

## St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Thursday - Closed

Closed every day for lunch from 1-1:30pm



### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday: 8:15 AM

Friday - Spanish Mass: 7:00 PM

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sun: 8:00, 10:00, 12:00 PM

Misa en español: 5:00 PM

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 PM

(or by appointment)

### ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Fridays: 6:00 to 7:00 PM

### DAY-LONG ADORATION

Every First Friday of the Month

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the community of St. Joseph Parish, in Christ Jesus, and guided by the Holy Spirit, are called to be witnesses to the gospel and servants within the Catholic tradition. We are called to work toward:

- creating an open, hospitable and welcoming community;
- embracing diversity, celebrating the giftedness of each person
- committing to the spiritual growth and education of all members; and
- serving one another and our community.

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH VISION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Joseph Parish, are called by the Holy Spirit to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our daily lives. We invite all of God's children to join us in our journey to become what we have been called to be: The Body of Christ.

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### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon.** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 2 Cor 6:2b;  
Mt 25:31-46

**Tues.** Is 55:10-11; PS 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 4:4b;  
Mt 6:7-15

**Wed.** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Jl 2:12-13;  
Lk 11:29-32

**Thur.** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8;  
Ps 51:12a, 14a; Mt 7:7-12

**Fri.** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Ez 18:31;  
Mt 5:20-26

**Sat.** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; 2 Cor 6:2b;  
Mt 5:43-48

**Sun.** Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22.; 2 Tm 1:8b-10;  
Cf. Mt 17:5; Mt 17:1-9

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# First Sunday of Lent — February 26, 2023



The Holy Spirit gathers us together today as we begin this forty-day season of Lent. Life is full of temptations, and we are especially aware of them during Lent. We are tempted to do things we find desirable, even when we know they're wrong. We are tempted to avoid things that are undesirable, even when we know they're the right thing to do. Today we hear the serpent successfully tempt Adam and Eve and the devil unsuccessfully tempt Jesus. May the Holy Spirit, who accompanied Jesus in the desert and accompanies us wherever we go, give us the strength to resist temptation.

## LENTEN SCHEDULE



Join us for Benediction every Friday of Lent at 6pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:15 p.m. in the Chapel, with the exception of March 10 when we will be having our Lenten Retreat lead by Dr. Ralph Martin.

## CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

During the Lenten season, there will be opportunities for individual confessions every Monday from 6-7:30 pm, Wednesday at 12 noon, and Friday during the Stations of the Cross and Adoration from 6-7 pm.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

This Sunday, February 26th, the St. Joseph Youth Ministry will be meeting in the gym after the noon Mass.

## MAINTENANCE FUND COLLECTION

Next weekend, March 4-5, is our monthly second collection to support the parish Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

## PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF PEACE SHRINE

The Pilgrimage to OUR LADY OF PEACE SHRINE, in Santa Clara, sponsored by our St. Joseph Prayer Group, Thursday, April 27, 2023 is filling up fast! If you would like to go, please pick up a flyer at church and follow the directions for details and payment instructions. You can also contact Joan McLain (cell) 707-330-2243 or (email) at [fairestjoan@gmail.com](mailto:fairestjoan@gmail.com).

We are honored that our Pastor will be celebrating the noon mass at the shrine.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

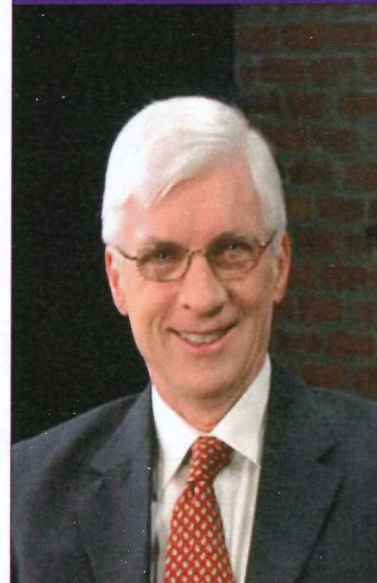
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## LENTEN RETREAT LED BY DR. RALPH MARTIN

Dear Parishioners, mark your calendars for our next Lenten Retreat led by **Dr. Ralph Martin** from March 10-11, 2023. If you plan to attend, please register at our parish website [www.stjv.org](http://www.stjv.org) or scan the QR code on the flyer.



## Lenten Retreat led by Dr. Ralph Martin



### DATES

Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM  
Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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## BIBLE STUDY

Next Bible Study Class is starting soon!

**Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant**

In this 8-part study, you will be able to see, appreciate, and take hold of the riches God has given us in the New Covenant. Highlighting the critical distinctions between the Old and New Covenants, Hebrews will help you get to know the generosity of the Father's heart in a deeper way than ever before.



Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm, running from Feb. 28th through Apr. 25th.

The cost for class materials is \$35. To register, please contact the Parish Office 707-447-2354. For more information email Andrea Terry ([andterry@icloud.com](mailto:andterry@icloud.com)) or Deacon Scott ([deaconscoott@stjoseph-vacaville.org](mailto:deaconscoott@stjoseph-vacaville.org))



"A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me."

Psalm 51:12

## LENTEN REGULATIONS

### *Lent and Easter*

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a season in which the faithful are called to reflect on the Paschal Mystery more intently. It is a time of spiritual renewal and to examine one's relationship with God and others more carefully. It is also a time in which catechumens prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. The Church calls everyone, therefore, to a spirit of penance through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

### *Fasting and Abstinence*

In order foster a spirit of repentance and unite ourselves more closely to Christ, Church law requires the observance of Abstinence and Fasting during Lent. 1 (For further study, see Pope Paul VI's apostolic constitution on the subject.)<sup>2</sup>

### *Abstinence*

All persons, 14 years and older, are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. "...[Any] parish or diocesan institution or group which sponsors an event which includes a meal is not to serve meat on any Friday during the year".<sup>3</sup> Other forms of abstinence, for example abstinence from alcoholic beverages, television, video games, the Internet, and social media, are also beneficial. Because St. Patrick's Day falls on a Friday in 2023 Bishop Soto will dispense the faithful from the law of abstinence for that day.

### *Fasting*

Everyone from ages 18 to 59 is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent, especially on Wednesdays and Fridays, is highly recommended. Fasting is understood to mean that one full meal may be eaten. Two other small meals may be eaten, but together they should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

*When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, neither the law of fasting nor the law of abstinence obliges. If in doubt, one's parish priest or confessor should be consulted. Airport workers, travelers, and others while on board ships or airplanes are dispensed from the laws of fast and abstinence for the duration of their journey (except on Good Friday). It is desirable that they perform some other pious act instead.*

### *Prayer*

Catholics are urged to read and pray with sacred Scripture more intently during Lent, and to deepen their faith by reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The faithful are encouraged to participate in special devotions offered by the parish, especially parish penance services and Eucharistic adoration. Other devotions such as the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life are also encouraged.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

### Monday 2/27

RCIA - 7:00 pm, Church Meeting Room

### Tuesday 2/28

Legion of Mary - 9:00 am, PCMR#1

### Wednesday 3/1

Faith Formation - 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm, Classrooms

### Thursday 3/2

Spanish Bible Study - 7:00 pm, PCMR#1

### Friday 3/3

Day-long Adoration, Chapel

Adoration & Benediction - 6:00 pm, Chapel

Stations of the Cross - 6:15 pm, Chapel

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 2/27—8:15 AM ----- Angelina Oreta†  
----- -David D. Sigers†  
----- -James Michael Thomas†  
----- -Eileen Reyes Thurman†  
Tues. 2/28—8:15 AM----- Nemesio Dizon†  
----- -Ayumi Miraz†  
----- -Rolando D. Gutierrez†  
----- -Ty Wells†  
----- -Ernesto Villanueva†  
Wed. 3/1— 8:15 AM ----- Maria Tierno†  
----- -Arthur Braida†  
----- -Luke Ty†  
----- -Christian Tilderst†  
Thur. 3/2—8:15 AM ----- -Adriana Davidson†  
----- -Anthony Lowe†  
----- -Int. of Richard Dela Cruz  
Fri. 3/3—8:15 AM -Int. of Ruggero & Warkentin Family  
----- -Int. of NDS Academic Decathlon Team  
----- -Int. of Rex Manalansan  
Sat. 3/4—8:15 AM -----Rowan Parham  
----- -Odele Ventimiglia†  
Sat. 3/4— 5:00 PM ----- Edith Perry†  
Sun. 3/5— 8:00 AM ----- -Cathy Wood†  
Sun. 3/5— 10:00 AM -----Int. of St Joseph Parishioners  
----- -Teofilo Romero†  
Sun. 3/5— 12:00 PM -----Gaspar Rodriguez†  
Sun. 3/5— 5:00 PM ----- Collective Intentions



Lord, hear my prayer,  
listen to my cry for mercy;  
in your faithfulness and righteousness  
come to my relief.

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