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

Rev. Msgr. James Pulskamp, Pastor

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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, Administrative Assistant

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.



July 23-24, 2022 — Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep Praying

St. Monica, whose feast we celebrate in August, is often known as "the persistent mother." She watched her oldest son, Augustine, turn his back on his Christian faith.

Monica was exasperated. For years she gave up talking directly to her son on the advice of a local bishop, who told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine than to Augustine about God.

The mother never gave up praying for her son. Eventually Augustine gave up his wild ways, was baptized, and later ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine went on to become one of the Church's greatest scholars.

Today's readings address the importance of persistent prayer. Abraham, in spite of trepidation that he is bothering the Lord, continues to ask about the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. Jesus, in Luke's Gospel, tells his disciples to "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." This is our charge: keep praying.

Cultivate Contemplation & Simplicity

Carmel gets mentioned throughout the Old Testament, as a settlement and a mountain, both named for the lush vegetation that grew there. The former was the homeland of King David's wife, Abigail. The latter was the holy mountain, dotted with caves, where Elijah confronted the false prophets of Baal. These caves also attracted early hermits who would go on to found the Carmelite religious order. Carmelite spirituality—in particular, contemplation and a simple lifestyle—was the touchstone of many influential Catholic saints, including John of the Cross, Teresa of Ávila, and Thérèse of Lisieux. How might your own spiritual life benefit from an increase in contemplation or simplicity?



Sunday July 24, 2022 Scripture Readings Reading I: Genesis 18:20-32— Abraham bargained with God for the safety of the innocent. Responsorial: Ps. 138—Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Reading II: Colossians 2:12-14—God nailed our sins to the cross of Christ.

Gospel: *Luke* 11:1-13—Jesus teaches us to pray and reminds us to persevere in prayer.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH



National Eucharistic Revival Scandal, division, disease, doubt.

The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response in this moment is pivotal.

In the midst of these roaring waves, *Jesus is present*, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world.

How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith—the Holy Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation.

Sign up for the Heart of Revival newsletter today and learn how you can get involved: www.eucharisticrevival.org



The Mystery of the Eucharist

When is the last time you sat down to enjoy a meal with your family or close friends—not just to eat food in close proximity to each other, but to bask in each other's presence and grow in love for one another?

For most of us, this doesn't happen at a typical meal. But this is the kind of meal God wants to share with us. This is the kind of meal he has prepared for us and invites us to participate in through the Sacrament of the Eucharist. To watch **Episode 1: God Is with Us** (35:07) from the video series *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*, created by the Augustine Institute, click on <u>https://watch.formed.org/presence/season:1/videos</u> /god-is-with-us. The COVID-19 pandemic leaves deep scars around the world. The words of Psalm 79 are vividly true: "May your compassion quickly come to us, for we are brought very low." The church teaches that God's compassion is always at hand. Suffering can be excruciating, but God's presence endures. Be a compassionate presence to someone who is hurting. The heart you heal may end up being your own.



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| | 4:00 p.m. |
| EMs: | Blanche Kaiser |
| Lectors: | Connie Pearson |
| Servers: | Judy Rodgers |
| Greeters: | Jan Rosshirt Ted Rosshirt |
| Ushers: | Ted Rosshirt TBD |

This Weekend

July 23–24 10:00 a.m. Kar Hofmann Mimi May Drew Hofmann Dick D'Oliva Vi D'Oliva Tim Burkhard TBD

Next Weekend – July 30–314:00 p.m.10:00 a.Dennis SabourinMarcy FoBob ZeniJoyce O'OMicki SabourinJohn DolaGloria BowersDonna FoJustine HaugenMimi MayAgnes ApicellaRick RagTBDTBD

ly 30–31 10:00 a.m. Marcy Fox Joyce O'Connor John Dolan Donna Forst & Cricket Mimi May Rick Ragan TBD

MASS INTENTIONS-JULY 23-31

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| Sat | 23 | 4:00 | †Jose Darlucio (Lisa Peters) |
| Sun | 24 | 10:00 | †Dick Holm (Richard Muzio) |
| Mon | 25 | | No Mass—Pray for the U.S.A. |
| Tue | 26 | 8:00 | †John McCarthy |
| Wed | 27 | 8:00 | †Shirley Marelli |
| | | 10:30 | O.G. For the People of the Parish |
| Thurs | 28 | 8:00 | †Norrine McMichael |
| Fri | 29 | 8:00 | †Stan Henrikson (Harriet Draper) |
| Sat | 30 | 4:00 | †Jack Collins (Shirley Collins) |
| Sun | 31 | 10:00 | †Charlotte Muzio (Richard Muzio) |

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Cricket, Lola Danielli, Fran Dias, Frank Donovan, Bob Flores, Mary Gorrell, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Dan Kenilvort, Jackie Kenilvort, Martin Kilgariff, Maureen Latimer, Charles Marchese, Eve Marcucci, Carolyn McKenna, Don McQuaid, Liz Mullins, Lea Nelson, Karen O'Malley, Richard Peterson, Ray Pregent, Jill Ramage, Angela Saul, Magda Shelton, Elaine Smith, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Ed Turpin, Claire Vincent, Jim Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Helen Della Zoppa.

