

STAR OF THE VALLEY Catholic Church

495 White Oak Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95409

We members of Star of the Valley Parish gather around the central act of Catholic worship, the celebration of active participation in the Mass. As a Eucharistic centered people, we reach out to heal, console and listen in the spirit of truth and justice, with a preferential option for the poor, thus advancing as individuals and as a community into the image of Christ.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Msgr. James Pulskamp, Pastor

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Parish Office Hours

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Located in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center
495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409-5939*

*This is the church and parish's mailing address.

Sharon A. Charlton, Office Manager

Anna Jean, Administrative Assistant

Welcome New Parishioners

Please sign the Newcomers Register
next to the side door in the back of the Church.

Mass Times

Weekday Masses: Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Oakmont Gardens: Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Masses:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil, Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00-3:30 p.m. and by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

For appointment, email or leave a message in the office
for Anointing of the Sick by a Priest
when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

Call the office to arrange visits by a
Eucharistic Minister for Holy Communion
when someone is homebound.



August 3/4, 2024— Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What Can You Do?

The crowd wanted to know, “What can we do to accomplish the works of God?” They were looking for a way to do miracles, signs, wonders, and they expected Jesus to prove himself by doing this for them, too. They had just witnessed the multiplication of the loaves, yet it seemed not to impress them! They were asking for yet another “sign.” Jesus directed their attention to the meaning of the miracles: God’s loving faithfulness to them in their need. Manna in the desert and loaves in the wilderness were the signs of Jesus’ gift of himself to us in love.

What Jesus was looking for in these people was an attentive heart. He wanted them to see that God was providing for their needs with love and faithfulness, and had always done so. But the people didn’t get it. Do we need to be hit over the head? Every day we witness miracles, and yet we don’t really see them, or believe that they really come from God. Every day we are bread for each other, or someone is bread for us, and yet we do not make the connection! No doubt the people in the desert failed to connect the quail and the manna with their crying out to God for food. God answers our prayers and knows our needs, and sends people to us and us to others, and yet we look for other explanations of these “miracles” in our lives.

Believe!

God’s faithful love is shown all around us, every day. We cry out to God, and yet we often explain away God’s answers to our prayers, looking for something more spectacular than merely what we need or even what we have asked for. We have what we need: the Bread of Life.



Sunday, August 4, 2024
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reading I: *Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*—
 I will rain down bread from heaven
 for you.
Responsorial: *Psalms 78*—The Lord
 gave them bread from heaven.

Reading II: *Ephesians 4:17, 20-24*—Put on the new self
 that has been created in God's way.

Gospel: *John 6:24-35*—Whoever comes to me will never
 hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.

MASS INTENTIONS— AUGUST 3–11

Sat	3	4:00	† Roberta McElroy (Bianca Bailie & Terie McKenna)
Sun	4	10:00	† Noelle Dangremond (Diane D'Ambrogia)
Mon	5		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	6	8:00	Intention of Blanche & Dick Kaiser on their 64th Anniversary
Wed	7	8:00	† Rey Frimmersdorf (Virginia Taylor)
		10:30	O.G. For the People of the Parish
Thurs	8	8:00	† Agnes Apicella (John Bogdan)
Fri	9	8:00	† Lincoln McCarthy (Maria McCarthy)
Sat	10	4:00	† Agnes Apicella (Frances Waska)
Sun	11	10:00	† Mimi May (Susan Hazlewood)

Please keep the sick and those in need in your prayers: Gail Barrett, Jane Borr, Lisa Bragg, David Charlton II, Michael Curtis, Lola Danielli, Marcy Fox, Rosemary Haver, Karen O'Malley, Lauri Paolinetti, Carol Pascoe, Pricilla Peralejo, Magda Shelton, Tom Sosnowski, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Paul Schaffer.

Weekly Collection Report

July 14	July 21	July 28	Weekly Goal
\$4,714	\$4,265	\$3,947	\$5,365

Note: The amounts consist of First collections, Parish Repair & Maintenance, and Holy Day collections received during the weekend and preceding week.

Second Collections

The second collection this weekend is for **Black and Indian Missions** which helps local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States. Next weekend's second collection will be for **Parish Repair and Maintenance**.

Celebration of Life for Agnes Orser
 Friday, August 9, 6:00 p.m.: East Recreation Center

Donut Sunday—August 4—In Memory of Mimi May
 Many thanks to Richard Muzio and Mimi's family for sponsoring this weekend's Donut Sunday. Please come.

STAR OF THE VALLEY
WESTERN

BBQ

Welcoming Dinner
FUNDRAISER & RAFFLE

5:00
Cocktails & Appetizers

6:00
in the evening

THURSDAY, AUGUST

22nd

\$30 PER PERSON

Band Entertainment
The Oak Island Jammers

Cash Bar

Menu: Hand Rubbed BBQ Baby Back Ribs, BBQ Chicken, Cowboy Beans, Caesar Pasta Salad, Dessert

Reservations can be made by placing a check in the Men's Club box by Friday, August 16. For tables of up to 10 people, place each check in one envelope with the names listed on the front. Questions? Call Jim Warman at 707-230-2682.

New parishioners: Contact Drew or Kar Hofmann at 707-539-2706.

Donut Sunday
August 4



Msgr. Fahey
Parish Center

This Weekend — August 3–4
4:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.

