

*May 3, 2026  
Fifth Sunday  
of Easter*

*SS. Peter & Paul Church*

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**I AM**

**The Way  
The Truth  
The Life**

### ***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](mailto:funerals@rocklincatholic.org)

✠MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK✠

Sat, May 2	5:00 PM	S	Bernadette & Karen Samoissette	✠	Teresa Knapp
Sun, May 3	9:00 AM	✠	Joseph Horvath	✠	Leonor Siva
	11:00 AM	S	Community of SSPP	✠	Connie Brown Ruiz
	5:00 PM	✠	Theresia Vettiyadan	✠	Manuel de Jesus Portillo
Mon, May 4	8:30 AM	✠	Tammy Fahrion	✠	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tue, May 5	8:30 AM	✠	Margaret Hutchinson	✠	John Hutchinson
Wed, May 6	8:30 AM	✠	Kenneth Stanley	✠	Amalia Schornack
Fri, May 8	8:30 AM	✠	Princey Lynch	✠	William & Dorothy Clifford
Sat, May 9	5:00 PM	✠	Maria & Joseph Do	S	Those who have no one to pray for them
Sun, May 10	9:00 AM	✠	Louise & Alexander Kyle	S	Larry Boehm
	11:00 AM	✠	Jimmy Nolen	✠	Toni DeGiovanni
	5:00 PM	✠	Francesca Carbone	S	Community of SSPP

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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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# May 3, 2026 — Fifth Sunday of Easter

## ✠ Liturgy 101 ✠

### Holy Oils continued—The SC



Holy Chrism Oil (SC - Sanctum Chrisma)

Composition: Olive oil mixed with balsam (a fragrant resin).

Purpose: Consecration. It symbolizes the "aroma of Christ" and the strength of the Holy Spirit.

Usage: Used in Baptism (after the water), Confirmation, Holy Orders (priests and bishops), and the dedication of altars/churches.

In the Old Testament, anointing was reserved for priests, prophets, and kings. Today, Holy Chrism is used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders—each of which leaves an "indelible mark" or permanent character on the soul.

The blessing of Holy Chrism is unique. During the rite, the Bishop breathes over the oil, a powerful gesture symbolizing:

- The **Holy Spirit** descending to consecrate the oil.
- The **life-giving grace** bestowed upon those who receive these sacraments.

Through this sacred anointing, we are "set apart" and empowered to share in the mission of Christ.

### Serve with Joy: Coffee & Donut Ministry Lead Needed!

We are looking for a new **Coffee & Donut Ministry Lead** to help keep our Sunday morning fellowship sweet! If you have a heart for hospitality and a little bit of organizational flair, we need you.



#### The Role:

- Coordinate weekly donut orders
- Organize the team of volunteers
- Oversee set-up & clean-up of Social Hall

**Interested?** Please contact Melissa Terry at the Parish Office. Help us keep the coffee brewing and the community growing!



### Coffee and Donuts Hiatus

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



### RITE OF ENTRANCE

This weekend at the Sunday 5:00 PM Mass we will joyfully welcome our Catechumens: Sophia Fusano and Tami Decena, and our Candidate: Anh Ho and who will be received into the Order of Catechumens. St. Paul teaches us in his letter to the Galatians that a Catechumen is one who has seen the good things of the Lord and wants to learn more about them. Sophia, Tami and Anh have recognized some qualities in us (the community of SS. Peter & Paul) and they wish to join our faith tradition.

You are encouraged to support and welcome our Catechumens and Candidate as they continue their journey with us. Please remember our sisters in your prayers. In the year to come, Sophia and Tami will prepare for their Initiation into the Christian faith through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist; and Anh, who is already one with us through Baptism, will prepare to complete her Christian Initiation through Confirmation and Eucharist to be received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church.

### JOIN US FOR THE FOOD & FRIENDSHIP POTLUCK GATHERING MONDAY, MAY 11th!



food & friendship potluck

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, May 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

These fun potlucks are the second Monday of each month in the Multipurpose Room from 11:00 am—1:00 PM.

For more information contact Barbara Warmerdam at [barbara.warmerdam@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.warmerdam@gmail.com).



