

# 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

## **Contact Numbers**

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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.



## **September 23/24, 2023 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## **Fairness & Generosity**

"It's not fair!" We sympathize with the laborers who worked all day only to find out that they made not a penny more than those who worked for only an hour. This is an obvious injustice. What's the point of having a "daily wage" and an "hourly wage" if the numbers are the same? In the first reading we hear the Lord tell

Isaiah, "my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways." Yes, from our perspective the landowner's arrangement is unfair and the consequences for the hardest workers is an injustice. But our perspective is flawed. God, source of infinite love, infinite mercy, and infinite generosity, sees this arrangement much differently. May we be humbled by Isaiah's reminder.

"Because no one has hired us." This is the response of the laborers who were still standing around at five o'clock. Why hasn't anyone hired these workers? Perhaps they were injured, weak, or disabled. Perhaps they were lazy or uncooperative. Quite likely they were already rejected by every other landowner. But not this one. The kingdom of heaven welcomes even those who have been rejected, who have been waiting, who did not bear the heavy burden. God's mercy and acceptance are unrestricted.



**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Scripture Readings**

**Reading I:** *Isaiah 55:6-9*—The ways and thoughts of God are above our own.

**Responsorial:** *Psalm 145*—The Lord

is near to all who call upon him.

**Reading II:** *Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a*—Saint Paul rejoices that to live is Christ and to die is to gain.

**Gospel:** *Matthew 20:1-16a*—The last will be first and the first will be last.



*Please join us*

## TO CELEBRATE OUR VOLUNTEERS

*Volunteer Recognition & Blessing*

### BLESSING AT MASSES

Saturday, **September 30**, 4:00 p.m.

& Sunday, **October 1**, 10:00 a.m.

### SATURDAY RECEPTION

Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres

Saturday, **September 30**, 5:00 p.m.

### DONUT SUNDAY RECEPTION

Mimosas & Donuts

Sunday, **October 1**, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

### MASS INTENTIONS—SEPTEMBER 23–OCTOBER 1

Sat	23	4:00	††John & Charline Curtin (Pat Hendricks)
Sun	24	10:00	†Yvonne Hanlon (Catholic Charities)
Mon	25		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	26	8:00	†Bob Flores (Lisa Munoz Flores)
Wed	27	8:00	<b>For the People of the Parish</b>
		10:30	<b>O.G. Special Intention Ameila Stafford</b> (Carole & Martin Kilgariff)
Thurs	28	8:00	†Vincent Cucina (Rosemary Cucina)
Fri	29	8:00	†Loudeen Becchetti (Blanche & Dick Kaiser)
Sat	30	4:00	†Alan Hendricks (Pat Hendricks)
Sun	1	10:00	†Yvonne Hanlon (Kathy McKeon)

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Ruth Beauchamp, Michael & Jessica Curtis, Mike Cusack, Rosalie Cushman, Lola Danielli, Patricia Daniels, Fran Dias, Mike Dines, Audrey Engen, Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, Mary Gorrell, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Lorraine Kowalkowski, Maureen Latimer, Eve Marcucci, Roberta McElroy, Carolyn McKenna, Bill McNeany, Nancy McNeill, Lea Nelson, Mark Ochlesli, Karen O'Malley, Tobi O'Neill, Agnes Orser, Lauri Paolinetti, Pricilla Peralejo, Eileen Poggi, Jill Ramage, Greg Sack, Angela Saul, Magda Shelton, Elaine Smith, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Oceana Spotleson, Maria Stafford, Claire Vincent, Marilyn Warman, Dolores Zeni, and all the sick and suffering.

Also pray for those who have died: Catherine Emery

### Funeral Mass at Calvary Cemetery

Wednesday, **Sept. 27**, 1:30 p.m.: Mary Lou Doxtader

### Celebration of Life for Justine Haugen

Sunday, **October 1**, 2:00-5:00 p.m.: 8929 Acorn Lane

**Congratulations** to Marilyn and Frank Rathman who celebrated their 69th Wedding Anniversary on **Sept. 15**.



### Donut Sunday—October 1 In Memory of Phil Marvier

Many thanks to Connie Pearson for sponsoring next weekend's Donut Sunday, **October 1**, in memory of Phil Marvier, one of SOV's most active volunteers over the years. Please

come to the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center before and after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass to remember Phil and **celebrate all SOV volunteers** with mimosas and donuts!

### This Weekend — September 23–24

**4:00 p.m.**

**10:00 a.m.**

<b>EMs:</b>	Linda Luceti	Kar Hofmann
<b>Lector:</b>	Len Marabella	Bowman Olds
<b>Server:</b>	Bev Shelhart	Drew Hofmann
<b>Greeters:</b>	Gloria Bowers	Sue Cummings
	Lisa Munoz Flores	Tim Cummings
<b>Ushers:</b>	Agnes Apicella	Tim Burkhard

### Next Weekend — September 30–October 1

**4:00 p.m.**

**10:00 a.m.**

Micki Sabourin	Cristina Wadsworth
Judy Rodgers	Rosemary Haver
Dennis Sabourin	Jim Warman
Sherry Rosevear	Mary Bell
Cathy Hardy	Donna Forst & Cricket
Tom Beirne	Rick Ragan





