

# 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.



## **August 9/10, 2025— Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Faithful & Hopeful**

When what we hope for is realized, faith is born; in faith we have the evidence of what still remains unseen. Hebrews puts before us our ancestors in faith: Abraham and Sarah. It illustrates their lives of faith, their hopes realized so that faith might be born, their faith as witness to all that is yet intangible to us. It is the covenant made and kept in faith, with loving-kindness, that is our inheritance from them. That covenant lives on, given life anew in the life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is to that covenant in Christ that we are each called again in the faith given to us in baptism.

### **Faithful & Prudent Stewards**

Who doesn't need to fear the return of the master? The faithful and prudent steward, that's who. It is this steward who has taken what the master has given and has treated it—no matter what—as a great gift and treasure. Today we get the first glimmers of the words about the coming of Christ whom we await in joyful hope. These will increasingly characterize the Gospels for the next several months. Jesus gives us images of surrender that are characteristic of faithful disciples. He tells of the master returning to the household, eagerly anticipating what has transpired there in his absence; he forewarns that the master alone knows the time of his return. These teachings could strike fear into the hearts of those listening. Jesus concludes by saying: "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much." The vocation of the Christian disciple is to realize that whatever has been bestowed on us is "much" in the master's eyes. Disciples' vocations are lived faithfully and prudently, for they do not wait for the master's return in dread; they hope for it in joy.



## Sunday, August 9/10, 2025

### 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I:** *Wisdom 18:6-9*—On the long-awaited Passover night, God's children offered the paschal sacrifice.

**Responsorial:** *Psalm 33*—Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

**Reading II:** *Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12*—By faith we join our ancestors in faith, as together in hope we journey toward our homeland.

**Gospel:** *Luke 12:32-48*—The Son of Man will come at an unexpected hour.



### Holy Day of Obligation— Office Closed August 15

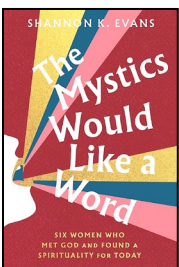
Mass on Friday, **August 15**, will be at **9:00 a.m.** to celebrate the Solemnity of the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. The parish office will also

be closed, and there will be no daily Mass at 8:00 a.m. on this day.

### Woman of the Year

Please submit your completed nomination form by Friday, **August 29th** by placing it in the weekend's collection basket, dropping it off at, or mailing to the parish office at 495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409. Nomination forms may be found at the back of church or in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center.

Star of the Valley's past Women of the Year: 2024 Micki Sabourin; 2023 Judy Rodgers; 2019 Jackie Kenilvort; 2018 Cristina Wadsworth; 2017 Blanche Kaiser; 2015 Ruth Fulger & Roberta McElroy; 2013 Sherry Busterna; 2012 Mary Jo Henrikson; and 2011 Harriet Draper.



### Spiritual Book Club

Men and women are invited to join in a reflection and meditation using the book *The Mystics Would Like a Word: Six Women Who Met God and Found A Spirituality for Today* by Shannon K. Evans. We will discuss Chapters 11 & 12 on Wednesday, **August 20**, 10:00–11:00 a.m. in the Quiet Room at the

church. This is the last meeting with this book.

### MASS INTENTIONS—AUGUST 9-17

Sat	9	4:00	†Bernadette Mulligan
Sun	10	10:00	†Apicella & †Dengler Family Members (Mike Apicella)
Mon	11		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	12	8:00	†Lincoln R. McCarthy (Maria McCarthy)
Wed	13	8:00	†Jim Merriman
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs	14	8:00	†Henry Trione
Fri	15	9:00	†Mike Milano (John & Kathy Byrnes)
Sat	16	4:00	†Bob Waska (Frances Waska)
Sun	17	10:00	††Roberta & Walter McElroy (Theresa Fairley McElroy)

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, Tim Cummings, Michael Curtis, Lola Danielli, Ki Daniels, Elizabeth Dmitriew, 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: Norma Doherty, Hae Sook Lounibos, Jim Merriman, and Bernadette Mulligan.

### Funeral Mass at Star of the Valley

Thursday, **August 14**, 11:00 a.m.: Jim Merriman

### NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

#### Grief Support at Holy Spirit Church

Predictability and routine can be illusive when a loved one has died. Making sense of our new reality can be challenging. Yet, God in His mercy has blessed Holy Spirit Church with a group of grieving men and women who come together monthly for support. Our time together is casual, relaxed and welcoming. We focus on a short Scripture, followed by a reflection giving us focus and comfort. Christian fellowship and optional group sharing is also included. If you are in need of comfort, support and community around the loss of a loved one, you are most welcome to join us on Wednesday, **September 3**, 2025, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church Hall, 1244 St. Francis Road. For further info: Deanna 909-532-0102 or Mary 707-495-3095.