Weekly Collection Report

| July 3 | July 10 | Weekly Goal | | | | |
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| \$3,876 | \$4,434 | \$5,365 | | | | |
| Note: The amounts consist of First collections, Parish | | | | | | |
| Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day collections | | | | | | |
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received during the preceding week and weekend.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH Fil-Am Friendship Day

An American and Filipino luncheon, with entertainment and a silent auction will take place on Sunday, **July 24**, from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall, 4595 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park. \$15 per combination plate meal (two choices.) See details on the flyer posted on the bulletin board.

Religious Education Congress 2022—Free!

On Saturday, **September 24**, 2022, the Diocese of Santa Rosa will present a day of prayer and fellowship for all adults in the Diocese. The event will be held at Cardinal Newman High School, 4320 Old Redwood Hwy., Santa Rosa. The theme is "The Church and the Most Holy Eucharist."

The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the gym, with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert F. Vasa. A variety of speakers will be presented throughout the day. This day is designed to bring spiritual nourishment to all adults in the Diocese. We look forward to seeing you.

We are happy to announce that this year's event is FREE. For more information or to register, please contact Carmen Aanenson at the Diocesan Department of Religious Education, at 707-566-3366, or email <u>dre@srdiocese.org</u>.

For more information visit the Diocese of Santa Rosa website at <u>www.santarosacatholic.org</u>.



Have You Noticed?

The landscape renovation has begun at the church!

A "Time to Roll Out the Green" mailing is going out this week to explain the plan for relandscaping the grounds of the church and the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center. Phase One, relandscaping the church

grounds has started, but funds need to be raised for Phase Two, relandscaping the Parish Center grounds. Wouldn't it be nice if both were refreshed and looked more welcoming?

Keep an eye out for details coming to your mailbox soon. If you have any questions, contact Finance Council members Dennis Sabourin or Ted Rosshirt. We look forward to your support.



New Member of Finance Council

We are happy to announce that Justine Haugen, a Star of the Valley parishioner who served as our Women's Club Treasurer, is now a member of our Parish Finance Council. Thank you, Justine, for your dedication to Star of the Valley, and

for using your talents by serving the parish.

The Present

It's good to leave each day behind, like flowing water, free of sadness. Yesterday is gone and its tale told. Today new seeds are growing.

–Jalaluddin Rumi

Welcome to Star of the Valley Catholic Church

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a returning Catholic, a visitor or new member, we hope your time with us is a meaningful and spiritual experience.

If you'd like to register or receive offertory envelopes, have moved, or have other needs, please complete this form and return it to the parish office or offertory basket.

| New Parishioner New contact info (address, email, phone number) I'm moving; remove my name from the parish list. I need to talk to a priest. Please call me. I have a question. Please contact me. |
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| Name: |
| Address: |
| City & Zip: |
| Phone Number: |
| E-mail Address: |



Grandparents Day Sunday, July 24th has been designated by Pope Francis as the "Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly." The theme this year is "In old age they will still bear fruit." (Psalm 92:15) This is a reminder

Jesus with his parents and grandparents Joachim and Anne.

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that the experiences and lives of grandparents and the elderly "can contribute to building societies that are aware of their roots."

Tuesday, July 26, is the Feast Day Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and grandparents of Jesus.

A Prayer for Grandparents

Most loving Father, we thank and praise you on this occasion as we remember and give thanks for the gift of Grandparents.

We remember our Grandparents who have gone before us into eternity and pray that they already rejoice with you in heaven.

We remember our Grandparents who are nearing the end of their days. Provide them with a lively sense of peace and comfort in their final days.

We remember Grandparents who engage with us in our daily lives. Lord, may we be most attentive to assuring them of our love and appreciation for what they do and who they are in our lives.

We remember those elders who may have no grandchildren of their own but who have touched our lives in wonderfully powerful ways.

Father, we pray that you provide these, our loved ones, an abundance of your grace and peace. We pray you shower down upon them every good grace and blessing. Amen

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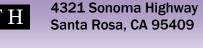
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