## PARISH EVENTS—September 23–October 1

**Tuesday, September 26,** 11:00 Pastoral Council

Meeting—Bello Room

**Tuesday, September 26,** 3:00 Human Trafficking

Presentation—Parish Center

**Friday, September 29,** 11:00 Finance Council Meeting—

Zoom

**Saturday, September 30,** 5:00 Volunteer Appreciation

Reception—Parish Center

**Sunday, October 1,** 9:00-Noon Donut Sunday Volunteer

Appreciation Reception—Parish Center



### Human Trafficking Presentation— September 26, 2023

Join us this Tuesday,  
September 26 from 3:00-  
5:00 p.m., in the  
Monsignor Fahey Parish  
Center, to hear **Elizabeth**

**Quiroz and Lisa Diaz-McQuaid** speak about how the  
**REDEMPTION HOUSE OF THE BAY AREA** helps women  
being trafficked or who have escaped from trafficking.

All are invited *free of charge* to come to this  
informative and inspiring presentation. No RSVP  
needed. Refreshments will be available.

Donations will be greatly appreciated.

Women's Circle



### Weekly Collection Report

Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Weekly Goal
\$4,400	\$4,591	\$3,326	<b>\$5,365*</b>

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

\*Needed to help meet monthly expenses.

### Missionaries of Faith Collection This Weekend

The celebrant for this weekend's Masses will be from the  
religious congregation of Missionaries of Faith, which  
was founded in Italy in 1982. The missionary activities in  
the Province of India greatly depend on the providence  
of God through donations that support seminarian  
formation, orphanages, education for more than 600  
poor children, and other charitable works. Please make  
checks payable to Star of the Valley Church.

### Join Our Finance Council

The Star of the Valley Finance Council is composed of  
members with the appropriate expertise, and possessing  
a love for the Church and its mission. The Council  
provides our pastor with advice and assistance in the  
execution of his parish administration duties, including  
budgeting and reviewing financial results.

If you have skills and experience in any of the  
following areas—accounting, finance, property  
management, personnel management, business  
management, or business law—consider joining the  
Finance Council. We could use your help. Please contact  
the parish office if you are interested, at 707-539-6262.

Star of the Valley  
Presents

# fall HARVEST DINNER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Doors Open at 5:00 p.m.  
Happy Hour Hors d' Oeuvres

**DINNER MENU**

Tomato Bisque & Rolls,  
Stuffed Pork Loin with Dried Fruit,  
Roasted Carrots with Fresh Herbs,  
Potatoes Au Gratin

Dessert: Prepared by Chef at  
Vineyard at Fountaingrove Memory Care

**FULL CASH BAR**

**\$25** per person

By reservation only—by October 22

At the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center  
495 White Oak Drive in Oakmont

Reservations can be made by placing a  
check in the Men's Club box. For tables of  
5-10 people, place each check in one  
envelope with the names listed on the front.  
Reservations fill up fast, so  
get your request in early.

**QUESTIONS?**

Call Jim Warman at 707-230-2682,  
or email: warman804@yahoo.com



### 2023 Star of the Valley's Woman of the Year Awarded to Judy Rodgers

We are proud to announce that Judy Rodgers has been chosen as Star of the Valley's Woman of the Year. Her name is being submitted to the Santa Rosa Diocesan Council of Catholic Women for this year's celebration.

Judy has been a member of Star of the Valley Parish since August 2015, and has served the parish and its members in several ministries.

In the past, Judy served as a lead member of the Finance Council, using her finance background to bring expert business advice to our parish. Using her strong organizational and technical skills, Judy helped plan several Big Events for the parish, and assisted with fundraising for the former Women's Club. She was a founding member of the Women's Circle, and as such helped develop the mission and organizational structure of the Women's Circle. She has just recently volunteered to be its treasurer.

As a Eucharistic minister, Judy serves at Mass. She has a special gift with older parishioners and often visits the sick or parishioners who live alone, bringing the Eucharist to home-bound parishioners. She also is a daily and weekend Mass lector, a greeter, and an usher.

During the COVID shutdown, Judy formed and instituted a calling tree for parishioners to keep in contact and reduce isolation. We all appreciate that Judy has a quiet, but strong spiritual presence in our parish.

Congratulations, Judy. You have surely earned this wonderful award.

### U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California

In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Santa Rosa,  
Case No. 23-10113, Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims:  
**October 20, 2023**

**You may have a sexual abuse claim or other claim  
against the Diocese of Santa Rosa.**

On March 13, 2023, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Santa Rosa aka Diocese of Santa Rosa ("Debtor") filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Debtor, you must file a claim so as to be **received** by **October 20, 2023**, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Debtor.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before March 13, 2023, must be **filed on or before October 20, 2023**, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before March 13, 2023.

For more information on how to obtain and file a proof of claim form and associated documents, please visit [www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsr](http://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsr), or contact Donlin, Recano & Company, Inc., the Debtor's claims agent via e-mail at [rcbsantarosainfo@drc.equiniti.com](mailto:rcbsantarosainfo@drc.equiniti.com) or toll free at 1-800-236-1551, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), Monday through Friday.

If you have questions about the bankruptcy case filed by the Diocese of Santa Rosa, please also visit the website at <https://srdiocese.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 Reorganization.



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