

*July 26, 2026
The Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

SS. Peter & Paul Church

4450 Granite Drive - Rocklin, CA 95677
916-624-5827 - www.rocklincatholic.org

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field

Matthew 13:44



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 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
Mon, Jul 27	8:30 AM	✠	Linda Raquel-Santos	✠	Souls in Purgatory
Tue, Jul 28	8:30 AM	✠	Doris Galante	✠	Dick Sokel
Wed, Jul 29	8:30 AM	✠	Edith DeCuir	S	For those with no one to pray for them
Fri, Jul 31	8:30 AM	✠	Romy Manuel	S	Danbee P. Lopez
Sat, Aug 1	5:00 PM	✠	Josefina Bilgera	✠	Jesus & Margarita Esclarin
Sun, Aug 2	9:00 AM	✠	Robert Bardwil	✠	Sharon Rodda
	11:00 AM	✠	Pacita Briones-Hangerter	✠	Manley Family
	5:00 PM	✠	Bob Pfister	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

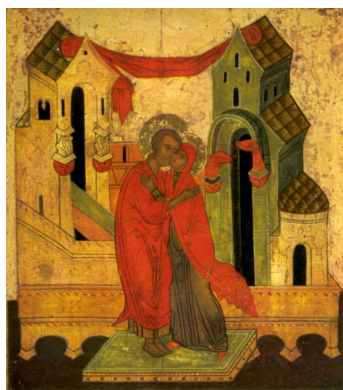


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✠ Did You Know? ✠



Saints Joachim and Anne

The Holy Father has directed that the **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** will continue to be celebrated annually on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

Saints Joachim and Anne, the traditional parents of Mary, mother of Jesus, whose feast day is celebrated on **July 26**. Although little is known about their lives beyond the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James, they are portrayed as deeply faithful and significant figures.

According to the tradition, Joachim was a wealthy and devout man from the tribe of Judah, while Anne was the daughter of a priest from the tribe of Levi. After many years without children—a condition viewed at the time as a sign of divine disfavor—Joachim was publicly humiliated at the Temple. In response, he withdrew into the desert to pray and fast for 40 days. Anne also prayed fervently, asking God to bless her as He had blessed Sarah with Isaac.

Their prayers were answered when an angel appeared to each of them, at the same time, announcing that Anne would conceive a child. They joyfully reunited at the city gate, an event commemorated in the icon known as "**The Conception of the Mother of God.**" Their embrace has been quoted as a powerful symbol of the holiness and blessing of marriage.

(adapted from www.catholicinsight.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

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.

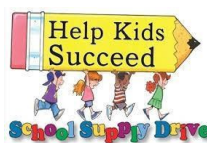


School Supply Drive for the Rocklin/ Loomis Kids in Need Ministry

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

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.**

Final drop off date is Monday, August 3rd by Noon in the Parish Office!

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.



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

1st–6th Grade & 7th Grade–High School

2026-2027 YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH REGISTRATION:

It's almost time to register for our 2026-2027 Youth & Family Faith Formation year. **Registration materials have been mailed out.** If you did not receive a registration packet in the mail, you can visit our website at www.rocklincatholic.org/registration for program and registration information.

REGISTRATION BEGINS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 9th:

In-person (walk-in) registration will be accepted on **Sunday, August 9th and Sunday, August 16th.** Registration will take place in the Social Hall from 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM. **Note: Mail-in registration will not be accepted. We are not able to accept registration prior to Sunday, August 9th.**

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:

Sacramental Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation is a consecutive two-year process, typically beginning in the 1st grade (First Communion) and 7th grade (Confirmation). Please contact Melissa Terry (melissa.terry@rocklincatholic.org) or Alison Bean (alison.bean@rocklincatholic.org) for specific sacrament preparation questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (1st – 8th GRADE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY):

Are you looking for a way to get involved in our parish community? Are you willing to share your time and faith with the children and youth of our parish? If so, our Faith Formation

Team would love to talk with you about how you can become involved and support the Youth & Family Faith program. We have a well-established program but it cannot be successful without volunteers! Training, materials and support are provided. If you are interested or would just like to learn more, please contact Melissa Terry or Alison Bean in the Faith Formation Office or online at www.rocklincatholic.org/volunteers.



SAVE THE DATE! The Annual BACKPACK BLESSING will be held on Sunday, August 9th

As students prepare to begin a new school year, we would like to send them back to school with a blessing for a safe, successful and faith-filled year of learning. **On Sunday, August 9th, students of all ages are invited to bring their backpack to Mass to be blessed.**

We also invite all teachers and anyone who works in any capacity for our schools to come and be blessed for the new school year. Please keep our students, teachers and all school employees in your prayers as they begin this new school year.



This Week on Formed

Week of July 26, 2026



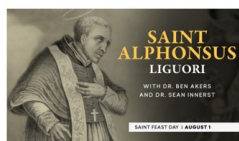
The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep faith, simplicity, and profound impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who knew Bl. Solanus, the film showcases his remarkable ability to inspire others, sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion for playing the violin.



Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances," St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.



St. Alphonsus Liguori | Catholic Saints

Born to a noble Italian family and known as the "Prince of Moral Theologians," St. Alphonsus Liguori was a great preacher, lawyer, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Augustine Institute professors Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this holy man, drawing wisdom from his life and works to aid Catholics today.

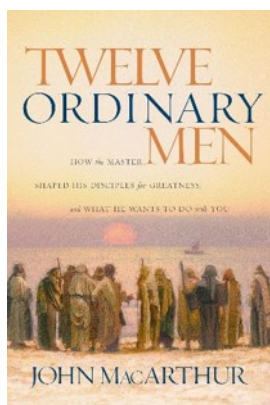
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FAMILY CHALLENGE

Work on being thankful this week. Wake up each morning and thank God for all that you have (your family, your home, your friends, your faith, etc.).



