

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC. 7—DEC. 8, 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

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This Feast always falls on December 8th . But this year, December 8th is a Sunday. So, since it is such an integral Feast to our Faith - the Church has moved her Feast day to this Monday, December 9th.

So, what is this feast all about? So, let us look deeper into it.

From the first moment of her existence Mary is sinless; the single member of our race conceived without Original Sin.

Before the foundation of the world, God chose Mary and gave her every spiritual blessing and chose her to be the Mother of God's Only Son. Mary, a young, unknown, and already betrothed peasant virgin chosen before time for this glorious and 'salvific' role.

Likewise, before the foundation of the world God also chose US and gave US every spiritual blessing and chose US to be God's own dwelling place and the Body of Christ on earth; ourselves, so ordinary, so human.

How can we respond adequately to God's choice of us? By doing what Mary did- by saying... Yes! Yes – to what God asks of each of us. From generation to generation we have looked to Mary as our model as she herself prayed: "May it be done to me according to Your Word"

Let us Pray: Mary, Model, Mother, Advocate, help us with our saying "yes". On your feast we beg you for your intercession that your Son be born anew in us this Advent!



***May the Peace of Our Lord
And the Love of Our Lady
Be with you and all you love,
And all who need your love!***

Fr. Ron

OCIA Order of Christian Initiation for Adults—December 11th from 7-8pm

**Adult Education : This week we will cover one of the two most controversial, misunderstood and misrepresented figures in Roman Catholicism— Mary of Nazareth. We will speak of her role in salvific history, both in Scripture and Tradition. We will speak of her as The Immaculate Conception – and address her Assumption, body and soul, into heaven as well as her perpetual virginity and why our Church has such strong teachings on these. We will also look at the world-wide devotion to her and the prayers, novena's, medals most associated with her intercession. Mary is our patroness and a significant figure during this Holy Season of Advent. So – please come join us
And, as always: ALL ARE WELCOME !**

Taught by Fr. Ron. The following class will be January 8th. 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.

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, email: matt@holyspiritsr.org or
707.539.4495 ext. 108

MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 7—Dec. 15

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
12/09	Mon	9:00 am	†Fr. Richard Sisk and †Fr. William Sisk
12/10	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
12/11	Wed	9:00 am	†Robert Hayes
12/12	Thur	9:00 am	Guadalupe Gonzalez
12/13	Fri	9:00 am	†Bill Vinson
12/14	Sat	9:00 am	For the People
12/14	Sat	5:00 PM	† Mr. & Mrs. Saverimuttu
12/15	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
12/15	Sun	10:30am	† Maria Skarzynska

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Dec. 14-15

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Mary H. #2—Laurie B.	Shirley S. Tim S. Arlene S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Kathy L. #2—Michael W.	Brian C. Kurt K. Robin K.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Don F. #2—Loyde J.	Michelle D. Diane H. Sherry J.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 9,821.—
Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,790.75
Building & Maintenance \$ 4,569.—

This week's second collection is for the
Retired Religious Fund.

Please write separate checks. Thank you.

Thank You!

Christmas Mass Schedule

***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

**PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGED FOR
THE CHILDREN'S MASS—4PM**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Diane Drew, 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, Greg Macy, Fr. John Boettcher, Gabriella Ibarra, Laura Zabatta, John McHugh, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, 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, and our Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

FOR THE SOULS

Sharon Vaughn, 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
2024 Christmas Sing Along



December 10th , 2024
6:00PM Cocktails
6:45 Dinner
*Dinner, two drinks
and song ~ \$25. 00*

An evening of good food, Christmas Spirit,
and good friends!

If you haven't attended before, it is truly
one of our best of the year! Enjoy a great
dinner with beef,
seasonal vegetables, potatoes,
and Holiday Pie!

Come join our community!

Christmas Spirit No Charge

All men are invited!

The 12 days of Christmas will
never be the same!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- OCIA with Fr. Ron 12/11—7-8 pm
- MEN'S CLUB SING-ALONG DINNER 12/10
- TOY DRIVE THRU DROP 12/14—10am-2pm
- BIBLE REFLECTIONS—01/15

Bible Reflections: *The Good News Journey!*

An opportunity to learn and share

JANUARY 15—IN PARISH HOUSE

DEC. 18TH CLASS IS CANCELED.

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!

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS TURKEY BREAST & CANNED HAM COLLECTION IS DECEMBER 14 & 15

We will be collecting
holiday Turkey Breasts and
Canned Hams for the SVdP
Christmas Distribution.
Thank you also to those who
contributed to "The Common's"
Thanksgiving turkey, ham and
crockpot distribution.
You made it a special
Thanksgiving for the folks at
The Common's complex.

***A gift for each married and engaged couple-
natural 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.*****

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!*