



## Saint Dominic Savio Church

December 31, 2023

### Pastor

Fr. Michael Gergen, SDB  
[mgergen@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:mgergen@la-archdiocese.org)

### Associate Pastors

Fr. Andrew Ng, SDB  
Fr. Gael Sullivan, SDB

### Permanent Deacons

Dn. Joseph Lumsdaine  
Dn. Wilfredo Arban  
Dn. Carlos Porras, Jr.  
Dn. Ricardo Arriola

### Religious Education School (RES)

Sr. Cynthia Salas, FMA  
**For information about  
religious education classes for children,**  
call: (562-920-7796), ext. 317

### C. Y. M.

Mr. Juan Carlos Montenegro

### St. Dominic Savio Catholic School

Principal: Mr. Gerardo Hilario  
For information, call: 562-866-3617

### Parish Office

#### Monday through Friday

10:00 am to 7:00 pm  
(lunch break from 1 to 2 pm)

#### Saturday

10:00 am to 3:00 pm  
(lunch break from 1 to 2 pm)

#### Sunday

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**Please register at the Parish Office**

### Weekday Masses

#### Monday thru Friday

6:30 am English  
8:00 am Spanish  
12:00 noon English (online)\*

**Church doors will be closed  
after the 12 noon Mass**

### Weekend Masses

#### Saturday

7:00 am English  
5:30 pm English  
7:00 pm Spanish

#### Sunday

6:30 am English  
8:00 am Spanish  
10:00 am English (also online)\*  
11:30 am English  
1:00 pm Spanish (also online)\*  
5:30 pm English  
7:00 pm Spanish

\*[saintdominicsavio.org/live-mass](http://saintdominicsavio.org/live-mass)

### Adoration Chapel

#### Monday through Friday

3:00 pm to 9:00 pm

### Confessions

#### Saturday

10:00 am to 12:00 noon

**For information on Marriages,  
Quinceañeras, and Baptisms,**  
speak to any of the parish priests or  
e-mail: [mgergen@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:mgergen@la-archdiocese.org)

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

### BEARERS OF THE WORD

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate.

We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself.

Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today.

### PORTADORES DE LA PALABRA

La Iglesia ha puesto unos cuantos días de fiesta notables enseguida después de la Navidad. Las fiestas de Esteban, Juan el Bautista y los Santos Inocentes forman un sumario de la vida vivida en Cristo, la Palabra hecha carne. ¿Qué relación tienen estas fiestas con la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia, que corona la Octava de la Navidad? Estas fiestas nos recuerdan que habrá sufrimiento al tratar de cumplir la misión de Cristo, y que estamos todos llamados a ser portadores de esta Palabra cuyo nacimiento celebramos.

También vemos la manifestación de esta verdad en las vidas de José y María, quienes se exponen a riesgos sociales y religiosos para obedecer la voluntad de Dios, y estaban abiertos a la Palabra que Dios les enviaba del cielo. Así ambos fueron prefigurados de Jesús.

Es muy probable que muy pocos de nosotros fuimos a la misa del jueves, el viernes o el sábado pasado, pero la esencia de estas fiestas y la esencia de la santidad de José, María y Jesús es central, santidad que celebramos hoy.

## Safeguarding the Children

### Did you know?

#### The silent victims of human trafficking

Nearly every public campaign about the evils of sex trafficking involve child female victims. A majority of victims are female, but there are many male victims, and they are mostly silent. Societal expectations often lead men to feel that they should be “strong” and “assertive” enough to avoid being forced into trafficking — but these stereotypes do a disservice to male victims who may feel trapped in abusive patterns, unable to ask for the help they need. For more information and ways to help these silent victims, read the VIRTUS® article “The Most Silent Victims of Sex Trafficking” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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#### Las víctimas silenciosas de trata de personas

Casi todas las campañas públicas sobre los males del tráfico sexual involucran a niñas víctimas. La mayoría de las víctimas son mujeres, pero también hay muchos hombres, y en su mayoría guardan silencio. Las expectativas sociales a menudo llevan a los hombres a sentir que deben ser lo suficientemente “Fuertes” y “asertivos” para evitar verse obligados a dedicarse a la trata, pero estos estereotipos no les hacen ningún favor a las víctimas masculinas que pueden sentirse atrapadas en patrones abusivos, incapaces de pedir la ayuda que necesitan. Para obtener más información y formas de ayudar a estas víctimas silenciosas, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® “The Most Silent Victims of Sex Trafficking” (Las víctimas más silenciosas del tráfico sexual) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).



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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 30, 2023

7:00 am -----+Jesus & Maria Estrada  
 5:30 pm -----Special Intentions  
 7:00 pm -----+Salvador Jr. & Maria Carmen Villaseñor

### Sunday, December 31, 2023

6:30 am -----Parishioners of Saint Dominic Savio Church  
 8:00 am -----+Ramon Silva Villa, +Gilberto Miranda, +Jesus Antonio Lopez  
 10:00 am -----+Fr. Eric Freed  
 11:30 am -----Special Intention  
 1:00 pm -----+Antonio Casillas  
 5:30 pm -----Special Intention  
 7:00 pm -----+Rosa Campos

### Monday, January 1, 2024

10:00 am -----Special Intention  
 1:00 pm -----+Magdaleno Agudal, +Irang Lilo Banete, +Soledad Banete

### Tuesday, January 2, 2024

6:30 am -----Special Intention  
 8:00 am -----Special Intention  
 12:00 pm -----+Angeles Ocana

### Wednesday, January 3, 2024

6:30 am -----Special Intention  
 8:00 am -----+Soledad Serrano  
 12:00 pm -----Barbara Venio