### Special Collection THIS Weekend May 2/3 is for St. Vincent de Paul.

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



# GENERATIONS OF FAITH



## YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (Kindergarten—High School)

Youth & Family Faith Formation classes have ended for this year but, will resume again in September. Information and details regarding next year's Faith Formation program will be communicated as plans are finalized. The parish looks forward to continuing to support the faith formation of our children and families in the year ahead. Thank you for being part of our Faith Formation family!

### Looking ahead to Faith Formation 2026-2027

If you have children who have been registered in kindergarten through seventh grade during this 2025-2026 Faith Formation year, you will automatically receive registration materials for next year.

If you are new to our parish or have children who have not been previously enrolled, and you would like to receive registration materials, please email [faithformation.sspp@gmail.com](mailto:faithformation.sspp@gmail.com) with your name, mailing address, phone number, names and ages of the children in your family.

### First Eucharist and Confirmation Preparation:

Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation is a consecutive two-year process, typically beginning in the 1st grade (Reconciliation/Eucharist) and 7th grade (Confirmation). Please contact a Faith Formation staff member for more information.

## PRAYER

In the month of May, we remember Mary, the Mother of God, in a special way. A beautiful way to honor Mary is to pray a rosary. For a refresher on how to pray the rosary, visit <https://www.rosarycenter.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary/> for a simple introduction to the rosary.

## LITURGY LINK

When Jesus begins a phrase with "Amen, amen, I say to you," it means, "pay attention, this is important!" The word "amen" by itself means "so be it" or "I believe". Count how many times you say the word "amen" at Mass today.



## High School Youth Ministry Small Groups

The next Youth Ministry Small Group will meet on **Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** from 6:15 PM -7:45 PM in the Multipurpose Room. Hope to see you there!

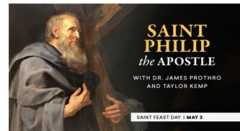


## This Week on Formed Week of May 03, 2026



### The Boy From Milan: Stories of Carlo Acutis

Discover the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, the young boy from Milan. You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



### St. Philip the Apostle | Catholic Saints

Dr. James Prothro and Taylor Kemp reflect upon St. Philip the Apostle. St. Philip often brought others to Jesus Christ. His feast day is May 3. Jesus shows Philip that by following Himself, he will see God the Father, and that we can be bold in our evangelization and intercession in praying for others.



### Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer

"Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer" is a beautifully animated film that brings to life the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share the Catholic faith with the world.

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit [signup.formed.org](https://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE



## Christian Initiation for Adults

is the communal process through which non-baptized men and women become members of the Catholic Church. It is also suitable for those baptized in different faith traditions who are interested in becoming

Catholic, or for those who were baptized Catholic but have yet to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information about the process, please call Katie Maynard at 916-624-5827 ext. 214 or [katie.maynard@rocklincatholic.org](mailto:katie.maynard@rocklincatholic.org)

## Wait List Has Begun for the Women's Retreat

We are now accepting names for our waitlist. 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

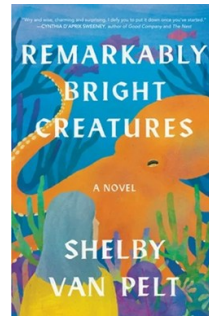
- Presentations
- Discussions & Social Time
- Individual Reflection
- Music
- 4 Delicious Meals
- Private Room

**\$170 PER PERSON**

### Information & Registration

[rocklincatholic.org/womens-retreat](http://rocklincatholic.org/womens-retreat)

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



## 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 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM in the Library Building.

**Catholics Returning Home Series begins June 15**



## Catholics Returning Home

You are invited to join us for our popular four-session Catholics Returning Home series. This series is perfect if you've been away from the Church for any period of time or if you would like a refresher course on what we do at Mass, what the Church teaches, and more! All questions are welcomed.

We will begin on June 15 at 6:00 PM. To register, visit [www.rocklincatholic.org/catholics-returning-home](http://www.rocklincatholic.org/catholics-returning-home) or call Darcy in the parish office.



## Baptism Preparation Class

If you have welcomed a new member into your family or if you have been asked to be a godparent, we offer an online baptism preparation class via Zoom once a month.

