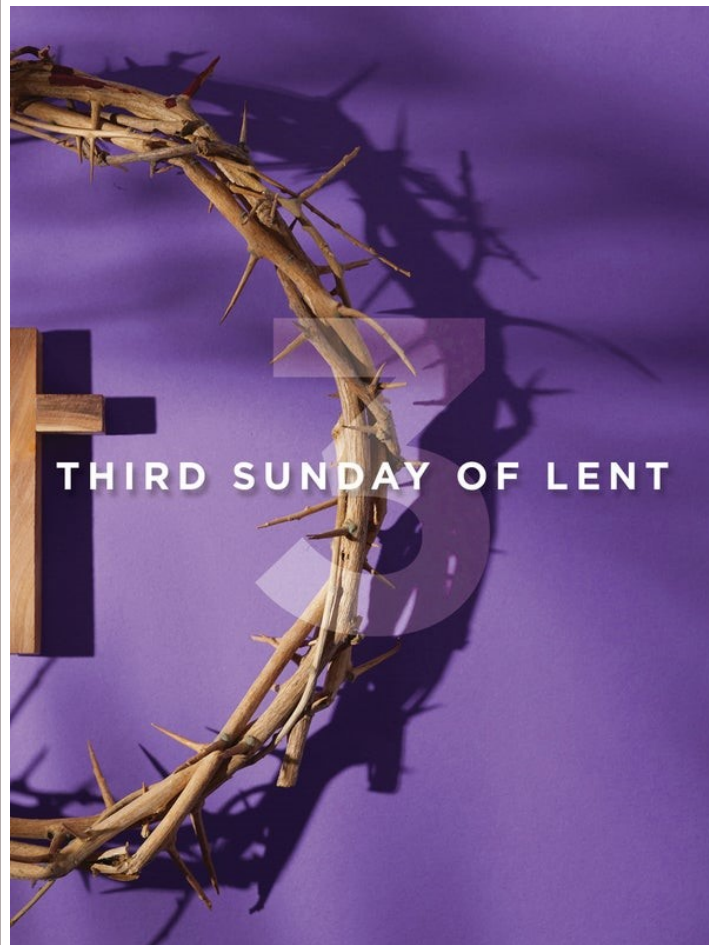


Welcome to St. Barnabas and St. Joseph Basilica Parishes

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.



Third Sunday of Lent March 23, 2025 Scrutiny Year A Readings

First Reading:
Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm 95
If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading:
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel:
John 4:5-42
*"If you knew the gift of God
and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink',
you would have asked him
and he would have given you living water."*

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Observance for the week of March 23:  
Tuesday: The Annunciation of the Lord

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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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<https://www.facebook.com/sjbalameda/>

### 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,

As we continue with our Lenten journey, we increase our prayer through Lectio Divina. Since the upcoming Gospel passage for the Fourth Sunday of Lent is exceptionally long (we use the Year A readings for the Scrutinizes at St. Joseph. St. Barnabas will use Year C), I have included a portion only. The entire Year A passage can be found [here](#). Year C is also there. Click [here](#) to find the bulletin letter explaining Lectio Divina (1st Sunday of Lent)

### **The Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38)**

*As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" which means Sent — So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him.*

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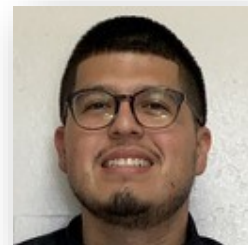
In other news, you may have met our new Pastoral Associate, Jimmy. If not, below is a brief bio Jimmy wrote about himself. What is a pastoral associate, you might be asking? A pastoral associate is a member of the staff who works closely with the priest to further the mission of the parish. This is a little general since all staff are supposed to do this. Jimmy will be working more closely on areas in the parish that have to do with evangelization; the hearing and sharing of the Gospel. In our four-pillar vision of worship, learning, gathering, and service, Jimmy will primarily focus on learning and gathering. Please welcome Jimmy and make him feel a part of the St. Joseph-St. Barnabas family.

With much love,  
Fr. Mario

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My name is Jaime Jimenez-Garcia, and I am the new Pastoral Associate at St. Joseph Basilica. I am married to Isabella Perry. We have three young children, with one on the way, and we are currently living in Stockton, California. I have been a former Youth Minister, High School teacher, and Director of Sacramental Preparation.

I am passionate about teaching and preaching our Catholic faith. I have been a keynote speaker across the United States and South America. I hold a B.A. in Philosophy from Regis University and am currently completing a double Master's degree in Philosophy and Business Administration at the University of Mary. Additionally, I earned a Certificate in Pre-Theology from St. John Vianney Theological Seminary in Denver, Colorado.



