

*April 12, 2026
Divine Mercy
Sunday*

SS. Peter & Paul Church

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*Jesus,
I trust
in you!*

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 4:00—4:45 PM
In the Church or by appointment

Christian Initiation

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

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

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.

Funeral Inquiries

Please contact our Funeral Ministry at:
funerals@rocklincatholic.org

✠MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK✠

Sat, Apr. 11	5:00 PM	✠	Beth Batchelder	✠	Alfred & Bertha Lujan
Sun, Apr. 12	9:00 AM	S	Gilpin & Fox Families	✠	Lucy Martinez
	11:00 AM	S	Community of SSPP	✠	Egbert Capalla, Sr.
	5:00 PM	✠	Carol Toca, Sr.	✠	Jack & Lorraine Wharton
Mon, Apr. 13	8:30 AM	✠	Michael Parsons, Sr.	✠	Linda Massick
Tue, Apr. 14	8:30 AM	✠	Leonor Siva	✠	Lois Knoll
Wed, Apr. 15	8:30 AM	✠	Peter Mascola	✠	Bill Jorgensen
Fri, Apr. 17	8:30 AM	✠	Julie Plantz	S	Justin Ross
Sat, Apr. 18	5:00 PM	✠	James Kim	✠	Sue Campbell
Sun, Apr. 19	9:00 AM	✠	Joseph Horvath	S	Amber Titus
	11:00 AM	S	Raymond Underwood	✠	Judy Brown Family
	5:00 PM	S	Community of SSPP	S	Gilpin-Walsh Family

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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



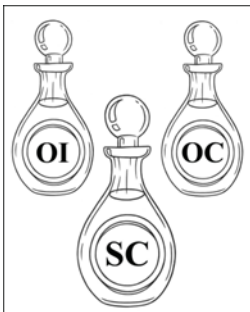
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✠ Liturgy 101 ✠

Holy Oils



Throughout the Bible, various references indicate the importance of olive oil in daily life. Oil was used in cooking - particularly in the making of bread, as a fuel for lamps, and as a healing agent in medicine. Beyond these practical uses, oil had social and ritual significance: anointing the head of

a guest as a sign of welcome, beautifying one's appearance, and preparing a body for burial.

Sacred Scripture also attests to the spiritual symbolism of oil. Psalm 23:5 reads, "You anoint my head with oil," signifying favor and strength from the Lord. Furthermore, being "the anointed" of the Lord indicated a special vocation and empowerment by the Holy Spirit.

The early Church adopted the use of olive oil for its sacramental rituals. Continuing this tradition, at the annual Chrism Mass, the Bishop blesses three oils – the Oil of Catechumens (*Oleum Catechumenorum* or *Oleum Sanctorum*), the Oil of the Infirm (*Oleum Infirmorum*), and Holy Chrism (*Sacrum Chrisma*) – which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year. (*To be continued...*)



Coffee and Donuts Hiatus

The Coffee and Donuts ministry is taking a "Spring Break." We will keep you posted as to their return.

Dance and Pray

Join us **Monday, April 13th at 6:30 PM** in **Classroom #1** (close to the Faith Formation Office).

Remember to wear comfortable clothes, shoes/sneakers, and bring water. We'll move, dance, and pray for about an hour.

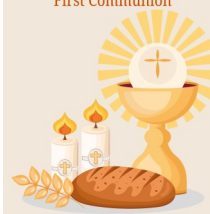
We found out that putting one of those low-cut no-show socks on the bottom of our shoes/sneakers makes it easier to dance on carpet. Remember to bring a pair.

Feel free to invite a friend to Dance & Pray with us! Email Lucia at luciadanceandpray@gmail.com for more information.



JOB OPENINGS

JOB OPENING:
Faith Formation Coordinator
Grades 1-6 and
First Communion



SS. Peter & Paul Parish is looking for a full time Faith Formation Coordinator for Grades 1st–6th & First Communion. This person would be responsible for organizing and developing the faith formation programming for children in 1st through 6th grade and their families, as well as First Communion preparation. Please contact Melissa Terry at melissa.terry@rocklincatholic.org for more information.

SS. Peter & Paul Parish is looking for a full time Coordinator of High School Youth Ministry and Confirmation for Grades 7th– 12th. This person would be responsible for the planning, coordination, and implementation of a comprehensive faith program that supports 7th through 12th grade students in their sacramental preparation and ongoing discipleship. Please contact Melissa Terry at melissa.terry@rocklincatholic.org for more information.

