

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## JULY 23-24, 2022

### MASS & SERVICE SCHEDULE

**Weekday Masses:** Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., at 9 am;

**Tuesdays:** Communion service at 9 am

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 5 pm

**Sunday Masses:** 8 am, 10:30 am & on \*Youtube

**1st Saturday of the Month:** 9 am



\*Sunday masses are recorded each week and uploaded to our Youtube channel,

**Holy Spirit—Santa Rosa.** Links are on our

website & Facebook page, or copy and

paste into the search bar: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCquuul6w8ZUE14rZZUed6QQ/videos>

### SACRAMENTS:

Please call the office 707.539.4495

**Reconciliation:** Call the office to schedule.

**Marriage:** Call 6 months in advance.

**Baptism:** Call 3 months in advance.

**Do you know someone who would like**

**Holy Communion at home?** Call the office 539.4495

### ONLINE DONATING NOW AVAILABLE

Parishioners now have the option to donate online to Holy Spirit Church. Links are available on our website and Facebook page or click to donate:

[https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/6d655f38-19e5-4d51-a0e9-eb4ec137e60b?fbclid=IwAR0B6gxbOw559gro12HDtiVcYqk2WWVUj-pSLzAYWPthpE\\_nDxfuf4tWiyY](https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/6d655f38-19e5-4d51-a0e9-eb4ec137e60b?fbclid=IwAR0B6gxbOw559gro12HDtiVcYqk2WWVUj-pSLzAYWPthpE_nDxfuf4tWiyY)

.....from your *Pastor's Desk*

## Ask and You Will Receive

When you want something, do you pray to God for it? A lot of people in this country, even in these troubled times, do say that they “whisper a little prayer.” Excellent. Others put aside time each day for prayer or even for Mass. A number use the present web site to understand and pray about the readings for the coming Sunday.

Of course, in our secular culture, there are those who do not believe in prayer at all. So, when their friend is having an operation or is traveling or if the world situation is as bad as it is, they say, “we will be thinking of you.” This instead of “we will be praying for you,” as we used to say. Thinking? Do you sit alone in your house and think?

Others go all out. Years ago, a group of cloistered sisters, called “the Pink Sisters,” prayed many months for sunny clear days during Pope John Paul’s visit to St. Louis. Guess what. Sunny clear days the entire time. I was present when his plane lifted off for Rome and I watched the clouds gather afterwards and the rain begin to fall—afterwards but not before!

Abraham in the First Reading is an example of this kind of refusal to give up. Remember his visitors from last week? This week they went on their way to the city called Sodom while God waited—during which he told Abraham about his intention to destroy Sodom and its surrounding cities because of their depravity. Abraham, against all reason and expectation, began negotiating with God out loud.

Will you sweep away the innocent with the guilty? Suppose there were fifty innocent people in the city; would you wipe out the place rather than spare it for the sake of the fifty innocent people within it? (First Reading)

God agrees that he will not destroy the city if fifty innocent people can be found. Abraham slyly asks for more. What if only forty-five innocent people are found? God agrees. What about forty? Ok, God says. Abraham goes on and on until he negotiates down to the number ten. God replies, “alright, for the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it.” As you may know, not even ten innocents lived in that city, so Sodom did get destroyed. But notice, God actually had granted each of Abraham’s requests.

Jesus in the Gospel recommends the same kind of shrewdness. He tells the famous parable about knocking at the door of a friend late at night to borrow some bread. The friend refuses because he and his family are all in bed. Jesus says, “if he does not get up to give loaves to the visitor because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of the visitor’s persistence.” Fine, but why do we have to pray and pray over and over for what we need? Why must we haggle? Because of love.

Like a good parent who cares for its child very much but will at times allow deprivation, allow what seems like a non-answer to pleading. Perhaps there is something even better that such a parent, or God, is trying to give us. The loving answer might be to sit beside our bed and suffer with us. This is true even in the midst of the violence now present in the USA! Look at Christ’s agony on the cross: God’s love will go to any lengths to give us what we most need and want, and that is: himself.

When we wait for him, God’s love, Jesus, will be there for us.

