

# 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

## **Contact Numbers**

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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.



## **June 29/30, 2024— Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **No Joy in the Destruction of the Living**

Today's readings offer a soaring affirmation of life. The author of the book of Wisdom assures us that God did not make death and does not rejoice in the death of any living thing. We are reminded that we have been made in God's image, formed to be imperishable.

In the face of all the death, illness, and destruction in the world, what are we to make of this claim? Clearly, it is our spirits that are called to eternal life. However, given the two stories in today's Gospel passage from Mark, we have evidence that indeed, God does not rejoice in the death of our bodies.

"Be free!" Jesus commands the long-suffering woman. "Get up!" he calls out to the little girl who was proclaimed dead.

**Do not be afraid;  
just have faith.**

### **Faith & Trust, Not Fear**

Perhaps his statement to the grieving father when

they learn of the child's death is the crux of the whole question of life and death. Turning to the man and ignoring those who would have him leave because the girl had died, Jesus said, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" (Mark 5:36). Faith flies in the face of the evidence. The child was dead, but her father's faith in Jesus saved her. The bleeding woman had exhausted all possible cures, but her faith in Jesus set her free.

God does not will our deaths either. Whatever holds us in deadly bondage is not of God. How often are we paralyzed by fear? Is it possible we can truly be set free by simply turning to Jesus with faith and trust?



**Sunday, June 30, 2024**  
**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Reading I:** *Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24*—By the envy of the devil, death entered the world.  
**Responsorial:** *Psalm 30*—I will praise you, Lord, for you have

rescued me.

**Reading II:** *2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15*—Your abundance should supply the needs of the poor.

**Gospel:** *Mark 5:21-43*—Little girl, I say to you, arise!

**July & August Mass Schedules**

The liturgical ministers' schedules for Masses in July and August have been emailed. If a hard copy is needed, you may pick one up in the workers' sacristy, or in the parish office during the week.

**Welcome to Star of the Valley Catholic Church**

We extend a warm welcome to those who are visiting our parish for the first time. If you are new to the area and are looking for a parish to call home, we welcome you! If you have been worshipping with us for a while but have not yet registered, we invite you to register so we can better serve you.

You may register by signing the Newcomers Register at the back of the church, filling in this form and putting it in the collection basket, visit the parish office inside the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center during the week at 495 White Oak Drive, or call 707-539-6262.

We hope you have enjoyed your time with us and we look forward to see you again!

New Parishioner  
 New contact info (address, email, phone number)  
 I need to talk to a priest. Please call me.  
 I have a question. Please contact me.

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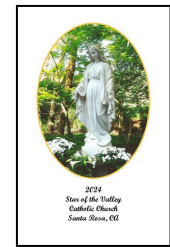
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**MASS INTENTIONS—JUNE 29—JULY 7**

Sat 29 4:00 †**Alajos Nemeth** (Esther Schaut)  
 Sun 30 10:00 †**Angela Barberini Johnson** (Kathy McKeon)  
 Mon 1 No Mass—Pray a Rosary  
 Tue 2 8:00 †**Pat Marabella** (Len Marabella)  
 Wed 3 8:00 **For the People of the Parish**  
 10:30 O.G. †**Joe Schiro** (Harriet Draper)  
 Thurs 4 8:00 †**Alajos Nemeth** (Esther Schaut)  
 Fri 5 8:00 ††**Robert & Mary Lou Doxtader**  
 Sat 6 4:00 †**Agnes Apicella** (John Bogdan)  
 Sun 7 10:00 †**Ray Haverson** (Mary Kennedy)

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, Karen O'Malley, Lauri Paolinetti, Pricilla Peralejo, Magda Shelton, Tom Sosnowski, Bob & Barbara Spaulding, Marilyn Warman, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died. Roberta McElroy and Agnes Orser.



**Parish Phone Directories Available**

A gift from your Pastoral Council. If you are a registered parishioner, and you haven't received a 2024 Star of the Valley Parish phone directory (our most recent edition,) you may come to the office to pick one up. Please call us first at: 707-539-6262.



**Donut Sunday—July 7**

Many thanks to Jennifer Martinez and Esther Dolan for sponsoring next weekend's Donut Sunday in memory of Sigrid Pregent. Please come to the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center for fellowship and donuts before and

after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

If you would like to sponsor a future Donut Sunday to celebrate, honor, or in memory of someone, please contact Drew Hofmann at 707-539-2706.

**July Prayers for Priests**

The July Prayers for Priests calendar is now available and can be found on the Divine Mercy counter in the church. Please pray for the priests in the Santa Rosa Diocese, as well as for new vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



	<b>This Weekend — June 29–30</b>		<b>Next Weekend — July 6–7</b>	
	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>EMs:</b>	Linda Luceti	Marge Lamb	Eva McGinn	Cristina Wadsworth
<b>Lector:</b>	Blanche Kaiser	Mike Hanlon	Len Marabella	Rosemary Haver
<b>Server:</b>	Judy Rodgers	Jim Warman	Judy Rodgers	John Dolan
<b>Greeters:</b>	Cathy Hardy Pete Hardy	Tim Burkhard Paula Scull	Livie Brant Marietta Mancuso	Ron Manning Ceal Geurts
<b>Ushers:</b>	TBD	Tim Burkhard	Judy Rodgers	Clarence Younger

## PARISH EVENTS—JUNE 29–JULY 7

**Thursday, July 4**, Office Closed—Happy Independence Day

**Sunday, July 7**, Donut Sunday—Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

### Weekly Collection Report

June 9	June 16	June 23	Weekly Goal
\$5,591	\$4,100	\$4,219	\$5,365

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



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**Donate Here** page:

[giving.parishsoft.com/app/](http://giving.parishsoft.com/app/)

[giving/starofthevalleychurch](http://giving/starofthevalleychurch).

