

ST. LAWRENCE THE MARTYR CATHOLIC PARISH

Celebrating our Catholic Faith through Worship, Education and Service

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18th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:15

From the desk of Fr. Mark

Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth; break into song; sing praise. Sing praise to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and melodious song. (Psalm 98:4-5)

God is so very good! August is here and we look forward to the new great adventure for our young families sending their children off to school in the coming weeks. Let us pray as they make their many transitions by singing joyfully to the Lord.

In the bulletin and also on some fliers in the church our parish school is asking for your help with supplying our classrooms with the necessary items to begin the school year. Our parish school is a wonderful ministry of the parish and our support of the school, small or large, is one of the acts of charity shared by the Body of Christ. Catholic education is transformative for many families and children and we as a parish, both in our parochial school and religious education programs, are called to bring our families closer to Jesus in calling upon their strengths and build on the best part of who we are as children of God. By implementing our Dual Language Immersion program, the first for Catholic Schools in our Diocese, we see this as handing our students a leg up for the future as the proven benefits of being multilingual helps to form the brain to find different strategies and new ways of looking at all subject areas in school. Please contact the school and see the benefits of Catholic education.

As we look forward to August 9th and our 66th Anniversary celebration we might take the words of Pope Leo XIV in his homily from July 14, he says, "The Jubilee year connects God's world more radically to our own. It invites us to take seriously what we pray every day: "On earth as it is in heaven". This is our hope...to hope is to connect." We can very easily become disconnected, distracted and feel alone as family. This happens even more easily as a parish community. Our "hope is to connect." To come and share a meal, to come and share a story, to come and become one as the Body of Christ. This is our Christian hope. Please come and join us next Saturday evening August 9th with a special celebration of the Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner and fun in the Community Center.

God bless,

Fr. Mark

Desde el escritorio del Padre Mark

¡Aclama al Señor tierra entera, con gritos de alegría! Canten salmos al Señor tocando la cítara, aclámenlo con cantos y, música. (Salmo 98:4-5) ¡Dios es tan bueno! Ya llegó agosto y esperamos con ansias las nuevas y grandes aventuras que vivirán nuestras familias jóvenes que enviarán a sus hijos a la escuela en las próximas semanas. Oremos mientras hacen sus muchas transiciones cantando con alegría al Señor.

Tanto en el boletín, como en algunos volantes en la iglesia, nuestra escuela parroquial solicita su ayuda para dotar a nuestras aulas con los materiales necesarios para comenzar el año escolar. Nuestra escuela parroquial es un Ministerio maravilloso de la parroquia y nuestro apoyo, ya sea grande o pequeño, es una de las obras de caridad que comparte el Cuerpo de Cristo. La educación católica es transformadora para muchas familias y niños, y nosotros, como parroquia, tanto en nuestra escuela como en nuestros programas de educación religiosa, estamos llamados a acercar a nuestras familias a Jesús, invocando sus fortalezas y construyendo sobre lo mejor de quienes somos como hijos de Dios. Al implementar nuestro programa de Inmersión Bilingüe, el primero en escuelas católicas de nuestra Diócesis, consideramos que esto les da a nuestros estudiantes una ventaja para el futuro, ya que los beneficios comprobados de ser multilingües ayudan a desarrollar la mente para encontrar diferentes estrategias y nuevas maneras de abordar todas las asignaturas escolares. Por favor, contacten con la escuela y conozcan los beneficios de la educación católica.

Con la llegada del 9 de agosto y la celebración de nuestro 66.º aniversario, podemos tomar como ejemplo las palabras del Papa León XIV en su homilía del 14 de julio: «El año jubilar conecta el mundo de Dios de forma más radical con el nuestro. Nos invita a tomar en serio lo que rezamos cada día: "En la tierra como en el cielo". Esta es nuestra esperanza... esperar es conectar». Como familia, podemos fácilmente desconectarnos, distraernos y sentirnos solos. Esto sucede aún más fácilmente como comunidad parroquial. Nuestra esperanza es conectar. Venir a compartir una comida, a compartir una historia, a unirnos como el Cuerpo de Cristo. Esta es nuestra esperanza cristiana. Los invitamos a unirse a nosotros el próximo sábado 9 de agosto por la noche con una misa especial a las 17:00 p.m., seguida de una cena y diversión en el Centro Comunitario.

