

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.**

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
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.



January 20-21, 2024— Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Change Our Lives

In today's first reading, Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through Nineveh, frightening the citizens out of their wits. It works! They repent before Jonah makes his way through a third of the city, and God sees "by their actions" how they have turned from evil. Then we hear Paul telling the Corinthians that "the world in its present form is passing away." He calls for a change of heart. He stops short of telling them to set aside their everyday lives, but still, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live as though they aren't doing the things they're doing.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at Hand!" The apostles-to-be abandon their nets and follow him. Thus, in all the readings we hear an invitation to a radical and immediate change in our lives.

We don't know, of course, how much time we have as individuals to reform our ways. Today's readings may be inviting us to revise our priorities.

Coming Live to A Parish Near You!

Some of us were taught that Mass attendance "counted" if we arrived for the gospel and stayed through Communion. Most churchgoers, thankfully, are weaned from this spartan idea to the liturgical celebration. In 2019, Pope Francis designated the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as "Word of God Sunday." While every Mass includes a healthy serving of Bible readings, annually we're invited to reflect that this is "an experience which occurs 'live' and not through hearsay," as the pope says. "We gather precisely to listen to what God has done *and still intends to do for us.*" Let's not miss a word of it!



Sunday, January 21, 2024
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reading I: *Jonah 3:1-5, 10*—The Ninevites turned from their evil way.
Responsorial: *Psalm 25*—Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Reading II: *1 Corinthians 7:29-31*—

The world in its present form is passing away.

Gospel: *Mark 1:14-20*—Repent and believe in the Gospel.



2023 Contribution Statements
 If you would like a Contribution Statement of your donations to Star of the Valley Church in 2023, please contact the office by phone at 707-539-6262, or email sov@sonic.net.

Monday, January 22, 2024—Day of Prayer for The Legal Protection of Unborn Children Cradle-To-Grave Catholics

To embrace a consistent ethic of life is to not only oppose abortion but also to support and defend the dignity and right to life in all conditions and under all circumstances.

The term “the Seamless Garment” was coined by the Catholic activist Eileen Egan to characterize this position, later popularized by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. He said: “Those who defend the right to life of the weakest among us must be equally visible in support of the quality of life of the powerless among us: the old and the young, the hungry and the homeless, the undocumented immigrant and the unemployed worker.”

Learn more about the [Seamless Garment](#) ethic and take a stand today for life in all its forms!

—Take 5 for Faith

Collection for the Church in Latin America

Next weekend’s second collection will be for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith.

Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechizes, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit

www.usccb.org/latin-america

MASS INTENTIONS—JANUARY 20-28

Sat	20	4:00	† Agnes Apicella (Mike Apicella)
Sun	21	10:00	† Charles Coughlin (Yoshiko Coughlin)
Mon	22		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	23	8:00	† Betty Calvi (Maria McCarthy)
Wed	24	8:00	Intention of Joan McCormack (Bunny Schmitt)
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs	25	8:00	Intention of the Simone Family (Tom & Shirley Simone)
Fri	26	8:00	† Frances Dias (Bob & Dolores Zeni)
Sat	27	4:00	† Gerald Guevara (Liza Peters)
Sun	28	10:00	† Richard Burkhard (Tim & Barbara Burkhard)

Please keep the sick, and those in need, in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Ruth Beauchamp, Lisa Bragg, Rich Busalacchi, Michael & Jessica Curtis, Mike Cusack, Rosalie Cushman, Lola Danielli, Mike Dines, Audrey Engen, Pinky Ezekiel, Fr. Paul Fitzpatrick, Marcy Fox, Mary Gorrell, Myrtle Gunning, Mary Jo Henrikson, Barbara Hoffman, Lorraine Kowalkowski, 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, Amelia Stafford, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores Zeni. Also pray for those who have died: Jerry Dion and Maureen Latimer.

Funeral Mass at Star of the Valley

Friday, January 26, 11:00 a.m.: Maureen Latimer

Memorial of Marianne Cope, Religious—Jan. 23 Don’t Let Fear Keep You from Serving

The disease of leprosy has been curable since the mid-20th century and is actually not highly contagious, as was believed in the past, but the physical effects were devastating enough to cause tremendous fear. Mother Marianne Cope was not afraid, which she stated in 1883 in her letter of acceptance to King Kalākaua of Hawaii, who had already asked for help from—and been turned down by—more than 50 other religious congregations to care for his people who had leprosy. The German-born American sister and six others came to his aid all the way from New York. When you go beyond your fears to answer a call, you may be bridging the greatest distance of all.

