

STAR OF THE VALLEY Catholic Church

**495 White Oak Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95409**

We members of Star of the Valley Parish
gather around the central act of Catholic worship,
the celebration of active participation in the Mass.
As a Eucharistic centered people, we reach out to heal,
console and listen in the spirit of truth and justice,
with a preferential option for the poor,
thus advancing as individuals and
as a community into the image of Christ.

Pastoral Staff

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Parish Office Hours

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Located in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center
495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409-5939*

*This is the church and parish's mailing address.

Sharon A. Charlton, Office Manager

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Welcome New Parishioners

Please sign the Newcomers Register
next to the side door in the back of the Church.

Mass Times

Weekday Masses: Tuesday–Friday **8:00 a.m.**

Oakmont Gardens: Wednesday **10:30 a.m.**

Sunday Masses:

Saturday **4:00 p.m. Vigil**, Sunday **10:00 a.m.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

After the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday until 9:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday **from 3:00-3:30 p.m.** and by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

For appointment, email or leave a message in the office.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

Call the office to arrange a visit by a Priest
when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized
to arrange for Anointing of the Sick.
Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound suspended.



November 13/14, 2021— Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Getting Through the Tough Times

“It’s going to get worse before it gets better” is a phrase that prepares us to buckle up for a rough ride. We know that enduring a difficult time will require some strenuous physical or emotional energy on our part before we experience the calm of normality. Our past experience tells us that we can endure the difficult pressure better when we know how long it will last and if we know that something better awaits us. Getting through the tough times while holding to the promise that awaits us is the message of this weekend’s readings. They point toward the promises of God’s kingdom that will come after the maelstroms and chaos of this world.

Wits End Prayer

God, there seems to be no end in sight when it comes to the COVID pandemic. Please give me the strength I need to persevere through this and all challenges, especially when I can’t see the light at the end of the tunnel, and don’t know how long the difficulty will last.

Thank you for guiding and protecting me, and for supplying all I’ve needed during these last tumultuous couple of years.

There have been times that I’ve just wanted to give up, or at least get off this crazy ride. Please send me reminders that you are always with me, no matter what, and that there is never anything to fear. And, if it’s your will, enable me to be the messenger that delivers hope to others.

Thank you for being my strength in times of weakness. In the name of my Savior, Jesus. Amen.



Sunday, November 13/14, 2021

Scripture Readings

Reading I: *Daniel 12:1-3*—Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

Responsorial: *Psalms 16*—You are my inheritance, O Lord!

Reading II: *Hebrews 10:11-14, 18*—By one offering, Christ has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.

Gospel: *Mark 13:24-32*—Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." (Mark 13:31)

"Why put off to tomorrow what can be done today?"

"Carpe diem!"

"Memento mori!"

How often have we heard phrases that urge us to be present, to live in the moment, to have an awareness of our own mortality? Yet many of us, for one reason or another, ignore, delay, and procrastinate. Full of good intentions, we often cling tightly to our litany of excuses which seemingly justify why we cannot serve the Body of Christ quite yet.

However, in today's Gospel, Jesus urges us to be aware that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Only God knows the hour and the day that we will be called back to him, but we are called to live in such a way that, regardless of the hour, we would be prepared to come face to face with him. The time will come when the things of this world will pass away—but God's words and commandments will remain. Do we take his word seriously? Do we love him, honor him, serve him? Do we tend to the needs of our brothers and sisters? Let us take a moment today to examine the trajectory of our lives and recommit ourselves to the Gospel message.

—Jim Messa



Mass Servers Needed at SOV

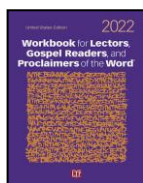
Star of the Valley Parish is in need of additional servers who are available to serve at weekend and/or daily Masses. Training is available. Please contact the office during the week if interested. Or you may contact our Head Sacristan, Jennifer Martinez, for more information.

