

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

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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.



November 8/9, 2025 —

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Dwelling Places

The rabbis of Israel had a saying: “When Israel wandered, God dwelt with them; when Israel had a dwelling, God wandered.” Of course, God did not actually desert the chosen people. What the rabbis were saying was that it is a common human weakness to mistake concrete, physical people, places, and things for the actual presence of the Lord. For example, Israel believed that the top of Mount Sinai, the Ark of the Covenant, and the Jerusalem temples were places wherein God truly dwelt. They were right, but they also learned that mountains get left behind, arks get lost, and temples get destroyed. When Thomas Aquinas was developing his understanding of the real and substantial presence of the Lord in the Eucharist, it was necessary for him to explain how the physical actuality of the bread and wine got left behind. He knew that, ultimately, our earthly, physical things cannot be, in and of themselves, the presence of God.

God’s Forwarding Address

The scriptures today use many images for God’s dwelling places: a temple filled with living, flowing water for a thirsty desert people; the Temple of Jerusalem, tainted by scandalous behavior, which would ultimately be destroyed. But finally, there is Christ, the only-begotten of God, the dwelling-place in flesh of God’s eternal Word. For all the many places the Spirit might lead us to find God, only to Jesus Christ can we look for the eternal, living presence of the one true God. Like John the Baptizer, for whom the Lateran cathedral is named, our mission is to know God’s dwelling in us through the water and Spirit of our baptism, and to make our sole purpose in life the proclamation of the Good News of our salvation in Christ.



Sunday, November 8/9, 2025
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Reading I: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12—
 Water flows through the temple.
Responsorial: Psalm 46—The waters of
 the river gladden the city of God, the

holy dwelling of the Most High!

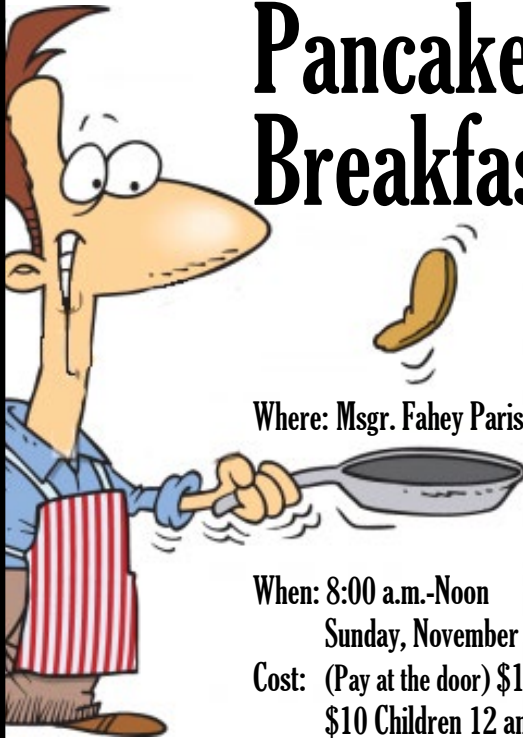
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17—We are God's
 building.

Gospel: John 2:13-22—Jesus will raise the temple in
 three days.

Veterans Day—Parish office closed Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Help those less fortunate by enjoying all you can eat!

Neighbor-to-Neighbor Pancake Breakfast



Where: Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

When: 8:00 a.m.-Noon

Sunday, November 16

Cost: (Pay at the door) \$15 Adults
 \$10 Children 12 and under

Pancakes, Eggs, Ham, Sausage, Juice, Coffee

MASS INTENTIONS—NOVEMBER 8–16

Sat	8	4:00	†Noelle Moran (Pat Moran)
Sun	9	10:00	†Darcy Jean Paquette (Maryanne & Jerry Elliott)
Mon	10		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	11	8:00	†Mary Lou Doxtader
Wed	12	8:00	†Father Andrew Metcalf
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs	13	8:00	†Patricia Daly
Fri	14	8:00	†John Johnson
Sat	15	4:00	††Bernice & Charles Chappelle, †Bob Waska (Frances Waska)
Sun	16	10:00	†Charlotte Muzio (Dick Muzio)