¡Dios los bendiga!

P. Mark

Palabra que da La Vida



¡Comparte
con
Generosidad
tu
tiempo
o
dinero!

“Guardaos de toda clase de codicia. Pues, aunque uno ande sobrado, su vida no depende de sus bienes. Y les contó una parábola: ‘Un hombre rico tuvo una gran cosecha... Pero Dios le dijo: Necio, esta noche te van a exigir la vida. Lo que has acumulado, ¿de quién será?’» (Lc 12, 14-21)

Necesitamos renovar nuestra fe en la vida eterna. Es una verdad importantísima, una de las claves de nuestra religión. Sólo ella nos da la verdadera medida de las cosas y nos ayuda a relativizar tantos problemas a los que damos excesiva importancia. Es con esta dimensión eterna con la que podemos afrontar las dificultades del presente, sin perder la paz y la esperanza. Todo pasa en este mundo, pero en cambio el mundo venidero, la eternidad con Dios, no pasa nunca. Con esta perspectiva debemos afrontar también la caridad con el prójimo necesitado. Aunque el primer motivo de nuestro amor a Dios y al prójimo sea la gratitud hacia el Señor, que tanto nos ha amado, no hay que olvidar otro, que el Señor nos recuerda en la parábola de este domingo: el premio por las buenas obras. Cristo nos advierte de que hay un “más allá”, cruzando la estrecha puerta de la muerte, en el que seremos juzgados por el amor que hayamos tenido en esta tierra. Si tuviéramos delante esa medida, ese juicio, no dudaríamos en servir a los pobres, pues lo consideraríamos una magnífica inversión de cara al futuro, una inversión que nos va a proporcionar los más elevados intereses justo cuando más los necesitaremos. Por lo tanto, primero por agradecimiento y en segundo lugar para poder recibir de Dios el regalo de la vida eterna, guardémonos de toda clase de codicia. Está claro que tenemos necesidades materiales y que es aconsejable ser prudente y guardar para posibles malas épocas. Pero ¿hay que guardar tanto, mientras otros no pueden ni siquiera llegar al día de mañana?

Propósito: Demostrarle a Dios nuestra gratitud con las buenas obras, dándole a los que lo necesitan con generosidad nuestro tiempo o nuestro dinero.

Padre Santiago Martin (FM)
Responsable MARC.



de **ESCUELA**
Agradecimiento



CURSO DE FORMACIÓN

La relación del Hombre con Dios



Te invitamos a explorar la profundidad de nuestra fe, a través del Carisma del Agradecimiento.

Todos los Viernes, 6:00-8:00PM
Comenzamos el 8 de Agosto

¡Te esperamos!

agradecerstaclar@gmail.com
MARITONY REYES | 408 296 1246

LUGAR: PARISH HALL.
PARROQUIA DE SAN LORENZO MÁRTIR
1971 St. Lawrence Dr. Santa Clara Ca.



COLECTA DE
**ÚTILES
ESCOLARES**

DONAR ÚTILES ESCOLARES ES UNA MANERA FÁCIL E IMPACTANTE DE APOYAR A LOS ESTUDIANTES, LAS FAMILIAS Y A LOS MAESTROS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD.

SI DESEA PATROCINAR A UN ESTUDIANTE, ESCANEE EL CÓDIGO QR A CONTINUACIÓN Y HAGA UNA DONACIÓN EN LÍNEA. LOS FONDOS RECOLECTADOS SERÁN UTILIZADOS PARA COMPRAR Y DISTRIBUIR TARJETAS DE REGALO.



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¡AYUDA A NUESTROS
ESTUDIANTES A PROSPERAR!



