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.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time **November 8, 2026**



Keep Your Lamps Burning: Be Wise and Stay Awake



Dear St. Joseph Family,

Many people go through life thinking they are smart. They may be smart in science, finance, business, or sports. But being smart is not the same as being wise. One can be very smart and still make foolish decisions. We may climb the ladder of success, but if it is leaning against the wrong wall, we may end up falling. A wise person, on the other hand, knows God and seeks His guidance. In the first reading, Wisdom is personified as a woman because we cannot win the game of life without her guidance. We need God's wisdom to help us recognize what truly matters.

Fr. Anthony de Mello, S.J. once told a story about a Master who was having a silent retreat. A traveler came to him, asking for a word of wisdom to guide him through life. The Master took a sheet of paper and wrote one word: "Awareness." The visitor was puzzled. "That's too brief. Could you explain it a little more?" The Master took the paper back and wrote: "Awareness, awareness, awareness." "But what does that mean?" the visitor asked. The Master simply replied: "Awareness means awareness!"

How true this is! Many problems in life happen because we are not paying attention. We drive without watching the traffic and cause accidents. We speak without thinking and hurt others. We think we are strong enough to resist temptation, but before we know it, we become trapped in sin or addiction. As St. Peter reminds us: "Be sober and vigilant. Your opponent the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

The Gospel gives us the same message through the parable of the ten virgins, five wise and five foolish, waiting for the bridegroom. The foolish had run out of oil. What does the oil represent? It represents our life of faith and grace, nourished through prayer, the sacraments, the Eucharist, good works, love, and acts of mercy. These are the things that keep our relationship with God alive and our lamps burning. Why didn't the wise virgins share their oil? At first, their answer may seem unkind. But Jesus is teaching us that some things cannot be borrowed or handed over to another person. We cannot borrow someone else's relationship with God or faith. Parents cannot live their children's faith for them. Husbands cannot depend entirely on their wives' devotion, nor can wives depend on their husbands' faith. Each of us must build and maintain our own relationship with God.

This reminds me of a story about a blind man visiting an old friend. Before he left, his friend gave him a lighted candle to carry home. The blind man felt insulted, saying, "Why give me a candle? I am blind!" His friend replied, "You may not need the light, but others need to see you coming." The blind man accepted the candle and walked home. Along the way, someone bumped into him. Angry, he shouted, "Are you blind? Can't you see my candle?" The other man replied, "I'm sorry, sir. Your candle has already gone out!" Sometimes we are like that blind man. We think our light is still burning, but we do not realize that it has gone out.

So, are we wise or foolish? Are our lamps still burning? The choice is ours. Let us keep our lamps burning and be ready whenever the Lord comes.

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 Holy Mass	5:30 PM	Main Church
Sunday Holy Mass	8:00 AM	Mission
	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 *First Sunday of the Month*
St. Joseph Devotion	7:00 PM	Main Church *First Wednesday of the Month*
Sacred Heart of Jesus	8:00 AM	Main Church *First Friday of the Month* ***24-hour Adoration***
Immaculate Heart of Mary	8:00 AM	Main Church *First Saturday of the Month* *(Mission: May 2027)* ***Anointing of the Sick*** *January, April, July, October*
Holy Mass in Spanish	7:00 PM	Mission *Second Sunday of the Month*
St. Joseph Day	8:00 AM	St. Joseph Chapel of Healing *The 19th of Every Month* ***If the 19th falls on a Sunday or March 19th (Feast of St. Joseph), Mass will be held in the Mission Church for space reasons.***
Rosary	7:30 AM	Mission *Monday–Saturday*
Daily Mass	8:00 AM	Main Church *First Friday & subsequent Saturday*
Divine Chaplet	8:30 AM	
Adoration *Monday–Friday* **Wednesday*	8:00 AM–8:00 PM 10:30 AM–8:00 PM	Adoration Chapel
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	***Anointing of the Sick,*** *First Thursday*
Confession	7:30 AM	Mission, *Wednesday–Friday*
For private appointment, call 510-656-2364	4:00 PM –5:00 PM	Main Church, *Saturday*

