HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOV. 30—DEC. 1, 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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2024

.....from the Pastor's Desk

Advent To-Do List

People ask me what they can 'do' during Advent to make it more meaningful. Lent has pretty clear-cut things, but Advent - not so much. In that light here is a practical Advent 'To-Do-List. Try a few each day, even random numbers. Your world and the world of those around you will be a better place. You'll See.

- 1. Smile often. It's infectious isn't it? (Learned this one from my Mom)
- 2. Pray like you mean it. That is, Pray what you mean and mean what you pray. (Learned that one from God)
- 3. Tell those that you love... that you do. In words...
- 4. Rediscover old friends. Make that call. Send that Email.
- 5. Make new ones. Engage interact -open up!
- 6. Hope. As I always say 'The Best is Yet to Come'.
- 7. Give when you can. Time is your greatest treasure.
- 8. Give in when it is the right thing to do. Stop arguing or fighting.
- 9a. Buy some flowers. 9b. Take time to smell them. 9c. Share them.
- 10. Keep a promise even if it is... to you.
- 11. Laugh often even if it is AT you!
- 12. Reach out. An open hand does more good that a clenched fist ever could.
- 13. Hug a bug.. that is... embrace the grinch.
- 14.... Slooooooow down. And not just when driving. Be where you are when you are and with whom you are. That's where God is you know?
- 15. See a sunrise.
- 16. Listen... to rain. It has a lot to say.
- 17. Trust life. Life... is good... when you can get it!
- 18. Have faith.
- 19. Enjoy. Whatever you choose to do enjoy doing it. It's okay.
- 20. Make some mistakes and...make sure you Learn from them.
- 21. Explore the unknown. Be not afraid to BE NOT AFRAID...
- 22. Celebrate <u>your</u> own life. You are worth it.
- 23. Give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.



Have a great Advent! Father Ron



*Christmas Eve 12/24 at **4** p.m. ~ Children's Mass

*Midnight Mass 12/25 at 12 a.m.

*Christmas Day 12/25

8 am, 10:30 am, & 1 pm

MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 1—Dec. 8

12/01	Sun	8:00 am	† Larry Darling	
12/01	Sun	10:30am	For the People	
12/02	Mon	9:00 am	†Gabor & †Mary Jo Toth	
12/03	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service	
12/04	Wed	9:00 am	Elizabeth Shields	
12/05	Thur	9:00 am	†Cooper Underwood	
12/06	Fri	9:00 am	†Concepcion Zamora	
12/07	Sat	9:00 am	For the People	
12/07	Sat	5:00 PM	† Doris Gianini DeFord	
12/08	Sun	8:00 am	†Lillian & †Daniel Sullivan	
12/08	Sun	10:30am	For the People	

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Dec. 7-8

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—John M. #2—Holly K.	Cheryl D. John S. Karen S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Michael W. #2—Henri K.	Bob A. Kurt K. Martie S.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Lilla O. #2—Don F.	Diane H. Jolon W. Mike W.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 5413.00 Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,473.63

This week's second collection is for Building & Maintenance. Next week's second collection is for the Retired Religious Fund. Please write separate checks. Thank you.

OCIA Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

December 11th from 7-8pm

Taught by Fr. Ron. We meet 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 adult seeking the Sacraments, or would like more information about your Catholic faith.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

John Scott, Char Lavelle, Jessica Berlo, Kathryn Chere, Mickey Smith, 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, Grea Macy, Fr. John Boettcher, Gabriella Ibarra, Laura Zabatta, John McHuah, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, Renee Ralls, Marion Fairbank, Tim Coyne, John Scrempos, 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 Phone

FOR THE SOULS

Barbara Spaulding, 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.



Holy Spirit Men's Club 21st Annual Christmas Dinner Dance

Take those old records off the shelf!
Get those dancin' shoes on... it is a Dinner Dance!

December 6th, 2024 Cocktails 6:00, Dinner 7:00 PM

A catered affair—by Charlie's Catering
Hors d'oeuvres from 6:00-7:00 pm
Buffet: Tri Tip, Chicken, Salad, Penne Pesto,
Rolls and Butter, Dessert Table
Complimentary Wine on Table. No Host Full Bar
Live DJ Music. \$65.00 per person
Singles Welcomed! Adults only.
Call Loyde Johnson for reservations

4936 Everglade Dr, SR 95409 (707) - 921-9292 RSVP by Dec. 2nd at 1 pm

Seating Limited to 100 Guests

Reserve early! No sales at door!

Let us come together to celebrate this joyous season

Santa Claus is Coming to the HS Women's Club
Come Visit with Santa & Photo Op!

(There will not be a Thursday meeting during December)

Saturday, December 7th, 2024 12:00 to 2:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person
Children 12 and Under Free

We Invite Moms, Dads, Grandmothers,
Grandfathers, Uncles, Aunties, Boys & Girls to
enjoy the Enchantment of Christmas!!
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

We will be serving Pizza, Salad, Juice and Water, only. Photos with Santa, craft making and cookie decorating!

Tickets on sale starting November 23rd thru December 1st, after all masses.

Sorry, no walk-ins and no COD's as this lunch will be catered.

Any questions call Kathleen 415.860.2581

Peace & God's Blessings to All....

UPCOMING EVENTS

- BIBLE REFLECTIONS—12/4 from 7-8 pm CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE –12/6
- LUNCH WITH SANTA—12/07 from 12-2pm
- OCIA with Fr. Ron 12/11—7-8 pm
- TOY DRIVE THRU DROP 12/14—10am-2pm

An opportunity to learn and share

DECEMBER 4TH—IN PARISH HOUSE

First and Third Wednesdays of the Month
7-8 pm with Kenn Vondrak.

Scriptures and calendar can be found online or at the back of church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Would you like to join our media team and learn how to run the video board during mass? Teenagers to seniors are welcome. Call the office!



TOY DONATION - DRIVE THRU

December 14th, 10:00 am–2:00 pm

Collecting new unwrapped toys.
We will be working with Catholic
Charities and Valley of the Moon to
distribute these toy donations.
Enter off of St. Francis Road behind the
kitchen to drop off your toy donation
and Santa will be there to greet you.

Once again, the Board of the Holy Spirit Women's Club want to thank all of you for your continued support and dedication to our church and community.

Many Blessings during this Holiday Season!

A gift for each married and engaged couplenatural family planning. The next live class is taking place Jan. 20, 2025, in Santa Rosa. For registration, please visit the website: Diocese of Santa Rosa Family Life Department or Couple to Couple League.