

Diocese of San José in California — Fact Sheet

WHO WE ARE

The Diocese of San José in California serves all of Santa Clara County, forming missionary disciples and serving those in need across Silicon Valley. Established in 1981, the Diocese is centered at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph in downtown San José and worships in 15 languages each Sunday. We are advancing our pastoral plan for spiritual renewal—“Renewed in Christ, Together in Mission”—as we journey toward our 50th anniversary in 2031.

FOOTPRINT (AT A GLANCE)

Catholic faithful: 513,000

Communities: 49 parishes • **3** missions • **1** pastoral center

Catholic schools: 27 elementary & **6** high schools serving **13,688** Pre-K to 12th grade students

2024 sacraments: 4,784 Baptisms • **3,525** First Communions • **2,859** Confirmations • **611** Marriages

Employees (diocesan, parishes, and schools): **1,997**

Other Catholic institutions: 2 cemeteries • **1** Catholic university • **1** social services agency • **1** home for the aged

CLERGY & FORMATION

Priests: 97 active diocesan • **172** religious • **19** extern • **41** retired

Permanent Deacons: 41

Religious: 28 brothers • **219** sisters

Seminarians: 6

CURRENT LEADERSHIP

Bishop of San José: The Most Rev. Oscar Cantú

Auxiliary Bishop-elect & Vicar General/Chancellor: Andres C. Ligot, J.C.D.

Chief Operating Officer: Rosio Gonzales

MISSION

United as disciples of Jesus Christ and nourished by the Eucharist, the Diocese of San José joyfully shares the Gospel by encountering Jesus in each person and growing together in faith, love, and service.

PASTORAL PLAN PRIORITIES

Worship & sacred liturgy • Lifelong faith formation • Outreach & charity • Youth & young adults • Family ministry • Parish vitality & structural renewal

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Statistics current as of Aug. 2025. Source: DSJ chancery & Impact Report.



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