

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 for Anointing of the Sick by a Priest when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

Call the office to arrange visits by a Eucharistic Minister for Holy Communion when someone is homebound.



May 13/14, 2023—Sixth Sunday of Easter



A Dwelling Place

Last week we heard that Philip was one of the disciples chosen to assist the Twelve in their mission, preaching the word and serving the poor. Today we hear what Philip accomplished. He journeyed from Jerusalem, where Christians met with persecution, to Samaria, where he met with such support that the author of Acts remarks on the great joy he brought to the

whole city. Samaritans of Samaria and Jews of Judea were unified in Christ. What's more, Peter and John joined Philip, demonstrating the solidarity between the original apostles and the later disciples. All this is wrapped up in the unity of God, as exemplified by the presence of both the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit in all who had been baptized.

In the Gospel, Jesus promises the Twelve that he will not leave them orphans. Another Advocate will be with them always. The Greek word *parakletos*, also translated as "Paraclete," refers to one who defends or pleads the cause of someone at trial. In the trials of our lives, the Holy Spirit assists us, defending us from harm and guiding us along the right way.

Jesus, of course, was the first Advocate whom God sent to us. Last week we heard Jesus tell his disciples that he would prepare a dwelling place for them. Now he tells them that this dwelling place is much closer than they expect. "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you." Jesus has chosen us as his dwelling place. Jesus' place is within us, within each other.



Sunday May 14, 2023

6th Sunday of Easter

Scripture Readings

Reading I: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17—Peter and John laid hands upon them.

Responsorial: Psalm 66—Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Reading II: 1 Peter 3:15-18—Put to

death in the flesh, Jesus was brought to life in the Spirit.

Gospel: John 14:15-21—I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you.

ATTENTION!

Next Sunday—Two Masses 9:00 & 10:00 a.m.! May 21 Only

To help make it more convenient for you to go to the **pancake breakfast** at the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center on **May 21**, Star of the Valley will have a **9:00 a.m.** Mass in addition to the 10:00 a.m. Mass. We will return to having only a 10:00 a.m. Mass the following Sunday, May 28, Pentecost Sunday.



The Men's Club
is hosting a...

Pancake Breakfast

Where: Monsignor Fahey Parish Center
When: Sunday, May 21, 8:00–Noon
Cost: Adults \$10; Children \$7
Pay at the door

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

MASS INTENTIONS—MAY 13–21

Sat 13	4:00	† Bob Waska & †Msgr. Thomas Keys (Frances Waska)
Sun 14	10:00	† Charlotte Muzio (Richard Muzio)
Mon 15		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue 16	8:00	† Don McQuaid (Carole & Martin Kilgariff)
Wed 17	8:00	† Msgr. Keys (Frances Waska)
	10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs 18	8:00	† Betty Clavi (Maria McCarthy)
Fri 19	8:00	† Brian Malino (John Byrne)
Sat 20	4:00	† Michael Caton (Frances Waska)
Sun 21	10:00	† Roberta Rodgers (Sharon & Bob Page)

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: God of all goodness, look with mercy on all who suffer any kind of infirmity, sickness or injury, that they may be comforted: J-3, Gail Barrett, Ruth Beauchamp, Mike Cusack, Rosalie Cushman, Lola Danielli, Patricia Daniels, Fran Dias, Audrey Engen, Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, Marcy Fox, Mary Gorrell, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Andy Hoyt, Lorraine Kowalkowski, Maureen Latimer, Eve Marcucci, Mimi May, Roberta McElroy, Carolyn McKenna, Nancy McNeill, Lea Nelson, Karen O'Malley, Tobi O'Neill, Lauri Paolinetti, Pricilla Peralejo, Richard Peterson, Eileen Poggi, Jill Ramage, Angela Saul, Magda Shelton, Elaine Smith, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Oceana Spotleson, Claire Vincent, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Phil Marvier.

Memorial Day Masses—Monday, May 29th

10:00 a.m. Calvary Catholic Cemetery, **Santa Rosa**

2930 Bennett Valley Road, Fr. Tom Diaz

9:00 a.m. Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, **St. Helena**

2121 Spring Street, Fr. Manuel Chavez

10:00 a.m. Calvary Catholic Cemetery, **Petaluma**

304 Magnolia Avenue, Celebrant TBD



Annual Ministry Appeal 2023

As of April 30, \$21,666 has been pledged by 75 parishioners, bringing us to 76% of our parish's goal.

If you haven't pledged or contributed to this year's AMA, please do so today. Our parish goal is **\$28,352**. Any amount raised over the goal will be returned to our parish. Envelopes are available in the church (be sure to write **Star of the Valley** on the parish line,) or go online at srdioocese.org.

