

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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January 24-25, 2026

## MASS & SERVICE SCHEDULE

**Weekday Mass:** Mon., Wed., Thurs, Fri. at 9 am

Tuesday- Communion Service

**Saturday Mass of Anticipation:** 5 pm

**Sunday Masses:** 8 am, 10:30 am

**1st Saturday of the Month:** 9 am

**Video Mass:** The 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** Visit us at [www.holyspirit-sr.org](http://www.holyspirit-sr.org)

Our online giving options have expanded to include Venmo, ApplePay, Paypal, & Stock/Crypto.

**HOME COMMUNION** Please contact the office.

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

**VOLUNTEERING** Are you interested in helping out? We can use help with Flower Arranging (we can teach you), Video Board, Maintenance, Helping Hands, etc. Please call or email the office.

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 24-25, 2026

*... From your Pastor's Desk*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, today's Gospel from Matthew 4 shows Jesus beginning His mission: moving to the darkness of Galilee, proclaiming the Kingdom's arrival, and calling ordinary fishermen—Peter, Andrew, James, John—to "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men".

This isn't just history; it's our call! Jesus sees potential in ordinary people in ordinary places, just as He saw it in the fishermen by the Sea of Galilee.

He calls us to leave our nets—our comfort zones, fears, and old ways—to bring His light and healing to the world, to preach the Kingdom in our own "Galilees," and to be His disciples, making disciples, right where we are.

## KEY TAKEAWAYS

**The Kingdom is Here:** Jesus announces, "Repent, for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand". This means God's rule is breaking into our world through His presence and actions.

**Ordinary Called to Extraordinary:** He calls ordinary men from their ordinary work to do something extraordinary. He believes ordinary people like us can do His work.

**Follow and Fish:** The call is to "Follow me." Our response involves leaving our nets (attachments, sins) and learning to "fish" for souls by bringing the Good News and healing to others, just as Jesus did.

**Light in Darkness:** Jesus's ministry brings light to those in darkness, fulfilling prophecy. Our lives, empowered by Him, are meant to be that light.

So, as you look at your own "lake," your daily tasks, ask: Where is Jesus calling me to follow Him today? What nets do I need to drop to become a fisher of men in my own corner of Galilee?

Let's answer with, "Here I am, Lord, send me!" Amen.

*Father Ron*



## MASS INTENTIONS: January 24-Feb. 1, 2026

01/24	Sat	5:00 pm	† Daniel Sullivan
01/25	Sun	8:00 am	† James Kaiser
01/25	Sun	10:30 am	For The People
01/26	Mon	9:00 am	Communion Service
01/27	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
01/28	Wed	9:00 am	Available
01/29	Thurs	9:00 am	Available
01/30	Fri	9:00 am	Available
01/31	Sat	5:00 pm	† Lorane Tavlian
02/01	Sun	8:00 am	† Ken Nelson
02/01	Sun	10:30 am	For The People

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: January 31-Feb.1

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1— Laurie B. #2— Ed R.	Cheryl D. Judith M. Steve R.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1— Lydia D. #2— Bob A,	Brian C. Kurt K. Robin K.
Sun. 10:30am	#1— Rosalinda B. #2— Therese M.	Dave A. Diane L. John L.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 6,553  
 Online General Collection \$ 1,775  
 Church in Latin America \$ 2,401

***Thank You!***

**2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE BEING MAILED OUT THIS MONTH.** Please call if your statement does not reflect Online Giving.

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**LOST AND FOUND** **LOST—gold earring with pearl.** **FOUND KEYS with leather tag.** **FOUND EARRING—an silver and turquoise earring.** **FOUND FOB KEY.** Call the office at 707.539.4495. For other items, check the small table at the back of church.

