

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

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1st Sunday OF ADVENT



Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4-4:45 p.m. Church.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.

Mon.-Fri.: 8:15 a.m.

Tues. & Wed.: 5:30 p.m.

Parish Office

408-245-5554

For emergencies please call 650-447-5086

Infant Baptisms

Contact Rev. Phong Nguyen at the Parish Office at 408-245-5554,

phongtaydoc@gmail.com for pre-baptismal interview and instructions.

Marriage

Weddings normally take place in the parish of the bride or groom. Couples wishing to marry must contact one of the priests at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. Phong Nguyen

Priest in residence

Rev. Andrew Salapata

Deacon

Mike Haas

Parish Assistant

Mary-Clare Affonso

Music Director

Amy Stacke

Religious Education Director

Jeanne Matsuda

Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

(closed for lunch 12n-1p)

Closed on Friday

San Jose Catholic Cemeteries,

Gate of Heaven,

650-428-3730

December 1, 2024

Parish Vision Statement

To be an enthusiastic, welcoming,
and serving Catholic Community of Christ's Disciples.

Parish Mission Statement

To joyfully and actively celebrate the sacraments,
to provide lifelong spiritual formation that nourishes our faith,
and to lovingly and compassionately serve the world.

First Sunday of Advent

Happy 1st week of Advent!



Intentions for November 30 - December 7

Sat.	8:15	Woong Bae Kim †, Sue Shimshock (health) (Fr. Kupo)
	5:00	Emma Polet †, Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council 3436 (Fr. Phong)
Sun.	8:30	People of the Parish (Fr. Phong)
	10:00	Robert Masik †, Linda Nguyen Hou (birthday) (Fr. Phong)
	11:30	Mary Rainey †, Ramon Mendoza, Jr. (health) (Fr. Kupo)
Mon.	8:15	Ricardo Trinidad †, Charlotte Kearns †, Agnes Lee (birthday) (Fr. Kupo)
Tues.	8:15	Santiago Majam (health) (Fr. Phong)
	5:30	Dan Peters (healing) (Fr. Phong)
Wed.	8:15	Jerry & Joan Delfino (healing) (Fr. Mercer)
	5:30	(Fr. Phong)
Thur.	8:15	(Fr. Mercer)
Fri.	8:15	Living & Deceased ICF Members (Fr. Phong)
Sat.	8:15	Sergia Caroro † (Fr. Kupo)
	5:00	Emiliano & Marcela Sabargan †, Emma Polet †, Ivan De Silva † (Fr. Xavier)

TODAYS'S GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of the new liturgical year. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. The key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice. In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Luke will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle C). Today's Gospel is taken from the last chapter before the passion narrative in which Jesus is teaching in the Temple. We hear Jesus speak to his disciples about the need for vigilance and prayer as they wait for the coming of the Son of Man in glory. This passage marks the conclusion of a lengthy dialogue in which Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, warns about the persecution and tribulations to follow, and identifies the signs that will signal the coming of the Son of Man in glory.

The community for whom Luke wrote his Gospel may have believed that they were already experiencing some of the events Jesus described. Most scholars believe that Luke's Gospel was written after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 A.D. At the time, many Christians interpreted this event as an indication that Jesus' second coming was near.

Though Jesus predicts a time of destruction and fear, Jesus indicates that others will be frightened; Jesus' disciples are not to fear, but are to stand tall. Yet Jesus does not promise deliverance from anxiety or tribulations. He encourages his disciples to pray for strength. The early Christian communities did not find consolation in the promise of a utopia, nor should we. Instead, we find in our Christian faith the means by which we witness to God's unfailing love for us in all circumstances.

Jesus' predictions about the end times may sound dire, but in the next paragraph Luke tells us that people woke early to listen to Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In his person and in his message, those who heard Jesus found strength and consolation. Like the first Christians, we may encounter events and circumstances that could lead us to despair. Through prayer, however, we find strength and consolation in Jesus' words and in his continuing presence with us to endure all things and to witness to the action of God in our world.

(Loyola Press)

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Advent, the beginning of our ecclesiastical year, starts today, Sunday, December 1, the fourth Sunday before Christmas. The advent wreath is a popular devotional aid that symbolizes the light of God coming into the world through the birth of His Son.

Traditionally, the wreath is made with four candles, three purple and one rose, embedded in a circle of evergreens. The circle is a symbol of God's eternity and endless mercy that has no beginning or end. The purple candles represent hope, peace and love while the rose symbolizes that Christmas is near and we should rejoice. In the wreath ceremony at Church, a purple candle is lit on the First Sunday of Advent. On the second Sunday, an additional purple candle is lit, and on the third Sunday, the rose candle is added. On the fourth Sunday all four candles are lit.