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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



Family of Faith Ministry

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

Faith Formation

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First Reconciliation
First Holy Communion
Confirmation

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Ages 21–39
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Christmas Eve Nativity Play



Be a part of bringing the Nativity of our Lord to life by signing up for the 2026 Nativity play.
saintjosephmsj.org/nativity-play-2026

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Tue	11/10	6:00-7:30 PM	Main Church
Tue	11/17	6:00-7:30 PM	Main Church
Tue	11/24	6:00-7:30 PM	Main Church
Tue	12/1	6:00-7:30 PM	Main Church
Mon	12/7	4:00-5:30 PM	Main Church
Mon	12/14	4:00-5:30 PM	Main Church
Mon	12/21	4:00-5:30 PM	Main Church

Nancy Flores-Mai
nflores@saintjosephmsj.org

Let Every Heart Prepare

Parishwide Advent Reconciliation

Monday, December 14, 2026
7:00 PM • Main Church

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His paths."
LUKE 3:4



Prayer, Devotions, Holy Days

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov 7

5:30 PM †Arockia Mary Stella, Intentions of Julius Salud, Intentions of Ricky De La Fuente

Sunday, Nov 8

8:00 AM †Basant Gill, Intentions of Lisa Redmond
10:00 AM †Daniel Barros, †Emilia Barros, †Alice Francisco
12:00 PM †James & Diana Skokan, †Lionel Hernandez, †Loreto Estrada Balcita
3:00 PM †Phero Maria Phan Hiep, †Teresa Maria Nguyen Sang
5:00 PM People of St. Joseph
7:00 PM People of St. Joseph

Monday, Nov 9

8:00 AM †Diep-Tai, †Rod Jack Cole

Tuesday, Nov 10

8:00 AM †Joseph Quynh

Wednesday, Nov 11

8:00 AM †Anne Thuy, Intentions of Kyle & Frances Siko

Thursday, Nov 12

8:00 AM †Ham-Huong, Intentions of Judith Soriano

Friday, Nov 13

8:00 AM †Quy Khac Do

Saturday, Nov 14

8:00 AM †Mary Daniels, †Deceased of the Hotovec Family, Deceased members of Khoa My Vien Do Family

Devotions & Holy Days

Nov 1 | All Saints, First Sunday
Ad Orientem
7:00 PM | Mission Church
Candlelight Mass

Nov 4 | First Wednesday
St. Joseph Devotion
7:00 PM | Main Church

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

Nov 6 | First Friday
Sacred Heart of Jesus
8:00 AM | Main Church
24-Hour Adoration

Nov 7 | First Saturday
Immaculate Heart of Mary
8:00 AM | Main Church

Nov 8 | Second Sunday
Misa en Español
7:00 PM | Mission

Funeral | Memorial

Lucia Wu Chen
Fri, Nov 20, 1 PM | Main Church
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.
www.saintjosephmsj.org/liturgy/sacraments-2/funerals/
Call 510-656-2364 to schedule.

