

# 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

Anna Jean, Office Secretary

## **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.

## **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 visits

by a Priest or Eucharistic Minister,

when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized

to arrange for Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick.

Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound suspended.



## **May 7-8, 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

### **Spreading the Word**

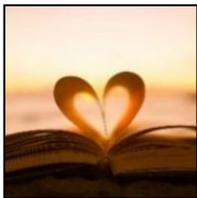
In our reading from Acts today, Paul and Barnabas are on a mission to spread the word of the Lord. So, they reach out to their fellow Jews in the synagogue. Many respond favorably, so many that the leaders become nervous and expel them. So, Paul and Barnabas just keep going. They open up their mission to the Gentiles as well. They understand that there are some who are just not ready to hear their message, and so they leave those people, knowing that they, too, are precious to God, and that they will hear the Good News of salvation in God's time. It is such a simple message, yet so wonderful—we are saved!

In the reading today from Revelation, we are assured that all who are claimed for Christ will stand with God in heaven at the eternal banquet. It is the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, who leads us to the waters of salvation.

### **The Good Shepherd**

God created us in all our uniqueness. We are God's own, and God loves each of us. God has given us the Son, the Good Shepherd. We are awash in the love of God; it washed over us in baptism, and washes over us every day of our lives. The Good Shepherd is always calling to us, inviting us to follow. Because we are each unique, however, the time and the way that each of us hears and responds to the mystery of salvation will differ.

Even more wonderful, God's love for humankind is so great that we can trust that every soul on earth will eventually hear the message of love and salvation. This is God's will, and it will be done in the time and way of God's choosing. Our task is to spread the message, using the different gifts God has given each of us, knowing that no soul on earth can ever be taken from God's hand.



**Sunday, May 8, 2022**

**Scripture Readings**

**Reading I:** Acts 13: 14, 43-52—The word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region.

**Responsorial:** Psalm 100—We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

**Reading II:** Revelation 7:9, 14b-17—I had a vision of a great multitude, from every nation, race, people, and tongue.

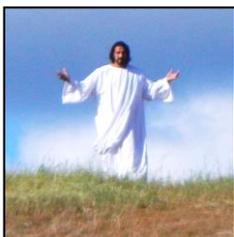
**Gospel:** John 10: 27-30—My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life.

**New Members Needed for the Pastoral Council**

Our current Pastoral Council members deserve our sincere thanks for serving longer than their original terms in order to get our parish through the pandemic. They also deserve a well-earned break. This means we need, and are now looking for, new members.

The Parish Pastoral Council is an advisory group to the pastor. It assists him in pastoral planning. The planning process includes identifying pastoral needs in the parish, developing pastoral plans, implementing them and periodically evaluating our progress.

Inserted in this bulletin you will find a nomination form. If you have a love for Star of the Valley and its people, feel that the Spirit is calling you or some other parishioner to serve the parish in this way, please complete this form and submit it for consideration by **May 16th, 2022**. Permission needs to be obtained from a nominee who is not yourself. Nomination forms may be placed in the weekend collection baskets, dropped off at, or mailed to the Parish Office at 495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409.



**NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH**

**Lake County**

**Annual Outdoor Passion Play Third Weekend in May**

If you want to feel the Power of our Lord, come and experience the Passion Play!

This year it will be held on Saturday and Sunday, **May 14 and 15, 2022**, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in beautiful Lake County. Visit us at: [www.lakecountypassionplay.org](http://www.lakecountypassionplay.org), call 707-263-0349, or look at our Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/PassionPlayLakeCo/](https://www.facebook.com/PassionPlayLakeCo/). Admission is free! Further information is on the bulletin board.

♥ Happy Mother's Day ♥



**Breakfast to Make a Difference—POSTPONED**

Star of the Valley Meal Teams will be forming again to help Catholic Charities' effort in feeding the homeless at Sam Jones Hall. Volunteers are needed for this Corporal Work of Mercy and others that Catholic Charities organizes: calling the homebound, and driving the "car-less" to appointments.

Thank you for your interest and desire to be of service. Unfortunately, the May 10 breakfast meeting has been **cancelled**. It will be rescheduled to a future date, yet to be determined. Keep an eye on this bulletin for the new date to share breakfast, and to learn more about these volunteer opportunities. The need is great.

Thank you for your patience, Mike O'Callaghan

The Men's Club is hosting a...



**Pancake Breakfast**

Where: Monsignor Fahey Parish Center  
 When: Sunday, May 15, 8:00–Noon  
 Cost: Adults \$10; Children \$7  
 Pay at the door