JOB OPENING:
Coordinator of High School
Youth Ministry &
Confirmation



food &
friendship
potluck

JOIN US FOR THE FOOD & FRIENDSHIP POTLUCK GATHERING MONDAY, APRIL 13th!

Join your fellow parishioners for the monthly potluck lunch gathering and make some new friends! You are invited to bring a potluck dish (to feed around 4-6 people) to the Multipurpose Room at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 13th.

No RSVP is needed and you are welcome to bring a friend.

These fun potlucks are the second Monday of each month. For more information contact Barbara Warmerdam at barbara.warmerdam@gmail.com.

Lost and Found!

Did you forget your favorite rosary, jacket, sunglasses, or maybe a water bottle the last time you were at Mass or at a meeting in the Church?



We have a lost and found bin that is located in the "Children's Cry Room." Check it out for anything you may have lost or left behind lately. Items not claimed will be donated by **April 27th**. Please take a look!



YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (Kindergarten—High School)

We hope everyone had a blessed Easter! As we continue celebrating the Easter season, we welcome our families back to Faith Formation classes. With only two classes remaining this year, we look forward to finishing our Faith Formation year together in faith and joy.

Upcoming Youth & Family Faith Schedule:

Week of April 12th & 13th: Classes meet as scheduled
Week of April 19th & 20th: Classes meet as scheduled
 (last class sessions of the year)

Confirmation This Week!

Please pray for our parish's 83 youth Confirmation candidates as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this

Wednesday, April 15th, with Auxiliary Bishop Rey Bersabal presiding. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen these young people as they are sealed with the gifts of faith and sent forth to live as witnesses of Christ.



TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- Go back in time and put yourself in Thomas' shoes-- would you have believed that Jesus was alive if you weren't there to see it with your own eyes? How would you have felt if you were Thomas the second time Jesus appeared?
- How would you feel if Jesus appeared to you and said, "Peace be with you"?
- Who would you invite if you had a party where Jesus would appear? Why?



High School Youth Ministry Small Groups

The next Youth Ministry Small Group will meet on Sunday, April 19th from 6:15 PM -7:45 PM in the Multipurpose Room. Hope to see you there!

High School Youth Ministry Meal Sign-Up

For each date/sign up (link below) we ask that you bring food to feed approximately 25-30 teens & volunteers (a "main course," potentially a side dish depending on the main course, and a dessert of some sort if you wish).

We will provide paper products (plates, bowls, napkins, utensils, etc.) and drinks. Please deliver your meal to the Multipurpose Room at 6:00 PM. We will have someone to meet you and help you set-up. Families are welcome to stay and serve the food, or not. Either way is fine!

Thank you for your support of our High School Youth Ministry Program. [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CA4A72BAB9-61860302-high#/#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CA4A72BAB9-61860302-high#/)



INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Have you joined us from another religion and would now like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

Were you baptized a Catholic but never completed the Sacraments of Initiation, Confirmation or Eucharist?

Have you been worshipping with us, but have never taken the step to become Catholic?

Do you have a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?

If any of these situations apply to you, we would love to assist you on your journey! For more information, please contact Katie Maynard at 916-624-5827 ext. 214 or katie.maynard@rocklincatholic.org.

Women's Retreat Registration Continues

Don't miss this year's Women's Retreat! Our theme this year is "Touching the Hem". We will explore the many ways that God responds when we reach out. Questions? Contact Darcy in the parish office.



2026 Womens Retreat

Touching the Hem

May 19-20 2026
10:00 AM Tuesday - 2:00 PM Wednesday

Mercy Center in Auburn

Overnight Retreat Includes

- Presentations
- Discussions & Social Time
- Individual Reflection
- Music
- 4 Delicious Meals
- Private Room

\$170 PER PERSON

Information & Registration

rocklincatholic.org/womens-retreat

Facilitated by Darcy Wharton, Spiritual Director
& Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation

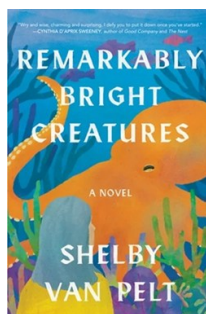
Belonging Ministry Meets ONLINE on April 22nd

Did you know that our parish has a ministry for LGBT individual, family members, and friends? Our priority is to find ways to make everyone feel welcome in our parish and to be a resource to those who have questions.



Our next meeting will be on April 22nd at 6:00 PM via Zoom and will be facilitated by Darcy Wharton and Jane Hapoff. To receive the link, please email darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org and the link will be sent a day before the meeting.

