

St. Joachim
Catholic Church



Iglesia Católica
de San Joaquín

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March 7,
2021

Third Sunday of Lent



MASS SCHEDULES

Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4 PM, Wednesday 6-7 PM

Reconciliación

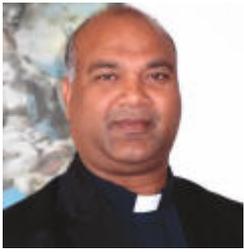
Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4PM

Masses Currently we have outdoor masses in English on Sunday at 9:00 AM and in Spanish on Sunday at 2:00 PM

Mass Schedule

We have indoor weekend masses at on Saturday at 4:30 PM in English and 6:00 PM in Spanish and on Sunday at 10:30 AM in English — All Masses are live streamed on Facebook or our webpage live. You can receive communion after the weekend masses by coming to the placita immediately after mass.

United in faith and guided by the Holy Spirit



From the Pastor's Desk:

On Sunday morning February 21st I was informed by our Music Director, Ariel Mayormita, that on Saturday evening Ms. Luzviminda Bermudez had fallen down in her house and was rushed to hospital and was undergoing treatment. During the Sunday mass, special prayers were offered for her speedy recovery. However, at 11.30 am I was informed that Ms. Minda had died. The immediate feeling that came to my mind was, "What a terrible loss to our parish." Indeed, she had been a treasure to our parish community. In addition to being a very active member of our parish for many years, she had been a very dear friend to so many of our parishioners.

Ms. Luzviminda Bermudez was born on October 21st 1943 at San Jose City, Nueva Ecija, in the Philippines to Mr. David Datayan and Ms. Liwayway Datayan. She had the fortune of living in a very affectionate family of one brother and two sisters. In 1968, while working in the Credit Department at Consolidated Foods, Philippines, she met Mr. Ernie Bermudez and fell in love with him. The couple got married in the year 1970 and on the following year moved to the U.S.A. The couple were blessed with two sons, David Erickson Bermudez and Christian Bermudez.

Ms. Minda Bermudez had been a very active member of our parish for more than 40 years. She served our church as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server at the daily Masses and Communion Minister to the sick and home bound. Whenever a scheduled lector or communion minister or daily mass server did not show up, Ms. Minda Bermudez was ready to take up that responsibility at short notice and serve in that capacity. On every Monday, she spent half a day in the Rectory counting the Sunday offering and then tabulating and getting it ready to be deposited in the bank. Her presence in the Rectory on Mondays while counting the Sunday offering brought so much of joy and happiness to everyone in that group. In addition to spending so much of time and energy in our church, Ms. Minda also helped our church financially whenever there was a need. Both at the time of the reconstruction of our Bell Tower and the renovation of our church's sanctuary, Ms. Minda Bermudez made a very generous financial donation to our church. Ms. Minda Bermudez always considered St. Joachim church as her second home.

Mr. Ernie Bermudez thinks of his wife as a very loving wife, a responsible mother and an excellent cook. In addition to many wonderful qualities that Ms. Minda Bermudez had, I think of her as the best "Turon" (a Filipino dessert made with Jack fruit and banana) maker in the world! Whenever she made "Turon", there was always a portion reserved for me! In her death, St. Joachim parish, Hayward, has lost a dedicated inspiring and affectionate parishioner. I will certainly miss her presence at the altar during daily masses. May God grant her the eternal reward of being with him for ever in his heavenly abode in the company of Mother Mary and all the saints.

Nota de nuestro pastor: El domingo 21 de febrero por la mañana, nuestro director musical, Ariel Mayormita, me informó que el sábado por la noche la señora Luzviminda Bermúdez se había caído en su casa y había sido trasladada de urgencia al hospital y estaba en tratamiento. Durante la misa dominical, se ofrecieron oraciones especiales por su pronta recuperación. Sin embargo, a las 11.30 am me informaron que la señora Minda había muerto. El sentimiento inmediato que me vino a la mente fue: "Qué terrible pérdida para nuestra parroquia". De hecho, ella había sido un tesoro para nuestra comunidad parroquial. Además de ser un miembro muy activo de nuestra parroquia durante muchos años, había sido una amiga muy querida para muchos de nuestros feligreses.

