

Welcome to St. Barnabas and St. Joseph Basilica Parishes

We, the family of St. Joseph Basilica and St. Barnabas, invite all people into our spiritual home to encounter Jesus Christ through an authentically Catholic experience of worship, learning, gathering, and service.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 16, 2025



A friendly reminder that this is the last weekend to drop off your donations for the St. Joseph-St. Vincent de Paul food drive! See flyer on the Basilica's doors for items to donate. Every bit helps, and we really appreciate your support! (Picture from last year's wonderful Vincentians working hard to sort out the donations!)

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Office Hours: Wednesday through Friday

9 am - 4 pm (closed for lunch 12 - 1 pm)

Available remotely through email & voicemail

Church Hours: 9 am - 5 pm

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 12:10 pm

Saturday: 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9 am & 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30 - 4 pm

St. Joseph Basilica

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday

9 am - 4 pm (closed for lunch 1 - 2 pm)

Basilica Hours: 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 8 am / First Friday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 8 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm & 7 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Saturday: Following Morning Mass, ending at 9 am,
and 3:30 - 4:30 pm

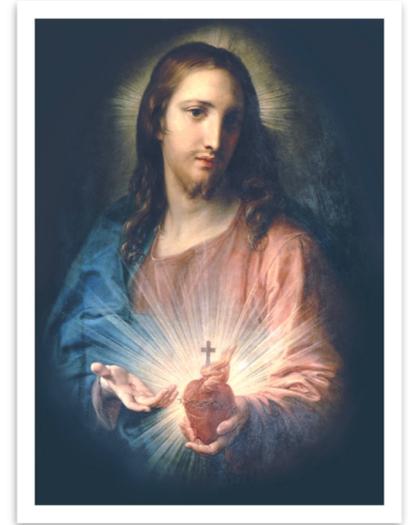
Dear Family,

This past week the United States Bishops met for their annual meeting. In addition to voting on their new president and other committee leaders, the bishops voted to consecrate the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in 2026. This is very exciting news.

As you know, there is a prayer to the Sacred Heart at St. Barnabas on the First Friday of the month. In addition to this, I started an extra hour of confessions and a Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart on the first Friday of every month at St. Joseph. Since we started this one year ago the number of attendees has gradually risen.

Below, you can find excerpts from an article from the National Catholic Register on this news from the USCCB. As we move toward the final Sunday of the liturgical year, Christ the King, consider attending our Mass for the Sacred Heart on December 5 and integrating this devotion into your life.

With much love,
Fr. Mario



The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) approved the consecration of the nation to [the Sacred Heart of Jesus](#) in 2026 to accompany the country's 250th anniversary.

At the USCCB Fall Plenary Assembly in Baltimore, bishops voted "to entrust our nation to the love and care of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."...

"One hundred years ago, in 1925, in his [encyclical](#) instituting the feast of Christ the King, Pope Pius XI, drawing on the teaching of Pope Leo XIII, referred to the pious custom of consecrating oneself, families, and even nations to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a way to recognize the kinship of Christ," said Bishop Rhoades, who serves on an advisory board for President Donald Trump's Religious Liberty Commission...

"In his fourth and last encyclical, [Dilexit Nos](#), Pope Francis brought devotion to the Sacred Heart to the forefront of Catholic life as the ultimate symbol of both human and divine love, calling it a wellspring of peace and unity," said Bishop Rhoades...

Francis "wrote of how the Sacred Heart teaches us to build up in this world God's kingdom of love and justice. Then in his first apostolic exhortation, [Dilexi Te](#), Pope Leo XIV, following upon Pope Francis' teaching, invites us to contemplate Christ's love, the love that moves us to mission in our suffering world today," Bishop Rhoades said...

History of the Devotion

The story behind the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus dates back to 1673. At a monastery belonging to the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary in eastern France, Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque began experiencing visions of the Sacred Heart that continued for 18 months.

Sister Margaret Mary learned ways to venerate the Sacred Heart of Christ during her visions. These devotions included a Holy Hour on Thursdays, the creation of the feast of the Sacred Heart after Corpus Christi, and the reception of the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

On June 16, 1675, Jesus told Sister Margaret Mary to promote a feast that honored his Sacred Heart. He also gave Sister Margaret Mary [12 promises](#) to all who venerated and promoted the devotion of the Sacred Heart.

The Vatican was first hesitant to declare a feast of [the Sacred Heart](#). But as the devotion spread throughout France, the Vatican granted the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to France in 1765. In 1856, Blessed Pius IX designated the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi as the feast of the Sacred Heart for the universal Church.