Young Adults Ministry

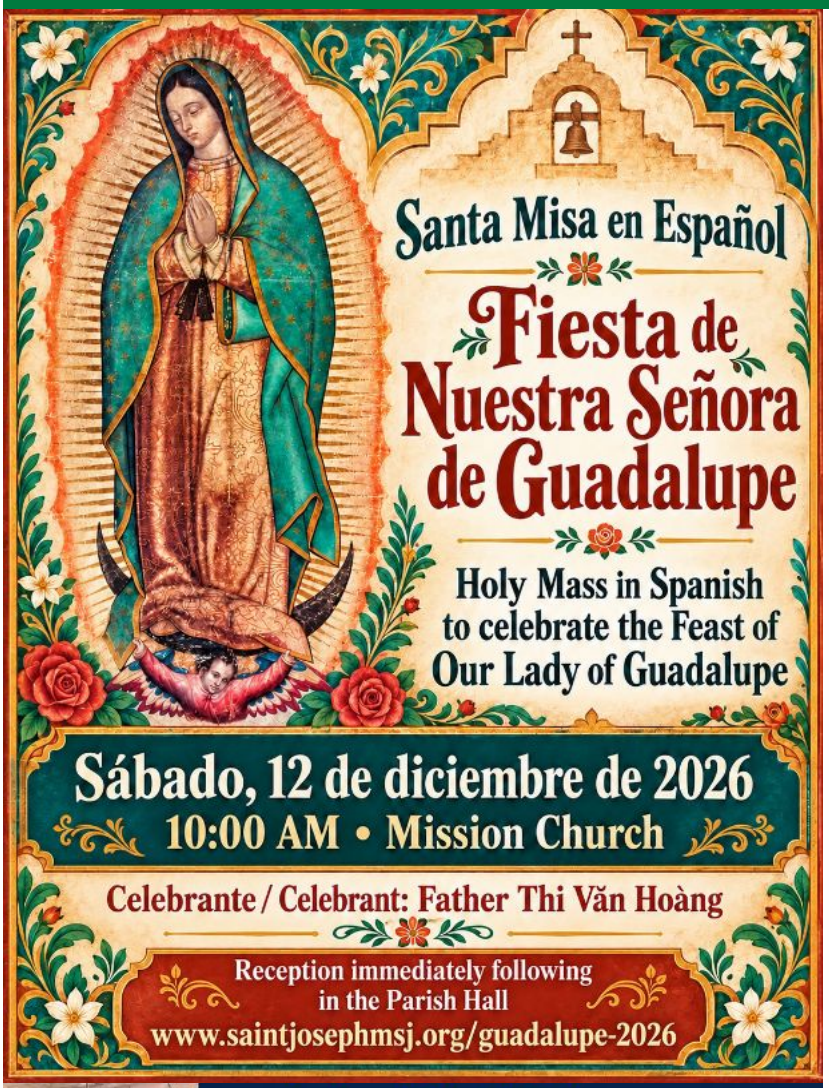
Young Adults Group—Thursdays
7 PM | St. Joseph's Workshop
Young adults 21–39. Prayer, fellowship, dinner, faith and friendship. Contact Jeff de Jesus at youngadults@saintjosephmsj.org.

Pray for the Sick

Devin Heinze, Darwin Erfe, Linda Raimundo, Fiona Hong, Roseanne Marra, Brian Hawks, Herman Jamir, Maryann Carlin, Pete & Cece DeLisi, Iu Ming Thomas Ho, Elenita Agbayani, 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 Brisken, 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/.

Why We Gather, Who We Cherish





School Field Trips
Online Reservations
www.saintjosephmsj.org/mission-field-trips



NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE

We Remember *Our Loved Ones*

Throughout November, we pray for our beloved departed.

All Souls envelopes are in the pews. Include the names of your loved ones and a freewill offering. Place the envelopes in the collection basket at any Mass. You may also submit names online. All names will be placed on the altar during the month of November.

saintjosephmsj.org/book-of-remembrance

Upcoming Events

Please check our parish website closer to the dates for times and full event details: www.saintjosephmsj.org

