



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Sunday, November 27, 2022

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*“Let us throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light;  
Let us conduct ourselves properly...Put on the Lord Jesus Christ,  
And make no provision for the desires of the flesh.” Romans 13: 12-14*

*“...be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” Matthew 24: 44*



*“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.”*

# WORSHIP AID

## Prayer for the Mission Alignment Process

Dear Father in heaven,  
look kindly upon the Diocese of Oakland as we take stock of the many gifts you have given us.

Send your Holy Spirit to inspire and guide us, so that our efforts to proclaim the saving gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ more effectively, may bear tremendous fruit.

May we, as your people, courageously proceed on this path of self-reflection and renewal.

In the end, with your divine assistance, we know that we cannot fail.

Saint Joseph, Holy Mary, Queen of the World and St. Francis de Sales, co-patrons of our Diocese, pray for us!

Amen.

## PROCESSION - *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som  
 2. O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d'rest  
 3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, Who to thy

cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly  
 all things might - i - ly; To us the path of  
 tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient times didst

ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
 give the law, In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Based on "O" Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent. Chant, Mode I. Tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, and others

## PENITENTIAL ACT - *Confiteor*

*Kyrie* Kýrie, éléison. Kýrie, éléison. Christe, éléison. Christe éléison.

Kýrie, éléison. Kýrie, éléison.

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Psalm 122: Let Us Go Rejoicing*

R. Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *All sing: Alleluia*

SMH Chant Mode VIII. Alleluia Refrain SMH; Verse First Mode I g© §

## OFFERTORY - *The King Shall Come*

1. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, And  
 2. Not, as of old, a lit - tle Child, To  
 3. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, And  
 4. Now let the end - less bliss be - gin, By

light tri - um - phant breaks; When beau - ty gilds the  
 suf - fer and to die, But crowned with glo - ry  
 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing  
 ho - ly saints fore - told, When right shall tri - umph  
  
 east - ern hills, And life to joy a - wakes.  
 like the sun, That lights the morn - ing sky.  
 of that morn, Whose day shall ev - er last.  
 o - ver wrong, And truth shall be ex - tolled.

John Brownlie, 1857-1925, alt. *Sixteen Tune Settings*, Philadelphia, 1812 Attr. to Lucius Chapin, 1760-1842

## SANCTUS/MYSTERIUM FIDEI/AMEN - *Sanctus*

San - ctus, San - ctus, San-ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.  
  
 Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho-sán - na  
  
 in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne  
  
 Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx,



## REFLECTION

### First Sunday of Advent Reflection by Deacon Ben



*The season of Advent is a time of preparation and waiting for the coming of Jesus Christ. The first three weeks of Advent speak of the preparation for the second coming of Jesus "in glory to judge the living and the dead." The fourth week of Advent reminds us of the first coming of Jesus Christ, who was "born of the Virgin" to bring salvation to the whole world.*

The season of Advent gives us the opportunity to ponder on the mystery of Christ's incarnation and the impending reality of our own salvation. It wakes us up to either fully accept this unmerited grace of boundless mercy, or to accept the just judgment for the times we have wandered away from God. Today's reading is very clear that in order to prepare for the return of Jesus Christ, we must avoid the temptations of the world. First we must "throw off the works of darkness and then put on the armor of light."

We must let the light of God shine in every corner of our heart and to dispel the darkness. We must first make a conscious plan and make a list of all of our habits in our lives that lead us away from God and then replace them with prayers, adoration and good works that would fill us with the grace of God. In times we fall short, the love and mercy of God is waiting patiently for us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

One thing that Jesus makes clear is that He will come again in glory, the time and hour nobody knows but the Father. He will come at an hour we least expect, so stay awake and prepare our hearts to accept Him. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord!



## Mysterium Fidei

Mor-tem tu - am an-nun-ti - á-mus, Dó - mi-ne, et tu - am  
re-sur-re - ctí - ó-nem con-fi - té - mur, do - nec vé - ni - as.

Text and music: Chant Mass; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974. §

## 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.**

## Great Amen - All sing: Amen

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## THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Chanted*)

Music: Chant; adapt. by Robert J. Snow, 1926–1998. §

## AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. 2x  
Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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## COMMUNION ANTIphon - *Dominus dabit*

co. I      D  
O-mi- nus \* da- bit be- nigni-tá- tem : et  
ter- ra no-stra da- bit fructum su- um.