—Take 5 for Faith

	This Weekend — January 20–21		Next Weekend — January 27–28	
	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.
EMs:	Eva McGinn	Connie Pearson	Micki Sabourin	Barbara Spotleson
Lector:	Len Marabella	Rosemary Haver	Gail Passalacqua	John Knight
Server:	Bev Shelhart	Drew Hofmann	Dennis Sabourin	Fritz Spotleson
Greeters:	Gloria Bowers Livie Brant	Dick D’Oliva Vi D’Oliva	Jan Rosshirt Ted Rosshirt	Sue Cummings Tim Cummings
Ushers:	TBD	John Knight	Jan & Ted Rosshirt	Rick Ragan



PARISH EVENTS—JANUARY 20-27

Tuesday, January 23, 11:00 Pastoral Council Mtg.—Bello

Thursday, January 25, 1:30 Finance Council Mtg.—Zoom

Thursday, January 25, 5:00 Men's Installation Dinner—
Msgr. Fahey Parish Center (By reservation only.)

Weekly Collection Report

Dec. 31	Jan. 7	Jan. 14	Weekly Goal
\$3,911	\$6,421	\$3,701	\$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 help meet monthly expenses.

Second Collection

Next weekend's second collection will be for the **Church in Latin America**. See previous page.



PARTY

Sunday, February 11

Msgr. Fahey Parish Center
495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa

2:30 Doors open

3:30 Kick Off

\$8 for all you can eat!

Beer, wine & soft drinks nominal cost

Live Streamed on 8' x 8' Screen

Pre-Game Snacks: Nachos, Chips & Dips

Beer & Wine for additional cost

Food at Half Time & After:
Miller Hot Dogs, Chili & Potato Salad

\$2 & \$5 Pools

Cash Prizes Awarded Each Quarter

Make checks payable to:

Star of the Valley Men's Club

Put payment in the Men's Club Box

at the Parish Center, mail to the address above,
or pay at the door when you come.

Info: Pete Hardy, 707-480-5094

Not a football fan?

Come anyhow for the great food and company!



Annual Ministry Appeal 2024

Have you received in your mailbox the *Annual Ministry Appeal* (AMA)

information sent by the diocese? Or read the articles about it in the recent *North Coast Catholic*? If so, then you know that the AMA is already in progress, even though Star of the Valley, and other parishes, will wait a few more weeks to tell you more.

However, if you don't want to wait, go ahead and fill out your commitment information or pledge envelope (listing **Star of the Valley** as your parish,) include a contribution and mail it in. We appreciate your helping us reach our target whenever you decide to give.

Greeters & Ushers Needed

The first impression of our church is how people are greeted at the door. Anyone interested in the important job of being a greeter at Sunday Masses, please contact Donna Forst at 707-775-9241.

To be an Usher at Saturday, Sunday, or weekday holiday Masses, please contact the parish office at 707-539-6262.

The man who survived both mustard gas and pepper spray is a seasoned veteran now.

MEN'S CLUB

INSTALLATION DINNER

Dinner Postponed
New RSVP Deadline

All Men Invited

Thursday, January 25

At the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

5:00 Social Hour (Bar Open)

5:45 Annual business meeting

6:00 Scrumptious prime rib dinner

Menu

Green Salad, Rolls, Roast Prime Rib,
Baked Potato, Vegetable, and Dessert

Dinner Cost: **\$25***

*Includes Men's Club Membership

RSVP by Tuesday, January 23, 2024

Membership forms are available by the Men's Club box in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center.

Membership dues for 2024 are **\$15**.
Call Jim Warman at 707-230-2682 or
Drew Hofmann at 949-279-0011,
for more information. Membership
applications are accepted year-round.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH



Message From the Department of Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools are a ministry of the Church, they are a means to evangelize. The Diocese of Santa Rosa educates over three thousand students in the Catholic faith.

On Sunday, **January 28th** Catholic Schools kick off Catholic Schools Week. You can support our Catholic Schools by making a donation online at:

srdiocese.org/Aquinas-student-scholarships, by sending a check to: Aquinas School Fund; 985 Airway Court; Santa Rosa, CA 95403, or by scanning this QR code.

Crab Feed Fundraiser in Sonoma



Kolbe-Trinity School's annual crab feed, featuring a silent auction, live music by The Henry Coopers, and dancing, will take place on Saturday, **February 3rd** from 5:30–9:30 p.m. at

Roche Winery on 22097A Bonness Road in Sonoma. All proceeds benefit tuition assistance for the students of Kolbe-Trinity in Napa. Tickets for \$120 are one sale at givebutter.com/c/CrabFeed2024.

Just For Fun

The oldest computer can be traced back to Adam and Eve. Surprise! Surprise! It was an Apple. But with extremely limited memory. Just 1 byte. Then everything crashed.

The reason the golf pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing.

—Phyllis Diller

Valentine Bingo

**Tuesday, February 13
4:00 p.m.**

Dinner: **\$10**
Bingo Cards: **\$2 each**
Valentine Prizes
to the winners of each game.

Please be here between 3:30 and 3:45
so we can start promptly at 4:00.

If you don't play bingo,
come for dinner at 5:20 p.m. (approx.)

Dinner:
Italian Wedding Soup, Garlic Bread,
Corn Bread, & Brownies

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