

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.



June 28/29, 2025—Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

The Name Game

Today's solemnity might have been "Saints Simon and Saul" if it hadn't been for some renaming. There are numerous examples from the Bible of people being given new names to indicate their new status in God's plan of salvation. This practice begins with Abraham, and we see the fruit of that in today's renaming of Simon as Peter when he makes his great profession of faith in Jesus as Messiah (Christ) and Son of God. Saul, through Acts recounts a significant conversion experience for him, is renamed rather silently by the New Testament. Even though the author of the Acts of the Apostles occasionally slips and still calls him "Saul" after his conversion experience, his new name—most likely intended by the New Testament to differentiate his Christian mission from his life as a Jew—occurs most frequently in Acts, and exclusively in his own letters, as "Paul." The naming of Peter is reminiscent of our own naming at baptism, when our own faith in Jesus as Christ was proclaimed. Even though most of us never go through a changing of our proper name later in life (though this was characteristic of religious profession for many years), a bit of reflection will help us to discern the ways in which God has called us anew or named us again for our own role in proclaiming the Good News.

Both/And, Not Either/Or

It's not surprising that, as we read through the New Testament, Peter tended to be a stronger advocate of adhering to the ways of religious praxis inherited from the Jewish tradition. Paul, meanwhile, led the church to a life of more freedom within religious law, focused more on faith and the Spirit. *(Continued on back page.)*



Sunday, June 28/29, 2025
Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul
Reading I: Acts 3:1-10—A lame man is cured by Peter.
Responsorial: Psalm 19—Their message goes out through all the

earth.
Reading II: Galatians 1:11-20—Paul recounts his conversion.
Gospel: John 21:15-19—Simon, son of John, do you love me?



Parish Office Closed Friday, July 4
 The parish office staff is celebrating Independence Day! We hope that you stay safe while doing the same, and wish you and our country peace. We will return on Monday, July 7.

Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul
 Saul of Tarsus was born about three years after Jesus in modern-day Turkey into a family that descended from the tribe of Benjamin. Because his father was a Roman citizen, Saul also had the Latin name Paul. When young Saul wasn't being taught the Jewish faith, he learned the trade of tentmaking. Fiery in his faith, after the Crucifixion of Christ he was known for his intense persecution of Christians, including the stoning death of St. Stephen. After his "come to Jesus" moment on the road to Damascus, he became known for his passionate epistles, fearless defense of orthodox Christianity, missionary travels, and evangelistic zeal. During the Christian persecutions by Emperor Nero, he was arrested, tried, and beheaded.

Born in Bethsaida about a year after Jesus, Simon was the brother of St. Andrew and he grew up to be a professional fisherman whose boldness in speech and action is captured throughout the Gospels. When Jesus called Simon and Andrew, they dropped their nets and followed him. It is clear that Simon was regarded as the leader of the disciples, as he is always listed first in the Gospels. Though Simon denied him three times, Jesus changed his name to Peter when instituting the Church and gave Peter "the keys." From then on, St. Peter led the Church in its infancy, preached, performed miracles, wrote epistles, and named bishops. When martyred in Rome, he requested that his crucifix would be upside down because he was not worthy to die as Christ did.

MASS INTENTIONS—JUNE 28-JULY 6

Sat	28	4:00	†Yvonne Hanlon (Janis Blanchette)
Sun	29	10:00	†Harriet Draper (Robin Schudel)
Mon	30		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	1	8:00	††Joe & Eleanore Schiro (The Best Book Club)
Wed	2	8:00	†Joyce O'Connor (Dick & Vi D'Oliva)
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs	3	8:00	†Pat Marabella (Len Marabella)
Fri	4	8:00	To Give Thanks (Liza Peters)
Sat	5	4:00	†Fr. Lou Nichols
Sun	6	10:00	†Bill Schuster

Please keep the sick and those in need in your prayers: Barbara Ahluwalia, Dr. Mike Apicella, Gail Barrett, Jane Borr, Lisa Bragg, Jim Bricker, David Charlton II, Michael Curtis, Lola Danielli, Ki Daniels, Bob Esposito, Lisa Munoz Flores, Marcy Fox, Ted Gold, Randy Hakala, Rosemary Haver, Alan & Cheryl Hennessy, Tina Howard, Lee Kern, Millie McKay, Karen O'Malley, Lauri Paolinetti, Carol Pascoe, David Reuser, Magda Shelton, Bob Spaulding, Lisa Sullivan, Baby Vincent, Marilyn Warman, Adrian Wells, and Dolores Zeni.
 Also pray for those who have died: Gary Meagher, Fr. Louis Nichols, and Bill Schuster.

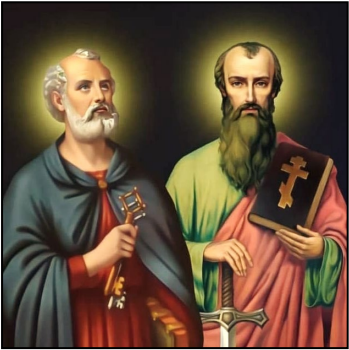


Electronic Giving
 If you would like to support our parish through electronic giving, please scan the QR code or go to our website's [Donate Here](#) page:
giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/starofthevalleychurch.



