

*August 30, 2026
The Twenty-second
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

SS. Peter & Paul Church

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

**Whoever
wishes to come
after me must
deny himself,
take up his
cross, and
follow me**



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, Aug 29	5:00 PM	S	Rosalina Bobiles	S	Carley, Sierra, & Austin Niski
Sun, Aug 30	9:00 AM	✠	Sharon Rodda	✠	Amelia Navarro
	11:00 AM	✠	Gary Nail	S	Elvira Kellison Family
	5:00 PM	✠	Annmarie Jessil	S	Community of SSPP
Mon, Aug 31	8:30 AM	✠	Eddie Goins	✠	Gliceria Nassif
Tue, Sep 1	8:30 AM	✠	Jeanette Campbell	✠	Gliceria Nassif
Wed, Sep 2	8:30 AM	✠	Cielo Regalado	✠	John Higgins
Fri, Sep 4	8:30 AM	S	Lucia & Pablo Montti	S	Dannis, Maelyn & Martina Arendain
Sat, Sep 5	5:00 PM	S	Community of SSPP	✠	Jesus & Margarita Esclarin
Sun, Sep 6	9:00 AM	✠	Sharon Rodda	✠	Barbara Stricklin
	11:00 AM	✠	Gary Nail	S	Breda Flanagan
	5:00 PM	✠	Judy Brown	S	Walsh & Fox Families

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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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August 23, 2026 — The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ Did You Know? ✠



The Fraction Rite

Did you know that as a priest breaks a piece from the large host and places it into the chalice, he prays a quiet prayer while the assembly sings the *Lamb of God*? He says:

"May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it."

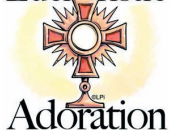
Known as the Fraction Rite, this act directly recalls Jesus breaking bread at the Last Supper. As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* explains:

"The gesture of breaking bread done by Christ at the Last Supper... signifies that the many faithful are made one body by receiving Communion from the one Bread of Life, which is Christ" (GIRM, 83).

This moment reminds us that salvation is both deeply personal and shared together in community, uniting us vertically with Christ and horizontally with one another. Though breaking the bread seems like an act of separation, it is actually a powerful symbol of unity. Sharing in the one Bread of Life gathers us as one body through the Holy Spirit, fulfilling the prayer offered during every Mass: *"Humbly we pray that, partaking of the body and blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit."*

First Friday Benediction, Adoration, and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be celebrated this **Friday, September 4th**, following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Eucharistic



Adoration

Then we will be blessed to continue adoration in the church until noon. Please come by and spend some time with Jesus.

The Church and the Chapel are open daily from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM for personal prayer and adoration.

Weekday Prayer Schedule (M, T, W, F)
Before Mass (8:00 AM): The Holy Rosary
After Mass: Divine Mercy Chaplet
 All are welcome to join these devotions.

If you have any questions, please call Grace Neel at 916-995-3778. God's blessings!

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



Seeking New Board Members

The SS. Peter & Paul Parish Foundation is seeking two to three new board members! Appointed by Father Renier, board members serve a three-year term overseeing

the parish scholarship program and advising Father on the Michael J. Dillon Endowment.

To learn more about the Foundation, please visit the parish website at rocklincatholic.org/scholarships.

If you are interested in serving or have questions, please email scholarshipssp@gmail.com to receive a detailed list of board responsibilities. The application deadline is **August 31**.

Second Collection This Weekend, August 29/30 for Catholic Relief Services—Responding to Emergencies in Columbia, Indonesia, and Venezuela



In less than two months, earthquakes have struck Columbia, Indonesia, and Venezuela. Catholic Relief Services works with local community partners to respond with compassion and expertise, delivering lifesaving aid and supporting long-term recovery.

Please make your donation online at: www.rocklincatholic.org/catholic-relief-services Or place in the collection basket during the second collection. Thank you for your generosity!



GENERATIONS OF FAITH



YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION 1st-6th Grade & First Communion

**Registration for Faith Formation Grades 1st – 6th
& First Communion is happening NOW!**

Walk-in registration is still being accepted but classes are filling up! Please stop by the Faith Formation Office to register. Classes are offered on Sunday or Monday afternoons from 3:30–4:45 PM starting in late September.