In the home, the wreath is usually placed on the dining table and lit daily before the evening meal or anytime the family is all together. The lighting follows the same sequence as in Church. Children particularly enjoy this meaningful Christmas tradition if they are involved in planning the prayers and scripture readings that accompany the lighting.



MANY THANKS

Thanks again this year to the sponsorship of two "Anonymous" Resurrection parishioners we have "2025 Religious Art Calendars" for Resurrection parishioners. The calendars are on the table at the Church exit doors. If you are unable to pick-up a calendar, they will be available at the parish office during the week.

Immaculate Conception



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, DEC 9

Not a Holy day of Obligation this year.

Masses on Monday, December 9, at 8:15 am and 5:30 pm.

Collection to be taken at both these Masses.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- 1 Sun Advent:** Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14 (1b); 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
- Monday:** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-9; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
- Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday:** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
- Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
- 2 Sun Advent:** Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-6 (3); Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

You are encouraged to look-up the weekly readings in your Bible as preparation for Mass and for daily Bible reading.

Saints of the Week

Tues, Dec 3: St. Francis Xavier, Priest.

Francis Xavier, died 1552 at age forty-six on the island of Sancion off the China coast; from Navarre; one of the founding Jesuits; preached in India, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, and Japan; patron of foreign missions.

Wed, Dec 4: St. John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church.

John of Damascus, died 749; last of the Greek Fathers; first of the East to formulate a comprehensive synthesis of Christian dogma; defended the veneration of icons; composed hymns and preached many homilies in honor of the BVM, especially her Assumption; last of the Greek Fathers.

Fri, Dec 6: St. Nicholas, Bishop.

Nicholas, died 4th c.; bishop of Myra in Asia Minor; model pastor noted for charity; popularized as Santa Claus; patron of Russia, Greece, Sicily, and Lorraine, and of children and sailors.

Sat, Dec 7: St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church.

Ambrose, died Holy Saturday, 397; born in Trier of noble parents and classically educated; his allegorical exegesis and rhetorical skill made him a compelling preacher.

JOIN THE CHRISTMAS CHOIRS

Rehearsals continue in the Church, every Thursday at 7 pm for Adults, and Saturday at 1 pm for Youth.

We will be participating in the Comfort and Joy Concert on Thursday, December 12th, as well as Christmas Eve.

Please contact Amy Stacke for more information at, Astacke@resparish.org, 408-245-5554.



DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE LAYETTE MINISTRY

2024 Drive-by donation drop-off on Sunday, December 8, 2024 from 11 am-2 pm. Drop-off location: 157 San Lazaro Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA. 94086. Layette items: baby towels & washcloths, swaddlers, sacks/gowns, soft boy shoes, cotton & knitted hats, one-piece playsets, sweaters & jackets, mittens, receiving blankets. Amazon gift cards are greatly appreciated.

For monetary donations, checks made out to Diocese of San Jose Layette Ministry.

2025, 70th Anniversary Celebration & Tea

on Saturday, December 6, 2025 at St. Frances Cabrini Parish, San Jose.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Thanks to our parishioners who returned their offerings to the Lord for November 23/24: Regular collection \$6,742.50



TODAY, 2ND COLLECTION FOR PARISH MAINTENANCE

DEC 7/8, 2ND COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

DEC 9, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLECTON

Community Resources

WINTER BLOOD DRIVE, TODAY



ICF Branch 408 is hosting the parish winter blood drive today, **Sunday, December 1** from 8 am-1 pm in the Farana Center hall. For an appointment, please sign-up online at sbcdonor.org, click on "schedule an appointment" use sponsor code 0421, call **Ric Shimshock** at **408-733-4890**, for more information or eligibility questions, or 888-723-7831.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CORNER

St. Vincent de Paul helpline# 408-773-6185

Website: svdpresurrection.yolasite.com

Giving Tree:

The Giving Tree is in the rear of the Church. It is decorated with gift requests from several organizations serving the needy in the Santa Clara valley, including Catholic Charities and the Emmanuel House.



Please consider helping out by taking home a gift tag and fulfilling someone's Christmas wish.

Gift cards or wrapped gifts should be returned to the Church with the original tag attached **no later than Sunday, December 15.**

Thanksgiving food boxes:

We greatly appreciate the efforts of six families who participated in the November 23 Thanksgiving food distribution.

They packed and delivered generous food boxes, including milk, eggs, bread, toiletries, in addition to the regular items we deliver every Saturday.

These charitable volunteers have helped our SVdP conference brighten the Thanksgiving holiday for sixteen needy families.

