

Parish Information

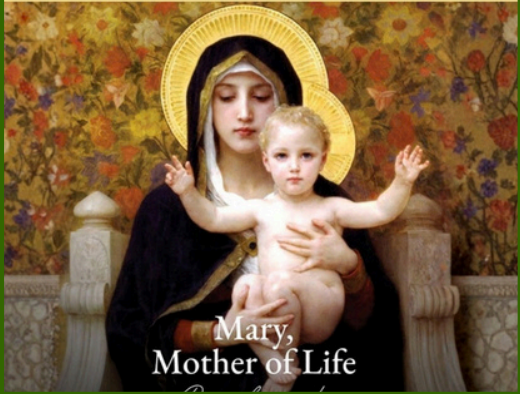


ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
Vision Statement

To become a vibrant,
welcoming
parish family
where new, current and
returning parishioners
encounter
a relatable faith
that touches the heart.

Respect Life Mass
with Bishop Oscar Cantú

Sunday, October 11, 2026, 11:30am
Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph



Mary,
Mother of Life

You are not alone.

HOPE
SUPPORT
KINDNESS
BELONGING
HEALING

Mental Illness Awareness Week
OCTOBER 4 – 10, 2026

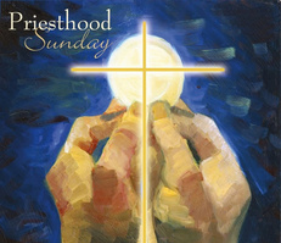


NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Tuesday, October 6
Adoration & Rosary
7:00 – 8:00 PM
In the Church

Join us as we recognize Mental Illness Awareness Week and come together in prayer for all those affected by mental health challenges, as well as their families and loved ones.

Special Blessing for Priesthood Sunday



Priesthood Sunday

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

Lasagna & Sausage Dinner
@ St. Martin of Tours Parish

DATE: Tuesday, October 6, 2026
TIME: Social Hour 5:30 pm | Dinner 6:00 pm
LOCATION: St. Martin of Tours Gym
200 O'Connor Drive, San Jose, CA 95128

MENU

- Lasagna
- Italian Sausage
- Garlic Bread
- Full Salad Bar
- Homemade Desserts

PRICING

- Adults: \$30
- Kids: \$15

ALSO FEATURING

- Sowing Seeds Parish Renewal Update
- Raffle Drawing



ORDER TICKETS ONLINE

Join us for great food, community, and parish fellowship!
Hosted by the St. Martin of Tours Italian Catholic Federation



Blessing of the Animals

Friday, October 2
at 6pm
in Mary's Garden.

All are welcome!



Upcoming Events	
Oct. 2.....	Adoration, 8:30am
Oct. 2.....	Blessing of the Animals, 6pm
Oct. 6.....	Lasagna & Sausage Dinner, 5:30pm
Oct. 6.....	Adoration & Rosary, 7pm



“GO OUT AND WORK IN THE VINEYARD.”
— MATTHEW 21:28 —
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Mass Times and Schedule

Weekend Masses
Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Weekday Masses
Monday–Tuesday Communion service at 8:00am
Wednesday–Friday at 8:00am

Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:00pm or by appointment

Adoration
First Fridays of the Month: 8:30am
First Tuesdays of the Month: 7pm

Presider Schedule

Saturday, Sept 26	Saturday, October 3
5:00pm Fr. Celso	5:00pm Fr. Celso
Sunday, Sept 27	Sunday, October 4
9:00am Fr. Celso	9:00am Fr. Celso
10:30am Fr. Celso	10:30am Fr. Celso
5:00pm Fr. Francis	5:00pm Fr. Matt

Daily Mass and Sunday 10:30am Mass are
livestreamed on Facebook & Zoom

Pastoral Staff

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This reflection is written by one of our teachers, Ms. Julia Lopez, who accompanied our 8th graders to Yosemite last week

David Cortese - School Principal



For the past three years, I witnessed group after group of eighth graders head off to Yosemite in September and return to school even closer than they were when they left. As an advisor to the eighth grade class this year, I wanted to see for myself what all the hype was about it - even if it meant conquering my apathy to Yosemite. So off we went, five chaperones and forty eighth graders, on September 14 to Curry Village in Yosemite Valley, where we would begin our adventure.

Once there, students were divided into three advisory groups, now hiking groups. Led by a nature educator, students spent all day out on trail in their hiking groups. Since the majority of these students have spent the past ten years with each other, one would think that these students would be as thick as thieves, but that wasn't the case. Within my advisory group at least, I noticed mini factions of students who were closer together than others. This was most evident on trail, when I noticed how our hiking group walked in smaller sub groups - friends walking with friends - rarely interacting with the others in the group.

However, their communion with each other grew gradually. On the first day alone, students had to hold onto each other through a blindfolded trust walk, had to crawl after each other through the cramped Bear Cave, and had to support each other physically and emotionally through a game of "Lichen" - you have to see it to believe it.

