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DECEMBER 14, 2025 | THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 8:30am, 5:00pm Vigil

Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:30pm

Weekday Masses

Monday | 8:30am

Tuesday | 8:30am

Wednesday | 8:30am

Thursday | 8:30am

Friday | 8:30am

Confession

Wednesday | 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Saturday | 9:00am - 10:00am

3:30pm - 4:30pm

or by appointment

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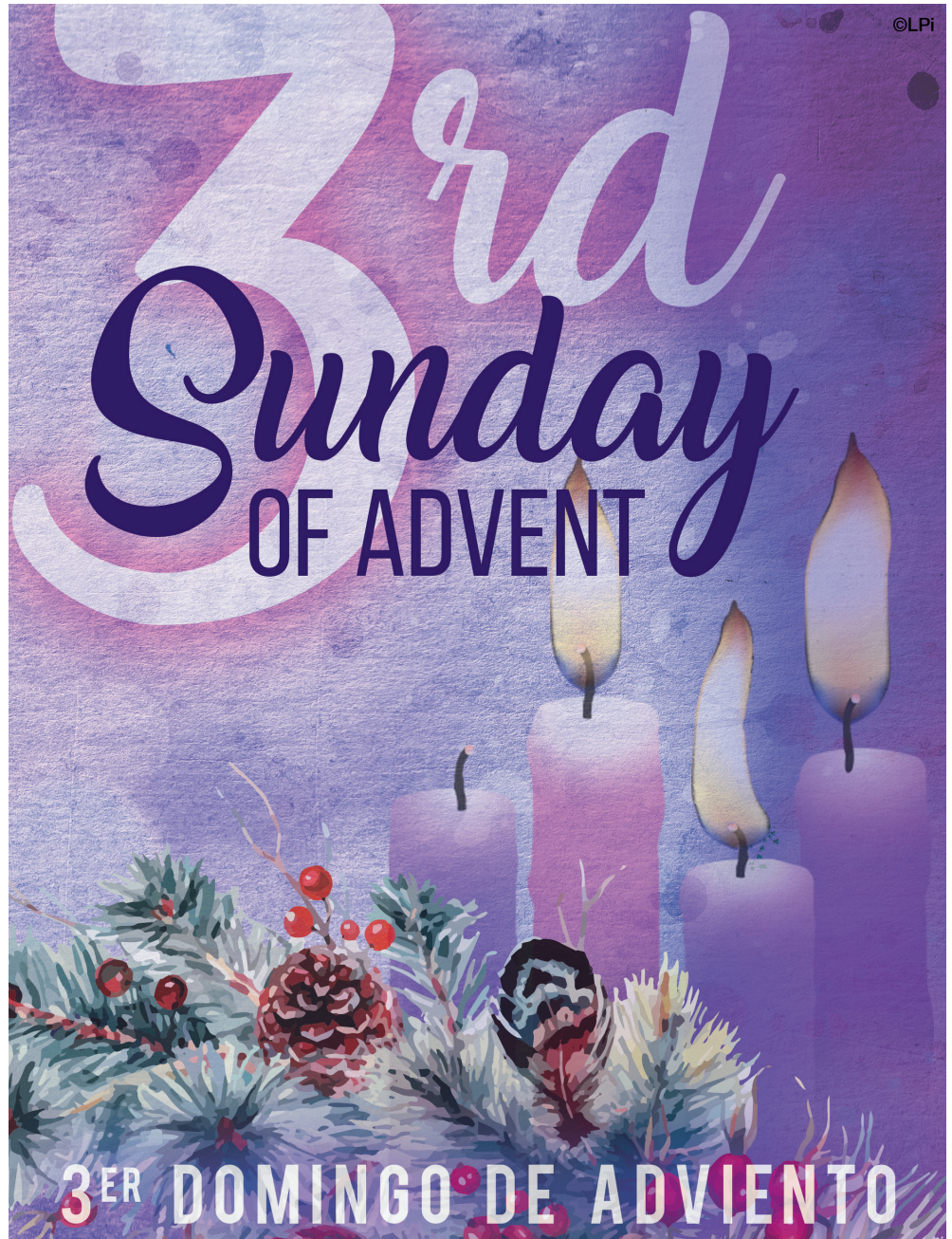
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Eucharist Adoration and Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction

Every Thursday

9:15 AM - 6:00 PM

after 8:30 AM Mass

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Live Stream Broadcast at:

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From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Happy and joyous Gaudete Sunday on the 3rd Sunday in Advent! We take a small break from Purple and venture into Rose colored Vestments. This is one of two Sundays, the other is in Lent, in which the priest and deacon are permitted to wear Rose Vestments. It is also just 11 days until the birth of Jesus on Christmas night. God is so very good!