La Sra. Luzviminda Bermudez nació el 21 de octubre de 1943 en la ciudad de San José, Nueva Ecija, en las Filipinas, hijo del Sr. David Datayan y la Sra. Liwayway Datayan. Tuvo la fortuna de vivir en una familia muy querida compuesta de un hermano y dos hermanas. En 1968, mientras trabajaba en el Departamento de Crédito de Consolidated Foods, Filipinas, conoció al Sr. Ernie Bermudez y se enamoró de él. La pareja se casó en el año 1970 y al año siguiente se mudó a los EE. UU. La pareja fue bendecida con dos hijos, David Erickson Bermudez y Christian Bermudez.

La señorita Minda Bermúdez había sido un miembro muy activo de nuestra parroquia durante más de 40 años. Ella sirvió a nuestra iglesia como Lectora, Ministra de Eucaristía, Monaguillo en las Misas diarias y Ministra de Comunión a los enfermos y confinados en casa. Siempre que un lector anotado, un ministro de la comunión o un servidor de la misa diaria no se presentaba, la Sra. Minda Bermúdez estaba lista para asumir esa responsabilidad con poca anticipación y servir en esa capacidad. Todos los lunes pasaba medio día en la rectoría contando la ofrenda dominical y luego tabulando y preparándola para depositarla en el banco. Su presencia en la Rectoría los lunes mientras contaba la ofrenda del domingo trajo mucha alegría y felicidad a todos en ese grupo. Además de dedicar tanto tiempo y energía a nuestra iglesia, la Sra. Minda también ayudó económicamente a nuestra iglesia cuando fue necesario. Tanto en el momento de la reconstrucción de nuestro campanario como de la renovación del santuario de nuestra iglesia, la señora Minda Bermúdez hizo una donación financiera muy generosa a nuestra iglesia. La señora Minda Bermúdez siempre consideró a la iglesia de San Joaquín como su segundo hogar.

El señor Ernie Bermudez piensa en su esposa como una esposa muy cariñosa, una madre responsable y una excelente cocinera. Además de las muchas cualidades maravillosas que tenía la señorita Minda Bermúdez, ¡la considero la mejor productora de "Turon" (un postre filipino hecho con fruta Jack y plátano) del mundo! Siempre que hacía "Turon", ¡siempre había una porción reservada para mí! En su muerte, la parroquia de San Joaquín, Hayward, ha perdido a un feligrés dedicado, inspirador y cariñoso. Ciertamente extrañaré su presencia en el altar durante las misas diarias. Que Dios le conceda la recompensa eterna de estar con él para siempre en su morada celestial en compañía de la Madre María y de todos los santos.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week
of March 7, 2021

Sun/Dom:

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mon/Lunes:

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/ Lk 4:24-30

Tues/Martes:

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35

Wed/Mier:

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20]/ Mt 5:17-19

Thurs/Juev:

Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/ Lk 11:14-2

Fri/Vier:

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34

Sat/Sab:

Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sun./Dom:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday - Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM Bilingual
on facebook and our webpage

Weekend Masses

sign up in advance for indoor masses

- Saturday 4:30 English inside church
- Saturday 6:00 Spanish inside church
- Sunday 10:30 English inside Church
- ALL INDOOR MASSES LIVE STREAMED
- Sunday 9:00 English parking lot
- Sunday 2:00 Spanish parking lot