2026

Nov. 13	Senior Luncheon, *11:00 AM Mass, 12:00 PM Luncheon*
Nov. 15	Teen Spirit Night
Nov. 21	Dominican Sisters Holiday Boutique
Nov. 22	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
	Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs *9:30 AM Procession begins at Mission steps;* *10:00 AM Mass Multicultural, Main Church*
Nov. 26	*Thanksgiving Day, 10:00 AM Multicultural*
Nov. 29	New Liturgical Year B | First Sunday of Advent
Dec. 5	Advent Retreat, *8:00 AM Mass, Main Church* *9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Program, Mission*
Dec. 7	Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass *in Vietnamese 7:00 PM, Main Church*
Dec. 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary *Masses 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM,* *6:45 PM Tree Lighting; 7:00 PM Multicultural Mass*
Dec. 10	St. Joseph School Christmas Pageant
Dec. 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe *Misa en Español 10:00 AM, Mission Church*
	Christmas Concert *7:30 PM All Choirs, Multicultural, Mission San José Orchestra, Reception*
Dec. 14	Parish Advent Reconciliation
Dec. 15–23	Las Posadas
	Simbang Gabi
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve *5:00 PM Mass and Nativity Play* *7:00 PM Mass, Adult Multicultural Choir* *9:00 PM Mass in Vietnamese* *12:00 AM Midnight Mass in the Mission* *(11:30 PM prelude)*
Dec. 25	Nativity of the Lord
Dec. 27	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Dec. 31	New Year's Eve *5:30 PM Multilingual Vigil Mass, Main Church*

2027

Jan. 1	New Year's Day | Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God *8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM VN*
Jan. 3	Epiphany of the Lord
Jan. 9	Jubilee Year of St. Francis Closing Mass
Feb. 10	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 13	Our Lady of Lourdes, 8 AM Mass, Anointing
March 12–13	Fifth Annual St. Joseph Conference
Apr. 3	Fundraising Dinner *Committee for Restoration of the Mission San José*
Apr. 30 –May 1	Third Annual Vietnamese St. Joseph Conference

Serving, Gathering, Growing

Living the Mission with Christ

Through Works of Mercy



Rahim's Story, Part 1

I asked one of our Afghan fathers to share his story over the coming weeks.

"My name is Mohammad Rahim and this is my story. In 2002, I completed my bachelor's degree in civil engineering as the Taliban regime collapsed and a new government was established. After decades of war, little construction or reconstruction was underway and jobs were scarce. Because I spoke English, I found work interpreting for foreign journalists covering the war and the country's transition after the Taliban's first government (1996–2001). I needed an income, so I began working with the Associated Press (AP)." To support our refugee ministry, visit www.saintjosephmsj.org/refugee. To help, contact Don at donaldkaefer@gmail.com.

St. Vincent de Paul — Fall Is Here

SVDP is preparing Thanksgiving food bags for 150 families in mid-November, with enough food to provide several meals. Thank you to St. Joseph School and Family of Faith for collecting food to help fill the bags! To support this effort place a check payable to SVDP in the collection basket, Zelle svdpmissions4@gmail.com, or visit us at www.saintjosephmsj.org/st-vincent-de-paul/. Employer matching gifts welcome. Barb Fuhs at eabmom@comcast.net.

HOM Needs Winter Clothing

Thank you to the HOM members who stepped up and donated funds to purchase tents for the immediate need. As the seasons change, so do the needs of our homeless neighbors. HOM is collecting new or gently used adult thermal underwear (sizes L–XXL), sweatpants, jeans (sizes 34–40), dark socks (sizes 6–12), warm gloves, beanies, and sleeping bags. No children's sizes, please. Drop donations in the yellow bins outside the HOM Office on Sundays from 11:00 AM to noon or Thursdays from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Contact Debra Meinecke at. 510-378-0753 or Joanne Kemp at 510-386-5470. www.saintjosephmsj.org/hom-winter-clothing.

NOP Volunteers Needed

Looking for a way to get involved in parish life? Volunteers are needed at the Registration Station and St. Jerome Library during Hospitality Sunday, following the Sunday morning Masses. It doesn't take much time, and you can help after the Mass you normally attend. Stop by the Registration Station or for more information contact Lauri at lkaefer@comcast.net. Someone will feel more at home because you cared—please join us!



Hospitality Sunday— HOM Hosts November 15

Join HOM in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Masses on November 15 for refreshments and news of its outreach to Fremont's homeless neighbors.

Ministry & Community Leaders: To change your group's date from the 2026 Hospitality calendar for 2027, contact Lauri Kaefer this week at lkaefer@comcast.net.