In our Advent reflection booklet, we are reminded of two very important things from the reading from St. James this Sunday: be patient and be firm in our resolve. The problem is we are not patient people.

Our society has geared our hearts for the immediate, toward unrelenting urgency and for quick access to anything we need. We order something online and we are frustrated that it will take two days to arrive at our doorsteps. We open our computers and get impatient at the 45 seconds it takes to open up the screen. We begin to feel anxious if our driving time becomes longer on our "maps" application in our car.

Today, we are reminded once more how Our Blessed Mother has been waiting for the last 9 months, the people of Israel have been waiting centuries and we as disciples of Jesus wait in patience for His return in glory. The perseverance in waiting informs our patience because without the promise in faith, and obedience to God's will, our faith becomes an unbearable burden against the worries of the world. This is why we are invited not to wait alone but to join together in sharing the wait and open our eyes to how what we do today we act in joyful patience of God's love for each of us.

As we move forward these next few weeks, I would ask you to prayerfully consider your stewardship offering for Christmas or the end of the year. Your support is vital for us to continue to offer you the services we provide throughout the year. The Christmas offering is our largest offering to the parish. You should have received in the Christmas letter an envelope for offering, please place your donation in the envelope, or use the online platforms so we can thank you for your gift. Once more thank you for your offer of financial stewardship.

"Whoever cares for the poor lends to the LORD, who will pay back the sum in full." (Prov. 19:17)

God Bless,
Fr. Mark

Desde el Escritorio del Padre Mark

¡Feliz y alegre Domingo de Gaudete, nuestro III domingo de Adviento! Nos tomamos un pequeño descanso del color morado y nos aventuramos a ponernos las vestiduras rosas. Este es uno de los dos domingos (el otro es de Cuaresma) en que el sacerdote y el diácono pueden usar las vestiduras rosas. Además, faltan solo 11 días para el nacimiento de Jesús en la noche de Navidad. ¡Dios es tan bueno!

En nuestro folleto de reflexión de Adviento, la lectura de Santiago de este domingo nos recuerda dos cosas muy importantes: ser pacientes y ser firmes en nuestra determinación. ¡El problema es que no somos personas pacientes!

Nuestra sociedad ha adaptado nuestros corazones a lo inmediato, a la urgencia implacable y al acceso rápido a todo lo que necesitamos. Pedimos algo en línea y nos frustra que tarde dos días en llegar a casa. Abrimos la computadora y nos impacientamos al ver los 45 segundos que tarda en abrirse la pantalla. Empezamos a sentir ansiedad si el tiempo de conducción se alarga en la aplicación de mapas del coche.

Hoy recordamos una vez más cómo Nuestra Santísima Madre ha esperado los últimos 9 meses, el pueblo de Israel ha esperado siglos y nosotros, como discípulos de Jesús, esperamos con paciencia su regreso en gloria. La perseverancia en la espera alimenta nuestra paciencia, porque sin la promesa de fe y la obediencia a la voluntad de Dios, nuestra fe se convierte en una carga insoportable ante las preocupaciones del mundo. Por eso se nos invita a no esperar solos, sino a compartir la espera y a abrir los ojos y mirar cómo lo que hacemos hoy lo hacemos con gozosa paciencia, con el amor de Dios por cada uno de nosotros.

