

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Families are invited to contact our parish office to receive an informational packet to reflect upon and consider. After completing and returning their baptism registration form, they will be contacted by the office and invited to participate in a baptism preparation session. Baptisms are scheduled on Saturday mornings.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children who are in first grade are invited to begin a two year process of preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Holy Communion. If your child is older than second grade and has not celebrated these sacraments, there is a two year process designed with parent participation to meet their needs.

CONFIRMATION

TEENS seeking full initiation into the Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in a two year process, exploring our Catholic faith, Tradition, and call to be evangelizers of the faith through our words and deeds.

ADULTS who have been baptized but have not been confirmed are invited to an eight week process of catechesis and scripture, usually offered during Lent. We invite those who are currently active in the Church to consider this opportunity to complete their initiation. The Sacrament is conferred by the Bishop on the Feast of Pentecost at a diocesan-wide celebration at the Cathedral.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office or go on-line to receive an informational Marriage Packet. After reviewing, you are asked to schedule a meeting with one of the priests in Elk Grove, or the deacon in Rancho Murieta. Arrangements need to be made at least six months in advance.

RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard Saturday afternoons from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. in Elk Grove, and from 4:00 to 4:30 pm in Rancho Murieta. You may also call the priest of your choice for an appointment.

FAITH FORMATION

Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) sessions are offered for children in kindergarten through eighth grade.

We encourage continuous participation as the formation of our faith is an ongoing process. Each year the children are presented with a different aspect of our faith according to their age level, including preparation for the sacraments.

Sessions run from September through May and are held in Elk Grove and Rancho Murieta; Spanish sessions are held in Elk Grove.

Nancy Kesthely, EG
Esther Cuellar-Valadez, EG
Donna Bowles, RM
Jimi Collons, RM

SESSIONS FOR 1st - 6th GRADE

English sessions are held Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons in Elk Grove.

Spanish sessions: Saturday mornings, Elk Grove.

Rancho Murieta sessions are Sunday mornings.

SESSIONS FOR 7th and 8th GRADE

Junior high students who have been baptized and celebrated the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist are invited to begin preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a two year process.

English sessions are held Tuesday or Wednesday evenings in Elk Grove.

EDGE sessions are Sunday afternoons in RM.

Spanish sessions held on Saturdays in Elk Grove.

YOUTH MINISTRY: Youth Group

The goal of our Youth Group is to assist middle and high school teens in developing their faith and exploring how to be more active as Disciples of Christ. We welcome teens in 7th – 12th grade.

High School group meets 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays.

Junior High group meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

Spanish Youth Group meets on Friday.

CONTACTS

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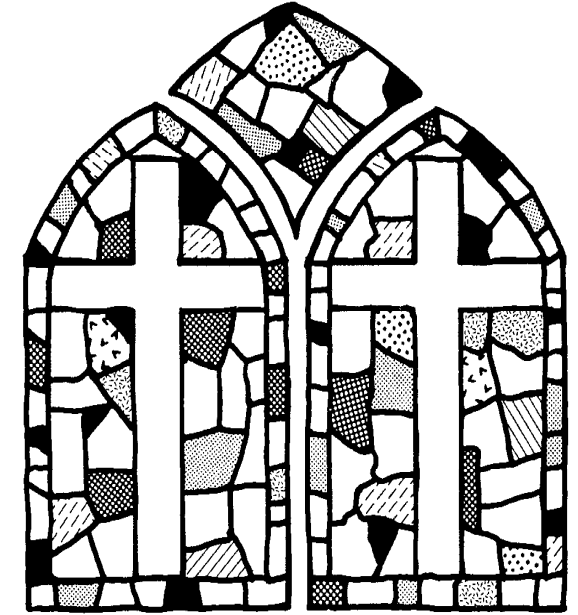
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm
Sunday Mass 7:30, 9:00, 10:45 am
..... (Spanish) 1:00 pm
Monday –Friday 8:00 am
First Friday 7:00 pm
Holy Day Vigil 7:00 pm
Holy Day 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

ST. VINCENT de PAUL CHURCH

14673 Cantova Way, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683
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Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass 9:00 am
Wednesday Mass 8:30 am
Friday (Communion Svc) 8:30 am
Holy Day Vigil 7:00 pm
Spanish Mass (Third Sunday only) 10:30 am

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Liturgy of the Word for Children is offered during the 9:00 and 10:45 Sunday Masses. Young children, age 4-9, are invited to a nearby room to explore the Scriptures at their level of understanding. They return to church for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Bill Yagley, EG
Bruce/Janet Cann, RM
Please contact the parish office

ALTAR SERVER

Boys and girls who have received First Communion are invited to consider this ministry of service to God and His people during our Mass. Information and training is available. Please contact the parish office

Stacy McCarley, EG
Jimi Collons, RM

LECTOR

Those who are fully initiated in our Church are invited to this ministry of proclaiming the Scriptures at Mass, bringing light and life to the Word of God.