For the past twelve years, I have been striving to follow Jesus. After having had a profoundly radical encounter with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, which led to a change of mind and heart and a radically new way of seeing the world, I committed myself to serving Him in all that I do. I am excited to be part of the St. Joseph Basilica-St. Barnabas parish community. I pray that we can strengthen one another in our faith and lead others to an encounter with Jesus, for he came "to give life and life more abundantly." John 10:10

Please pray for me and the two main areas of focus for me, reinvigorating marriage preparation and starting a youth group.

## Upcoming Events

### This Week at St. Joseph & St. Barnabas

- **March 24:** Men's Power Hour, 6:00 pm Rosary/ 6:30 pm Lectio, Basilica
- **March 27:** Thursday Women Rosary, 6:00 pm, Basilica
- **March 28:** Basilica Friday Lenten Soup, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, St. Joseph High School's Notre Dame Hall
- **March 28:** Eucharistic Adoration, 1:00 - 5:50 pm, St. Barnabas
- **March 28:** Stations of the Cross:  
⇒ St. Barnabas, 6:00 pm  
⇒ St. Joseph, 7:00 pm
- **March 28:** 6:30 pm Mass at St. Barnabas (*in addition to 12:10 pm Mass during Lent*)
- For a complete listing of Basilica schedule of events, please visit Parish website: <https://sjbalameda.org/events-1>

**Please note** the following events are canceled to accommodate the Sanctuary renovations:

- ⇒ **March 28:** Taize (it will resume on April 25)
- ⇒ **April 7:** Vietnamese Eucharistic Adoration (it will resume on May 5)

### Lenten Reflection Evening Tues March 25 7:00 -8:30 pm, Basilica

For the next two Tuesdays, invitation continues for all to join the Elect and others preparing to become Catholic for an evening of reflection on the upcoming Sunday's gospel. March 25 we will reflect on John's gospel of the Man Born Blind. (Readings on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent are from Cycle A, due to the celebration of the Scrutinies during the 9:30 am Mass those days.)

### Legion of Mary's St. Clare's retreat for Men & Women May 16 to 18

(2381 Laurel Glen Rd,  
Soquel, CA 95073)

**(Deadline for registration: April 5)**

Topic: *Reflection on the life of Mary, includes service, faith renewal and Real devotion to Mary Obliges Apostleship*

Retreat Master: Fr. Jim Sullivan

Retreat Fees: \$310-\$580 (depending on room preference)

Deposit (Non refundable) upon registration: \$50

To register or more information contact Hermie:

Email: [hermiecamerino@comcast.net](mailto:hermiecamerino@comcast.net)

or call 510 769 2953 (leave a message )



### Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Ministry:** Our Lady of Guadalupe is called the Patroness of the Americas and at St. Joseph, we have Our Lady of Guadalupe Ministry. Anyone is welcome to join the Ministry in any of their Meetings and/or partake in any events that are being planned each year in the month of December to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe.



The Ministry meet on the **first Thursday** of the month at **6:30 pm** in the Grotto (located in the Basilica's Vestibule) to pray the Rosary in Spanish or plan for December events. Volunteers can assist with ongoing fundraising activities, help with the liturgies (plan, create worship aid, organize children's procession, lector in Spanish, serve as greeter, etc.), volunteer your music or entertainment skills, provide technical assistance, or assist with the food, set up or clean-up for hospitality.

Upcoming Meeting: Thursday, April 3.

For more information, contact Yunia S. Renteria:

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

**Jubilee 2025:** In order to make the Holy Year pilgrimage indulgence available to as many people as possible, the following churches and chapels in the various regions of the diocese are "Designated Pilgrimage Sites" for one day only. For a full schedule, visit: [oakdiocese.org/jubilee-2025](http://oakdiocese.org/jubilee-2025)

**Mark your calendar for August 1st:** St. Joseph Basilica has been designated by our Diocese as one of the "Designated Pilgrimage Sites".



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The Cathedral of Christ the Light, Oakland and Mission San Jose in Fremont are permanently designated sites for every day of the 2025 Holy Year.



**Bulletin Submission Deadline:** Please email short blurb for the bulletin **two weeks prior** to date of event to: [secretary@sjbalameda.org](mailto:secretary@sjbalameda.org). Event is subject to Parish approval. Thank you.



## Praying Together

### Mass Intentions: St. Joseph

#### Saturday, March 22

8:00 am +Phu Nguyen  
5:00 pm Harnett & Curtin Families - Living & Deceased

#### Sunday, March 23

7:30 am People of the Parish - Living & Deceased  
9:30 am Marie Gloria Nabaza Torres - Birthday  
12:00 pm +Dan Lydon  
7:00 pm +Celso Espiritu Gironella

#### Monday, March 24

8:00 am +Dan Lydon

#### Tuesday, March 25

8:00 am +Jose Lim - Death Anniversary

#### Wednesday, March 26

8:00 am Living & Deceased family members of Day Nguyen

#### Thursday, March 27

8:00 am +Edward Therrien

#### Friday, March 28

8:00 am "Nobuko"

