



# 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, mercy and charity.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20, 2026



## ARE YOU ENVIOUS BECAUSE I AM GENEROUS?



*Dear St. Joseph Family,*

When a person looks extremely sad, there are usually two possibilities: either something bad has happened to him, or something good has happened to his enemy. For example,

if you are a true loyal Giants fan, you are probably not very happy when the Dodgers win—and vice versa! When we become sad because something good has happened to another person, we call it jealousy. Jealousy is truly a disease of the soul. We see this in today's Gospel. A landowner goes out and hires workers at different times of the day. At the end, he pays them all the same wage. Those who worked all day complain that the landowner is unfair. We can understand their reaction. How can someone who worked only one hour receive the same pay as someone who worked all day? It doesn't seem to make sense.

Sometimes we also struggle to understand God's ways. As Isaiah reminds us in the first reading: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways." We often ask: Why do wicked people seem to prosper while good people suffer? Why do hardworking people sometimes receive less than those who seem lazy or incompetent? Why are some people more beautiful, talented, or successful than others? Life often seems unfair. But here is the important question: Were these workers in the Gospel really asking for justice, or were they jealous of what others received? If they were asking for justice, they already had it. The landowner paid them exactly what he had promised. So God is truly fair. In fact, sometimes we should thank God that He is not "fair"! If God gave us exactly what we deserved, we would all be in trouble!

The real problem is not that God is unfair. The problem is that we are envious because we compare ourselves with others. There is a story about a sparrow who complained to Mother Nature: "You gave beautiful colors to the peacock and a lovely song to the nightingale, but I am plain and unnoticed. Why was I made to suffer?" Mother Nature replied, "You were not made to suffer. You suffer because you make the same foolish mistake as human beings: you compare yourself with others. Be yourself. In that, there is no comparison and no pain."

If you want to be miserable, compare what you have with what other people have. There will always be someone who has more than you—and, in our eyes, someone who deserves it less. If we compare ourselves with those who have less, we become proud. If we compare ourselves with those who have more, we become resentful. So ask yourself: Do I rejoice when others are blessed, or do I envy their success? Imagine a joyful party where everyone is laughing and celebrating, except one envious person sitting alone in the corner. The happiness of everyone else becomes his suffering. That is jealousy—the disease of the soul.

Today, Jesus invites us to leave our small human perspective and enter into God's perspective. When we see life through God's eyes, we discover true justice, generosity, and mercy. Then we can stop comparing, stop resenting, and start giving thanks. May God give us grateful hearts that rejoice not only in what we have received, but also in the blessings He gives to others.

*Fr. Thi Văn Hoàng, Pastor*

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# WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH

## WELCOME

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

As a devoted parishioner, new to our community, or cherished guest, we warmly receive you into our sacred home, where faith and fellowship unite us in the infinite love of Christ. We are privileged to connect with you personally for support and guidance on your spiritual journey.

### HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

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

|                                      |                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SATURDAY VIGIL<br>HOLY MASS          | 5:30 PM             | Main Church                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                      | 8:00 AM             | Mission                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| SUNDAY<br>HOLY MASS                  | 10:00 AM            | Main Church                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                      | 12:00 PM            | Main Church                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                      | 3:00 PM             | Main Church, Vietnamese                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                      | 5:00 PM             | Main Church, Mandarin                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| AD ORIENTEM                          | 7:00 PM             | Mission<br><i>First Sunday of the Month</i>                                                                                                                                                                                |
| ST. JOSEPH<br>DEVOTION               | 7:00 PM             | Main Church<br><i>First Wednesday of the Month</i>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| SACRED HEART<br>OF JESUS             | 8:00 AM             | Main Church<br><i>First Friday of the Month</i><br><i>24-hour Adoration</i>                                                                                                                                                |
| IMMACULATE<br>HEART OF MARY          | 8:00 AM             | Main Church<br><i>First Saturday of the Month</i><br><i>(Mission: Nov 2025 &amp; Aug 2026)</i><br><i>Anointing of the Sick</i><br><i>January, April, July, October</i>                                                     |
| HOLY MASS<br>IN SPANISH              | 7:00 PM             | Mission<br><i>Second Sunday of the Month</i>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ST. JOSEPH DAY                       | 8:00 AM             | St. Joseph Chapel of Healing<br><i>The 19th of Every Month</i><br><i>If the 19th falls on a Sunday or March 19th</i><br><i>(Feast of St. Joseph), Mass will be held in</i><br><i>the Mission Church for space reasons.</i> |
| Rosary                               | 7:30 AM             | Mission                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Daily Mass                           | 8:00 AM             | Monday–Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Divine Chaplet                       | 8:30 AM             | Main Church<br><i>First Friday &amp; subsequent Saturday</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| 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             | Main Church, Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Vespers, Benediction                 | 6:00 PM             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Mass in Vietnamese                   | 7:00 PM             | <i>Anointing of the Sick, First Thursday</i>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CONFESSION                           | 7:30 AM             | Mission, Wednesday–Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| By appointment,<br>call 510-656-2364 | 4:00 PM<br>–5:00 PM | Main Church, Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