### Thursday, January 4, 2024

6:30 am -----Special Intention  
 8:00 am -----Special Intention  
 12:00 pm -----+Patrick Murphy

### Friday, January 5, 2024

6:30 am -----Special Intention  
 8:00 am -----Miguel & Teresa Vela  
 12:00 pm -----+Lisandro Castellano

### Saturday, January 6, 2024

7:00 am -----+Dolores Rubio  
 5:30 pm -----Nicolas Martinez  
 7:00 pm -----+Maria Rosario Marquez

Lord, hear our prayer



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## Sunday: Dec. 31: **New Year's Eve**

**5:30 pm – English**

**7:00 pm – Spanish**

## Monday: Jan. 1: **New Year's Day**

**10:00 pm – English**

**1:00 pm – Spanish**

**Workshop for parents of  
children in 6th,7th,8th, grade.  
(January 29 at 7:00 pm)**

- **Preparing your children for  
“High School”**
- **Being accepted into  
“Honors” and AP Classes.**
- **Pathway courses in  
“High School”**

PRESENTED BY: SALESIAN  
COOPERATORS, ST  
JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL, &  
ST JOHN BOSCO HIGH  
SCHOOL

### **Free Seminar for all 6th,7th, & 8th Graders**

(parents and students from any  
school are welcomed)

#### **Learn about**

- Preparing your children  
for High School
- How to get accepted  
into Honors & AP courses
- Pathway courses in High  
School

January 29th 2024  
7pm

St. Dominic Savio Hall  
13400 Bellflower Blvd.  
Bellflower Ca 90706  
For more information  
contact: Armando  
Gonzalez  
562-708-0517

#### **Presenters:**

Joseph Albert Academic & College Advisor at St. Joseph High School  
Basil Totah Lead Counselor at St. John Bosco High School

# 2024 Savio Baseball Registrations

## Online Only Dec. 31 - Jan. 31

It's time for baseball! Enroll your children in the Catholic Baseball League with Savio Baseball. Open to all boys and girls age 4-12 and no experience necessary. Players do not need to be enrolled at Savio school to participate as our league is open to the entire community. The CBL is an instructional league where we focus on the development of the player and love of the game in a family oriented environment.

Registration fees: PeeWee ages 4-6, \$115 per player, Hardball ages 7-12, \$140 per player.

Plus a \$60 deposit for snack shack, fully refundable after working a snack shack shift.

A \$35 minimum fundraiser fee will be required and paid at the Hit a Thon. TBA

Registration fees include: jersey, hat, pictures, insurance, and umpires fees.

We need board members, coaches, team moms and anyone willing to help us to continue to provide all our children a fun, exciting time while developing their skills. No experience required to come out and have fun with your children.

**Come and be a part of the annual tradition that's been around since 1954.**

For further information: [SavioBaseball1@gmail.com](mailto:SavioBaseball1@gmail.com)

**Scan the link below to register Dec. 31, 2023 – January 31, 2024**





ST. DOMINIC SAVIO PRESENTS

Event is  
**21+**  
only



# CASINO *night 2024*

PRIZES | AUCTIONS | CASH BAR | FOOD | FUN  
*(No Cash Value for Prizes)*

**Saturday, February 10, 2024**  
6:00pm – 11:00pm in St. Dominic Savio Hall

Visit the Event Page for details  
and updates



[tinyurl.com/SDSSCasinoNight2024](https://tinyurl.com/SDSSCasinoNight2024)

To reserve tickets visit the  
order form.



<https://forms.gle/d98ptpBid4m2E9w4A>





# Men's Retreat



January 19-21, 2024

## Moments of Grace

During difficult times we may not be aware of God's grace. However, grace always abounds. How is this possible? At any given time we have the opportunity to bring about goodness. The choice is ours. What we can count on is the fact that our God is never outdone in generosity. Being aware of God's constant presence in our lives helps us to live each moment to the fullest. Cultivating moments of grace allows us to see the bigger picture and be a blessing to others on our journey. Join us at Serra for a weekend retreat to discover how each moment can be filled with grace.

Presenter:

Sr. Carol Quinlavin, CSJ

Presenter:

Fr. Ken Laverone, OFM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Note: A \$50 per person non-refundable deposit is required for registration

- ☐ Single Room \$310.
- ☐ Double Room \$250 per person, Roommate Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Please check if this is your first overnight retreat at Serra Retreat

Do you NEED a room on the first floor? **Yes** or **No**

First Floor rooms are very limited. Please let us know if you have any medical reasons that require you to be on the first floor: \_\_\_\_\_

Specific rooms are not guaranteed/ALL rooms have adjoining bathroom

Credit card information #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Serra Retreat. :

3401 Serra Road, P.O. Box 127, Malibu, CA Attn: Isabel  
(310) 456-6631 ~ communications@serraretreat.com



Help us go green: Please print email address clearly. Confirmations are sent via email.

***Father,  
you have entrusted to the young  
the gift of life and a call  
to listen and respond to you,  
to seek out and embrace  
what gives eternal meaning  
and value to daily life and  
to make this world a better place.***

***Help us to make our homes  
and the community of  
St. Dominic Savio  
a place that will nurture  
in our children  
the generosity to work for the coming  
of your Kingdom  
by following your call to live  
as married men and women,  
as priests,  
as religious men and women,  
as dedicated lay persons  
in our Church.  
May none of us be afraid of  
consecrating our lives to you.  
Amen.***





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**Bulletin Submissions**

Please send, via e-mail, bulletin submissions to [bulletin@saintdominicsavio.org](mailto:bulletin@saintdominicsavio.org) or via postal service to the parish office. Please submit information by the Thursday before the publication date.