<https://www.ncregister.com/cna/us-bishops-to-consecrate-nation-to-sacred-heart-of-jesus>

Upcoming Events

This Week at St. Joseph & St. Barnabas

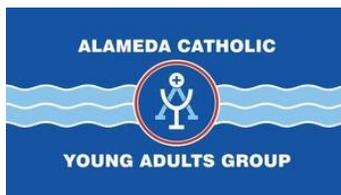
- **November 17:** Men's Power Hour, Rosary at 6:00 pm/6:30 pm Lectio, Basilica
- **November 20:** Thursday Scripture Reflection, 10:30 - 11:30 am, weekly online reflection and sharing on upcoming Sunday's readings through Dialpad Meetings (<https://meetings.dialpad.com/room/stjosephbasilica/4b84nr6g6y>)
- **November 20:** Thursday Women's Rosary, 6:00 pm, Basilica

For a complete listing of Basilica schedule of events, please visit Parish website: <https://sjbalameda.org/events-1>

The Alameda Catholic Young Adults Group (YAG)

YAG supports young adults in their 20s and 30s in deepening their relationship with God through fellowship, prayer, service, and social events. We come from all walks of life and engage in our faith in diverse ways. We invite you to join us on the journey! We gather bi-weekly for prayer and discussion on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the St. Joseph Parish Center, 1119 Lafayette St. **(Upcoming gathering: November 18)**

Please join our Facebook for meeting details: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/alamedadayag> or email YAGAlameda@gmail.com



Taizé in the Basilica

Friday, November 21
8:00 - 9:00 pm

Taizé is a simple, ecumenical, candlelit service of prayer offered as a witness to peace and reconciliation, for which we gather each month on the fourth Friday of the month, November and December on the third Friday.

All are welcome to participate!

(Note: During the months of November & December, Taize meets on the third Fridays instead of the fourth Fridays.)

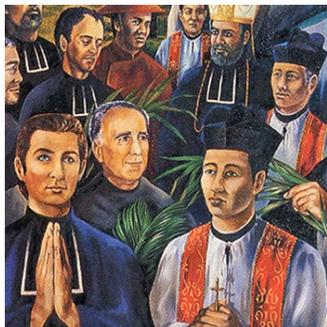


Feast of the Vietnamese Martyrs Saturday, November 22, Basilica

5:00 pm Bi-lingual Vigil
Mass (with incense)

Followed by hospitality in
Notre Dame Hall.

All are welcome!



Thanksgiving MASS TIMES



Thanksgiving Day Masses Thursday, November 27

9:00 am at both St. Joseph & St. Barnabas

Note: No 8:00 am Mass at St. Joseph nor 12:10 pm Mass at St. Barnabas on Thanksgiving day. Blessing of food following Mass at St. Joseph.. Churches will also be closed after Masses for personal prayer.

Parish Communities' Thanksgiving Day Potluck Dinner

Thursday, November 27, 4:00—8:00 pm
St. Joseph High School's Notre Dame Hall

Join Fr. Mario and fellow parishioners for a fun get-together to give thanks to God and enjoy each other's company. To sign-up for food donations or with clean-up, sign-up sheets available at the back of the Basilica.



Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Friday, November 28
3:00 pm, Basilica

On the last Friday of each month, the Community is invited to pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm during the Eucharistic Adoration. Please join us.

Mark your calendar!

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Monday, December 8
Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times:

St. Joseph: 8:00 am & *7:00 pm (*incense)
St. Barnabas: 12:10 pm & *6:30 pm (*incense)



The Immaculate Conception
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Praying Together

Devotions

Daily Rosary: St. Joseph, Monday - Saturday, 7:30 am
St. Barnabas, Monday - Friday, 11:45 am

Men's Power Hour: St. Joseph, Mondays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
(Note: Rosary at 6:00 pm & Lectio at 6:30 pm)

First Monday Eucharistic Adoration in Vietnamese
St. Joseph, 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wednesdays
St. Joseph, following the 8:00 am Mass
St. Barnabas, following the 12:10 pm Mass

Women's Rosary: St. Joseph, Thursdays, 6:00 - 6:30 pm

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:
St. Barnabas, 11:30 am

Eucharistic Adoration: St. Joseph, Fridays, 1:00 - 7:00 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayer: St. Joseph, last Friday of the month, 3:00 - 3:45 pm