A medida que avanzamos en las próximas semanas, les pido que consideren con oración su ofrenda de administración para Navidad o fin de año. Su apoyo es vital para que podamos continuar ofreciéndoles los servicios que brindamos durante todo el año. La ofrenda de Navidad es nuestra mayor ofrenda a la parroquia. Deberían haber recibido un sobre para la ofrenda en la carta de Navidad; por favor, coloquen su ofrenda en el sobre o utilicen las plataformas en línea para que podamos agradecerles su donativo. Una vez más, gracias por su ofrenda monetaria. "Quien se apiada del pobre presta a Yahvé y recibirá su recompensa." (Proverbios 19:17)

¡Dios los bendiga!
Padre Mark.

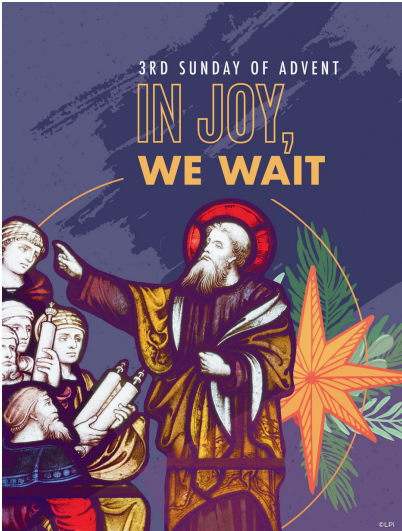
MASS INTENTIONS

December 13, 2025	Saturday	Advent Weekday
Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 / Matthew 17:9a, 10-13		
8:30 AM	Lupita Razon - Happy Birthday	
December 14, 2025	Sunday	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 / James 5:7-10 / Matthew 11:2-11		
5:00 PM Vigil	Naysla Varela - Special Intentions	
8:00 AM	Leoh and Veronica Saupan - 27th Wedding Anniversary	
	†Moses Pirotta - Birthday Remembrance	
	†Janice Quan	
10:00 AM	†Joe Barcelos	
	†Macario Cervantes	
12:30 PM	People of Saint Lawrence	
December 15, 2025	Monday	Advent Weekday
Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a / Matthew 21:23-27		
8:30 AM	†Arthur Morta - Death Anniversary	
December 16, 2025	Tuesday	Advent Weekday
Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13 / Matthew 21:28-32		
8:30 AM	†Antonio Machado	
December 17, 2025	Wednesday	Late Advent Weekday
Genesis 49:2, 8-10 / Matthew 1:1-17		
8:30 AM	†Victoria Handal - Birthday Remembrance	
	†David Sanville	
	Badiah Handal - Healing	
December 18, 2025	Thursday	Advent Weekday
Isaiah 41:13-20 / Matthew 11:11-15		
8:30 AM	†Madeleine Cascardo	
December 19, 2025	Friday	Advent Weekday
Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a / Luke 1:5-25		
8:30 AM	Miriam Morris	
December 20, 2025	Saturday	Late Advent Weekday
Isaiah 7:10-14 / Luke 1:26-38		
8:30 AM	People of Saint Lawrence	
December 21, 2025	Sunday	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Isaiah 7:10-14 / Romans 1:1-7 / Matthew 1:18-24		
5:00 PM Vigil	†Bruno Marquez, Jr.	
8:00 AM	†Jerry and †Elaine Bellerive	
	†Janice Quan	
10:00 AM	†Paul Bazigian - Birthday Remembrance	
	†Teresa Luk - Death Anniversary	
	†Charles Navarra	
	†Marie Rawson	
	Bernadette Kong - Special Intention	
12:30 PM	†Francisco Xavier Ramos	
	Miguel Cruz - Healing	
	Teresa Ramos - Healing	

Attention Parish Groups!

If you want to submit content to feature in the bulletin, please send to: giuliana.razon@dsj.org

Content must be submitted two weeks prior to the requested date.