Percy White, Trainer, EG
Trish Lenkiewicz, Coordinator, EG
Shawn/Megan Kassel, Coordinators, RM
Please contact the parish office

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION

Fully initiated active Catholics having a love of the Eucharist and a desire to serve the Church may become Eucharistic ministers. Preparation and training are necessary for this ministry.

Mari Barragan, EG
Ed Denison, RM
Please contact the parish office

CHOIR - MUSIC MINISTRY

Our Masses are enhanced by the music of many different voices. Speak to the choir director after Mass for more information.

Amy Roberts, EG
Ray Guertin, RM
Please contact the parish office

WAYS TO SERVE—OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN

CATECHISTS GRADES K-8

As a catechist, parishioners have the opportunity to transfer our faith to the children of our parish. Ideally, each Faith Formation (CFF) session has a team of two to three catechists working with a group of approximately twenty children each week.

The CFF calendar runs from September through May. Training is available to help enhance your catechetical and personal faith development.

Please contact the parish office

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

Once a week, Eucharistic Ministers bring Holy Communion to the homebound of the parish. Please call the office if you know someone who cannot attend Mass but would like to receive the Eucharist.

Please contact the parish office, EG
Dianne Larson, RM

COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICES

The Liturgy of the Word, prayer, and reception of the Eucharist is provided for residents and patients confined in retirement and convalescent facilities where Mass attendance is not available. Catechist and Eucharistic Ministers conduct the services.

Richard Schloemann, Coordinator, EG

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to offer comfort and support to those who have suffered a loss of a loved one. A group of parishioners have received the training necessary to become ministers of consolation who direct grief support sessions a few times a year to meet the needs of those who mourn.

Marlene Fadness, EG
Deacon Dennis, RM

USHERS/HOSPITALITY

Ushers welcome parishioners and visitors to Sunday Mass, and thereby draw people together with a sense of unity and purpose.

Contact an usher at the Mass at which you participate, EG
Othell Jackson, RM

RCIA

The RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process by which adults become members of the Catholic Church. Preparation sessions are held weekly beginning in September. Celebration of the sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, takes place at the Easter Vigil Service.

Sr. Nancy McInerney, EG
Bob Hanson, RM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Society meets the first Tuesday of each month. They sponsor programs such as the Brown Bag Program, which provides specialty foods to seniors, shut-ins and disabled persons; quarterly visits to convalescent homes; and home visitations. New members are always welcome.

Nina Heim, President, EG
Lynn King, RM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are involved in many activities of the parish, diocese and local community. Meetings are held on Thursday evenings in the St. Mary room in the Social Hall. Contact the Grand Knight for more information.

Russ Tereau, Grand Knight, EG
Bill Montoya, Deputy Grand Knight, EG

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP—FCCW

Fellowship of Catholic Christian Women is a study group open to all Christian women that meets twice a month on Thursday evenings in the Renwald Room.

Co-Facilitators: GERALYN BOLLONG, (916) 685-7284
JEANNE ECKER, (916) 682-6432

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School serves students from K-8 from both St. Joseph and Good Shepherd parishes. The school is located in Laguna, next to Good Shepherd Church.

Trina Koontz, Principal, (916) 684-7903

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council serves in an advisory capacity to assist the pastor in serving the parish community by exploring the needs of the parish.

Stephen Lunsford, Chair, EG
Marie Hanson, Chair, RM

FINANCE COUNCIL

The Finance Council functions as a consultative body to the pastor. This council monitors the financial condition and budget of the parish.

Anthony Salamanca, Chair, EG

LITURGY COMMITTEE

The Liturgy Committee meets quarterly in Elk Grove and monthly in Rancho Murieta to plan the liturgy for Sundays and liturgical feasts.

The committee focuses on liturgical themes, environment and music.

ST VINCENT de PAUL MISSION CHURCH RANCHO MURIETA

PRAYER GROUP—RM

The Prayer group meets Monday evenings at 7 pm in the church. The meeting includes Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other prayers.

Lynn King, (916) 687-6442, RM

VOCATIONS CROSS—RM

Parishioners take a special crucifix home and pray for vocations. The cross travels to a different family each month. Sign-up sheets are in the RM vestibule.

Marge/Bob Coffman, (916) 354-1744, RM