October 26, 2025 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SS. Peter & Paul Church

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The One Who

HUMBLES

Himself Will Be Exalted

Mission Statement

The people of SS. Peter & Paul Parish are called to create and sustain a community of faith in Jesus Christ. We celebrate the life of faith through the Eucharist. As we break bread together, we are inspired to care for others and are challenged to grow in faith through prayer, study, and social interaction

Vision Statement

All parishioners recognize the challenge of the Gospel and the Eucharist as evidenced by participating in various ministries, inviting and welcoming others, caring for and serving those in need, and promoting peace and justice.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism Class: Contact Darcy Wharton for Information at ext. 211

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month except during the season of Lent.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30—4:15 PM
In the Church or by appointment

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

For anyone experiencing chronic illness or preparing for medical treatment, surgery, or long-term care, please call Ext. 201 to arrange an appointment with a priest.

Sacrament of Matrimony

We welcome inquiries from engaged couples! Please call Ext. 201 for information

Christian Initiation

For adult individuals interested in becoming Catholic or for those over six years old who have not received Baptism, please call Ext. 214.

♦MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK♦					
Sat, Oct 25	5:00 PM	Ŷ	Vince Ruelas	S	Community of SSPP
Sun, Oct 26	9:00 AM	÷	Suheil Salman	t	Louie Reyes
	11:00 AM	÷	Jimmy Nolen	÷	Louie Teixeira, Jr.
	5:00 PM	S	Reed & Tami Decena	t	Victoria Welch
Mon, Oct 27	8:30 AM	÷	Joey Alva	t	David L. Hansen
Tue, Oct 28	8:30 AM	÷	David Byrum	t	Niloa, Maria & Jose Lepiten
Wed, Oct 29	8:30 AM	÷	Charyln P. Carson	S	Lawanda Tassinari
Fri, Oct 31	8:30 AM	÷	Manuelito Payuran	t	Christian Pierre Magat
Sat, Nov 1	5:00 PM	÷	All Souls	S	Gilpin Family
Sun, Nov 2	9:00 AM	S	Community of SSPP	t	Sean Hernandez
	11:00 AM	Ŷ	All Souls	t	Elinor Jorgensen
	5:00 PM	÷	Gary Naill	t	Those who have no one to pray for them

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Saturday Vigil Mass—5:00 PM Sunday Masses—9:00 AM (Live-Stream), 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM Daily Mass (M, T, W, F)—8:30 AM

Church & Adoration Chapel Hours Monday—Friday 9:00 AM—2:00 PM Saturday & Sunday 9:00 AM—6:00 PM Parish Office Hours
Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—3:30 PM
Closed 12:00—1:00 PM for lunch



Online Donations
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№Liturgy 101 •



The Tabernacle Candle

Have you ever noticed that there is a red candle placed adjacent to the Tabernacle in the Sanctuary? Have you ever seen it not lit? This candle is a visual indication of the presence of the real body of Christ in the consecrated hosts within the

Tabernacle. The lit candle is a sign of reverence and adoration for God's physical presence with us, and should always be lit as long as there are consecrated hosts present within the sacred housing.

Special Collection THIS Weekend October 25/26 is for the Facilities RMI fund



The monies collected for this fund will be specifically set aside and only used for the Repair, Maintenance or Improvement of the parish facilities. We sincerely hope that you will consider donating to this effort that will help keep SS Peter & Paul's facilities preserved and thriving.

Some of the projects currently in planning are:

- Additional lighting for the Church
- New Flooring for the Church
- o Landscaping & irrigation improvements

Please make your donation online at: www.rocklincatholic.org/rmi or place in the collection basket during the second collection. Thank you for your generosity!



Hey ladies! Join us for a fun social event after our Ladies Guild meeting on Monday, October 27th at 9:30 AM in the Multipurpose Room.

We'll be having a movie, and the Ladies Guild will be providing pizza, salad, and water. Feel free to bring your own snacks too!

Don't forget to grab your tickets for the Christmas Luncheon on December 5th. You can get them at the meeting or online at rocklincatholic.org/christmas-luncheon for \$40. All ladies of the parish are welcome to join us for the movie and luncheon!

