HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



PARISH OFFICE: 1244 St. Francis Rd., Santa Rosa, Ca 95409 Phone (707) 539-4495, FAX 707.539.3343 office@holyspiritSR.org Website: www.holyspirit-sr.org OFFICE HOURS: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., <u>THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025</u> <u>IN HONOR OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.</u>

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18-19, 2025

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.

<u>CHOIR PRACTICE</u> 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. Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 18-19, 2025

.....from the Pastor's Desk

John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King Junior. To some of us reading this, these names bring back memories of personal experiences during the turbulent times of the sixties and seventies; the start of the Civil Rights Movement, the Catholic Worker Houses and the beginning of the changes that are still



in process today to make this country one of equality for all people. Note: *Still in Process*. To those that weren't born yet these names might as well be Abraham Lincoln, Susan B. Anthony and Harriet Tubman. Great historical figures all. We stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us. Many, like Jesus Himself, shedding their blood for the good of others, for the good of all. Let them and their work be not forgotten. Let us also not delegate Jesus as merely a great historical figure.

January 17th, the United States of America celebrates the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., (1929 - 1968). He led millions of people in a non-violent movement to bring an end to the segregation of races in the United States. Martin was not alone in his non-violence stance. Throughout history men and woman have stood against the hateful *'subjectification'* of people due to race, creed or place of origin. Many have died for this cause. Many more will.

We all are tragically made aware of how violent our world has become, indeed our own nation. The horrific, vicious shootings and bombings of recent memory will resonate for years to come and sadly, yet hopefully, serve as a reminder that the work begun by such men as Martin Luther King Jr., is never done.

His words eloquently express his passion and faith: "You ought to believe something in *life, believe that thing so fervently that you will stand up with it till the end of your days...*" He was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

We pray in **thanksgiving** for his life and witness. His was indeed a prophetic voice. Was he perfect? No. Did he have flaws? As do we all. As did all the saints and martyrs. Which is why we humbly ask the God of Justice to help us **reflect** on ways in which we can live our lives – as Jesus did and Martin Luther King Jr. did and as did so many throughout time who stood up for others – so that we may become enthused with a thirst for justice for all women and men....in all cultures and in all nations.

Let us **resolve** today to make 2025 a more 'just' year in our own parish and community **because** of our own words and deeds.

We ask the God of Mercy to help us so that we may live justly and compassionately in our families, our places of work, our places of recreation, our places of worship, and in **all** our actions. We **fervently ask** this, Lord, in the name of your Son Jesus, the Prince of Peace, the guiding witness and light for Martin Luther King, Jr., and his followers.

I have chosen to close the Parish Office in honor of all those women and men who fought so bravely for the rights of all people. And, for those who still do today.

Use the day wisely. Join those who pray for peace and an end to all violence. Mass is at 9am.

Father Ron

BAPTISM CLASS—FEBRUARY 19, 2025 6:30—7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH HALL For parents who will be baptizing their child this year. Godparents are encouraged to attend. Children welcome. Call the office.

MASS INTENTIONS: Jan. 18—Jan. 26, 2025

| Sat | 5:00 pm | Elly Manfredi |
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| Sun | 8:00 am | For the People |
| Sun | 10:30 pm | † Edith Barthome |
| Mon | 9:00 am | † Tom Peterson |
| Tues | 9:00 am | Communion Service |
| Wed | 9:00 am | Angie Vera's Birthday |
| Thur | 9:00 am | † Ken Hicks |
| Fri | 9:00 am | † Zack Hinders |
| Sat | 5:00 pm | Mindy Pengel |
| Sun | 8:00 am | † James Kaiser |
| Sun | 10:30 pm | For the People |
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EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: January 25-26

| Mass | Lectors | Eucharistic Min. |
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| Sat. 5:00 pm | #1—Carole R. #2—Jane G. | Joanne L. Tim S. Arlene S. |
| Sun. 8:00 am | #1—Kathy S. #2—Michael W. | Brian C. Donna K. Elizabeth M. |
| Sun. 10:30am | #1—Mary L. #2—Carol C. | Diane H. Diane L. Jacky M. |

Last Week's General Collection \$ 8554.50 Online General Fund Offering \$ 1,292.51 Next week's second collection is for the Church in Latin America. Please write separate checks. **Thank you!**

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

2024 Contribution Giving Statements will be mailed out this week. *Thank you!*

FUNERALS

Ken Campbell—February 6, 2025 at 1 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Francis Dolan, Scott Humble, MaryEllen Friesen, John O'Connell, Diane Drew, John Scott, Char Lavelle, Jessica Berlo, Renee Ralls, 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 Scrempos, Mike and Nancy Cusack, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spaldina, Donald Brent, Tristan Humble, Marlene Knivila, Jenny Lemp, Doug Harman, Margaret Duffy, Maria Alvarez, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Maraie Chase, the Pisenti family, and Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

FOR THE SOULS

William Westendorf, Ken Campbell, John Kerrige, Laura Zabatta, Sharon Vaughn, Barbara Spaulding, Joseph Panara, Larry Darling, Bill Vinson, Ario Bigattini, Joe Piasta, Patricia Breuer, Imogen Swaney, 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.

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.

DO YOU HAVE SOME OF OUR LINEN CLOTHS?

We ran out of linen cloths. If you have them at home, please return them to the church. Thank you.

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

<u>OCIA</u>

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

<u>Wednesday, January 22, 2025</u> 7 pm until 8 pm—ALL ARE WELCOME

I have mentioned that the top three things' people struggle with about our faith are: The Pope as the 'Vicar' of Christ'. The continuing role of Mary in our lives and in our faith. And the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, which remains as such. This Wednesday we will address the third.

Our catechism tells us the Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life". Yet for many of us the real presence of our Lord in the consecrated host of bread and wine just does not make sense. Some see it as a barrier to conversion and a division between Catholics and Protestants for millennia. This talk is from one for whom the Eucharist was transfigured from a barrier to an opening to the Catholic faith.

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

Fr. Ron



Wednesday, February 5 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish in the Church Hall, For further information, call Deanna at 707-595-3050 or Mary at 707-495-3095.

Holy Spirit Men's Club "Passionate Polenta"

JANUARY 31, 2025 Doors open 6 PM Dinner served @7 PM Polenta, stew, salad, garlic bread

Everyone is invited! Men & Women, Boys and Girls! It is a family affair!

No Host Full Bar \$25.00 per person Tickets on sale after mass NO TICKETS AT THE DOOR Limited to 120 People

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Mangiare!



Bible Reflections: The Good News Journey! An opportunity to learn and share JANUARY 29—IN PARISH HOUSE Usually 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.

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.