Book Club Selection



Our parish book club has selected *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. Discover how a widow forms an unlikely friendship with a giant Pacific octopus and together they uncover the truth about her son's disappearance.

This author's debut novel is a gentle reminder that sometimes taking a hard look at the past can help uncover a future that once felt impossible.

Discussion: May 12th at 4:00 PM in the Library Building.

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This Week on Formed

Week of April 12, 2026



Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

Consider praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in a new way with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This video on Formed includes breathtaking footage of Catholics across the world performing works of mercy and asking God to have mercy on us.



Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.



BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Divine Mercy Sunday

First Reading—Acts 2:42-47

Luke wrote a two-volume work: Volume One was his Gospel; Volume Two was the Acts of the Apostles, which describes the life of the Church after the Resurrection of Jesus. Every year, during the seven weeks of the Easter season, the first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles. In today's passage, Luke gives an idealized description of early Christian community life.

Second Reading—1 Peter 1:3-9

Our second reading during most of this Easter season is taken from the first letter of Peter, which was addressed to Christians living in the northern part of what is today Turkey. These Christians found themselves out of step with the society in which they lived, and they felt abused and discriminated against. The Resurrection of Jesus was held out to them as a basis of hope during their trials, which is why the Church chooses to read from this book during the Easter season.

Gospel Reading—John 20:19-31

An ancient way of determining when a person had died was to hold a glass mirror under the person's nostrils to detect any trace of moist air indicating that there was still some breath of life. Before modern methods of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), a person who had stopped breathing was simply allowed to slip away. In today's gospel, the risen Christ reinfuses the breath of life into the constricted lungs of the believing community, releasing them from the fear that choked their ability to breathe together and to live fully for his mission.

The frightened disciples are gathered behind locked doors "for fear of the Jews." In the aftermath of Jesus' execution, their fear is understandable—will they be next? Into the midst of this fearful space Jesus enters, inviting his disciples to accept the peace he desires for them. It is not a peace that ignores the brutality inflicted on him, as he shows them the still visible wounds. It is a peace that recognizes full well the horror of what has occurred and results from the willingness to enter into processes of healing, forgiveness, and reconciliation, rather than retaliatory violence. An ability to see the wounds differently, not as something that needed to be avenged but as something that Christ was already able to heal with his peace and his spirit, enables the disciples to let their fear give way to joy.

What results is a rebirth of the community. Just as the Creator brings to life the first human being by breathing into its nostrils, so the risen Christ—the Word of God through whom humanity and all things were created—breathes upon them and in breathing upon them brings back to life the frightened community of his followers.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Today, besides being the second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy. It is the special day when we remember the mercy of God.

Mercy is when a person treats another better than they deserve. God does not owe us anything, since everything we have comes from Him. When we sin we offend God, but because He is merciful He forgives us when we are sorry.



Jesus' dying on the cross was the biggest act of mercy. He gave up His life so that we could be forgiven of our sins and go to Heaven! Thank God today for all He has given you, especially giving up His life so that you can go to Heaven!



Here are some easy prayers you can say to ask God to be merciful to us:

***Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Have mercy on us!***

Jesus, I trust in You!

Answer to Word-Find: My Lord and my God!
www.thekidsbulletin.com



Doubting Thomas Word-Find

Find the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle, and when you're done use the left over letters to fill in the blanks near the end.

T W E L V E S I N S R M
H R Y W U D J E W S E L
O E V E N I N G O R J F
M C D E L S A A S F O O
A E F K E C I P E A I R
S I E N S I L E N T C G
H V A D S P S A D H E I
A E R M Y L O C K E D V
N B E L I E V E D R G E
D J E S U S P I R I T N
S I D E B L E S S E D O
U N B E L I E V I N G D

In the EVENING when the doors were locked where the DISCIPLES were for FEAR of the JEWS, Jesus came and said, "PEACE be with you," and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples REJOICED. JESUS said again, "Peace be with you. As the FATHER has sent me, so I SEND you." He breathed on them and said, "RECEIVE the Holy SPIRIT. Whose SINS you forgive are FORGIVEN them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

THOMAS, one of the TWELVE, wasn't there when Jesus came so they told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said, "UNLESS I see the mark of the NAILS in his hands and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A WEEK later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, though the doors were LOCKED, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my HANDS, and bring your hand and put it into my SIDE, and do not be UNBELIEVING, but believe." Thomas said to him,

"_____!"
Jesus said, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? BLESSED are those who have not seen and have BELIEVED."

Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God—our children.



