

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for AUGUST 2026:

FOR EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS



Sunday, August 23

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph Family
10:00 a.m. Mariana Fabian &
Xavier Damian Lopez

Tuesday, August 25

7:50 a.m. ROSARY
8:15 a.m. Mr. Lemons
6:00 p.m. SPANISH MASS

Wednesday, August 26

7:50 a.m. ROSARY
8:15 a.m. Clara Bowie

Thursday, August 27

Memorial of St. Monica
7:50 a.m. ROSARY
8:15 a.m. Donnie Campbell

Friday, August 28

Memorial St. Augustine
7:50 a.m. ROSARY
8:15 a.m. Prayer List
Intentions

8:45 a.m. Eucharistic
Adoration

Saturday, August 29

*The Passion of
St. John the Baptist*
7:50 a.m. Rosary
8:15 a.m. MASS

RECONCILIATION

*Wednesday and Friday
After Mass or by appt*

SPANISH LANGUAGE MASS

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
SUNDAY: 12:15 p.m.

August 30th - 9 a.m. MASS

St. Joseph will celebrate together during **one Mass next Sunday August 30**. In the months with 5 Sundays, we will celebrate together with **one Mass at 9 a.m.**

August 30 we will have a potluck following Mass. The Ladies Sodality will provide chicken tetrazzini plus a vegetable. Parishioners are invited to bring another dish, side dish or dessert.

FAITH FORMATION 2026-2027

There will be a **MENTOR MEETING** today at 11:30 a.m. in the Library. This fall, we are in need of more **MENTORS** (Teachers) to help teach our children the Word of God. Each Sunday will have a lesson scheduled, with all Lesson Plans provided.

If you cannot commit to teaching every Sunday but want to be of assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out – St. Joseph appreciates all help/hands and can work with your family schedule. Mentors will also be needing class **CHAPERONES** (non-teaching assistants, 18 years old and above) during the Sunday School 8:45-9:50 a.m. classes. Chaperone sign up forms are in the back of the church and leave the completed form in the same folder. What a great volunteer opportunity!

English **ENROLLMENT AND ORIENTATION** for First Communion and Grade School classes will be next month on September 13 at 9:00 a.m. in the Hall and for Spanish, on September 15 after the Spanish Mass. One may join on either day to fill out the forms since translation will be provided. New paperwork registration will be needed for First Communion and Grade School only. Confirmation students need not sign up again. All classes will start on *September 20, 2026*. Regular Sunday School are from 8:45-9:50 a.m. and Confirmation classes, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Both meet in the Hall. For questions or more information, please contact Ms. Gabbie at (618)6972790.



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO MARIANA AND XAVIER, O LORD and let your perpetual light shine upon them! We commend into your hands, our sister, Mariana Fatima Fabian, and her unborn son, Xavier Damian Lopez who passed away Friday, August 14, 2026 from an automobile accident. And to their family: partner and Xavier's father, Carlos Lopez; daughter, Ivy Lopez; parents, Benjamin and Adelina Paneda Fabian; siblings, Noel, Alejandro, Esperanza, Baltazar and Alma; extended family members and friends, our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to you. May God's love give you comfort and hope during this difficult time. *Mariana, you and Baby Xavier are gone too soon. Your St. Joseph Family prays for your repose, with Xavier, in the arms of our Lord, Jesus and the motherly love of Mama Mary. St. Joseph, our patron, please pray for Mariana, Baby Xavier and the Lopez and Fabian Families!* To view their obituary and leave condolences, please go to: [Mariana Fatima Fabian Obituary Rendleman & Hileman Funeral Homes.](#)



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Aug 1 Rhiza Taliseo
Aug 6 Scarlett Brumleve
Aug 6 Sara Lopez
Aug 10 Marc & Lori Cohen
Aug 11 Diana Steele
Aug 13 Cynthia Wagner
Aug 20 Stanley McGee
Aug 22 Jennifer Yacup
Aug 25 Sherry Haddick

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Lector: Sherry Haddick
EM: Mark Haddick, Diana Steele
10:00 a.m. Lector: Morgan Cerny
EM: Maria Carmona
Tom Cerny, Patty Flamm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Lector: Brian Sapp
EM: Lori Cohen
Liv Cerny, Mark Haddick

