

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

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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.**

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 27/28, 2023—Pentecost Sunday

Too Large?

Several years ago, when I was teaching ninth-graders enrolled in a confirmation preparation program, the students told me that they were really struggling with the whole concept of the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. I told the students that receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit is like receiving a pair of jeans that have a waist and length that are simply too large. Rather than exchanging the jeans, we hold on to them until we grow into them. I shared this with them because I realized that at different times in my own life, I had turned to these gifts to get me through some particularly challenging situations.

Draw Strength from the Gifts

Everyone who has been confirmed has received the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Too often these gifts lie dormant. Can we even imagine what the world would look like if we shook off our stupor and awoke to the reality of these gifts? Take a moment to reflect on each of them. Every one of us, at some time or another, needs to put into practice one of these gifts. When faced with a difficult decision, draw strength from the gifts of wisdom, understanding, and counsel. When striving to overcome addictive behavior or when working through a difficult marriage issue, draw strength from the gift of fortitude. When asked about your faith, don't be afraid to turn to the Spirit's gift of knowledge. Draw strength from the gifts of piety and fear of the Lord as you nurture your faith life through prayer.

Pentecost gives us the opportunity to recognize the fact that God has generously poured forth the Holy Spirit into our hearts. Let's not forget the tremendous potential of the gifts of God's Spirit.



Sunday May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

Scripture Readings

Reading I: Acts 2:1-11—As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.

Responsorial: Psalm 104—Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13—The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry for the common good.

Gospel: John 20:19-23—On the first day of the week the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit.



Memorial Day Masses—

Monday, May 29th

10:00 a.m., Calvary Catholic Cemetery, 2930 Bennett Valley Road, **Santa Rosa**

9:00 a.m., Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, 2121 Spring Street, **St. Helena**

10:00 a.m., Calvary Catholic Cemetery, 304 Magnolia Avenue, **Petaluma**

Treasures from Our Tradition

Today, the languages of the whole world arise to God in a Pentecost of praise. In some American dioceses, the Mass is offered every Sunday in more than thirty different languages, including the silent praise of American Sign Language.

Fifty years ago, the landscape of liturgy was very different. It was grounded firmly in Latin, which is to the present day still the official language of the Roman Rite. Very few people were fluent in Latin, even though in those days Latin was far more widely studied in school. Nevertheless, almost every Catholic was competent in the responses and chants of Latin since it is not difficult to pronounce. The clergy were normally minimally competent in Latin, since much of seminary education was conducted in that language.

When the Second Vatican Council was convened, all of the debate and daily work of the council was to be in Latin. In the first session in 1962, Boston's Cardinal Richard Cushing continually complained about it, and threatened not to return in 1963 if something wasn't done. He convinced the fathers when he rose to speak in fairly fluent Latin in an unforgettable Boston twang. The next year, he returned, but with a simultaneous translation system funded by the people of Boston. The ordinary everyday language of the people, the vernacular, had arrived at the Vatican via Boston!

MASS INTENTIONS—MAY 27–JUNE 4

Sat 27 4:00 †**Jack Luceti** (Joey Cuneo)

Sun 28 10:00 †**Wells Wagner** (Tim & Barbara Burkhard)

Mon 29 No Mass—Pray a Rosary

Tue 30 8:00 †**Pat Marabella** (Margie & Chip Pettibone)

Wed 31 8:00 †**Donald Cassady** (Tim & Barbara Burkhard)

10:30 **O.G. For the People of the Parish**

Thurs 1 8:00 †**Jean Marie Ryan** (Bonnie & Mike Dines)

Fri 2 8:00 †**Pat Marabella** (Harriet Draper)

Sat 3 4:00 †**Jack Luceti** (Linda Luceti)

Sun 4 10:00 †**Pat Marabella** (Sam Guerrero)

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, Roberta McElroy, Carolyn McKenna, Bill McNeany, 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.

Memorial Mass at Star of the Valley

Friday, June 2, 11:00 a.m.: **Phil Marvier**

Send Out Your Spirit

Following the Ascension, the disciples, Mary, and other followers of the Lord retreated to the upper room in prayer. This week we hear that, while praying in that room, the Holy Spirit comes upon them. Jesus' post-Resurrection promise, recounted in today's Gospel, is fulfilled: the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon Jesus' followers. Saint Paul tells us that all of us, in some way, are given gifts of the Holy Spirit, gifts that can be used to spread the Good News.

Today is one of the Church's greatest festivals. Let us carry the refrain of the responsorial psalm with us throughout the coming week: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!"

	This Weekend — May 27–28		Next Weekend — June 3–4	
	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.
EMs:	Linda Luceti	Linda Nolet	Jan Rosshirt	Marcy Fox
Lector:	Gail Passalacqua	Mike Hanlon	Ted Rosshirt	Bianca Bailie
Server:	Connie Montague	Jim Warman	Judy Rodgers	Jim Warman
Greeters:	Bob Chapman Pat Chapman	Sue Cummings Tim Cummings	Jan Rosshirt Ted Rosshirt	Judy Monroe Paula Scull
Ushers:	Jan Rosshirt	TBD	Agnes Apicella	Tim Burkhard

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PARISH EVENTS—MAY 27–JUNE 4

Monday, May 29, Memorial Day—**Parish Office Closed**

Saturday, June 3, Msgr. Pulskamp's Birthday!