Upcoming Liturgical Celebrations



All Saints Day, November 1st, falls on a Saturday this year. The Holy Day obligation has been abrogated, therefore, a special Liturgy for the Feast will not be held.

All Masses during the weekend of November 1st/2nd will celebrate All Souls Day.

- † During the November 1st/2nd weekend Masses we will honor those who have died with a projected slide presentation.
- Please send the picture(s) of your deceased friends or relatives, and their names, <u>electronically</u> to Laura Pipitone at <u>laura.pipitone@rocklincatholic.org</u> to be included in the slideshow. The deadline for submission is **Monday**, **October 27**th by 12:00 PM.

Sound Equipment Issues in the Church



We are aware that people are having trouble hearing in the Church, especially on the choir side.

We appreciate your patience as we seek to resolve this sound equipment issue in the next couple of weeks.

Special Collection NEXT Weekend November 1/2 is for St. Vincent de Paul.

Please make your donation online at: www.rocklincatholic.org/st-vincent-depaul-donations
Or place in the collection basket during the second collection. Thank you for your generosity!

Sprinkle a little fun into your day, have a donut!



Come for fellowship, coffee, and donuts after Sunday morning masses.

Volunteers are needed—especially at the 11:00 AM Mass. Contact Kris Cowen at kriscowen@hotmail.com for more information.



GENERATIONS OF FAITH





YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

(Kindergarten—8th Grade & Sacrament Preparation)

Upcoming Youth & Family Faith Schedule:

- Week of October 26th All Faith Formation classes meet as scheduled
- Week of November 1st NO CLASSES THIS WEEK (Confirmation Retreat Weekend)
- Week of November 9th All Faith Formation classes meet as scheduled
- Week of November 16th All Faith Formation classes meet as scheduled

FAMILY CONNECTION

In the family, one sometimes observes a level of competition between children for parent attention, for acknowledgement of their abilities. Somehow, children seem to internalize that the attention given to one member of the family diminishes the attention given to another. In this way, children can often sound like the Pharisee in Jesus' parable. Parents who provide continual reminders to their children that they are loved for who they are, not for what they do, help children develop a healthy spirituality.

As a family, talk about what it means to compare oneself to another. Discuss whether it is helpful to compare oneself to another. In what ways might this be positive? (when it motivates one to use one's talents) In what circumstances might this be unhelpful? (when it proves discouraging, when it prevents one from valuing the abilities of another)

As a family, read today's Gospel, Luke 18:9-14. Discuss: What was wrong about the prayer of the Pharisee? How can we emulate the prayer of the tax collector?

Pray together as a family in thanksgiving for the blessing that is each member of your family. Pray that your family will be free from unhealthy competition. Pray in thanksgiving that God's love for us is unconditional.

 October 26: Don't miss our annual Youth Ministry Halloween party!
 Prizes will be awarded for the best costume at our Murder Mystery themed dinner party.



- October 29: Game Night
- November 2: Life Night Topic Night—Mental Health with guest speaker Stephanie
- November 5: TTRPG Night
- November 8: Girls' Night
- November 9: Pancake breakfast in the morning; Life Night in the evening featuring Smash Bros!
- November 12: Game Night
- November 14-16: Daybreak Retreat at Marello Youth Center will focus on Mary. This retreat will fill up fast!
 www.marelloyrc.org/daybreak/2025 Register early!
- November 16: Small Faith Group Night
- November 19: TTRPG Night
- November 23: Thanksgiving Dinner for the Seniors of our community. Sign up via Flocknote or on the Youth Ministry Events page of the SSPP website.

All meetings on Sundays and Wednesdays are from 6:00-8:00 PM in Room 11 or the Multipurpose Room. Look for the LifeTeen sign!

If you have questions or would like to participate, as a teen or an adult mentor (of any age), and do not know how to get involved, contact Nancy at (916) 624-5827 ext. 203 or by email at: nancy.vonthaden@rocklincatholic.org All volunteers 18 and older must be Safe Environment certified.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Friends are welcome to join us and you do not have to be Catholic to participate!

Details for the November gathering will be announced in next week's bulletin.