Sacrament of RECONCILIATION: Wednesday & Friday after Mass and by appointment

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

The deadline to submit an announcement for the BULLETIN is Thursday evening. You may email it to: stjoeobdenLV23@gmail.com and/or stjosephscobden@gmail.com. For questions, please call or text Luisa at (618) 967-4452.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

AUGUST 16, 2026

General Fund	\$2256
Offering	\$1801
Assumption	\$430
Defray Salaries	\$25
Building Fund	\$50
Cemetery Fund	\$70

Those in the Military (ActiveDuty): Scott Bourne, Aaron Cerny, Katie Eck, John Russell, Lauren Sweitzer, Devin Vitt

Those in Need of Healing: AYB, Alan & EJ Anderson, Jack Bailey, Regina Boone, Marvin B, Brian, Rachel, Cade Cohen, Regina Fuse, Jake Harris, Sue Hayden, Mark, F. Johnson, Elsa Jose, Susan Kern, Shawn Knupp, Ed Mangrum, Cari Hatley Marx, Stan McGee, Joan Patterson, Sheron Pearson, Dominic Pedrotty & Family, Giovanni Poletti, Bonnie del Rosario, TR, Zetta Ramsey, Vicki Sadler, John S., Donna Shannon, Linda Spray, Rosie Stadelbacher, C. Timms, F. Tuliao, Carrie Turner, Reed Uekman, Tia Villarreal, Wacker Family

Those in the Nursing Home: Jo Cerny, Larry Flamm, Mike McClelland

This Saturday, August 29, we remember the **PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**.

"While St. John the Baptist's birthday is celebrated on June 24 each year, his death (and beheading) is celebrated on August 29. He was put to death at about the time of the Pasch, a year before Christ's Passion, but the feast of his death is kept today, the anniversary of the finding of his head at Emesa in Syria in 452". (<https://aleteia.org/2021/08/29/why-is-the-passion-of-john-baptist-celebrated-on-august-29/>)

"But the main event is the fidelity of John the Baptist, who completed his work of pointing beyond himself to Jesus and surrendered his life without knowing if its larger meaning or purpose was fulfilled. Jesus grieved the death of John and took seriously the threat it posed for him. He withdrew with his disciples for a time to ponder its meaning and to find inspiration in John's courage and faith. We are invited to do the same." (www.ncronline.org/news/spirituality/pencil-preaching/passion-john-baptist)

A Benefit next month for our sister, Bonnie, who is battling cancer: **ROCK THE VINEYARD** for BONNIE DEL ROSARIO. "Delta Theta Tau, Diamond Dog, and StarView Vineyard are teaming up to have a benefit for Bonnie, who is currently unable to work due to cancer treatments. She is one of the nicest and most caring ladies who has given so much to her patients at SIH Rehabilitation - it's time we give back to her. We will be having a silent auction, selling t-shirts, and some Tail Wagging music with Diamond Dog at StarView on September 5, 2026. Music is from 5-8, and the Silent Auction will be from 3-8. If you would like to donate a Silent Auction item, please reach contact Jennifer Massey at 618-203-7566 or Jennifer Eastman at 618-697-3732. There is a suggested donation of \$10 per person. Help make this event successful! We can't wait to see everyone and supporting Bonnie!"

To see the event on Facebook, please go to: facebook.com/events/s/rock-the-vineyard-for-bonnie-d. Let us go and rock the vineyard! As always, your prayers for Bonnie and the Del Rosario Family are greatly appreciated.

From Gary Wiggs: "The **CRUCIFIX** at the St. Joseph Cemetery has developed two cracks in the base. Weiss Monument will be removing it and, once a new base is received, they will return to install. No time frame is available at this time for the return of the crucifix. This announcement is to advise the church members accordingly."

From St. Mary: Interested in becoming Catholic? Discover Faith. Find Belonging. The **ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** (OCIA) is your pathway to explore the beauty, truth, and community of the Catholic faith.

Whether you're seeking baptism, confirmation, or simply curious about Catholicism, OCIA welcomes you with open arms. Come and see what God has in store for you. Join us at St. Mary's Parish, where faith becomes family. *Our second Inquiry session for OCIA will be August 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall.*

We are also looking for team members for the various presentations to be used during the year, candidate sponsors or to be in the hospitality committee (serving refreshments at the end of sessions). Contact the St. Mary parish office or Father Larry to learn more.

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