

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

## Mission San José, Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph

### St. Joseph Catholic School

Mission Statement | Our St. Joseph family is living the mission with Christ through the works of faith, charity and mercy.

The Ascension of the Lord

May 17, 2026



## SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



*My Brothers and Sisters,*

Life is a journey, and every journey has a destination. Students study for graduation. Parents work hard to provide for their families. People save money and plan for retirement.

But the most important question is this: ***Where are we ultimately going?*** Today, the feast of the Ascension gives us the answer: we are made for heaven.

Jesus did not rise from the dead simply to impress people with his power. He ascended into heaven to open the way for us. The Ascension reminds us that this world is not our permanent home. We are pilgrims passing through. Yet many times we become so busy with work, money, schedules, and social media that we forget about eternity. We spend hours preparing for vacations, careers, and success, but very little time preparing for heaven. The Ascension invites us to lift our eyes upward and remember what truly matters.

But why did Jesus leave his disciples? Because sometimes love requires a necessary goodbye. Parents understand this well. A mother and father spend years raising their children, but eventually the children must grow up and live on their own. If parents do everything forever, their children never mature. In the same way, Jesus left and entrusted his mission to us. If he had remained physically on earth, the disciples might simply have depended on him for everything. But after the Ascension, they had to become courageous witnesses themselves.

The Ascension also speaks to our daily life. Many of us today carry heavy burdens: stress, financial worries, broken relationships, loneliness, and fear for the future. Sometimes we may even feel abandoned by God.

The disciples probably felt the same way as they watched Jesus ascend into heaven. Yet Jesus did not leave them without hope. His final promise was: "I am with you always until the end of the age."

He remains with us through parents teaching their children to pray, through spouses forgiving each other after arguments, through young people defending their faith, and through ordinary acts of kindness and sacrifice. There is a beautiful saying: "***Angels can fly not so much because they have wings, but because they carry no burdens.***" Many people today carry burdens that weigh down the heart: anger, guilt, resentment, anxiety, or disappointment. Some families suffer for years because nobody wants to say, "I'm sorry." The Ascension invites us to let go of whatever keeps our hearts trapped on earth so that our spirits may rise toward God.

Heaven is not only something we hope for after death. Heaven begins whenever love triumphs over selfishness. Heaven appears when parents sacrifice for their children, when families pray together, when the sick are cared for, and when forgiveness is stronger than resentment. And nowhere does heaven touch earth more beautifully than at Mass, where Christ becomes truly present in the Eucharist.

So today, let us live with our hearts fixed on heaven while continuing Christ's mission on earth. And may the Ascended Lord guide our families with faith, hope, and love until the day he welcomes us into our eternal home. Amen.

**Fr. Thi Văn Hoàng, Pastor**  
St. Joseph Catholic Church / Mission San José  
Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph

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# WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH



TO ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH/  
MISSION SAN JOSÉ, DIOCESAN SHRINE OF ST. JOSEPH.

In this sacred season of Easter, we rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ—the source of new life, abiding mercy, and enduring hope. As we journey through these fifty days, we welcome you to share in the peace and grace of the risen Lord. Thank you for joining us in this holy season.

## HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

*Please observe reverent silence and pray the Rosary before Mass.*

SATURDAY VIGIL HOLY MASS	5:30 PM	Main Church
	8:00 AM	Mission
	10:00 AM	Main Church
SUNDAY HOLY MASS	12:00 PM	Main Church
	3:00 PM	Main Church, Vietnamese
	5:00 PM	Main Church, Mandarin
AD ORIENTEM	7:00 PM	Mission <i>First Sunday of the Month</i>
ST. JOSEPH DEVOTION	7:00 PM	Main Church <i>First Wednesday of the Month</i>
SACRED HEART OF JESUS	8:00 AM	Main Church <i>First Friday of the Month</i> <i>24-hour Adoration</i>
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	8:00 AM	Main Church <i>First Saturday of the Month</i> <i>(Mission: Nov 2025 &amp; Aug 2026)</i> <i>Anointing Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct</i>
HOLY MASS IN SPANISH	7:00 PM	Mission <i>Second Sunday of the Month</i>
ST. JOSEPH DAY	8:00 AM	St. Joseph Chapel of Healing <i>The 19th of Every Month</i>
Rosary	7:30 AM	Mission
Daily Mass	8:00 AM	Monday–Saturday Main Church
Divine Chaplet	8:30 AM	First Friday & subsequent Saturday
Adoration Monday–Friday	8:00 AM–8:00 PM	Adoration Chapel
*Wednesday	10:30 AM–8:00 PM	
St. Joseph for Life Holy Hour	1:30 PM	Adoration Chapel, Monday
Holy Hour	5:00 PM	
Vespers, Benediction	6:00 PM	Main Church, Thursday
Mass in Vietnamese	7:00 PM	
CONFESSION	7:30 AM	Mission, Wednesday–Friday
By appointment, call 510-656-2364	4:00 PM –5:00 PM	Main Church, Saturday

