



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

March 24th & 25th , 2018

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Mass & Service Schedule Holy Week

Weekdays: Monday-Wednesday 9am

Holy Thursday: 6:30pm

Good Friday-The Passion of Our Lord: 3pm

Holy Saturday: (Easter Vigil) 8pm

Easter Sunday: 7:30am, 10:15am, 12,noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Thursday and First Saturdays following 9 am Mass
or at the Rectory by appointment

For other Sacraments:

Please call the Parish Office

6 months in advance for Marriage

3 months in advance for Baptism

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 24th & 25th

... from the Pastor's Desk:

This week we begin a time so sacred to us Catholics that it is called 'Holy Week.' It is true that as far as individual celebrations go, Christmas seems to overshadow Easter, but Holy Week is more than just Easter Sunday. Our Mass today makes a diametrical shift from the celebration of our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the agony of His Passion and death as told in the Gospel of Mark. This day is an 'Overture,' if you will, of the days to come.

Holy Thursday: It is a great joy to celebrate the REAL event where Our Lord Jesus truly gave us bread as His Body and wine as His Blood. Where He establishes that we are to re-enter this moment in time every time we do the same, and where He empowers the apostles to do the same in His name. It is at this Mass that we have the true meaning of priesthood established – that of being a servant to the people of God, not one who is to be served. Please come to this service for its healing grace. It will be an experience like none before. The Mass begins at 6:30pm.

Next we have **Good Friday:** The only day in the entire year where **no** Mass is said anywhere in the world. This is the day Our Lord died. We relive His arrest, trial, crucifixion, death and burial. It is a solemn celebration with deeply moving ritual of the '**Veneration of the Cross**' where each of us has the opportunity to kiss the cross of Christ as the ultimate sign of respect and thanksgiving for His suffering for us. Reception of Holy Communion, for those who wish, is also part of this day's service. The Service starts at 3pm., to coincide with the time of Jesus' death on the Cross.

Holy Saturday is the last of the 'Three Days.' This is traditionally a day of quiet meditation as we contemplate the darkness of the world without a future and without hope apart from God and God's Grace. It is also a time to remember family and friends who have died and await the Resurrection. This day ends with the celebration of all celebrations: the Easter Vigil.

We begin outside with the Fire and Water Ceremony in which our new Christ Candle is blessed. We then have a candle-light procession into the darkened church and hear the singing of the Exsultet. This is followed by a scriptural journey through salvation history. After the readings we have the Profession of Faith and Confirmation for the members who have been preparing this past year to come into full Communion with our faith. This service begins at 8pm. Please note – this is a very beautiful and rich service, but also a very long one.

This week ends with **Easter Sunday Masses.** A celebration of the center of our faith – Christ's Resurrection from the dead. Our Easter Sunday Masses are at 7:30am, 10:15am and 12, noon. I ask that even if you are a regular 10:15am Mass attendee to consider going to the Noon just this once as the 10:15am will be very, very full.

Do you have to go to all of these services? Of course not. Should you? If you possibly can, yes! I can tell you that you will benefit spiritually from each in its own unique way. Ask God to which ones need you go.

God Bless you and yours,

Father Ron

Service Schedule – March 24-April 1

03/24	Sat	5:00pm	†Fr. Jim Flanagan
03/25	Sun	7:30am	For the People of the Parish
03/25	Sun	10:15am	†James Kaiser
03/26	Mon	9:00am	†Will Davis
03/27	Tues	9:00am	†Anna Scheving
03/28	Wed	9:00am	Int. of Joan Dengler
03/29	Thurs	6:30pm	Holy Thurs. of the Lord's Supper
03/30	Fri	3:00pm	Good Fri. of the Lord's Passion
03/31	Sat	8:00pm	All New Members of the Parish
04/01	Sun	7:30am	For the People of the Parish
04/01	Sun	10:15am	Our Beloved Deceased
04/01	Sun	12,noon	First Communicants and Confirmandi

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, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bonnie Clark, Renee Dierckx, Jackson Langdon, Nina Cantacessi, Debbie Sickma, Lisa Adams, Margaret Potchatek, Charlotte Facchini, Anne Benjamin, Erasmo Roque, Phyliss Smith, Ken Davis, Marilyn Lechuga, Chuck Fritch and George Fannuci

FOR THE SOULS OF: Jack Macy, Nathan Krempely, Charlie Rogers, Paul Davis, Jeanne Vandenberghe, Bruce Campbell, Dennis DeCota, Frank Mantellina, Ray Hill, Alice Puruggan-nan, Howard Furlong, Richard Marson, Al Pisenti, Margaret Winrich Carmen Leon-Guerrero, Rose Mary Bernstein and Barbara Bobrowski

22nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

9:30am Saturday, March 31st 2018

Meet in the Parish Plaza

Walkers to age 11 years



Grab a flyer & registration form in the back of the church or email m.oneill-hsc@outlook.com Family name, # of children and ages of each child before March 27th. I want to have enough eggs and candy for the hunt!