**LAST
FRIDAY
NIGHT DINNER**

MENU:
BBQ CHICKEN, STEAM RICE,
MACARONI SALAD, DRINKS,
AND DESSERT



**15 AUG
2025**

**START AT
5:30 PM**

Vanity of Vanities

by *Deborah Ferry*

(taken from Commentary on today's First Reading)

The title *Ecclesiastes* given to this book is the Greek translation of the Hebrew name Qoheleth meaning, perhaps, "one who convokes an assembly." The book, however, does not consist of public addresses, but is a treatise, more or less logically developed, on the vanity of all things.

Israel's Wisdom literature teaches about God and virtues and offers advice for everyday life. This passage represents a radical branch of that wisdom tradition. With stark, maybe shocking frankness, it speaks about the harsh realities and inconsistencies of life. If you find it upsetting, it's meant to be. Qoheleth wrote at a time when Israel did not yet believe in life after death, so if all one can hope for is the random fortune that life doles out, prospects may look bleak indeed.

Qoheleth is a preacher who likely is trying to provoke the reader. His "vanity" has nothing to do with bragging or egotism. It means folly, futility, senselessness, emptiness. "Vanity of vanities" is a Hebrew superlative meaning "greatest of vanities," that is, "total purposelessness!" It voices the frustration anyone might feel when prayers go unanswered, when the good suffer while the wicked flourish, when defeat waits around every corner and all you want to say is, "What's the use?" We expect scripture to call us to joy and expectant faith, but this text tells us it's natural to sometimes feel discouraged and hollow. Using the ironic image of a person who labors hard his whole life only to leave his wealth to heirs who never lifted a finger, this somber text reinforces the Gospel's message that striving to amass material wealth is futile and pointless! Eventually, belief in the life after death will transform this somber attitude, but today we show Qoheleth's sober outlook: injustice abounds and sorrow and grief are our constant companions.



Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on Sept 19-21, 2025 call 408-605-4998, email: SanJose@RetroCA.com or visit our website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org



Join us this summer for...

DAILY MASS and a **ONE MILE WALK**
around the neighborhood!

Snacks provided and
all ages are welcome!

Parish Office: (408) 296-3000; eleanor.depaz@dsj.org

July & August

~~Tues, 7/15 @8:30AM~~

~~Tues, 7/22 @8:30AM~~

~~Tues 7/29 @8:30AM~~

Tues, 8/5 @8:30AM

Tues, 8/12 @8:30AM

Tues, 8/19 @8:30AM

*Evening Masses TBD!

**Sunday,
Aug 10, 2025**
**After the 8:00 AM
and 10:00 AM
Masses
in the Parish Hall**

**MENU: 3 Pancakes -
2 Sausages -
Coffee - Tea - Milk
Donations
Accepted**

**Children under 4
FREE**



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

PURCHASING SCHOOL SUPPLIES IS AN EASY AND IMPACTFUL WAY TO SUPPORT STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND TEACHERS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A STUDENT, PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO MAKE AN ONLINE DONATION. ALL FUNDS COLLECTED WILL GO TOWARD PURCHASING AND DISTRIBUTING GIFT CARDS TO HELP COVER THE COST OF SUPPLIES.



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HELP OUR STUDENTS THRIVE!



Water Aerobics

EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY, & THURSDAY
7:30 P.M.