If you would like to be added to the Young Adult Ministry roster or have any questions, please contact Nancy Von Thaden at (916) 624-5827 ext. 203 or text (916) 343-1168.



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Book Club Selection



Our book club has selected The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride by Joe Siple.

At 100 years old, Murray McBride has outlived everyone he's ever loved. But when he meets Jason Cashman, a 10-year-old boy with a terminal illness, Murray may learn something about finding meaning in life as he helps his young friend fulfill his last wishes.

Our Book Club Discussion will be held on November 18th at 4:00 PM in the Parish Library Building.



Caregivers Ministry

The Caregivers Ministry meets Wednesday, November 5th from 12:00-1:00 PM in Room #1 of the classroom buildings.

If you are providing part-time or full time care to a loved one, we invite you to attend the caregivers ministry gathering. Join with others who share this experience. You will find support, information, and camaraderie. Feel free to bring lunch and a friend.

For more information, contact Jo Kellog at jokellogg@gmail.com

Christian Initiation – Inquiry into Catholicism

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?

Conversion is a gradual process as well as a community and personal journey of faith that leads to a transformation of mind and spirit.

The first step in the process of Christian Initiation is the inquiry phase: a time to get your questions answered and think about whether or not this is for you. For more information about the process, please contact Katie Maynard at 916-624-5827 ext. 214 or katie.maynard@rocklincatholic.org





to take the optional online

assessment (\$25) and bring

the results to the workshop.

This is an experience just for the two of you that you will never forget!

The Journey begins at one of the following venues:

- November 7-9, 2025—Woodland, CA
- o November 14-16, 2025—Danville, CA

This is a time to:

- Restore the communication in your relationship,
- Rekindle the romance, and
- Renew your relationship with your spouse.

A Marriage Encounter weekend is a wonderful opportunity to focus on each other without distraction and learn more about your relationship.

Contact Terry and Janet Doane at 916-489-3464, applications@sacramentowwme.org, or wwme.org



Did you know SS. Peter & Paul hosts a Boy Scout Troop on campus?

Troop 435 is a diverse community of about 50 scouts ranging in age from 11 to 17. The Boy Scouts help to develop

moral character, leadership and life skills in a safe environment.

The boys take part in various service projects in our community which include preparing aid packages for troops overseas, trash collection in local parks, working with seniors in the Ansel Memory Care Center, packing meals for starving children overseas and more. We hope to engage in service projects at SS. Peter & Paul Parish in the near future.

We meet every Thursday from 7:00 PM to 8.30 PM in Rooms 2 & 3. We are a warm and welcoming group and invite boys in the parish to come and join us or just check us out.

Mark your calendars!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation time will be changing! Beginning Saturday, November 29th, the First Weekend of Advent, our Sacrament of Reconciliation time

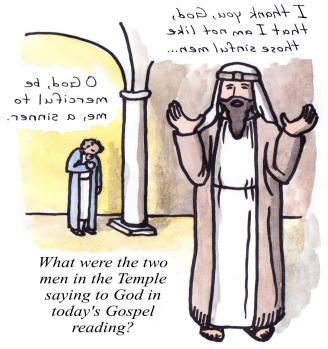


on Saturdays will be moving from 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM to 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM.



The Kids' Bulletin

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Look in the mirror to find out!

Luke 18:9-14

Be humble.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee, always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?

The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with his head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him. He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think

that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner!

Opportunities For Holiday Giving/Receiving Offered By SS. Peter & Paul Parish

If you are a parishioner of SS. Peter and Paul and you can share with others, thank you. If you are a parishioner in need, please call the parish office at 916-624-5827, ext. 201 and allow us to help you with your need.



THANKSGIVNG FOOD CARD DONATIONS November 2-23

Sharing a Thanksgiving Day meal with family and friends is very special for it gives families the opportunity to gather together and give thanks to God for all their blessings. Some families cannot afford a turkey and all the fixings to celebrate this favorite family meal. A \$50 food card to your favorite grocery store would be appreciated to give to these families in need. Drop off the food cards at the parish office or in the offertory basket. Call Melissa in the parish office at 916-624-5827, ext. 201 with questions about donating a card OR to receive a food card for Thanksgiving.

