



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Ministering to the people in Rincon Valley and beyond

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 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

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

AUGUST 5 - 6

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

Many years ago, before there were 'blogs' or twitter to follow, I wrote a daily meditation that I would send to various friends, confrere's and parishioners via good old fashioned Email. I called it 'MINITATIONS' since it was a short meditation on various topics. A few days ago when looking for another document, I came across the MINITATION 'master-copy'. I scrolled them for a while. Some were quite poignant. Some quite theological, some both and also humorous [actually as you might guess, many had a touch of humor in them].

But one in particular caught my eye and I thought how it might be worthy to reproduce for this Sunday's feast of the Transfiguration. In this feast we celebrate Christ revealing himself in His glorified body to Peter, James and John. A glimpse, a foretaste of what is ahead for all who believe and follow. And we do all have that future hope. But what about now – how does Christ, does God reveal Himself to us now? What if Good uses a sort of 'Reverse-Transfiguration'? So, with that in mind...Here is a MINITATION from a long time ago..

GOD IN OUR MIDST

I saw God the other day going through my trash bin looking for cans to recycle. I saw God last week picking through the dumpster behind McDonald's. I saw God last month wearing nothing but a dirty diaper and crying, sitting in a shopping cart outside of Wal-Mart. I saw God last night stumbling down Main Street mumbling and shouting, swatting away imaginary bats. I saw God yesterday in a bed at a nursing home where she had been abandoned years ago by her family. I saw God working three jobs to support her four kids when her husband took-up and left. I saw God when I looked close enough to see Him. Sometimes I avert my eyes...but God sees me...

Where have you seen God lately?

Father Ron

"The spirit of God reminds us daily of our responsibility to care for the poor and those less fortunate because they are the special presence of God in our midst."

— from: '*Living God's Justice*'

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$6,188.00

LAST WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION: \$3,225.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

THIS WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION:
BUILDING FUND

ALTAR FLOWERS – Our Altar flowers this week are for the intention of Bob & Lilla Roll



MASS INTENTIONS Aug. 5th – Aug 13th:

Sat	5	9:00	+Frances Samuels
		5:00	+Daniel Sullivan
Sun	6	7:30	Mass for the People
		10:15	+Leon & Matt Lenney
Mon	7	9:00	+Francis DeSimone
Tue	8	9:00	+Tom Hubbard
Wed	9	9:00	Int. of Covell-DeBruin Family
Thurs	10	9:00	+Gayle Darling
Fri	11	9:00	Communion Service
Sat	12	5:00	+Graciela Lua
Sun	13	7:30	Mass for the People
		10:15	+Marie O'Neill

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

The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, Steve Straessler, Tristan Humble, Mauro DeTrizio, Kelly McGuire, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bonnie Clark, Barbara McRae, Charlie Rogers, Carol Posehn, Jack Macy, Louis Alan Hodson, Joan Ryan, Renee Dierckx, Jackson Langdon, Nina Cantacessi, Debbie Sickma, Lisa Adams, Margaret Potchatek, Grace Anne Doyle and Nick Picek

FOR THE SOULS OF: Bruce Campbell, Linda Escobar, Lorenzo Perez, Florence Becker, Fran Samuels, Linda Capuano, Kitty Dobbert and Nathan Krempely



Victorian Tea-November 4th, 2017

Upcoming Victorian Tea Hostesses....If you would like to be a hostess, please call Margie DeMeo as soon as possible at 707-538-3376

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 12-13

Readers

Eucharistic Ministers

Greeters

Servers

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat. Aug. 12 th 5 pm	S. Simpson, J. Albers	G. Conrad, P. Dillaway J. McHugh, T. & S. Sullivan	P. & K. Carlsen	M. Johnson
Sun. Aug. 13 th 7:30 am	L. Davis, K. LeRoy	Dn. Storm, B. Connolly, J. Hoffman	K. Castro	C. Hordyk
Sun. Aug. 13 th 10:15 am	D. Bowers, L. Berlo	D. Adams, M. Davis, B. O'Shell M. Friesen, D. Krempely, M. & J. Wagner	H. & M. Hernandez	J. Salvador M. Salvador
Children's Liturgy of the Word –Jane Howard				
Homebound Week of August 13 th : Patty Edson		Friends House: Arlene Storm		

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION



REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION – 2017- 18

Registration for anyone who is interested in attending Faith Formation classes is coming to a close. Registration Forms are available in the back of the church and on our web-site. We will be offering classes Sunday 9-10AM and Wednesday 3:30-4:30PM depending on registrations received and space available to fill a class. PLEASE REGISTER NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31ST SO WE CAN ORGANIZE OUR CLASS DAYS AND TIMES.

CLASSES WILL BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPT. 10TH.

First Communion Preparation 2 year process... 1st & 2nd grade or RCIC
Confirmation Preparation 2 year process.... 6th & 7th grade or RCIT

Building the Kingdom!
Catechist In-Service
August 20th 12-5PM

Attention all Catechists, Aides & Substitutes for our Faith Formation Classes

We will have lunch, build community, take a look at our coming year, and spend some time in prayer.

If you are not already signed up to be a catechist or aide and are interested in joining our team we would love to welcome you!

Please RSVP to Megan O'Neill by Aug. 13th so enough food and hand outs are available.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Those wishing to become Catholic or wanting to receive further Sacraments, i.e., Communion or Confirmation, may begin by attending RCIA Inquiry Classes beginning on August 17th at 6:30PM. These gatherings are designed to help the individual inquire about the Catholic Faith and the process in becoming a fully initiated member. We will join the Adult Education classes in September with further study and Rites along the way.

If you are interested or for more information, contact Megan O'Neill; megan4soneill@yahoo.com or (707)-539-4495

SANTA ROSA CONGRESS!! (All adults welcome!)

The Diocese of Santa Rosa invites everyone to attend the annual Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress on Saturday, August 19, 2017. This year's theme is "The 'Yes' That Changed the World". Workshops are in English and Spanish. Come hear great speakers. For more information check out the diocesan website @ www.santarosacatholic.com

AUGUST 12th

Catholic Cursillo fellowship gathering

Want a Catholic friend? Come join us. Develop friendships, enjoy singing and fellowship, hear how other Catholics are living their life of holiness and pray as a group before the Blessed Sacrament. Catholic Cursillo is a movement within the Catholic Church, based on friendship. We would love to be your friend.

The August fellowship gathering will be August 12th from 1-4pm at St. Elizabeth Seton in Rhonert Park. We will be celebrating with our new cursillistas so there will be lots of fun, food, and raffle prizes. For Further information call Debbie Simonson in Petaluma at 904-463-1070 or email at debijeane13@aol.com or Priscilla Silvey in Napa at 707-567-7957. Our website is <http://www.catholiccursillomovementofsantarosa.com>