**\$5.00 per session
@ St. Lawrence Pool**

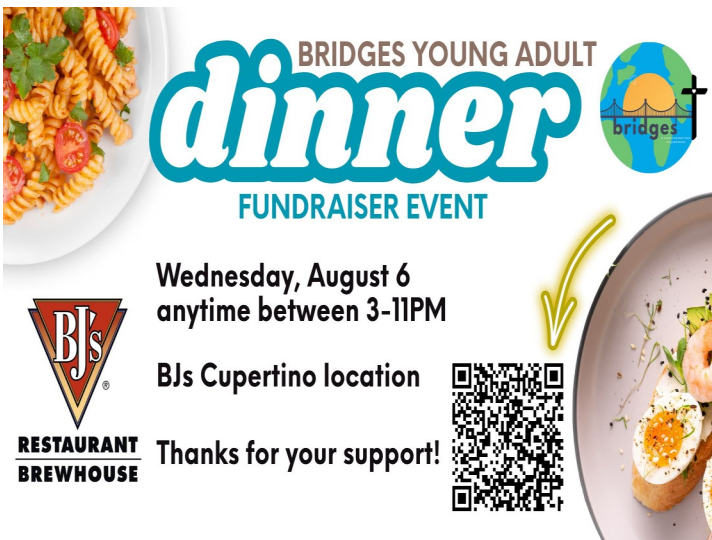
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THE MARTYR

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**CATECHETICAL
REGISTRATION
IS OPEN!!**

Visit www.saintlawrence.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL, YOUTH MINISTRY,
BAPTISM, PREPARATION FOR
FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION,
BECOMING CATHOLIC....ALL AGES!!

BRIDGES YOUNG ADULT
dinner
FUNDRAISER EVENT

Wednesday, August 6
anytime between 3-11PM

BJs Cupertino location



Thanks for your support!

RESTAURANT
BREWHOUSE

**K - 8TH
GRADE**

**\$400
A WEEK**

JUNE 16 - AUG 15

**SUMMER
CAMP**

8 AM - 5 PM

SUMMER CAMP
REGISTRATION



**Rummage
Sale**

**23 Aug, 2025
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

1977 St. Lawrence Dr., Santa Clara, CA
Saint Lawrence Community Center



SCAN ME TO
SIGN UP

August 3, 2025	Sunday	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23 / Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11 / Luke 12: 13-21 (114)
8:00 AM		† Betty Barber † David Sanville † John Ng, †Fong, †Peter, and †Wang Tam
10:00 AM		† Judy Brown † Rose Evans † Maria Inocencio Elena Sanchez Zayra Camarillo Martha Solorio - Intención Especial † Hilda Araceli Angeles Gonzalez † Alfonso Angeles Martinez † Eloisa Gonzalez Cardozo
12:30 PM		
August 4, 2025	Monday	Weekday - Saint John Vianney, Priest Numbers 11: 4b-15 / Matthew 14: 13-21 (407)
8:30 AM		† Alvina Martinez
August 5, 2025	Tuesday	Weekday - The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major Numbers 12: 1-13 / Matthew 14: 22-36 or Matthew 15: 1-2, 10-14 (408)
8:30 AM		† Deolinda Rodriguez
August 6, 2025	Wednesday	The Transfiguration of the Lord Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 / 2 Peter 1: 16-19 / Luke 9: 28b-36 (614)
8:30 AM		† Rose Evans
August 7, 2025	Thursday	Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest Numbers 20: 1-13 / Matthew 16: 13-23 (410)
8:30 AM		Aleykuty Joseph - Happy Birthday
August 8, 2025	Friday	Saint Dominic, Priest Deuteronomy 4: 32-40 / Matthew 16: 24-28 (411)
8:30 AM		Lizzie Sanville - Happy Birthday † Victoria Handal - Death Anniversary
August 9, 2025	Saturday	Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr Deuteronomy 6:4-13 / Matthew 17: 14-20 (412)
8:30 AM		Elizabeth Kalt - Happy Birthday
5:00 PM		† Rebeca & Alfonso Guevara - Birthday Remembrance Benefactors - Living & Deceased of St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish
August 10, 2025	Sunday	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wisdom 18: 6-9 / Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19 or 11: 1-2, 8-12 / Luke 12: 32-48 or 12: 35-40 (117)
8:00 AM		† David Sanville People of Saint Lawrence Lorenzo Cadapan Nicholas Montoya - Healing † Kwok-Chu Ho - Birthday Remembrance † Rose Evans † Albert Tiendas - Birthday Remembrance † Emma Nutter - Birthday Remembrance † Margarito Razón - 2nd death anniversary
10:00 AM		
12:30 PM		



