



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Ministering to the people in Rincon Valley and beyond

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 5pm.

Sunday: 7:30 & 10:15 am.

Liturgy of the Word for Children: Sundays 10:15 am.

Weekdays: Mondays-Thursday & First Friday & First Saturdays 9am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Thursday and First Saturdays following 9 am Mass

or at the Rectory with an appointment

For other Sacraments:

Please call the Parish Office

6 months in advance for Marriage

3 months in advance for Baptism

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 27-28

... from the *Pastor's Desk* :

Ascension Day

Parting messages have their own impact. The last words said by someone moving away or even going away for a long time hold special places in our hearts. I remember the many deployments I went on in my years of military service and how touching those words were between husband and wife and parent and child. I have told you in a previous homily the last few words my mother said just before she died. Many of you have similar experiences with family and friends. A final word of encouragement and a blessing at these times often mean more to us and have a lasting impact on our lives than the accumulations of all words spoken before.

I can still remember the last thing my first grade teacher (Sr. Mary Concheta) said to me in 1960 as well as a few other inspirational teachers in my life. But sometimes last words are not encouraging or healing.

Marriage breakups can leave lifelong painful memories of hurtful things said. An employer can frequently recall the parting outbursts of a fired employee. Final words have the power to make or break, to challenge or crush, to inspire or to inhibit, to energize or deflate.

Christ's words as he left His disciples on Ascension Day are no exception. He clearly wanted them to know forgiveness of sins was for all nations – as He says in Mark's Gospel; "Go out to all the world and proclaim the Good News to all creation."

Important as our individual salvation is, the focus of Christ's parting message is on the world-wide proclamation of the Gospel – the Good News. Of course it is through the living of Gospel values that we best bring Christ's message to others, but the wider missionary task is ever present.

Ascension Day is a reminder of what we are called to do – preaching forgiveness in His name. It is a duty in which we all share and from which we must not shrink so that all people can be reconciled to God and with each other. In the security of faith, we bring such reconciliation to others by word and example so that, being gathered through Baptism, all may worship him with joy. Through the Joy of the Gospel, we are to be a reconciling people wherever we go.

Go with God,

Father Ron

ALTAR SERVERS

We now have 25 young people, those who recently received their First Holy Communion, eligible to become Altar Servers. What a great way to serve our Lord by serving at the Altar.

A little about the Ministry: Altar Servers are not 'Junior Priests' and the ministry of Server is open to all Catholics who have received their First Holy Communion and, ideally, can meet the physical requirements necessary; that is – carrying the Processional Cross, holding the Liturgical books for the priest, negotiating the steps in to the sanctuary. Consideration will be made for anyone who might have any type of physical restriction. **No one** should be discouraged from serving.

Ok, How Often? How often a server is asked to minister depends largely on the response to this appeal. A safe guess would be at least once, maybe twice a month, probably more during Easter and Christmas times. You will be asked to serve at the Mass which your family attends. Fr. Ron will be conducting a class for new servers soon. Please let us know if you [or your child] have an interest in serving God by serving at God's Altar. You can contact the office or talk to Father Ron.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$5,872.33

MASS INTENTIONS – May 27-June 4:

Sat 27 5:00 **+Joann and Matt Dees**
 Sun 28 7:30 **Mass for the people**
 10:15 **+Tom Brady**
 Mon 29 9:00 **Memorial Day Mass**
 Tue 30 9:00 **+Dr. William and Leocadia Serban**
 Wed 31 9:00 **+Cyril & Madeline Darling**
 Thurs 1 9:00 **+Manuel Benedict**
 Fri 2 9:00 **First Friday**
 Sat 3 9:00 **First Saturday**
 5:00 **+Daniel Sullivan**
 Sun 4 7:30 **Mass for the people**
 10:15 **+Tom Brady**



SAVE THE DATE - NEXT SUNDAY!
 HOLY SPIRIT FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

—JUNE 4th at 11:30 —

Games for children
 food, fun, festivities, friendship,
 photo booth, face painting and
 more! Come join the fellowship
 and music!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND THOSE WHO NEED

OUR PRAYERS: The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, Steve Straessler, Tristan Humble, Mauro De-Trizio, Kelly McGuire, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bonnie Clark, Linda Escobar, Barbara McRae, Charlie Rogers, Carol Posehn, Jim Weese, Jack Macy, Louis Alan Hodson, Joan Ryan and Renee Dierckx, Jackson Langdon

FOR THE SOULS OF: Clem Shanahan, Bruce Campbell, Mary Candy

ALTAR FLOWERS –Our Altar flowers this week are in loving memory of Tom Brady

Helpers wanted! Please come help us decorate for Pentecost!