Weekly Collection Report

Why we have been operating in the **RED**:

May 7	May 14	May 21	Weekly Goal
\$5,213	\$3,101	\$3,675	\$5,365*

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

*Needed to meet normal weekly expenses.

Second Collection Next Weekend—June 3/4

For **Priest Benefits and Welfare**.

Photo: Matthew Odom



Sally Fox, inventor of Foxfibre®

A Women's Circle Invitation to All Parishioners

As a follow through to Pope Francis' "A Letter to the World," we present an internationally known speaker, **Sally Fox**, a scientist, farmer, inventor, and environmentalist.

While Sally Fox was in the Peace Corps in Gambia, West Africa, she saw the dangers of the wide-spread use of pesticides, such as DDT. As founder and owner of Natural Cotton Colors, and inventor of Foxfibre®, Sally has successfully produced naturally colored cotton that can be made into fabric using environmentally sound farming procedures, without chemical pesticides. Sally Fox has spent a life-time encouraging farmers and the textile industries to grow environmentally friendly products.

Hear this inspiring speaker on Wednesday, **June 14**, in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center from 3:00–5:00 p.m.

All Parishioners are invited free of charge. Refreshment will be provided. No RSVP needed.



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 srdiocese.org.



Donut Sunday—June 4 In Memory of Delia Nistler

Many thanks to the family of Delia Nistler for sponsoring next weekend's Donut Sunday, **June 4**, in the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center before and after

the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

Come to enjoy some juice, coffee, muffins or donuts, and visit fellow parishioners.

Memorial Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, today we remember and pay tribute to the men and women of the Armed Services who have died in the defense of our nation; from the days of the Revolution to these days in Iraq, Afghanistan, Somalia, Yemen, Syria, and Ukraine. They paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we hold so dear.

In the words of Sacred Scripture we hear, "There is no greater love than this, to lay down one's life for a friend." It is only by your grace and the love they have for you and this nation that gave them the strength to lay down their lives.

We beseech you O Lord, to receive these servants of peace into your loving embrace and grant them the eternal peace that surpasses all understanding.

We also remember the family members of these great heroes. They too suffer a great and painful sacrifice. Bestow upon them the blessings of your consolation and peace. May you ease their sadness as they continue on the road to serenity and hope.

To you we offer this prayer knowing you fulfill the heart's desire of those who seek you with noble intentions. May our prayer for true and lasting peace be answered in accordance to your will and for the good of your sons and daughters. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Peace.

Amen



Pray for Priests in June

The June calendar of Prayers for Priests is on the Divine Mercy counter in the church. Please pray for the priests in our Santa Rosa Diocese, as well as for new

vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

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.

Ordination Invitation

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Robert F. Vasa cordially invites you to attend the Ordination to the Order of Diaconate of Mauricio Rodriguez Duran and Christopher Girolo on Friday, **June 9**, in the Year of our Lord 2023; 6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Eugene. Light reception to follow.

Corpus Christi Santa Rosa Eucharistic Procession

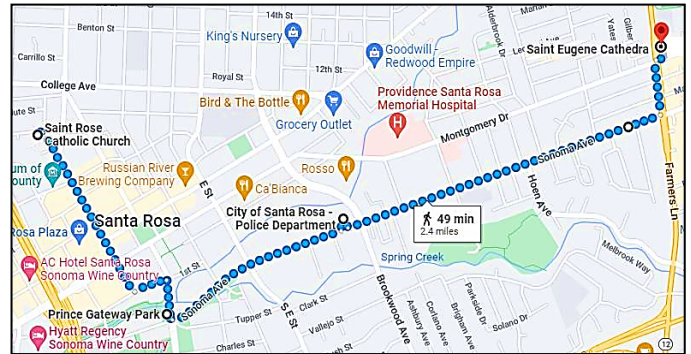
Come celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival, and join the Eucharistic Procession on Thursday, **June 8th**, starting with 5:00 p.m. Mass at **St. Rose** of Lima Church, then follow the Eucharistic Procession through Santa Rosa to **St. Eugene's** Cathedral.

The path of the procession will be from St. Rose onto B Street towards downtown, left at 1st Street, and right on Santa Rosa Avenue. The first prayer station will be at the Prince Gateway Park. Then, continue east on Sonoma Avenue. The second prayer station will be at the Santa Rosa Police & Fire Departments. Then continue on

Sonoma Avenue, and left onto Farmers Lane. See the map below. We will end up at St. Eugene Cathedral (eta 7:30 p.m.)

No registration needed. For more information or to volunteer contact Stephen Morris via email at dsryouth@sradiocese.org


This event is coordinated by the Santa Rosa Diocese in collaboration with St. Rose of Lima Church and the St. Eugene Cathedral.



Alzheimer's Disease: The Era of Treatment

The Alzheimer's Association invites you to a half-day forum of learning, sharing and support as we explore the latest advances in prevention, early detection, diagnostics and therapeutic interventions. You will also hear first-hand experiences from a Sonoma County resident living with dementia and a panel of caregivers.

Join them on Friday, **June 23**, 2023 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Petaluma Community Center, 320 N. McDowell Blvd, Petaluma. To register call 800-272-3900 or click on tinyurl.com/AlzTreatmentEra. For more information see the flyer on the bulletin board.




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