ANNUAL GIVING TREE

Grocery

The annual Giving Tree will begin in early November. The tree will be in the Church Vestibule November 1 through December 1.

As in the past, each agency will have a specific-colored star with the agency's name requesting a \$25 gift card from either Target or Walmart. You may take as many stars as you wish. Return the stars attached to the gift cards in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. The deadline for returning the cards is Tuesday, December 2. This allows the agencies to distribute the cards to their clients in early December, and their clients to purchase their specific needs.

If you have questions, please call Dorothy Peterson at 916-773-5478. Thank you so much for your generosity.



CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS November 27-December 7

You are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the 8:30 AM Mass on

Thanksgiving Day. You may also leave non-perishable food items in the Social Hall in the specially marked bins until December 7th. These non-perishable food donations will be used for our Parish Food Closet and are given to the Loomis Basin Christmas Basket Program which serves the needy in Rocklin, Loomis, Newcastle, and Penryn. For more information, call Tom Krudwig at 916-632-9142.



The Ladies Guild Christmas Luncheon

An annual event bringing the ladies of our parish together, along with their significant others and friends, to enjoy the holiday season. Tickets will be sold at the October and November meetings or online. You can find more information and buy tickets on the Parish website at:

www.rocklincatholic.org/christmas-luncheon



RSVP for the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors in our Parish Community Hosted by Youth Ministry

When: Sunday, November 23th from 3:00-5:00 PM

Where: SS. Peter & Paul Social Hall

Join us for a homemade Thanksgiving dinner, pumpkin pie, and Bingo!

RSVP in the Parish office, in the binder in the Church Vestibule, OR online at www.rocklincatholic.org/thanksgiving-dinner

The deadline to RSVP is November 18th at 5:00 PM.



Prayer for Vocations

Almighty God, please open our minds and hearts to your light and truth as we discern and fulfill our vocations according to your will. May the intercession of our

Blessed Mother guide us in our vocations to the priesthood, religious life, marriage, and family life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

National Vocation Awareness Week

will be celebrated in our country November 2-8, 2025. Please consider a Holy Hour, praying the Rosary, and the following prayer to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life:



Senior

God our Father, We thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen (www.usccb.org)



Healing and Hope, an USCCB initiative on mental health

"As pastors, we want to emphasize this point to anyone who is suffering from mental illness or facing mental health challenges: nobody and nothing can

alter or diminish our God-given dignity. You are a beloved child of God, a God of healing and hope" – Archbishop Borys Gudziak and Bishop Robert Barron.

For more information, visit:

https://www.usccb.org/healing-and-hope

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

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First Reading—Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

The book of Sirach was written by a wise teacher who lived 200 years before Christ. It is a loose collection of thoughts on various concerns in the life of a believer. In today's section, Sirach describes how God relates to us, and how we are to relate to God.

Second Reading—2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Today we hear the concluding lines of the second letter to Timothy. This letter was written in Paul's name sometime after his death. Today's passage depicts Paul's thoughts while he was in prison, awaiting martyrdom.

Gospel Reading—Luke 18:9-14

In Jesus' parable about a Pharisee and a tax collector, his original audience would have instinctively compared them, thinking the first to be admirable and the latter despicable. Pharisees were known for their piety. This one fasts and tithes above and beyond what is required. Surely these actions indicate that he is righteous. The Pharisee's prayer, however, indicates otherwise. He appears to have no need of God. The tax collector, meanwhile, beats his breast and prays simply, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner." Focusing on God, he prays for openness to divine mercy, which has the power to transform his sinfulness.

The end of the parable is startling: it is the tax collector who is in right relation. He is acutely aware of his utter dependence on God.

In truth, there's something of the Pharisee in us, as we so easily make comparisons, exalting ourselves by humiliating others. There's also something of the tax collector in us, who humbly recognizes his own weaknesses while opening himself to the Source of all mercy. The parable invites us to leave aside all comparisons and to seek oneness with the incomparably Merciful One. From this stance comes right relation with all.

God of justice and mercy, you hear the cries of the poor and the needy, and you hasten to their aid. We ask for your forgiveness, knowing that we fall short of serving and loving others as you have taught us. Grant the humility to trust in your redeeming love.

Amen.