

*July 19, 2026
The Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

SS. Peter & Paul Church

4450 Granite Drive - Rocklin, CA 95677
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*When the crop
grew and
bore fruit,
the weeds
appeared
as well.*

Matthew 13:26

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.

✠MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK✠

Sat, Jul 18	5:00 PM	✠	Dick Do	✠	Marshall & Marcella Edwards
Sun, Jul 19	9:00 AM	✠	Elizabeth Byrum	S	Community of SSPP
	11:00 AM	✠	Vince Ruelas	✠	Teresa Knapp
	5:00 PM	S	Scotty Bruce	✠	Lorraine Leeper Estes
Mon, Jul 20	8:30 AM	✠	Lorraine Wharton	✠	Ruthe Waasdorp
Tue, Jul 21	8:30 AM	✠	Shirley Lucchesi Bradford	✠	Dick Sokel
Wed, Jul 22	8:30 AM	✠	Todd Roberts	✠	Barbara Stricklin
Fri, Jul 24	8:30 AM	S	The Benedetti Family	S	George Riolo
Sat, Jul 25	5:00 PM	✠	Jesus & Margarita Esclarin	✠	Nancy Campbell
Sun, Jul 26	9:00 AM	S	Patrisia Alvarez	✠	Robert Bardwil
	11:00 AM	✠	Linda Raquel-Santos	S	Community of SSPP
	5:00 PM	✠	Bob Pfister	✠	Theresa Bennet

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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 ✠



"SHED FOR YOU..."

July: The Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus

In the Liturgical calendar, July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus, inviting us to reflect on the ultimate expression of God's love and mercy. Through the Blood Jesus freely shed during His Crucifixion, He conquered sin and death, offering humanity redemption, healing, and the hope of new life.

Instituted in 1849 by Pope Pius IX, this devotion's key elements are:

- **Redemption:** Jesus offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice to reconcile us with God and atone for our sins.
- **The Eucharist:** Through this Sacrament, we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus, which nourishes us spiritually and unites us closely to Christ.
- **Spiritual Protection:** The Precious Blood is a powerful shield, frequently invoked by believers for strength, healing, and deliverance from evil.
- **Divine Mercy Connection:** This devotion is central to the Divine Mercy message, highlighting the atoning power of Jesus' Passion and His endless forgiveness.

Share the Gift of Hospitality

We're seeking friendly volunteers for the Welcome Table at the Saturday Vigil and 9:00 AM

Sunday Mass. If you have a warm smile and a welcoming spirit, this ministry is for you! Training is provided. To sign up or for more information, contact Mayra at welcomesspp@gmail.com.



Job Opening: Coordinator of Christian Initiation

We are looking for a part-time **Coordinator of Christian Initiation**. This position is 20 hours per week and will include some evenings, weekends, and holidays.

The Coordinator of Christian Initiation oversees the entire OCIA process for adults, teens, and children.

Full job description and application can be found online at www.rocklincatholic.org/employment-opportunity or contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@rocklincatholic.org

Announcing Our New Office Manager!

We are happy to announce that **Petra Delacruz** has been chosen as our new Office Manager. Petra is an active parishioner at St. Clare Parish and is excited to join staff and serve the community here at SS. Peter & Paul!



Petra began on July 8th and will be in training with Melissa until she officially begins her new role as Faith Formation Coordinator on August 3rd. Welcome, Petra!

From Petra:

I was born in Mexico and raised in the Bay Area, where I met my husband and received the Sacrament of Marriage. Together we have been blessed with three beautiful daughters.

Before relocating to Roseville, I worked as a licensed Pharmacy Technician for over 15 years. After moving from the Bay Area, our family became active members of Holy Family Catholic Church. I volunteered there for several years before joining the parish office staff, where I had the privilege of serving for 10 years.

In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family, crocheting, cooking, and gardening.

Serving the Catholic Church has been truly a blessing and a rewarding journey, and I am excited to begin this new chapter here at SS. Peter & Paul Church. I look forward to getting to know each of you and growing together in faith.

Fr. Renier on Vacation

Fr. Renier is currently on vacation in the Philippines. We pray he experiences a restful and enjoyable trip. Father will be back in the Parish Office on July 20th. Fr. Tamayo will be celebrating Masses with us in his absence.