Thursday, June 1st at 10 am



Holy Spirit Office will be Closed Monday, May 29th, however we will still have Mass at 9am in observance of Memorial Day.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

	Readers	Eucharistic Minister	Greeters	Server
Sat, June 3 5 pm	K. Shanahan, H. Komrij	G. Conrad, C. Dudley, V. Higdon, C. Hullinger, D. Krempely	S. Ayres M. DeMeo	E. Manfredi
Sun., June 4 7:30 am	L. Davis, P. Smith	D. Hobaugh, K. & R. Kunde	K. Castro	C. Hordyk
Sun, June 4 10:15 am	B. O'Shell, D. Bowers	Dn. Storm, D. Adams, L. Berlo, R. Cooney, M. & J. Wagner, P. Dillaway	G. Asti C. Schelter	R. Reynolds B. Salvador
Children's Liturgy of the Word – Jennifer Marinace				
Homebound Week of May 31: D. Boito, F. Walsh, P. Edson Friends House: Arlene Storm				

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Registration for FAITH FORMATION 2017-2018 has begun for *all Holy Spirit Parishioners*. Please take the time to fill out and return the registration form mailed to your house last week. Registration will open for anyone beginning June 1st and all forms are available in the back of the church or in the Faith Formation Office. If you are not already a registered parishioner at Holy Spirit please register in the Parish Office.

Sacramental Preparation classes fill up fast. Save your spot today.

<u>Grades K-6 Sunday Classes</u>	9-10:05AM
<u>Wednesday Classes</u>	3:30-4:30PM (if enough students registered)
<u>Confirmation (2nd year prep)</u>	6:30-8:30PM Monday evenings
<u>Junior High Youth Ministry (gr. 7-8)</u>	7-8:30PM Tuesday evenings
<u>High School Youth Ministry (gr. 9-12)</u>	7-8:30PM Wednesday evenings

ATTENTION ALL HOLY SPIRIT NEWLY CONFIRMED ITS TIME FOR...

SIX FLAGS DISCOVERY KINGDOM!

Saturday, June 10th (9AM to 9:30PM)

Cost: \$35 per person... We need at least 15 people to receive this group rate!

RSVP to Megan O'Neill no later than June 4th!

I will then email you a permission slip



Junior High Youth Ministry

Looking forward to a Movie Night on June 16th 6:30- 9PM!

Bring your favorite Disney Movie and a snack to share!

I will provide the popcorn!

Please RSVP by June 6th.

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!



High School Youth Ministry

All high school teens are invited to join us this Wednesday evening (5/31) from 7-8:30 pm in the Holy Family Room. We will explore next Sunday's Gospel reading and enjoy another episode of Joan of Arcadia, "Night without Stars" All high school teens are welcome to join us!

2017 Upcoming Youth and Young Adult Summer Programs from the Diocese of Santa Rosa

EUREKA MISSION TRIP

Dates: Trip 1: June 25th-30th, Trip 2: July 9th-14th, Trip 3: July 16-21st

A team of youth ministers, priests and 25 teens will travel to Eureka to stay at the St. Bernard High School dorms for a week to assist with the growing demands of the area's homeless population. The young people will be inspired with the beautiful witness of Betty Chin and the opportunity to live out Christ's commandment of loving our neighbor. **Cost :\$150.00 Target Age: High School or College**

CAMP 12 An Apostolic Encounter

Dates; July 20th - 23rd

"YOAM" brings together youth from eight different dioceses for a challenging journey of discipleship and evangelization, outfitting them with the skills necessary to minister in their parish, communities, and most importantly—their next steps after graduation. **Cost : \$350 Target Age: Incoming 7th, 8th, 9th graders**