

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Palm Sunday

March 28-29, 2026

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass Mon., Tues. and Wednesday at 9 am
and Wednesday during Lent 6:30—7pm**

Penance Service 4 Priests: March 31 starts 6pm

Holy Thursday Mass: 6:30 pm

Good Friday Service: 3pm

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 5 pm

Easter Sunday Masses: 8 am, 10:30 am & 1pm

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 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 your Pastor's Desk*

Holy Week

This week we begin a time so Sacred to us Catholics that it is called 'Holy Week.' It is true that as far as individual celebrations go, Christmas seems to overshadow Easter, but Holy Week is more than just Easter Sunday. Today's Liturgy makes a diametrical shift from the celebration of our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the agony of His Passion and death as told in the Gospel of Luke. This day is an 'Overture,' if you will, of the days to come.

Holy Thursday: Mass of The Lord's Supper. 6:30 pm. It is a great joy to celebrate the REAL event where Our Lord Jesus truly gave us bread as His Body and wine as His Blood. Where He establishes that we are to re-enter this moment in time every time we do the same, and where He empowers the apostles to do the same in His name. It is at this Mass that we have the true meaning of priesthood established – that of being a servant to the people of God, not one who is to be served.

Next we have **Good Friday: The Service starts at 3pm.**, to coincide with the time of Jesus' death of the Cross. Good Friday is the only day in the entire year where **no** Mass is said anywhere in the world. This is the day Our Lord died. We relive his arrest, trial, crucifixion, death and burial. It is a solemn celebration with deeply moving ritual of the '**Veneration of the Cross**' where each of us has the opportunity to approach the cross of Christ and bow reverently as the ultimate sign of respect and thanksgiving for His suffering for us. Reception of Holy Communion, for those who wish, is also part of this day's service.

Holy Saturday is the last of the 'Three Days.' **Begins at 5pm in the plaza.** This is traditionally a day of quiet meditation as we contemplate the darkness of the world without a future and without hope apart from God and God's Grace. It is also a time to remember family and friends who have died and await the Resurrection. This day ends with the celebration of all celebrations: the Easter Vigil.

We begin outside with the Fire and Water Ceremony in which our new Christ Candle is blessed. We then have a candlelight procession into the darkened church and hear the singing of the Exsultet. This is followed by a scriptural journey through salvation history. After the readings we have the Profession of Faith and Confirmation for the members who have been preparing this past year to come into full Communion with our faith. Please note – this is a very beautiful and rich service, and therefore, longer than other Masses.

This week ends with **Easter Sunday Masses.** A celebration of the center of our faith – Christ's Resurrection from the dead. **Our Easter Sunday masses are at 8am, 10:30am and 1pm.** I ask that even if you are a regular 10:30 mass attendee to consider going to the 1pm Mass just this once as the 10:30 will be very, very full.

Do you have to go to all of these services? Of course not. Should you? If you possibly can, yes! I can tell you that you will benefit spiritually from each in its own unique way. Ask God which ones you need to go to.

God Bless you and yours,

Father Ron

PENANCE SERVICE IS TUESDAY,
MARCH 31st starting at 6pm.
There will be two priests who are
Spanish bilingual.

REMINDER
There will NOT be 9 am masses on Holy
Thursday or Good Friday or Holy Satur-
day. There will NOT be Confessions,
Exposition of the Sacrament, or Stations
of the Cross on Good Friday.
The Good Friday service is at 3 pm.

MASS INTENTIONS: March 28—April 5

03/28	Sat	5:00 pm	† Mary Lou Gadbois
03/29	Sun	8:00 am	† Stan MacIsaac
03/29	Sun	10:30 am	For the People
03/30	Mon	9:00 am	† Leocadia Serban
03/31	Tue	9:00 am	<i>Bill Serban B.D.</i>
04/01	Wed	9:00 am	† Jim Weese
04/01	Wed	6:30 pm	† Mike Cusack
04/02	Thurs	6:30 PM	HOLY THURSDAY
04/03	Fri	3 PM	GOOD FRIDAY
04/04	Sat	5:00 pm	EASTER VIGIL † Jerry Williams
04/05	Sun	8:00 am	EASTER For the People
04/05	Sun	10:30 am	EASTER † Jane Young
04/05	Sun	1 pm	EASTER

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: April 4-5

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1— Tina T, #2— Karen S.	Cheryl D. Ed R. Kathy S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1— Lydia D. #2— Kathy L.	Brian C. Michele M. Elizabeth M.
Sun. 10:30am	#1— Janice W. #2— Loyde J.	Michelle D. Sherry J. Jacky M.
Sun. 1:00 pm	#1— Kaity K. #2— Holly K.	