## CLERGY

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or scan the QR code below

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday–Thursday** | **Friday**  
9:00 AM–4:00 PM | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM



# LEARNING, BELONGING, SERVING

## ONE FAMILY IN CHRIST

YOUR JOURNEY, OUR FAITH  
DISCOVER · BELONG · GROW



**A FAMILY OF FAITH**  
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**Baptism**  
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**Early Childhood Faith Formation**  
*Ages 3–5*  
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**Children’s Faith Formation**  
*Kindergarten – 7th Grade*  
Nancy Flores-Mai, Director  
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**Confirmation**  
*8th & 9th Grades*  
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**C.Y.O. (Catholic Youth Organization)**  
*3rd – 8th Grades*  
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*10th Grade – Age 20*  
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**Parish Children’s Choir, Schola Cantorum & Orchestra**  
*Ages 5+*  
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**O.C.I.C. (Order of Christian Initiation for Children)**  
*Ages 8+*  
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**O.C.I.A. Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**  
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**BIBLE STUDY, LECTIO DIVINA**  
*Ages 18+*  
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**New Priest Appointments**—Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J., has announced multiple priestly appointments within the Diocese of Oakland, including transitions that will directly impact our parish. Please visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/new-priest-appointments/>.



**Jubilee of St. Francis of Assisi**—Mission San José, Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph, has been designated an official pilgrimage site in the Diocese of Oakland for this special observance. Pilgrims may receive a plenary indulgence. [www.saintjosephmsj.org/jubilee-saint-francis](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/jubilee-saint-francis).



### Flores de Mayo | Crown of Flowers, A Path of Light—

May 30, 2026 | 4:30 PM Rosary | 5:30 PM Vigil Mass

In May, we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary through Flores de Mayo, a joyful celebration of devotion, beauty, and prayer. Hosted by the Filipino Community of St. Joseph, this Marian tradition unites culture and faith through procession, sacred music, and the Holy Rosary. Light reception to follow in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact Cecilia Weng 510-386-1930 or [cecillejw@yahoo.com](mailto:cecillejw@yahoo.com). Visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/flores-de-mayo/> for more details.



**Our Lady of Fatima**—Observed on the 13th of each month from May through October. We begin with the Rosary on the Mission steps at 6:30 PM followed by Holy Mass in the Main Church. Join us in prayer and devotion in honor of our Blessed Mother. Contact Greta Lazaro 510-304-3900, [gretalaz@gmail.com](mailto:gretalaz@gmail.com) to help/more info.

May 13	Wed	7:00 PM	Opening Mass	Hospitality
June 13	Sat	5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	
July 13	Mon	7:00 PM		
Aug 13	Thu	7:00 PM	VN/ENG	Hospitality
Sept 13	Sun	12:00 PM	Family of Faith	
Oct 13	Tue	7:00 PM	Closing Mass	Hospitality

