

St. Joseph Parish, Middletown

Our Lady of the Lake Mission

21396 Hwy 29, Middletown

May 3, 2026

707 987-3676



Pastoral Staff

Fr. Lawrence Mendoza - Pastor
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Schedule of Services:

Reconciliation

Friday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. English
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Spanish
or by Appointment

Baptisms

Preparation for parents required:
See Pastor after Mass

Marriages

By appointment at least six months
in advance

Anointing of the Sick

For those who are elderly, seriously
ill, or scheduled for surgery, please
call the parish office.

Parish Office Hours:

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thursday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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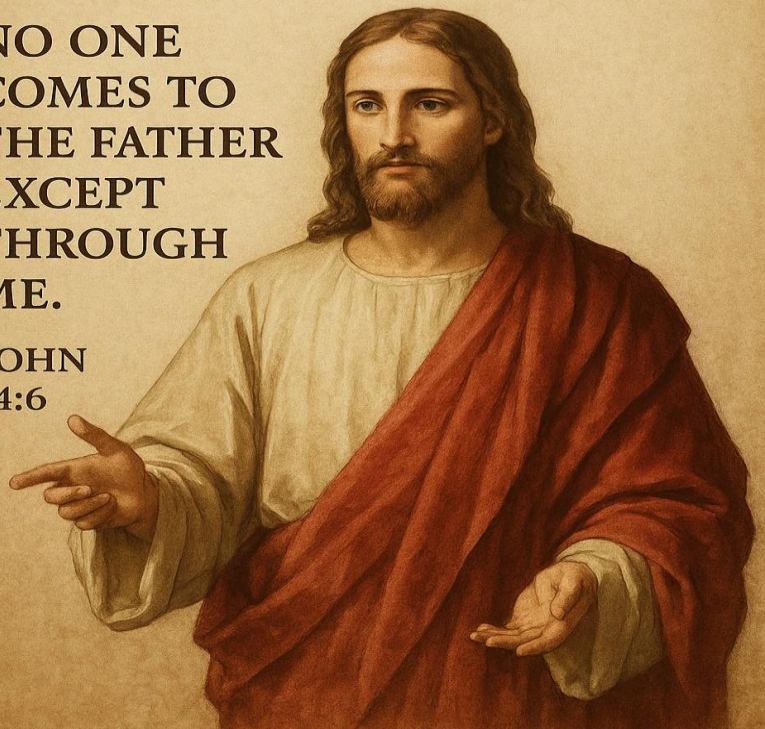
Emergency #: 707 513-3991

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE

NO ONE
COMES TO
THE FATHER
EXCEPT
THROUGH
ME.

JOHN
14:6



MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of the Lake Mission – 12836 Hwy 175, Loch Lomond
Saturday Mass 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses

St. Joseph Church - Middletown 9:30 a.m. (English)
St. Joseph Church - Middletown 11:30 a.m. (English)
St. Joseph Church - Middletown 4:00 p.m. (Spanish)

St. Joseph Church Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday through Friday 8:30 a.m. (English)

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Every Friday)

Friday 6:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

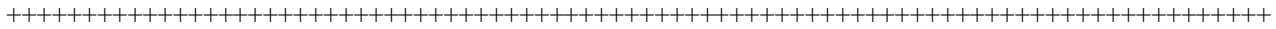
7:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Every Friday)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Faith in Jesus, the Remedy for Troubled Hearts by Fr. Lawrence Mendoza

On this Fifth Sunday of Easter, our Gospel Reading (John 14:1-12) deviates from our usual readings the last few Sundays about the Resurrection. It takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before His Passion and is a part of Jesus' farewell address at the Last Supper with His disciples. Among other things, Jesus has just told His disciples that He will be with them only a little while longer. Thus, the disciples are troubled ... and more so perhaps due to their misunderstanding, disbelief and lack of faith in God's salvation plan!

Yet, Jesus reassures them, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God, have faith also in me." Notably, the Bible verses we read today are often chosen for funeral liturgies to offer consolation. But the disciples with Jesus at the Last Supper seem to be not too easily consoled. When Jesus tells His disciples that He is going to prepare a place for them in His Father's house and that where He is going they know the way, Thomas asks, "Master, we do not know where you are going, how can we know the way?" Jesus responds with His 6th "I Am" statement, "I am the way and the truth and the life. "Next, Jesus tells them that in knowing Him, they also know God to which Philip makes a request, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." That is, Philip misses Jesus' point that in knowing Him, they also know God. Being the Good Teacher that Jesus is, He responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what He has just told them that whoever knows and has seen Him has also seen the Father. Jesus adds, "Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. "Undoubtedly, the connection between Jesus and His Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke His name to Moses, "I am" ... so does Jesus speak His name to His disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life." Jesus ends, "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." With faith in God and Jesus, may this challenge us all believers to continue the work of Jesus and more!