OFFICE INFORMATION

Parish Office

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Parish Fax

783-2760

Parish Email

office@saintjoachim.net

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 10 AM-7:30

PM

Bilingual available

7:30 PM

Saturday 10 AM- 4 PM

Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM

Sunday 12 PM -4 PM

Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM

Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

Pastor

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday

10 AM to 12 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (with appointment)

lunes, martes, miércoles, y viernes

10 AM a 12 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

Rev. Ricardo Gonzalez, SVD

Parochial Vicar

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (with appointment)

lunes, miércoles, jueves y viernes

10:00 AM a 12:00 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

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St. Vincent de Paul

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785-1818

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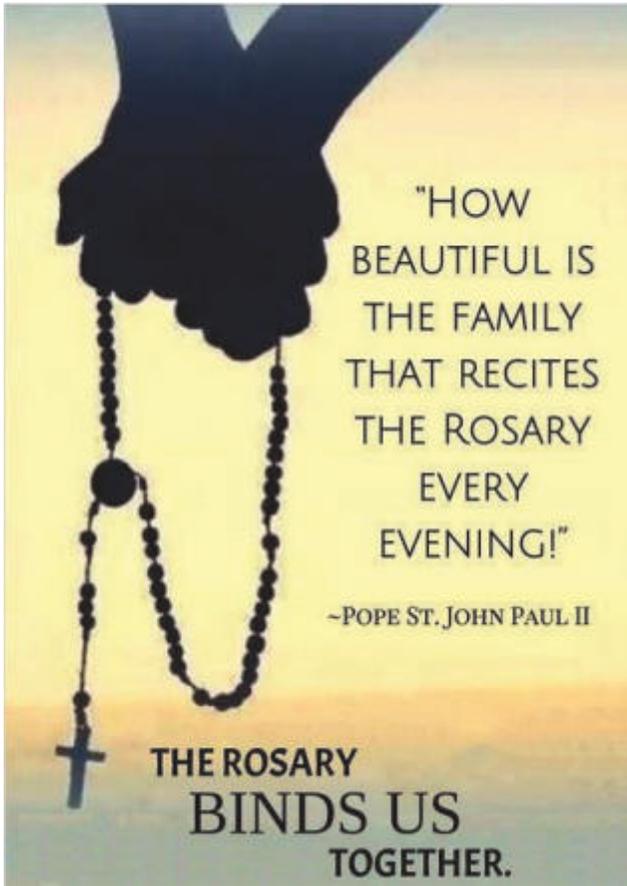
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 - Herminigilda Manuel
 - Rodelio Manuel
 - Florencio Rodriguez
 - Albert Gonzales Jr.
 - Albert Gonzales III
 - Brenda Gonzales
 - Gabby & Giselle Gonzales
 - Kristina & Angelita Gonzales
 - Edgar Delos Angeles
 - Hali & Hunter Bubon
 - Beatriz Perez

DONATIONS
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 offering for next week:

**Peanut Butter, Jelly
 or Crackers**

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Donations are very much appreciated—but please no expired food. ~ Thank You

**CONTRIBUTIONS
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**COLLECTION FOR
 February 22-28, 2021**

The Plate Collection
\$ 3,191.00

EFT Collection
\$ 340.00

On Line Giving
\$ 1,115.00

TOTAL
\$ 4,646.00

VATICAN CORNER

Pope Francis will be visiting Iraq from March 5th through 8th, 2021. It will be the first time a pope has visited the biblical land of Iraq and it will be Francis' first return to jet plane travel since November 2019 when the global pandemic stopped his visits. Iraq is a spiritual pilgrimage of sorts and it is full of important religious sites. It is a place known in Arabic as the "land of the two