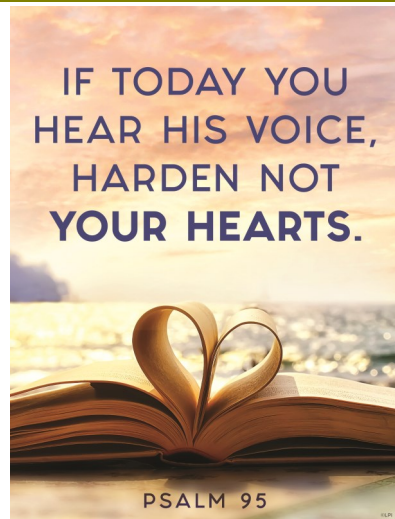
Has someone you know and love lost the faith?

On the last Sunday of each month a Mass is offered for them.

Please join our Saint Monica Sodality.

There are no dues and no meetings, only your prayers are required. Send your names of loved ones to be remembered to **The Saint Lawrence Parish Office**. We will add these names to our special album and a prayer card will be given to you.

Please pray each day that all of our loved ones will return to God.



MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

It is recommended that Mass Intentions are scheduled at least TWO MONTHS in advance to increase the probability of obtaining the Mass date and time requested. We will try our best to grant your Mass intention on the specific date requested and can not promise that each Mass intention will be celebrated on the specific date requested.

To request a Mass intention, contact the Parish Office at:

parish@saintlawrence.org or giuliana.razon@dsj.org

or call and leave a message for Giuliana at (408) 296-3000 ext. 431, with the information needed below.

- * Their name and contact number
- * Requested date for Mass Intention
- * Info for Mass Intention
- * Requested donation is \$10 per Mass as determined by diocesan policy (#206), is to accompany each Mass request
- * Make checks payable to: St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish.
- * Mail your donation to: 1971 St. Lawrence Drive, Santa Clara, Ca 95051

Or you may request a Mass intention and complete your donation on our parish website:

saintlawrence.org/massintention-requests

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Every Thursday, in the Church,
All Day Adoration starts at 9:15 AM
and ends with Solemn Benediction at 6:00 PM**



**The next Marriage Encounter Weekend: Sept 19-21
in San Juan Bautista, CA.**

For more information and/or to register for a weekend,
visit our website at: sanjosewme.org

or contact Ken & Claranne at
applications@sanjosewme.org
or 408-782-1413.



OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION

108TH APPARITIONS ANNIVERSARY

Wednesday, August 13

Trilingual Mass at 6:30PM

Followed by Multilingual Rosary
Procession and Light Reception

SPONSORED BY
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Join us in prayer

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 750 Sequoia Dr, Milpitas A 95035



Please Pray For... Our Parishioners, Friends, and Family

Troy Alfonso
Jayden Amys
Kiernan Arata
Mike Armstrong
Erika S. Barragan
Joe A. Bauer
Bernadette Cabarles
Marisa Carlini
Badiah Handal
Joseph Handal
Margaret Haselden
Alexa Hechem
Corazon Kalt
Diana Marie Kalt
Laura Salgado
Lucia Pacheco Mara
Vivian Mara
Elizabeth McGuire
John McGuire

Karina Magallanes
Jackie Mussynski
Pat Naki
Ellen Navarra
Virginia Olenak
Dcn. Greg Ortiz
Lina Pirota
Eneida Razón
Giuliana Razón
Héctor Razón
Lulu Razón
Pedro Rincón
Tiburcia Rodriguez
Elizabeth Sanville
Lizzy Sanville
Rachel Sanville
Hortensia Valadez
Soledad Valadez
Rosario Villagómez

Pray for our recently departed
Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen
†Guillermo Aynaga



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE

Gate of Heaven Cemetery

22555 Cristo Rey Drive,
Los Altos, CA 94024
(650) 428-3730

Calvary Cemetery

2655 Madden Avenue,
San Jose, CA 95116
(408) 258-2940

Please call ahead for Pre-Needs or
At-Need Arrangements

St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish accepts donations
electronically using your computer, tablet or smart phone.

