

**You Are Invited to Participate!**  
**St. Joseph's Family Mass**  
**2016-2017**

A special Family Mass is held monthly at St. Joseph's throughout the year to foster community among our Parish families and to give children (and their families) the opportunity to be an integral part of the celebration. All are at 9:30am unless otherwise noted.

- October 2, 2016
- October 29 (5PM Saturday)
- December 4
- December 24 (4:00pm Christmas Eve in Basilica and in Elementary School)
- January 29, 2017 (Catholic Schools Week)
- February 5
- March 12
- April 16 (Easter) in Basilica and in Elementary School
- May 14 (Mothers Day)
- June 18 (Fathers Day)

There are many ways for children and their families to participate and we invite you to discover ways you can help. Feel free to sign up in advance! For each Family Mass we seek:

- **Several children or families to offer the welcome, lector or read the Prayers of the Faithful**
- **Families to help greet/usher**
- **One family to bring up the gifts**
- **Adults to help "shepherd" the children for that day**
- **Children to sing in the [Children's Choir](#) (contact David Howitt at [dhowitt@sjbalameda.org](mailto:dhowitt@sjbalameda.org) or (510) 437-0254)**
- **Occasional opportunities for performers to act out the Gospel.**

General questions about the Family Mass? Interested in serving on the planning team? Contact Anne Marie Fourre at [afourre@sjbalameda.org](mailto:afourre@sjbalameda.org) or 995-9409.