This Weekend — May 13–14

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

EMs: Dennis Sabourin Barbara Spotleson

Lector: Len Marabella Bowman Olds

Server: Micki Sabourin Fritz Spotleson

Greeters: Kathy McKeon Donna Forst & Cricket
Lisa Munoz-Flores Paula Scull

Ushers: TBD Rick Ragan

Next Weekend — May 20–21

4:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Don Shelhart Marcy Fox Cristina Wadsworth

Karen Schraga Bowman Olds Connie Pearson

Bev Shelhart Fritz Spotleson John Dolan

Cathy Hardy Tom Beirne Esther Dolan
Pete Hardy Dick & Vi D'Oliva Donna Forst & Cricket

Judy Rodgers Tim Cummings Clarence Younger

PARISH EVENTS—MAY 13–21

Sunday, May 14: *Happy Mother's Day!*

Tuesday, May 16, 11:00: Pastoral Council Meeting—
Bello Room

Tuesday, May 16, 4:00: Bingo—Msgr. Fahey Parish
Center

Sunday, May 21: Pancake Breakfast—Parish Center

Weekly Collection Report

In case you're wondering why we have been operating in the **RED**:

April 23	April 30	May 7	Weekly Goal
\$3,288*	\$3,701*	\$5,213	\$5,365**

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

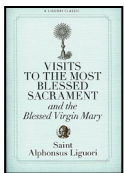
*Includes Easter donations.

**Needed to meet normal weekly expenses.

Thank you for your continued support.

Second Collections

This weekend's second collection is for **Neighbor-to-Neighbor**.



A Gift from Magda—Her Favorite Prayer

Parishioner Magda Shelton has donated copies of *Visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament and the Blessed Virgin Mary* to Star of the Valley. This translation into

English remains faithful to the spirit of the original 1745 edition written by Saint Alphonsus Liguori. For a free copy, come to the office during the week.

When God Created Mothers

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 pronounced. "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."
—Erma Bombeck 1974



The Harvest Is Plentiful, But The Laborers Are Few

More and more of our parishioners have been asking for the Eucharist to be brought to them at their home. We would love to accommodate everyone, but we presently do not have many volunteers who are able and willing to do this on a regular basis. Being short staffed we have only been able to take communion to those on our list twice a month. If anyone is interested in helping out with this important ministry, please contact Cristina Wadsworth, Sr. Joanne Abrams, or the parish office staff. Thank you.

Cristina: 707-583-3194, mcbogotaw@gmail.com

Sr. Joanne: 707-327-7394, jabramsosu@comcast.net

BAKED POTATO BAR WITH CHILI &



4:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 16

Msgr. Fahey Parish Center, 495 White Oak Drive

Dinner: \$8

Bingo Cards: \$2 each

All are welcome. If you don't play bingo,
come for dinner at 5:15 p.m. (approx.)

Dinner: Baked Potato Bar, Chili & Ice Cream Sundae



Who Would Like a Game Day?

Star of the Valley's Women's Circle would like your feedback. We're considering hosting a 'Game Day' in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center, open to all parishioners and their friends. There will be no charge for attending, but donations would be accepted to cover the cost of beverages and nibbles.

Please fill in the **Game Day Interest Survey** inserted in this bulletin, and place it in the Game Day box, on the counter in the back of the church, or in Women's Circle box in the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center. Even if you are not interested, we would like to hear from you.

If you have questions, comments, or would like more information, let us know in the Comments section on the survey.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Summer Fiesta at CTK

Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center in Citrus Heights is having a Summer Fiesta on Sunday, **June 4, 2023, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** There will be a Eucharistic Liturgy, a raffle, musical entertainment, and a BBQ chicken or hamburger meal. The full meal includes green salad, potato salad, corn on the cob, and dessert. Meal Tickets are \$7 per person (children 5 and under are free) and need to be ordered by May 26. [Click Here for More Information](#) or contact Sandra Gill at sgill@passionist.org/ 916-725-4720, ext. 302.

Happy Mother's Day



NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Safety & Active Shooter Response Training

Adam Peacocke serves on the Review Board for the Santa Rosa Diocese, and has done some wonderful work in safety preparedness among faith communities. He is inviting Star of the Valley Parish to send two or three representatives to a thorough, full day session on preparedness, including the opportunity to participate with law enforcement in a training simulation.

- **When:** Tuesday, **May 23rd**, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- **Where:** Hessel Church, 5060 Hessel Ave., Sebastopol
- **Cost:** The training is free, \$10 per person to cover snacks and lunch.
- **RSVP:** By Thursday, **May 18**, to the **parish office** at **707-539-6262** or email **sov@sonic.net** for more information.



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 20 & 21**, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at

the Passion Play Grounds located at 7010 Westlake Road, Upper Lake; off Highway 29.

Visit us at: www.lakecountypassionplay.org, call 866-896-5277, or look at our Facebook Page, www.facebook.com/PassionPlayLakeCo/. Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Please bring your own chair. Pets not allowed.



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