LAST WEEK'S PLATE COLLECTION: \$ 6,294.33

LAST WEEKS SECOND COLLECTION \$ 2,685.00
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

COME HELP US DECORATE THE CHURCH!

Holy Thursday: Wednesday, March 28th at 12:30pm

Easter: Saturday, March 31st at 10:00am



"Please join us at the Sister Antonia Spiritual Enrichment Center for Lenten talk and discussion on Monday evening March 26th at 7:00 p.m. The subject is: "Good Friday: Why Hope Didn't Die." The talk will be presented by Fr. Patrick Foley. He served in parish and campus ministry. He is now writing and reflecting further upon themes of spiritual formation and Christian life in our times. It will take place in the main ballroom at St. Rose Business Building, 320 10th Street, Santa Rosa CA. For additional information please contact the Sister Antonia Spiritual Enrichment Center Tel: 546-1781

Thank you for your support.

The Sister Antonia Spiritual Enrichment Center
Stephanie Barrett

March 31st–April 1st Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat, March 31st 8 pm	#1-Bob A. #2-Mary D.	Cheryl Dudley, Joanne Landen, Martha Johnson, Ed and Judith Mattingly	As Available	As Available.
Sun., April 1st 7:30 am	#1-L. Davis #2-P. Edson	Robin and Kurt Kunde, Arlene Storm, Cindy Hordyk Sharron Simpson	As Available	Elizabeth McDonnel.
Sun, April 1st 10:15 am	#1. L. Orr #2.M. Cusack	Charlene Hollinger, Marti Hoyt Jacky Macy, Tony Pimental Patty Zack, Sharron Simpson Diane Lisciandro and John Lisciandro, Donna Kaiser Deacon John	As Available	Jerome Salvador
Children's Liturgy of the Word – No Dismissal				
Homebound Week of March 28th E. Manfredi, P. Edson, M. Breuer				

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation Grades 1-6

Palm Sunday celebrates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and the start of Holy Week. The mysteries of Holy Week are focused on the Sacred Triduum—the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Holy Saturday celebration of the Easter Vigil. This Sunday, we proclaim two Gospels—Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and the entire story of the Passion and Death of Jesus according to Mark's Gospel. ***Plan your family's involvement in the liturgies of Holy Week. Develop a plan for also observing each of these important days in your home.***



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Reminder no classes will be held Easter Week (April 1st to April 7th) to celebrate Easter



Confirmation



Confirmation candidates will gather this Monday (3/26) from 6:30PM-8:30PM in the Holy Family Room (NEW TIME, same place). This Monday we will look at a very essential part of our faith journey “Getting to Know God Through Prayer” Don't forget to bring your book!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

PLEASE KEEP OUR CATHECUMEN (Caterina Balletto) AND CANDIDATES (Joy McNally, Doug McNally & Jenna Nobles) IN YOUR PRAYERS AS THEY JOURNEY TO THEIR FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH THIS COMING SATURDAY, MARCH 31ST.



ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS ARE WELCOME IN YOUTH MINISTRY...even if you have never joined us before or can only make it on an irregular basis. We would love to welcome you to be a part of this growing ministry and BRING A FRIEND!



Wednesday, March 28th 7-8:30PM join us for a look at the ***Triduum; Three Sacred Days, One Continuous Celebration.*** We will gather in the Holy Family Room.

Questions contact Megan O'Neill (m.oneill-hsc@outlook.com)



QUO VADIS, YOUNG MAN?

If you are a young man between the ages of 13 and 35, this retreat may be just what you are looking for if you feel that you may be called to the priesthood. The Office of Vocations for the Diocese of Santa Rosa is offering two discernment retreats this summer: the first is for men ages 18-35 and will be held from May 25-27. The second is for young men ages 13-17 and will be held from June 8-10. We will spend those days in the beautiful surroundings of Sweetwater Camp in Guerneville. Spend time talking with Bishop Vasa, priests and seminarians. Enjoy hikes, cook-outs and quiet time for prayer and reflection. Is God calling you? Find out! Call 707-542-6984 for more information or write to Vocations Directors, Fr. Frank Epperson (frepperson@steugenes.com) or Fr. Raul Lemus (padre.raul@yahoo.com). Deadline to register is May 1st!