#### This Weekend — August 9–10

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

<b>EMs:</b>	Eva McGinn	Cristina Wadsworth
<b>Lector:</b>	Blanche Kaiser	Bowman Olds
<b>Server:</b>	Micki Sabourin	John Dolan
<b>Greeters:</b>	Livie Brant Marietta Mancuso	Mary Bell Judy Monroe
<b>Ushers:</b>	Judy Rodgers Michael Sotak	Steve Hipson Clarence Younger

#### Assumption of the BVM

9:00 a.m. Friday, Aug. 15

Don Shelhart
Bob Zeni
Bev Shelhart
NA
NA
John Knight
Clarence Younger



#### Next Weekend — August 16–17

4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

Micki Sabourin	Liz Garcia
Judy Rodgers	John Knight
Dennis Sabourin	Jim Warman
Sherry Rosevear	Tim Burkhard Mardie Hart
Kathleen Beirne Tom Beirne	Tim Burkhard Clarence Younger

## PARISH EVENTS—AUGUST 9–17

Thursday, August 14, 5:00 Parish BBQ & Raffle—Center

Friday, August 15—Parish Office Closed

### Weekly Collection Report

July 20	July 27	Aug 3	Weekly Goal
\$4,292	\$3,889	\$4,880	\$5,365

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

### Invest In Your Parish and Be A Gift

There are many opportunities to share your time and talents at Star of the Valley. You are needed to help keep our parish a vibrant faith community. Without all of our wonderful volunteers, we would cease to exist, so it is vital, and our responsibility to contribute, not only financially, but our skills as well.

Please see the list of Parish Committees & Ministries that is printed on the back of each monthly calendar and posted on the bulletin boards. If you can lend a hand in a certain ministry, please call the person on the list and get more information. They will be happy to welcome you and train you if needed.

You may also call the parish office for more information or to volunteer. Most of the opportunities are infrequent, only require small commitments of time, and scheduling is based on your availability.

Join the fun of participating, perhaps in a new way; enhance your spiritual life by allowing God to work through you; be a gift to your parish and become closer to your family of faith.

### A Gift from Wild Oak HOA

We want to acknowledge Peter Allan, president of the Wild Oak Homeowners Association, and also thank the Wild Oak HOA for their recent work in the Polo Field parking lot. We appreciate and are grateful for them helping us by pruning the trees, doing debris removal and clean up to make parking there easier.

## Parish Repair & Maintenance

These are some projects on our “to do” list that you can help complete with your contributions.

- ▶ Remove Pine tree from island in circle-drive at church.
- ▶ Stump grinding.
- ▶ Removal of dead Oak tree behind church.
- ▶ Tree trimming at Polo Field parking lot.
- ▶ Replace roof fascia over church doors.

We will have a second collection this weekend, **August 9/10**, for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**.

Thank you for your generosity.



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 Jim Warman at  
Warman804@yahoo.com  
or 707-230-2682



## NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH



### Caregiving: Film & Discussion

Join us for a free screening of the new film Caregiving, and meet two inspiring local caregivers from Sonoma County's Fijian community. **August 21**, 5:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1551 Montgomery

Drive, Santa Rosa. All ages welcome! To register visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caregiving-film-and-discussion-tickets>.

### Single & Catholic?

Join 400+ singles coming from all over the US (and beyond) at the *20th Anniversary National Conference for Single Catholics* in Denver, Colorado on **August 22-24, 2025!** (Can't travel? Join the virtual option with online socials and small group discussions.) This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass with Archbishop Samuel Aquila, adoration, fellowship and more. (Use the promo code PARISH25 for a discount.) Visit [NationalCatholicSingles.com](http://NationalCatholicSingles.com) for more information and to register.

### Trivia Night at Shady Oak

You're invited to join Redwood Empire Food Bank

friends for Tap Out Hunger Trivia Night at Shady Oak Barrel House in Santa Rosa on Wednesday, **August 27**. There will be 2 exciting games of trivia, awesome prize drawings, along with great food and beer—all for a fantastic cause: to help End Hunger in Our Community.

- 📍 Shady Oak Barrel House is located at 420 1st Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95401.
- 💰 Tickets are \$15 per person—100% of proceeds benefit the Redwood Empire Food Bank. Each ticket includes entry to both trivia games and one raffle ticket. Teams can have up to 6 players. All ages welcome!
- 🕒 Doors swing open at 5:30 p.m. The first round of trivia begins at 6:00 p.m., with the second game starting at 7:00 p.m. Between the two games, we'll hold drawings for a chance to win Shady Oak and Redwood Empire Food Bank swag!
- 🍽️ Come hungry and thirsty! Shady Oak is generously donating a portion of trivia participants' entire tab. MoMo Man food truck will be there serving yummy Indian spice, Nepalese soul and Asian street food.
- 🎁 Ways to get extra raffle tickets: Bring a bag of food to donate. August is Protein Power Up—bring canned protein for extra kindness points!

Let's come together, test our knowledge, and make a positive impact on our community. To get tickets, visit <https://refb.givevirtuous.org/>. **GET TICKETS**



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