Coming January 17, 2027: A quarterly welcome for newly registered parish families, held on the third Sunday after the 10:00 AM Mass. Meet fellow parishioners and feel at home.

Charitable Giving

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.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

PLATE COLLECTION

October 25, 2026 $43,467.56

Includes an annual $25,000 donation.

November 1, 2026 $22,981.32

Maintenance collection received November 1: $3,432.00

This week: No second collection.

2026 DIOCESAN BISHOP'S APPEAL

$72,000 Goal

$69,756 received | 97% of goal

97%

Figures as of October 31, 2026

Thank you for your generous support! We can do it!

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

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Finding Joy as we await Jesus during Advent

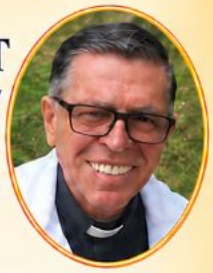
Saturday, December 5, 2026

RETREAT SCHEDULE

8:00 AM	Holy Mass	Main Church
8:45 AM	Light Hospitality	Parish Hall
9:30 – 11:30 AM	Program	Mission Church
11:30 AM–1:00 PM	Tours (optional)	Museum, Grounds

Presented by

Fr. Mike Sanchez, SOLT
Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity



Born in San Jose and raised in Fremont, Fr. Mike studied for four years in Rome. He spent 12 years serving in Mexico at a home for children and seniors and helping those in need.

A morning of reflection as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.



All are welcome—no cost to attend.
For information: Nancy Flores | 510-657-0905
To register: www.saintjosephmsj.org/advent-retreat-2026
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www.saintjosephmsj.org

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TEEN SPIRIT

A NIGHT OF FAITH, FRIENDSHIP & FUN

Created by teens, for teens.
Come as you are and grow in fellowship and faith.

Food & drinks | Games & icebreakers | Prayer & connection | Music & time to chill

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
5:45 PM–7 PM
ST. JOSEPH'S WORKSHOP

Bring a friend—all high schoolers welcome!

Visit the link below or scan the QR code for more information.

Questions: nflores@saintjosephmsj.org

www.saintjosephmsj.org/teen-spirit-night

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

Help Teen SPIRIT grow.

Created by teens, for teens, this new youth group brings young people together in fellowship and faith.

Adults and parishioners: Sign up to sponsor, contribute or bring snacks to share.
Support the November 15 gathering.
Visit the link below or scan the QR code to help.
Questions: nflores@saintjosephmsj.org

www.saintjosephmsj.org/teen-spirit-night

St. Joseph Parish
Celebrates the Seniors in our Community!

SENIOR LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026 • 11 AM–3 PM

11:00 AM Mass • *Main Church*
Luncheon & Entertainment follow in the *Parish Hall*

RSVP:
Grace Lichauco (510) 657-0905
Donna Yap (510) 656-2364 ext. 205
www.saintjosephmsj.org/senior-luncheon

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Dear Brothers and Sister in Christ,

November 2, 2026

The generosity of our parish has brought lasting benefits to St. Francis Xavier Parish in Wiaga, Ghana. Through years of prayer, friendship, and financial support, you have helped provide additional classrooms at Bishop Agyenta Academy, improvements to the parish church, and a school library and computer lab. Students now use the library and computers each week as part of their studies—an enduring benefit of the gifts you have shared.

I am deeply grateful to everyone who has contributed to this work, including those who helped coordinate projects and sustain communication between our communities. I also thank St. Joseph School for its generosity and participation. Together, these efforts reflect a parish willing to make sacrifices so that others may have greater opportunities to learn, worship, and flourish. We also remember with appreciation Father George Asigre, whose visits helped us come to know the people of St. Francis Xavier and the needs of their parish.

