

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



## Parish Office

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## August 6-7, 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)

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 6-7, 2022

.....from your Pastor's Desk

*“Much will be required of the person entrusted with much....”*

When Jesus says these words about us, two questions immediately arise. First, what has Jesus entrusted us with? Second, what therefore will be required of us?

Each of us, naturally, has been given the gift of life. In our day and age, this is not a gift that we ought to take for granted. Still, when we thank God each day for the gift of life, what exactly are we giving thanks for?

Human life has two parts to it: body and soul. Like the lower forms of animals, we have bodies that are subject on the one hand to hunger and physical pain, and on the other hand to the pleasures of good meals and the process of physical healing.

However, unlike the lower animals, we humans can find meaning even in bodily suffering and pain. Yet we can discover this meaning only through our souls. The human soul is the means through which we can, if we choose, rise above being merely an animal. *“Much will be required of the person entrusted with much....”* God has entrusted each of us with a human soul, and that's not a gift to be underestimated.

*“In the beginning”*, “God said, *‘Let us make man in our image, after our likeness....’*” In those words, we hear how much God has entrusted us with, in giving each of us a human soul. **The human soul is given to a person at the moment of his or her conception:** that moment when the human body starts to exist from the gifts given by the father and the mother. But while the human body comes from a child's parents, the human soul comes directly from God at that moment of conception. So what about that soul: what kind of gift is it that God gave each of us at the moment of conception?

If there's a single word that sums up the power, the meaning, and the aim of the human soul, it's the word “transcendence”. The human soul allows us to transcend ourselves. There's nothing more boring, numbing, and deadly than to live for oneself. Unfortunately, the message of the world around us is to do just that: to live for oneself. But Christ calls us to live for others. The powers of the human soul, when animated by God's grace, allow us to live for others and to rejoice in doing so.

Here is what God requires of us: to transcend ourselves in living for others, both the others who are our neighbors, and **‘The Other’** who is God. Living for others means loving those others. This is a high bar, of course, that God has set for us. Everything that's sinful in us inclines us to live for ourselves, because living for ourselves is so much more comfortable. But God did not make us for comfort. If you doubt that, look at the crucifix. As a saint once said, *“The crucifix is the true answer to every heresy.”*

The fathers of the Church at the Second Vatican Council declared that *“it is only in the mystery of the Word made flesh that the mystery of man truly becomes clear.”* In other words, *“Look at the crucifix.”* If you want to know what it means to be human; if you want to know what we are meant for; if you want to know the antidote to human misery, selfishness, and frustration with the meaningless of living the good life of comfort: look at the crucifix.

The soul is a vessel of grace. Grace is the power of God's life that makes us strong enough to clear that very high bar that God has set for us: the bar of living for others instead of for ourselves. *“Much will be required of the person entrusted with much....”* God has entrusted each of us with soul and body in order to offer those up each day for others. The crucifix shows us how. The Eucharist gives us the strength to do so.

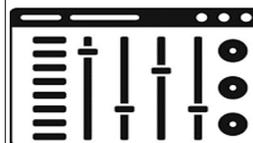
*Father Ron*

## Grief Support Group

Lost a loved one? Feeling lonely, stuck, sad? Other fellow mourners are gathering to meet, support and share their faith as they deal with their loss.

Monthly drop in meetings every first Wednesday from 6:30-8 pm in the parish hall.

For further info call Deanna at 909-532-0102 or Mary at 707-495-3095.



### 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'd like to attend. *Thank you!*

### MASS INFORMATION: Aug. 6-14, 2022

8/6	Sat	9:00 am 5:00 pm	† Edwin Fisch † Lillian & Dan Sullivan
8/7	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
8/7	Sun	10:30 am	† Dr. F. V. Desimone
8/8	Mon	9:00 am	† Richard Martin
8/9	Tues	9:00 am	Communion Service
8/10	Wed	9:00 am	† Dewey Kremesic
8/11	Thurs	9:00 am	Int. of Amaturo Family
8/12	Fri	9:00 am	Mike & Nancy Cusack
8/13	Sat	5:00 pm	For the People
8/	Sun	8:00 am	† Elaine Darling
8/7	Sun	10:30 am	† Albert M. Freitas

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

### AND THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, John Scremos, Mike Cusack, Tishannon Phillips, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spalding, Donald Brent, Mary Mendez, Tristan Humble, Pat LaRussa, Helen Hubbard, Phyllis Smith, Lorri Pimentel, 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, Anthony Ibarra, the Pisenti family, Kathy Hauck, Donna McMullen, Stephen Otis, Maria Hebert, Dominica Mollahan.

### SCHEDULES: Aug 13—14

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Aug 13 5:00 pm	#1- D. Bowers #2- H. Komrij	A. Ronchelli
Sun. Aug 14 8:00 am	#1- K. Leroy #2- P. Edsom	C. Dowgewicz- Hordyk
Sun. Aug 14 10:30 am	#1- #2- M. O'Neil	D. Adams D. Hobaugh D. Kaiser

### FOR THE SOULS

Dewey Kremesic, Becky Crozier Stephens, 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'Ambrogi.

Last Week's Collection \$ 5,966

Online Total Weekly Offerings \$ 860

St. Vincent De Paul \$ 3,250



Thank you for writing separate checks for different collections. We appreciate it!

*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.*

# FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION—ALL AGES



Dear Faith Formation Parents,

Welcome to a new year of Faith Formation Classes with Holy Spirit Church. We are very excited to begin growing in faith with your children and you.

**Registration is now open, and due back to the Parish House by August 31<sup>st</sup>.**

This year we will continue several faith formation opportunities:

**K-5 Whole Family Catechesis** program with “**Spirit With Us**”

Wednesdays 4:30-6pm

Sundays 12-1:30pm



Please note: All students in their second year sacrament preparation receiving First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will move from the K-5 Whole Family Catechist program to the Wednesday 4:30-6pm class beginning January 11<sup>th</sup>.

**First Year Confirmation**

Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm

**Second Year Confirmation**

Sundays 9:15-10:15 am

**Youth Group** for students in **8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades**

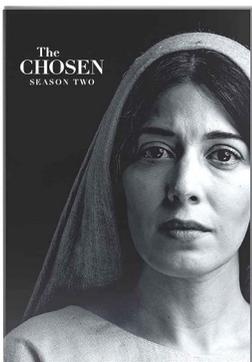
Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm



**Please choose one of the options on our registration form.** If Covid restrictions increase and we can't meet in person, we will switch to Zoom sessions.

**Please register by filling out a form at the back of church or on our website at [www.holyspirit-sr.org](http://www.holyspirit-sr.org) or by following this link:**

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/d6809706-cb9a-4458-a640-1db9fa3e90c5> .



## Are you missing *The Chosen*? Missed any of Season 2?

This **Tuesday at 2:00 p.m.** we will gather in the parish hall at the back of church to watch Season 2, Episode 2, "I Saw You," the calling of the apostle, Nathaniel. We will also view the Bible Roundtable discussion of this episode with three biblical/historical consultants, including Bishop Robert Barron. The videos will run about 90 minutes. You are welcome to stay for discussion afterwards.

Please call or e-mail Ruth in the parish office if you will be new this week (707)539-4495 or [holy-spirit@sbcglobal.net](mailto:holy-spirit@sbcglobal.net)