*John Foley, SJ*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE SOUND BOARD

Do you have any experience with sound boards or would you like to learn? There will be a training in September. Please contact the office if you are interested in learning about this volunteer opportunity. *Thank you!*

Are you missing **The Chosen**? Can't wait for Season 3 to start? Missed episodes from Season 2? You can catch up and go deeper on Tuesday afternoons starting August 2, in the parish hall.



Join Lynn Lankford to watch each episode of Season 2 with the newly available Bible Roundtable. Similar to Season 1's Bible Roundtable, three biblical/historical consultants, including Bishop Robert Barron, will dig deep into each episode. The videos for each of the eight episodes and Bible Roundtable should run about 90 minutes each.

You are welcome to stay for discussion. We will finish Season 2 in time for the expected release of the first episodes of Season 3 in November. Please contact Ruth in the parish office if you plan to attend, (707)539-4495 or [holy-spirit@sbcglobal.net](mailto:holy-spirit@sbcglobal.net). There is no fee.

### MASS INFORMATION: July 23-31

7/23	Sat	5:00 pm	†Martha DeBower
7/24	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
7/24	Sun	10:30 am	† Tom Brady
7/25	Mon	9:00 am	† Frank Sullivan
7/26	Tues	9:00 am	Marjorie Smith
7/27	Wed	9:00 am	† Bob Charbonnier
7/28	Thurs	9:00 am	† Adelard & Alexana Lepire
7/29	Fri	9:00 am	† Nathan James Krempely
7/30	Sat	5:00 pm	† Jesus & Jesus Farias
7/31	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
7/31	Sun	10:30 am	69th Wedding Anv. Marlys & Chris Christianson

### SCHEDULED: July 30-31

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. July 30 5:00 pm	#1- C. Charbonnier #2- P. Anderson	J. Mattingly
Sun. July 31 8:00 am	#1- P Edson #2- L. Davis	K. Kunde
Sun. July 31 10:30 am	#1- M. Peterson #2- J. Gyorgy	J. Macy Jolon Wagner Mike Wagner

Last Week's Collection: \$ 4,772  
Online Weekly Collection: \$ 1,316 Gen Fd  
Thank you for writing separate checks for



### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, Mike Cusack, Tishannon Philips, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spalding, Donald Brent, Mary Mendez, Tristan Humble, Pat LaRussa, Becky Crozier Stephens, Helen Hubbard, Phyllis Smith, Lorri Pimentel, Jeanne Anderson, Marlene Knivila, Jenny Lemp, Carol Ricci, Doug Harman, Karin Lee, Margaret Duffy, Maria Alvarez, Gabor Toth, Mary Davis, Bill Davis, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Julie Remillard, John Bussi, Larry Baker, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, Ward Thompson, Anthony Ibarra, the Pisenti family, Kathy Hauck, Donna McMullen, Stephen Otis, Maria Hebert, Dominica Mollahan.