PRAYER & READINGS • 03



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Troy Alfonso	Mendoza Family
Jayden Amys	Jackie Mussynski
Kiernan Arata	Pat Naki
Mike Armstrong	Ellen Navarra
Erika S. Barragan	Virginia Olenak
Bernadette Cabarles	Dcn. Greg Ortiz
Marisa Carlini	Lina Pirotta
Barbara Gasdick	Ana Quijada
Jessie Garibaldi	Laura E. Quijada
Margaret Gradwohl	Lulu Razón
Badiah Handal	Pedro Rincón
Joseph Handal	Teresa Rincón
Margaret Haselden	Tiburcia Rodriguez
Alexa Hechema	Arman Santiago
Corazon Kalt	Gina Santiago
Diana Marie Kalt	Elizabeth Sanville
Laura Salgado	Rachel Sanville
Maes Family	Lizzy Sanville
Karina Magallanes	Rose Siudzinski
Lucia Pacheco Mara	Martha Schmitz
Vivian Mara	Hortensia Valadez
Elizabeth McGuire	Soledad Valadez
John McGuire	Rosalio Villagomez



Readings for the week of December 14, 2025	
Sunday:	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11
Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
Thursday:	Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25
Friday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Saturday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Next Sunday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

04 • NEWS & EVENTS

WEDNESDAYS IN DECEMBER

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Every Wednesday • 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Draw near to the Lord's mercy.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Wednesday from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Come and encounter Christ, who waits to receive you with compassion, healing, and forgiveness. Let His grace renew your heart and restore your peace.



MIÉRCOLES EN DICIEMBRE

Sacramento of Reconciliación
Cada Miércoles • 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Acércate a la misericordia del Señor.

El sacramento de la Reconciliación está disponible todos los miércoles de 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

Ven y encuentra a Cristo, que te espera para recibirte con compasión, sanación y perdón.

Que su gracia renueve tu corazón y te devuelva la paz.



SIMBAG GABI MASSES

Join us as we celebrate Simbang Gabi, the beloved Filipino novena in joyful preparation for the birth of our Lord.

From December 15 to December 23, we gather each day in faith, hope, and anticipation.

Simbang Gabi Schedule:

- Weekdays: 7:00 PM
- Saturday: 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 6:00 PM

Come, let us prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ together.



SIMBAG GABI MASSES

Únase a nosotros para celebrar Simbang Gabi, la querida novena filipina en alegre preparación para el nacimiento de nuestro Señor. Del 15 al 23 de diciembre, nos reuniremos cada día con fe, esperanza y expectación.

Horario de Simbang Gabi:

De lunes a viernes: 7:00 PM

Sábado: 5:00 PM

Domingo: 6:00 PM

Vengan, preparemos juntos nuestros corazones para la llegada de Cristo.



Pancake Breakfast

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14
AFTER THE 8AM & 10 AM
MASSES ONLY

SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5277
BREAKFAST INCLUDES:
3 PANCAKES, 2 SAUSAGES,
COFFEE, MILK AND / OR JUICE
SERVED AFTER THE 8AM AND 10
AM SUNDAY MORNING MASSES
DONATIONS ACCEPTED!

**DIocese of San José
JUBILEE 2025
CLOSING MASS**

Thursday, December 18, 2025

Where: Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph,
80 South Market St., San Jose

Time: 7pm

Presided by
Most Rev. Andres C. Ligot
Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of San José

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dsj.org/jubilee2025
www.jubileeum2025.va/en

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2025 SIMBANG GABI

JOIN US IN THIS YEAR'S NOVENA IN PREPARATION
FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST.

The Filipino Association was organized in 1986. Now known as the Filipino Catholic Community (FCC), we continue to make a difference at Saint Lawrence the Martyr Parish. Disbursement of all funds raised by the FCC are at request and discretion of the Pastor for church/recovery upkeep and maintenance purposes, including purchase of equipment.

Your Mass Sponsorship has helped fund the following projects, to name a few:

Year	Amount	Project
2025	\$11,751.89	Tables and Chairs for the Parish Hall
2024	\$10,814.20	32 Rectangular Tables and 16 Round Tables for the Community Center
2022	\$16,000	Repair of the Carillon Bell Tower
2016	\$8,654	Rectory Painting
2016	\$5,800	Tuberculosis Remedial
2014	\$2,000	Telephone Relief Donation
2013	\$400	for 2014 Calendars
2012	\$450	for 2013 Calendars
2011	\$12,872	Rectory Windows Upgrade
2011	\$6,000	Apartment Refurbishing
2011	\$529	Our Lady of Fatima Statue
2011	\$425	for 2012 Calendars
2010	\$1,000	for 2011 Calendars
2009	\$3,000	Chalice for the church
2009	\$200	Gift to Newly Ordained Priests
2008	\$8,000	Parish Hall Appliances
2008	\$4,000	Community Center Tables and Chairs
2007	\$2,125	Pastor's Next Project
2007	\$1,000	for 2008 Calendars
2006	\$8,800	Apartment Refurbishing and Fence
2006	\$9,045.25	Church Monument and Landscaping
2006	\$1,742	62 Apartment Room Repair
2005	\$2,000	Apartment Room Improvements
2002	\$10,000	Gift to Saint Lawrence Parish

Improved the sound system in the church. Reluctant the confessional. Contributed towards the Priests' vestments.

