

# 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.



October 12/13, 2024

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## What Must I Do?

### The Rich Young Man & Me

Try imagining yourself as the character of the rich young man in today's Gospel. We have all asked the kind of ultimate question posed by the young man: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" So often we focus on other kinds of questions that have to do with our lives here on earth, questions like "What percentage of my salary should I dedicate to my 401(k) plan in order to retire comfortably?" While considerations such as these are important to ensure a comfortable future, today's Gospel challenges us to ask the question that matters so much more.

### Foretaste of the Kingdom of Heaven

Jesus' response to the rich young man reveals an understanding of what God's kingdom is all about. What we do here on earth is simply a rehearsal for the life to come. In God's kingdom, there is no suffering, no poverty, no injustice. What we do with the gift of our earthly lives must focus on doing our part to establish that kind of kingdom here on earth. We do not have to look far to realize that this world is in need of change. Like the rich young man, we all strive to keep the commandments. Like him, we, too, are asked to do much more, most of the time in small ways, in our families, neighborhoods, and workplace. The first step is to live a life of awareness—we need to attune ourselves to opportunities for doing our part to alleviate suffering and injustice. We live in hope that when we arrive at heaven's door, what awaits us there will not be something completely surprising. What we hope to find is a kingdom of which we had a foretaste while we were here on earth.



**Sunday, October 13, 2024**  
**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Reading I:** *Wisdom 7:7-11*—I deemed riches nothing in comparison to wisdom.  
**Responsorial:** *Psalm 90*—Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing

for joy!

**Reading II:** *Hebrews 4:12-13*—The word of God discerns reflections and thoughts of the heart.

**Gospel:** *Mark 10:17-30*—Sell what you have, and follow me.

**Office Closed Monday, October 14**

Due to the Indigenous Columbus Day/People’s Day holiday, the parish office will be closed on Monday, **October 14.**



**Donut Sunday—October 13**  
**In Memory of Agnes Apicella**  
 Many thanks to Mike Apicella for sponsoring this weekend’s Donut Sunday, **October 13.** Please come to the

Monsignor Fahey Parish Center before and after the 10:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday to enjoy some juice, coffee, muffins or donuts, and visit with your fellow parishioners.



**Pray the World Mission Rosary**

Created in 1951 by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, the World Mission Rosary is a unique way to pray for the missions around the world. Each decade of the rosary is represented by a different color, symbolizing different regions of the world.

- **Green Beads** represent the forests and grasslands of Africa.
- **Blue Beads** represent the ocean surrounding the islands of the Pacific.
- **White Beads** represent Europe, symbolizing the seat of the Holy Father.
- **Red Beads** represent the Americas, symbolizing the fire of faith brought by missionaries.
- **Yellow Beads** represent the morning light of the East, symbolizing Asia.

Don’t have a World Mission Rosary? Simply use any rosary, or even your fingers, and dedicate one decade per region.

**MASS INTENTIONS—OCTOBER 12–20**

Sat	12	4:00	† <b>Jack Luceti</b> (Linda Luceti)
Sun	13	10:00	<b>Intention of People of the Parish &amp; All First Responders</b>
Mon	14		No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Tue	15	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Wed	16	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
		10:30	O.G. No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Thurs	17	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Fri	18	8:00	No Mass—Pray a Rosary
Sat	19	4:00	† <b>Isabel Frimmersdorf</b> (Virginia Taylor)
Sun	20	10:00	† <b>Jackie Kenilvort</b> (Kathy McKeon)

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

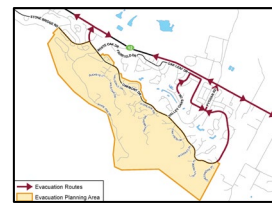
Also pray for those who have died: Dolores Saldivar.

**No Music?**

Our parish musician and sacristan, Maryellen Birkland, is out recovering from surgery this weekend and week.

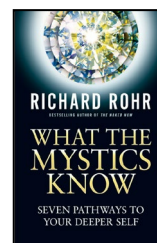
**Fall Priests’ Retreat—No Daily Masses**

This week, **October 14-18**, Msgr. Pulskamp will be attending the Diocesan Priests’ Fall Retreat. There will be no daily Masses at Star of the Valley and the church will remain locked during the week (except Tuesday.)



**Emergency Evacuation Plan**

On the bulletin board in the Msgr. Fahey Parish Center and the doors in the church are maps of the evacuation routes in case of an emergency while you are in those buildings.



**Spiritual Book Club**

Men and women are invited to join in a reflection and meditation using the book *What the Mystics Know, Seven Pathways to Your Deeper Self* by Richard Rohr. Our next session will focus on Part Six: *To Discover the Truth, You Must Become the Truth*, on Tuesday, **October 15,**

10:00–11:00 a.m. in the Quiet Room of the church.