At lunch time, we stopped in the middle of Mirror Lake (currently dried up) to eat our food. I loved seeing my students volunteer to pass out the lunch with incredible servants' hearts. One by one, students carefully passed out bread, sun butter, jelly, celery sticks and Oreos to each one of their classmates. It was a tradition in our group to go around and say what we were grateful for prior to eating our meal, and I loved listening as students shared how they were grateful for the food, for each other and for the opportunity to be in Yosemite. At the end of lunch, it was even more touching to see students volunteer, if only reluctantly, to take turns carrying the lunch trash bag.

So we continued on our hike through the valley, trash bag in hand. As we walked, we crossed meadows and climbed boulders. Everywhere we went, we were surrounded by Half Dome and the Washington Column towering above us. It was breathtaking. We eventually made our way to a river, where we finished our first day together. Some students took off their shoes and jumped right in. Others kept their shoes on and carefully made their way to the middle of the river via a combination of fallen tree logs and stones. The biggest surprise was seeing one student, who was less than enthusiastic about the trip, fully immerse themselves in the river. By the end, everyone, myself included, was splashing and laughing their way through the water. It was a beautiful way to end our day.

As the week continued, our group grew closer. The sub groups, which existed on day one, dissipated by day five, and any distance students might have felt with nature towards the beginning of the trip was nonexistent by the end. Students went from being repulsed at the idea of going to the bathroom outdoors to actively requesting to use the "facili-trees." Though I was fortunate enough to escape this particular fate, I was not able to evade the allure of Yosemite. I witnessed how Yosemite National Park had become this transformative space for our students. Like our group, the other two hiking groups had grown closer over the course of the week, and as a result, our entire class had formed a family. As they enter their final year at St. Martin of Tours, these eighth graders have forged bonds on this trip, which will span their entire lives. To be a part of that as a teacher is the privilege of a lifetime. Suffice to say, Yosemite has left an indelible mark on my heart. I guess it was pretty remarkable after all.

Weekly Stewardship Report
September 14 - September 20, 2026

ACH & We Share	\$4,597.25
Envelopes by Mail	\$335
Sunday Mass Collections	\$3810
TOTAL Collection	\$8742.25
Weekend Goal Collection	\$12,500



Thank you
for
your
generosity!

Prayer & Worship

Mass Intentions

- Saturday, September 26**
5:00pm Ben Patellaro †
Jack Cabral †
- Sunday, September 27**
9:00am Estela Echivarre †
Sini Bava †
10:30am Diane Borella
Josh Gabriel Villarin - Birthday
5:00pm St. Martin of Tours Parish & School
- Monday, September 28**
8:00am St. Martin of Tours Parish & School
- Tuesday, September 29**
8:00am St. Martin of Tours Parish & School
- Wednesday, September 30**
8:00am Robert Lawrence †
John Phillip O'Brien †
- Thursday, October 1**
8:00am Spike Standifer †
Judy Green †
- Friday, October 2**
8:00am Judy Swazy †
Laurie Clewett †



Prayer Requests

- Pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.
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| For the Deceased | For the Sick |
| Mary Prolo † | Maureen Standifer |
| Jack Guercio † | Araceli Castillo-Sánchez |
| Calahan Ahern † | Danny Wayne Martinez |
| Kelly Wetmore † | Marie Patellaro |
| Florence Baker † | Alan Waltz |
| Therese Maes † | Esther Fangonilo |
| | Beth Tomista |
| | Joseph Snapp |

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Year Underway
Our 2026–2027 Faith Formation year is now underway! We are grateful for our catechists, volunteers, parents, and families who help make faith formation possible throughout our parish community.

This Month & Coming Up

- **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)** – Offered every Sunday during the 10:30 AM Mass for children to hear and reflect on the Sunday Gospel in an age-appropriate setting.
- **Baptismal Preparation** – Classes are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Parish Office for parents preparing to have their child baptized.
- **First Eucharist Preparation** – Our First Eucharist families are beginning their journey of preparation this month. Please keep our children, parents, and catechists in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.
- **OCIA** – Our OCIA community has begun its journey of faith for the new year. Please continue to pray for those preparing to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church and for those accompanying them.

Looking Ahead
As we continue our new Faith Formation year, we look forward to opportunities for children, youth, adults, and families to grow in faith and deepen their relationship with Christ. Please watch the bulletin and parish communications for upcoming events, sacramental preparation, Family Faith Nights, and other opportunities to participate.

For more information please contact: Ed barra,
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**CONFIRMATION
FIRST EUCHARIST**

**2026–2027 FAITH
FORMATION
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

- OCIA – Adults & Children age 7+
- First Eucharist Preparation
- Confirmation Preparation

Ready to grow in faith? We invite you to join us!

For program details and registration, visit our parish website or contact Ed Ibarra, Catechetical Director at eibarra@stmartin.org or (408) 294-8953 ext. 321