mighty Tigris and Euphrates, a land once called Mesopotamia, the "cradle of civilization." The Garden of Eden could have been in ancient Iraq, but certainly the famous Hanging Gardens of Babylon and the Tower of Babel were located there. The prophets of the Bible inhabited Iraq, the oldest being Abraham, who headed from the Chaldean Ur to the Holy land where the era of prophecy began. Iraq is where Prophet Jonah lived and called for repentance and return to God. It is where Jews were exiled in Old Testament times, such as the prophet Daniel, rescued from the lion's den by God's grace. Two days after Pope Francis's papal installation in 2013, Cardinal Louis Sako, the patriarch of Babylon met with Francis and made his pitch for a papal visit to Iraq. Pope John Paul II had planned to visit Iraq in the year 2000, but talks with the then-President Saddam Hussein broke down. Pope Benedict XVI was later invited to visit by the Iraqi government, but concern about security prevented the trip. Pope Francis promised Cardinal Sako that he would visit "because he doesn't want to disappoint the Iraqi people a second time and he said "I am the pastor of people who are suffering." The Iraqi Christians have been disappearing. Before the U.S. led invasion of Iraq in 2003, there were between 1.3 and 1.5 million Christians living there, or about 1 percent of the population. Ninety-five to Ninety-eight percent of the population of Iraq is of either the Shiite Muslim or Sunni Muslim religions. During the chaos of the Iraqi war many fled and the number of Christians was reduced to around 500,000. Then came the rise of the Islamic State (Isis) and the genocide against the country's Christian and the Yazidism religions by Islamist militants. The estimate is now fewer than 250,000 Christians remain in the country. Church leaders had been tortured, kidnapped and assassinated, monasteries and churches systematically burned and destroyed. Christians that remain say they are treated as second-class citizens, and many still want to leave. Isis is now gone, but the Christians are wary of returning home. Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Pietro Parolin said that "the Pope feels the need to go and give encouragement to these Christians, and invite them to continue giving their witness in an environment that is not at all easy." Francis is on a mission to heal post-genocide Iraq. But another part of his mission is to try and build a bridge that divides Iraq between the Sunni and Shiite Muslims. *to be continued ...Sources: vaticannews.va, foreignpolicy.com, catholicnews.com*

"Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in many important ways."



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In these most difficult times your Church still needs your financial assistance.

There are a few easy ways to do that:

1. ~Mail your donation to the Rectory office
2. ~Drop your donation in the mail slot near the front Rectory door
3. ~Donate on line — the easy way . Go to our website saintjoachim.net , in the upper right corner of the home page of the page click on donate/pay, select weekly/monthly donation and complete the form. It is easy to update and change as you want to. If you need assistance with this call the office and leave your name and phone and we will call you back and assist you. *We understand these hard times and appreciate you helping the church.*

MASS INTENTIONS

March 6-13, 2021

Saturday 4:30 PM

The Community of St. Joachim

Saturday 6:00 PM

The Community of St. Joachim

Sunday 9:00 AM

Angelica Rayathah (*thanksgiving*)

Rose Robles (*thanksgiving*)

Roberto & Julieta Rimando

(*thanksgiving*)

Hermenio & Catalina Garcia †

Luzviminda Bermudez †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Talae Family (*thanksgiving*)

Selena Castellanos (*thanksgiving*)

Maria Nenita O. Fulgueras (*healing*)

David A. Tayco †

Ulpiano M. Fulgueras † (*1st anniversary*)

Maria Silva †

Sunday 2:00 PM

Ana Luisa Camacho †

Luz Bertha Loza †

Paula Camacho †

Daniel Camacho †

Monday 10:00 AM

Danilo Santos †

Tuesday 10:00 AM

Francisco, Lolita & Edwardo

Gactchalian †

Wednesday 10:00 AM

Manuel Cruz (*birthday*)

Hector, Carolina & Leticia Cruz

(*thanksgiving*)

Jessie Cabrinha †

Crescente de los Reyes Sr. († *birthday*)

