



# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

September 1st & 2nd, 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 Fridays & First Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Thursday, First Friday and First Saturday following the 9:00 a.m. Mass or at the Parish House with an appointment

## For other Sacraments:

Please call the Parish Office

6 months in advance for Marriage

3 months in advance for Baptism



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## The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 1st & September 2nd, 2018

### From the Pastors Desk ...

Last night [Tuesday, August 28th] we had our first open forum meeting about the crises in which we find ourselves. Among the many things people spoke of or asked about were what are we doing here for our children? We addressed this, but I feel that the whole parish community needs to know what we provide.

I've asked Megan O'Neill our Faith Formations Director, to speak to you about our 'Circle of Grace' presentations [see below]. In addition to that we have 100% accountability and visibility. No child is ever left alone with an adult unless it is a family member. I've put windows in all of the classroom and office doors and all our teachers [and staff as well] have gone through the necessary screening, fingerprinting and training to be able to work with our children. This applies to our teens as well. With them we have an 'open-question' policy in that they can ask about whatever they want and we are open and honest as age-appropriate in answering them. Over the years we have found this to be extremely helpful in giving them a voice they might not otherwise have.

We do plan on having more 'Open Forum' meetings. I am currently researching what time and day of the week are most amenable to having more parents attend. Please contact me with your suggestions.

### **Father Ron**

CIRCLE OF GRACE  
*Safe Environment Program*  
*"Respecting All God's People"*



Out of concern for all God's people and in response to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, we have a program for the safe environment education of children and young people supported and mandated by Bishop Robert F. Vasa of the Santa Rosa Diocese.

This program is called *Circle of Grace*. It is meant to supplement and be integrated into the excellent programs and curricula for the formation of children and young people in our schools and religious education

programs. *Circle of Grace* aims to equip our children and young people by providing them with essential knowledge and skills grounded in the richness of our faith. This program helps children and young people to understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body, and spirit.

### ***What is a Circle of Grace?***

The Catholic Church teaches that God has created each of us as unique and special. Genesis 1:27 tells us that we are created "male and female in God's image" and that God saw this as "very good." In that goodness, we are meant to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created and loved by God.

Adults assist children and young people to recognize God's love by helping them to understand that each of us lives and moves in a circle of grace. You can imagine your own circle of grace by putting your arms above your head then circle down in front of your body including side to side. This circle, front to back, holds who you are in your body and through your senses. It holds your very essence in mind, heart, soul, and sexuality.

### ***Why is it important to help our children understand the Circle of Grace?***

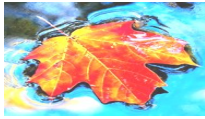
God intends our relationships in life to be experiences of divine love. Respectful, nurturing, loving relationships increase our understanding of our own value and help us to love others. It is never too early to help children and young people understand how very special they are and how relationships in life are called to be sacred. Understanding this can help them to protect the special person they are and to be respectful of others.

Adults, especially parents, as they strive to provide a safe and protective environment, hold the responsibility to help children and young people understand and respect their own dignity and that of others. A truly safe and protective environment is one where children and young people recognize when they are safe or unsafe and know how to bring their concerns, fears, and uncertainties to the trusted adults in their lives. Please call if you have any questions.

Blessings,

**Megan O'Neill** 707-539-4495 ext 13  
Director of Faith Formation Grades 1-12

**A Graceful Farewell**  
*Putting Your Affairs in Order*



Co-sponsored by the Holy Spirit Pastoral and Finance Councils and the Diocese of Santa Rosa, Please join us for this informative seminar on

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**  
**10:00 am -12:00 noon**  
In the Holy Spirit parish hall

This seminar will be conducted by:  
Russ Ferreira, Diocese of Santa Rosa & Dan Galvin, Diocesan Legal Counsel

Learn the basics about wills, trusts, power of attorney, and health care directives

This seminar is designed to give you and your loved ones peace of mind, and ensure that your hard earned assets go to your family and favorite charities rather than to taxes and unnecessary probate costs

There is no charge for this seminar  
Refreshments will be provided

**Seating is limited and reservations are required by Wednesday, September 19th**

Please RSVP to Steve Imboden at 546-8884 or email: [steve@imbodencpa.com](mailto:steve@imbodencpa.com)

**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, 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 Thomas Peterson, Paul Von Gottfried, Taylor Gouin, Joe Gouin and Pat Fryer.

**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, Bonnie Clark, and Esther Keating.

**Mass Schedule Sept 1st to Sept 9th**

(Office will be closed 9/3- We will still have Mass)

- 09/01 Sat 9:00am Available
- 09/01 Sat 5:00pm †Daniel Sullivan
- 09/02 Sun 7:30am Mass for the People
- 09/02 Sun 10:15am Int. of Amy Davis
- 09/03 Mon 9:00am Gerard Benedict
- 09/04 Tues 9:00am †Deceased Members of the Jacob Family
- 09/05 Wed 9:00am Joan Conrad
- 09/06 Thurs 9:00am Barbara Hilton
- 09/07 Fri 9:00am †Gina Catelani
- 09/08 Sat 5:00pm †Laura Anne Higby
- 09/09 Sun 7:30am Mass for the People
- 09/09 Sun 10:15am Int. of Emily Gonzales



**The Altar flowers this week are dedicated To You!**



**LAST WEEK'S PLATE COLLECTION: \$5,499.00**

**September 8th & September 9th - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat, Sept 8th 5 pm	#1- P. Anderson #2- K. Schmoll	Mary Davis, Dominica Mollahan, Steve Roncelli, Kathy Snodgrass	As Available	As Available
Sun, Sept 9th 7:30 am	#1- S. Pola #2- K. Leroy	Brian Connolly, Arlene Storm, Elizabeth McDonnell	As Available	As Available
Sun, Sept 9th 10:15 am	#1- L. Berlo #2- H. Kelley	Charlene Hullinger, Diane Lisciandro, Diane Hobough, John Lisciandro, Jacky Macy, Jolon Wagner, Patty Zack, Michelle Davis, Dave Adams.	As Available	As Available
Children's Liturgy of the Word -Jane Howard				
Homebound Week of September 12th- L. Ward, D. Mollihan, F. Walsh				

## FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation Grades K-12  
September 1st & September 2nd



### **Welcome Back Faith Formation Family** **Bar B Que** **Sunday September 9th** **11:30am (after 10:15am mass)**



It's been a long, hot, wonderful summer and it is time to welcome you back to another year of Faith Formation at Holy Spirit Parish....

*(Please RSVP no later than September 1st)*

Our Faith Formation classes begin;

**Confirmation-** Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8PM  
**Youth Ministry** (grades 8-12) Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30PM  
**Grade School-** Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> 9 – 10:05AM  
& Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> 3:30- 4:30PM

*If you have not registered your child for Faith Formation classes, please contact Megan O'Neill right away!*

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



### Holy Spirit Women's Club

Would like to invite you to the

### **Welcome Back Dinner/Installation of Officers**

#### *Hawaiian Luau*

Wednesday September 12th @ 6:30PM

Admission: **\$20.00** (includes raffle tickets and drinks)

Tickets sold after all masses

(Please no walk-ins)



*I am still looking for a few catechists (teachers) and aides to fill out our year. Would you prayerfully consider volunteering?*

*I will be happy to train and work with you until you are comfortable leading the class on your own. Aides will simply follow your catechists lead, helping with the students and anything else the teacher needs. Please contact me asap so we can get you started.*

*Thank you,  
Megan*

