

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Weekend of March 23-24, 2024

MASS & SERVICE SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., at 9 am

Communion Service : Tuesday at 9 am.

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 5 pm

Sunday Masses: 8 am, 10:30 am

1st Saturday of the Month: 9 am

Video Mass: A Saturday Mass is recorded each week and uploaded to our Youtube channel, *Holy Spirit—Santa Rosa.*



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass—6:30 pm (no 9 am mass)

Good Friday Service—3 pm (no 9 am mass)

Holy Saturday Mass—5 pm

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES—8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm

SACRAMENTS: Please call the office 707.539.4495

Reconciliation: Call the office for times.

Marriage: Call 6 months in advance.

Baptism: Call 3 months in advance.

PARISH REGISTRATION: in person, online, or by email

ONLINE DONATING at www.holyspirit-sr.org

HOME COMMUNION Please contact the office at 707.539.4495.

Palm Sunday ~ March 23-24, 2024

..from your 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. Today's Liturgy 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 Luke. This day is an 'Overture,' if you will, of the days to come.

Holy Thursday: Mass of The Lord's Supper. **6:30 pm.** 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.

Good Friday is next: The Service starts at 3pm., to coincide with the time of Jesus' death of the Cross. Good Friday is 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 the deeply moving ritual of the '**Veneration of the Cross**' where each of us has the opportunity to approach the cross of Christ and bow reverently 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.

Holy Saturday is the last of the 'Three Days.' It begins at 5pm in the plaza (weather permitting). 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 all have a chance to publicly renew our Baptismal Promises. Please note – this is a very beautiful and rich service, and therefore, a bit longer than other Masses.

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 8am, 10:30am and 1pm. I ask that even if you are a regular 10:30 mass attendee to consider going to the 1pm Mass just this once as the 10:30 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 which ones you need to go to.

God Bless you, all you love, and all who love you.



Father Ron.

NOTE: THERE WILL NOT BE ANY DAILY MASSES ON 3/28 OR 3/29

**Our Lenten Almsgiving Partner
Father Boniface Mbithi Nduva's
hometown, The Village of Ulu in Kenya**

Please make checks payable to
Holy Spirit with ULU, KENYA in the Memo line.
Online giving is activated on our website.



MASS INTENTIONS: March 16-24

03/23	Sat	5:00 PM	†Rosario Ramos
03/24	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
03/24	Sun	10:30am	† Joseph Caputo
03/25	Mon	9:00 am	†Anna Hadfield
03/26	Tue	9:00 am	<i>Communion Service</i>
03/27	Wed	9:00 am	†Marylou Gadbois
03/28	Thur	6:30 PM	HOLY THURSDAY
03/29	Fri	3:00 PM	GOOD FRIDAY
03/30	Sat	5:00 PM	†Leocadia Serban
03/31	Sun	8:00 am	For the sick & suffering
03/31	Sun	10:30am	For the Children
03/31	Sun	1:00 PM	For the People

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: March 30-31

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Karen S. #2—Mary H.	Cheryl D. Kathy S. Arlene S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Henri K. #2—Brian C.	Cindy D-H Kurt K. Robin K.
Sun. 10:30am	#1—Jane G. #2—Mary L.	Diane H. Donna K. Jacky M.

Last Week's General Collection	\$ 6,510.00
Online General Fund Offering	\$ 1,314.25
The Village of Ulu, Kenya	\$ 520.00

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday—March 24
Holy Thursday, Mar. 28 at 6:30 pm
Good Friday, Mar. 29 at 3 pm
Easter Egg Hunt & More, Mar. 30
9:30–12 (Breakfast begins at 8)
Holy Saturday, Mar. 30 at 5 pm
EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, Mar. 31
at 8 am, 10:30 am, and 1 pm

REMINDER: There will NOT be 9 am masses on Holy Thursday or Good Friday. There will NOT be Confessions, Exposition of the Sacrament, or Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Sharon Leiberman, Mike Murray, Greg Macy, Fr. John Boettcher, Gabriella Ibarra, Annette O'Brien Fashauer, Jim Weese, Laura Zabatta, Jon DeVault, Kathy Hauck, John McHugh, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, Larry Darling, Renee Ralls, Marion Fairbank, Tim Coyne, John Scrempo, Mike and Nancy Cusack, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spalding, Donald Brent, Tristan Humble, Marlene Knivila, Jenny Lemp, Doug Harman, Margaret Duffy, Maria Alvarez, Mary Jo Toth, Mary Davis, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, the Pisenti family, Holy Spirit Prayer Chain.

FOR THE SOULS

Scot Gordon, Arlene Pearson, Karin Lee, Peggy Levy, Regina Dieter, James Barton, Jr., Nancy Bufano, Julia Gromo, Bruce Marts Sr., Terry McNally, Derek Dunn, Bill Pinella, George Macaulay, Barbara Nowacki, Phyllis Smith, Ed McCarthy, Laura Dole, Arlene Figueroa, Bob Jennessee, Doris Gianini DeFord, Bill Davis, Kathy Stoddard, Dominica Mollahan, William Ouimette, Kim Seghezzi, Stephen Otis.

THIS WEEK'S 2nd Collection is for CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES/CCHD Please write separate checks. Thank you!


HOLY SPIRIT
Catholic Church

Join us!

Easter Egg Hunt & Activities!

SATURDAY
MARCH 30, 2024
9:30 AM - NOON

1244 ST. FRANCIS RD, SANTA ROSA 95409




- BREAKFAST BEGINS AT 8 AM
- 2 BOUNCE HOUSES
- FACE PAINTING
- EASTER BUNNY PHOTO OP
- FUN GAMES
- EGG HUNT AT 9:30 AM

WITH SECTIONS FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS




FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MATT CONLEY, DRE
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LOOKING FOR CALLA LILIES!

If you have Calla Lilies that you are willing to donate for our Easter décor, please email Cindy, cindy@holyspiritsr.org or contact her cell at 707.494.8797. We can arrange to go and cut them or meet you at the church.



VICTORIAN TEA— APRIL 20 at noon—
Some tickets available. If interested, contact Margie DeMeo 707.538.3376.

SR Catholic Moms Calling all moms with children from the newborn stage to the teenage years! Join us for friendship, fellowship, and faith-sharing at our upcoming gatherings:



--Wed, 3/27, 10am-12pm - Potluck brunch at St. Joseph's Parish Hall in Cotati. Time for visiting and reflecting on Sarah's example in "Becoming Women of the Word" by Sarah Christmyer. The book is not necessary to join. Children are welcome at all events! RSVP srdiocese.catholicmoms@gmail.com for more details.

Grief Support Group

Wednesdays: April 3rd at 6:30-8 pm and the potluck will be on May 8th from 5:30-8 pm in the church hall.

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR March 23-March 31, 2024

SUNDAY	3/24		NO CLASS
MONDAY	3/25	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts Meet
TUESDAY	3/26		
WEDNESDAY	3/27	9:30 AM	St. Vincent De Paul
		6:15 PM	First Year Confirmation Class
THURSDAY	3/28	9:30 -12	Decorating for Holy Thursday (stay as long as you like)
FRIDAY	3/29	9:30 am	Decorating for Good Friday (stay as long as you like)
SATURDAY	3/30	8:00 am	Pancake Breakfast
		9:30 am	EASTER EGG HUNT & More
		9:30 am	Decorating for Easter
EASTER SUNDAY			NO CLASS