Parishioner Benefits

- Set up your own contributions
- Your donation is automatic and safe
- Electronic giving is efficient, practical and easy

Please prayerfully consider Online Giving.
Visit our Parish website at

www.saintlawrence.org

for more information or to sign up.

MARRIAGE RENEWAL WORKSHOP

A weekend of renewal, rekindling, reconnecting with our spouse

August 8-10, 2025

Fri: 5:00 pm - 9:45 pm
Sat: 7:30 am - 9:30 pm
Sun: 7:30 am - 4:00 pm
(meals are included)

Jesuit Retreat Center

300 Manresa Way
Los Altos, CA 94022

Registration: \$350/couple
Please don't let finances prevent you from
attending, we can help subsidize part of the
registration fee; contact us for details.

If commuting is an issue, lodging at the Jesuit
Retreat Center is available for an additional
fee.

Please register no later than July 8, 2025:
<https://tinyurl.com/MRWSanJose>



Feedback from attendees

"The workshop exceeded my expectations. I
was surprised by how every talk offered
valuable nuggets for my marriage."

"It was life-giving and spiritually fulfilling."

"I was able to rekindle with my husband."

"This workshop changed me from a selfish
lover to a servant lover."

"This was definitely the experience of a
lifetime. I often forget what's truly important,
but MRW has set it forth that there is nothing
more important than my faithful partner and
most importantly to always make room for
God in my relationship."

"I am not alone. I came with hesitation, and
left with enlightenment"

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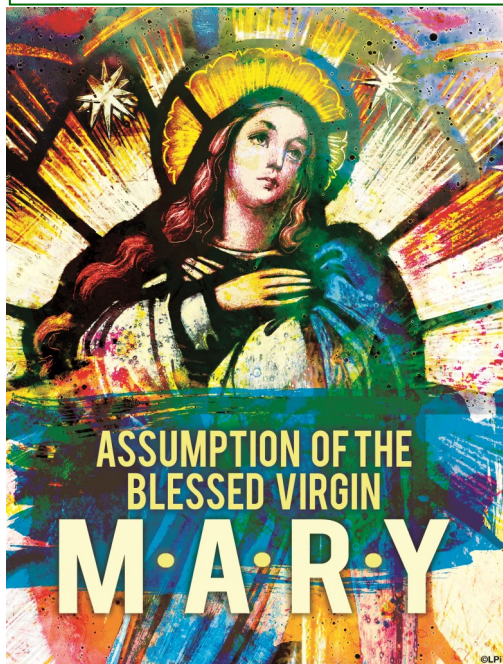


ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL
(Pre-K - 8th Grade)

Christine Frea - Principal
 christine.frea@dsj.org
 1-408-296-2260

CHILDREN'S CENTER

1-669-777-5600
 Extended Day Care & Summer Camp
 Trini Martinez - Director



**Solemnity of the Assumption of
 the Blessed Virgin Mary
 (August 15th)
 Mass Schedule**

Vigil Mass - Thursday, August 14th:
 7:00 p.m.—English

Feast Day Masses - Friday, August 15th:
 8:30 AM—English
 7:00 PM—Spanish

The Queen takes her place
 At your right hand
 Psalms 45

La Reina toma su lugar
 A tu derecha
 Salmo 45

Mass Times

Sunday
 8:00 AM
 10:00 AM (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
 12:30 PM (Mass in Spanish)
 American Sign Language (ASL)
 3:30 PM
 August 17, 2025

Cameroonian Mass
 3:00 PM
 Last Sunday of the month

Saturday
 8:30 AM
 5:00 PM (Sunday Vigil)
 Monday - Friday
 8:30 AM

Confessions

Wednesday
 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturday
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Eucharist Adoration

Thursday
 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Devotions

Monday - Saturday
 Rosary (English)
 After the 8:30 AM Mass
 Rosario en Español
 Martes 6:30 PM
 via Zoom ID: 830 9001 1913 Password: 400684