## COMMUNION - *Your Light Will Come, Jerusalem*

**Your light will come, Jerusalem;  
for on you will dawn the glory of the  
Lord, and all nations will walk in your  
light, alleluia, alleluia.**

Christ is the light of the world, a light  
dispelling the darkness. May we, his  
body, reflect that holy light.

His light is mercy and peace, a peace  
surpassing all telling. May we, his body,  
be instruments of peace.

His light is justice and truth, and love  
which casts out all hatred. May we, his  
body, prepare the reign of God.

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## Of the Father's Love Begotten

Of the Father's love begotten, Ere the worlds began to be, He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the source, the ending he, Of the things that are, that have been, And that future  
years shall see, Evermore and evermore.

Blessed was the day for ever When the Virgin, full of grace, By the Holy Ghost  
conceiving, Bore the Savior of our race, And the child, the world's Redeemer,  
First revealed his sacred face, Evermore and evermore.

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory to the Holy Spirit,  
Persons three, yet God-head one. Glory be from all creation While eternal ages run,  
Evermore and evermore. Amen.

Text: 87 87 87 7; verses 1–4, *Corde natus ex parentis*; Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348–413; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, and  
Henry W. Baker, 1827–1877, alt.; verse 5, Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889. Music: *Sanctus trope*, 11th cent.; Chant, Mode V; adapt. fr. *Piae Cantiones*, 1582. §

**RECESSINAL - O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide**

1. O Sav - ior, rend the heav - ens wide; Come down, come  
 2. O Morn - ing Star, O ra - diant Sun, When will our  
 3. Sin's dread - ful doom up - on us lies; Grim death looms  
 4. There shall we all our prais - es bring Ev - er to

down with might - y hearts be - hold thy fierce be - fore our thee, our Sav - ior stride; dawn? eyes. King; Un - lock the gates, the O Sun, a - rise; with - Come lead us with thy There shall we laud thee doors break down; out thy light might - y hand and a - dore Un - bar the way We grope in gloom From ex - ile For - ev - er to and and for - ev - er - crown. dark of night. prom - ised land. more.

Ausserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesang, Cologne, 1623. Rheinfelsches Deutsches Catholisches Gesangbuch, Augsburg, 1666  
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**Mission  
Gift Shop**

**HOURS:**  
 Wed-Fri.: 10am-3pm  
 Sat & Sun: 10am-4:30pm



**Thanksgiving Motto**  
 we would all be well to remember in this beautiful frame made of wood from Indonesia and...



**Our Holy Family**  
 Serves as our inspiration to help keep our own families together.

*This Thanksgiving, we give thanks for the gift of family.*

## RETREATS, BIBLE STUDY, LECTIO DIVINA



**Saturday December 3, 2022**  
**ADVENT RETREAT & RECONCILIATION**  
**Preparing for the Coming of Christ with St. Joseph**

SCHEDULE

8:00a.m.	Mass in the Mission
8:45	Light Continental Breakfast
9:30	Conference I
10:15	Break
10:30	Conference II
11:15	Reconciliation
11:45	Break
12:00	Eucharist adoration
12:50	Benediction

In this one-day Advent Retreat, Fr. Matthew will reflect upon the mystery of Christmas through the eyes of St. Joseph and help us to understand what Christmas says about our own discipleship and relationship with the newborn Christ child.



For more information and to register:  
[www.saintjosephmsj.org](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org)

## DISCIPLESHIP, THE HANDS OF JESUS



### St. Joseph Pilgrimage

Fr. Silito Tupou, a priest of the Diocese of Tonga and Niue, and currently the pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in Belmore, Australia, will visit the Community of St. Joseph Catholic Church on December 4. Fr. Tupou is on an around-the-world pilgrimage, visiting churches and shrines dedicated to St. Joseph, and as one of the last and crowning stops on his journey, he will celebrate the 7pm Mass at the Mission Church on Sunday, December 4."

### Can You Help Us Prepare the Way for the Next Family?

After supplying the last family, we did a short inventory of the shed so we could update the items we will need for future families. The shed is completely out of **floor lamps, twin blankets and comforters, pots and pans, pillows and cutting boards**. We are also very low of knife sets, drinking glasses and mixing bowls. If you have any of these items, please contact Don Kaefer at 510-427-3007 or

[donaldkaefer@gmail.com](mailto:donaldkaefer@gmail.com).

Thank you!

