conference - St Joseph School, Tax ID number 94-1358335; and St Joseph's Church, Tax ID number 94-1358335.

This is a great opportunity to increase your financial support to our parish by leveraging your donations with matching corporate funds.

FACILITIES



Termite Tenting Completed

Termite fumigation was completed at Saint Joseph school last week while the school was closed for Christmas break. This was the last parish building to be tented for termites. We now have a termite-free parish campus for the new year!

Church Lighting Upgrade Completed



New LED ceiling lights have been installed in the ceiling of the church. As with the LED spotlights illuminating the Stations of the Cross, which were installed in November, the new ceiling lights use above-the-ceiling electrical conduits provided when the church was built in 1965, but not used until now. Many thanks to our volunteer parishioner electricians who donated their time and talents to complete the lighting upgrades to our church in time for our Christmas celebrations.

GOOD NEWS



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Reflection by Patricia Calton, SJS Principal

The journey of the wise men or magi is one of my favourite stories of the gospel. This is one of the world's greatest stories, full of drama, the unknown, radiance and mystery. As I reflect on this Gospel passage, it is Matthew that is highlighting that all do not come to Jesus by the same way. But is it clear that all are welcome to see this tiny and special baby. There are no outsiders and there are no external differences or cultural differences between us, that we all belong to one family, the Family of God.

We are invited to become part of this story. Perhaps we can accompany the wise men and ask to share in the manifestation (epiphany) that they experienced in Bethlehem. Their journey, like our own lives, involved highs and lows, times of insight and doubt, a dream calling them forward (star) and the deception of worldly values (Herod). But at the end they were enlightened in the presence of the child Jesus and "they knelt down and paid him homage". God chooses to reveal himself to outsiders, strangers, and foreigners. I learn that in the kingdom of God there are no outsiders, nor any discrimination. The Magi are filled with immense joy by finding Jesus.

The story of the Wise Men is telling us that the birth of this tiny child is unsurpassably significant as it brings hope and light into human history. This is ever so divine. This story of the Nativity can be adapted to our own journeys and lives. As human beings who are born into this life with free will and the ability to choose whether or not to follow God's Word, it is inevitable that we too will encounter temptations. I find that this passage is given to us at a time in which it is important to reflect upon ourselves and our lives. The Feast of the Magi is January 6th, six days after the New Year. During the beginning of the New Year, society calls for us to make New Year's resolutions. I think this reading calls on us to do something similar.

This passage calls us to look at our lives and be more mindful and present in the choices we make especially if these choices take us away from the goodness of Christ. During this Christmas season, how can we look at our lives and take inventory of the ways that have led us astray? What do we need to do in order to follow His path and grow closer to God? When this reflection leads us to understanding and truth then we can have that feeling of pure joy which the Magi felt when they finally encountered Christ in the Nativity.

Peace & God Bless.

GOOD NEWS

BLESSING OF THE HOME AND HOUSEHOLD ON EPIPHANY

Many Catholics have their home blessed on Epiphany to commemorate the visitation of the Magi to the child Jesus. We bless our homes because it reminds us that our homes are sacred, a place where we could nourish and nurture our body, mind, and soul. So this Epiphany, we invite you to perform a House Blessing in your home. Below is a prayer you and your family may use.

When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply, "Amen."

The leader greets those present in the following words:

Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace.

Blessed be God forever.

R/. Blessed be God forever.

In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. It is Christ who enlightens our hearts and homes with his love. May all who enter this home find Christ's light and love.

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example, Luke 19: 1-9:

Listen to the words of the holy Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham."

The intercessions are then said:

Leader: The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon Him.

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: Remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you had no place to lay your head, but in the spirit of poverty accepted the hospitality of your friends:

Grant that through our help the homeless may obtain proper housing.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration:

Grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory.

We pray:

R/. Stay with us, Lord.

After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say the Lord's Prayer.

The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them (us) with the light of Christ, that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:

May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever.

R/. Amen.

It is preferable to end the celebration with a suitable song, for example, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "We Three Kings."

GOOD NEWS

St Joseph School Enrolling for the 2022-2023 School Year Transitional Kindergarten - 8th Grade



Catholic Schools
Week 2022
January 30-February 5
www.NCEA.org/csw #CSW22

Please join us for our Family Mass and Annual Open House on Sunday morning, January 30, 2022. Mass will begin at 10:00am with the school in-person Open House from 11:00am - 12:30pm. We invite you to stroll the classroom, meet the administration, teachers and current families. School tours and information for the 2022-2023 school year will be available. Please check out our website @ <https://www.stjosephschoolfremont.org/> Schedule a tour today! School Office: 510-656-6525.



St. Joseph School - Educating the whole child for over 60 years!





ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Virtual Open House

Please join us for one of our monthly Virtual Open House evenings.