Coffee and Donuts Hiatus

The Coffee and Donuts ministry is taking a break for summer! Check the bulletin for their return in the Fall.



GENERATIONS OF FAITH



YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (First Grade—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 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.

St. Mary Magdalene (Feast Day July 22)

Mary Magdalene, or Mary of Magdala, was a friend and follower of Jesus. The Gospel of Luke tells us that Jesus cast out "seven demons" from her, and, throughout the Gospel, we hear how she was present with Jesus and the Twelve Apostles. She stood next to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, at the foot of the cross. Mary Magdalene was the first person to whom Jesus appeared after he was resurrected. She is sometimes called the "Apostle to the Apostles" because she was sent to tell the other apostles the good news of Christ's resurrection. She is the patron saint of many things, including contemplative life, penitent sinners, perfumeries, and women.

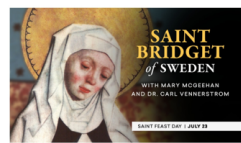


This Week on Formed Week of July 19, 2026



St. James the Greater | Catholic Saints

On this episode of Catholic Saints, join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they discuss the life of one of Jesus' inner circle disciples, St. James the Greater.



St. Bridget of Sweden | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of this medieval saint: St. Bridget of Sweden. A wife, mother, and visionary, St. Bridget was an evangelist both inside and outside the home. St. Bridget's visions of Christ's Nativity have greatly influenced its depiction in Christian art. Watch to find out more!



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

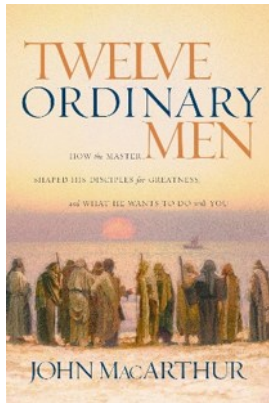
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FAMILY CONNECTION

Taken together, the parables found in today's Gospel offer both a sobering reminder about the Kingdom of God and words of encouragement. As the wheat and the weeds must grow together until the harvest, so we may not know whether our actions contribute to God's Kingdom until God's final judgment. With this word of caution in mind, we act always in prayer that our actions will be consistent with God's plans. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we hear words of encouragement. God can bring the Kingdom of Heaven from even the smallest of beginnings. Thus, we ask God to work through us for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 13:24-43. Reflect together on what Jesus means when he teaches that the Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed and like yeast. In these parables, Jesus is teaching us that God can work wonders from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of God. This means that even the little things that we do can make a big difference in the lives of others. What are some of the little things that we can do in our family that help to make things better for others? Decide on one action to take together. Pray that God will use your action to make a difference in the world.

Book Club Choice



Our next book club selection is **Twelve Ordinary Men** by John MacArthur. The author takes you into the inner circle of the disciples—their selection, their training, their personalities, and their incredible impact.

In *Twelve Ordinary Men*, you'll learn that disciples are living proof that God's strength is made perfect in weakness. As you get to know the men who walked with Jesus, you'll see that if he can accomplish his purposes through them, he can do the same through you.

Join us for the discussion on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 4:00 PM in the Library building.



Thursday Night Bible Study

Interested in an evening Bible Study?

You are invited to consider joining the Thursday Evening bible study which is open to men and women. This year, they have chosen to do a Lectio Divina style study.

Each week, a book from scripture will be chosen and they will uncover what it means to us today. No preparation will be required prior to attending each week.

This group runs from September to May and will begin on Thursday, September 24th at 6:30 PM in Room 10.

For questions, contact:
Erin Gracia at graciaerin@gmail.com or
Larry Levin at (925) 548-2645.

Touching the Hem



Day Retreat
Saturday, August 15th
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SS. Peter & Paul
Multipurpose Room
\$25 per person
Open to Men and Women

Presentations, Discussion,
Personal Reflection, Morning Hospitality, and
Lunch

RSVP by Aug. 10
rockincatholic.org/day-retreat

Facilitated by Darcy Wharton, Spiritual Director and
Coordinator of Adult Formation

Contemplative Prayer

Each Wednesday morning, a faithful group of people gather online for an experience of contemplative prayer. Specifically, the upcoming Sunday's gospel is read and a few questions are surfaced which allow the participant to reflect on how that reading impact him/her. A 20-minute period of silence is also part of the time together.