Please keep the sick and those in need in your
 prayers: Dr. Mike Apicella, Gail Barrett, Jim Bricker, David
 Charlton II, Robert Curtis, Lola Danielli, Bob Esposito,
 Lisa Munoz Flores, Marcy Fox, Rosemary Haver, Alan &
 Cheryl Hennessy, Millie McKay, Richard Muzio, Karen
 O'Malley, Lauri Paolinetti, Carol Pascoe, David Reuser,
 Ben Rodgers, Sr., Magda Shelton, Susan Smith, Bob
 Spaulding, Baby Vincent, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores
 Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Lori Cappa.

TORTELLINI SOUP &



4:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 11

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:

Roast Chicken Tortellini Soup,
 Garlic Bread, & Dessert

This Weekend — November 8–9

4:00 p.m. **10:00 a.m.**

EMs:	Linda Luceti	Kar Hofmann
Lector:	Len Marabella	Bowman Olds
Server:	Connie Montague	Drew Hofmann
Greeters:	Marie Crimaldi	Ceal Geurts
	Sherry Rosevear	Judy Monroe
Ushers:	Ed Montague	Rick Ragan
	Bev Shelhart	Clarence Younger

Next Weekend — November 15–16

4:00 p.m. **10:00 a.m.**

Jan Rosshirt	Cristina Wadsworth
Ted Rosshirt	Karen Schraga
Bev Shelhart	John Dolan
Livie Brant	Tim Burkhard
Diane D'Ambrogia	Ron Manning
Judy Rodgers	Tim Burkhard
Michael Sotak	Clarence Younger



PARISH EVENTS—NOVEMBER 9-16

Tuesday, November 11, Veterans Day—**Office Closed**

Tuesday, November 11, 4:00 Bingo— Msgr. Fahey PC

Sunday, November 16, 8:00 Pancake Breakfast—

Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

Weekly Collection Report

Oct 19	Oct 26	Nov 2	Weekly Goal
\$3,596	\$4,463	\$8,062	\$5,365

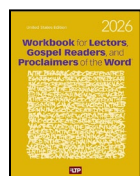
Note: The amounts consist of First collections, Parish Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day gifts received during the weekend and preceding week.

Second Collections

This weekend's second collection is for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**. Next weekend, the second collection will be for **Catholic Communications** and the **Catholic University of America**.

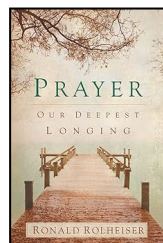
Parish Volunteers Needed For Two Tasks

- Task 1: Help on Tuesday, **November 25**, in the Bello Room at the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center to **stuff envelopes** for the Christmas mailing. Call the parish office at 707-539-6262 to volunteer.
- Task 2: On Friday, **November 28**, at 10:00 a.m. **replace** the existing **missalettes** in the church with new ones. Call Maryellen, our organist, at 707-477-2925, or see her after Mass to volunteer.



Attention Lectors

The 2026 *Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word* is now available for you to pick up in the Parish office. You will need it before the end of November, when the new liturgical year begins with the first Sunday of Advent.



Spiritual Book Club

Men and women are invited to join in a reflection and meditation using the book *Prayer: Our Deepest Longing* by Ronald Rolheiser. Our discussion will be on Chapter 3, Wednesday, **November 19**, 10:00–11:00 a.m. in the Quiet Room at the church.

Parish Repair & Maintenance

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

- ▶ Disposal of old light ballasts.
- ▶ Install new roof gutter and downspout.

We will have a second collection this weekend, **November 8-9**, for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**.

Thank you for your generosity.