Church Decorators Needed

Please join our team of parishioners who take turns putting flowers in the church. Many silk arrangements are available to use, or fresh flowers may be bought with the parish's flower funds. Please call the parish office if you would like to help in this ministry at 707-539-6262.

One act of thanksgiving when things go wrong with us is worth one thousand thank-yous when things are agreeable to our inclination.

—St. John of Ávila



Attention Lectors

The 2022 *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word* is available for you to pick up in the parish office during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Light Up A Life

Community tree lighting and remembrance celebration

Hospice Services of St. Joseph Health invites you to the 36th annual "Light Up a Life" tree-lighting ceremony, Sunday, **December 5**, 5:00–6:00 p.m. at the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center.

This in-person community event celebrates treasured memories; each light symbolizing the life, hope and dreams of a loved one.

There will be music and festivities.

Your donation of any amount will light a bulb on the tree in honor or memory of your loved one. Information packets and Donation Forms are at the main entry door of church.

For more information, contact Light Up a Life at 707-522-3622 or visit SonomaCountyHospice.org

This Weekend – November 13–14

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

Next Weekend – November 20–21

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

EMs: Linda Luceti

Eva McGinn

Blanche Kaiser

Linda Nolet

Lector: Sherry Rosevear

Connie Pearson

Judy Rodgers

Joyce O'Connor

Server: Bev Shelhart

John Dolan

Bev Shelhart

Drew Hofmann

Greeters: Justine Haugen
Gloria Bower

Bob Chapman
Pat Chapman

Kathleen Beirne
Sherry Rosevear

Donna Forst & Cricket
Mimi May

Ushers: Mike Apicella
Tom Beirne
Jack Luceti

Tim Cummings
Dick Muzio
Clarence Younger

Mike Apicella
Dennis Sabourin
Micki Sabourin

Tim Burkhard
Tim Cummings
Rick Ragan

Synod
2021
2023





On October 10th Pope Francis officially launched the Vatican's two-year synod* process. After decades of financial and sexual scandals, Pope Francis is inviting the entire church, including those estranged from the church, to help purge its abuse of power by engaging in meaningful conversation, devoid of rejection and judgment. His vision is to gather people from different backgrounds, ages, ethnicities and particularly those on the margins of society to come together. He wants each of us to share our experience of church, to tell our stories and to listen to one another.

"There is no need to create another church, but to create a different church."

**The word synod comes from the Greek meaning "assembly" or "meeting." Originally, synods were meetings of bishops, and the word is still used in that sense in Catholicism. Pope Francis is expanding the meaning to include everyone.*

Those interested in joining in this process are welcome to come to our first of several gatherings.

Date: Thursday, **November 18**

Place: Msgr. Fahey Parish Center
495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa

Time: 1:30 p.m.

If you have questions or concerns contact Marcy Fox at marcyfox@gmail.com. Please feel free to invite friends, family or neighbors, whether they are Catholic or not.



MASS INTENTIONS—NOVEMBER 13–21

Sat 13	4:00	† Etalo Kenilvort (Jackie Kenilvort)
Sun 14	10:00	† Jack Collins (Shirley Collins)
Mon 15		No Mass
Tue 16	8:00	Intention of Sharon Pisenti (Msgr. Pulskamp)
Wed 17	8:00	† Al Potter (Msgr. Pulskamp)
	10:30	Oakmont Gardens For the People of the Parish
Thurs 18	8:00	† Albert Draper (Harriet Draper)
Fri 19	8:00	Intention of Charlie Smith (Sharon Charlton)
Sat 20	4:00	† Fr. Kelly & †Msgr. Keys (Fred Cunha)
Sun 21	10:00	† Charlotte Muzio (Richard Muzio)

Please keep the sick in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Gloria Cerutti, David Charlton, Lola Danielli, Fran Dias, Audrey Engen, Fran Evans, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Bette Johnson, Dan Kenilvort, Jackie Kenilvort, Trula La Calle, Maureen Latimer, Charles Marchese, Eve Marcucci, Carolyn McKenna, Leo McKenna, Jacqua Miller, Liz Mullins, Lea Nelson, Karen O'Malley, Peggy Pavone, Richard Peterson, Ray Pregent, Phyllis Rogers, Angela Saul, Don Schulte, Charlie Smith, Bart Taylor, Ed Turpin, Mercedes Vegvary, Claire Vincent, William Wallace, Jim Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Jean Boies and Ed O'Donnell.