Registration will be accepted in the Faith Formation Office Monday – Thursday from 9:00 AM – Noon and 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM (or by appointment).

Classes start the week of September 20th. Don't miss out!

Sacrament Preparation for First Communion:
Sacramental Preparation for First Communion is a consecutive two-year process, typically beginning in the 1st grade. Please contact Melissa Terry (melissa.terry@rocklincatholic.org) for more information.

**Are you willing to share
your time and faith with
the children and youth
of our parish?**



If so, our Coordinator of Faith Formation for Grades 1st – 6th 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 the support of volunteers! Training, materials, and support are provided. If you are interested or would just like to learn more, please contact Melissa Terry in the Faith Formation Office.

**We have 3 immediate volunteer openings for the
2026/2027 Faith Formation year.**

- Sunday: 4th Grade Catechist
- Sunday: 4th Grade Classroom Aide
- Sunday: 5th Grade Catechist



On Fire! September 12th:

Calling all high school students! Join us for **On Fire** on **September 12th**! An exciting day with teens from across the Diocese featuring faith, fellowship, and fun at **Six Flags Discovery Kingdom**. This is a great opportunity to grow in your faith, meet other Catholic teens, and enjoy an unforgettable experience together.

To participate, **students must be registered in the High School Youth Group**. If you haven't registered yet, be sure to complete your registration so you can be part of this awesome event. We hope you'll join us for this incredible day!



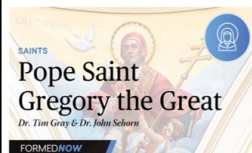
This Week on Formed

Week of August 30, 2026



Mother Teresa: No Greater Love

Mother Teresa: No Greater Love is a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times: Mother Teresa of Calcutta. This film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today.



Pope Saint Gregory the Great | Catholic Saints

In the history of the Church, there are less than five popes esteemed with the title "the Great." One of the lesser known members of this impressive group is Pope St. Gregory the Great. Gregory is known for his prolific writing, his radical humility, his emphasis on missions, and his dedication to almsgiving. Enjoy this discussion between Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehn.



Mother Teresa

See Mother Teresa in the slums of Calcutta as she mingled closely with her people, dispensing help, joy, and smiles to everyone in this moving film.

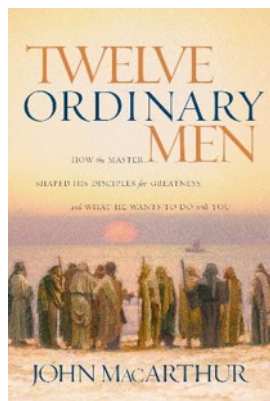
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Book Club Choice

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.

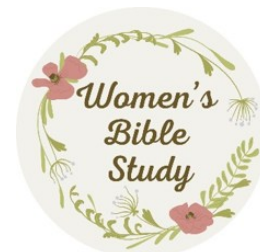


Women's Bible Study begins in September

This year, our Women's Bible Study group will be mainly focused on the Acts of the Apostles. This group utilizes an inductive study method which is a hands-on way to read and understand Scripture by looking at specific details before making general conclusions. It relies on three core steps: observation, interpretation, and application.

The group will begin on **September 16th** and will meet on **Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 AM**. You will be taught by a team of supportive facilitators. All are welcomed- even if you've never participated in a bible study!

Contact Denise Freiheit (denise@libertyholding.com) if you have any questions. To register for the class, visit www.rocklincatholic.org/womens-bible-study or contact Darcy in the parish office. There is a \$10 materials fee.



Thursday Night Bible Study

Interested in an evening Bible Study?



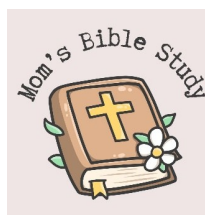
You are invited to consider joining the Thursday Evening bible study which is open to men and women. This year, they have chosen to do a Lectio Divina style study.

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.

Mom's Bible Study



Are you a busy mom who is looking to grow your faith? Mom's Bible Study will be studying the Gospel of Matthew using the *Lifeguide* book format starting this fall - preparation is minimal but the discussions are

always fruitful! Our first gathering will be **September 17th** and we will meet weekly **9:30 - 11:00 AM** in Classroom 1 throughout the school year. This group is facilitated by Jen Payan, an experienced facilitator.

