

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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SUNDAY Sept. 14-15, 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

HOME COMMUNION Please contact the office at
707.539.4495.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Sept. 14-15, 2024

.....*from the Pastor's Desk*..

*"Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.
At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples,
rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan.
You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."*

This is part of this Sunday's Gospel. It is one of those Scripture passages that leaves people somewhat puzzled. What is going on here with the man who would become the first Vicar of Christ and THE CHRIST Himself? Peter loves Jesus, and Jesus knows it, which makes Peter's opposition all the harder for Jesus to face, but face it He does - sternly.

Jesus is agonizing over what must happen to Him and He needs all the support He can get, but even when that support appears to evaporate, He does not falter. He remembers His mission, His vocation, and He stays on message. He stays true. What a remarkable model and source of strength He is for us.

When Jesus calls Peter a "Satan," it is not necessarily the same thing as "devil." The word is not a Proper Noun like someone's name. Satan's actual name was Lucifer. Remember, he was an Archangel. The Angel of Light - who became the Prince of Darkness - and wants to bring as many souls as possible into that darkness - in subtle and not so subtle ways. He lures us. He tempts us with the weakness of our past sins. Lucifer became the 'Tempter' and thus the title Satan was ascribed to him, "Satan" translates to "tempter."

And in the scenario, we just heard Peter was tempting Jesus to not do what He just said He must.

Throughout His life, Jesus had a constant temptation to be the kind of Messiah people wanted and expected. In the temptations after His baptism and fasting, the devil tempted Him to do the spectacular "...*throw yourself down from the temple and then save yourself.*" On Palm Sunday, they wanted to make Jesus king; that would have been an easy way out. In the ordeal of the Passion, Jesus asks His Father to take this cup from Him: He did not want to suffer! But suffer he did...

Here Jesus tells the disciples that He is going to suffer and die. Peter argues that this is not what a Messiah is supposed to do; He is supposed to triumph over any suffering and death. It was a temptation! Peter was a tempter. Jesus tells him to "Get behind me." This may mean "Get back in line" or "Come back and get with the program." Or "stay on track". It may also mean "Get out of my sight, you tempter."

Perhaps it means all of these. Let us reflect. We, too, are tempted daily, in subtle and not so subtle ways. Let us not let him (or her?) get to us.

Do not get distracted, do not forget your calling, your mission, and do not let anybody pull you away from what you know you are about.

But if you have - now is the time... to get back with the program.

Father Ron

UPCOMING EVENTS

- WOMEN'S CLUB DINNER—SEPT. 12
- FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN—SEPT. 18
- NEWCOMER DINNER—SEPT. 20
- CPR/AED COURSE—SEPT. 21
- FANS OF THE CHOSEN—OCT. 1
- GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP—OCT. 2
- BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS—OCT. 5 at 11 am
- MEN'S CLUB OKTOBERFEST—OCT. 8
- OCIA 2nd & 4th Wed. with Fr. Ron—OCT. 9
- WOMEN'S CLUB OKTOBERFEST—OCT. 10
- TRUNK OR TREAT—OCT. 25

MASS INTENTIONS: Sept. 14—22

09/14	Sat	5:00 PM	Cheryl Cardoza
09/15	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
09/15	Sun	10:30am	† Daniel Lanahan
09/16	Mon	9:00 am	† David Plagge
09/17	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
09/18	Wed	9:00 am	† Deceased Members of the Jacob Family
09/19	Thur	9:00 am	† Roger Cooney
09/20	Fri	9:00 am	† Gerard Benedict
09/21	Sat	5:00 PM	Jerry Cardoza
09/22	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
09/22	Sun	10:30am	† Mike Milano

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Sept. 21-22

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—JoAnn A. #2—Carrol C.	John S. Karen S. Arlene S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Bob A. #2—Brian C.	Robin K. Elizabeth M. Martie S.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Jane G. #2—Holly K.	Diane L. John L. Jacky M.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 8,509.—
 Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,377.50
 Diocesan Seminarian Fund \$ 1,962.—

*This week's 2nd collection is for the
 Archdiocese for Military Services.*

Please write separate checks. Thank you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Barbara Spaulding, Sharon Larrance, 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

Ario Bigattini, 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 Jennessee, 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.

CPR/AED COURSE FOR PARISHIONERS

Saturday, September 21st at 10 am

FREE in the Church Hall

Certification card cost is \$25—optional

This 2 hour class taught by Ted Williams of KZST covers scene safety, responsiveness assessment, the 911 system, criteria and skills of CPR on adults and children, use of an AED, and choke saving.

Sign ups are not necessary.



Faith Formation

All forms for our programs for Sacramental Preparation are available at the entrance to our church. Registration fee is \$50. Scholarships available. For more information regarding religious education please call Matt Conley @707.539.4495 x 108
All youth classes start September 18th.

***K-5 Whole Family Catechesis** (includes First Communion preparation year 1 and 2)
Wednesdays 4:30-6pm
taught by Jessica Coffey, Lynn Lankford



***Confirmation—Year One**
Wednesdays 4:30-6pm
taught by Matt Conley, Monica Brent

***Confirmation—Year Two**
Wednesdays 6:15-7:30 pm
taught by Matt Conley, Maggie Vera



Fans of The Chosen –
We will present episodes of Season 4 of The Chosen, including the Bible Roundtable analysis of each episode, on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00, in the Cornerstone classroom (formerly the Rosary Room) in the parish house, starting October 1 through November 19. Please contact the church office to sign up (no cost.)

NOTE CHANGES OCIA Order of Christian Initiation (formerly RCIA) taught by Fr. Ron begins **OCTOBER 9** and meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7-8 pm in the church. Consider attending if you are interested in becoming Catholic, are an unconfirmed adult, or would like more information about your Catholic faith. Weekly topic will be announced the Sunday prior.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL
THANK YOU WEEKEND!**

COFFEE, DONUTS, PIZZA!

NEWCOMER DINNER

Have you joined our parish since our last Newcomer Dinner? Get to know other people who are new to the parish.

Bring the family!

Join us on Friday, September 20, 2024
Doors open 6:30 pm. Dinner is at 7 p m.

Pasta, salad, garlic bread, soft drinks and water. Free of charge.

No alcohol will be served.

Please try to RSVP by September 16th by emailing office@holyspiritsr.org or calling 707.539.4495.



HOLY SPIRIT MEN'S CLUB
Oktoberfest Dinner
Tuesday October 8th
Doors open at 6 PM,
dinner at 7:00 PM

Come join us for fun, tasty food and friendship!

\$25.00 per person, Dinner & 2 drink tickets AND A CHANCE TO WIN A DOORPRIZE!

Brats, sausages, cooked in beer.

German Potato salad and much more

ARE YOU NEW TO HOLY SPIRIT?

Let us buy you a FREE dinner (new men only)

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. The next session begins in late September 2024. Further information can be found at www.spiritualenrichmentcenter.net or by contacting David & Joanne Del Castillo at srsec.office@gmail.com or 707.293.7497.