### Second Collection July 6/7

Next weekend's second collection will be for **Peter's Pence**, to support the Holy Father's mission, which extends throughout the entire world, from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace, and brotherhood among peoples. Donations support the numerous charitable works in aid of people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or support for development.



### We Leave a Mixed Legacy

When we think of 1776, we think of Anglo colonists up in arms along the East Coast. But on the other side of what is now the continental United States, a very different process was taking place. Spanish Franciscans led by Junípero Serra were

establishing missions along what is now the California coast, then Spanish territory. While the legacy of the missions is a mixed one, and rightfully open to scrutiny, near the end of his life Serra made an arduous trip from the California coast to Mexico City and demanded legislation protecting the indigenous people and the missions from military abuse. The result was the first step toward a bill of rights for Native Americans.

### Man On a Mission

On **July 1** the church honors Saint Junípero Serra, the Spanish Franciscan missionary who tirelessly evangelized native peoples in California in the late 1700s, founding the first nine of 21 missions in the region. His sainthood is not without controversy since missionaries were enmeshed in the brutal Spanish conquest of the Americas, but Serra's record also shows he endured many hardships late in life for the sake of the gospel, genuinely loved the indigenous people, and defended their rights against the worst Spanish abuses.

His memorial is a good time to learn about and pray for greater justice for Native Americans and all Indigenous Peoples.



### 'Tis of Thee

It's not all that well known that at its founding, the United States was not a terribly tolerant collection of colonies when it came to religion. Every colony but Pennsylvania had some form of anti-Catholic law at the time of Independence. Thankfully, customs, attitudes, and laws have evolved. But freedom can never be taken for granted, lest it be taken for good! Celebrate your freedom this week, Thursday, **July 4**, Independence Day—as an American and as a Catholic!

### A 4th of July Prayer for Government

We pray, O almighty and eternal God, who through Jesus Christ has revealed thy glory to all nations, to preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of your name.

We pray Thee, who alone are good and holy, to endow with heavenly knowledge, sincere zeal and sanctity of life, our chief bishop, the pope, the vicar of Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the government of his Church; our own bishop, all other bishops, prelates and pastors of the Church; and especially those who are appointed to exercise among us the functions of the holy ministry, and conduct your people into the ways of salvation.

We pray O God of might, wisdom and justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the president of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to your people over whom he presides; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy; and by restraining vice and immorality.

Let the light of your divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and useful knowledge; and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty.

We pray for the governor of this state, for the members of the assembly, for all judges, magistrates, and other officers who are appointed to guard our political welfare, that they may be enabled to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise, to your unbounded mercy, all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout the United States, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of your most holy law; that they may be preserved in union, and in that peace which the world cannot give; and after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal.

To all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech you, a place of refreshment, light and everlasting peace, through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior.

—*Archbishop John Carroll, the first bishop in the United States, in 1791 for the United States of America*



### St. Junípero Serra Feast Day—July 1

Born on an island off the coast of Spain in 1713, Miguel Serra spent his early years helping his parents grow wheat and tend cattle. A block away from his house was a Franciscan friary where he attended primary school which propelled

him into joining the Franciscan Order where he took the name Junípero after a friend of St. Francis. With a doctorate in theology, he could have had a comfortable life as a priest and scholar, but at 35 he decided to be a missionary. After arriving in Mexico, he set out on foot, walking thousands of miles as he established nine missions that today are major cities in California. Until his death at age 71, Junípero battled health problems and the Spanish government, baptized over 6,000 people, and fought for the rights of Native Americans.

St. Junípero Serra spent almost half his life as a tireless evangelist, caring for bodies as well as souls. For those who are called to that vocation, Serra International Foundation helps support men and women who are called to ministerial priesthood or consecrated life in the Catholic Church. Go to [www.serrainternational.org](http://www.serrainternational.org) and see how you can help them in their mission.

### 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 pilgrimages coming up (see flyers on the bulletin board):

Sunday, **July 7th** celebrating St. Francis Solano & St. Junipero Serra, on Stage 1. After Mass at St. Francis, we'll walk 10 miles to Kenwood.

Sunday, **July 14th** celebrating St. Kateri Tekakwitha, on Stage 6. We'll walk 13.5 miles from Jenner to Ft. Ross through the headlands and some Hwy 1.

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](http://www.caminodesonoma.com). To RSVP, see the Santa Rosa Diocese Facebook Events Page or contact Stephen by email at [dsryouth@srdiocese.org](mailto:dsryouth@srdiocese.org).

#### Rummage Sale—Save the Date

St. James Parish will have its Knights of Columbus Rummage Sale in Petaluma on Saturday, **July 20**, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Donations may be dropped off at St. James starting July 8, weekdays 7:00-9:00 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For more information go to [www.kofc1586.org](http://www.kofc1586.org) or call Jerry Matacia at 415-827-4462.

#### Save the Date—September 20 & 21

This year's Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress, "Prayer: Our Relationship with God" (Year 3 of 3 of the National Eucharistic Revival,) will be held on Sept. 20-21, 2024. All adults in the diocese are invited to attend. Up to a total of 10 credit hours can be applied towards earning or renewing the California catechetical certificate.

Since our annual diocesan conference has been focusing on the National Eucharistic Revival, here is a related resource as we come to the third of three years of the National Eucharistic Revival:

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>

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