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YOU ARE A Daughter OF GOD

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord

LUKE 1:38

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

***LAST WEEKEND TO BUY TICKETS for the annual St. Joseph Banquet Fundraiser.**

***AMA – As of April 1 our pledges totaled \$12,035. Our goal is \$12,400. We are needing an additional \$365 or more in pledges to make our goal this year, anything over that amount will be returned to the parish. Thank you for your generosity!**

*Please
pray for
the sick*

Please pray for the sick in our parish, our families & friends, and those who care for them....Mary Ann Arnold, Tony Arnold, Charlotte Baker, Larry Boll, Lourdes Borzoni, Kathleen Brune, Rick Freeman, Michael C, Corkey Cauley, Debbie Cariela, Barbara Farkas, Steve Foster, Cheryl Fua, Cianna Gazperony, Hector Guerra, Alysia Hash, Jasmine Hash, Laura Hilton, Sandy Hood, Barbara Kaelin, Doug Kloppenburg, Joe & Mary Ann Kenny, Helen Kruljac, Ines Mendoza, Elsa Meyer, Shirley Milner, John Morris, Don Nielsen, Kathryn Nielsen, Maxine Lair, Andres Ochoa, Joaquina Ortega, Kate Pavelchik, Cindy Perez, Elinor Rich, Grace Q, Stefan Ripich, Maureen Rixen, Silas Schneider, Jim Serventi, Kirt Smartt, Judith Spears, Debbie Spicart, Rebeca Marie Stanley, Naomi Tambornini, Leslie Thomas, Rachel Torez, Toni Vecellio, and **special intentions for all who suffer from cancer.**

For the St. Joseph Parishioners, sign up to FORMED.ORG
by Scanning the QR Cod



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Once registered, you can begin exploring a wide variety of faith-enriching programs right away. Take advantage of this wonderful gift and deepen your Catholic faith in this Easter Season!

Announcements continued...

*Mass Time at Our Lady of the Lake will change from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23, 2026.

LAKE COUNTY OUTDOOR PASSION PLAY

MAY 17 & 18TH 4-6 p.m.

ADMISSION IS FREE

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Donations are gratefully accepted! We invite you to join us in the story of the Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Saturday, May 2, 4:00 p.m.

Greg & Susan Conley++ Requested by: Sandy Hood

Sunday, May 3, 9:30 a.m.

Kate Bueler(sp) Requested by: Robert & Donna Alverio

Garrett Nelligan Jr+ Requested by: Garrett & Margaret

Ramon Flores+ Requested by: Margaret & Garrett

Sunday, May 3, 11:30 a.m.

Eleno & Violeta Baronda++ Requested by: Peter & Pinky Ventura

Sally Clara Gibeau & Family++ Requested by: Loretta Gibeau

Friday, May 8, 8:30 a.m.

Efren de los Santos+ Requested by: Ruben & Almia de los Santos

Announcements continued...

Launching of New Parish Directory...For all Parishioners of St. Joseph - please update your information using a form available in the back of the churches. New to our Parish - please complete a form and return to the office so that everyone will be included in the New Parish Directory. Remember to include your email address so you will be included in the mass email announcements. Forms can be returned by placing in the collection basket, put in the mail slot in the backdoor of the rectory, or mail to the office. **If you recently registered with the parish and requested envelopes, please check on the table in the front of the church for your box of envelopes. Call the office if you do not find them.*

***Mother's Day Spiritual Remembrance Envelopes are available on the tables at both churches. These envelopes will be put on our altar, and we will begin to pray for our deceased mothers, grandmothers, etc. Father's Day Envelopes will be available towards the end of May.**

COLLECTION – April 26
Confirmation 4:00 p.m. - \$620
St. Joseph 9:30 a.m. - \$3290
St. Joseph 11:30 a.m. - \$677
St. Joseph 4:00 p.m. - \$304
Total Collection \$4891

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