Reporting Abuse

If anyone has witnessed, or has reason to believe, or might suspect, there is or has been abuse involving clergy, employees or volunteers at any of our Catholic schools, parish religious education programs or other church-related events, those suspicions or allegations are to be reported first to civil authorities (law enforcement, child protective services, or adult protective services) and then to the Diocese via the toll-free line at 866-777-9133. You may also reach the Pastoral Care Coordinator at 916-733-0142. Reports can be made in English and Spanish.

Week 1—Did you know...

Child abuse comes in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is part of a healthy development. But excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in every image. The viewing of these images is an offence against the human dignity.



Special Collection Next Weekend April 18/19 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:

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

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!

2026 Sacramento Classic: Priests + Seminarians Annual Basketball Game

Join the Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations, for the Sacramento Priests + Seminarians Annual basketball game on **Tuesday, June 16th** at Christian Brothers High School Gym in Sacramento.

Cost of tickets: \$15 - Adults, \$5 - Students (K-College), \$60 - Group of 6 Adults. Children age 4 or under, Religious Sisters, Deacons and Priests are FREE.

Tickets can be purchased online starting April 15 at www.scd.org/basketball

For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 916-733-0258.



Quo Vadis Retreat ("Where Are You Going?")

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites all young men ages 13 to 17 to the **2026 Quo Vadis Retreat**.

Dates: July 31-August 1—Marello Youth Retreat Center, 6530 Wells Ave, Loomis

Cost: \$100

Schedule for the weekend: Friday arrive at 4 PM and Saturday depart at 7 PM (This is an overnight stay retreat).

To register your son, please visit www.scd.org/quovadis or contact us at (916) 733-0258.

Celebrating Children At SS. Peter & Paul Church

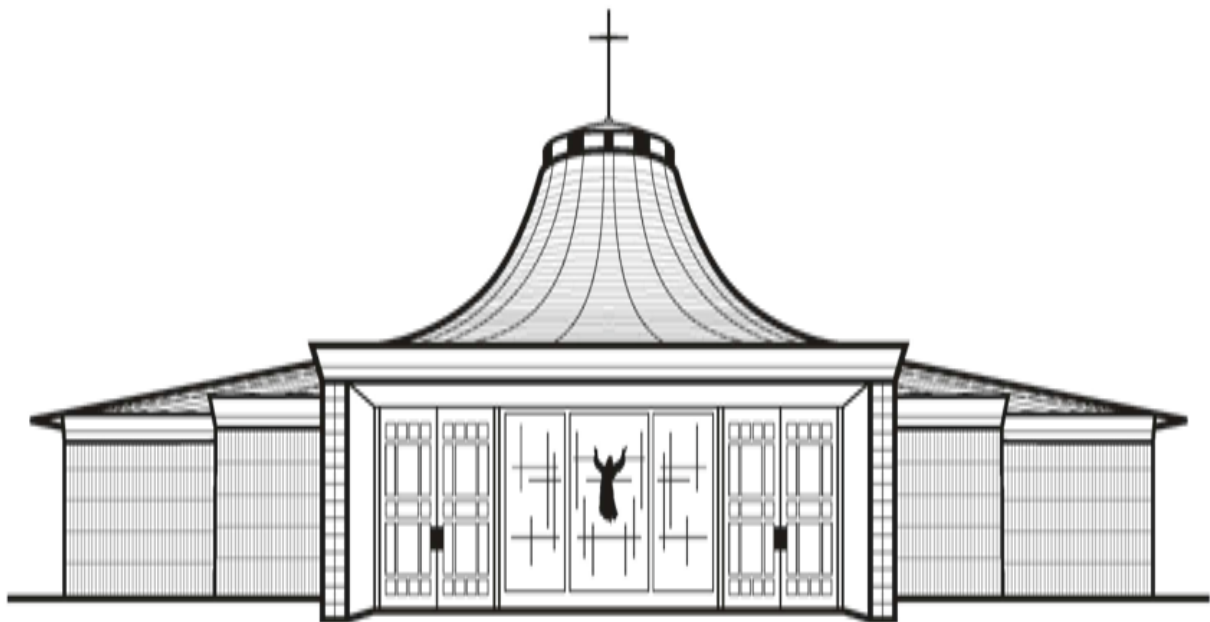
To the parents of our young children, may we suggest...



- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's House.
- Consider sitting toward the front where it's easier to see and hear.
- Quietly explain the parts of the Mass.
- Sing the songs, pray and say the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you!
- Feel free to leave Mass with your child if you need to, but please come back!

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to Jesus. Let them know that they are at home in this liturgical gathering (Mass).

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