We Remember

Fredia (Fritzie) Amantite	7/7/2025
William (Bill) Boorman	2/4/2025
Michael Lawrence Carey	10/30/2024
Marguerite (Margo) Chicoine	12/10/2024
Mary Margaret Clancy	11/15/2024
Marina Crosariol	12/18/2024
Joann (Joey) Cuneo	6/28/2025
Rebecca Curto	10/11/2025
Patricia Ellen Daly	12/28/2024
Marianne Decroes-Patterson	8/8/2025
Norma Jean Doherty	7/27/2025
Harriet Coe Draper	4/12/2025
James (Jim) Ezekiel	5/16/2025
James Andrew Haver	3/16/2025
Mary Jo Henrikson	7/21/2025
Martin Joseph Kilgariff	12/18/2024
John Stanley (Stan) Lindsay	9/8/2025
Hae Sook Lounibos	7/5/2025
Delia Ann Mansell	3/31/2025
James Merriman	7/29/2025
Bernadette Jean Mulligan	6/26/2025
Joan A. Mulvehill	4/13/2025
James (Jim) Pascoe	10/11/2025
Mary Przydlyski	10/21/2025
Eleanore Schiro	5/25/2025
William Francis Schuster	6/12/2025
Doris Tietze	12/23/2024
Alfred Joesph Weinberger	7/17/2025
Mary Lou Weinberger	3/17/2025
Pope Francis	4/21/2025

*Please pray for the souls of these parishioners, and all who have died during the past year:
October 31, 2024–October 31, 2025*



2nd Annual Star of the Valley Holiday Craft Fair

Need Holiday or Christmas Gifts? You are sure to find lots of unique and creative items for special friends and relatives at the Star of the Valley Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, **November 22** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center. Save the date!

A variety of local vendors will offer items perfect for holiday gifting. We will have greeting cards, wood-crafted wall hangings, assorted wooden trays and products, Christmas ornaments, tea towels, lavender products, fragrant soaps and hand creams, jewelry, quilted items, pottery, hostess gifts, pet gifts, jams, holiday pies and a variety of baked goods.

We also have many beautiful and interesting raffle items valued between \$50–\$1,200, including gift cards to local high-end restaurants, along with lovely wine baskets, Christmas centerpieces, holiday table runner with matching napkins and a fabulous, fully furnished Victorian doll house! Raffle ticket holders do not need to be present to win.

Get ready to spark your holiday spirit!



Calamari/Chicken Dinner Success!

Everyone who attended last week's dinner enjoyed a superb meal put on by Peter Hardy, the Men's Club, and parish volunteers. Members of Boy Scout Troop 55 from Holy Spirit Parish (pictured above) added a happy energy and were delightful as they served the crowd.

The Star of the Valley Men's Club presented Msgr. Pulskamp with a \$20,000 check for the parish, proceeds from this year's Parish Barbecue and Raffle fundraiser.

The Men's Club is happy to report that the Calamari/Chicken Dinner was another financial and social success. Thanks to all who worked to make it so! And, thanks to all in attendance who left tips for the scouts. Your support is appreciated.

Nick's Pantry Needs Cereal Here are the favorites: Honey Nut Cheerios, Raisin Bran, and Shredded Wheat.

NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Bereavement Day of Reflection

At Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center in Citrus Heights, *You Are With Me—God's Companionship in the Valley* will be presented on Tuesday, **November 18**, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. \$60 per person includes lunch. Register at <https://wl.donorperfect.net/webLink/WebLink.aspx?name=E93406&id=655> or call 916-725-4720 x301.



Is Your God Too Small?

At this non-silent retreat for women and men, **November 21-23**, at El Retiro, the Jesuit Retreat Center of Los Altos, Br. Guy Consolmagno, S.J., Director of the Vatican Observatory, takes us on an astronomical tour of the cosmos in search of the God who is Author of all things. For more information and to register go to or click on <https://jrc.retreatportal.com/calendar/event?programcode=25SON04211>.

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