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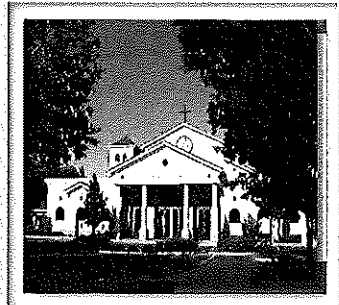
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Office Hours: Mon. - Wed. Fri. 9am-4pm

Thursday - Closed



## 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.

## 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: 8:00AM - Fr. Pepin Dandou  
10:00AM & 12NOON - 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

## MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024

**JANUARY 1, 2024**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY (Solemnity of  
Mary, Mother of God)**  
Holy Mass 8:15am, 5:00pm  
(Spanish) and 7pm

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## WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH

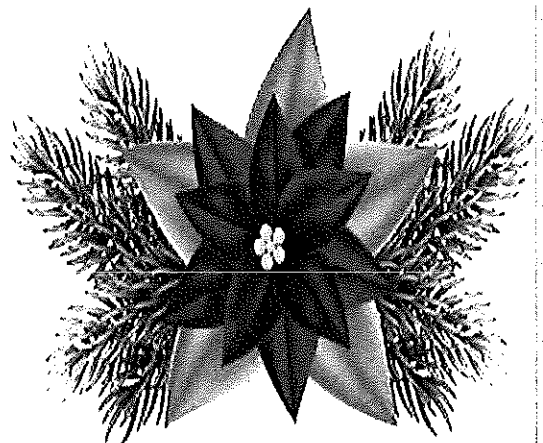
*All are invited to celebrate the Holy Eucharist with us!*

*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***



# Fourth Sunday of Advent — December 31, 2023

## REFLECTION



When Jesus was born into the world, he was born into a family. Today we celebrate the Holy Family, a model for us all to emulate. Do we love and respect our children as Joseph and Mary did their Son? Do we love and honor our parents as Jesus did his own? Do we nurture the bonds in our family as the Holy Family did? On this final day of the year, let us resolve to pray to the Holy Family for guidance and support, as we look to them for inspiration.

## OFFICE STAFF

**Pastor: Rev. Joshy Mathew**  
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**Parochial Vicar: Rev. Pepin Dandou**  
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## OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT NEEDED

**St. Joseph Parish seeking  
Office Administrative Assistant**

Responsible for overseeing the smooth running of the parish office in addition to providing secretarial and related office services for Pastor and other designated staff and volunteers as needed. The Administrative Assistant 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.

Please contact Gail Grimm, Business Manager, at 707.447.2354 or [gail@stjoseph-vacaville.org](mailto:gail@stjoseph-vacaville.org) for more information.

## SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN



On Monday, January 1 we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. The Masses will be at 8:15am, 5:00pm (Spanish) and 7:00pm.

## PRE-CANA MARRIAGE CLASSES

The next series of Pre-Cana marriage preparation classes will be on January 27 AND February 3, 2024, from 9am - 1pm. 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.

## FR. JOSHY CELEBRATES HIS 19TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

### Congratulations and Happy Anniversary!

On Tuesday, January 2, 2024, Fr. Joshy celebrates his 19th Ordination Anniversary. We are thankful for Fr. Joshy for his ministry and leadership in the parish. For everything we are able to do, accomplish and enjoy due to his spiritual leadership, we thank the Lord for him. If you are able to come to the 8:15 Mass on Tuesday and join us as we pray for him.

We encourage all of you to pray for him and the Holy Spirit to continue to strengthen him in his ministry with us as our Pastor and Spiritual leader.

## MAINTENANCE FUND

There will be a 2nd collection next weekend for the Parish Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

"The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom."

Luke 2:22-40

## ST. JOSEPH CRAB FEED 2024



Join us on Saturday, January 27th for the St. Joseph Crab Feed. Menu includes crab, brisket, fettucine, salad, and bread. No-host bar. Tickets are \$75.00.

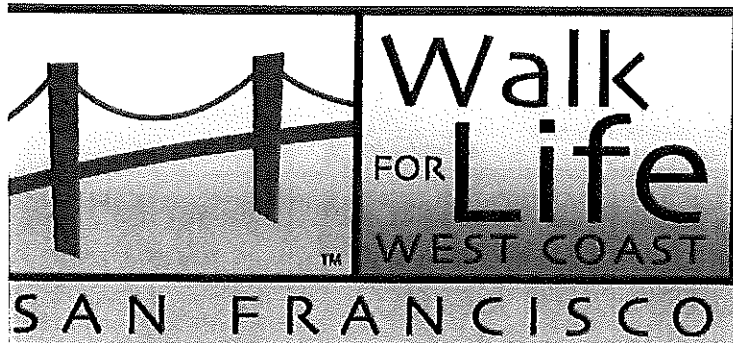
## BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next baptism preparation class will be held on Wednesday, January 17 at 6:30 pm in the Church Meeting Room. This class is a requirement for both parents and godparents prior to a child's baptism. The class is free for registered parishioners and \$25 for non-parishioners. Please sign up in advance at the parish office.



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

## WALK FOR LIFE



### Walk for Life West Coast 2024

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 19th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 22, 2024. There will be Mass at 9:30 am celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30 pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm. For more information visit [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com) or call 415-658-1793.

## SPIRITUAL RETREAT LED BY DR. JOHN BERGSMA

Mark your calendars!  
Start your Lenten Journey!

Our St. Joseph Parish is having a Spiritual Retreat led by Dr. John Bergsma on Friday, February 16 and Saturday February 17. Watch for more information in the coming weeks!



## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 1/3

Faith Formation—4:00pm & 5:30pm, NDS Classrooms

Friday 1/5

Adoration, All day, Chapel

Benediction - 6:00 pm, Chapel

Spanish Mass - 7:00pm, Chapel

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 1/1—8:15AM-----Int. of the Rivers Family  
-----Int. of the Dazo Family  
-----Int. of Joan McLain  
-----Int. of Pat Skidmore  
-----Int. of Lucy Peerson  
-----Ricardo Guevara†  
Tues. 1/2—8:15 AM-----Int. of Joan Osborne  
-----Alex Osuna†  
-----Ricardo Guevara†  
Wed. 1/3— 8:15 AM -----Int. of Magdalena Wong  
-----Int. of Danilo & Virginia Paulino  
Thur. 1/4—8:15 AM -----Apolinar & Lita De Guzman†  
-----Federico & Teresita Laxamana†  
Fri. 1/5—8:15 AM -----Int. of Jack Kellogg  
-----Int. of Edith Tremethick  
Sat. 1/6— 8:15 AM - ---Leonardo, Beatriz & Mrs. Bustos†  
-----Ricardo, Florencia & Inez De Guzman†  
Sat. 1/6— 5:00 PM -----Mary Gutierrez†  
Sun. 1/7— 8:00 AM -----Mariano & Lourdes Relevante†  
-----Marian & Harvey Opgenorth†  
Sun. 1/7— 10:00 AM - -----Int. of St. Joseph Parishioners  
-----Isabelita Macatangay†  
Sun. 1/7— 12:00 PM -----Int. of St. Joseph Parishioners

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Gal 4:4-7  
Lk 2:16-21  
Tues 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
Wed. 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1-3, 6; Jn 1:29-34  
Thur. 1 Jn 3:7-10; PS 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
Fri. 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1-5; Jn 1:43-51  
Sat. 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or  
Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38  
Sun. Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-31, 5-6;  
Mt 2:1-12

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