After prayerful reflection and consultation with the leaders of our Finance and Pastoral Councils, and parish staff, today I want to share with you a new direction for our parish's charitable outreach. St. Joseph is expanding its support to reach a broader range of communities and needs throughout the world. As part of this change, we are bringing our formal sister-parish relationship with St. Francis Xavier to a close.

We will send a final contribution of $8,000.00, together with a letter expressing our gratitude, affection, and prayers. This contribution will conclude our financial support through the sister-parish arrangement.

Our charitable outreach will continue under my direction as Pastor, with support for identified needs and charitable efforts rather than an ongoing commitment to one parish. This approach gives us greater flexibility to respond where help is needed and to extend our generosity to more communities. We will share these opportunities with you as they are discerned and selected.

For those who have devoted years of care and effort to our Ghana relationship, your work has made a lasting difference. The children learning in those classrooms, the books being read, and the resources now available to students are enduring fruits of your generosity. We celebrate all that you have helped accomplish and the opportunities your dedication will continue to provide for years to come.

As St. Francis Xavier approaches its centenary, we give thanks for the faith that unites our communities and ask God to bless Father Moses Awafo and the people entrusted to his care. Please keep them in your prayers.

Thank you for the generosity with which you continue to answer the needs of others and for the trust you place in me as your Pastor. I am grateful to serve a parish whose faith finds such ready expression in compassion and action. May the Lord guide us as we carry this work forward.

Yours in Christ,

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DIOCESAN SHRINE OF ST. JOSEPH

Many Voices. One Sacred Song.

An Invitation to Sustain the Gift of Music

For a child, music begins with a first lesson, a few tentative notes, and the discovery that practice makes something once difficult possible. Through lessons and rehearsals, children develop confidence, discipline, and responsibility—and offer their gifts in the prayer of our parish.

For adults, a familiar hymn may recall a parent's voice, Christmas in another country, or someone dearly missed. Sacred music carries our memories and traditions, giving expression to love, gratitude, sorrow, and hope.

A ministry for every generation

Our Music Ministries serve nearly every Mass and sacramental celebration, accompanying our parish in everyday prayer and life's most significant moments.

Our adult, children's, bell, and cultural choirs join the Mission San José Orchestra and chamber ensembles in this work. The musical traditions of our Chinese, Vietnamese, Filipino, Indian, and Latino communities enrich our worship, while children begin creating traditions of their own.

With the Director of Music Ministries as its only paid position, this ministry depends on volunteers who give thousands of hours each year. Your generosity sustains their work.

Carols of Christmastide

PARISHWIDE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday, December 12, 2026 | 7:30 PM

Adult, children, youth, bell, and cultural choirs, joined by the Mission San José Orchestra. Freely offered to our parish, families, neighbors, and friends.

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

December 24 & 25, 2026

Our orchestra and choirs offer sacred music for the Nativity of Our Lord.

Our 2026 Goal

$25,000

Your gift supports

- Free musical training and sacred music formation
- Our choirs, ensembles, and orchestra
- Care and tuning of organs, pianos, keyboards, and handbells
- Scores, programs, licensing, and teaching resources
- Concerts freely accessible to all

Sponsorship Opportunities

Magnificat	$10,000 and above
Symphony	$5,000–$9,999
Cantata	$2,500–$4,999
Motet	$1,000–$2,499
Friends of Sacred Music	Gifts under $1,000

Help preserve the music that holds our memories—and help the next generation discover the gifts they can offer to God.

GIVE ONLINE

www.saintjosephmsj.org/music-ministries-support/

Checks: St. Joseph Catholic Church
Memo: Music Ministries Dept.
P.O. Box 3276, Fremont, CA 94539
Mail, deliver to the Parish Office, or place in the collection basket.

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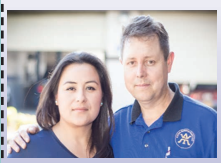

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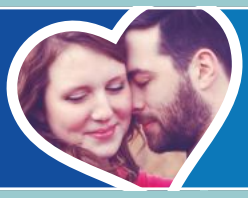

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