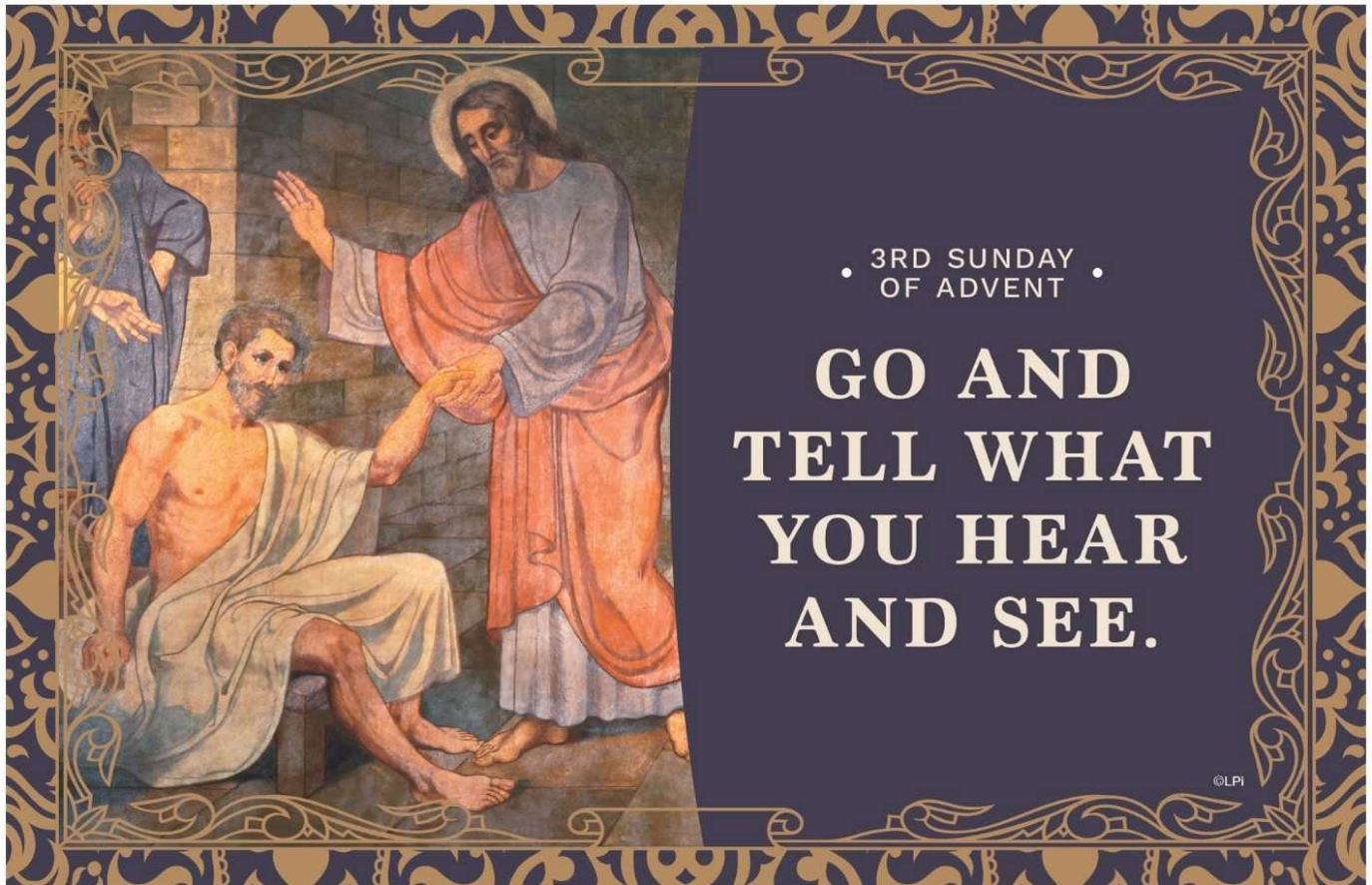


SJM Saint Joseph Marello



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Sunday

8:00am, 9:45am,
11:30pm, 5:00pm

Saturday

8:00am, 5:00pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday

8:45am-9:30am
4:45pm-4:30pm
or by appointment

WEEKDAY

Monday-Friday

8:00am

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month

8:30am-8:00pm

DECEMBER 14, 2025

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Mass Intentions

Sat	12/13/25	8am	Gary Mandalfino
		5pm	Parishioners of SJM
Sun.	12/14/25	8:00am	+Mary Len Pham
		9:45am	+Piedad Bartolome
		11:30am	Adelaida Cordero
		5pm	+Emma Chance
Mon.	12/15/25	8am	+Marlene Morin
Tue.	12/16/25	8am	+Giulio Venturini
Wed.	12/17/25	8am	+Lucille Pedersen
Thu.	12/18/25	8am	+Lillian Arce
Fri	12/19/25	8am	Ed Riley
Sat	12/20/25	8am	+Dave Elkins
		5pm	Parishioners of SJM