Our next class will be May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. To register or for more information, visit [www.rocklincatholic.org/baptism](http://www.rocklincatholic.org/baptism)



## 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](http://www.scd.org/quovadis) or contact us at (916) 733-0258.



## Dance and Pray

Join us **Monday, May 4th 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](mailto:luciadanceandpray@gmail.com) for more information.



## Caregivers Ministry

The Caregivers Ministry meets Wednesday, May 6th 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 questions or information contact: Jo Kellog at [jo.kellogg@gmail.com](mailto:jo.kellogg@gmail.com) or Claire Stroope at [claire@stroope.net](mailto:claire@stroope.net)

## Thinking of a way to donate to SS Peter and Paul and save on your taxes?



For retirees who've accumulated significant savings in their tax-deferred accounts, the onset of required minimum distributions (RMDs) at age 73 or 75—depending on your birth year—can have serious tax consequences. That's because the higher the balance in your tax-deferred accounts, the higher your RMDs—and potentially your tax bracket.

If charitable giving is part of your financial plan, a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) can further your philanthropic goals and help reduce the tax hit from your RMD.

QCDs allow individuals age 70½ and older to make tax-free donations directly from an IRA to a qualified charity, potentially satisfying all or part of their annual RMDs from their IRA accounts. Generally, you can make a QCD from any tax-deferred IRA account.

Consult your financial advisor or tax professional to see if QCD's are right for your situation.

**Thank you for your continued support and generosity.**

## BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Fifth Sunday of Easter

### First Reading—Acts 6:1-7

In Jerusalem at the time of Christ, some Jewish people spoke Greek, others spoke Aramaic, and they each went to their own synagogues. It appears that the Apostles were among those who spoke Aramaic. In today's reading, we will hear some of the problems this created in the Christian community and how these were addressed.

### Second Reading—1 Peter 2:4-9

The first letter of Peter was written to a Christian community that felt alienated from their pagan neighbors. Today the author reminds them that they belong to a special group of people, the people of God.

### Gospel Reading—John 14:1-12

In today's gospel, Jesus not only exhorts his disciples to have untroubled hearts, but he helps them know how to find the way there. The setting is the Last Supper and the disciples have plenty good reasons to be distressed. Jesus has been speaking of going away and of being handed over and of being denied by two of his closest friends. The disciples are confused and anxious. Where is he going and how can they know the way to be with him?

Oftentimes Jesus' assertions that there are many dwelling places in his Father's house and that he is going to prepare a place for the disciples are taken literally. But the dwelling place of which Jesus speaks is a profound union with him that is both a present reality and a continually deepening movement that will be brought to completion in the fullness of time.

This is not an easy thing to grasp, nor is it a facile journey. Yet in another sense, there is nothing more simple: Jesus himself is the Way. We know the way into the untroubled heart of God, and we have seen the fullness of the divine visible in Jesus.

Jesus, you are our Way, our Truth, and our Life. Help us to follow you, to believe in you, and to live our lives in imitation of your love and service. Amen.





## Celebrate Summer at Christ the King Retreat Center!

Join us for our annual **Summer Fiesta** at the Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center in Citrus Heights! Bring the whole family for a wonderful day of faith, community, and fun.

**When:** Sunday, June 7, 2026 | 11:00 am – 3:30 pm

### Fiesta Highlights

- Mass & Fellowship: Enjoy time together in our beautiful retreat setting.
- Family Fun: Games, face painting, and live music featuring the Red Rooster Band.
- Raffle: Don't miss your chance to win exciting prizes!

### Lunch Details

Enjoy a delicious hamburger or chicken lunch!

- Pre-sale: \$10 (Must be ordered by Friday, May 29)
- Day-of Price: \$12
- Children 5 and under: Free!

### How to Purchase Tickets

Tickets are available now—get yours today to secure the advance pricing:

- Online: [www.christthekingretreatcenter.org](http://www.christthekingretreatcenter.org)
- By Phone: 916-725-4720, ext. 302
- On-Site: Visit our office to purchase in person.

Questions? Please contact Sandra Gill at 916-725-4720, ext. 302. We look forward to seeing you there!