## FUNERALS

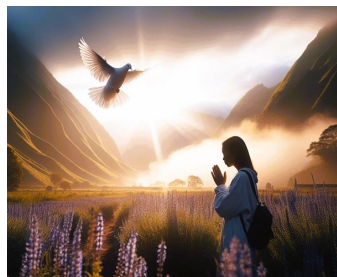
Mike Cusack ~ February 7, 2026 at 11 am

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

Manuel Martinez, The Bowker Family, Danny Ruckman, Cindi Doell, Deb Stucke, Joanne Landen, Jordyn P. (infant), Richard LaRussa, Tristan Humble, Patricia Crook, LuAnn Capps, Wayne LaVelle, Larry Kubo, Yolanda Farias, Marie Mahoney, Gary Mahoney, Diana Rives, Charles Marchese, Mollie Nichols, Roland Thibault, John Guth, Eliana Pavlicka, Ellie Steffens, John May, Janice Wright, Joe Turdo, Russ Dieter, Ralph Sobieski, Francis Dolan, Scott Humble, John Scott, Jessica Berlo, Renee Ralls, Mickey Smith, Rose-Ann Saporita, Juan Scott, Charlene Abayon, Gerri Peterson, Carlos Perez, Donna McMullen, Mike Murray, Nancy Cusack, Greg Macy, Gabriella Ibarra, John McHugh, Nancy Carrey, Marion Fairbank, Tim Coyne, John Scrempo, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spalding, Donald Brent, Marlene Knivila, Jenny Lemp, and the Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

### FOR THE SOULS

Mike Cusack, Erma DeSimone, Julie Caruso, Karen Panoski, Benjamin and Jessica Stone, Horst Tilsch, Louis Capuano, Richard Vitali, Mike Largent, Eileen Poggi, Roger Provey Jr., Dale Hands, Barbara Bardella, Diane Drew, Charlene McDaniel, Peg Devine, Cecelia Hurst, Josephine Battaglia, Bernice Rogers, Elizabeth Olsen, Larry Bancroft, John Vander Vennet, Frank Moreda, Gary Meagher, MaryEllen Friesen, Gail Flatt, Jim Murray, Laura Pontes, Jacob Busienei, Shelly Schofield, Catherine Kubo, Pope Francis, Sharon Larrance, Doug Lightfoot, Judy Pinella, Andrew Gonzalez.



*Please call the office if you wish to add, remove 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.*



## UPCOMING

- SCRIPTURE STUDY TUESDAYS, JAN 27 @ 1 PM
- PASSIONATE POLENTA—FRIDAY, JAN 23rd
- GRIEF SUPPORT—WED. FEB. 4th, 2-3:30 pm
- OCIA—WED. FEB. 4th @ 7:30-8:30 PM
- WOMEN'S CLUB SOUP SOCKS BINGO—FEB. 12

## Grief Support Group

Feelings are difficult. They can catch us off guard, especially if they revolve around grief. Whether our loss was recent or more distant, the feelings and challenges are the same. The Holy Spirit Grief Group is a group of friendly, compassionate, down to earth people who use Scripture as an anchor to make sense and find comfort in our grief.

Feel free to drop by and check us out. **We will meet on Wednesday, February 4 from 2-3:30 p.m.** at Holy Spirit Parish Hall, 1244 St. Francis Road, Santa Rosa. For further information, call Deanna Bowers at 909-532-0102 or Mary at 707-495-3095.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES

IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR CARING RIDES AND CARING VOICES.

If you think you'd like to volunteer in one of those roles please call (707) 528-8712 .



**NOTE: There is an AED Defibrillator machine at the back of church. It is on the wall to the left of the hallway that leads to the bathroom.**



## JOIN OUR RIVETING CONVERSATION ON SCRIPTURE!

An academic reflection on the upcoming Gospels. Led by Matt Conley, DRE  
**Weekly Tuesdays 1-2:30 pm**  
**(no class on 2/17 or 3/17)**  
Drop ins are welcome!  
*Enter through the office.*



## Justice & Service In Community

**6:30-7:30 pm**  
**Third Mondays of the Month**  
*Cornerstone Room in the Parish*



## OCIA/RCIA 7:30-8:30 pm

**First and Third Wednesdays**  
*In the Church. Led by Matt Conley, DRE.*  
 Consider attending if you are interested in becoming Catholic, are an unconfirmed adult, or would like more information about your Catholic faith. Topics vary.