### CLERGY

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Monday–Thursday</b> | <b>Friday</b>    |
| 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



### FAMILY OF FAITH MINISTRY

**O.C.I.C.**  
(Order of Christian Initiation for Children)

**Faith Formation**

**Sacramental Preparation**  
First Reconciliation  
First Holy Communion  
Confirmation

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## SAVE THE DATE

— 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL —

# HARVEST of HOPE Gala

BENEFITING THE  
**NEEDS BASED SCHOLARSHIP FUND**  
AT ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL, FREMONT

 **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026**

 **EMBASSY SUITES**  
by Hilton Milpitas – Silicon Valley

*Together, we harvest hope and change lives.*



**St. Joseph School**  
The School with a Mission

COMMUNITY • FAITH • EDUCATION • SERVICE



## Our Lady of VAILANKANNI

*Mother of Good Health*

All are invited to join the *feast celebration*

✠ AT SAINT JOSEPH PARISH – MISSION SAN JOSE ✠

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026**

 **9:30 AM** | **Procession**  
from Mission steps

 **10:00 AM** | **Holy Mass**  
at the Main Church

 **Mass in English with Multilingual Hymns**

 **Light cultural refreshments at the Church Hall**

 Please contact Indian Community representative at  
**sonaliseraphim@gmail.com**  
for more details

# PRAYER, DEVOTIONS, HOLY DAYS

## MASS INTENTIONS

|     |       |          |                                                                                  |
|-----|-------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat | 09/19 | 5:30 PM  | +T.A. Thomas Thuruthiyil, +Loreto Estrada Balcita                                |
| Sun | 09/20 | 8:00 AM  | +Esperanza Barajas, +Helen Otanis                                                |
|     |       | 10:00 AM | +James & Diana Skokan, +Magdalena Mông Lê Chân, Intentions of the Wallace Family |
|     |       | 12:00 PM | +James, Evelyn & James II Deiso, Intentions of Baiju & Gladys                    |
|     |       | 3:00 PM  | +Phaolo Nguyen Van Phuoc, +Maria Tran Thi Kim Yen, +Maria Vo Thi Thanh Ha        |
|     |       | 5:00 PM  | People of St. Joseph                                                             |
| Mon | 09/21 | 8:00 AM  | +Maria Ching, Deceased of the Bau Family                                         |
| Tue | 09/22 | 8:00 AM  | +Jess Barajas Jr., Deceased of The Thong Family, Intentions of Barney Abarquez   |
| Wed | 09/23 | 8:00 AM  | +David & Mary Daniels, +Maria Ching, Intentions of the Lightholder Family        |
| Thu | 09/24 | 8:00 AM  | +Maria Ching, Intentions of Carmen Agcaoili                                      |
| Fri | 09/25 | 8:00 AM  | +Maria Ching, +Thien The Nguyen                                                  |
| Sat | 09/26 | 8:00 AM  | +Catherine Martin, +Maria Ching                                                  |

### Oct 2 | **First Friday**

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

### Oct 3 | **First Saturday**

Immaculate Heart of Mary  
8:00 AM | Main Church

### Oct 4 | **First Sunday**

Ad Orientem  
7:00 PM | Mission Church  
Candlelight | Reception, Hall

### Oct 7 | **First Wednesday**

St. Joseph Devotion  
7:00 PM | Main Church

**Vespers** | Thursdays | 6:00 PM

Main Church | EN/VN Mass 7:00 PM

### Oct 11 | **Second Sunday**

Misa en Español  
7:00 PM | Mission | Recepción

### From the Finance Council



### Second Quarter 2026 Financial Statement

is now available. It provides a clear overview of parish

finances, including income, expenses, ministry support, and operating needs. Thank you for your continued generosity and faithful stewardship in support of St. Joseph Catholic Church/Mission San José, Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph. Visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/q2-2026-finance/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/q2-2026-finance/).

### YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

### St. Joseph's Workshop

Thursdays 7 PM | Age 21-39



Contact Jeff de Jesus at [youngadults@saintjosephmsj.org](mailto:youngadults@saintjosephmsj.org) or [www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/young-adult-group/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/discipleship/young-adult-group/). Bring a friend.

### FUNERAL | MEMORIAL

**Miriam O. Keller | Sep 19 | 10 AM**

**Helen Mineau | Sep 25 | 10 AM**

**Dolores Newbern | Oct 3 | 10 AM**

**Shirley Fernandez | Oct 23 | 12 PM**

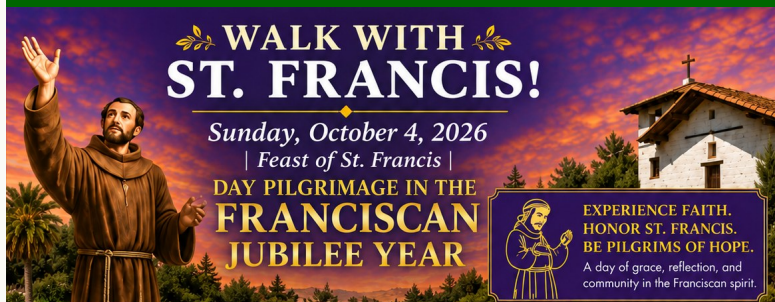
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

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



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

# WALK WITH ST. FRANCIS AND BEYOND



## Join us for a DAY OF FAITH, PRAYER & FRANCISCAN HERITAGE!

Our day begins with  
**8:00 AM MASS AT MISSION SAN JOSÉ,**  
*the Diocesan Shrine of St. Joseph.*

Then we visit four additional Jubilee  
pilgrimage sites throughout the  
Diocese of Oakland.



### YOUR PILGRIMAGE INCLUDES:



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TRANSPORTATION



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DINNER



MASS & SPIRITUAL  
ACTIVITIES



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NAME BADGE

PRICING (PER PERSON)

**\$175**

FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE VISIT:

**canterburypilgrimages.com**  
(800) 653-0017



**Dominican Sisters**  
OF MISSION SAN JOSE

## Have you ever thought of being a Religious Sister?

Are you interested in “the call?”  
Get on board and explore your vocation.

**ZOOM Retreat**  
**September 26, 2026 11:00 am - 3:00 pm PT**



for single Catholic women. Ages 18-40

If you are interested in the retreat  
or an individual visit,  
Send an email to S. Dulce at:  
**dulce@msjdominicans.org**



## 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

|             |                                                                      |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SEPT. 19    | Party on Canvas                                                      |
|             | Feast of Our Lady of Vailankanni, 10 AM Mass                         |
| SEPT. 20    | Commissioning and Blessing of Catechists,<br>12:00 PM Mass           |
| SEPT. 25    | Vietnamese Festival Celebration                                      |
| SEPT. 26    | Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz                                            |
| SEPT. 26-27 | September Anniversary Blessings                                      |
| SEPT. 27    | Feast of St. Vincent de Paul - Ministry Blessing<br>10 AM Mass       |
|             | Feast of St. Francis of Assisi                                       |
| OCT. 4      | Franciscan Day Pilgrimage<br>Blessing of the Animals                 |
| OCT. 11     | St. Joseph Festival                                                  |
| OCT. 13     | Rosary Procession, Holy Mass, Our Lady of Fatima                     |
| NOV. 1      | All Saints                                                           |
| NOV. 2      | All Souls                                                            |
| NOV. 13     | Senior Luncheon<br>St. Joseph School Harvest of Hope Gala            |
| NOV. 22     | Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,<br>King of the Universe          |
| NOV. 26     | Thanksgiving Day                                                     |
| NOV. 29     | New Liturgical Year B   First Sunday of Advent                       |
| DEC. 8      | Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception<br>of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| DEC. 14     | Parish Advent Reconciliation                                         |
| DEC. 15-23  | Las Posadas<br>Simbang Gabi                                          |
| DEC. 24     | Christmas Eve, Nativity Play, Midnight Mass                          |
| DEC. 25     | Nativity of the Lord                                                 |

