

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY DEC.28—DEC.29, 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.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** Thursdays at 7 pm in the church.

### 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.

# HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY – Dec.28-29, 2024

.....from the Pastor's Desk

We are on the verge of another year. Hard to believe that Wednesday will be 2025!

It also means that we have another Holy Day to celebrate! A very special feast day. Wednesday was Christmas, today is the feast of The Holy Family. Wednesday we celebrate; 'Mary, The Holy Mother Of God' - the most ancient of Marian Feasts and one of extreme importance in defining who we are as Roman Catholics. I'll address this in the Homily for that day.



Art by Carlea Rossi-Warren

Our conventionally singling out this day as the beginning of the New Year offers us a two-fold opportunity to benefit from its occurrence.

First, it is an opportunity to look back on the year just completed, in order to gain faith perspective on what transpired in our lives during that time span, so as to thank God for our good experiences of the past year, and also to recognize any mistakes, and to pray for help in learning from them.

Secondly, this day presents an opportunity to look ahead in faith projection with a sense of hope. Not with the wishful pseudo -hope that painful things will not happen to us, but with the assured trust that, even if they do happen, God will be with us to give us strength to keep on journeying through those dark-valley experiences.

Here is the Mass schedule for the Holy Day Masses:

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION —NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**JAN.1, 2025 MASSES**

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE/DAY—MIDNIGHT MASS--12 AM**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY—9 AM MASS**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY—6:30 PM**

*I pray you will have a Blessed New Year.  
I pray it be one of gentle surprises and fulfilled wishes.  
I pray we all grow closer to God and each other as we journey together in faith.  
For - The best IS yet to come.*

*Father Ron*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you need community service hours or would like to learn a new skill? Would you like to join our media team and learn how to run the video board during mass? Teenagers to seniors are welcome.



## FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

NO CLASSES on 12/25 & 1/01

Resumes January 8th

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

John O'Connell, Diane Drew, John Scott, Char Lavelle, Jessica Berlo, 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, John McHugh, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, 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, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, the Pisenti family, and our Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

## FOR THE SOULS

Laura Zabatta, 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.

## FUNERALS

Laura Zabatta ~ January 4, 2025 at 11 am

*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.*

## MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 28—Jan. 5

12/28	Sat	5:00 PM	† Gino & Iolanda Manfredi
12/29	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
12/29	Sun	10:30am	† Daniel Patrick Foster
12/30	Mon	9:00 am	† Elizabeth Shields
12/31	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
01/01	Wed	12 am	<b>NEW YEAR SOLEMNITY OF MARY MIDNIGHT MASS</b>
01/01	Wed	9:00 am	<b>SOLEMNITY OF MARY</b> † Irma Keenan
01/01	Wed	6:30 PM	<b>SOLEMNITY OF MARY</b>
01/02	Thur	9:00 am	All Souls/ P-W
01/03	Fri	9:00 am	† Laura Zabatta
01/04	Sat	9:00 am	<b>For the People</b>
01/04	Sat	5:00 PM	† Denise Mason
01/05	Sun	8:00 am	Tom Darling & Family
01/05	Sun	10:30am	For the People

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: January 4-5

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Karen S. #2—Holly K.	Ann R. Shirley S. Kathy S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Lydia D #2—Bob A.	Cindy D-H. Kurt K. Robin K.
Sun. 10:30a	#1—Jane G. #2—Lilla O.	Michelle D. Diane H. Donna K.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 9,390.00  
Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,485.50

**This week's second collection is for St. Vincent De Paul.** Next week's will be for Building & Maintenance.

*Please write separate checks. Thank you!*

**ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS:** Our online giving options in 2025 are expanding to include Venmo, ApplePay, Paypal, & Stock/Crypto.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- OCIA Front of Church 01/08—7-8 pm
- GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP 01/08—6-8pm
- WOMEN'S CLUB 01/09—6pm  
Blessed Mother Baby Shower—tickets on sale after Mass 12/28, 12/29, 1/4, 1/5
- MEN'S CLUB 01/14—6PM BBQ RIBS
- BIBLE REFLECTIONS 01/15—7-8pm

### OCIA

#### Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Consider attending if you are interested in becoming Catholic, are an adult seeking the Sacraments, or would like more information about our Faith

**On Wednesday, January 8th, 2025 from 7 pm until 8 pm , we will have our next OCIA (Adult Ed) Class.**

#### Eternity. Smoking or Non?

**TOPIC: Heaven, Hell, Purgatory.**

There is so much mis-information about what we **do** believe and **do not** believe regarding what happens to us when we die. You do not want to miss this one. You may have a lot riding on it! All are welcome

**Enter through front doors of Church.**

**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.

### ADULT EDUCATION SURVEY

**Please pick up a survey in the back of church.**

**We would like to hear from you.**

**What classes/programs would you be interested in attending?**

Holy Spirit Women's Club  
**BLESSED MOTHER BABY SHOWER**  
Thursday, January 9th at 6 pm

\$25 Dinner, Raffle & Beverage tickets  
*Please bring a new unwrapped Infant item: Clothes, Diapers, Blankets, etc.*  
Sizes 0 to 24 months  
These items will be donated to Catholic Charities.

Tickets will be sold after masses on Dec. 28th, 29th and Jan. 4th, 5th.  
Please bring your checkbooks or cash.

**Please no walk-ins....Our cooks need time to prepare enough yummy food for all who attend!**

Any questions call or text  
Kathleen 415.860.2581



**Wednesday, January 8 from 6-8 p.m.**  
**at Holy Spirit Parish in the Church Hall,**  
**1244 St. Francis Road**

Did you know there is a group of Catholic men and women who regularly meet to support one another as we grieve the loss of a loved one? Whether your loss was recent or more distant, the feelings and challenges are the same.

If you are experiencing feelings about your loss, but don't know how to talk about them, perhaps the next monthly grief group can offer you an alternative in creatively expressing them. All materials will be provided. Feel free to drop by and check us out. We are a friendly, compassionate, down to earth group of people who use Scripture as an anchor to make sense and find comfort in our grief. For further information, call Deanna at 707-595-3050 or Mary at 707-495-3095.