

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 6/7, 2021— Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Widow's Mite

Historically, widows have been at a financial disadvantage. When her husband died, a woman's source of income went with him. That was why the

generosity of a widow was striking in Biblical times.

Elijah met a poor widow who was using the last of her flour to bake one more cake for herself and her son. Elijah asked her for a drink of water, and quickly added his request for something to eat. She informed him of her situation, but Elijah promised that her store would not empty. With no more than Elijah's words, she trusted that God would provide for her. God's promise was good and she did not go hungry during the drought.

Another widow is in the reading from Mark. As she put her two small coins into the collection that supplied the treasury that helped those in need, Jesus taught the disciples a lesson about true giving from the heart. Unlike the officials who demonstratively gave their offerings, this woman quietly dropped the coins of her sustenance into the collection. The monetary value of her gift was far smaller than that of the officials, but her gift was far more valuable.



Sunday, November 6/7, 2021

Scripture Readings

Reading I: 1 Kings 17:10-16—The widow made a little cake from her flour and gave it to Elijah.

Responsorial: Psalm 146—Praise the Lord, my soul!

Reading II: Hebrews 9:24-28—Christ was offered once to take away the sins of many.

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44—This poor widow put in more than all the others.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.” (Mark 12:43-44)

When encountering a homeless person on the street, it can be tempting to avert one's eyes. In many ways, we shield ourselves from the harsh reality that the poor exist. Yet throughout the Gospels, we see Jesus move among the poor. He forbids his disciples, and in turn each of us, from forgetting about their existence. Not only does he spend time with the poor, but he uses their lives, rather than the lives of the rich, as models for how to enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

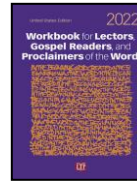
In today's Gospel, Jesus brings the attention of his disciples to a poor widow who contributed only two copper coins to the temple's treasury. It is a seemingly meaningless contribution. But Jesus reminds his students that this woman has contributed her whole livelihood. Her generosity and act of self-denial is more pleasing to God, that the contributions of the wealthy who give from their excess.

What would it look like to follow the example of the poor widow and give from our livelihood? How would our lives change if we practiced such dependence on the providence of God? When called upon to give charitably, it may be easy, if we do not have much to give, to think “why bother?” But today we are reminded that God judges us, not on superficial status, but on the sincerity of our actions.

—Jim Messa

Quail Quip

Chocolate is God's way of telling us he likes us a little bit chubby.



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.



November is All Souls Month

All Souls' Day was November 2, but at Star of the Valley we celebrate it the whole month of November. At

this special time of the year, we pause to remember all of those who have gone before us in faith.

To have your loved ones remembered in our Masses during November, write their names on the special envelope provided on the counter under the Divine Mercy painting, and put it in the collection basket, the locked mailbox outside the Parish Center, or drop it off at the Parish Office on any weekday.



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.

It's Up to You

If you inherently long for something, become it first.

If you want gardens, become the gardener. If you want love, embody love. If you want mental stimulation, change the conversation. If you want peace, exude calmness. If you want to fill your world with artists, begin to paint. If you want to be valued, respect your own time. If you want to live ecstatically, find the ecstasy within yourself.

This is how to draw it in day by day, inch by inch.

—Victoria Erickson, Author

	This Weekend – November 6–7		Next Weekend – November 13–14	
	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.
EMs:	Jan Rosshirt	Jackie Kenilvort	Linda Luceti	Eva McGinn
Lector:	Ted Rosshirt	Martin Kilgariff	Sherry Rosevear	Connie Pearson
Server:	Mary Kay Riccioni	Jennifer Martinez	Bev Shelhart	Drew Hofmann
Greeters:	Justine Haugen Jackie Kenilvort	Dick D'Oliva Vi D'Oliva	Justine Haugen Jackie Kenilvort	Bob Chapman Pat Chapman
Ushers:	Mike Apicella Dennis Sabourin Micki Sabourin	Tim Burkhard Tim Cummings Rick Ragan	Mike Apicella Tom Beirne Jack Luceti	Tim Cummings Dick Muzio Clarence Younger

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 6–14

Sat	6	4:00	† Mary Radhuber & ††Louis & Lorraine Pappin (Fred Cunha)
Sun	7	10:00	† O'Brien Family (Mimi May)
Mon	8		No Mass
Tue	9	8:00	† Jean Boies (Carole Smania)
Wed	10	8:00	Intention of Jim Warman (Msgr. Pulskamp)
		10:30	Oakmont Gardens For the People of the Parish
Thurs	11	8:00	Intention of Deacon Gary Moore (Msgr. Pulskamp)
Fri	12	8:00	Intention of Bishop Walsh (Msgr. Pulskamp)
Sat	13	4:00	† Etalo Kenilvort (Jackie Kenilvort)
Sun	14	10:00	† Jack Collins (Shirley Collins)

Please keep the sick in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Gloria Cerutti, David Charlton, Lola Danielli, Patricia Daniels, Fran Dias, Audrey Engen, Fran Evans, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Bette Johnson, 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, Bart Taylor, Ed Turpin, Mercedes Vegvary, Claire Vincent, William Wallace, Jim Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Jean Boies.

Funeral Mass at Star of the Valley

Friday, November 12, 10:00 a.m.: Jean Boies.

Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, **November 11**, for Veterans' Day.

Second Collections

This weekend's second collection is for **Christmas Flowers**. The flower committee is already working hard to make the church beautiful for Christmas. Next weekend's second collection is for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**.

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>



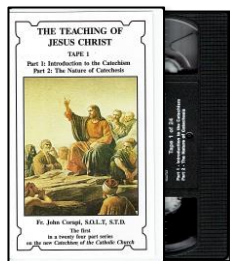
or search for "**The Synod on Synodality launches in Rome**" in your internet search engine, then click on **PLAY**.

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.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Support our Catholic Schools!

The Diocese of Santa Rosa is looking for teachers, teacher aides, and substitutes. If you are interested call Lori at 707-566-3322 or email Inorcia@srdiocese.org



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 would like to borrow one from our library, 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.



Turn Clocks Back

Daylight Savings Time ends this weekend. Turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday, **November 6**.

I'm getting tired of being part of a major historical event.

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