### 2027

|                   |                                                              |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| JAN. 1            | Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary,<br>the Mother of God   |
| JAN. 9            | Jubilee Year of St. Francis Closing Mass                     |
| MARCH<br>12-13    | Fifth Annual St. Joseph Conference                           |
| APR. 30<br>-MAY 1 | Third Annual<br>Vietnamese St. Joseph Conference             |
| JUNE 12           | 230th Anniversary of the Mission San José<br>and Gala Dinner |

## Magnifica Humanitas — Pope Leo XIV

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/magnifica-humanitas/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/magnifica-humanitas/)  
See page 8 of today's bulletin.



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



# SERVING, GATHERING, GROWING



## Refugee Ministry Update—Computer Needed

Rahim's wife was a teacher in Afghanistan and hopes to work in education again. Our new team member, Cathy, is helping her apply for a position as a school aide. Their daughter, Hadia, and her brother are both taking online classes at Ohlone, but the entire family

currently shares one computer. Rahim and his wife also need computer access for applications, emails and registrations. While the students wait to borrow computers from Ohlone, the family could use at least one additional computer. If you can help, contact Don at [donaldkaefer@gmail.com](mailto:donaldkaefer@gmail.com). Thank you! For information about this ministry, visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/refugee](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/refugee).



**St. Vincent de Paul**—For the first time in seven years, St. Vincent de Paul will hold a “Friends of the Poor” Walk on October 17 at Lake Elizabeth. Funds raised will help provide 150 families with large bags of groceries for Thanksgiving and Christmas gift cards for 60 families with children. As food costs continue to rise, we also remain committed to helping our neighbors with essential needs, including partial rent and utility assistance. Watch for more info on how to sponsor a walker. Thank you for your generous support of our recent 2nd collection! Visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/st-vincent-de-paul/](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/st-vincent-de-paul/). Contact Barb Fuhs at [eabmom@comcast.net](mailto:eabmom@comcast.net).



## HOM Urgently Needs Donations—

Modess and Yardley toiletries, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, women's underwear sizes 8-12; used men's jeans sizes 30-40; used women's jeans sizes 6-12; T-shirts M-XXL; belts and socks. Drop donations in the yellow bins outside the HOM Office on Sundays from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM or Thursdays from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Contact Debra Meinecke at 510-378-0753 or Joanne Kemp at 510-386-5470. Visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/homeless-urgent-needs](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/homeless-urgent-needs). Thank you for your generous support.



## Sign-up at Registration Station Today—

Stop by during Hospitality to volunteer at the NOP Baked Goods or Raffle Ticket Booths. You can also donate donuts, muffins or Rice



## Join Our Musicians Today! Hospitality Sunday, September 20—

Our Handbell Musicians and Adult Choir are hosting Hospitality in the Parish Hall after all morning Masses. Stop by to meet them and learn about joining, rehearsal times and musical experience. You can also visit the Registration Station to update your parish information, purchase Festival Raffle Tickets or volunteer for upcoming events. To help, contact Lauri Kaefer at [lkaefer@comcast.net](mailto:lkaefer@comcast.net) or call 510-552-7431 Please visit [www.saintjosephmsj.org/service/neighborhood-outreach-program](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/service/neighborhood-outreach-program) for additional information.



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.



## 24-HOUR ADORATION SIGN-UP

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



| Living the Mission with Christ:<br>Through Works of Mercy | No Second Collection Today |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
|                                                           | 9/6/2026                   | 9/13/2026    |
| Maintenance Fund 9/13                                     | \$ 28,096.48               | \$ 18,931.61 |
| Priest Retirement 9/6                                     | \$ 4,536.00                | \$ 3,482.00  |

<https://www.saintjosephmsj.org>

# MISSION SAN JOSÉ, HERITAGE, FAITH

## PARTY ON CANVAS

You are invited to join us for an afternoon of instructor-led painting in the beautiful Mission Patio Garden. We provide all supplies, and you'll create your own unique masterpiece.