EMs:	Connie Pearson	Marge Lamb
Lector:	Judy Rodgers	Bob Zeni
Server:	Connie Montague	John Dolan
Greeters:	Cathy Hardy	Sue Cummings
	Pete Hardy	Tim Cummings
Ushers:	Kathleen Beirne	Tim Burkhard

Next Weekend — August 10–11
4:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.

Dennis Sabourin	Kar Hofmann
Mike Hanlon	Bowman Olds
Micki Sabourin	Drew Hofmann
Marietta Mancuso	Judy Monroe
Lisa Munoz-Flores	Paula Scull
Tom Beirne	Rick Ragan

STAR OF THE VALLEY
MEN'S CLUB
presents a

PARISH FUNDRAISER

RAFFLE

drawing on

THURSDAY, **AUGUST 22nd**

during the Parish BBQ
& Welcoming Dinner

Winner Need Not Be Present

\$25 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$100

1st Prize—\$1,000

2nd Prize—\$500

3rd Prize—\$250

4th Prize—\$250

Raffle tickets will be sold before the weekend
Masses until August 18, and at the BBQ.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Number of Tickets _____ x \$25 (or 5 for \$100)

Total enclosed _____

Make checks payable to: SOV Men's Club
Mail detached signup form and checks to:
Star of the Valley Raffle; 495 White Oak Drive;
Santa Rosa, CA 95409
Or contact Jim Warman at
warman804@yahoo.com
or 707-230-2682

*Save
the
Date*

**Save the Date—
September 28, 2024**

Star of the Valley Church will be
celebrating its 43rd Anniversary as a
parish with a party on Saturday,
September 28!

in your mail soon!
details for this

Watch for an invitation to arrive
It will have the
free event.



STAR OF THE VALLEY *43rd Anniversary*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

43rd Anniversary Celebration Trivia:

Did you know that the founding parishioners
moved from place to place as they out-grew various
venues for Mass? They met at the St. Francis
Winery in Kenwood for daily Mass and in Sam and
Gloria Roybal's home on Greene Street for Sunday
Mass. This location became known as the Greene
Cathedral. Masses were also at the Los Guilicos
Auditorium, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, and
Kenwood Community Church.

Parishioners will receive their invitation to Star of
the Valley's *free* 43rd Anniversary celebration by
mid-August. Be sure to fill out the RSVP and return
via the mail, collection basket or to the office. We
need all the RSVPs by September 9th.

With the invitation there will be a memory form for
you to memorialize an event, a parishioner, a priest,
etc., that meant a lot to you. Be sure to fill this out.
After the event, these will be consolidated into a
Memory Book which will be available
to all parishioners.



*Weekday Mass at the Roybal home also known as the
"Green Cathedral."*



Woman of the Year

Inserted in this bulletin you will find a nomination form to fill out for this year's **Star of the Valley Woman of the Year**. Candidates must be practicing Catholic women who, as unpaid volunteers, contributed outstanding service to Star of the Valley and the community.

Please submit the completed nomination form by Friday, **August 30th**. Nomination forms may be placed in the weekend's collection basket, dropped off at, or mailed to the parish office at 495 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409.

The Santa Rosa Diocesan Council of Catholic Women hosts the annual Women of the Year event, honoring women of parishes in the diocese. This year's event will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Windsor on Saturday, October 12, 2024. It will include the Rosary, Mass, and the award luncheon. Reservation forms will be available for anyone who wants to attend.

Star of the Valley's past Women of the Year: 2010 Marilyn Brown, 2011 Harriet Draper; 2012 Mary Jo Henrikson; 2013 Sherry Busterna; 2015 Ruth Fulger & Roberta McElroy; 2017 Blanche Kaiser; 2018 Cristina Wadsworth; 2019 Jackie Kenilvort; 2023 Judy Rodgers.



Electronic Giving

If you would like to support our parish through electronic giving, please scan the QR code or go to our website's **Donate Here** page: giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/starofthevalleychurch.

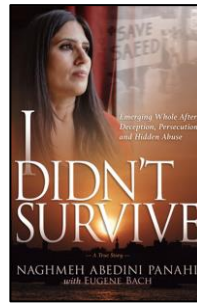
NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Catholic Feast days on the Camino de Sonoma

Join fellow pilgrims in the spiritual, historical, and physical exercise of walking along the Camino. Summer pilgrimage coming up (see flyer on the bulletin board):

Friday, **August 23rd** celebrating our Patron St. Rose of Lima, walking reverse Stage 3. After Mass at Resurrection, we'll walk 9.5 miles to Holy Spirit Church.

For more on the Camino de Sonoma, visit www.caminodesonoma.com or call Stephen Morris at 310-849-2342 regarding this pilgrimage.



Author Speaks

You are invited to hear a special guest speaker, author Naghmeh Panahi, on Friday, **August 23rd** at St. Rose of Lima Church. The evening begins with 6:30 p.m. Mass. Then, at 7:30 p.m. Naghmeh will share her testimony of being a Christian missionary in Iran and what the Western Church can learn, what the "House-Church

Movement" is, and the importance of her global advocacy for persecuted women.

Catholic Charities Volunteer Opportunities

Caring Voices: A telephone outreach program where volunteers call participants for a daily check in call.

Caring Rides: Trained volunteer drivers take seniors to medical appointments and on other errands.

Please call Catholic Charities at 707-327-0228 or email Christa Youngern at cyoungern@srcharities.org for more information and to volunteer.



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