### Sunday, Nov 27, 2022—The most wonderful time, indeed

"It's the most wonderful time of the year" as some popular lyrics go, and a lot of us agree. Andy Williams made the tune famous, but composers Eddie Pola and George Wyle wrote it. Ironically, Pola and Wyle were Jewish. Yet they assisted Williams in earning the title "Mr. Christmas" with their composition. The song celebrates holiday parties, caroling, mistletoe, good cheer, and loved ones near. But for believers, the season beginning today is really about anticipation and Incarnation, light illuminating the darkness, and God coming near. We know what time it is. Make this Advent a genuine celebration of hope.

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44 ([1](#)). "You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep."

### Monday, Nov 28, 2022—Time to get ready!

With the Thanksgiving holiday weekend wrapped up, Catholics yesterday began the Advent journey to Christmas. The word advent comes from Latin for "to come." All the days from now until the celebration of the birth of Jesus are preparation for his coming. Preparation in this case means remembering to be ready with a spirit of both penance and joy. Did you set out an Advent wreath on your dinner table yesterday? For many, it's the first of many Christmas decorations to come out—with festooned tree not far behind. The wreath is more than just a pretty adornment but also a daily reminder to pray as you count down each week with a new candle. Start the season out right by blessing your wreath with a prayer.



#### ADVENT WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 4:2-6; Matthew 8:5-11 ([175](#)). "Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith."

### Tuesday, Nov 29, 2022—Listen with the ear of a child

"Advent is not a time to declare, but to listen, to listen to whatever God may want to tell us through the singing of the stars, the quickening of a baby, the gallantry of a dying man," wrote Christian writer Madeleine L'Engle, born this day in 1918. L'Engle is especially known for her children's books, including A Wrinkle in Time, which won the 1963 Newberry Medal. This Advent, consider what it might be like to imitate the Christ Child instead of the adult Jesus. As A Wrinkle in Time tells us: "To love is to be vulnerable; and it is only in vulnerability and risk—not safety and security—that we overcome darkness."

#### ADVENT WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24 ([176](#)). "Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike."

### Wednesday, Nov 30, 2022—Be first to follow the Lord

It's no coincidence that Saint Andrew the Apostle is linked to Advent

(which traditionally begins on the Sunday closest to his feast day). In Eastern Christianity he is known as protokletos, "first called," because it was Andrew, who had been a disciple of John the Baptist, who persuaded his brother Simon (whom we know as Peter) to follow Jesus with his words, "We have found the Messiah!" Andrew also has a devotion linked to Advent, known as the Saint Andrew Novena. Try it out and see if it supports and deepens your living out your own call.

#### FEAST OF ANDREW, APOSTLE

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22 ([684](#)). "At once they left their nets and followed him."

### Thursday, Dec 01, 2022—Build on higher ground

Anyone who has followed the news over the past year has seen more images than ever of people coping with floods. Families waiting on rooftops, people stuffed in boats, neighbors wading through murky water. Jesus constantly used images to make his point, including the image of discipleship as a solid house that stands firm during storms and floods. "Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies," Saint Teresa of Calcutta once said. Are you building a strong, flood-proof house in the small things you do each day?

#### ADVENT WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27 ([178](#)).

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock."

### Friday, Dec 02, 2022—Walk with each other

Today, the church remembers martyrs Jean Donovan, Maura Clarke, Dorothy Kazel, and Ita Ford, brutally murdered for standing with the poor in war-torn El Salvador in 1980. Their witness still speaks profoundly to us today as we encounter our own wars, violence, and suffering, especially among the most vulnerable. And still, we struggle to know what to do. Let us take courage as we ponder the questions posed by Ita Ford in 1977: "Am I willing to suffer with the people here, the suffering of the powerless? Can I say to my neighbors, 'I have no solution to this situation. I don't know the answers, but I will walk with you, search with you, be with you?'"

#### ADVENT WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31 ([179](#)). "Let it be done for you according to your faith."

### Saturday, Dec 03, 2022—Missionizing begins at home

Many of the practices of the great "missionizing projects" of centuries past are seen as problematic in our age, with its greater sensibility of the rights of indigenous peoples to worship freely as they wish. So, while the legacy of one of the patrons of foreign missions, Saint Francis Xavier, is a mixed one, it is significant to note that he always provided for ongoing pastoral care of the communities he missionized and also advocated for an educated native clergy (rather than foreign-born leadership). None of us acts with perfect justice, but each of us finds ourselves living in a unique historical moment, called upon to help church and society live up to the best and most noble qualities of our tradition.