# PRAYER, DEVOTIONS, HOLY DAYS

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	05/16	5:30 PM	Deceased of the Ebron & DeLeon Families, Intentions of Amy Laus & Eduardo Medina
Sun	05/17	8:00 AM	+Purificacion Pineda, +Yeh, Pu-De, Intentions of Ana Marie Huajardo,
		10:00 AM	+Daniel Barros, +Emilia Barros, +Alice Francisco
		12:00 PM	+James & Diana Skokan, +Rogaciano Menezes, +Antonina Arcala
		3:00 PM	+Leo Vu Xuan Quang, +Maria Nguyen Thi Tuyet
		5:00 PM	People of St. Joseph
		7:00 PM	People of St. Joseph
Mon	05/18	8:00 AM	+Neville Lacey, +Vera Noonan, Intentions of Noelyn Dimayuga
Tue	05/19	8:00 AM	+Alejandro C. Laguador, Intentions of Sally Hughes, Intentions of Kevin Arakkal & Family
Wed	05/20	8:00 AM	Deceased of Vui Khac Do Family, Intentions of Rebecca Pierotte, Intentions of Mariselda Barlow
Thu	05/21	8:00 AM	+Ann Smith, +Agnes & Michael Kelleher, Deceased of the Bau Family
Fri	05/22	8:00 AM	+Deceased of the Thong Family, +Tony & Kaspar Chennat, Souls in Purgatory
Sat	05/23	8:00 AM	+Dr. Will Wyman, +Yeh, Wu-Qure, +Antonina Arcala

**Vespers** | Thursdays | 6:00 PM  
Main Church | EN/VN Mass 7:00 PM

June 3 | **First Wednesday**

St. Joseph Devotion  
7:00 PM | Main Church

June 5 | **First Friday**

Sacred Heart of Jesus  
8:00 AM | Main Church  
24-Hour Adoration

June 6 | **First Saturday**

Immaculate Heart of Mary  
8:00 AM | Main Church

June 7 | **First Sunday**

Ad Orientem  
7:00 PM | Mission

Candlelight | Reception

June 14 | **Second Sunday**

Misa en Español  
7:00 PM | Mission | Reception

### FUNERAL | MEMORIAL

♦ Arturo Valdez | Sat | May 16 | 11 AM

♦ JoAnn Miller | Fri | May 22 | 11 AM

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

<https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/liturgy/sacraments-2/funerals/>

### Young Adults Group—Thursdays, 7 PM, St. Joseph's Workshop

A welcoming community for young adults in their 20s and 30s seeking connection, purpose, and growth in the Catholic faith. Join us for prayer and fellowship, supporting one another in living the Catholic faith. 6:30 PM Rosary. Dinner provided. [www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/young-adult-group/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/young-adult-group/) or contact Jeff de Jesus at [youngadults@saintjosephmsj.org](mailto:youngadults@saintjosephmsj.org).



**Pray for the Sick**—Fiona Hong, Roseanne Marra, Brian Hawks, Hernan Jamir, Pete & Cece DeLisi, In Ming Thomas Ho, George Hernandez, Yolanda Paulson, Hang Le, Lourdes Verosa, Dorijan Ilijic, Gary Bozaich, Axel Brisken, Gerry Fulks, Todd and Dianne Goings, Alda Petersen, Marilyn Perry, Tom Truong, Angie Heywood, Luisa Del Rosario, Luis Eduardo Castiblanco, Shirley Nolan, Carolina Reyes, Jessica Fluent, Barbara Schaub, Art Noeth, Mariam Wyman, Chris Benya, Gary Asher, Susan Alioto, Anna Wang, Yuk Ying Chan, Theresa Martin, Maryann Carlin, Gary Whiteley, Jayson Watkins, Monique Morsette, Mary Costello, Zeny Lacey, Michael Roseman, Kenny and Arlene Zulawski, Rey Rara. Prayer requests call 510-656-2364 or <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/prayer-team-ministry/>.

