

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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*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.



January 7-8, 2023—The Epiphany of the Lord



As we listen to
Matthew's
account of the
Magi, we can
hear echoes,
both of the
Jewish tradition
and of the first
two readings
today. Each

reading on this feast of Epiphany presents a manifestation
of God's inclusion of Gentiles into the plan of salvation:
distant nations see divine glory flowing from Jerusalem;
Gentiles learn that they are one body with Jewish believers;
and now Gentile astrologers from the east see the newborn
king of the Jews.

The Gospel opens with reference to two kings: King
Herod in Jerusalem and the newborn king of the Jews in
Bethlehem. Beginning with these two brief introductions,
Matthew sets up contrasts that he will develop throughout
the narrative. Herod is a tyrannical ruler, obsessed with
power, reminiscent of the Pharaoh of Egypt. Herod was so
threatened by possible rivals that he even put family
members to death. Jerusalem is his capital, the city where
he displayed his wealth and life of luxury. The temple he
built was as much to honor himself as to honor the Lord
God of Israel. The infant king in contrast has no display of
wealth or power. He is found not in a palace in Jerusalem
surrounded by attendants, but in a house with his mother in
the small village of Bethlehem. Tiny in size, Bethlehem's
significance arises from the prophecy of a ruler who will be
born there, one who like King David would shepherd the
people of Israel.



Sunday January 8, 2023

Scripture Readings

Reading I: *Isaiah 60:1-6*—Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you.

Responsorial: *Psalm 72*—Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Reading II: *Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6*—The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel: *Matthew 2:1-12*—Magi from the east arrived, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews?”

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI Books in SOV Library

If you would like to read books about and by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, we have the following books, in alphabetical order, in our library:

- *A New Song for the Lord: Faith in Christ and Liturgy Today* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *God is Love: Encyclical Letter* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *God is Near Us: The Eucharist, the Heart of Life* by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
- *Holy Father: Pope Benedict XVI: Pontiff for a New Era* by Greg Tobin
- *Introduction to Christianity* by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
- *Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *Jesus of Nazareth: From the Entrance into Jerusalem to the Resurrection* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *Let God’s Light Shine Forth: The Spiritual Vision of Pope Benedict XVI* by Robert Moynihan, PhD
- *Light of the World: The Pope, The Church and the Signs of the Times* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *Milestones: Memoirs 1927-1977* by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
- *Pilgrim Fellowship of Faith: The Church as Communion* by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
- *Pope Benedict XVI: His Life and Mission* by Stephen Mansfield
- *The Priesthood: Spiritual Thoughts* by Pope Benedict XVI
- *The Ratzinger Report: An Exclusive Interview on the State of the Church* by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
- *The Rule of Benedict: Pope Benedict XVI and His Battle with the Modern World* by David Gibson
- *We Have a Pope! Benedict XVI* by Matthew E. Bunson



DECEMBER 31–JANUARY 7–15

Sat	7	4:00	†Antoinette Gagliardi-Ortenza (Beatrix Buckley)
Sun	8	10:00	Intention of Paul Fitzpatrick (Sue & Tim Cummings)
Mon	9		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	10	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Wed	11	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
		10:30	Oakmont Gardens No Mass
Thurs	12	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Fri	13	8:00	†John Lucan (Kathy Lollock)
Sat	14	4:00	†Bob Waska (Frances Waska)
Sun	15	10:00	†Christian Van den Berghe (Frances Waska)

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: J-3, Gail Barrett, Ruth Beauchamp, Mike Cusack, Lola Danielli, Fran Dias, Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, Marcy Fox, Mary Gorrell, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Martin Kilgariff, Maureen Latimer, Jack Luceti, Eve Marcucci, Carolyn McKenna, Terie McKenna, Bill McNeany, Don McQuaid, Connie Montague, Lea Nelson, Karen O’Malley, Lauri Paolinetti, Pricilla Peralejo, Richard Peterson, Jill Ramage, Angela Saul, Magda Shelton, Elaine Smith, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Oceana Spotleson, Claire Vincent and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and Robert (Bob) Flores.