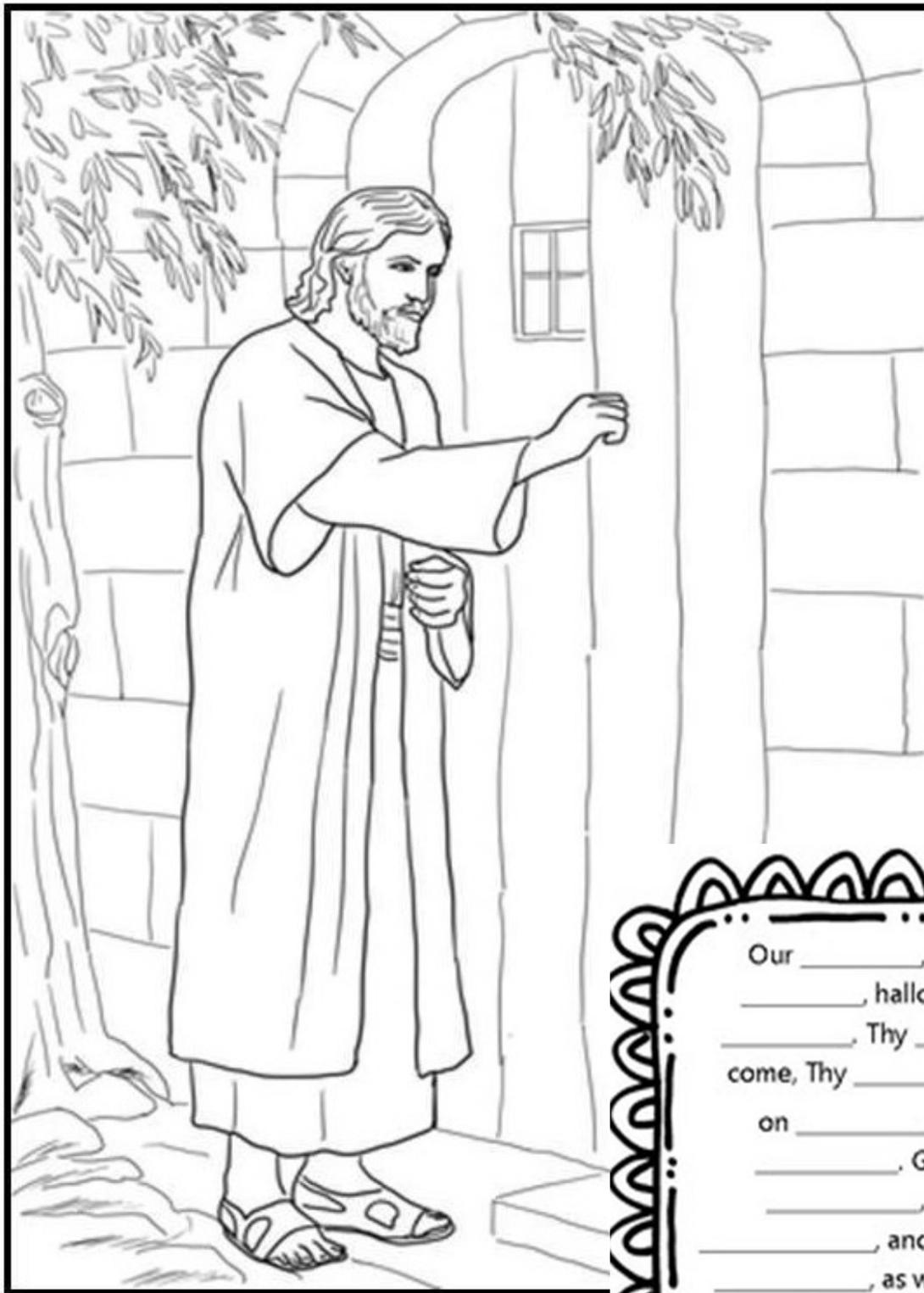
### FOR THE SOULS

Paul Beran, Dominic Sposeto, Joseph Suryan, Marylyn Joanne Mollenberg-Jones, Albert M. Freitas, Gary Knivila, Susan Strankman, Richard Martin, Bob Charbonnier, Clara Fisch, Edna Beechinor, Carol Deghi, Odin McRae, Rachael Dudley, Jim Mendez, Donna Simmons, Marti Breuer, Sharon Pisenti, Jim Costa, Kathy Castro, Ken Hicks and Karen D'Ambrogio.

Please call the office, 539-4495, if you wish to have someone remain on the prayer list or add someone to the list. Each name will remain for 3 months from the time we receive a request unless we hear otherwise.

What do you notice about the door? What's missing? Who has to let Jesus in?

Luke 11:1-13



**“Lord,  
teach us to  
pray just  
as John  
taught his  
disciples.”**

**He said to  
them,**

**“When  
you pray,  
say:**

Our \_\_\_\_\_, who art in  
\_\_\_\_\_, hallowed by thy  
\_\_\_\_\_. Thy \_\_\_\_\_  
come, Thy \_\_\_\_\_ be done,  
on \_\_\_\_\_, as it is in  
\_\_\_\_\_. Give us this  
\_\_\_\_\_, our daily  
\_\_\_\_\_, and forgive us our  
\_\_\_\_\_, as we \_\_\_\_\_  
those who \_\_\_\_\_ against  
us. And lead us not into  
\_\_\_\_\_, but deliver us from  
\_\_\_\_\_.  
Amen.