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.



October 28/29, 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Love of God & Neighbor

It's easy to tell when two people love each other. They like to be near each other and spend time together. They share intimate thoughts and feelings. They enjoy making each other happy. And knowing that they are loved allows them to reach out to other people and treat them with love and respect.

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells us that the greatest law is to love God with our whole heart and soul and mind. What does it mean to love God? Certainly, it means spending time together by reading and reflecting on God's holy word. It also means sharing our thoughts and feelings with God in prayer and listening for God's voice. Where do we go to be close to God? Anywhere in God's creation, with others or alone, where we can acknowledge His presence. What can we do to make God happy? How do we, like the Thessalonians, "serve the living and true God?"

The reading from Exodus makes it very clear that we serve God by serving those who are oppressed or in need. Jesus makes it more personal-we are to love our neighbors. That means those with whom we work and play and live. When we spend time with God, we can't help but experience God's great love for us. Knowing that we are loved by God helps us to reach out in charity and justice to our neighbors both near and far away.

Thus, love of neighbor flows naturally from those who love God. We cannot truly say that we love God unless it shows in loving relationships and compassion to those in need. At the same time, we cannot maintain our love of neighbor unless we take time to drink from the wellspring of God's refreshing love.



Sunday, October 29, 2023 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Scripture Readings

Reading I: *Exodus 22:20-26*—God hears the cry of the oppressed. **Responsorial:** *Psalm 18*—I love you, Lord, my strength.

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10–God's people are renowned for their conversion and love of God. **Gospel:** Matthew 22:34-40–The greatest law is the law of love.



Vocation Awareness Week–November 5-11 Priest Appreciation Day– November 12

The Family Support Network is embarking on a campaign to celebrate our priests. We

are encouraging parishes and parishioners to show their appreciation to our priests on Sunday, **November 12th**.

This campaign is inspired two-fold. First is our focus on "Eucharistic Revival." We hope parishioners will reimagine the importance of the Real Presence of Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament, only made possible by our priests. Second, is to promote authentic friendship and appreciation of our priests as a witness to our children of the importance of the priestly vocation.

Some ways to show appreciation:

Send a card; favorite treats; invite to dinner at your home; arrive early for Mass; volunteer for needs around the parish; give flowers; novena prayers; gift cards.

The USCCB distinguishes vocation awareness the week of November 5th-11th.

Stephen M. Morris



Attention Lectors

The 2024 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word is now available for you to pick up in the Parish office. Thank you to all our Lectors for your service.

The Communion of Saints

As a Church, we believe in the Communion of Saints and in the power of the prayers of the faithful for the sick and dying as part of the continuing ministry of Christ, who healed the sick and reached out with love to the suffering.

MASS INTENTIONS—OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 5

Sat	28	4:00	†Bob Flores (Lisa Munoz Flores)			
Sun	29	10:00	†Jay Flack (Karen & Larry Schlereth)			
Mon	30		No Mass–Pray a Rosary			
Tue	31	8:00	†Catherine Emery (Maryellen			
			Birkland)			
Wed	1	9:00	†Pat Marabella (Len Marabella)			
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish			
Thurs	2	8:00	†Lincoln McCarthy (Maria McCarthy)			
Fri	3	8:00	†Bette Johnson (Jeanette			
			MacDonald & Dolores Zeni)			
Sat	4	4:00	†Pat Marabella (Tom & Janet			
			Ahearn)			
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Sun 5 10:00 **†Fred Cunha** (Kathy McKeon) Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Ruth Beauchamp, Rich Busalacchi, Michael & Jessica Curtis, Mike Cusack, Rosalie Cushman, Lola Danielli, Fran Dias, Mike Dines, Audrey Engen, Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, Mary Gorrell, Myrtle Gunning, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Lorraine Kowalkowski, Maureen Latimer, Eve Marcucci, Roberta McElroy, Carolyn McKenna, Bill McNeany, Nancy McNeill, Lea Nelson, Mark Ochesli, Jovce O'Connor, 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, Amelia Stafford, Marilyn Warman, Dolores Zeni, and all who need healing in body, mind, or spirit.

Also pray for those who have died: Patricia Daniels and Claire Vincent.

Funeral Mass at Star of the Valley

Saturday, November 4, 11:00 a.m. for Patricia Daniels



Donut Sunday–November 5 In Memory of Charles Coughlin

Many thanks to Yoshiko Coughlin for sponsoring next weekend's Donut Sunday, **November 5**, in loving memory of her husband, Charles Coughlin.

Please come to the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center before and after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass to enjoy some juice, coffee, muffins or donuts, and visit fellow parishioners. If you would like to sponsor a future Donut Sunday to honor, or in memory of someone, please contact Drew Hofmann at 707-539-2706.

Please pray for all souls during the month of November.

	This Weekend — October 28–29 4:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.		All Saints' Day — Nov. 1 9:00 a.m.	Next Weekend — November 4–5 4:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.	
EMs:	Don Shelhart	Liz Garcia	Don Shelhart	Sr. Joanne Abrams	Marcy Fox
Lector:	Judy Rodgers	Don Forst	Blanche Kaiser	Gail Passalacqua	Bianca Bailie
Server:	Connie Montague	Mike Hanlon	Don Shelhart	Connie Montague	John Dolan
Greeters	: Gloria Bowers Evelyn Zigmont	Sue Cummings Tim Cummings	NA NA	Gloria Bowers Evelyn Zigmont	Mary Bell Esther Dolan
Ushers:	Tom Beirne	Clarence Younger	Tim C./Clarence Y.	Agnes Apicella	John Knight

PARISH EVENTS—OCTOBER 28–NOVEMBER 5

Wednesday, November 1, 9:00 Mass-All Saints' Day Thursday, November 2, 1:30 Finance Council Meeting-Zoom

Saturday, November 4, Turn clocks back before bed Sunday, November 5, Donut Sunday–Monsignor Fahey Parish Center

Weekly Goal

\$5,365*

Weekly Collection Report

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*Needed to help meet monthly expenses.