Papal Memorial Prayer

Almighty and Loving God,
we remember with great joy and thanksgiving
Your beloved son, Pope Benedict XVI,
an outstanding spiritual Pope for seven years,
who then made history by resigning and becoming
“His Holiness Benedict XVI, Roman Pontiff Emeritus.”
Welcome him into Your kingdom with open arms
as You welcome all Your “good and faithful servants.”
As a scholar, teacher and an ambassador of compassion
and justice, Pope Benedict proclaimed Your abiding love
for all Your children and especially
the poor and marginalized throughout the world.
May we learn from his example—and in his memory—
to deepen our faith, to dedicate ourselves more fully to
the works of the Church, and to love and serve You as
faithfully and profoundly as he did.
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual
light of Your love shine upon him always. Amen.



This Weekend — January 7–8

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

EMs:	Sr. Joanne Abrams	Cristina Wadsworth
Lectors:	Len Marabella	Martin Kilgariff
Servers:	Bev Shelhart	John Dolan
Greeters:	Gloria Bowers Sherry Rosevear	Donna Forst & Cricket Marietta Mancuso
Ushers:	Jack Luceti TBD	Clarence Younger TBD

Next Weekend — January 14–15

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

Dennis Sabourin	Liz Garcia
Judy Rodgers	Mimi May
Micki Sabourin	Jim Warman
Justine Haugen	Esther Dolan
Evelyn Zigmont	Paula Scull
Agnes Apicella	Fritz Spotleson
TBD	TBD

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK—JANUARY 8–15

Sunday 8, Donut Sunday—CANCELED

Tuesday 10, 11:00 Pastoral Council Meeting—Bello Rm.

Thursday 12, 5:00 Men's Gathering—Parish Center

Winter Workshop for Priests—No Masses

This week, from **January 10-12**, 2023, priests of the Diocese of Santa Rosa will be at their annual winter workshop. Therefore, there will be **no daily Mass** at Star of the Valley, nor at Oakmont Gardens on **Monday** (as usual,) **Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday**. Mass will resume on Friday.

Weekly Collection Report

Dec. 18	Dec. 25	Jan. 1	Weekly Goal
\$4,558	\$11,416	\$5,165	\$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 Collections

The second collection this weekend is for **Neighbor-to-Neighbor**. The second collection for next weekend is for **Parish Repairs and Maintenance**.

Hope In A New Year

It is good spiritual practice and quite healthy to remember inspiring people who have gone before us. As the New Year breaks upon us, we pause to remember the people and events that inspired our lives and challenged us to be better people. People such as these give birth to hope in uncertain times.

Many in our time seem to be losing hope. As they look out upon the World, they become afraid, and for good reason. The rise of anti-Semitism in the United States and other parts of the World is dangerous and threatening. The ongoing assault in Ukraine is more than tragic. The rise of right-wing governments in the Middle East is alarming. The breakdown of traditional institutions makes life uncertain. The list goes on and on. Yet, in every situation of conflict and division, people are rising up in the cause of what is right and just.

Gandhi once famously said, "You must become what you want the World to be." Now is the time to dedicate ourselves to discovering inspiring people of the past so we might become inspiring people in the present. Do not let the madness in the World define who you are as a person. Do not let the uncertainty of life obscure the vision of hope in your soul. Dream your dreams and become a catalyst for hope. Seize the moment, taking every opportunity to bless others with the gift of you.

One great Master said, "Fear not, little flock, it has pleased your God to give you the Kingdom." As this New Year unfolds, fear not to look within your heart and transform the World around you with the love and peace within you.

Bless you, for your courage to dream and your willingness to hope. Thank you for blessing this New Year with the gift of you.

—Fr. Tom Banacci, CP



Donut Sunday—January 8 In Memory of Marilyn Brown

Many thanks to the family of Marilyn Brown for sponsoring Donut Sunday on **January 8** in the Parish Center.

10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Come to the new year, enjoy some juice, coffee, refreshments, visit with fellow parishioners and remember Marilyn Brown.