## ICF SCHOLARSHIPS

The Italian Catholic Federation is offering \$500 scholarships to high school graduates, Class of 2026. You are eligible if you are a Catholic, have a 3.20 GPA and any Italian ancestry. To receive an application, visit our website: [www.ICF.org](http://www.ICF.org) or call (888) ICF-1924.

YOU CAN WATCH OUR MASS ON YOUTUBE! Remember, if you're not feeling well enough to come to mass in person, please go to our YouTube channel. We livestream our Saturday evening mass. Past masses are also available to watch. Search for Holy Spirit Santa Rosa or click on <https://www.youtube.com/@holyspiritcatholicchurch-s3653/streams>



# JUSTICE AND SERVICE



## THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

- ✝ Feed the Hungry
- ✝ Give drink to the Thirsty
- ✝ Shelter the Homeless
- ✝ Clothe the Naked
- ✝ Visit the Sick
- ✝ Visit the Prisoner
- ✝ Welcome the Stranger
- ✝ Bury the Dead

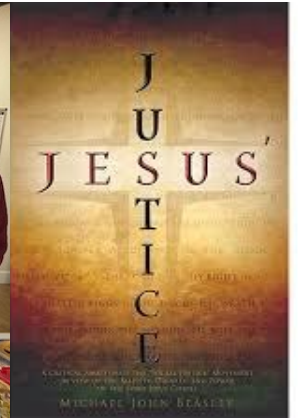
This year, Holy Spirit Church formed the Justice & Service ministry group whose sole focus is creating service opportunities for our parish. We have started with small groups serving dinners once a month at Labbath Landing; a shelter which is part of Home First, an organization whose mission is to find permanent housing for the most vulnerable members of our community.

We also answered Christmas wishes for the residents of the shelter and plan to continue support of the shelter's residents who will soon be transferring from the shelter to private residences. We will do this by creating **MOVE-IN KITS**, which will provide supplies needed to operate a home. Supplies needed for these kits are found on the backside of this page.

We are also looking for groups of 4-8 people to serve meals at the shelter. Members of our group have created an easy process for preparing and serving meals. We are eager to help others continue our mission to help our brothers and sisters in need.

Labbath Landing will not be our sole focus for service and charity. It is just our starting point. Other communities find themselves in need and we will look to expand our service opportunities and support beyond Home First as we find volunteers for continual support.

Thank you to our first  
volunteers from Holy  
Spirit who  
created this mission  
of service!



Volunteers serving meals at Labbath Landing have shared nothing but positive experiences! We are looking for groups of 4-8 volunteers to provide and serve meals and visit with the residents of the shelter.

If you would like to be part of our service opportunities please contact Matt Conley @ 707 539-4495 ext. 108 or by email : [Matt@HolyspiritSR.org](mailto:Matt@HolyspiritSR.org).

**MOVE-IN KITS for those transitioning to permanent housing will include the items below. If you would like to donate some or all items contact Matt.**



**Please make sure  
all donated items  
are "like new."**



### BED AND BATH:

- Sheets, blanket, comforter or bedspread, pillows (Queen)
- Large-Sized toiletries and toilet paper
- Mattress pad (Queen)
- Towel Set

### CLEANING SUPPLIES:

- Bucket, mop, broom, dustpan
- All-Purpose cleanser, comet-type cleanser, dishwashing detergent, sponges, and rags
- Small container of laundry detergent
- Toilet brush

### KITCHEN:

- Plates, bowls, glasses, mugs, silverware
- Pots, serving/ cooking utensils, strainer, can opener, storage containers
- Cutting board, kitchen knives
- Dish towels