If you would like more information on this group, please email Darcy at darcy.wharton@rockincatholic.org or visit www.rockincatholic.org/contemplative-prayer

*Be who you were created to be,
and you will set the world on fire."*

~St. Catherine of Siena

Altar Server Training

Would you like to serve at our church and connect in a meaningful way with the Mass? Join the Altar Server ministry!

You must have received First Communion and be in at least 4th grade. If you are in 3rd grade, you are still welcome to shadow the servers!



Our next training is Sunday, July 19th at 12:30 PM in the church.

Please contact Angela Loder at angelamloder@gmail.com or (916) 877-4012 for more information or to RSVP.



Bereavement Support

Do you have a heavy heart? Are you mourning the loss of a loved one?

Perhaps it is a spouse, child, friend, or a beloved pet. You are welcome to share your story and receive support from others who have made the same sorrowful journey. We are here for you. You do not need to grieve alone.

Bereavement Ministry meets Monday afternoon from 1:00-2:30 PM, in the St. Mary's Room of the Library Building.

For more information you may contact Diane Hauser, our group facilitator, at 916-759-0544.

Special Collection Next Weekend July 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:

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

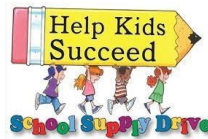
Please make your donation online at: www.rocklincatholic.org/rmi or place in the collection basket during the second collection. Thank you for your generosity!



School Supply Drive for the Rocklin/ Loomis Kids in Need Ministry

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: **July 18/19,
July 25/26 & August 1/2**

Thanks in advance for supporting the kids in need in our community!



We collect the school supplies and gift cards and deliver them to the Rocklin and Loomis unified school district offices. They distribute the supplies to the families in need.

Please participate by dropping off **school supplies, Gift Cards or Visa cards** in the bins located in the **Social Hall** after weekend Masses.

Suggested school supplies: **Colored Pencils, Highlighters, Markers, Pens & Pencils, Crayons, Glue Sticks, Composition Books, Graph Paper, Folders, Binders, Backpacks, Water Bottles, Lunch boxes, Personal hygiene items/ kits.**

Mercy Center Auburn Retreat "Finding Christ in Our Midst" Facilitated by Darcy Wharton



Step away from your ordinary life and refresh your spirit! In our world filled with increasing chaos and division, we can become discouraged and lose sight of God. Join us as we explore the many places where Christ can be found. There will be presentations, recorded music, group discussion, time for silence, and a creative activity.

Dates: July 31-August 2, 2026

Check-in: Friday, from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Retreat starts at 5:00 PM followed by dinner at 5:15 PM
Ends Sunday after lunch.

Cost: \$350 Resident, \$290 Commuter
\$90 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit

For more information:
www.mercycenter.org or 530-887-2019





Month of Action: Responding to the Cry of the Poor

The Office of Catholic Charities & Social Concerns invites you to join the Month of Action this July and help our brothers and sisters who are vulnerable to extreme heat conditions in the Sacramento area. You can volunteer, donate water/hats/sunscreen/ etc., check in on vulnerable persons in your community and pray for those who are not able to find relief against the high temperatures.

Check out the Events Page on the Diocesan Website:
<https://www.scd.org/event/july2026-month-action-responding-cry-poor>

Umoja Mass

The Black Catholic Ministry of the Diocese of Sacramento warmly invites you to attend the Umoja Mass and Celebration on Saturday, August 29, 2026, at 10:00 AM, at St. Anthony Parish in Sacramento. The Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Rey Bersabal. As the first year of our seven-year celebration of the Seven Principles of Kwanzaa, this year's focus is Umoja – Unity in the Family, Community, and Nation. Each subsequent year will focus on another Kwanzaa principle, beginning with Kujichagulia (Self-Determination) in 2027 – 2028.

This celebration offers an opportunity for prayer, fellowship, cultural appreciation, and a renewed commitment to unity within our families, parishes, and communities.

Pope Leo XIV beautifully captured the spirit of unity during his homily concluding the January 2026 Week of Prayer. Reflecting on the Letter to the Ephesians, he reminds us: "We repeatedly hear the adjective 'one': one body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God (Eph 4:4–6). We are one! We already are! Let us recognize it, experience it, and make it visible!"