Thursday 10:00 AM

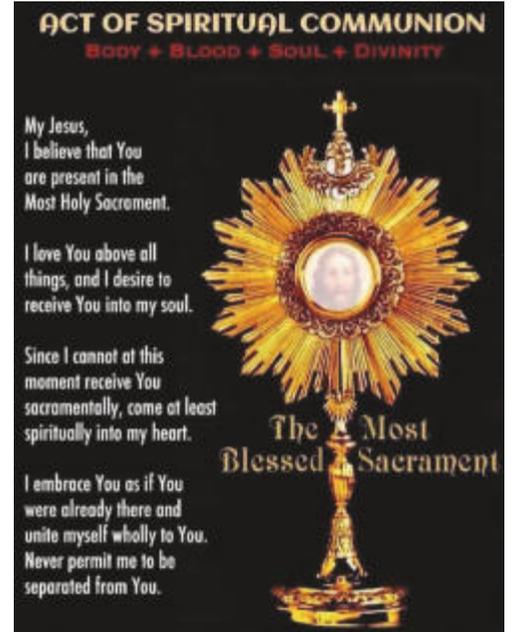
The Community of St. Joachim

Friday 10:00 AM

Luzviminda Bermudez †

Saturday 10:00 AM

Ramon G. Garcia †



Say this prayer
when Father receives
Holy Communion
when you are
participating from
your home in our
on line masses.

HOW TO REQUEST A MASS INTENTION

If you would like to do a mass intention while the office is closed the easiest way is to do it online on our parish website saintjoachim.net / Select the Donate/Pay in the upper right hand corner and then select mass intentions , put all your payment information in and in the comment section please put a date and time of the mass you would like your intention read at. Even though right now those mass times do not exist we would like to know which mass would be your preference. Intentions must be in by noon the day before except for the weekend masses - those must be submitted by noon on Friday. You can still drop mass intentions in the Rectory mail slot or in the mail but these must be a minimum of one week in advance since we are not in the office on a regular basis now. If you have questions about this process, please call the Rectory Office and someone will return your call.



Public Masses to Resume

The faithful remain dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy days of Obligation

- ~ Limited to 100 people per mass indoors — including ministers, ushers, lectors and others serving at that mass.
- ~ Weekend Indoor masses will be Saturday at 4:30 / English and 6:00/ Spanish. Sunday 10:30 / English. These will be livestreamed.
- ~ Weekend Parking lot masses will be 9:00/ English and 2:00/ Spanish (both on Sunday)
- ~ Daily mass Monday—Saturday 10:00 AM in English —it will be livestreamed.

When you come to Mass

Everyone attending will comply with ALL the following

- ~ Make a reservation beginning at 10:00AM on the Tuesday before the weekend you want to attend either by calling the rectory or going directly to the website, or our facebook page
- ~ Plan on arriving a minimum of 20 minutes before mass starts. If there is a mass before the one you are attending, remain in your car until you make sure the church is open before you get in line.
- ~ Placita glass door is the ONLY door to enter
- ~ Your reservation will be checked
- ~ Your Temperature will be taken (no touch)
- ~ You must wear a mask at all times—limited number of masks available if you do not have one.
- ~ hand sanitizer is available—but we encourage you to bring your own.
- ~ an usher will seat you, your selected seat will be marked on the map. No one will go to a seat without being escorted—please follow ushers directions

To receive Communion

- ~ Father will give communion to the ONE Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at communion time.
- ~ Ushers will direct you to come to communion. The side pews will be first, then the main section.
- ~ To receive communion, you will receive The Body of Christ, in your hand, take a step to the side, remove your mask with your other hand, then consume the host, and then replace your mask. If you want to receive in the mouth go to the back of the church to the main double doors and be the last one that goes to Father for Communion.

Welcome Back!!

Indoor and Livestream Mass Schedule

Saturday—4:30 — English

sábado —6:00 — Español

Sunday — 10:30—English

Limited space—reservations required at all above masses

Outdoor Mass Schedule

Sunday - 9:00 AM—English

domingo—2:00 PM—Español

When you come into the Church

There will be several things that are new and different, than anything else you seen before — be patient, with us — it is new for us too.

- ~ An usher will seat you — they will try to let you sit at/near where you want but please let them seat you — the church is mapped for social distancing—and the ushers are in charge of making sure we all follow these guidelines.
- ~ Every other pew is roped off
- ~ You can only sit with people that you came with — you stay 6 ft from other parishioners.
- ~ The Presiding Priest and Lector will not process in, Father will come alone directly from the Sacristy. We will not have Altar Servers.
- ~ The credence table will be right next to the altar.
- ~ We will not have the sign of peace in a contact exchange with other parishioners, or holding hands at the Our Father.
- ~ Father does the final prayer and ends mass.
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