Mass Intentions: St. Joseph

	<u>Saturday, November 15</u>
8:00 am	+Deceased Members of Legion of Mary 2)+Raymond Cabrera - Death Anniversary
5:00 pm	Artem & Igmedia Ligutan
	<u>Sunday, November 16</u>
7:30 am	People of the Parish - Living & Deceased
9:30 am	Carlos Villalobos - Birthday
12:00 pm	Mark, Christina & Erika Apel - Birthdays
7:00 pm	+Marian Fitzpatrick
	<u>Monday, November 17</u>
8:00 am	+Salvador Patungan - Death Anniversary
	<u>Tuesday, November 18</u>
8:00 am	+Louis Vonderheid
	<u>Wednesday, November 19</u>
8:00 am	1) Josephine Alegre - Birthday 2) Sig & Christine Bautista - Wedding Anniversary
	<u>Thursday, November 20</u>
8:00 am	+Jose Belgica (Birthday Remembrance) and Teddy Eusebio (Birthday)
	<u>Friday, November 21</u>
8:00 am	Jonathan De Leon - Birthday
	<u>Saturday, November 22</u>
8:00 am	1) Dana Embree 2) +Phu Nguyen
5:00 pm	1) Roberto Ricaña, Jr. 2) +Daniel Moreno
	<u>Sunday, November 16</u>
7:30 am	+Rino Gacad - 1st Death Anniversary
9:30 am	People of the Parish - Living & Deceased
12:00 pm	Filomena Macasieb - Birthday
7:00 pm	+Steven Antonio Uribe

Missals for Advent-Lent, November 30, 2025 - March 28, 2026: Limited copies for personal use are available for purchase at \$5.00 to cover printing costs, while stock last. You can buy them at the St. Joseph Rectory during office hours from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. Please note that the office is closed for lunch from 1 pm to 2 pm.

Please Pray For The Sick & The Suffering In Our Communities

Romelita Bautista, Kwame Cunningham, Mary Butler, PJ Deschenes, Calito Franco, Leslie Garcia, Madeline Lontiong, Lorrie Proctor, Nory Antonette Reyes, Erica Rivard, Richard Perez, Maureen Thomas, Ramon Normandy Tirona, Rina Tobis and Femy Visperas.

The List is refreshed monthly. If you would like a name to be added or removed from the Sick List, please email: secretary@sibalameda.org.

Need Anointing of the Sick?

If a member of your family is ill or if you learn that a parishioner is sick or hospitalized and in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, or a pastoral visit from a priest or Communion Minister, please contact any of our Deanery Parish offices to notify them:

- St. Barnabas: 510.995.9401
- St Joseph: 510.522.0181
- St. Philip Neri-St. Albert the Great: 510.373.5215

Estate Plan up to date? Please consider including a bequest to St. Joseph or St. Barnabas.

Mass Intentions: St. Barnabas

	<u>Saturday, November 15</u>
4:30 pm	+Benita Conocono
	<u>Sunday, November 16</u>
9:00 am	People of the Parish
11:00 am	+Tuyen Nguyen
	<u>Monday, November 17</u>
12:10 pm	+Dee Burk
	<u>Tuesday, November 18</u>
12:10 pm	+Trinidad Cipriano
	<u>Wednesday, November 19</u>
12:10 pm	+Felicidad David
	<u>Thursday, November 20</u>
12:10 pm	Isabelita Zamora
	<u>Friday, November 21</u>
12:10 pm	+Eugenia Tiangha
	<u>Saturday, November 22</u>
4:30 pm	+John & +Mickalina Feeney
	<u>Sunday, November 23</u>
9:00 am	+Concejo "Ching" Herrera
11:00 am	People of the Parish

Monthly Financial Report - October 2025

Please contact Parish Business Manager, Stan, if you have any questions,
at 510.995.9411, or business@sjbalameda.org

Stewardship Update					
St. Joseph Basilica				2025 Actual Comparisons	
Giving (\$)	2025 Actual	2025 Budget	2024 Actual	% of budget	Change vs 2024
Oct	50,958	54,583	47,342	93%	8%
Jan-Oct	579,223	565,833	557,393	102%	4%
St. Barnabas Church					
Giving (\$)	2025 Actual	2025 Budget	2024 Actual	% of budget	Change vs 2024
Oct	19,932	22,016	15,827	91%	26%
Jan-Oct	225,760	222,396	201,313	102%	12%

Other News

Basilica's Annual Angel Giving Project

The Angel Giving Project is a way to give Christmas gifts to the needy seniors, adults and children of our community.

How Can You Help?

Beginning November 22 we will be placing paper ornaments in the Basilica identified with gift items which you may purchase. Please bring the wrapped gift back with the ornament securely attached. Envelopes are provided with the stars for the checks and gift cards. We recommend that you use St Joseph Elementary School scrip, if possible.

Please return the wrapped gifts and gift cards to the Rectory between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm (closed between 1—2 pm) **by DECEMBER 7**, so that they can be delivered before Christmas.

If you would like to make a monetary donation instead, you may make a check payable to St Joseph Basilica with either "Angel Giving Project or Midway Shelter" in the memo line and bring it or mail it to the rectory at 1109 Chestnut St Alameda CA 94501 or place it in the collection basket. You may also pay via online giving with REALM (<https://onrealm.org/sjbalameda/-/form/give/AGP>) OR scan on the QR code.



When Should Contribution Be Made? Please make your contribution between now through **December 19, 2025**. We want everyone to get a gift! Thank you very much!

If you have any questions please call Peggy at 510 865 8352.

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