## 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.

Purchase tickets online at [www.scd.org/basketball](http://www.scd.org/basketball)

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



**St. Rose School** students are gearing up for our Jog-A-Thon on **Friday, May 8th**, and we'd love your support!

This event helps raise funds for field trips, assemblies, and enriching experiences for all students.

As a regional Catholic school, many of our students are parishioners in your parish community, and we are grateful for your continued support.

If you have a student at St. Rose School, you can support them directly. If not, you can still make a difference by donating below—every gift helps.

Our giving platform will remain open through Sunday, May 10th: [give.mybooster.com/st-rose-school-1](https://give.mybooster.com/st-rose-school-1)

Thank you for supporting our students!

## Chaldean Middle Eastern Festival

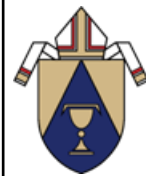


Date: Saturday, June 6, 2026

Time: 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Location: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church  
7625 Hazel Ave, Orangevale

Includes: Free Admission, Authentic Food, Live Music, Local Vendors & Artisans, Traditional Dance, and Family Friendly Activities



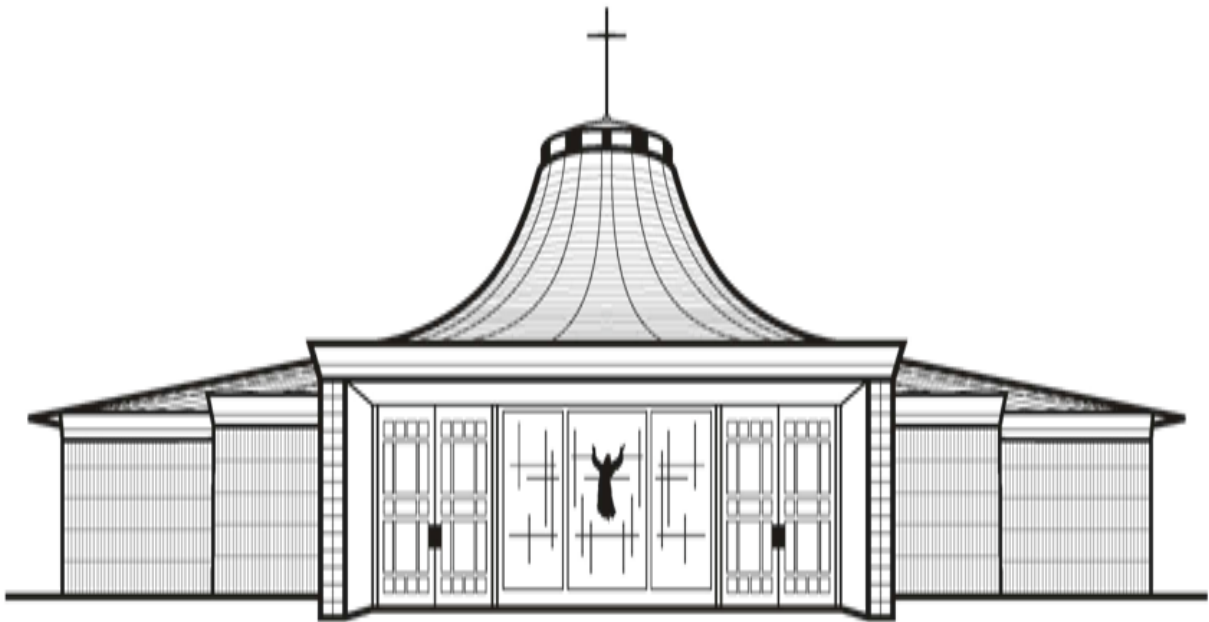
## Camp ReCreation: Nurses Needed – June 2026

Are you a registered nurse with a flexible schedule? Retired nurse? Or school nurse off for the summer?

Camp ReCreation, a program designed for individuals with disabilities, is seeking camp nurses to volunteer at our sleepaway camp between June 6-20, 2026.

If you are a nurse licensed in CA (RN or LVN) and would like to help, please contact our camp office at [hellocamprecreation@gmail.com](mailto:hellocamprecreation@gmail.com). You can also visit our website at [www.camprecreation.org](http://www.camprecreation.org) or send an email via our portal. Thank you in advance for your interest!

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