#### MEMORIAL OF FRANCIS XAVIER, JESUIT PRIEST

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8 ([180](#)). "At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd."



Let advent prepare you  
for the final meeting with Christ.

# PRAYER & WORSHIP



## Saint Joseph Prayer List

Fernanda Barros,  
Rena Bernal, Jennifer Chennat,  
Jose Coronel, Ellen Culver,  
Maria Luisa Del Rosario,  
Marjorie Furnary, Cecil Haworth,  
Devin Heinze, Neville Lacey,  
Norma Neto, George Perry,  
Pamela Randolph, Bill Ramos,  
Linda Raimundo, Helen Root,  
Brent Rose, Kirke & Nancy Schnoor,  
Joseph Silva, James Skokan, Sean Vu

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

Valeriano Alfaro  
Eleanor Alvernaz Currie

## Mass Intentions for the Week

November 26th	5:30 pm	†Santiago Atilano, Intentions of Jose Coronel
November 27th	8:00 am	†Celia Ramos, †Sofia Enriquez, †Michael Leen
	10:00 am	Deceased members of the Benya Family
	12:00 pm	†James, Evelyn & James II Deiso †Victor Joseph, †Thomas J. Milani, Intentions of the Alegado Family
	3:00 pm	People of St. Joseph
	5:00 pm	People of St. Joseph
	7:00 pm	Rajesh Selvaraj
November 28th	8:00 am	†Tuan Dinh Nguyen, †Adrienne Farrell
November 29th	8:00 am	†Bob Benya, †Karen Whitson
December 30th	8:00 am	†Anna Myers, †Judy Barber
December 1st	8:00 am	†Adrianna Nunes, Deceased members of the Nelson Family
December 2nd	8:00 am	Intentions of Gerald & Catherine Martin, Deceased Members of the Hotovec Family
December 3rd	8:00 am	†C.J. Joseph, †Anna Nguyen Hong Chau, †Joseph Thalupadath

## Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Holy Mass -  
Sunday Holy Mass -

5:30 pm	The Mission
8:00 am	The Mission
10:00 am	Main Church
12:00 pm	Main Church
3:00 pm	Main Church (Holy Mass in Vietnamese)
5:00 pm	Main Church (Holy Mass in Chinese)
7:00 pm	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	
9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church
Thursday	
8:30 am - 6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Evening Prayer and Benediction - Main Church
7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Mass in Vietnamese - Main Church
Saturday	
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Main Church

Holy Rosary -

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Every Monday in the Main Church (St. Joseph for Life)

Stations of the Cross -

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Every Friday during Lent in the Mission Church

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

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

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

Confessions -

By appointment or 30 minutes before all daily, Saturday & Sunday Masses.

# STEWARSHIP



## Second and Special Collections

12/08/2022 Immaculate Conception  
12/11/22 Religious Retirement

## FINANCE COUNCIL 3RD QTR 2022 REPORT

We continue to make great strides as we move forward with our plans and vision to focus our attention and efforts on building God's house and His people here on earth.

2022 Q3 report is available online for your review.  
Please visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/stewardship/parish-financial-report/>

## Parish Offering Totals

Sunday, 11/13/2022

Electronic Fund Transfer	\$ 6,497.00
Plate Collection:	\$ 7,299.00
Grand Total:	\$ 13,796.00

*Collection numbers will be updated in next weeks bulletin.*

Thank you for your generosity and support!



## To Build Church Unwinding Process

As of November 15, 2022

Repurposed	(418 Households/Individuals)	Total \$ 2,851,682.92
Reclaimed	(125 Households/Individuals)	Total \$ 800,955.26

## An End of Year Opportunity to Share...

Please consider donating appreciated STOCKS OR MUTUAL FUNDS to St. Joseph Parish. It is easy and tax efficient. Donating stocks or mutual funds to St. Joseph Parish can avoid capital gains tax and provide a current year tax deduction if you itemize deductions on your tax return. Owners of traditional IRAs who are 70 ½ and older can donate their IRA's Required Minimum Distribution and avoid having it count as taxable income.

Many employers have MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAMS. This is a great opportunity to increase your financial support to our parish by leveraging your donation with matching corporate funds. Not all corporations match contributions to religious organizations, but some do. Most companies will match donations to schools and non-sectarian, non-profit corporations (Mission San Jose). Contributions to St Joseph School and CRMSJ help to fund needed improvements and operating expenses at the school, Mission church and museum.