#### Saturday, March 29

8:00 am 1) +Virgil Vot Pineda  
2) +Mrs Helen U. Ekwejunor-Etchie  
- 1st year Death Anniversary  
5:00 pm Living & Deceased family members of Fe Hanson

#### Sunday, March 30

7:30 am +Anthony Boromeo Irlanda  
9:30 am +Cipriana Gabriel  
12:00 pm People of the Parish - Living & Deceased  
7:00 pm +Elizabeth Clair

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

### ***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

### Mass Intentions: St. Barnabas

#### Saturday Vigil, March 22

4:30 pm +Francisco Awayan

#### Sunday, March 23

9:00 am People of the Parish  
11:00 am +Vicente Conocono

#### Monday, March 24

12:10 pm Joesiah Kayden Brown

#### Tuesday, March 25

12:10 pm Ng Family

#### Wednesday, March 26

12:10 pm Maria del Rocio Maldonado

#### Thursday, March 27

12:10 pm Paul Hse

#### Friday, March 28

12:10 pm +Modesto Francisco  
\*6:30 pm Special Intention

(\*during Lent only)

#### Saturday Vigil, March 29

4:30 pm +Manny Giron

#### Sunday, March 30

9:00 am +Fr. Gene Wilson  
11:00 am People of the Parish

## Devotions

**Daily Rosary:** St. Joseph, Monday - Saturday, 7:30 am

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

**\*Friday Eucharistic Adoration:** St. Barnabas,  
Fridays, 1:00 - 5:50 pm

*\*Note: Starting March until further notice, Fridays Eucharistic Adoration is moved from St. Joseph to St. Barnabas, due to renovations in the Basilica.*

Please Pray For The Sick & The Suffering In Our Communities

Sandy Anderson, Joevanni Jayden Brown, Romelita Bautista, Catherine Cavanaugh, Tommy Carolan, Miriam Cruz, Kwame Cunningham, Fong Che, Jazlynn Alana Cain, Nia Cain, Terrell Cain, Georgina Guinoo, Felicito Petilos, Joe Ryan, Freda Racelis, Nory A. Reyes, Yunia S. Renteria, Erica Rivard, Rina Tobis, André Toribio, Ramon Normandy Tirona, Dean Villanueva, Maria del Rocio Maldonado, Norma de la Cruz, 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@sjbalameda.org](mailto:secretary@sjbalameda.org).

## Other News



### Faith Formation – Moving Toward the Paschal Sacraments

Our Elect Linda Rogers, Greg Bridges and Roman Rios (pictured with Bishop Barber and their sponsors and two catechists at the recent Rite of Election) are in their final preparation for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil next month. The entire parish community is asked to accompany them in prayer and participation at the remaining rites.

At St. Joseph, the readings on the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent will be from Cycle A, for the celebration of the Scrutinies at the 9:30 Mass. This Saturday (March 29) the 8am Mass will have special readings to celebrate the Handing On of the Creed, and again on April 12 for the Handing On the Lord's Prayer. Their journey reminds each of us of the amazing gift of our faith. (Newcomers are encouraged to check out Alpha, or visit [www.sjbalameda.org/initiation](http://www.sjbalameda.org/initiation) or contact Anne Marie at 510.995.9409).

### Missals for Holy Week-Pentecost, April 13 -

**June 14, 2025:** Limited copies for personal use are available for purchase at a cost of \$5.00, which is to cover printing expenses. You can buy them at the St. Joseph Rectory during office hours from Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm or 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

### St Barnabas will be celebrating its 100 year anniversary this year!

The Pastoral Council is putting together a committee of interested parishioners to work on planning for this celebration. A special mass with the Bishop attending sometime in July is also planned. We would like to plan for a reception following in our church hall.

Any interested parishioners can contact Nancy Hollister at [nancy.hollister@comcast.net](mailto:nancy.hollister@comcast.net)

## Parish Information

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**Bernadette Baria** - Music Director, 510.522.8933

### St. Vincent de Paul Hotlines:

St. Barnabas: 510.995.9475 / St. Joseph: 510.995.9471

## CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS

### Sacrament of Marriage

Preparation for registered, active parishioners should begin at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Please contact:

#### St. Joseph:

Fr. Mario Rizzo - 510.995.9421 / email:  
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**St. Barnabas:** 510.522.8933 / email:  
[sbparishoffice@comcast.net](mailto:sbparishoffice@comcast.net)

### Sacrament of Baptism

For baptism of children contact:

St. Joseph: Sherley Lim, 510.995.9420 / email:  
[secretary@sjbalameda.org](mailto:secretary@sjbalameda.org)

St. Barnabas: Gloria Maldonado, 510.995.9401 / email:  
[gmaldonado@sjbalameda.org](mailto:gmaldonado@sjbalameda.org)

For adults please contact Anne Marie, 510.995.9409 / email:  
[afourre@sjbalameda.org](mailto:afourre@sjbalameda.org) (for both Churches)

**For Funeral Mass, please call the Parish offices.**



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