Day	Date	Time
Day 1	Monday, December 15	7:00 PM
Day 2	Tuesday, December 16	7:00 PM
Day 3	Wednesday, December 17	7:00 PM
Day 4	Thursday, December 18	7:00 PM
Day 5	Friday, December 19	7:00 PM
Day 6	Saturday, December 20	5:00 PM
Day 7	Sunday, December 21	6:00 PM
Day 8	Monday, December 22	7:00 PM
Day 9	Tuesday, December 23	7:00 PM

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES

- Ushers
- Lectors
- Sacristans
- Altar Servers
- Music Ministry including instrumentalists

For MASS SPONSORSHIP OR TO VOLUNTEER AS LITURGICAL MINISTER, please contact:
Marilyn Pestano 408-390-4229
Mely Galimba 408-623-1562

REVS VS SEMS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026
\$10 GENERAL ADMISSION
SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY, LEAVEY CENTER

BASKETBALL CHALLENGE

www.dsj.org/basketball

Provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the OCD with an identifying OCD number, and that has an unfunded past service liability. It distributes financial assistance from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conferences of major superiors and bishops.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Visit retiredfund.org to learn the religious process. Don't miss this chance to plan your retirement. retiredfund.org

SECOND COLLECTION DECEMBER 13-14, 2025

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Sea generoso en la próxima colecta.

Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos

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2026 WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST CAMINATA POR LA VIDA



Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 20th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 24, 2026.

Fees: A \$25.00 fee is required upon registration to cover costs (cash or check only payable to "St. Lawrence"). No refunds for cancellation available. This fee includes transportation to/from the event via bus and bottled water. Buses have restrooms and comfortable seating.

Schedule: We will leave St. Lawrence at 7:30am to arrive at St. Mary's Cathedral to attend the Pro-Life Mass with Archbishop Corleone. From there we will leave to the San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza for the Info Faire and 12:00pm Rally (bring a bagged lunch to enjoy on the lawn). The Walk down San Francisco's Market Street begins at 1:00pm from Civic Center Plaza and ends at Justin Herman Plaza at the Embarcadero. We plan to return to St. Lawrence by 5:30pm.

Minors: All minors must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Info: For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call (415) 658-1793.

Únete a hermanos católicos y gente pródiga proveniente de toda California y más allá, poniéndonos de pie a favor de los más pequeños entre nosotros en la decimocuarta Caminata anual por la Vida de la Costa Oeste en San Francisco, el 24 de enero de 2026.

Costo: Se requerirá una cuota de \$25.00 al registrarse para cubrir los costos de transporte (pago en efectivo o cheque a nombre de "St. Lawrence"). No hay devoluciones por cancelación. Esta cuota incluye el transporte desde/hacia el evento vía autobús y agua embotellada. Los autobuses tienen baños y cómodos asientos.

Agenda: Un autobús saldrá a las 7:30am para llegar a St. John Vianney para asistir a Misa con el arzobispo Corleone. De ahí salimos a la Plaza del Centro Cívico en San Francisco para la Feria de Información. El Rally comienza a las 12:00pm en la Plaza del Centro Cívico y la caminata por Market Street hasta Justin Herman Plaza a la 1:00pm. Planeamos volver a St. Lawrence a las 5:30pm.

Menores de edad: Todos los menores deben ser acompañados por un adulto responsable de ellos.

Informes: www.walkforlifewc.com/enespanol o llame al (415) 658-1793.