Visit <https://www.rocklincatholic.org/moms-bible-study> to register and receive more information.

Catholics Returning Home

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Have you been away from the church for a while?



All are welcome to attend our 4-session Catholics Returning Home program which will be held Sept. 2, 9, 16, and 23 at 6:00 PM. All questions are welcome and you will walk away feeling more comfortable at Mass and in our parish community.

To register, contact Darcy via email at darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org or stop by the parish office.

Cuddle, Play, Serve!

Interested in a fun volunteer opportunity that includes holding babies and playing with littles?

Mom's Bible Study is looking for two volunteers to provide childcare on Thursday mornings from 9:15 AM – 11:15 AM for our littlest parishioners. Help is needed September through May, with holiday weeks off.

Please contact Darcy Wharton at darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org if you are interested.



Caregivers Ministry

The Caregivers Ministry meets Wednesday, September 2nd 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 Kellogg at jo.kellogg@gmail.com or
Claire Stroope at claire@stroope.net



What is AI, Artificial Intelligence?

How is it affecting our world?

Why should we care?

In September, October and November, SS Peter and Paul Care for Creation Ministry will be taking a deeper look at AI.



Mark your calendars now!

Thursday, September 3, 6:30 PM, Room 1

Join us as we begin a discussion on what AI is, the good and the bad. We will look at ways that we are already using AI. We will also begin exploring what Pope Leo has to say regarding Protecting Humanity.

Thursday, October 15, 6:30 PM, Multipurpose Room

We will have a speaker discussing large data centers and the impact they might have on our environment and our energy supply.



JOIN OUR

SS Peter & Paul CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!
PSALM 100:1

DO YOU LOVE TO SING?

The SS Peter & Paul Children's Choir is a fun, faith-filled ministry where children learn beautiful music, make new friends, and praise God through song!

NO experience necessary just a love of singing!

YOUR CHILD WILL:

- Learn and improve music skills
- Build confidence and friendships
- Grow in faith through music
- Sing at Mass and special masses
- Use their gifts to praise God!

WHO: Ages 9 and up

WHEN: Rehearsals are every other Wednesday from 5:00pm to 5:45pm

WHERE: In the church

WE SING: The choir will sing at one Mass once a month and some special masses.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
Janine D'Angelo
916-599-4087
yote3562@sbcglobal.net

We'd love to have you join us!

HELP YOUR CHILD DISCOVER THE BEAUTY OF WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC.

Blessed, Broken, Shared, and Sent!

3-Night Parish Retreat

October 4-6

6:30 PM

at SS. Peter & Paul Church

with

Mike Patin

The "Engagin' Cajun"



Don't Miss This!

All Are Welcome
Free Will Offering
at the Door
NO RSVPs Required



Join us in the Social Hall after each presentation for a Wine & Cheese Reception



Job Opening - Choir Director

St. Rose School, Roseville, is looking for a part-time (10 hours per week) choir director. The choir director is responsible for developing and leading a vibrant, faith-centered

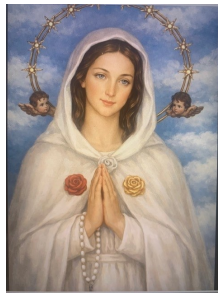
music program that supports the liturgical life of the school and fosters students' musical growth. The director cultivates students' appreciation for sacred music, builds foundational vocal skills, and coordinates performances that reflect the mission and traditions of the Catholic Church. The choir director respects Catholic values and aids students in Christian formation by exemplifying Catholic living. The choir director is accountable to the principal and expected to implement the school mission and philosophy, to follow the policies of the Diocese of Sacramento and in the staff and parent handbooks of St. Rose School and adhere to the directives set by school administration.

Wage: \$21-\$25 hour

Contact: Michael Garcia at mgarcia@strose.org

Mystical Rosary Apostolate St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

ANNOUNCING: A new apostolate, starting at St. Rose parish, approved by pastor, Fr. Jhay. The apparitions of the Virgin Mary, under the title of Rosa Mystica (Mystical Rose), received the Vatican's approval in July 2024. This apostolate seeks to promote Mary's message.