Car donations:

When you donate your used vehicle to the donation program of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, your contribution benefits someone in our local community.

Donated vehicles are picked-up within a few business days, and documentation useful for tax purposes is compiled and sent to you. Call 1-800-322-8284 or go to svdp.org (click on "Give Now") to learn just how easy it is to donate an old vehicle and help needy families in the process.



COME SEE THE ANNUAL RES CHRISTMAS PROGRAM!

On Wednesday, December 11th at 7 pm, our school will be hosting our annual Christmas Program in the Church.

This is a wonderful way to see the Resurrection School students in action, as they sing Christmas carols and re-enact a live action nativity scene. Admission is free and all parishioners are welcome. Come support our students.

CHRISTMAS SHOP WHILE HELPING THE SCHOOL!

Resurrection School participates in a Scrip fundraising program through *RaiseRight*. This website allows you to buy digital gift cards for your family and friends, while giving a portion of the proceeds back to our school.

Visit the website at the QR code below and select 'Join Program.' Resurrection School's enrollment code is **F88L388L33351**.



FOR HEALING



Bob Redlus, Joe & Kathy Poulos, Nathan Diaz, Luke Dias, Angelica Dias & Family, Geni Sundquist, Karen Ostrowski, Mary Perkins, Charlotte Bignotti, Sandra Lucatero, Chuck Blalock, Val Lampman, Jan Cleveland, Ray Flores, Darina Kavanagh,

Joanne Yabes-Aquino, Maggie Coté, Mike Miller, Fr. Rey Sarmiento.

FOR DECEASED

Edward Tischler, Clell VanBervers, Pete Pappas, Bob Masik, Marcelina Abad.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

The Anointing of the sick with the Oil of the Sick and prayers for healing is celebrated with those who are seriously ill, preparing for surgery, or frail and elderly.

In case of an urgent need for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, call **650-447-5086**.

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

You are cherished by God and are welcomed to celebrate with us here in our faith community. If you are interested in more information about our parish, would like to register with us, or are a current parishioner with a change in your contact information, please fill out this form and place it, in the collection basket, in the suggestion box at the door or in the mail.

Name: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____
 Email: _____

New Parishioner New Address Moving-remove from list
 Please send contribution envelopes

Our website: **www.resurrection-church.org**

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Parish Office, Mary-Clare Affonso: M-Th 9:30a-12n & 1-5p (closed Friday), 408-245-5554



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Our Community
 parishioners in service to others
Ministries' Page

Stewardship	Contact	Telephone/Email
Pastoral Council		
Parish Finance Committee	Steve Vonderach	408-738-3799
Facilities Committee co-chair		
Facilities Committee co-chair		

Liturgy	Deacon Mike Haas	408-616-9315
Director of Music	Amy Stacke	408-245-5554
Eucharistic Ministers	Ric Shimshock	408-733-4890
Eucharist to the Sick & Homebound	Fr. Phong Nguyen	phongtaydoc@gmail.com
Proclaimers	Tim Coté	408-482-1460
Altar Servers Training	Fr. Phong	408-245-5554
Liturgical Environment	Carol Bruce	
Ushers leader	Anthony Prakash	anthony.prakash@gmail.com

Resurrection School	Jacque Wright, Principal	408-245-4571
Religious Education Classes	Jeanne Matsuda	408-772-5383
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	Deacon Mike Haas	408-616-9315
Baptisms	Fr. Phong Nguyen	phongtaydoc@gmail.com
Baptismal Preparation Class	Online: catechismclass.com	catechismclass.com
Respect Life Ministry	Roger Bonilla	408-736-7138
Cursillo (men)	Bobby Montalvo	408-518-2864
Men's Faith Sharing Group	Deacon Mike Haas	408-616-9315
Sat Morn Women's Faith Sharing	Letitia Roddy Masik	408-245-2611
Legion of Mary	Elvie McCallion	408-393-5734
Rosary		
Thur. Morning Prayer & Adoration	Parish Office	408-245-5554

St. Vincent de Paul	Roger Bonilla	408-736-7138
Hospitality/Sun Donuts coordinator	Pauline De Souza	resparishhospitality@gmail.com
Hospitality/Sun Donuts scheduler	Remi Chatterier	
Fil-Am Group	Eden Bonin	408-245-4567
Italian-Catholic Federation	Ric Shimshock	408-733-4890
Knights of Columbus	Paul Dismuke	408-482-5718

If you suspect abuse in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact: Child Protective Services at 833-722-5437; or call 911; or the Diocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults at 408-983-0113 or email dsj.ethicspoint.com
 If you suspect financial mismanagement in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact EthicsPoint, dsj.ethicspoint.com