Last Week's General Collection \$ 6,443
Online General Collection \$ 1,885

Thank You!

This week's second collection is for St. Vincent de Paul. Next week's is for our Building Maintenance. Please write separate checks.

ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS: *Our online giving options have expanded to include Venmo, ApplePay, Paypal, & Stock/Crypto. Visit our website at www.holyspirit-sr.org.*

FUNERALS—note changes

*Bob & Barbara Spaulding ~ May 30 at 11 am

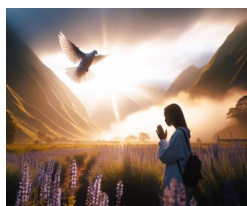
*LuAnn Capps ~ June 6 at TBD

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

H. Vincent McNally, Sister Noreen Duffy CSJ, Betsy Crook, Manuel Martinez, Danny Ruckman, Cindi Doell, Deb Stucke, Joanne Landen, Jordyn P. (infant), Richard LaRussa, Tristan Humble, 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, Donna McMullen, Mike Murray, Nancy Cusack, Jenny Lemp, and the Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

FOR THE SOULS

LuAnn Capps, Suzanne Borgert, Mary Davis, Teresa Resende, Shari Brown, Don Linch, Jerry Williams, Jim Coddling, Emilio Ricci, Rhio Reigh, Bob Spalding, Bob Crozier, John Scott, Patricia Crook, Millie Jaskola, 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, Catherine Kubo, 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.



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 1PM — 3/31
- THE CHOSEN THURS 1PM—CANCELED 4/02—
Episode 8 wraps up 4/16
- JUSTICE & SERVICE—3/30 at 7 PM—changed
- PENANCE SERVICE—3/31 starting at 6 pm
- GRIEF SUPPORT—WED. 4/01 at 2-3:30 PM
- LENT WEDNESDAYS MASS—6:30-7PM
- HOLY THURSDAY MASS —4/2 at 6:30 PM
- GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE—4/3 at 3 PM



EASTER EGG HUNT AND ACTIVITIES

Everyone is welcome!

SATURDAY, MARCH 28th

PARISH BREAKFAST at 9 am

EGG HUNT at 10 am

**EASTER BUNNY, ACTIVITIES,
JUMPY HOUSES till NOON!**

**If you are interested in joining the
Holy Spirit Women's Club Victorian
Tea waitlist, please reach out to
Angela Provisor at 369-444-5577.**

Grief Support Group

*Grief can come in waves, and it can sometimes take years to surface. It can be a lonely experience when those around us naturally return to their daily lives after the funeral. There is a sacred space where you are welcome as you are in whatever stage of mourning you find yourself. Holy Spirit Grief Group is a group of down to earth people who look for comfort and support in Scripture and one another. We will meet on **Wednesday April 1 from 2-3:30 pm** in the church hall. For further information, call Deanna at 909-532-0102 or Mary at 707-495-3095.*

Holy week

SCHEDULE

PENANCE SERVICE

March 31st - starts at 6 pm
(Four Priests - two Spanish bilingual)

HOLY THURSDAY MASS

April 2nd at 6:30 pm
(no morning mass)

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

April 3rd at 3 pm
(no morning mass)

EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY

April 4th at 5 pm
(no morning mass)

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5th at 8 am, 10:30 am, and 1 pm

LOOKING FOR CALLA LILIES!



If you have Calla Lilies that you are willing to donate for our Easter décor, you may drop them off at church Thursday-Saturday (April 2-4) between 9:30 am and 11:30 am. Please call Cindy at 707.494.8797 if you need to arrange to drop off outside those hours.

Night of Peace: AN EVENING WITH SARAH HART AND FRANCESCA LAROSA

DATE: SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

**TIME: 4 PM At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Parish, 4595 Snyder Lane, RP, CA 94928**



Join us for an evening of songs and stories to bring peace and hope to your community. Carpooling is desired. Ticket Price \$30 + credit card fee. If you have questions or would like to sponsor the event, please email: sesreled@gmail.com or call 707- 888-9672