

ST. JEROME CHURCH

308 CARMEL AVE, EL CERRITO, CA | 510-525-0876 | CHURCHSAINTJEROME@GMAIL.COM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2025

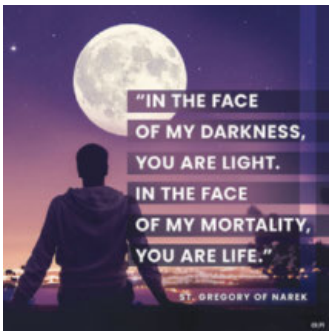
7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPi

February 23, 2025
7th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Luke 6:27-38



One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, **"Be merciful just as your Father is merciful"** (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect *that* perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of *God's* life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

The Activities Group and Fr. Michael are busy planning our own Mardi Gras event. It is scheduled for Saturday, March 1 in Rohan Hall. This is a Fundraiser. All proceeds are to aid our neighbors in need.

No Host Happy Hour 5:45-6:30pm
Dinner 6:30pm
Come in costume (optional) Masks Encouraged Karaoke & More
Price $20.00 per person.

Menu includes: Creamy chicken with Pasta, Salad, Vegetable, & more



Prepared by our Most Holy Master Chef
Fr. Michael

RSVP by Wednesday February 26
to Judy 510-526-8947
Email, Text, or Call the Office
At 510-525-0876

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Friday:
8:00am to Noon.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
8:00am to 4:00pm
Please visit our website at www.stjeromeec.org

Coming or Going?

On the way home from the Ash Wednesday service, a young boy asked his mother, "Is it true that we are made of dust?"
"Yes, darling."
"And do we go back to dust again when we die?"
"Yes, dear."
"Wow!" said the boy. "When I said my prayers last night and looked under the bed, I found someone who is either coming or going!"

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, February 24
8:00am-Rosary: Church
9:00am-Renew: Online

Tuesday, February 25
8:00am-Rosary: Church
1:00pm-Crafter: Rohan Hall

Wednesday, February 26
8:00am-Rosary: Church
10:45am-11:45am SVDP-Food Pantry: Rohan Hall

Thursday, February 27
8:00am-Rosary: Church
9:00am-Coffee Klatch: Rohan Hall

Friday, February 28
8:00am-Rosary: Church

Saturday, March 1
5:00pm-Mass
5:45-Mardi Gras Dinner: Rohan Hall

Sunday, March 2
8:00 and 10:00am-Mass

DONATIONS

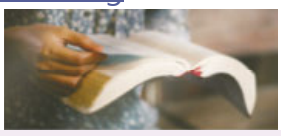
February 16.....$2242
E-Giving.....$ 505

MORNING ROSARY

You are invited to join us Mondays through Fridays in the church at 8:00am to say the Rosary.



You can sign-up for daily Mass readings to be delivered to your email at https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 22
5:00pm Michael Srago †
Int. of Esther Coya

Sunday, February 23
8:00am Angelo & Ivana Matteucci †
Judy Volandri †
10:00am Francisco De La Cruz †

Monday, February 24
8:30am Paul Osterholt †

Tuesday, February 25
8:30am Ceasar M. Roque †

Wednesday, February 26
8:30am Int. of All souls & Peoples

Thursday, February 27
8:30am Int. of All souls & Peoples

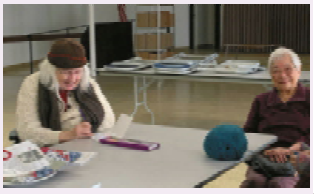
Friday, February 28
Int. of Michael Raymondo Co

CRAFTERS

In Rohan Hall every Tuesday from 1:00-4:00pm.



Join us.
We're a
Friendly group!





