



Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 8:30 am / Saturday: 8:30 am & 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Sacrament Of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm or by appointment

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Jesus asked them,

**“BUT WHO DO YOU
SAY THAT I AM?”**



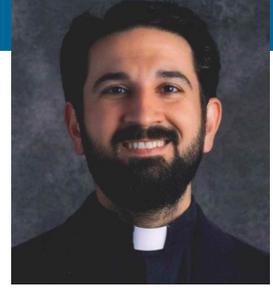
Peter said to
him in reply,

**“YOU
ARE THE
CHRIST.”**

Mark 8:29

24th Sunday In Ordinary Time, September 12, 2021

Clergy Corner



Dear St. Joseph Family,

Thank you very much to those of you who contributed to the collection two weeks ago for Sister Celia's mission appeal, and thank you to those who were present to greet Fr. Paul Schmidt, who celebrated Mass for us at noon. I'd like to share with you the letter he wrote to us after the event.

Dear Fr. Mario and kind people of St. Joseph Basilica,

Thank you for the opportunity to celebrate the Sacred Liturgy with you, and for the very generous and thoughtful contents of the gift basket. I was overwhelmed by your generosity. Because of the unfortunate circumstances I was always concerned to keep my temporary presence in the parish as low-key as possible – and was happy to melt back into my “zombie coffin” as soon as new leadership was provided, so I was not expecting any formal farewell. It was a pleasant surprise to be asked to return for an official parting ceremony. The liturgy was beautiful, and there were many small flourishes of thoughtfulness and kindness. It is good to see that the parish is thriving under your leadership and the able assistance of Fr. Sunil and the fine staff. Sister recounted well the many ministries and works of charity that are thriving at St. Joseph's. Alameda is blessed to have at its heart such a fine Christian Catholic community. I congratulate you for taking on such a big challenge, and measuring up to it so well.

*With prayers,
Fr. Paul Joseph Schmidt*

I want to echo Fr. Paul's letter, specifically the part about Alameda being blessed to have the presence of St. Joseph's community. That's not to make our head swell, but to remind us that we are here for a reason, to make Christ present, which happens primarily, as Fr. Paul noted, through beautiful liturgy, generous hospitality, and works of charity.

Jesus Christ established His Church to do these things for the purpose of drawing all peoples into communion with the Trinity. This is needed so much right now - the encounter with Him who is Light, Joy, Truth, Peace and Mercy. As we remember the 20th anniversary of September 11, we must remember, and be convinced of the role Christians are called to play in these times of suspicion, division, and violence. Jesus said, you are the light of the world; you are the salt of the world; you are the yeast that leavens the batch of dough. As Fr. Paul said, to do these things is a big challenge, but with fidelity to the Church and to Her Sacraments, we will measure up.

Thank you for being a part of the community, and for contributing to this mission of making Christ present to the world. If you would like to get involved in any way, even if it means setting up chairs before the 9:30am Mass, do not hesitate to reach out, and our “fine staff” will find a way to do that.

*With much love,
Fr. Mario*

FEAST OF FAITH

Offering and Intercessions

In this holy moment—with the consecrated bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, upon the altar—we pray for a share in the fruits of Christ’s sacrifice. We offer to God what God has given to us, and we intercede for the Church and the world. We pray for the pope and for all the bishops, and we mention the bishop of our local church by name. We pray for the clergy and for all the people of God. We pray in a special way for those who have died. And we pray for ourselves, that one day, with Mary and all the saints, we may come to that place where Jesus already reigns. These prayers of intercession, like the General Intercessions earlier in the Mass, broaden our focus and remind us that the Eucharist is offered not just for those gathered, but for the salvation of the entire world. The Eucharistic Prayer leads us from an intense focus on Christ, present in the consecrated host in the hands of the priest, to a loving sweep of prayer that embraces the world.

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Hispanic Heritage Month Begins! **September 15 - October 15, 2021**

Hispanic/Latino Presence in the USA: Early History
By Alejandro Aguilera-Titus and Fr. Allan Figueroa Deck, SJ,
courtesy of the USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church

People with roots in Latin American countries have lived in the United States from its very beginnings. However, their presence on the national scene was practically invisible. The 1970 Census was the first time Hispanics were counted and recognized as a distinct population.