# IN FAITH THROUGH EVERY SEASON



WELCOME FATHER GARRETT MCGOWAN—With gratitude to God and great joy, we welcome Deacon Garrett McGowan, soon to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Priesthood on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland by The Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ, Bishop of Oakland. Following his ordination, Father Garrett McGowan has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. Joseph Catholic Church/Mission San José, Fremont, and Chaplain of Santa Rita County Jail, effective July 1, 2026. Please join us in praying for Father Garrett as he begins his priestly ministry among us with zeal, fidelity, and the heart of Christ the Good Shepherd. [www.saintjosephmsj.org/father-garrett/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/father-garrett/)  
Yours in Christ, Fr. Thi Hoàng, Pastor



**Đại Hội Thánh Giuse Việt Nam Lần II—Tâm Tình Tri Ân**—Với tâm tình tràn đầy biết ơn, chúng con xin tạ ơn Thiên Chúa vì muôn ơn lành đã tuôn đổ trong kỳ đại hội vừa qua. Chúng ta hân hoan đón tiếp hơn 1.000 khách hành hương và tham dự viên đã quy tụ để cầu nguyện, suy niệm và canh tân đời sống đức tin theo gương Thánh Cả Giuse. Chúng con chân thành tri ân quý Cha, quý diễn giả, quý thiện nguyện viên và toàn thể cộng đoàn Việt Nam, những người đã tận tâm phục vụ, chuẩn bị chu đáo và quảng đại hy sinh, góp phần làm nên một bầu khí sốt sắng và trang nghiêm. Nguyện xin những ơn lành đã lãnh nhận tiếp tục sinh hoa kết trái trong đời sống mỗi người, và xin Thánh Giuse luôn đồng hành, hướng dẫn chúng ta sống trong thinh lặng, tín thác và hành động theo thánh ý Chúa.



## Summer Cleanup Day!

Mark your calendar for our Summer Cleanup Day on Saturday, June 27, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Thank you for helping care for our parish grounds. <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/summer-cleanup/>.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please check our parish website closer to the dates for times and full event details: [www.saintjosephmsj.org](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org)

### 2026

MAY 13 – OCT. 13	Rosary Procession Holy Mass, Our Lady of Fatima Every 13th of the Month
MAY 16	Mission San José Orchestra at Cathedral of Christ the Light Youth Confirmation Mass
MAY 24	Dominican Sisters Jubilee
MAY 30	First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion Retreat Flores de Mayo
MAY 31	Camino de California, Holy Mass with Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J., 8:00 AM, Mission
JUNE 7	The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Eucharistic Procession First Holy Communion
JUNE 11	229th Anniversary of the Mission (Founding 1797)
JUNE 13	Meet Me at the Mission Founder's Gala, Committee for Restoration of the Mission San José
JUNE 14	Rosales Opus 14 Concert
JUNE 22–26	Summer with the Saints
JUNE 27	Summer Clean Up Day
JULY 27	Appreciation Dinner for Parish Volunteers
AUG. 1	Sisters of the Holy Family Jubilee
AUG. 15	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Group Marriage Convalidation Ceremony
AUG. 22	Jubilee Year of St. Francis Holy Mass with Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J., 8:00 AM, Mission Dedication of the Ohlone Memorial Garden
OCT. 10–11	St. Joseph Festival
NOV. 13	Senior Luncheon
NOV. 21	Dominican Sisters Holiday Boutique
<b>2027</b>	
JAN. 9	Jubilee Year of St. Francis closing Mass
MARCH 12–13	Fifth Annual St. Joseph Conference, Keynote speaker: Father Donald H. Calloway, MIC
APR. 30 –MAY 1	Third Annual Vietnamese St. Joseph Conference

# SERVING, GATHERING, GROWING



**2026 Bishop's Ministries Appeal : Living the Faith**—The Appeal supports vital diocesan programs that form disciples, strengthen parishes, and serve those in need. Your participation advances our shared mission of bringing Christ's mercy and hope. Our parish goal is \$72,000. Visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/2026-bishops-ministries-appeal/> for more info & to give. Thank you!



**St. Vincent de Paul**—Richard and Sandhya Sekar, were recently recognized as “Unsung Heroes” by California State Assemblymember Alex Lee at a special ceremony. Longtime members of the SVDP Society, their service reflects a consistent and generous commitment to those in need. To read the whole story and/or donate, visit: <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/unsung-heroes>.



**Refugee Ministry 5/17—THE SHED IS CLEAN!**—We spent two Saturdays going through the shed, adding in all the donations you gave. Now the things we need are listed on the Refugee website. The biggest need is a laptop computer and Smart TV, but for now, we are good. Contact Don Kaefer [donaldkaefer@gmail.com](mailto:donaldkaefer@gmail.com). Thank you!