The Message: Mary appeared with a call for prayer, sacrifice, and penance to heal spiritual wounds within the Catholic Church, particularly regarding clergy and religious vocations. She asks of all the faithful to pray, especially, the rosary.

Rosaries specifically made to promote this message are available at no cost, though a small donation is appreciated. Also available: Rosa Mystica Prayer cards at cost, or free handouts of the prayer, with ecclesiastical approval & imprimatur.

We invite anyone who would like a Mystical Rosary, or anyone who is interested in helping to make the Mystical Rosaries for the spread of this devotion, to please contact: Eva A. González-Fogarty at evangelic.one@hotmail.com or (916) 532-2317.



Ministry Days 2026: Healing and Hope

Saturday, September 26, 2026
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
St. Francis High School
Sacramento, CA

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

This year's Ministry Days invites us to look at how we care for one another through the lens of God's unconditional love.

Ministry Days is the largest gathering of Catholic adults in the Diocese of Sacramento. The event is an excellent opportunity to grow in community by learning and praying together. Whether you are a catechist, a Catholic school teacher, a parent, a Religious man or woman, or any adult, all are welcome. We are one!

Tickets are available now! For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.ministrydays.com.



Coffee and Donuts Hiatus

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



ANNUAL DINNER

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

TICKETS ON SALE
STARTING
NOW



FEATURING
SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

ROBERT PAYLOR



"Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing."

~Mother Teresa

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading—Jeremiah 20:7-9

Jeremiah often anguished over the difficulty in being a prophet. Proclaiming God's message made him very unpopular. Today we hear why he still felt compelled to keep on doing it.

Second Reading—Romans 12:1-2

Toward the end of Paul's letter to the Romans, he deals with the moral demands made on those who follow Christ. In today's reading, Paul reminds us that living a Christian life – which so often includes sacrifice – is like an act of liturgical worship in which we offer ourselves to God.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 16:21-27

Some years ago, a group of indigenous women in La Paz, Bolivia, reflected on today's gospel in this way: "We women identify strongly with the crucified Christ and his sufferings. There is a strong sense of submission in our Aymara and Quechua cultures. Women submit to sexual abuse from their fathers, uncles, and husbands, with a strong sense of resignation, thinking that whatever suffering they endure, they do silently and heroically, as their way of carrying the cross with Jesus" (quoted in Barbara E. Reid, *Taking Up the Cross*).

This particular group had come through a process of learning to interpret the gospel differently, so that their consciousness of their dignity and preciousness in God's eyes had been heightened; thereafter they questioned the wisdom they had received for generations about how submitting to abuse and injustice was the way to identify with the crucified Christ.

These women discovered how a misreading of today's gospel had obliterated their sense of self and had kept them cowering in abusive relationships. How, they reasoned, could this have been the intent of Jesus, who lifted up those who were bowed down and healed all who suffered?

Jesus is speaking about a particular kind of suffering that his disciples must be willing to embrace: that which comes as a direct result of following his manner of life and mission. Suffering that comes from abuse and injustice is to be resisted and eradicated to the extent possible, as Jesus did throughout his ministry.

OFFERTORY GIVING

Offertory Giving 2026-27

	July	
	<u>4 Sundays</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Total mass/office offertory	\$ 41,285	\$ 41,285
Total on line offertory	\$ 31,832	\$ 31,832
Total offertory	\$ 73,116	\$ 73,116
Offertory Budget	\$ 70,891	\$ 70,891
Budget variance	\$ 2,225	\$ 2,225

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

Volunteers Needed for our Italian Dinner - October 10!



rocklincatholic.org/italian-dinner



Italian Dinner!

Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026
6:00 PM

Join us in the Social Hall
for our annual evening of
Food, Fun, & Famiglia!

Appetizers, Italian Food/Desserts,
and Italian Music

Cost: \$25 per person
\$10 for children under 10 years

Reserve a table of 8 and receive a
complimentary bottle of wine

RSVP by Oct. 4th at 7:00 PM

Purchase tickets online or
in the parish office

Volunteers are also needed
Link to volunteer signup is on the
website

rocklincatholic.org/italian-dinner