The very term Hispanic was chosen by the U.S. Government to name a growing population that was not

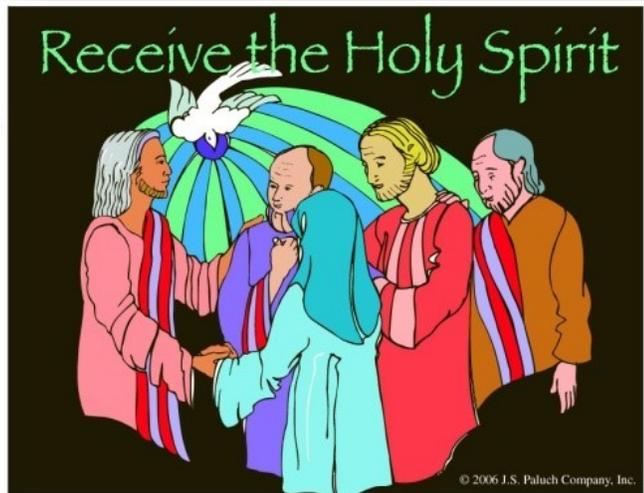
a racial or an ethnic group, but a people with roots in more than twenty-three Latin American countries and Spain, sharing a common cultural heritage and language. The term Latino emerged in the 80s as a self-given name, particularly in urban settings. This broadening of identity as Hispanics/Latinos was encouraged by robust immigration from Latin America during the '80s and '90s. Yet today, most Hispanics/Latinos still identify with their nation of origin, for example, and prefer to call themselves Mexican Americans, Cuban Americans, Puerto Ricans, etc.

The roots of the Hispanic/Latino presence in the U.S. go back to colonial times when most of the country’s southern flank was under Spanish rule. The first Mass celebrated in what is now the U.S. took place in 1569 in St. Augustine, Florida, under Spanish auspices. The Hispanic/Latino presence took on a whole new dimension in the 1840s with the annexation of half of Mexico’s territory to the United States as a result of the Mexican-American War. The new border crossed entire populations from big and small towns, as the Mexican-American presence was born in what is now the American West and Southwest. In 1898 the Spanish-American War led to the annexation of Puerto Rico, adding its population to the growing number of U.S. citizens of Hispanic/Latino descent.

The second part of the twentieth century saw a new wave of Hispanic/Latino immigrants come to the United States from Mexico, Central America and South America. In the early 1940s the U.S. and Mexico established the “Bracero Program.” This program brought thousands of Mexican nationals to work in agriculture. The demand for workers also brought a significant number of Puerto Ricans to the Northeast region. The '60s saw a massive immigration of Cuban refugees as a result of the Cuban Revolution. The '70s and '80s witnessed significant immigration from Central America due to civil wars ravaging places like El Salvador and Guatemala. During the '90s many Latin American countries experienced a severe economic crisis. Growing Fact of Faith unemployment and high inflation rates forced nationals from practically every Latin American nation to migrate north in search for better economic opportunities. Immigration from Colombia, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru was particularly high during those years.

This article is an excerpt from “Chapter Two: Hispanic/Latino Presence in the USA and the Church.”

Upcoming Events



Adult Confirmation

If you are an adult Catholic, registered at St. Joseph, and actively practicing your faith but never confirmed, this could be the right time for you. In-person classes will be offered at St. Joseph twice a month on Thursday nights starting in October for Confirmation next June. Advance registration is required. The information available at <https://sjbalameda.org/adult-confirmation>

Our Lady Of Fatima Celebration

Monday, September 13 @ 6 pm, Basilica International Rosary

Join us for Rosary dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima where for the month of September

Rosary will be recited in multiple languages. All are welcome!



