

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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February 7—8, 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
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.

Following Jesus

In the Gospels of the last four Sundays we have been following the story of Jesus' early career. He went to be baptized. Then he moved to Capernaum from Galilee when John the Baptist was killed, and there he chose his apostles (who somehow knew him as the one to follow). Last Sunday we heard part of his "inaugural address," the beatitudes.

Now he begins to instruct the disciples about how to be his followers.

In this week's Gospel Jesus says: be what you are. If you are salt then don't lose your flavor of salt. If you are a lamp then don't put a basket over yourself so no one can see your light. Give savor. Give light.

This is consoling advice. You get to be yourself.

But would the disciples have followed Jesus if they had known what it really means to "be yourself"? The First Reading gives a hint. It says to share your bread with the hungry. Shelter the oppressed and the homeless. Clothe the naked. Do not turn away from your own. This is how you let your light shine in the darkness. This is how Jesus enlightened the world. He even went to death for it. Isn't this the meaning of "becoming yourself"?

A big assignment.

Today the definition of "being me" can sound like selfishness. "I get to do whatever I want to do." "Take care of number one." "If it feels good, do it." And so on.

In today's culture of the United States, one of the classic songs made popular by Frank Sinatra is "I Did It My Way," co-written by Sinatra and Paul Anka.

*I planned each charted course, each careful step,
along the byway, and more, much more than
this,*

*I did it my way.**

And so on. The main message is that "I" have

succeeded in life as long as I did everything "my way." There is a backdrop of fear here, something about not being free to be myself; to have to do everything according to someone else's design. The world and its population are very, very large and it is no surprise that mass production and mass advertising and mass purchasing give us the feeling that we are just cogs in a giant, international, industrial wheel, worth nothing in ourselves but contributing to the market as long as we do and buy what we are supposed to. So, "to do it my way" is a statement about facing down the great machine and defying it outright.

But the scriptures assume the opposite. They suppose that every human being is created with a unrepeatable, deep, interior shape. Rather than fighting to do my own will no matter what, I need to allow the Spirit of God to find a home deep within my space. This is the Spirit of loving, of respect, of forgiveness. It is God. You and I are built to be at one with this presence. Becoming myself means becoming what I was built to be: a home for the Spirit of Jesus, of God.

God's love will become us. It will help us find ourselves as what we really are deep down: givers of food, helpers to the homeless, forgiving and loving members of society.

In other words, we will become truly ourselves.

John Foley, SJ

More lyrics,

**...not the words of one who kneels. The record shows I took the blows, And did it my way.*

Ok, but Jesus revealed what it means to kneel.

And to be myself!

MASS INTENTIONS: February 7-8, 2026

02/07	Sat	9:00 am	For The People
02/07	Sat	5:00 pm	† Jessie Benedict
02/08	Sun	8:00 am	Cindy Dowgewicz-Hordyk
02/08	Sun	10:30 am	For The People
02/09	Mon	9:00 am	† Phillip Heiss
02/10	Tue	9:00 am	<i>Communion Service</i>
02/11	Wed	9:00 am	† Barbara Hilton
02/12	Thurs	9:00 am	† Patricia Crook
02/13	Fri	9:00 am	† Martha DeBower
02/14	Sat	5:00 pm	† Kathleen Ann Krempely
02/15	Sun	8:00 am	For The People
02/15	Sun	10:30 am	† Gerri Asti

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: February 14-15

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1— Holly K. #2— Carroll C.	Carla A. Ed R. Arlene S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1— Larry K. #2— Brian C.	Bob A. Robin K. Martie S.
Sun. 10:30am	#1— Janice W. #2— Don F.	Dave A. Michelle D. Diane H.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 8,456
 Online General Collection \$ 2,023
 Building & Maintenance \$ 4,861

Thank You!

Next week's second collection is for our Religious Education Dept.
 Please write separate checks.

