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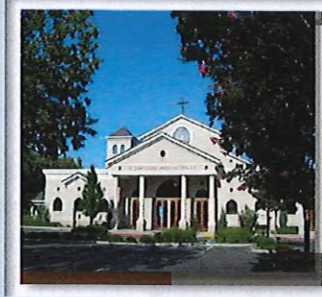
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Office Hours: Mon. - Wed. Fri. 9am-4pm

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. Joshy Mathew

Sun: 8:00 - Fr. Pepin Dandou

10AM & 12:00PM - Fr. Joshy Mathew

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

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

Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 7pm

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, 9:30am-12:30pm & 7pm

Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 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)

Holy Mass: 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

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## 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

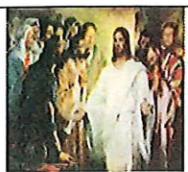
You need to be a registered member in order to receive any special privileges.

**Time, Talent and Treasures**



## Second Sunday of Advent — December 10, 2023

### REFLECTION



"Make straight his paths," Isaiah cried out, prophesying that the LORD would come to rescue and comfort the people of God. Centuries later, Mark quotes this call at the very beginning of his Gospel, presenting John the Baptist as the prophet who took this to heart, preparing the way for the Lord. Now, two millennia later, during this season when we prepare for the Lord's coming into our lives and into our hearts, how can we "make straight his paths"?

### OFFICE STAFF

**Pastor: Rev. Joshy Mathew**  
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**Parochial Vicar: Rev. Pepin Dandou**  
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**Deacon: Scott Sexton**  
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**Business Manager: Gail Grimm, CAE**  
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**Office Manager: Becky Dela Cruz**  
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### NOTRE DAME SCHOOL

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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

**JOIN US THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON FOR BREAKFAST WITH Santa**

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### 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 home-bound, 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

### PORTUGAL-SPAIN-FRANCE PILGRIMAGE

#### ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE!

Join Fr. Joshy Mathew on a 16-Day Pilgrimage, from Fatima, Madrid, Zaragoza to Lourdes

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## JOB OPPORTUNITY

**St. Joseph Parish seeking an Office Administrative Assistant for their front office.** Candidate should have strong time management skills, knowledge in MS Office Suite, computer savvy, a positive attitude, and good communication skills. Fluent in Spanish a plus, both written and spoken with the ability to translate. Please contact Gail Grimm, Business Manager, at 707.447.2354 or [gail@stjoseph-vacaville.org](mailto:gail@stjoseph-vacaville.org)

## SPONSORS FOR SIMBANG GABI NOVENA MASSES

Dear Parishioners:

**There is still time to be a sponsor!** 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)

## PRE-CANA MARRIAGE CLASSES

The next series of Pre-Canan marriage preparation classes will be on January 27 AND February 3, 2024, from 9am - 1pm. These classes facilitate dialogue and prayer. prior to a couple's wedding.

The class satisfies the marriage preparation program requirement in the Diocese of Sacramento. The cost is \$100. To register, please contact Becky Dela Cruz at the parish office, 707.447.2354, ext. 10.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon.** Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26  
**Tues** Zec 2:14-17; Ps Jdt 13:18bc, 19;  
Lk 1:26-38  
**Wed.** Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30  
**Thur.** Is 41:13-20; PS 145:1, 9-13b; Mt 11:11-15  
**Fri.** Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19  
**Sat.** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;  
Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
**Sun.** Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Ps Lk 1:46-50, 53-54;  
Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 12/11—8:15 AM ----- - Int. of Dean Tan  
----- -Int. of Aubree Kendall  
----- -Int. Nella Meiorin  
Tues. 12/12—8:15 AM ----- Norma DeGuzman Afable†  
----- Popes, Bishops, Priests and Deacons†  
Wed. 12/13— 8:15 AM - -----Int. of Mary-Lucy Kellogg  
----- Int. of Addi Santos  
----- Int. of Esperanza Cabe  
----- Luz Lorenzo†  
----- Luz Pangalangan†  
Thur. 12/14—8:15 AM ----- Delia Manto†  
Fri. 12/15—8:15 AM----- -- Int. of Sachiko Mueller  
----- Pauline Lowe†  
Sat. 12/16— 8:15 AM - ----- Int. of St. Joseph Parishioners  
Sat. 12/16— 5:00 PM - -----Int. of Madias Family  
Sun. 12/17— 8:00 AM----- --Int. of St. Joseph Parishioners  
----- Marian & Harvey Opgernorth†  
Sun. 12/17— 10:00 AM ----- Int. of Mayette Espiritu  
----- Walter Simon†  
----- Mandeep Bajwa†  
Sun. 12/10— 12:00 PM ----- Int. of Yolanda DeGuzman  
----- Int. of Spencer John Thomas III  
----- Felipe Rodriguez†  
----- Pacita & Wenceslao Gabriel†

## BULLETIN ADVERTISERS

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## POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our parish will take up a second collection for our Floral Ministry the weekend of December 16-17. 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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