# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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# First Sunday of Lent March 8-9, 2025

# MASS & SERVICE LENT SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Monday-Fridays 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*.



# Fridays During Lent (except Good Friday)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 2-3 pm Reconciliation available in Sacristy after Exposition begins to 2:50 pm.

Stations of the Cross at 3 pm

**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** Please contact the office.

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.....from the Pastor's Desk

Hello Friends,

I was looking through the 'Archives' for an idea as to what to write in this 'Pastor's Desk'. I found this from three years ago. Strikingly poignant, it is. With the health issues of our beloved Pope Francis, the Russo-Ukrainian War, the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, the Yemeni Civil War, the Israeli-Gaza-Border Conflict, the Afghan Conflict, the Ethiopian Civil War, the Israeli Invasion of Lebanon, the Myanmar Civil War, the Israeli-Syrian Border Conflict, The Somali Civil War, the Israeli-Iran Proxy Conflict. And, many, many more.

It was suggested to me that instead of this week's usual 'Pastor's Desk' it would be timely to put in this prayer. I agreed. Now more than ever.  $\mathcal{F}_r$ .  $\mathcal{R}_{OR}$ 

# Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Prophets in this context are truth tellers, regardless of the dangers and adversity they faced.

# OUR LENTEN ALMSGIVING PARTNER IS YWCA SONOMA COUNTY!

YWCA Sonoma County is our community's answer to the call from local families suffering from the impacts of domestic violence.

Their domestic violence services include the area's only 24/7 domestic violence crisis hotline, confidential Safe House shelter as well as counseling and childcare services.

You may donate at www.ywcasc.org or on our website www.holyspirit-sr.org or write a check out to YWCA and bring it to church.

# MASS INTENTIONS: Mar. 8-16, 2025

03/08	Sat	5:00 pm	† Mike Miller
03/09	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
03/09	Sun	10:30 am	† Curt Geer
03/10	Mon	9:00 am	† Franklin Chinn
03/11	Tues	9:00 am	Anthony Donato
03/12	Wed	9:00 am	Don & Julie Radcliff
03/13	Thur	9:00 am	† Bill Vinson
03/14	Fri	9:00 am	† Mark Dunphy
03/15	Sat	5:00 pm	† Seana Buckman
03/16	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
03/16	Sun	10:30 pm	† Mary E. Byrne

# **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Mar. 15—16**

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—JoAnn A. #2—Carroll C.	Judith M. Ann R. Steve R.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Bob A. #2—Brian C.	Pauline B. Elizabeth M. Martie S.
Sun. 10:30am	#1—Mike C. #2—Deanna B.	Loyde J. Sherry J. Diane L.

Last Week's General Collection \$8,812.00 Online General Fund Offering \$1,993.50 Building & Maintenance \$5,043.00

## **THANK YOU!**

Next week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services.

Please write separate checks. Thank you!

# **FUNERALS**

Robert O'Donnell—March 8, 2025 at 11 am

Andrew Gonzalez—March 15, 2025 (Rosary at 10 am, Funeral at 10:30 am)

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

Russ Dieter, Ralph Sobieski, Brenda L. Winters, Francis Dolan, Scott Humble, MaryEllen Friesen, John O'Connell, Diane Drew, John Scott, Char Lavelle, Jessica Berlo, Renee Ralls, Mickey Smith, Sharon Larrance, 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, Gabriella Ibarra, John McHugh, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, 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, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, the Pisenti family, and the Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

# FOR THE SOULS

Andrew Gonzalez, Robert O'Donnell, William Westendorf, Ken Campbell, John Kerrige, Laura Zabatta, Sharon Vaughn, Barbara Spaulding, Joseph Panara, Larry Darling, Bill Vinson, Karin Lee, 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, Peggy Levy, Regina Dieter.

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.



These classes stand alone so you are welcome to join us anytime!

# Lent in the Footsteps of Christ

Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the Parish House *Enter through the office facing Raters Dr.* 

Lent is a time of contemplation of our personal Faith. We are called to consider the best ways to foster new growth as we approach the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus. We too, at the conclusion of the season, are called to emerge with new life in our commitment and understanding of God's presence in our life.

To aid our journey through the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus, Holy Spirit is offering a time and place to reflect on the weekly readings for the coming Sunday. We will dive passionately into the historical context, author and language used in the writings to come to the celebration of the Eucharist with a new perspective on some of the stories we have heard many times.

Please join us on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm to follow the path laid before us by Christ towards a true model of faith we are called to emulate. The class will be led by Matt Conley, DRE.

# OCIA: OPDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Topic: Get a Behind the Scenes look at "Mass Production" and tour the facility

Wed. March 12th 7-8 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

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



# **HOLY SPIRIT WOMEN'S CLUB**

Mnnual Victorian Tea

# Saturday, April 26, 2025 from 12-3 p.m.

If you would like to be placed on a Reservation list, call Angela Provisor at 310-498-9444. The Reservation list is on a first come-first served basis after the hostess' have seated their guests. Cost is \$40

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- •LENT SCRIPTURE STUDY\_03/11 at 1 pm
- •GRIEF SUPPORT\_03/12
- •OCIA \_03/12 from 7-8 pm
- •CONFESSIONS & HOLY HR.\_03/14, 2-3pm
- •STATIONS OF THE CROSS \_03/14, 3-3:30pm
- •ST. PAT'S DINNER\_03/17, doors open 6pm
- •BIBLE STUDY\_03/19 7pm
- •MUSIC: MICHAEL JOHN POIRIER\_3/20, 6:30pm
- •PENANCE SERVICE 4/3, 6:30pm
- •EASTER EGG HUNT & FESTIVAL\_4/12

# ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER IS SOLD OUT! THANK YOU!



# An Evening of Music with Michael John Poirier



Thursday, March 20th 6:30 p.m. In the church

# Grief Support Group

Wednesday, March 12 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish in the Church Hall, Whether your loss was recent or more distant, the feelings and challenges are the same. 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 909.532.0102 or Mary at 707-495-3095.

## **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.