Funeral Masses at Star of the Valley

Thursday, **November 18**, 12:00 p.m.: Ed O'Donnell
Friday, **November 19**, 11:00 a.m.: Jo Ann Marchese

Second Collections

This weekend, November 13/14: **Parish Repair & Maintenance**. Next weekend, November 20/21: **Catholic Communications & the Catholic University of America**.

Collection Report

Oct. 17	Oct. 24	Oct. 31	Weekly Goal
\$2,718	\$2,373	\$3,742	\$8,668

Note: The amounts consist of First collections, Parish Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day collections received during the preceding week and weekend.

More information on the Synod

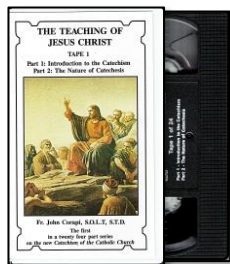
To listen to a podcast about the 'Synod on Synodality' go to: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/inside-the-vatican/id1439165420?i=1000538606919>



or search for "**The Synod on Synodality launches in Rome**" in your internet search engine, then click on **PLAY**.

We encourage you to take some fliers about our **November 18** gathering with you to share with friends, family, and neighbors. Fliers can be found on the counter below the Divine Mercy painting.

The glory of God is a person fully alive. —St. Irenaeus



FREE to a Good Home with a VHS Videocassette Recorder!

The Teaching of Jesus Christ by Father John Corapi

We are cleaning out the parish library to make room for new donations. If you have a VCR, (or even if you don't,) the tapes are yours for free!

This major series on the Catechism of the Catholic Church is Father John Corapi's greatest work of teaching and preaching. It consists of 24 VHS tapes still in their original packaging. This series has helped countless people to love and know the Catholic faith better.

You won't want to miss this opportunity to acquire what is surely an invaluable teaching tool, and destined to become a valuable collector's item.



More VHS Tapes from the Star of the Valley Library!

- **Holy Land: Birthplace of Jesus** produced by BG Soft
- **Mannheim Steamroller: A Renaissance Christmas** by Chip Davis

- **Monasteries: A Stressed-Out American's Search for Solitude** by Alan Hartwick

- **Mother Teresa: A Life of Devotion** produced by A&E's Biography
 - **Ocean of Mercy: Three Lives, One Vision, No Limits—Saint Maximilian, Saint Faustina, and Saint Pope John Paul II** produced by the Mercy Foundation
 - **Ritual: The Language of Worship** presented by Barry Brunsman, O.F.M.
 - **St. Augustine: His Life & Spirituality** by Fr. Benedict Groeschel
 - **The Bible: Passion** presented by Charlton Heston
 - **The Passion of the Christ** produced by Mel Gibson
 - **The Popes: The Legacy of Peter** produced by A&E's Biography
 - **The Riddle of the Dead Sea Scrolls: Mysteries of the Bible Unraveled** produced by James Mitchell
 - **The Story of Knock** from the Knock Shrine Books Centre
 - **Tradition: Latin Mass with Gregorian Choir** celebrated by the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter
- Tapes free to anyone interested.

Help Yourself

Go "shopping" after Mass by looking at the selection of **VHS tapes in the Quiet Room**, in the clear plastic bin. You can't beat the prices: FREE! Take as many as you like, to keep, share, or transfer to DVD. We will have to dispose of them after Wednesday, December 1.

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