**This Weekend — October 12–13**

**4:00 p.m.**

**10:00 a.m.**

<b>EMs:</b>	Don Shelhart	Barbara Spotleson
<b>Lector:</b>	Connie Pearson	Bowman Olds
<b>Server:</b>	Bev Shelhart	Fritz Spotleson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Livie Brant Marietta Mancuso	Judy Monroe Paula Scull
<b>Ushers:</b>	Tom Beirne	Tim Burkhard

**Next Weekend — October 19–20**

**4:00 p.m.**

**10:00 a.m.**

Linda Luceti	Kar Hofmann
Blanche Kaiser	Len Marabella
Bev Shelhart	Drew Hofmann
Cathy Hardy Pete Hardy	Sue Cummings Tim Cummings
TBD	Clarence Younger



## PARISH EVENTS—OCTOBER 13–19

Sunday, **October 13**, Donut Sunday—Msgr. Fahey Parish Center

Monday, **October 14**, Columbus/Indigenous People's Day—**Parish Office Closed**

Monday-Friday, **October 14-18**, Fall Priests' Retreat—**Church Closed**

Tuesday, **October 15**, 10:00 Spiritual Book Club—Church Quiet Room

## Weekly Collection Report

Sept 22	Sept 29	Oct 6	Weekly Goal
\$4,101	\$3,623	\$4,350	\$5,365

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



### Electronic Giving

If you would like to support our parish through electronic giving, please scan this QR code or go to our website's [Donate Here](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/starofthevalleychurch) page: [giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/starofthevalleychurch](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/starofthevalleychurch).

## Second Collections

The second collection this weekend is for **Parish Repair and Maintenance**, see below. Next weekend, the second collection will be for **World Mission Sunday** which is held on the second to last Sunday in October each year, the 20th this year.

World Mission Sunday donations help support 38,140 seminarians, 8,750 shelters and orphanages, 12,000 health centers, 844,000 catechists, and 258,540 religious sisters in over 1,100 dioceses, in Asia, Africa, Oceania, and Latin America, that cannot sustain themselves because they are too poor, young, or actively persecuted.

## Parish Repair & Maintenance

We keep the church, rectory, and Parish Center in good repair with your contributions to our monthly Parish Repair & Maintenance collections. Projects recently completed, or on our list, include:

- ▶ Trees pruned over Mary statue and at Parish Center
- ▶ Door lock repair needed at Parish Center
- ▶ HVAC in parish library needs replacing
- ▶ Replace fire security system at Parish Center
- ▶ Replace phone cables

We will have a 2nd collection this weekend, **October 12 & 13** for **Parish Repair & Maintenance**.



Star of the Valley  
Presents

# fall HARVEST DINNER

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Doors Open at 5:00 p.m.  
Happy Hour Hors d' Oeuvres

### DINNER MENU

Butternut Squash Soup,  
Chicken Cordon Bleu  
with Hollandaise Sauce,  
Roasted Carrots with Fresh Herbs,  
Potatoes Au Gratin

Dessert: Pumpkin Pie Cake

### FULL CASH BAR

**\$25** per person

By reservation only—by October 21

At the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center  
495 White Oak Drive in Oakmont

Reservations can be made by placing a check made out to "SOV Men's Club" in the Men's Club box. For tables of 5-10 people, place each check in one envelope with the names listed on the front. Reservations fill up fast, so get your request in early.

### QUESTIONS?

Call Jim Warman at 707-230-2682,  
or email: [warman804@yahoo.com](mailto:warman804@yahoo.com)

**Consecration of the Election to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**M**ary Immaculate, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the eternal Wisdom lies hidden to be adored and served by angels and men, Queen of Heaven and of Earth, beneath whose sway are subject all things that are lower than God, Patroness of the United States of America, sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation, we come to you, our refuge and hope. Knowing that our country cannot be saved by our own works and mindful of how much our nation has departed from the ways of thy Son, we humbly ask that you would turn your eyes upon our country to bring about its conversion.

Give grace to the citizens of this land so that they will choose leaders according to the Sacred Heart of your Son, that His glory may be made manifest, lest we be given the leaders we deserve.

Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and your maternal care, we have perfect confidence that you will take care of us and will not leave us forsaken. O Mary Immaculate, pray for us. Amen. —Fr. Chad Ripperger

**October Mass Count**

Each October every parish is asked to count heads at each Saturday vigil and Sunday Mass during the month. The average weekend tally is calculated and submitted

to the diocese for its records, and to determine the health and vitality of the parishes in the diocese.

**NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH**

**Walk With Mary**

Join the Rosary procession, crowning and benediction at the Carmelite House of Prayer, 20 Mt. Carmel Drive, Oakville, California, on Sunday, **October 20, 2024** at 2:00 p.m. Refreshments and social time to follow.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**  
**DENIM DRIVE**  
 ENDS OCTOBER 31ST

HELP US MEET THE NEED THIS FALL BY DONATING NEW OR USED MEN'S JEANS TODAY! ALL MEN'S STYLES AND SIZES WELCOME. MEN'S JEANS ONLY.

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