Legion of Mary Auxiliary Reunion & Centennial Celebration September 24th at 6 pm, Parish Center

This warm reception and prayers are in commemoration of the 100 year anniversary of Legion of Mary. All Auxiliary members and St. Joseph's ministries are invited to share in the celebration. Please RSVP to Josephina Posadas: Josefina.Posadas@blueshieldca.com

(See website for event flyer: <https://sjbalameda.org/>)

Stewardship

Special Collection This Weekend:

Diocesan Priest Retirement, September 11/12

Some of our retired priests still are 'laboring in the vineyard' as chaplains, pastor emeriti, spiritual directors and more. Please consider how you can match their generosity to the Church with your prayer and support. Thank you.

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Ongoing News

Faith Formation For All Ages

For youth: Whole Family Catechesis begins September 19 for families with children age 4 through Junior High not attending Catholic school and not preparing to receive Sacraments this coming year. Weekly lessons based on the Sunday's Scriptures taught at home or in family groups of your choosing, plus one or two in-person family sessions a month if COVID safety permits. In-person family-based Sacrament Preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist for students who have completed a year of Faith Formation at first grade level or older starts in October. In-person Teen Confirmation begins October 3 for Catholic students 8th grade or high school. All require advance registration; details at <https://sjbalameda.org/childrens-programs>. Children's Liturgy of the Word continues online Sunday mornings at 10am; info at <https://sjbalameda.org/childrens-liturgy-of-the-word>

For adults: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is available in-person year-round for those who are seeking Jesus in their life through full initiation in the Catholic Church. Registration is open for Adult Confirmation which begins in-person in the fall. The Young Adults Group offers opportunities for those in their 20's and 30's to gather online and in person. Weekly Scripture Reflection meets online to reflect on the upcoming Sunday's readings. Details can be found at www.sjbalameda.org or contact Anne Marie at afourre@sjbalameda.org or 510-995-9409.

Community Prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 11

- 8:30am 1) †Teodora Manuntag - Birthday Remembrance
2) †Eric Sahlin
5:00pm Vigil Jose Angelo Ramirez - Birthday

Sunday, September 12

- 7:30 am People of the Parish - Living & Deceased
9:30 am Harnett Family - Living & Deceased
12 pm Fernandez & D'Cruz Families
7:00 pm 1) †Jovito Osorio
2) †Albina Acosta Young

Monday, September 13

- 8:30am 1) †Teodorico Finuliar
2) †Geminiano Acala

Tuesday, September 14

- 8:30 am †Maria Hoa & Peter Thu Nguyen

Wednesday, September 15

- 8:30am †Alfonso & Teresita Colobong

Thursday, September 16

- 8:30 am †Joseph Minh Bui & All Souls In Purgatory

Friday, September 17

- 8:30 am †Oscar Eileen Rodrigues

Saturday, September 18

- 8:30 am 1) †Stefanie Zoeller
2) Luz Cuison - Healing
5:00 pm Vigil Estella Noelle Musngi - Birthday

Sunday, September 19

- 7:30 am 1) †Dorothy Roches
2) †Elizabeth Deweir
9:30 am †People of the Parish - Living & Deceased
12:00 pm †Agnes Bonifacio & Tim Morse - 27th
Wedding Anniversary
7:00 pm 1) † Dionei Awayan
2) † Florante G. Payumo

Sanctuary Lamp Sponsor

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of September 11/12
is sponsored (by anonymous) for the 20th Anniversary
of September 11 and in honor of lives lost

September Baptisms Congratulations to these children and their parents!



We welcome these children
into our community of faith in
Jesus Christ:

Elle Noah Kuipers and Kailani Beatrice Romero Sabas

Please keep the children, their parents and
godparents in your prayers.

*(Communal Infant baptism is celebrated on the first
Sunday of the month at all the Masses. For Infant
Baptism process contact Sherley:*

*secretary@sjbalameda.org, or visit our website:
sjbalameda.org)*

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers for the
week of September 11/12
is sponsored in loving memory of
Rosita Natac

Please Pray For The Sick & The Suffering In Our Community

Ronald M Bautista, Romelita Baustita, Mary
Cronin, **Mila Eugenio**, Sylvia
Estanislao, Rino Gacad, Amelia
Miguel, An Nguyen, Dalmacio
Quinto, **Mary Rucca**, Nory A.
Reyes, Michael Ricica, Femmia
Ramos, Ramon N. Tirona and
Paula Whitton-Rainer.