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.

Spiritual Direction Available to Parishioners

Are you desiring to deepen your relationship with God?

Are you in a period of searching or questioning? Would it be helpful for you to meet one-on-one with a trained spiritual director?

We have five trained spiritual directors in our parish who are willing to meet with you for one hour each month for as long as you desire. Donations to the parish for this ministry are appreciated, but not required.

For more information and to read more about each director, visit www.rocklincatholic.org/spiritual-direction or call Darcy at (916) 624-5827 ext. 211.



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

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
rocklincatholic.org/day-retreat

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



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



Caregivers Ministry

The Caregivers Ministry meets
Wednesday, August 5th from 12:00-1:30 PM
in Room #1 of the classroom buildings.

If you provide 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. All denominations are welcome!

For questions or information contact:
Jo Kellog at jo.kellogg@gmail.com or
Claire Stroope at claire@stroope.net



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 THIS 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!



Special Collection NEXT Weekend August 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!

OFFERTORY GIVING

Offertory Giving 2025-26

	June	
	<u>4 Sundays</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total mass/office offertory	\$ 38,322	\$ 747,379
Total on line offertory	\$ 35,499	\$ 385,214
Total offertory	\$ 73,821	\$ 1,132,592
Offertory Budget	\$ 78,091	\$ 1,115,225
Budget variance	\$ (4,270)	\$ 17,367

Thank you for your continued support!
Any amount you can give is greatly appreciated.

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
Registration closes July 27th!





AROUND THE DIOCESE

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: www.scd.org/event/july2026-month-action-responding-cry-poor

Evening of Prayer for Vocations, for Young Adults

ages 18-35: The Office of Vocations, in collaboration with St. Maria Goretti Parish Vocation Ministry, 8700 Bradshaw Road, Elk Grove, invites young adults to unite in prayer with other young adults of our diocese, to pray for vocations, whether it be marriage, diaconate, priesthood or religious life. **Date: Tuesday, July 28th at 6:30 PM.** The evening begins with Mass, followed by the prayer of the Rosary and Adoration. We hope to see you there!

2027 World Youth Day: Young adults 18 and older currently participating in a parish ministry or that are part of a Movement are invited to be a part of this pilgrimage. The pilgrimage will include visiting the Catholic Holy Places in Seoul, South Korea, participate in World Youth Day events July 31- August 13, 2027. Use the QR code to sign up for the last information meeting on **July 29, 2026 at 6:30 PM** in person at the Pastoral Center, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, or by zoom.



Quo Vadis Retreat ("Where Are You Going?"): The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites young men ages 13 to 17 to the **Quo Vadis Retreat**.

Dates: July 31-August 1, 2026 at the Marelllo Youth Retreat Center, Loomis, CA (this is an overnight stay retreat). **Cost: \$100** (if cost is an issue, please let us know). Young men will learn about the different vocations (Marriage, Diaconate, Religious Life or Priesthood). They will gain tools to begin pondering what vocation they are being called.

To register your son, please visit www.scd.org/quovadis or if you have further questions, contact us at 916-733-0258 or by email at msmith@scd.org.

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.

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

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.

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

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Tickets sold online, after Mass & Parish Office



ANNUAL DINNER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

EARLY BIRD TICKETS ON SALE

6/1 - 7/31



FEATURING
SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

ROBERT PAYLOR



BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading—1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

The wisdom of King Solomon was proverbial. Today's reading portrays events that occurred early in Solomon's reign. We will hear how he became a wise person.

Second Reading—Romans 8:28-30

As we continue reading from the eighth chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans, we will today hear Paul used the word *predestined*. This word does not mean that individuals are locked into a destiny over which they have no control. Rather, it means that in Christ, God provided abundant grace for everyone.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 13:44-52

What makes us happy? Today's gospel offers short parables about how one attains not only happiness but the even deeper gift of lasting joy.

In the first, a person unexpectedly finds buried treasure. The digger is likely a poor peasant, a hired day laborer, at the bottom of the social scale. The parable emphasizes how overjoyed he is at this unexpected find that will change his life. With reckless abandon he sells all he has in order to acquire the field with its treasure.

The second parable takes us to the other end of the social spectrum. A merchant in search of fine pearls would have been a rich man. The surprise is that even such a person could come upon the reign of God and be moved to sell all they have for this pearl of great price.

There is an element of surprise in each parable. A further surprise is that the resultant joy leads to giving up all else. It is a paradoxical path to happiness. When it finds you, any instinct to hoard this treasure evaporates; what surfaces instead is the desire to divest oneself of everything.

Of course, God's reign cannot be purchased in any way—not by good deeds, nor with any other commodity. Rather, it is an astonishing free gift, attainable by all. While it cannot be bought, it costs everything. The price is not paid out of obligation or guilt but is a totally free self-surrender to irresistible joy.

God of good news, help us to recognize in the reality of your kingdom the pearl of great price that it is, and give us the wisdom and courage to do whatever it takes to live so that we might attain it and invite others to share in it. Amen.

Prayer for the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2026

Holy Father

Who watches over every person

Watch over me too when I am elderly.

You have revealed your name to me in Christ,

And You were not discouraged by my frailties.

You hold me tenderly in your hands,

And You caress my lines.

You will never forget me! (see Is 49:15).

Grant that I may not fear my weakness;

Help me learn to love it

Just as You love it.

Help me learn to listen to it

Just as You listen to it.

Help me embrace it

Just as You have chosen it –

You who, though all-powerful, clothed yourself in humility.

May growing old strip away all our pride
and all division

So that we may live these years

united in You.

You will never forget us! (see Is 49:15) Amen.

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