## SAVE THE DATE!

### Summer with the Saints, TK-6th

June 22–26, 8:30 AM–2:00 PM

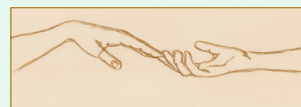
Saint focused, faith-based activities, crafts, and games. It's not too late!

\$225 through 5/31. Register now! Help support our Confirmation youth attending the Steubenville Conference in San Diego. [www.saintjosephmsj.org/summer-camp/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/summer-camp/)



**HOM Update**—Rob, a resident on the flat under the Washington Overpass lost everything including his tent. We bought a tent and delivered it to him to bring his life back. For pics and more

great stories, please visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/hom-volunteers-serve-the-unhoused-beyond-grocery-bags/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/hom-volunteers-serve-the-unhoused-beyond-grocery-bags/).



### NOP—Volunteer One Hour Every 4 Months

—That is all it takes to visit one of our elderly or homebound parishioners. We would love to have 26 visitors, but only 9 are currently serving. Our core ladies prepare something to deliver, and visitors simply pick it up and spend time with their parishioner. The rewards are great for such a small gift of time. To help organize or become a visitor, please contact Lauri Kaefer at [lkaefer@comcast.net](mailto:lkaefer@comcast.net). Thank you!

## STAY CONNECTED

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/app](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/app)



### Important Announcement from Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J.

Bishop Barber has announced an important update to the Mission Alignment Process that impacts 13 parishes and a pastoral center closure. Visit <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/announcement-from-bishop-barber/> for timely updates and a message from Fr. Joy Kumarthusseril, Our Lady of Guadalupe.



### 24-HOUR ADORATION SIGN-UP

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/24-hour-eucharistic-adoration](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/24-hour-eucharistic-adoration)



**Charitable bequest:** a lasting expression of faith and stewardship. Remember the Church and its ministries in your estate plans. Help sustain Christ's mission. Call Gina Mehta 510-656-2364.

**How to Give Online—OSV** <https://www.osvhub.com/saintjosephmsj/giving/funds>. Charitable giving = tax benefits, parish support. Set up your EFT or ACH today.

Living the Mission with Christ: Through Works of Mercy	2nd Collection: Catholic Charities	
	5/10/2026	5/3/2026
Maintenance Fund	\$ 19,309.40	\$ 31,052.68
		\$ 3,956.00

**2026 Diocesan Bishop's Appeal \$72,000 (Goal)**  
**Actual of as of 4/30/2026: \$32,610.00**  
**Thank you for your generous support!**

# MISSION SAN JOSÉ, HERITAGE, FAITH

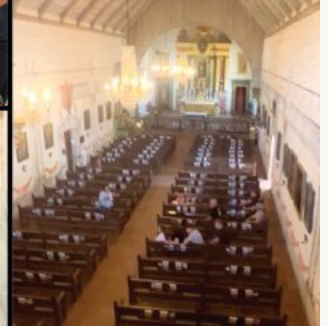
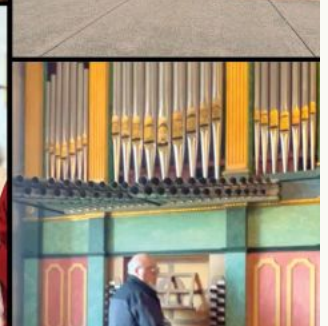
## EVENTS AT MISSION SAN JOSÉ

FOOTHILL & GRIMMER  
ELEMENTARY  
MAY 7 AND 8, 2026

MOTHER'S DAY  
MAY 10, 2026

SANTA MISA  
EN ESPAÑOL  
DIA DE MADRE  
MAY 10, 2026

ROSALES  
ORGAN DEMO  
MAY 10, 2026



SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS  
ONLINE RESERVATIONS  
[www.saintjosephmsj.org/  
mission-field-trips](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/mission-field-trips)



Chapel of Healing—Tues, May 19

◆ 8:00 AM Holy Mass

CA Missions Eucharistic Pilgrimage—Sun, May 31

◆ 8:00 AM Holy Mass, Bishop Michael C. Barber

◆ Salvatore Caruso, Camino de California

# CHRIST AT WORK AMONG US

**Living the Mission  
with Christ:  
Through Works of  
Mercy**

THANK YOU TO ALL PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED YOUR COMMITMENT CARD TO THE CHURCH.