September 19th, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
Mission Patio Garden

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/party-on-canvas](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/party-on-canvas)

Scan to  
register



### PRICING:

-  Early Bird (before 9/7):  
\$25 Regular | \$20 Group 4+
-  After 9/7:  
\$30 Regular | \$25 Group 4+

**FOOD:** Finger food and refreshments included.

## ST. JEROME LIBRARY

### FAITH ON THE MOVE



Sunday, September 20



Parish Hall

Discover a traveling selection of faith-centered, family-friendly books from our new Faith Formation Campus library.

[www.saintjosephmsj.org/st-jerome-library](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/st-jerome-library)



Contact Nancy Flores  
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## FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ

*The Filipino Community  
invites you to celebrate*

Saturday, September 26, 2026  
5:30 PM Vigil Mass  
Main Church

 Light reception to follow  
in the Parish Hall.



[www.saintjosephmsj.org/san-lorenzo-ruiz-2026](http://www.saintjosephmsj.org/san-lorenzo-ruiz-2026)



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# YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

## ENCYCLICAL LETTER **MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS** OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV ON SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON IN THE TIME OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

18. This overview, however, would not be very comprehensible if, before reflecting on the contribution of individual popes and their most relevant documents, we do not first clarify some fundamental principles concerning the way in which the Church exists in history and relates to the world. Failing to do so would expose Social Doctrine to the risk of being perceived as an undue interference in “worldly” matters or as an external code of ethics imposed from above. In reality, it stems from a Church that walks alongside humanity, recognizing the autonomy of earthly realities and the distinction between ecclesial and political communities. Indeed, it is for this very reason that she strives to serve the common good.

### **A Church journeying through human history**

19. The Church is present in the world as a sign of unity for the entire human family. She recognizes today’s questions and challenges as the current setting in which to carry out her particular vocation of listening, dialogue and service, and of being responsive to everything concerning the lives of contemporary men and women. This involvement in people’s lives helps the Church understand ever more clearly that her mission has a historical scope and entails a responsibility for the way in which social relations are built. For this reason, she cannot consider herself a stranger to the forces shaping society. On the contrary, the Church actively participates in the processes by which society grows and is organized, and she offers her own contribution to the creation of a more just and fraternal society. [Pope Francis](#) emphasized this historical dimension of the Church’s mission: “No one can demand that religion should be relegated to the inner sanctum of personal life, without influence on societal and national life, without concern for the soundness of civil institutions, without a right to offer an opinion on events affecting society.” [9]

20. The Church’s vocation and duty to accompany humanity in the specifics of history leads her to recognize that earthly realities possess their own proper character and order. [The Second Vatican Council](#) expressed this principle with particular precision in the Pastoral Constitution [Gaudium et Spes](#), whose sixtieth anniversary we remembered and celebrated with gratitude on 7 December 2025: “If by the autonomy of earthly affairs is meant that created things and societies themselves enjoy their own laws and values... then the demand for autonomy is perfectly in order.” [10] This affirmation shows that creation bears the imprint of an original goodness that our human outlook must preserve, cultivate and bring to fulfilment. In this regard, the Church offers herself in a way that helps to interpret reality in all its depth. She supports with humble firmness the choices that promote the dignity of every person, the cohesion of communities and the good of all. The Church thus stands alongside the world without overpowering it, so that the promise of justice and peace that the Holy Spirit continues to sustain in the heart of humanity may come to fruition in every human endeavor. <https://www.saintjosephmsj.org/magnifica-humanitas/>



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# FAITH, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY



## 2026 ST. JOSEPH FESTIVAL

OCT. 11 | 8AM - 6PM

## CELEBRATE FAITH. CULTURE. COMMUNITY.

### MASS SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Mission • 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM Main • 2:00 PM Vietnamese Main  
4:00 PM Mandarin Main • 7:00 PM Spanish Mission

### FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP

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**\$20,000**

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## FIRST SUNDAY, AD ORIENTEM MASS

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



## ROSALES OPUS 14 ORGAN DEMO

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

## SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026



## ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE | FR. ERICK VILLA

SEPTEMBER 5, 2026



## ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL MASS

SEPTEMBER, 2026



## FATHER MANNY'S BIRTHDAY, SPIN A YARN

AUGUST 19, 2026



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SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

## CRMSJ MIXER, MISSION PATIO GARDEN

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

