



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 12-13, 2026



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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Mondays through Fridays 9 am

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 Go to www.holyspirit-sr.org

HOME COMMUNION Please contact the office.

CHOIR PRACTICE Thursdays at 7 pm in Church.

VOLUNTEERING Please contact the office.

from your Pastor's Desk...

Love and Forgiveness

In the Gospel reading, Peter wants to know how many times he has to forgive someone who sins against him. What is the number of times, Peter wants to know, that he has to forgive that sinner? But this question is confused. There is no such number as the one Peter is looking for. There is no limit on the number of times we have to forgive someone who has sinned against us.

We are able to understand the point of this Gospel story if we see the connection between love and forgiveness. Refusing to forgive is refusing to love, and it is never acceptable not to love. That is why it is never right to withhold forgiveness either.

The relation between love and forgiveness also helps us see the difference between forgiving a wrongdoer and enabling him to continue in his wrongdoing. Love wants the good for the beloved. A person who forgives a sinner loves that sinner; and because she loves him, she has a heart for his good. A wife who continues to live with a husband who beats her isn't forgiving him. She's helping him to get worse. There is nothing loving or forgiving about enabling a person to get worse. For her to forgive her husband is for her to want his good, even in the face of his bad treatment of her. But his good requires, first of all, that he stop hurting her, and then that he repent his terrible treatment of her.

If he is unrepentant, if he rejects goodness and love, then she can want the good for him anyway. But her forgiveness of him will be like a gift that can't be given because he won't receive it. Then the best she can do for him is to keep a distance from him, so that he doesn't get worse by continuing to hurt her.

God's love is like this, too. God's forgiveness is always there, and so is God's love. Because God loves every person, God offers the good to everyone too, no matter what that person's sins may be. God does not keep a careful distance from us when we sin. What stands between us and God is only our own unwillingness to receive the gift God is offering.

If we will only not reject it, the gift of God's love and forgiveness will be given to us and received.

Eleonore Stump

MASS INTENTIONS: Sept. 12—Sept. 20

09/12	Sat	5:00 pm	† Deceased Jacob Family
09/13	Sun	8:00 am	<i>For the People</i>
09/13	Sun	10:30 am	† Maria & Raymond Szulc (Schultz)
09/14	Mon	9:00 am	† Bill Vinson
09/15	Tue	9:00 am	† Serban Family
09/16	Wed	9:00 am	† David Plagge
09/17	Thurs	9:00 am	<i>Jacky Macy</i>
09/18	Fri	9:00 am	† John Vander Vennett
09/19	Sat	5:00 pm	† Alfredo Guerrero
09/20	Sun	8:00 am	<i>For the People</i>
09/20	Sun	10:30 am	† Campbell Kowalczyk

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Sept. 19-20 2026

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1— Tina T. #2— Pat B.	Judith M. Shirley S. Tim S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1— Brian C. #2— Henri K.	Kurt K. Robin K. Martie S.
Sun. 10:30am	#1— Loyde J. #2— Lilla O.	Sherry J. Jolon W. Mike W.

HOMEBOUND EUCCHARISTIC MIN.—Sept. 16

Route 1 —
Route 2 — Tim S.
Route 3 — Jerry A.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 7,639
Online General Collection \$ 2,705
Building Maintenance \$ 6,156

Thank You!

This week's collection is for the Diocesan Seminarians. Please write separate checks.

SCAM ALERT: FR. RON WILL NEVER SEND AN EMAIL OR TEXT REQUEST FOR MONEY, GIFT CARDS OR A LIST OF MEMBERS.

CLOW—MONTHLY VOLUNTEERS

Are you interested in helping with the Children's Liturgy of the Word once a month? Let's help parents of young children.
Call the office!