Ushers Needed to Help with Collections
 We have a shortage that you can help fill. Any registered parishioner interested in the important ministry of Ushers, and wanting to serve at Saturday, Sunday, or weekday holiday Masses, please contact the parish office at 707-539-6262 during the week.

Donut Sunday—July 6
 Many thanks to Kathy & Mike Mouat for sponsoring next weekend's Donut Sunday! Please come to the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center next Sunday for fellowship and donuts before and after Mass.



	This Weekend — June 28–29		Next Weekend — July 5–6	
	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	10:00 a.m.
EMs:	Sr. Joanne Abrams	Marge Lamb	Don Shelhart	Marge Lamb
Lector:	Gail Passalacqua	John Knight	Connie Pearson	Bowman Olds
Server:	Judy Rodgers	Mike Hanlon	Bev Shelhart	Judy Rodgers
Greeters:	Cathy Hardy Pete Hardy	Ron Manning Kathy McKeon	Bob Chapman Pat Chapman	Tim Burkhard Paula Scull
Ushers:	Kathleen Beirne Tom Beirne	Rick Ragan Clarence Younger	Micki Sabourin Michael Sotak	Tim Burkhard Clarence Younger

PARISH EVENTS—JUNE 29—JULY 6

Friday, July 4, *Parish Office Closed—Independence Day*

Sunday, July 6, *Donut Sunday—Msgr. Fahey Parish Center*

Weekly Collection Report

June 8	June 15	June 22	Weekly Goal
\$4,526	\$3,644	\$4,117	\$5,365

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

Second Collection June 28/29—Peter's Pence

This weekend we will take up the annual **Peter's Pence** Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous.

Save the date and make your reservation early!

**STAR OF THE VALLEY
WESTERN
BBQ**
Welcoming Dinner
FUNDRAISER & RAFFLE



5:00
Cocktails & Appetizers

6:00
in the evening

THURSDAY, AUGUST
14th

\$35 PER PERSON

Cash Bar

Menu: *Hand Rubbed BBQ Baby Back Ribs, BBQ Chicken, Cowboy Beans, Colestlaw, Dessert*

Reservations can be made by placing a check in the Men's Club box by Friday, August 8.
For tables of up to 10 people, place each check in one envelope with the names listed on the front.
Questions? Call Dennis Sabourin at 707-815-3361.

New parishioners: Contact Drew or Kar Hofmann at 707-539-2706.

**STAR OF THE VALLEY
MEN'S CLUB**
presents a

PARISH FUNDRAISER

RAFFLE

drawing on
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14th
*during the Parish BBQ
& Welcoming Dinner*

Winner Need Not Be Present

\$25 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$100

1st Prize—\$1,000
2nd Prize—\$500
3rd Prize—\$250
4th Prize—\$250

Raffle tickets will be sold before the weekend Masses until August 10, and at the BBQ.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Number of Tickets ____ x \$25 (or 5 for \$100)

Total enclosed _____

Make checks payable to: SOV Men's Club
Mail detached signup form and checks to:
Star of the Valley Raffle; 495 White Oak Drive;
Santa Rosa, CA 95409
Or contact Dennis Sabourin at
dmsabourin@icloud.com
or 707-815-3361

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Wisely, the celebrations of these two saints, bedrock of the earthly church, are combined, for the Church has always lived and witnessed best when we have respected and honored our heritage, customs, and traditions of faith, yet remained open to change and ongoing revelation from on high. The Body of Christ, in this way, is the same as any other body: it remains the same body in many ways, but also must seek ongoing nourishment, encounter illness, and inevitably be altered through growth. The Holy Spirit has provided admirable examples for us in the persons of Peter and Paul. As they—grounded in their faith, named and called for Jesus Christ’s mission—sought to spread the gospel in every place at every hour, let us likewise joyfully join that same mission.

Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul

Today is the feast of both St. Paul and St. Peter, who were martyred about the same time. St. Augustine of Hippo said, “...though they suffered on different days, they were as one.... Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith.” Read the second epistle of St. Paul to Timothy, which many consider his last letter.

St. Peter is the first Pope of the Catholic Church,

though many Protestants deny his authority as well as the concept of apostolic succession that ensures that the Church will have one leader—the Vicar of Christ—until Christ returns. Understanding what Jesus meant and what his Jewish audience would understand by “the keys” is important to be able to defend this teaching. Read Isaiah 22:19-25, which the Jews would have known. Then compare it to Matthew 16:11-19.



NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Emergency Prep

Are you prepared for an emergency? Join a free 2-part workshop on emergency preparedness for Sonoma County residents 60+ with expert speakers, free go-bags, and

other incentives! Part 1 is Thursday, **July 17**, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and Part 2 is Thursday, **July 31**, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Council on Aging, 30 Kawana Springs Road, Santa Rosa. Register by July 9, 2025, by email to djohnson@councilonaging.com or call 707-525-0143 x 119.

Point to Ponder

As a bee gathers nectar from the flower and does not harm it or its fragrance or its color, so should we walk through the village.

—Dhammapada



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If you would like to place an ad in this bulletin
please call Sharon at 707-539-6262.

A headshot of a woman with short grey hair, wearing a purple turtleneck.

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