

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Mon. - Wed. Fri. 9am-4pm

Thursday - Closed

## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Wed: 8:15 AM - Fr. Joshy Mathew  
Thursday & Friday: 8:15 AM - Fr. Pepin Dandou  
Saturday: 8:15 AM - Fr. Pepin Dandou  
Friday - Spanish Mass: 7:00 PM

## WEEKEND MASSES

Sat. Vigil: 5:00 PM - Fr. Bart Hutcherson  
Sun: 8:00 & 10:00 AM - Fr. Bart Hutcherson  
12:00 PM - Fr. Bart Hutcherson  
Misa en español: 5:00 PM

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 PM  
Spanish Confessions - Sunday: 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

## DECEMBER & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2023

### DECEMBER 1-3 PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Dec. 1st Friday 7pm,  
Dec. 2nd Saturday 9:30am-12:30pm & 7pm  
Dec. 3rd Sunday 8am & 10am Mass

### DECEMBER 4 ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Individual Confessions: Monday 6:30pm

### DECEMBER 8 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

December 7th Thursday 7pm  
Dec. 8th Friday 8:15am & 7pm (Bilingual)

### DEC. 8-10 ADVENT RETREAT (SPANISH)

Dec. 8th, Friday, 7pm  
Dec. 9th, Saturday, 9:30am-12:30pm & 7pm  
Dec. 10th, Sunday 5pm Mass

### DEC 12 FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

5am Mañanitas w/ Rosary  
Holy Mass 7pm Spanish w/ Mariachis

### DECEMBER 15-23 SIMBANG GABI ADVENT NOVENA MASSES

Rosary 6:30 pm & Holy Mass 7pm  
Rosary and Posadas Mass (Spanish) 8:15pm

### DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE (Vigil)

Holy Mass: 4:30pm, 6:30pm, 8pm & 10pm-  
Christmas Carols 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass

### DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Mass: 6:30am (no music)  
8am, 10am, 12:00 Noon (English) and 2pm & 5pm (Spanish)  
Christmas Carols 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass

### DECEMBER 31 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Vigil Mass: December 30, 5pm  
Holy Mass: 8am, 10am, Noon & 5pm Spanish

### DECEMBER 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Vigil Mass 7pm

### JANUARY 1, 2024 NEW YEAR'S DAY (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Holy Mass 8:15am and 7pm (Bilingual)

MERRY CHRISTMAS &  
HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024



## 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.

### myParish App

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### Online Giving

This is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Visit [stjv.org/donate](http://stjv.org/donate)



## WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH

*All are invited to celebrate the Holy Eucharist with us!*

If you are new to St. Joseph or if you have not registered with us, we encourage you to register either online ([stjv.org](http://stjv.org)) or stop by the parish office. We promote our catholic identity by participating in the sacramental life as we are a Eucharistic community of worshippers sent on a mission. Who is a St. Joseph parishioner, one who:

- ◇ is registered in the parish
- ◇ regularly attends Mass with us & participates in the Eucharist celebration
- ◇ participates in church ministries as much as possible
- ◇ supports the parish through online giving or with personalized parish envelopes

You need to be a registered member in order to receive any special privileges.

*Time, Talent and Treasures*



# First Sunday of Advent — December 3, 2023

## REFLECTION



"Watch!" The final word of today's Gospel binds together our readings on this first Sunday of Advent. Isaiah watched for the LORD, anticipating that one day God would come down from the heavens and rescue the Chosen People. Paul exhorted the Corinthians to be watchful for the day when the Lord would return. Jesus himself compared the Second Coming to the head of the house returning at a time you least expect. May God's word remind us to wait watchfully for the Lord.

## OFFICE STAFF

**Pastor: Rev. Joshy Mathew**  
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## 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.

## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



## A HOLY MASS FOR YOUR FAMILY AT CHRISTMAS

If you would like to offer a Holy Mass for your family, or for the continued Blessings of your marriage, or for your Children, or for Healing of someone who is sick or homebound, or for a special favor like blessing of a Child, or protection for your family, and celebration of birthdays, etc. during any one of the Christmas mass this year, you may drop off your request at the Parish Office before December 15 with your intentions and your choice of the Mass time.

Our Christmas masses this year are as follows:

December 24 – 4:30pm; 6:30pm; 8:00pm & 10:00pm

December - 6:30am; 8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00pm  
and 2:00 & 5:00 pm in Spanish

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"Be watchful! You do not know *when the Lord of the house is coming.* Mark 13:33-37

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

**You can help!** "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next weekend. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

## SPONSORS FOR SIMBANG GABI NOVENA MASSES

Dear Parishioners:

We have already started our planning/preparations for Advent and Christmas. As in the past years, we have 9 days of novena preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christmas called Simbang Gabi Novena Masses. **We are looking for families and individuals to sponsor the Novena masses in any one of the Nine days.** The sponsoring family or individuals' names will be announced or published before the mass. There will be a special blessing for the family or the individual at the end of the mass. If you would like to sponsor any days of the Simbang Gabi Novena Masses, please contact our Office Manager, Becky Dela Cruz. Below is her contact information:

- Phone number: (707) 447-2354 ext. \*10
- Email: [becky@stjoseph-vacaville.org](mailto:becky@stjoseph-vacaville.org)

## COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your generous support last week for the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit [www.usccb.org/nationalcollections](http://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections) and click "How to give" under "Resources".

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon.** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11  
**Tues** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2m 7-8, 12-13, 27;  
Lk 10:21-24  
**Wed.** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
**Thur.** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1m 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;  
Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Fri.** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 1:26-38  
**Sat.** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;  
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Sun.** 5: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 85:9-14; Mk 1:1-8

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 12/4—8:15 AM----- Int. of Ferdinand Mariano  
----- Int. of Aubree Kendall  
----- Margorie Gore & deceased family members†  
Tues. 12/5—8:15 AM ----- All Souls in Purgatory†  
----- Guillermo & Maria†  
----- Eduardo & Emeliana†  
----- Sofia Pelagio†  
----- Edwin & Loreli†  
Wed. 12/6— 8:15 AM - ----- Felix Almero†  
Thur. 12/7—8:15 AM ----- Int. of Rohadora Roxas  
----- Isabelita Sahagon†  
Fri. 12/8—8:15 AM----- Rosario Balagtas†  
----- Magdalena Montes†  
Sat. 12/9— 8:15 AM - ----- Camila Estepa†  
Sat. 12/9— 5:00 PM - ----- Int. of Marcia Gaglianone  
----- Int. of the Poranski Family  
----- Pedro Dolores†  
Sun. 12/10— 8:00 AM ----- Int. of St. Joseph Parishioners  
Sun. 12/10— 10:00 AM ----- Teofilo Romero†  
----- Ceferino Gambito†  
----- Jerome Remonida†  
Sun. 12/10— 12:00 PM ----- Gaspar Rodriguez†

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## POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our parish will take up a second collection for our Floral Ministry the weekend of December 9-10. If you would like to make your donation in memory of someone, please fill out the slip below and drop it off in the collection basket with your donation or at the parish office no later than December 15.

### Poinsettias

If you would like to donate a poinsettia plant to be placed on the altar at Christmas, please fill out this slip and drop it off in the collection basket with your donation or at the Parish Office. The suggested donation is \$30.



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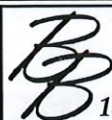
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