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE BEING MAILED OUT THIS MONTH. Please call if you have any questions: 707.539.4495.

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FUNERALS

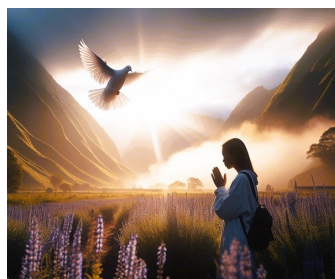
Mike Cusack ~ February 7, 2026 at 11 am
 Bob Crozier ~ February 28, 2026 at 11 am
 Bob & Barbara Spaulding ~ May 2, 2026 TBD

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Sister Noreen Duffy CSJ, Betsy Crook, Manuel Martinez, The Bowker Family, Danny Ruckman, Cindi Doell, Deb Stucke, Joanne Landen, Jordyn P. (infant), Richard LaRussa, Tristan Humble, LuAnn Capps, 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, 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, Jenny Lemp, and the Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

FOR THE SOULS

Bob Spalding, Bob Crozier, John Scott, Patricia Crook, Millie Jaskola, Mike Cusack, Erma DeSimone, Julie Caruso, Karen Pano-ski, 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.



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, FEB. 10 @ 1 PM
 MEN'S CLUB MEAT LOAF —FEB. 10
 THE CHOSEN—THURSDAY, FEB. 12th at 1 pm
 WOMEN'S CLUB SOUP SOCKS BINGO—FEB. 12
 ASH WEDNESDAY—FEB. 18—OCIA IS CANCELED
 JUSTICE & SERVICE—NEW—FEB. 23rd at 7 pm
 GRIEF SUPPORT—WED. MAR. 4th, 2-3:30 pm

HOLY SPIRIT MEN'S CLUB

Tuesday, February 10th



Door Open at 6 PM
 Dinner served at @7 PM

*****Italian Meat Loaf ala Bastoni*****

with corn, salad, bread, and dessert!

\$25.00 includes: Dinner, two cocktails and fun tickets.

GUEST SPEAKER—EL CAPITAN

Climb to new heights and seek new adventures!

HOLY SPIRIT WOMEN'S CLUB INVITES YOU! Soup, Socks and BINGO!

Thursday, February 12th
at 6:00 pm.



Tickets are \$30 which includes dinner, 2 drink tickets and 1 BINGO card.

Please bring new socks for children, women or men.



All proceeds will be donated to Catholic Charities.

Any questions, please contact Angela Provisor, 310-498-9444

SAVE THE DATE

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER—SUNDAY, MARCH 15
 Doors open 6 PM—\$35 Dinner, \$5 cocktails
 Adults only—LIMITED NUMBER OF ATTENDEES
 Tickets on sale after Masses beginning
 2/28/26. No ticket sales at the door!!!!
 Contact: JOHN CARUSO 707-696-1279

JUSTICE AND SERVICE MOVE-IN BOXES for Labbath Landing residents

Thank you everyone for your enthusiastic response to the Justice and Service Update and the call for donations for the move-in boxes!

SIGN UPS FOR DONATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.

WE WILL HAVE A DRIVE THRU DROP OFF IN FRONT OF THE GARAGE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST AFTER MASSES AND LASTING UNTIL 2 PM.

Contact: Matt Conley
matt@holyspiritSR.org
707.539.4495 ext. 8



Justice & Service In Community

NEW DATE & TIME

FEBRUARY 23 at 7:00 pm

Cornerstone Room in the Parish



Fans of The Chosen: Season 5, The Last Supper -- The events from Palm

Sunday through Judas' betrayal are the events depicted in Season 5 of The Chosen. We will present the episodes and the Bible Roundtable analysis on **Thursdays at 1 p.m. in the Cornerstone Room in the parish house starting February 12, 2026 through Lent.** There is no cost. Walk-ins welcome. Call the office 707.539.4495 if you have any questions.

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.