To have an intention mentioned at Mass,
 e-mail Georgette Schofield at sjmarelloparish@yahoo.com.
 A \$10 donation is suggested.

SJM PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers. We will update the list monthly. If you would like to add/remove a name from the list, please email the information to marelloparish@gmail.com. In the case of an illness, please be sure that the individual or family has given permission to submit his/her name.

Please pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing. Michael Gaspar, Jeffrey Gaspar, Suzanne Renda, Michael McPherson, Rex Sanchez, Jon Paul Lippsmeyer, Dave Brutski, Rutchel Tadina, Deserie Donae Janousek

Please pray for the recently deceased. Kellie Smith, Lucille Pedersen

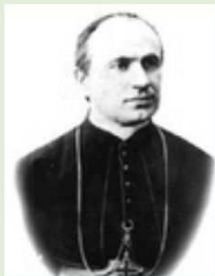
Please pray for our Military Personnel wherever duty calls them to serve:

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| Joseph Conron | Tyler Kong |
| Stevan George | Joseph Mugno |
| Audrey Jane Kong | Nathan Fischer |
| Roland DeMarco, Jr. | Jonathan Kasel |
| Joey Lynch | Andrew Pecha |
| Alex Cooke | Evan Tate |



ECUMENICAL
Prayer Service
01/22/2026

We are going to be celebrating an ecumenical prayer service at St. Joseph Marelo Parish on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 6:30pm. We will be inviting all of the Christian communities in Granite Bay and Loomis to come to our parish church and join with us in prayer as we celebrate that "We Are All Brothers and Sisters in Christ". There will be prayers and music and a reflection given by John Jackson, President of Jessup University. Let's come in great numbers in order to welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ to our parish home.



One good resolution
 nourished and
 always kept in mind
 is worth the good of
 a lifetime.

-St. Joseph Marelo

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy;
they will meet with joy and gladness,
sorrow and mourning will flee. (Isa 35:10)

Psalm:

Lord, come and save us. (Ps 146)
OR
Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Be patient, brothers and sisters,
until the coming of the Lord. (Jas 5:7)

Gospel:

Jesus said to them in reply,
"Go and tell John what you hear and see:
the blind regain their sight,
the lame walk,
lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear,
the dead are raised,
and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them."
(Mt 11:4-5)

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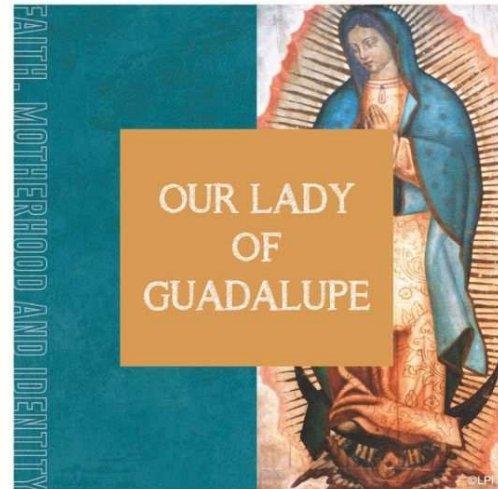
Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Go and tell what you have seen and heard,"
Jesus says. When it comes to proving who he
is, he always lets his actions do the talking. We
have heard. We have seen. We must go and
tell. Let's let our actions do the talking. Who
do we think Jesus is?

Observances for the week of December 14, 2025

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent



Devotions, Explained!

Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego in Mexico City in 1531. The Patroness of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe is a beloved symbol of faith, motherhood and identity. Her feast day is Dec. 12.

Prayer for Advent - New Growth

Dear God,
Bring new life! Your love creates
and cultivates.
Bring Your power into the places I
think of as "deserts"
and your grace to the prayers I
fear may be "deserted."
You can redeem and restore,
bring a new song to my heart.
Amen.



