

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

“ FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ”



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“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday & Friday | 8:30 am
St. Joseph
Tuesday & Thursday | 8:30
St Francis

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's
Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis
10:30 am St Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's
Sunday | 8 am St Francis
Or by appointment

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community
of St. Francis of Assisi and
St. Joseph's
are called to live the Gospel message
of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship,
Faith Formation and Service to others.

Trustees

| SJ | SF |
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| Sheila Bleyl | William D. Sakse |
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ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, (Feb. 7)**

Robert M. Halgas and Debra Cechnicki
 By Debbie and Dave Walendziak
 Leonard Frasier By Anne Frasier
 Vito A. Greco By Carm & Maria Greco

Sunday (Feb. 8)

Theresa Ritz By The Ritz Family
 Joan Alley By the Rosenzweig,
 Baker, Munnely & Aldi families
 Mattia Marzio By St. Joseph Thrift Shop

Monday (Feb. 9)

SJ Parish Family

Wednesday (Feb. 11) Our Lady of Lourdes

SF & SJ Parish Families

Friday (Feb. 13)

SJ Parish Family

Saturday (Feb. 14)

Peggy & Maureen Russell
 By Tony & Terry Russell
 Nenita Chvilicek By Ann & Jim Sargalis

Sunday (Feb. 15)

Mary Jo Brunette By Steve & Kita Murray
 Ronnie McGivern By Ron McGivern

Would you like to have the Sanctuary Candle lit in honor of your loved one?

The red Sanctuary Candle burns all week to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize our candle at either parish for a week for a deceased loved one, a living person or a special intention. The intention and donor's names will be published in our weekly bulletin. The suggested donation for the 7-day candle is \$20. All submissions must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the week you are requesting to accommodate bulletin printing deadlines. Please call the office for scheduling requests.

ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday (Feb. 8)**

Katelyn Ann Weirich By Todd & Julie Whitney
 Healing of Ann Willi By Bob & Nancy Jones
 Jim Gatusang; Teresita Segura;
 Nenita Chvilicek
 By Rosary Society

Tuesday (Feb. 10)

Daniel Lastro By SF Parish

Thursday (Feb. 12)

Norma Porteus By SF Parish

Sunday (Feb. 15)

Bro. Gregory Galligan By Betty Richardson
 Karl Wangler By Walter & Karla Kozach

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

During the long winter we become keenly aware of the value of sunshine.

The sun rises later in the morning and sets earlier in the afternoon; quite often it's gray and cloudy all day. Today we hear Jesus tell his disciples that they are to shine their light for all to see, as a lamp on a lampstand does.

This winter, may we spread Christ's light to the world, bringing joy and life to darkness and gloom.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE: February 8, 2026

I recently learned why zebras have stripes. Scientists used to think it was for camouflage, but new research suggests something more interesting: the stripes help zebras blend in with one another. When a predator looks at a herd, the overlapping stripes make it hard to single out one animal. But if a researcher spray-paints a dot on just one zebra, predators lock on it and eventually attack. The lesson? In the wild, blending in is protection. Standing out can be dangerous.

Human beings are not so different. Most of us would rather blend in than stand out, especially when it comes to our faith. We know that giving bold witness to Jesus — through our words, values, or public choices — can make us targets for criticism, isolation, or judgment. That's why Jesus' words in today's Gospel are so challenging: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden" (Matthew 5:14). A city on a hill draws attention. It also draws fire. But that's part of the cost of discipleship. Jesus doesn't call us to be tribal or boastful. He calls us to stand in the open with humble confidence, so that people might see our good deeds and glorify our Father in heaven. Today, let's ask for the courage not just to believe in Christ, but to be seen believing in him. — Father John Muir LPi

Readings for the week of February 8, 2026

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 Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
 Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10
 Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Observances for the week of February 8, 2026

Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
 World Marriage Day
 Monday:
 Tuesday: St. Scholastica, Virgin
 Wednesday: Our Lady of Lourdes
 Thursday:
 Friday:
 Saturday: Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodi-
 us, Bishop; Valentine's Day
 Next Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary
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St. Joseph

"There will be a second collection the weekend of February 14-15 to help support our young people attending Emmaus Retreat in March. The Emmaus Retreat is a weekend long retreat to help prepare our Confirmation students to receive their sacrament. This is an incredible experience for our youth. It is through your generous donations that more of our youth are able to attend the retreat. Thank you for your generosity."

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary
1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary
1st Mondays ~ SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
1st Tuesdays ~ SF (Apr-Dec) 1 pm Rosary Society Meeting
2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Feb. 11 ~ Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
Special Mass: 8:30 AM
with anointing of the sick at SJ Church
Feb. 17—"Mardi Gras" Potluck dinner followed by Burning of the Palms, SJ Fr. Smith Center 6:00 pm
Feb. 18 ~ Ash Wednesday; Mass: 8:30 AM SF; 6:00 PM SJ
July 16, 17, 18 2026 ~ SJ Annual Summer Festival

St. Francis

Mass Intentions:

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by stopping into or calling the office. Mass cards are available for the living, deceased & for healing; Masses provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of special occasions.

Prayer for
Ash Wednesday

Spirit of the Living God,
You have breathed life
into me today, from ashes
and dust. You invite me
to live, walk, and love
in your will. Draw me
closer to you today,
this Lent, and always.
Amen.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION, BENEDICTION & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND SACRIFICIAL MEAL LENT 2026



ST. JOSEPH 12:00 NOON
ST. FRANCIS 6:00 PM



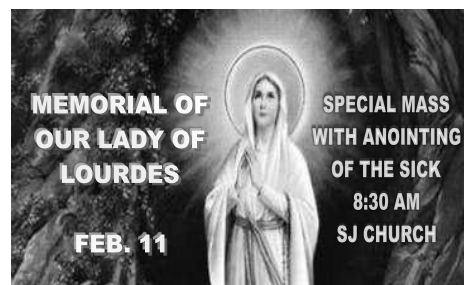
"With the light and strength of the Holy Spirit, let us build a Church founded on God's love that proclaims the word and becomes a leaven of harmony for humanity."

Pope Leo XIV, Inaugural Mass



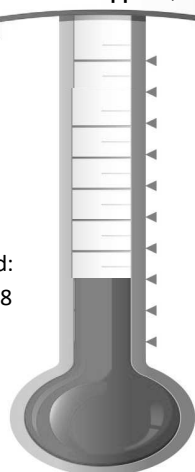
Diocesan Appeal

July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026



SJ Diocesan Appeal \$14,243

Raised:
\$4,578



*"Remember where your treasure is,
your heart is also."
Matthew 6:21*

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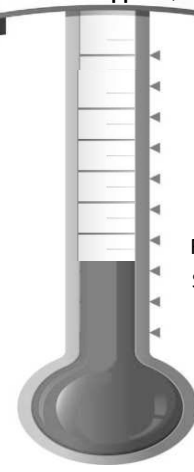
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| | SJ 4:00/10:30 | SF 8:30 |
|------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Jan. 17/18 | | |
| Attendance | 27/63 | 94 |
| Contribution | \$460.00 / \$724.00 | \$1,211.00 |
| January e-giving | \$961.00 | NA |
| Poor & Votive | N/A | \$39.00 |

SF Diocesan Appeal \$23,715

Raised:
\$5,286



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