- Safe & Secure Campus
- Accredited Teachers
- Before & After School Care
- Art, Music, Spanish, PE
- Advanced Classroom Technology
- TK-8th On One Campus

To Register Visit: www.stjosephschoolfremont.org



Transitional Kindergarten — Eighth Grade		
1/20/22 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	2/17/22 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	3/24/22 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Reserve your seat on the bus to the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco



The 56 passenger bus will pick up and drop off in the parish parking lot on Saturday, January 22nd. Check the parish website for details on how to reserve your seat. Join your fellow parishioners in a peaceful, prayerful, celebration of life in San Francisco. Questions? Contact Pat Samuels at pwsamuels1989@gmail.com



“Open your hearts to life!” - Pope Francis

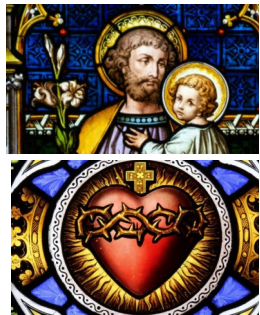
Volunteers for Lectors and Ushers

We ask you to offer to God your services as a lector and/or usher as a token of appreciation.

We are opening an opportunity to have you participate in Mass as a lector proclaiming God's Word. Allow God to borrow your voice, to speak through your heart and make His message known. If you would like to be a lector please let us know by talking to a presider or lector after Mass or contacting lectors@saintjosephmsj.org. You will be fully trained by experts, have a mentor, and only speak when you feel ready. We welcome all ages, languages, accents and souls willing to spread the Word.

If you would like to be one of the people who connect with others even more directly, please join us as an usher. Ushers welcome all into the house of God and help those who wish to take the Host. Help us direct the clergy to the pews and altar to share the Love of God. Please be part of the family that serves all together. Any presider or usher will be available to speak to you any time or you may contact Mr. Donald Kaefer at donaldkaefer@gmail.com.

GOOD NEWS



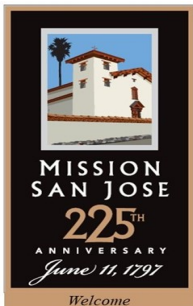
Devotion to St Joseph

First Wednesday of the month on January 5, 2022
7:00pm Mass in the Mission

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

First Friday of the month on January 7, 2022
8:00am Mass in the Mission

Mission 225 News



Jan. 1—**Mass of Celebration** in the Main Church at 10am to kick off the Anniversary Year
Jan. 8—**Speaker Series #1, "Our Sacred Ground" The Ohlone Story**, Presenter: Andy Galvan

Learn about the culture and life-style of the Ohlone native peoples, from pre-contact through the Mission era, Mexican Secularization, and the California Gold Rush. Register at mission225.org

[Join the Team](#) We need your help with the many events planned for the year, especially a Sponsorship Coordinator and help with Publicity and Merchandise. Contact Gary or Nancy Dorighi to volunteer your special skills at gdorighi@saintjosephmsj.org or ndorighi@saintjosephmsj.org or 510-657-7543.

Refugee Resettlement Committee News



The Refugee Team met with a new Afghan family in preparation to look at apartments. Abdul and Chakawa have three children: Two sons, Abubakar (13) and Shahil (11) and a 4 year old daughter, Aysha. Chakawa's younger sister, Shaban, has also immigrated with them. They are looking at apartments and townhouses in Fremont and hope to finalize one with the help of IRC soon.

Some of the basic items they will need are: An apartment or townhouse, a dark colored sofa, lamps, side tables, coffee table, TV and stand, carpet, dining table and chairs, 1 queen and 4 twin beds, dressers, night stands, iron and ironing board, laptop computer, bicycles and a booster seat for Aysha. If you have any of these items, please contact Don Kaefer at 510-427-3007 or donaldkaefer@gmail.com. It is very helpful if you can send pictures of the items you have to him. All in kind and monetary donations help us transition these families in to their new lives in Fremont. "Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." **Romans 12:13**

CYO Girls Basketball Registration



Our 2022 St. Joseph CYO Girls Basketball season is coming soon. Incoming grades 2nd through 8th are invited to participate. If you are interested, please complete your registration ASAP. Registration is processed through Blue Sombrero. Please follow the link below. You will have to create an account and enter in your child's information. Once you've entered in your child's information, a program will become available for St. Joseph CYO Girls Basketball 2022. <https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/stjosephcyofremont>

All registration and payment must be completed by January 15th. If there are any questions regarding the registration process, please contact Hiep Pham at (510) 789-7736 or hiepphamcpa@gmail.com. If there are any questions regarding the program, please contact Mike Gaffey at (510) 229-9131 or mg56nova@gmail.com.

During the registration process, you will have an opportunity to volunteer to be part of the CYO program. We need your help in making CYO a successful program and also it's an excellent way to be involved in our children's lives. Please volunteer to become a coach, scorekeeper, team parent, etc.



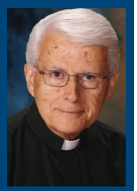
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