For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. Each and every one of you is a vital member of our parish community, and we want to hear from you!

This is an opportunity to *reflect upon and renew* your sacrificial commitment to support the mission of St. Joseph Catholic Church/Mission San José, Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph. For those who are able, there is an opportunity to make a one-time gift to the parish. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

For those of you who would prefer to fill out your Commitment Card online, please visit the parish website at [www.saintjosephmsj.org/stewardship/living-the-mission-with-christ](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/stewardship/living-the-mission-with-christ).



~ Meet Me at the Mission ~

## Founder's Gala Fundraiser

June 13, 2026



**5:30pm Cocktail Reception**  
Mission San José Patio Garden  
43300 Mission Blvd., Fremont



**6:30pm Dinner,\* Wine, Music, Auction**  
St. Joseph Parish Hall

**Tickets \$150 | CRMSJ Members \$125**  
Book a table for 8 for \$1,000



\*Surf & Turf dinner catered by Spin-a-Yarn  
Vegetarian option available  
Attire "Dressy Casual"

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
MISSION SAN JOSÉ  
EXTERIOR RESTORATION**

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/founders-gala-2026](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/founders-gala-2026)



COMMITTEE FOR RESTORATION OF THE MISSION SAN JOSÉ



## CHRISTMAS IN MAY

HOSTED BY THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY  
OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

DATE: MAY 30, 2026

LOCATION: ST. JOSEPH PARISH HALL

TIME: 6:30PM TO 9:00PM

Part of the proceeds will fund  
the 2027 TFCSJ Events

## PAROL SALE

PHILIPPINE HANDMADE  
CAPIZ PAROLS

AVAILABLE SIZES:  
24, 30 AND 36 INCHES

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# CROWNED WITH WISDOM AND FIRE

Sacrament of Confirmation | Saturday | May 16, 2026 | 5:30 PM

Very Rev. Lawrence C. D'Anjou, Presider

## Prayer for Our Confirmandi

Heavenly Father, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon these young men and women as they are sealed with Your sacred gifts.

Fill their hearts with wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, and deep love for You.

Strengthen them to stand firm in faith, to live courageously as disciples of Christ, and to radiate His truth and love in the world.

May the saints whose names they have chosen guide and intercede for them throughout their lives. Bless their families, sponsors, and catechists who have helped lead them to this sacred day.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Janice Olivia "Clare of Assisi" Au

Aadwin "Anthony of Padua" Balla

Bien Owen "Peter" Batiancila

Kyle Peter "Peter" Chui

Remi Khai Duc "John the Apostle" Do

Ethan Eric "John the Baptist" D'Souza

Airell D. "Patrick" Galleon

Elizabeth "Jude" George

Carilynne Malia "Vitus" Herrero

Andrew David "John Paul II" Magill

Kristelle "Frances of Cabrini" Mateu

Alyssa "Hildegard of Bingen" Menezes

Matthew "Paul" Mercado

Olivia "Catherine of Bologna" Ramirez

Marissa "Blaise" Schuman

Daniel "Michael the Archangel" Smith

Alvin Clement "Anthony of Padua" Antony Thalupadath

Samantha "Clare" Daral Villareal

Jon Allen "Francis of Assisi" Weng

### Member of this class to be confirmed elsewhere

Anthony Yi-Fong "Anthony of Padua" Wan

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### Confirmandi joining this class from Holy Spirit Church

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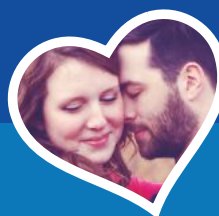
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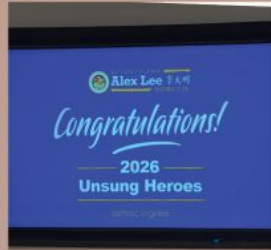
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