Come and enjoy all you can eat:  
 Pancakes, Eggs, Ham, Juice & Coffee

**This Weekend — May 7–8**

**4:00 p.m.**

**EMs:** Don Shelhart

**Lectors:** Ted Sullivan

**Servers:** Bev Shelhart

**Greeters:** Kathleen Beirne  
Tom Beirne

**Ushers:** Jack Luceti  
TBD

**10:00 a.m.**

Marge Lamb

Joyce O'Connor

Jennifer Martinez

Donna Forst & **Crickert** 🐾  
Paula Scull

Fritz Spotleson  
TBD

**Next Weekend — May 14–15**

**4:00 p.m.**

Blanche Kaiser

Mike Hanlon

Mary Kay Riccioni

Justine Haugen  
Jackie Kenilvort

Agnes Apicella  
TBD

**10:00 a.m.**

Marcy Fox

Rosemary Haver

John Dolan

Dick D'Oliva  
Vi D'Oliva

Esther Dolan  
TBD



**MASS INTENTIONS—MAY 7–15**

Sat	7	4:00	† <b>Carol Larsen</b> (Joey Cuneo)
Sun	8	10:00	† <b>Charlotte Muzio</b> (Richard Muzio)
Mon	9		<b>No Mass</b>
Tue	10	8:00	† <b>Chris Bruno</b> (Carole & Martin Kilgariff)
Wed	11	8:00	† <b>Roger Ballard</b>
		10:30	<b>O.G. For the People of the Parish</b>
Thurs	12	8:00	† <b>Elijah Davidson</b> (Iz Campbell)
Fri	13	8:00	<b>Special Intention Magda Shelton</b> (Harriet Draper)
Sat	14	4:00	† <b>Bob Waska</b> (Frances Waska)
Sun	15	10:00	† <b>Stephen Muzio</b> (Richard Muzio)

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Gloria Cerutti, Lola Danielli, Fran Dias, Frank Donovan, Fran Evans, Bob Flores, Mary Gorrell, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Bette Johnson, Dan Kenilvort, Jackie Kenilvort, Trula La Calle, Maureen Latimer, Charles Marchese, Eve Marcucci, Carolyn McKenna, Don McQuaid, Jacqua Miller, Liz Mullins, Lea Nelson, Karen O'Malley, Richard Peterson, Ray Pregent, Phyllis Rogers, Angela Saul, Magda Shelton, Elaine Smith, Ed Turpin, Mercedes Vegvary, Claire Vincent, William Wallace, Jim Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Peggy Pavone.



**Gift For Our Mothers...**

A blessing mothers can give and a prayer for our mothers, from the Santa Rosa Diocese.

iMOM turned upside down is WOW!

**Weekly Collection Report**

<b>Apr. 10</b>	<b>Apr. 17</b>	<b>Apr. 24</b>	<b>Weekly Goal</b>
\$5,848	\$10,379	\$4,585	\$5,365

**Note:** The amounts consist of First collections, Parish Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day collections received during the preceding week and weekend. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Second Collection**

This weekend's second collection is for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**. Next weekend's second collection is for **Neighbor-to-Neighbor**.



**Together Again**

After two years of little to no contact due to the pandemic, thirty women of Star of the Valley gathered on Wednesday, April 20th to enjoy coffee, pastries and one another's company. Interest forms were filled out (see below) and discussion followed. The first consensus was to name our gatherings "**Women's Circle**."

We will post in the bulletin the ideas that were generated.

If you missed this meeting, please join us for our next gathering: Wednesday, **May 18th** at 10:30 a.m. at the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center.

If you are interested in joining the women of the parish, and would like to share your ideas for future activities, please fill out the form below and place it in the Women's Circle box in the parish center, drop it in the locked mailbox at the parish center, or mail it to Star of the Valley, Attn: Women's Circle, 495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409. We're excited to hear from you!



Star of the Valley, Oakmont  
April 2022

**Welcome Back!**

This is the first of several gatherings to assess the needs of the women of our parish for future planning.

Please check any type of activity you hope to enjoy at Star of the Valley Parish:

♥ **Social:**

- Lunches
- Dinners
- Coffee & Pastries
- Bridge/Games

♥ **Social Action:**

- Fundraisers for a specific cause

♥ **Other Ideas:**

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♥ **Spiritual:**

- Retreats
- Workshops
- Discussion Groups

Fill in the following if you wish to be contacted regarding any of these ideas:

♥ **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

♥ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

♥ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

♥ **Intellectual:**

- Lectures
- Films & Discussions
- Classes

Please feel free to give this form to anyone in the neighborhood interested in participating or helping.

## When God Created Mothers Erma Bombeck 1974

When the good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're fiddling around on this one." And, the Lord said, "Have you read the specs on this order?" She has to be completely washable, but not plastic; have 180 moveable parts... all replaceable; run on black coffee and leftovers; have a lap that disappears when she stands up; a kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair; and six pairs of hands. The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands... no way." "It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord. "It's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have." "That's on a Standard Model?" asked the angel.

The Lord nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another, here, in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't, but what she has to know, and, of course, the ones here, in front, that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, 'I understand' and 'I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"Lord," said the angel, touching His sleeve gently, "come on to bed. Tomorrow..." "I can't," said the Lord, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick, can feed a family of six on one-pound of hamburger, and

can get a 9-year-old to take a shower." The angel circled the model of the mother very slowly. "It's small," she sighed. "But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You cannot imagine what this mother can do or endure." "Can it think?" "Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. "There's a leak" she said. "I told you you were trying to put too much into this model." "It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear." "What's it for?" "It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride." "You are a genius," said the angel. The Lord looked somber and said to the angel, "I didn't put it there."

## Motherhood

Mothers are a gift from God. God knew what He was doing when He created women with the ability to nurture life. Mother's Day honors all our mothers and their enormous sacrifices. Mother's Day encompasses more than just the honoring of those who have borne children. It is the celebration of motherhood—the divine nature of women. May we all feel a deeper appreciation for the great blessing of motherhood, not just when we celebrate Mother's Day, but every day! The culture of death undermines both motherhood and the God-given gift and blessing of children. May we help the next generation reclaim and respect this incredible gift of motherhood!

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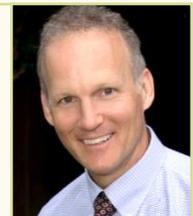
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