SOV All Saints' Day Mass—Holy Day of Obligation

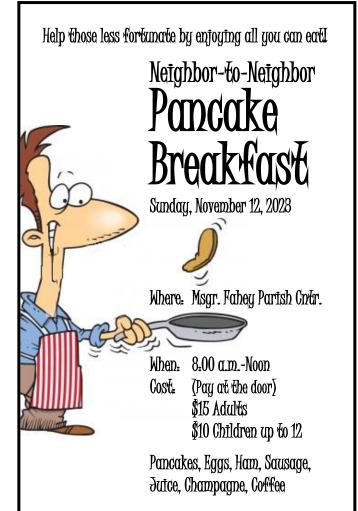
The Mass for All Saints' Day, on Wednesday, November

1, will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be one collection.

There will be no 8:00 a.m. daily Mass that day.

All Saints' Day

On this holy day of obligation, attend Mass and celebrate all the saints known and unknown. This solemnity was instituted by Pope Gregory III when he consecrated a chapel to all the martyrs in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and ordered an annual celebration.



We Remember



Rose Callori	3/21/2023
Constance (Connie) Cappa	12/20/2022
Josephine (Jo) Cornett	9/13/2022
Vincent Cucina	9/1/2023
Frederick (Fred) Cunha	8/20/2023
Patricia Daniels	10/21/2023
Robert Edwin (Bob) Davis	1/29/2023
Mary Lou Doxtader	8/30/2023
Catherine Emery	9/11/2023
Robert (Bob) Flores	12/31/2022
Georgiana Furnish	3/6/2023
Richard Grant	3/21/2023
Yvonne Marie Hanlon	8/22/2023
Justine Haugen	9/1/2023
Bette Johnson	8/31/2023
Jack Luceti	3/9/2023
Rockne (Rocky) Lucia	8/24/2023
Albert A. (Al) Maggini	4/20/2023
Patricia (Pat) Marabella	4/3/2023
Philip Donald (Phil) Marvier	5/8/2023
Donald (Don) McQuaid	2/20/2023
Delia Nistler	1/30/2023
Carolyn Claire Sassenrath	4/13/2023
Jerry Smyth	3/24/2023
Claire Vincent	10/24/2023
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Please pray for the souls of these parishioners, and all who have died during the past year: October 31, 2022-November 1, 2023



Turn Clocks Back

Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend, on November 5. Turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday, November 4.



November is All Souls' Month

The Commemoration of all the faithful departed (aka All Souls' Day) is November 2. but at Star of the

Valley, we celebrate it the whole month of November.

To have your loved ones remembered in our Masses during November, write their names on the special envelope provided in this bulletin, and put it in the collection basket, or drop it off at the Parish Office.



New Member of the Finance Council

We are happy to announce that Larry Schlereth, a Star of the Valley parishioner with extensive work experience in financial, budget, and human resource management, including

his employment at SSU for 25 years as Vice-President for Administration and Finance and Chief Financial Officer at Sonoma State University, is now a member of our Parish Finance Council, Thank you, Larry, for your commitment to Star of the Valley Parish, and for using your talents by serving on the Finance Council.

Being a Christian Is Like Being a Pumpkin!

- God picks you from the patch and brings you in. (John 15:16)
- Then washes all the dirt off of you. (2 Corinthians 5:17)
- He opens you up and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. (Romans 6:6)



Then He carves you a new smiling face. (Psalm 71:23)

And He puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see. (Matthew 5:16) Happy Halloween!

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Coming Soon to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

Hollywood actor Frank Runyeon performs The Sermon on the Mount, Thursday, **November 9**, 7:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 4595 Snyder Lane in Rohnert Park. On Friday, November 10 at 6:30 p.m. Runyeon will perform Salt & Light, a comedy for kids, and on Saturday, November 11 at 6:00 p.m., Hollywood vs. Faith. Free love-offerings will be accepted and light refreshments will be for sale. <u>www.frankrunyeon.com</u>

Polenta Dinner

Young Men's Institute #40 invites you to the Fr. Denis O'Sullivan Parish Center at St. Rose Church, 398 10th Street, Santa Rosa, on Saturday, **November 11th**, 2023, for a Polenta Dinner. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. \$25.00 per person. For tickets call: Richard Schoenstein at 707-892-3374 or Steve May at 707-592-8509.

St. Philip's Eastern Orthodox Feast Day Pilgrimage

Join us on Sunday, **November 12th** to celebrate St. Philip's Eastern Orthodox Feast Day on the Camino de Sonoma. Our 13-mile pilgrimage starts with the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip's in Occidental. Information on the Diocese of Santa Rosa Facebook event page or email Stephen Morris at <u>dsryouth@srdiocese.org</u>.



4:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 7 Msgr. Fahey Parish Center, 495 White Oak Drive

> Dinner: \$10 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 & Dessert

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