Christ The King Passionist Retreat Center

Mark your calendar for February 20-22, 2026, the date of our annual women's retreat of spiritual and physical renewal at Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center. We will spend time in prayer and reflection, walking the beautiful grounds, and grow in our relationship with God and one another. Contact Suzanne Wellington at circdsuz@gmail.com 916-797-0212 or Mary Lopez 916-413-6821 with any questions and to please let us know you are coming. The online reservation link is open by visiting www.christthekingretreatcenter.org. If you cannot come that weekend, please come a weekend that works since all weekend retreats are open to members of any parish.



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St. Stephen Ministry

St. Stephen Ministers provide Christ-centered care and support to those experiencing the many difficulties of life including grief, divorce, cancer, unemployment, spiritual crisis, and other challenges. This one-to-one, confidential care is provided for members of our parish and the surrounding community.

Our St. Stephen Ministers are ready to bring Jesus' love and care to those in need and would like to be there to listen and care as you sort through your feelings.

To find out more about St. Stephen Ministry or to receive a St. Stephen Minister's care, contact one of the St. Stephen Ministry Leaders, Darlene McClure or Deacon Jeff McClure at darlenejeff@sbcglobal.net

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was 11, I was riding my bike on a Friday night in Scottsdale, Arizona. I saw giant spotlights swirling in the sky. Something amazing had to be happening. I pedaled after them with excitement. Sweaty and tired, I arrived, only to find a used car lot. Bright lights, flapping banners, inflatable balloon men swaying wildly in the wind. I stood there, heart sinking. All that spectacle, and all my effort ... for this?

As life proceeds, we learn what it is like to pursue promising but fruitless searches. This week we hear Jesus ask the crowds regarding John the Baptist: **"What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?" (Matthew 11:7)**. He's not just describing the crowd's mis-aimed pursuit. He's naming our tendency to chase after what's flashy but flimsy.

What are our swaying reeds? For me, it is endless video reels on my phone, worldly pleasures, entertainment in sports, and the good opinion of others. Inflated distractions that bend whichever way the wind blows. But they can't satisfy my soul. What are your flimsy reeds?

John the Baptist wasn't a swaying reed. He was rooted, grounded, unafraid to speak the solid truth. The people went to see him because, deep down, they were starving for something real.

This Advent, the Church asks us to reassess: What are we really looking for? Are we chasing the dazzling but hollow? Or are we seeking what is solid and lasting — that which points to Christ?

— *Father John Muir*

Join a choir!

If you love to sing,
consider joining one of the parish choirs:

Youth Choir - 4th-8th grade boys & girls

Mixed Choir - adult men & women

Visit stjosephmarello.org/music

We are now saying the rosary 6 days a week after 8am Mass. Individuals in distress with urgent intentions are reaching out and finding comfort in this important ministry. Please join!



Thank you for supporting the SVDP Ministry team's Adopt-A-Family Christmas/Giving Tree Program. The parish's grace and generosity will help over 90 families have a joyous holiday season. Thank you for always supporting this program and many blessings!

Placer County Advent Penance Services

2025 Advent Penance Services - West Placer Deanery
~ All at 6:00 pm ~

St. Rose of Lima, Roseville:
St. Peter & Paul, Rocklin:
Holy Family, Citrus Heights:
St. Joseph, Lincoln:
Divine Savior, Orangevale:
St. Clare, Roseville:

Wednesday, December 3rd
Tuesday, December 9th
Wednesday, December 10th
Tuesday, December 16th
Thursday, December 18th
Tuesday, December 23rd

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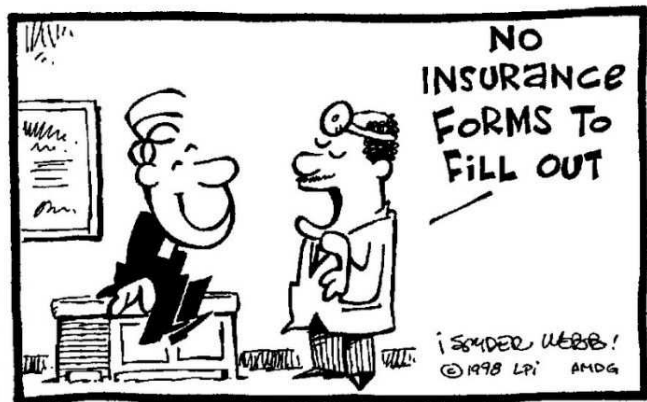
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