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THE MARTYR CATHOLIC PARISH



HelpOurMarriage.org
RETROUVAILE
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

A Lifeline for Marriage – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the February program beginning with a weekend on Feb 20 - 22, 2026 call 408-605-4998, email: SanJose@RetroCA.com or visit our website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org

OUR PARISH
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to participate.

St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish
**bridges young
adult ministry**



Join us every first Monday of the month at 8PM in the Parish Hall!

@st.lawrence.bridges on IG for events & updates!



**ST. LAWRENCE
MOUNTAIN MEN**
— CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN
OF FAITH —

Saint Lawrence Mountain Men is a young men's group for all Christian men aged 18-25.

Our goal is to help young men climb the mountain of faith by helping them find their calling from God and to help grow our members' personal relationship with Christ. We will strive to help all those that come to walk Christ's path and to spread the Gospel. Join us at our meetings every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30pm in front of the Church, and...

**CLIMB THE
MOUNTAIN!**

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Today is traditionally called “Gaudete Sunday”(the Latin “gaudete” means “rejoice”).

The House Church – An interesting phenomenon takes place in homes at Christmas. There is no other time of the year when it is so natural to have a “religious presence” in our house.

- The Christmas tree itself is a religious symbol. Its origins are rooted in the “tree of life” in the Garden of Eden. Often we place the star of the Magi, or an angel at the top.
- At Christmas we have a manger scene with the child Jesus, Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, the Magi, and angels.
- Candles – closely associated with religious ritual – are a popular Christmas decoration in the home.
- We listen to religious music in our homes – Christmas carols with religious themes.
- A prayer is usually said before the Christmas meal, even in homes where this is seldom done during the year.

This might set us thinking about the value of year-round religious symbols in the home – the “house church.” Since Vatican II, we’ve renovated our churches to enhance the religious symbols there. Perhaps we need to focus on the renovation of our house church.

We have a tradition of religious symbols in the home – the cross, a family Bible, art works, palm branches. But it’s faded a bit. The Christmas season is a good time to take a second look at having year-round religious symbols in our house church.

For information about Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, RCIA, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funerals, contact the Parish Office at (408) 296-3000 parish@saintlawrence.org

Baptism Preparation

Parents requesting the sacrament of Baptism for their child should call at least three months in advance.

Marriage Preparation

Couples should call at least six months before the proposed wedding date to discuss marriage preparation.

Funerals

Please call as soon as possible after a death has occurred or when someone may be close to death so that arrangements can be made in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

For an emergency requiring a priest for the Anointing of the Sick/Last Rites, please call the emergency line at (408) 296-3000, ext. 370.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please call if you or someone you know is homebound and wishes to receive a pastoral visit.

Prayer Chain

To add a request to the Prayer Chain or a name to the Prayer Corner, contact Mrs. Giuliana Razón at (408) 296-3000 ext 431

RCIA

Those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith are invited to consider our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. Contact our Catechetical Director, Mrs. Eleanor de Paz at (408) 296-3000 ext 433

Hall Rentals

Contact Mrs. Giuliana Razón at (408) 296-3000 ext 431

Diocesan Catholic Cemeteries

Gate of Heaven
22555 Cristo Rey Dr.
Los Altos, CA 94024
(650) 428-3730

Calvary Cemetery
2655 Madden Ave.
San Jose, CA 95116
(408) 258-2940

Please call for Pre-Need or At-Need Arrangements.

Safe Environment

Diocese of San Jose
Office of Youth & Vulnerable Adult Protection
Anthony Gonzalez, Director
(408) 983-0113 • protection@dsj.org

Report Violations or Misconduct

<https://opcva.ethicspoint.com>
24 hour hotline: 1 (844) 372-1691

Report Financial Mismanagement

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PALABRA QUE DA LA VIDA



"Id a anunciar a Juan lo que estáis viendo y oyendo: los ciegos ven y los inválidos andan; los leprosos quedan limpios y los sordos oyen; los muertos resucitan y a los pobres se les anuncia la buena noticia. ¡Y dichoso el que no se siente defraudado por mí!" (Mt 11, 2-6)

¿Quiénes son los pobres? Son, en primer lugar, aquellos que padecen necesidad física, material; son las muchedumbres de campesinos de Iberoamérica, África o Asia; los habitantes de los barrios periféricos en las grandes ciudades; los emigrantes; los despreciados por causa de su raza, por su religión o por alguna deficiencia que les hace incapaces de competir en una sociedad como la nuestra. Estos son los primeros pobres, y olvidarlo es una ofensa para ellos.