*If your employer has a matching gifts program, please consider supporting St. Joseph parish with a gift to one of the following: St. Joseph Church: Tax ID number 94-1358335, St Joseph School: Tax ID number 94-1535363, or Committee for the Restoration of the Mission San Jose: Tax ID number 94-2341096. See the website for more information: [www.saintjosephmsj.org](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org)*

## SPECIAL EVENTS, FACILITIES, PROJECTS



### CAROLS OF CHRISTMASTIDE

*A Christmas Concert*

Saturday, December 10, 2022

7:30 PM

All choirs, campus and parish-wide, will be featured and participate in this extraordinary, musical event: Adult Multi-Cultural, Chinese, Vietnamese, Filipino, Indian, Family of Faith/Saint Joseph School, Youth/Young Adult, all instruments and musicians.

***Please be our guests in the Main Church~***

Ronald E. McKean, Director of Music Ministries



Treat Your Holiday Guests with a Visit to Old Mission San Jose Museum and Gift Shop.

We will be OPEN Thanksgiving Weekend, Friday through Sunday!

With family and friends visiting for the Holidays, consider exploring the treasure in our own backyard – Mission San Jose, a Nationally Registered Historic Place and a California State Historic Landmark.

Shop early for those unique gifts: books, jewelry, ornaments, apparel, religious items, creches, and more. And you can still buy 225th Anniversary commemorative items while they last. We have coffee mugs, decanter & wine glass sets, heritage wine glasses, beer mugs, and more. Selected items will be discounted 25% from November 18th through December 31st. See our website at [www.missionsanjose.org](http://www.missionsanjose.org).

# FAMILY OF FAITH & YOUTH



**In every way, the Sacraments are about God's love, fully revealed in Jesus Christ.**

The seven Sacraments—the foundation of Christian living—are the focus of Volume II of Family of Faith.

Please use the QR code to access the FFM November Newsletter and Pacing Guide to stay on track with lessons. Questions? Contact Rowena Radich [rradich@saintjosephmsj.org](mailto:rradich@saintjosephmsj.org)



St. Vincent de Paul continues to serve the most vulnerable individuals & families in our community. **Family of Faith** is launching our St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Food Drive.



Empty grocery bags, with a list of needed food items, will be available at the next FFM Parent session. Drop off your donations in the SVDP containers during any Mass at the back of the Church. The Food Drive will go through mid-December. Thank you for your donations, embracing an attitude of gratitude, and being Christ's heart & hands for others.

## MARRIAGE, YOUNG ADULTS & FAMILY LIFE



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Engaged Couples-  
Marriage Formation Program  
Civil Marriage Initiative—Sacramental  
Marriage Formation for Civil Unions

Rowena Radich, 510-919-9352, [rradich@saintjosephmsj.org](mailto:rradich@saintjosephmsj.org)

*Lord, we thank You for the unity in our family. We pray that You help us continue living in harmony & promote selflessness among ourselves. Let Your love infuse our hearts & open our eyes to this wonderful gift. Forgive us for taking it for granted. We ask for Your blessings & protection. Amen.*



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The Days of Advent

### PICK OF THE WEEK FOR TEENS/YOUNG ADULTS:

<https://watch.formed.org/the-true-meaning-of-christmas>  
The True Meaning of Christmas with Dr. Michael Barber

### PICK OF THE WEEK FOR ADULTS:

<https://watch.formed.org/advent-1>  
Advent

## SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL

**Virtual OPEN HOUSE**

### SAVE THE DATE!

St. Joseph School will be hosting a **VIRTUAL Open House**

on December 8th for anyone interested in TK-8th Grade enrollment. Join us and discover why families have chosen SJS for over 60 years!

- Safe & Secure Campus
- Before & After-School Care
- Advanced Classroom Technology
- Accredited Teachers
- Art, Music, Spanish and P.E.
- TK—8th On One Campus

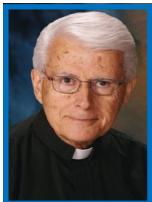
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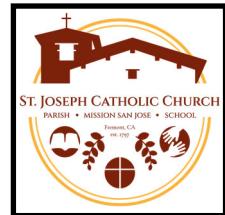
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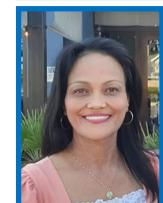
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