



# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

July 28th & 29th, 2018

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## Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Liturgy of the Word for Children; Sundays at the 10:15 a.m. Mass

Weekdays: Mon.-Thurs. & First Friday & First Saturday 9:00 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Thursday, First Friday and First Saturday following the  
9:00 a.m. 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 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 28th & July 29th, 2018**

... from the Pastor's desk...

**Table for 5000, please.**

*“So they collected them, and filled 12 wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.” - John 6:1-15*

We have heard this Gospel many times. I remember back in Jersey as a little kid thinking about how it was actually done [youngsters have inquiring minds]. I had several different versions:

**One.** All the extra fish and loaves just appeared out of thin air – like magic– on the ground in front of them.

**Two.** Whenever a loaf was broken in half or a fish cut, it would immediately grow back the other half and they kept repeating this over and over until all were fed.

**Three.** They put the fish in one basket and the loaves in another. [Don't ask me where the baskets came from or why they had them] Then the baskets kept filling from the bottom up until all were fed.

**Four.** The food appeared [again, like magic] in each person's satchel [these were the days before backpacks] and then they shared with each other.

As I grew older I began to see different layers in the story beyond the spectacular multiplication miracle. I reflected not so much on how it happened – but why it happened. Bottom line, people were hungry, for food. But, Jesus also fed them spiritually. It is a story of compassion and love from the one who personified both.

Thus, the feeding of the 5000 is not just about dinner, about actually eating that is, it is about how we are to treat one another, to show hospitality, to care for those among us who hunger and thirst not just for bread and water – but for justice and righteousness.

Jesus could have sent them on their way, but these people had traveled a great distance to see him, to hear him, and to touch him. So he took what he had – blest it, broke it, and shared it – foreshadowing what would happen to his own body as it would be broken and shared with us all as the Body of Christ. As much so now, for us today at this Mass, as it was at the Last Supper.

So we do not turn away or turn others away. We make do with what we have. We share it, we give it – freely. God takes it from there. I remember a Franciscan Sister telling us; *“Do your best, pray that it's blessed, and he'll take care of the rest.”* Good advice today as back then.

The Bible is full of wonderful stories. Some are to be taken literally, bearing the same weight as our Roman Catholic Dogmas and Doctrines. Some are only parables, but teach great lessons. Some are conflation of various events, related in ‘one telling’ things that may have happened multiple times.

And so, we can look at the multiplication of loaves and fishes as an actual event, or we can see it as a story about sharing. I, for one, think that it actually happened just as we heard, but for the life of me – I still can't figure out how!

All the best,  
*Father Ron*



## Show Others the Way to God



God has called all of us to follow him but we are also called to lead.

Aiding another's spiritual growth in simple ways can lead others to Christ.

**Be on the watch.** Ask God to reveal to you those who don't know him. Record their names and commit to praying for them daily.

**Go to Mass together.** Inviting a friend or someone seeking a spiritual home to attend Sunday Mass with you is a great way to spend time together and show commitment to the faith.

**Offer prayer cards.** Promote prayer and a devotion to the saints by sending an occasional prayer card pertinent to his or her life situation.

**Build bridges.** Spend time with those seeking God. Show them what a life with God looks like. Invite seekers to dinner, go for coffee, listen to their problems. In other words, be a friend.

**Share his love.** God's love breaks down barriers and removes prejudices. Act with love toward others. A little kindness may open the door for the Gospel.



**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, Margaret Potchatek, Charlotte Facchini, Anne Benjamin, Erasmo Roque, Ken Davis, Marilyn Lechuga, Chuck Fritch, George Fannuci, Pat LaRussa, Irma Schelter and Thomas Peterson.

**FOR THE SOULS OF:** Bruce Campbell, Dennis DeCota, Charlie Rogers, Frank Mantellina, Ray Hill, Alice Puruggannan, Howard Furlong, Al Pisenti, Margaret Winrich, Carmen Leon Guerrero, Barbara Bobrowski, George Gooding, Geraldine M. Gonfiotti, Concha O'Dell, Hank Cooper and Esther Keating.

### The Mass Schedule July 28th to August 5th

07/28 Sat	5:00pm	†Chuck Davis
07/29 Sun	7:30am	Mass for the People
07/29 Sun	10:15am	†Nathan Krempely
07/30 Mon	9:00am	Int. of Greg Gellar
07/31 Tues	9:00am	Int. of Marissa McElroy
08/01 Wed	9:00am	Int. of Kathleen McElroy
08/02 Thurs	9:00am	†Jack Macy
08/04 Sat	5:00pm	†Daniel Sullivan
08/05 Sun	7:30am	Mass for the People
08/05 Sun	10:15am	†Matt Lenney

Our Altar flowers this week  
are in loving memory of

Nathan James Krempely

**LAST WEEK'S PLATE COLLECTION: \$5,044.00**

**NEXT WEEK BUILDING MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

### August 4th & August 5th - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat, August 4th 5 pm	#1- P. Edson #2- J. McHugh	Cheryl Dudley, Joanne Landen, Dino Boito, Lee Ward, Nora Ward	As Available	As Available
Sun, August 5th 7:30 am	#1- C. Charbonnier #2- B. Antoniuc	Robin Kunde, Kurt Kunde, Patti Mazur	As Available	As Available
Sun, August 5th 10:15 am	#1- B. O'Shell #2- L. Berlo	Loyde Johnson, Sherry Johnson, Tim Sullivan, Shirley Sullivan, Dennis Krempely, Michael Wagner, Donna Kaiser, Babette O'Shell, Kathy Stevens	As Available	As Available
Children's Liturgy of the Word - Jennifer Marinace				
Homebound Week of August 1st— H.Salemi, F. Walsh, D.Mollihan				

## FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation Grades K-12

July 28th & July 29th



### **FAITH FORMATION**

**We will take registration until the classes are full!**

Registration forms are in the back of the church, at the parish office and on Holy Spirit's website  
[www.holyspirit-sr.org](http://www.holyspirit-sr.org)

Faith Formation Calendars will come out the first week of September to all registered students.  
Classes will begin the week of September 16<sup>th</sup>.

***Don't forget to register your child while there is still space in the class!!***

### **Interested In Volunteer Opportunities for Catholic Charities?**



Currently Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa has two volunteer positions available:

***Coordinated Entry Volunteer Assistant***

***Administrative Systems Volunteer Assistant***

For full job description and more information please contact :

Noreen Mendoza [nmendoza@srcharities.org](mailto:nmendoza@srcharities.org)  
707-528-8712 x160

Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

Save the Date

**Capture the Flag**

6:30 PM-8:30 PM



Holy Spirit Youth Ministry invites  
all middle school and high school youth  
to join us for a night of fun!

Bring a friend and a snack to share!

Contact Megan O'Neill to RSVP or with any questions

[m.oneill-hsc@outlook.com](mailto:m.oneill-hsc@outlook.com) or 539-4495 ext 13



### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Anyone wishing to become Catholic or wanting to receive further Sacraments, i.e., First Communion or Confirmation, may contact Megan O'Neill for more information. You are invited to a period of Inquiry!