

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Diane Bowman. Call the office.

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## SUNDAY August 17-18, 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.***

**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** Go to [www.holyspirit-sr.org](http://www.holyspirit-sr.org)

**HOME COMMUNION** Please contact the office at  
707.539.4495.

... *From Your Pastor's Desk*

## Woman-Wisdom

When people move into a new house or complete a restoration, they often have a little celebration to which they invite their friends. Once the house is to their satisfaction, they open it to others and provide refreshments. This is called a 'housewarming party' - a good feast in the presence of others to be properly launched. Something similar is happening in today's Scriptures. They ALL speak of eating!

And, in what I find fascinating - we have this woman by the name of Wisdom. She builds herself a house, clearly a very elegant home with no less than seven pillars. She throws a feast of fine wine and good meat and sends out her servants into the streets to gather people to her table.

In that reading the building of a house, the making of a feast, the invitation to come and eat and drink, is an imaginative way of speaking about God as the wise host who invites all of humanity to learn from His wisdom. It is interesting that God is portrayed as a woman in this reading, Woman-Wisdom.

That image of Woman-Wisdom who says, '*Come and eat of my bread, drink the wine I have prepared*' finds an echo in the figure of Jesus in the gospel who declares, '*I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.*' Like Woman-Wisdom Jesus invites us to come and eat of His bread.

We invite people to our home and put food and drink before them and we invite them to eat and drink. Jesus invites us to His table and He puts himself before us as food and drink and invites us to eat and drink. In language that is very daring Jesus declares himself to be our food and drink, the one who can satisfy our deepest hungers and thirsts, our hunger and thirst for life. Jesus declares in that gospel, '*anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life.*'

We come to the Eucharist to draw life from the risen Lord to draw God's life from him, God's love. We are then sent from the Eucharist to be channels of that life, of that love, for each other. We come to the Eucharist hungering and thirsting for life, for authentic life, the life of God, the love of God, and we are sent out from the Eucharist as life givers, as agents of God's life and love within our homes, our society, our world.

So, let us follow the lead of Woman-Wisdom and share the abundance of God's gifts, including the Gifts of God's mercy, peace, love, joy, patience, generosity, and all other gifts of the Spirit - especially to those in most need.

*Father Ron*

## FUNERALS

### MASS INTENTIONS: August 17-25

08/17	Sat	5:00 PM	† Patrick Rodriguez
08/18	Sun	8:00 am	† Gail Azevedo
08/18	Sun	10:30am	For the People
08/19	Mon	9:00 am	† Jennie Turnbull
08/20	Tue	9:00 am	<i>Communion Service</i>
08/21	Wed	9:00 am	<i>Available</i>
08/22	Thur	9:00 am	† Bob Sloan
08/23	Fri	9:00 am	† Greg Horak
08/24	Sat	5:00 PM	† Angelina Genovesa & † Willy Jackson
08/25	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
08/25	Sun	10:30am	† Gary Knivila

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Aug. 24-25

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Rosalinda B. #2—Pat B.	Judith M. Arlene S. Tim Sullivan
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Kathy L. #2—Lydia D.	Brian C. Robin K. Elizabeth M.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Mary H. #2—Deanna B.	Dave A. Sherry J. Jolon W.

Last Week's General Collection	\$ 7598.—
Online General Fund Offering	\$1757.75
Black & Indian Mission	\$ 2141.—

*This week's 2nd collection is for our  
Religious Education Department.  
Please write separate checks. Thank you!*



## Grief Support Group

If you are experiencing a loss and would like the support and comfort of a group of parishioners who share fellowship and center their focus on the Word of God, join us!

For further information, call Deanna at 707-595-3050 or Mary at 707-495-3095.

Estelle Donovan ~ Sat., Aug. 31st at 10:00 a.m.

Patricia Breuer ~ Wed., Sept. 11th at 1:00 p.m.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Molly Touchette, Rose-Ann Saporita, Gail Flatt, Sachiko Gomez, Juan Scott, Dean Kennedy, Charlene Abayon, Gerri Peterson, Carlos Perez, Donna McMullen, Sharon Leiberman, Mike Murray, Greg Macy, Fr. John Boettcher, Gabriella Ibarra, Laura Zabatta, 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 Davis, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, the Pisenti family, Holy Spirit Prayer Chain.

### FOR THE SOULS

Joe Piasta, Patricia Breuer, Patrick Rodriguez, Lynda Adams, Gail Azevedo, Gloria McKay, Miriam Castillo, Jeanne Anderson, Mary Jo Toth, Kathy Hauck, Chris Christianson, Jim Weese, 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 Jenness, Doris Gianini DeFord, Bill Davis, Kathy Stoddard, Dominica Mollahan, William Ouimette, Kim Seghezzi.

*Please call the office if you wish to add or keep someone on the prayer list. Each name will remain for 3 months from the time we receive a request unless we hear otherwise.*

**Wednesday, September 4, 2024**

**6:30-8 pm in the Parish Hall**

Grief is so disorienting and touches each of us.



## Faith Formation Classes

We are pleased to announce that Family Faith Formation classes will return to the parish house classrooms!

**K-5 classes will begin Wednesday, September 18, from 4:30–6:00.** This includes students in the second year of First Communion preparation (they will start with the K-5 classes and then in January, second year First Communion students will also meet separately in the parish house (rectory) on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:00.) Forms are at the back of church.

**Classes for first and second year Confirmation as well as OCIA /Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** (adult education for those who have not been baptized or confirmed or who wish to become Catholic—formerly RCIA), will also be offered, with times and days to be determined.



## SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT CENTER

Would you like to enhance your prayer life? The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius offers an opportunity to experience a closer walk with Jesus.

The Exercises are open to all Christian Faiths and many members of our parish community have participated. The next session begins in late September 2024.

Further information can be found at [www.spiritualenrichmentcenter.net](http://www.spiritualenrichmentcenter.net) or by contacting David & Joanne Del Castillo at [srsec.office@gmail.com](mailto:srsec.office@gmail.com) or 707.293.7497.

## HOLY SPIRIT WOMEN'S CLUB WOMAN OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON

Phyllis Rogers is our Woman of the Year for 2024!

Please join us to celebrate Phyllis with a mass by Bishop Vasa and luncheon at **Our Lady of Guadalupe, 8400 Old Redwood Highway., Windsor, CA 95492**

**October 12th, 2024**

**Registration: 9:30 a.m.,**

**Rosary: 10:30,**

**Mass: 11:00, Luncheon: 12:00 pm**

**Cost: \$35.00**

In the past our ladies who attend arrive at 10:30-10:45 to register, so that we are in time for mass. (Your choice if you would like to attend starting at 9:30).

All the ladies that have been chosen within the diocesan will be honored at mass by Bishop Vasa, then at the luncheon will be recognized once again by SRDCCW organization.

**Please make your check payable to SRDCCW** (Santa Rosa Diocesan Council of Catholic Women)

**Lynne DeCota will be collecting all the checks. Please send your check to her no later than September 23rd, 2024.**

Mail to Lynne DeCota:

1558 Mauro Pietro Drive

Petaluma, CA 94954

SRDCCW is not taking reservations after this date as space is limited. You may also bring your check to the "Welcome Back Dinner" on September 12th, 2024 to sign up.

Please come and join us to celebrate these wonderful, dedicated women of our diocesan and especially our own, "Woman of the Year...Phyllis Rogers"

Thank you and God Bless  
Your Holy Spirit Women's Club