

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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SUNDAY Oct. 26-27, 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.

VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY

(i.e, Flower arranging, Video Board, Eucharistic Ministers, Homebound, Maintenance, Helping Hands, etc.)

Please contact the office at 707.539.4495.

.....from the Pastor's Desk

Halloween – Secular or Sacred?

October 31st is Halloween. Many people, especially Christians, dismiss Halloween for what it has become. Fact is though; we are the ones who invented it, or rather, in ancient days 'converted it' as we did many other pagan festivals.

Halloween is an ancient festival with roots in Celtic pre-Christian times. It was adapted - as with most major and many minor Christian feasts like Christmas, Easter and May crownings. It was long ago taken over by believing Christians and given new meaning and significance being Linked with All Saints Day (Friday, November 1st) and All Souls Day (Saturday-November 2nd),

Halloween is old English for “Holy Eve” or “Eve of the Holy Days”.

It begins a threefold celebration for Catholic Christians to:

1. **Halloween** -to first poke fun at the dark and its demons,
2. **All Saints** -then to celebrate our heroes and heroines of faith on their victory in Christ, and
3. **All Souls** - finally to remember our lost loved ones and recognize human frailty and our need for Christ.

The traditional Christian approach at Halloween was to dress as demons and devils, witches and goblins, skeletons and grim reaper so that we can laugh at the powers of darkness because we know that Jesus is victorious; then to throw off costumes and masks because like the saints **we are called to be new persons in Christ.**

However – that aspect has been completely lost in our times.

You won't find a single Pope Francis or Mother Theresa, or John the Baptist costume at Kohl's, JC Penny's, Macy's or any store in Montgomery Plaza!! Today's advertising and merchandizing focus on super-heroes, celebrities, singers, actors, athletes, and movie characters- and yes, of course – zombies, witches, ghosts and vampires too!

In many parishes there is a focus on All Saints parties on Halloween instead – I guess to counteract the misguided emphasis on Halloween.

Oh well...times change, people change...

So.... As we look to these 'Three-Days' let us not be afraid of demons and the powers of darkness – let us remember the saints gone before us who stood against them – and let us pray for those awaiting that final glory...

Boo!

Father Ron



SAVE THE DATE: CANNED AND DRY FOOD
DRIVE THRU COLLECTION
HOSTED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT
WOMEN'S CLUB
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16th
10-2 pm

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, November 1st is
ALL SAINTS DAY.

Masses will be held at 9 am & 6:30 pm.

Envelopes for Souls to be prayed for
during the month of November will be
available in the back of church.

MASS INTENTIONS: October 26-Nov. 3

10/26	Sat	5:00 PM	†Joanne McDermaud
10/27	Sun	8:00 am	†Larry Darling
10/27	Sun	10:30am	For the People
10/28	Mon	9:00 am	Pete Gonzalez
10/29	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
10/30	Wed	9:00 am	Available
10/31	Thur	9:00 am	Available
11/01	Fri	9:00 am	ALL SAINTS DAY- H.D.O
11/01	Fri	6:30 pm	ALL SAINTS DAY- H.D.O
11/02	Sat	9:00 am	ALL SOULS DAY
11/02	Sat	5:00 PM	Gracie Roja
11/03	Sun	8:00 am	†Larry Darling
11/03	Sun	10:30am	For the People

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Nov. 2-3

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Pat B. #2—Mary H.	Judith M. Steve R. Arlene S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Lydia D. #2—Bob A.	Brian C. Cindy D-H. Kurt K.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Mary O. #2—Jane G.	Dave A. Diane H. Jacky M.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 6,945.—
Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,732.75
This week's second collection is for
World Mission Sunday. Next week's is for
Building & Maintenance.
Please write separate checks. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Jessica Berlo, Kathryn Chere, Wayne Lavelle, Mickey Smith, 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, Renee Ralls, Marion Fairbank, Tim Coyne, John Scremos, 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, and our Holy Spirit Prayer Chain.

FOR THE SOULS

Joseph Panara, Larry Darling, Bill Vinson, 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.

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.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

K-5 Whole Family Wednesdays 4:30-6pm
Year 2 Communion Wed. 4:30-6pm
Year 1 & 2 Confirmation Wed. 6:15-7:30 pm
For more information contact Matt Conley,
DRE matt@holyspiritsr.org



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME ENDS
SUNDAY, NOV. 3rd.
Turn clocks back
1 hour!**



THANK YOU LORD!

HOLY SPIRIT MEN'S CLUB

*Let us give thanks
together...*

*Gather with friends and
enjoy a good meal,*

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

Tuesday, November 12th, 2024

**Traditional Thanksgiving Feast
with all the fixings**

Cocktails at 6:00, Grace at 6:45 pm

Dinner to follow.

**\$25.00 includes: Dinner, two cocktails and
prize tickets.**

HOLY SPIRIT WOMEN'S CLUB

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Thursday, November 14th, 2024

6:00 PM

Cost: \$25.00 per person includes:

Dinner & Two Beverages

Prizes! 6 for \$10

Tickets will be sold after all

Weekend Masses November 2nd-10th.

No-walk-ins PLEASE

Any questions

call/text Kathleen:

415.860.2581



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES MEN'S DENIM DRIVE
ENDS OCTOBER 31st**

**Help us meet the need this fall by donating new or
used men's jeans today! All Men's styles and
sizes welcome. Men's jeans only.**

Donations accepted at Resurrection Church

303 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, Ca

707.776.6573, CYOUNGERN@SRCHARITIES.ORG

Bible Reflections:

The Good News Journey!

An opportunity to learn and share

OUR SECOND MEETING IS NOVEMBER 6TH

First and Third Wednesdays of the Month

7-8 pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church

with Kenn Vondrak

Scriptures and calendar can be found

online or at the back of church.

OCIA Order of Christian Initiation

November 13th from 7-8pm

(formerly RCIA) taught by Fr. Ron

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.



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

p.m. in the Cornerstone classroom

(formerly the Rosary Room) in the

parish house, Oct. 1—Nov. 19.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **MEN'S CLUB THANKSGIVING—Nov. 12**
- **WOMEN'S CLUB THANKSGIVING—Nov. 14**
- **CANNED FOOD COLLECTION—Nov. 16**
10-2 pm
- **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP "SURVIVING THE
HOLIDAYS" —Nov. 23 at 1 pm**
- **FANS OF THE CHOSEN—Tuesdays at 2 pm**
- **OCIA 2nd & 4th Wed. with Fr. Ron 7-8pm**
- **BIBLE STUDY 1st & 3rd Wed. 7-8pm**