**Canceled
due to
inclement
weather**

Month	Day	Prayer
Jan	1	St. Ignace of Loyola
Jan	2	St. Basil
Jan	3	St. Gregory
Jan	4	St. Ambrose
Jan	5	St. John the Evangelist
Jan	6	St. Peter the Apostle
Jan	7	St. Paul the Apostle
Jan	8	St. James the Apostle
Jan	9	St. Matthew the Apostle
Jan	10	St. Mark the Evangelist
Jan	11	St. Luke the Evangelist
Jan	12	St. John the Baptist
Jan	13	St. Thomas the Apostle
Jan	14	St. Philip the Apostle
Jan	15	St. Andrew the Apostle
Jan	16	St. Nicholas
Jan	17	St. Anthony
Jan	18	St. Vincent
Jan	19	St. Basil
Jan	20	St. Gregory
Jan	21	St. Ambrose
Jan	22	St. John the Evangelist
Jan	23	St. Peter the Apostle
Jan	24	St. Paul the Apostle
Jan	25	St. James the Apostle
Jan	26	St. Matthew the Apostle
Jan	27	St. Mark the Evangelist
Jan	28	St. Luke the Evangelist
Jan	29	St. John the Baptist
Jan	30	St. Thomas the Apostle
Jan	31	St. Philip the Apostle

Pray for Priests in December

The December calendar of Prayers for Priests is on the Divine Mercy counter in church. Please pray for them as well as for new vocations to the priesthood.



Attention Men of the Parish

The Men's dinner/gathering is set for **January 12th** at 5:00 p.m.

There is still time to join in for a Prime Rib dinner with wine. Reservations will close Monday evening, January 9th. The cost is \$10 per person.

For more information contact Jim Warman at 707-230-2682 or warman804@yahoo.com.

Greeting Card Class

10:30-12:30, Wednesday, January 25

Monsignor Fahey Parish Center
Sponsored by the Women's Circle

The class is open to all parishioners and guests.

Join us for fellowship, brunch,
and hand-crafting your own greeting card.

\$10 donation covers materials and food.

RSVP Paula Scull by January 20th
Email pscull@me.com or phone 760-809-2760



LIVE
STREAM



Masses Online

- ▶ Mass at Holy Spirit Church,
Fr. Ron Serban

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCquuul6w8ZUE14rZZUed6QQ>

- ▶ Mass in English at Resurrection Parish
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tAycBKHClj8>
- ▶ Cathedral of St. Eugene's daily and Sunday Masses:
www.youtube.com/channel/UC2ueqwT5jZnglWxq0ENTP4Q
- ▶ Sunday Mass at St. Ignatius Church in San Francisco
on You Tube and daily Mass on Facebook:
<https://www.stignatiussf.org/livestream>
- ▶ Mass with Fr. Harry Schlitt of God Squad TV:
<https://fatherharry.org/>
- ▶ Bishop Robert Barron, Archdiocese of Los Angeles,
records his Sunday Sermon:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DyGNQYZfds4>

OUTSIDE THE PARISH



Gardening Morning

For all happy gardeners and those who would enjoy a morning of working outdoors! We are holding a morning of gardening at the Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos to help us be ready to receive our guests post-pandemic. It is Saturday, **January 21**, and will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m., and then we'll work until lunch at 12 noon.

Fr. John Auther will have work for everyone according to talents and strength. Please register online by Friday, January 20, 2023, so that we know you are coming to this free event. jrc.retreatportal.com/calendar/event?programcode=23SDY03651



"Come Down, Zacchaeus"

Zacchaeus is mentioned only once in the Gospels, but this courageous man becomes a model for all disciples. In this weekend's silent retreat for men and women, we will pray with the decisions and struggles of Zacchaeus and how they may apply to our own story of discipleship. \$320 per person; Friday, 3:00 p.m. through Sunday 2:00 p.m., **January 27-29**. Register at jrc.retreatportal.com/calendar/event?programcode=23SON03566.



Afternoon of Remembrance

Sunday, **January 29**, 2023 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Ms. Rita Morton and Fr. John Auther, S.J. will lead the program for grieving mothers and friends at the Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos.

All grieving mothers and grandmothers (no matter how long it's been since your loss) are invited to an afternoon of Reflection. Join JRC Retreat Director Fr. John Auther, S.J., and Ms. Rita Morton, Founder of Sacred Sorrows, as they present the topic New Year, New Hope. This gentle program will conclude with a memorial Mass in remembrance of our lost loved ones. Attendance is free, reservations are required. RSVP at www.sacredsorrows.org. Questions, please contact rita@sacredsorrows.org or call 480-734-5416.



Piano 4-Hands

Roses Signature Concert Series presents: Piano 4-Hands. Marilyn Thompson and Nancy Hayashibara will be performing on **January 15** at 2:00 p.m. at Church of the Roses, 2500 Patio Court in Santa Rosa. All are invited.



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