FUNERALS

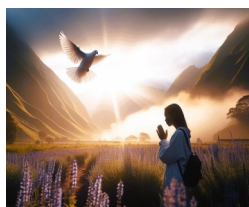
*Ralph Sobieski ~ Sat., Sept. 12 at 11 am

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Jamsal Aguirre, John Bussi, Bill Brown, David Larkin, Donna McMullen, Mark Gardner, Jo Eandi, Nicole Murray, Lois Callas, Leroy Perry, Margie Edson, Sister Maureen Carroll, Greg Macy, Lynn Connolly, Derek O'Leary, Anthony and Beth Donato, George Fiori, H. Vincent McNally, Sister Noreen Duffy CSJ, Betsy Crook, Danny Ruckman, Cindi Doell, Deb Stucke, Jordyn P., 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, Francis Dolan, Scott Humble, and the Holy Spirit Phone Tree.

FOR THE SOULS

William Serban, Theresa Stachowiak, Ralph Sobieski, Paola Badano, Charles Paul, Leeza Larrance, Paul Higdon, Mark Higdon, John Paul "JP" Lisciandro, Jr, Joey Mesa, Manuel Martinez, Eleanor Travaglini, Josephine Poni, Lynette Mulert, Jenny Lemp, Mike Murray, Diana Magri, LuAnn Capps, Suzanne Borgert, Mary Davis, Teresa Resende, Shari Brown, Don Linch, Jerry Williams, Jim Coddling, Emilio Ricci, Rhio Reigh, Bob Spau ding, 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.



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.

CCD REGISTER NOW!

**Faith Formation Registration Forms
are at the back of church & in the office.**

**Parent Information Night for all classes is
September 23rd at 6 pm in the church.**

Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 pm—All CCD Classes

* Year 1 — First Communion / Whole Family
Catechesis (K-5) with Jessica Coffey

* Year 2 — First Communion w/ Lynn Lankford

* Year 1 — Confirmation with Maggie Vera

* Year 2 — Confirmation with Lori Norcia

NOTE: Older Teens may be enrolled in OCIA
instead of Youth Faith Formation.

Wednesdays 6-7:30 pm—YOUTH GROUP

*Youth Group (7th-12th grade) with Matt Conley

Questions about FF Registration?

Email Maggie Vera:

Maggie@holyspiritSR.org

JUSTICE & SERVICE MINISTRY UPDATE

It was a busy summer for HSJS! Delicious home cooked meals were served in June, July and August to residents at the Labath Landing homeless shelter. And 12 move-in kits were delivered to Catholic Charities in July and August for residents moving out of their shelters into more permanent housing. As a result of your generosity, a total of 18 kits have been provided to date through this project, with 7 kits remaining.

Labath and Catholic Charities' residents and staff have expressed their appreciation to Holy Spirit, some of which is posted at the back of the church. These projects are making a difference!

Thanks to all who have donated items and/or funds to accomplish this outreach! A very special thanks to Thai and Cindy Hoang who not only lead the meal project, but store and deliver the move-in kits.

**Please join us at our next meeting
September 21st at 7 pm at a new location—
in the Holy Family Room at the back of the
Parish House. Enter past the pond.
Questions? Call Esther at 530-518-3986.**

GAME NIGHT! 13-18 Year olds

Building community among the young people of our parish is essential for the life of our Church. **So it's time to have fun and kick off the ministry year!**

**Wednesday September 30th
6-7:30pm in the church hall**

HOLY SPIRIT MEN'S CLUB

INVITES ALL PARISHIONERS!

FREE PARISH PASTA FEED

SEPTEMBER 25th, 2026

Come celebrate a New Season

Meet fellow parishioners, make new friends and share our Holy Spirit family traditions.

It's a family affair—adults & kids!

Pasta and Bread

No host Beer & Wine, Sodas

COME ONE, COME ALL----

Doors open at 6 pm

DINNER SERVED

From 6-7pm



**Women of the Year Luncheon
Saturday, October 17th**

**honoring our
2026 Woman of the Year,
Arlene Storm**



**Please see the flyer and reservation forms at
the back of church. Please reach out to the
event coordinator, Aldrina, with any questions
[707-322-6047](tel:707-322-6047).**

We look forward to celebrating with you!

**Thank you, Angela Provisor on behalf
of the Holy Spirit Women's Club**

OCIA Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Taught by Fr. Ron in Church

Begins October 6th from 7-8 pm

First & Third Tuesdays of the Month

***Are you interested in becoming Catholic or
learning more about your faith? Are you
missing a Sacrament? Join us!***