ASH WEDNESDAY

March, 5 2025
8:30 am Mass
7:30pm Mass
Ashes will be distributed at these Masses

OUR SICK		OUR DECEASED	
Laverne Lara	Alicia	Francis Nguyen †	Andy O'Donnell †
Virginia Valasquez-Cruz	Martha	Maria Tran †	Nick Magadia †
Loretta	Steve	Ivana Matteucci †	Nick Iacobitti †
Curt	Bella	Ceasar Ian †	Art Parziale †
Elenore	Jose	Michael Srago †	John Barassi †

Pastoral Team
Rev. Michael Pham, Parochial Administrator
Email: fr.michaelpham@gmail.com Ex. 102
Elizabeth Oishi, Director of Children's Catechesis Phone: 510-292-7354

Ms. Carol DuPont, Confirmation Coordinator
Ms. Mary Davidson, Office Manager, Ex. 101
Parish Email: churchsaintjerome@gmail.com
Leadership Councils
Mr. Charles Cardall, Parish Finance Council

RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday: 4:00pm or by appointment.
INFANT BAPTISM
Parents should call the office to schedule a Baptism.

MARRRIAGE
Couples please make appointment 6 months in advance.
FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES
Please inquire at the Parish office.

Floor Dimensions
where beautiful rooms begin
IT'S NOT A JOB... IT'S OUR PASSION
Since 1986
"Low price guarantee!"
www.floordimensions.com
CARPET | VINYL | WOOD | LINOLEUM | TILE
BETWEEN GILMAN & BUCHANAN ST.
510-525-5656 CL#788850 1081 Eastshore Hwy., Berkeley

WE APPRECIATE OUR ADVERTISERS!

OLIVERO PLUMBING
Quality Service Since 1951
Sewers • Drains • Water Heaters
Disposals • Remodeling • Contracting
Our Showroom Features The Most Modern Fixtures and Faucets
Call Today 510-233-3511
State Lic. No. # 162170

ONE NAME TO REMEMBER
WHEN IT'S TIME TO
REMEMBER
EXCELLENT, AFFORDABLE SERVICES SINCE 1908
SUNSET VIEW
CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
CEMETERY • CREMATORY • MORTUARY
101 Colusa Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530
F.D. LIC #1079
CALL US ABOUT PRE-NEED ARRANGEMENTS
SUNSETVIEWMORTUARY.COM
510.525.5111

IF YOU LIVE ALONE
MDMedAlert!™
✔ Ambulance ✔ Police/Fire
✔ Family/Friends ✔ GPS & Fall Alert
Starting At $19.95/mo.
CALL NOW! 800.809.3570
md-medalert.com

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS
Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!
CONTACT ME
Jose Altamirano
jaltamirano@4LPi.com • (800) 950-9952 x2118

SHORT STAFFED?
Place an ad here to find new local talent for your business.
CALL 800-477-4574

PAT PRENDIVILLE
with
Security Pacific Real Estate Brokerage
3223 Blume Dr., Richmond
FREE MARKET ANALYSIS OF YOUR HOME
KNOWLEDGABLE • CARING • EXPERIENCED
OFFICE: 510.662.8546 DIRECT: 510.851.4663
pprendivil@aol.com Fax: 410.222.6396

Bossa Nova Insurance Services
• Commercial Insurance
• Worker's Compensation
• Property Insurance
• Auto Insurance
• DMV Renewals & Transfers
• Notary Public Services
LUCIANA VITIELLO
510-559-1066
10468 -A San Pablo Ave.
El Cerrito, Ca 94530
WE ARE FLUENT IN ENGLISH, SPANISH & PORTUGUESE
www.BossaNovaInsuranceServices.com

FREE AD DESIGN
with purchase of this space
CALL 800-477-4574

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Center for BETTER HEARING
Simply. Better. Hearing.
A Kenwood Hearing Centers Company
Voted El Cerrito's Best Hearing Center
Hearing Test • Hearing Aid Fitting
Hearing Aid Repair & Service
510-526-3824
190 El Cerrito Plaza, El Cerrito, CA 94530
www.mybetterhearing.com

ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust
• Burglary • Flood Detection
• Fire Safety • Carbon Monoxide
ADT Authorized Provider | SafeStreets
833-287-3502

DOES YOUR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION NEED A NEWSLETTER?
Engaging, ad-supported print and digital newsletters to reach your community.
Visit lpicommunities.com
Scan to contact us!

WE'RE HIRING!
AD SALES EXECUTIVES
BE YOURSELF.
BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.
• Paid training
• Some travel
• Work-life balance
• Full-Time with benefits
• Serve your community
Contact us at careers@4lpi.com or www.4lpi.com/careers

catholicmatch® California
CatholicMatch.com/CA