The List is refreshed monthly.

If you like a name added to the Sick List, please
email: secretary@sjbalameda.org or call (510)
995 9420.

Funeral Mass Announcements

St. Joseph parishioners are invited to attend the
following Funeral Mass in the Basilica:

Brian Schumacher

Date: Saturday, September 18, 1 pm
Funeral Reception to follow at Jean Sweeney
Park, Alameda, afterwards.

Bridget Gulseth

Date: Saturday, September 25, 12 pm

May the Lord bless and comfort the Families

Liturgy Information

Daily Mass

8:30 am, Basilica

Monday - Saturday

Livestreaming available on our Facebook Page:

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/sjbalameda/>

Sunday Mass (In-person)

5:00 pm Saturday Vigil - Basilica

7:30 am - Basilica (no singing)

9:30 am - Quad

12:00 pm - Basilica

7:00 pm - Basilica



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays,
9:00 - 9:30 am
3:30 - 4:30 pm

Masks Requirement On Basilica Campus

In compliance with the mandate issued for all Bay Area Counties, masks are required indoors, regardless of vaccination status, effective August 3, 2021. All are required to wear face coverings when entering the Basilica or any Parish facility. Thank you for your cooperation.

Devotions

Rosary

8:10 am, Basilica

Monday - Saturday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesdays, after Daily Mass

First Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration In Vietnamese

7:00 - 8:00 pm, Basilica

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

1:00 - 7:00 pm, Basilica



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

Psalms — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Faith, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:14-18).

Gospel — Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" (Mark 8:27-35).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

General Information

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9am - 5:00pm
(close for lunch: 1 - 1:30 pm)

For assistance, please contact Parish Office
510-522 0181, email: parish@sjbalameda.org

Sacrament of Marriage

Preparation for registered, active parishioners should begin at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Please contact Fr. Mario Rizzo directly to begin the process. Call (510) 995-9421 or email: frmario@sjbalameda.org.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please visit our website under “Sacraments” for information.

- For infant baptism (6 or younger) contact Sherley Lim 510-995-9420, or email: secretary@sjbalameda.org
- For adults or children over age 6 please contact Anne Marie, 510-995-9409, or email: afourre@sjbalameda.org

Christian Burials: Funerals and the Rite of Christian Burial are made in conjunction with the Mortuary of your choosing. Please contact the Mortuary first.
Note: For Funeral Mass scheduling, please contact the Parish Office.

Clergy:

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Sherley Lim – Parish Secretary
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David Howitt - Music Director
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Michael Chinnavaso – 7:00pm Music Coordinator
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Community Staff:

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510-523-1526 / jguevara@sind.org

Danielle Colvert - Principal, Elementary School
510-522-4456 / dcolvert@cstdo.org

Active Parish Ministries

(Note: some groups are meeting virtually unless otherwise noted)

For more information on how to connect, contact:

- All God’s Children Prayer Group *(In-person: Mondays, 9-11:00 am, Parish Center)*
- Bible Study - Thursday Morning Scripture: ebmcgaffey@gmail.com
- Community Outreach Ministry: sjbasilica.outreach@gmail.com
- CRS Chapters - spippen@msjdominicans.org
- Grief Ministry: billkueppers@gmail.com
- Our Lady of Guadalupe: mlopezox@gmail.com *(In-person, 1st Thursdays, 7-8 pm, Parish Center)*
- RCIA Inquiry: afourre@sjbalameda.org *(In-person, Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm, Parish Center)*
- St. Vincent de Paul Hotline: (510) 995-9471
- St. Vincent de Paul Ministry: louisea.svdv@gmail.com *(In-person, 4th Saturday, 9 - 10:30 am, Parish Center)*
- Special Needs Inclusion Ministry: drmaponce@yahoo.com
- Pastoral Care Ministry: sunil@sjbalameda.org
- Young Adults Ministry: AlamedaYAG@gmail.com *(In-person & Virtual options, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 8-9pm, Parish Center)*
- Legion of Mary: terecitadeandentist@gmail.com *(In-person: 4th Fridays, Parish Center, 7-8:30 pm Parish Center)*

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