Following Mass, we invite everyone to remain for a joyful community celebration featuring local food vendors, live entertainment, and a drum circle. Bring your percussion instruments and join us as we celebrate the spirit of Umoja together.

We would be honored by your presence as we begin this meaningful journey by celebrating the principles of Kwanzaa and strengthening unity throughout our community.

For more information about the Umoja Mass and Celebration, visit: <https://www.scd.org/event/umoja-unity-family-community-and-nation>.



Diocesan Job Openings



Have you ever considered working for the Diocese of Sacramento or a supporting organization? The Diocese of Sacramento is a place where you are able to grow your faith while serving the ministry and mission of the Bishop of Sacramento. As Catholics, we believe that all persons are called by God to contribute to the sanctification and transformation of the world, by fulfilling their own particular duties in the spirit of the Gospel and Christian discipleship.

Assistant Coordinator, Events and Special Projects, Diocese of Sacramento

Supports the administration and organization needs of multiple offices in the Diocese of Sacramento including Events and Special Projects, Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Lay Formation, Respect and Family Life, and Cultural Ministries. The ideal candidate is high energy, organized, able to juggle many things at once, a team player, loves the Catholic church, loves to learn new things and is bilingual.

Administrative Assistant, The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Sacramento, Inc.

The Administrative Assistant provides administrative and clerical support to The Catholic Foundation in general and the Executive Director as directed. Works closely with other members of the department in accomplishing the mission of the Foundation: To witness to Christ and His Gospel values of love, justice, forgiveness and service to all by ensuring that financial donors can effectively support the well-being of Catholic works in our diocese.

To apply for a position, please email a short cover letter, resume, and application to personnel@scd.org. Positions are open until filled. For more information and complete job descriptions, visit www.scd.org/employment. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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volunteer opportunities!**



BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

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First Reading—Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

The book of Wisdom was written about 50 years before Christ. In one lengthy section of this book, the author looks back to the wonderful things God did for the Jewish people at the time of the exodus. In today's passage from that section, we hear the author speak directly to God with words of praise.

Second Reading—Romans 8:26-27

We continue today to read from the eighth chapter of Romans, in which Paul discusses the role of God's Spirit in our life. Today's brief reading gives us a remarkable insight into prayer.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 13:24-43

In today's gospel, Jesus offers a parable that points to the problem of "weeds all through the wheat"—grave sinners living in the midst of the church community. One response suggested in the parable is to pull up all the weeds immediately—get rid of them. The landowner decides against this approach. Pulling up the weeds might uproot the wheat along with them. The separation can happen later, at harvest time. Is this a wise decision? Will his wheat be choked out by the weeds?

Authoritative voices in the early church agreed with the householder and urged forbearance toward sinners. In the fourth century, Saint Augustine, for example, used this parable to argue that heretics or the lapsed should not be cut off from the church. A century earlier, Pope Callistus I likewise interpreted "Let the weeds grow along with the wheat" as "Let sinners remain in the church."

As the parable progresses, though, the patient forbearance of the householder will give way, as end-time reapers throw all the evildoers into the fiery furnace. This harvest time is a metaphor for end-time, with the action carried out by God's angles, not human beings. There is an implicit warning to us not to impetuously assume the role of the divine judge who alone sorts out good from evil.

The nonretaliatory reproach of the householder who has been humiliated by his enemy can seem weak. But taken as a whole, today's readings show a paradoxical approach to rooting out evil, where divine justice and might become manifest in leniency, clemency, and kindness.

God of grace, may we be like wheat growing robustly in the field of your kingdom. Never allow us to become weeds to those around us, choking off their divine growth by our selfishness, greed, unfair treatment, or actions or words that give scandal. Amen.

ARE YOU SOMEONE, OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...



- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season.

There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Katie Maynard at 916-624-5827 ext. 214 or katie.maynard@rocklincatholic.org



Parishioner Connie Arkus will lead a discussion introducing us to a few women of Scripture. No previous bible study experience required!

Thursday, August 27th

9:00 AM or 6:00 PM (Your Choice!)
Multipurpose Room

Kindly RSVP by August 25th

rocklincatholic.org/women-in-scripture or
call Darcy at (916) 624-5827 ext. 211