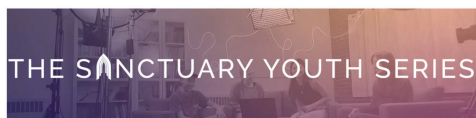
Pero también es un error olvidar que son pobres los que viven solos, los que padecen las consecuencias de una ruptura matrimonial, los que están enfermos y, en definitiva, todos aquellos que por un motivo u otro sufren. Unos y otros llevan en su cuerpo o en su espíritu la marca del Crucificado, que en la cruz no sólo padeció por los clavos y las espinas, sino también por el abandono de los amigos.

¿Qué significa, entonces, anunciar la buena noticia a los pobres? Significa ayudarles a solucionar sus problemas, con todas nuestras fuerzas. Pero, a la vez, ofrecerles la experiencia personal del encuentro con Dios, que es quien verdaderamente les puede ayudar y el único que a ellos como todos los demás les va a dar la felicidad.

Además, hay otra cosa en esta "palabra de vida": la exclamación de Cristo llamando dichoso al que no se sienta defraudado por Él. Es decir, al que no crea que Él no hace nada porque rechaza la violencia como medio para solucionar los problemas, o porque no hace milagros para que éstos desaparezcan.

Propósito: Ayudar a todo aquel que sufre, con la limosna o con la compañía, en la medida de nuestras fuerzas. Pero también hablarles de Dios. Y no dudar de Cristo ni de la eficacia de su mensaje.

Padre Santiago Martin (FM)
Responsable MARC



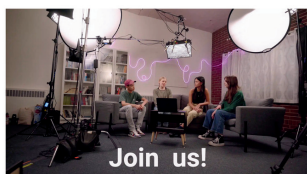
THE SANCTUARY YOUTH SERIES

Finally, a faith-based mental health program for our teens

(includes separate parent class too)

We are grateful to be offering this program for eight Thursday nights starting Jan. 8, 2026
Saint William Church
611 S. El Monte Ave, Los Altos

Sign up or learn more about this program via the QR code or our website at snsparish.org



Join us!



ADVIENTO
UNA ESPERANZA GOZOSA

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CATOLICO CARISMATICO "ELEGIDOS DE JESUS"

Parroquia San Lawrence.

1971 Saint. Lawrence Dr.
Santa Clara Ca. 95051

NOS REUNIMOS
TODOS LOS JUEVES



Paty Vergara
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* TENEMOS EVANGELIZACION
ATRAVEZ DE LA PALABRA DE DIOS.
* ALABANZA, ORACION
* HORA SANTA
* TESTIMONIOS.

Cada Jueves tenemos
diferentes invitados

Misa cada segundo
Jueves de Mes.

Comenzamos con el
Santo Rosario 6:30 pm.



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

¡Te esperamos!

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LUGAR: PARISH HALL
PARROQUIA DE SAN LORENZO MÁRTIR
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Sirve con honor- ¡Sé monaguillo!

"Eres mucho más que
un simple ayudante
del párroco." –
San Juan Pablo II

Si tienes preguntas,
por favor
comunicate con el
Padre Ryan en la
Oficina Parroquial:
(408) 296-3000



2026 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS NOW OPEN!

BULLETIN CONTENT

Schedule of Masses

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS

December 24
4:00 PM
6:00 PM
8:00 PM - Spanish
12 Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December 25
9:00 AM
11:00 AM - Bilingual

SAINT LAWRENCE THE MARTYR CATHOLIC PARISH

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 or scan the QR code below:



Saint Lawrence Middle School is looking for adult volunteers to interview students in grades 5-8 about their science and engineering fair projects on Friday, January 23 from 8-11:30 AM. Please contact Mrs. Michelle Varnau (Mrs. V) at michelle.varnau@dsj.org if you are available for the whole morning or just a few hours. All the projects will be on display for the community to view Sunday, January 26. Thank you for your support of the next generation of STEM careers.



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