

WE ARE A EUCHARIST CENTERED PEOPLE WHO, AS THE BODY OF CHRIST, LIVE OUR FAITH IN WORD AND DEED BY SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER AND SERVE THOSE IN NEED.

October 5, 2025

Mass intentions during October 6th - 12th			Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 17:5-10
Mon.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L) Tania Alvarez Porras (L), Earl Dolcini, Holy Souls	<p>A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."</p> <p>His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'" In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset — one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation. How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.</p> <p align="right">— Father John Muir LPi</p>
Tues.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L) Bonifacio Gonzalez, Gina Marie DeFillipo Gloria "Cookie" Zahra	
Wed.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L) Thanksgiving to St. Michael, Marcia Ryan	
Thur.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L), Leopoldo Valle	
Fri.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L) Mary and Robert Herrera (L), Gerard Geoghegan	
Sat.	8:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L)	
	5:00	Francelina and Manuel V. Lopes, Michael Cooper John McGill	
	7:00	The Enriquez Gutierrez Family (L), Maria Teresa Perez (L) Catalina Ortiz Jimenez, Daniel Perez Castellanos	
Sun.	7:30	Ralph and Margaret Giacomini, Gina LaRoca, John Adams	
	9:00	Maria Luisa Barragan and Family (L) Lindy Borges, John and Rosa Amaral	
	10:30	Pro Populo	
	12:00	Amanda Elizabeth Caamal Gonzalez (L), Dominic Puga (L) The Jimenez Garcia Family (L) Mario Herrera, Almas en el Purgatorio	

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2025-2026:

St. Vincent's English Religious Education Programs have begun. We welcome all new and returning students. Jr. High and High school students' classes are scheduled for Tuesdays. Students in elementary school are scheduled on Wednesdays.



We have a wonderful group of OCIA and Adult Confirmation candidates. The Catechumens are eager to further their relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, while the Adult Confirmation candidates want to deepen their baptismal faith. This class is scheduled on Wednesdays at 6:00pm.

Do you have a little Pre-K or K child? Our Sunday Pre-K and K program helps to inspire, encourage and strengthen the child's Catholic Identity through prayer, stories, and activities. The classes are scheduled on Sundays during the 9:00 am Mass. We still need volunteers; please consider volunteering.

We are beginning our Children's Liturgy of the Word program. Children are excused by the priest during the 9am Mass' Liturgy of the Word (approx. 15 minutes). A catechist takes the children and reads the stories from Children's Liturgy. We still need volunteers; please consider volunteering.

Thank you and many blessings, Carmen Aanenson, 707-762-4278 x114 or email at dreaanenson@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

After each mass on the weekends of **Oct 4th and 11th**, Knights of Columbus members will be collecting donations benefiting People with Intellectual Disabilities. Your generous donations from previous years have directly benefited **local-Petaluma based organizations** dedicated to providing people with intellectual disabilities resources to live a happy life! We kindly ask for your generous support, **any amount will help!** Just look for the Knights of Columbus members in yellow vests handing out tootsie rolls on the church plaza after mass!



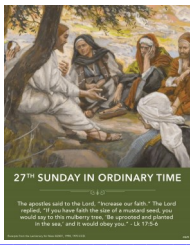
HEALTH FAIR AND EL DIA DE LOS MUERTOS PETALUMA:

It's hard to believe we are starting October!

This Sunday, October 5th, we'll have the annual health fair and official opening of El Dia de los Muertos Petaluma celebration on the church's plaza and the park from 10:30 am to 3 pm. Petaluma Mayor, Kevin McDonnell will be at the event, as well as the Petaluma Police Chief, reading the Proclamation from the city about how the celebration has been building the bridge between the Petaluma community and the Latino culture. We'll have about 16 organizations offering information about their services. We'll have some delicious food, such as chalupas, tacos, sopes, pupusas, quesadillas, quesabirrias, burritos, etc. As soon as the 12 pm mass is over, the Aztec dancers will perform on the Plaza, followed by Mexican ballet folklórico.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6TH – 12TH



Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37
 Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/
 Lk 10:38-42
 Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4
 Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13
 Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/
 Lk 11:15-26
 Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/
 2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

ST. VINCENT'S USHERS: The official mass attendance for the Diocese of Santa Rosa will be taken at ALL masses during the month of October 2025.



CONGRATULATIONS - to Theodore James Pacheco and Giovanni Joel Garcia who received the Sacrament of Baptism.

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA 2025: A Public Square Public



Rosary by America Needs Fatima hosted by St. Vincent's Knights of Columbus Council will be held on Saturday, October 11 at 10:00 am on the plaza of St. Vincent Church. Please come and join us as we pray for America and the World. If you have any questions please call Ross Hicks at (707) 762-9433.

OUR SYMPATHIES



go out to the family of Robert Michael Donahue, Fr. Bill's dad, who passed away September 17th, and to the family of David Joseph Vegher who passed away July 1st. Robert Michael Donahue's Memorial Service is scheduled this Friday, October 10, 2025 at 11 am. May the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

PARK PLAYDATE:



"Hello St. Vincent's moms! Join other moms and kids on the 4th Sunday of each month for a park playdate following the 9 am mass. Message Chrissie Dunham (415-250-6406), or look for the kids by the fountain after Mass.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



is held Thursday mornings after the weekday mass for one hour, and the first Thursday evening of the month, from 6 – 7 pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Carolyn Maloney, Melvin B. LaFranchi, Keith Heck, Colin Lago, Lorraine Dominguez, Frank and Marleen Hench, Charlie Kato, Quintin Ponce Jr., and Michelle Paskal.

CONFESSIONS are held in the church on Thursdays at 6 pm and Saturdays at 3:30 pm; please enter through the confessional (left) side.

DIOCESE OF SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC MOMS



GROUP: Want to be friends with other Catholic moms? Join our moms' group! The Santa Rosa Diocese Moms' Group is open to moms of newborns to teenagers looking for friendship and fellowship with other moms in a similar season of life. We'd love to meet you at one of our fall events! Contact srdiocese.catholicmoms@gmail.com.

More information about the Catholic Mom's Group, and for scheduled activities, you can look on the church boards at the entrance of the church or scan the QR code.

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Last Sunday's offering:

Sunday Basket	\$7,800
On-Line Giving	1,909
Total	\$9,709

The second collection last weekend for the Maintenance Fund was \$4,946.

Thank you for your generosity.

There will be a second collection next weekend for World Mission Sunday.

ONLINE GIVING AT ST. VINCENT'S

- To sign up for online giving, go to <https://www.svdppetaluma.org> and look for the red "Donate" button on the upper right of the front page. You can also use this QR code to take you directly to the website. For more information, please contact the parish office at 707-762-4278.



ARE YOU NEW TO THE COMMUNITY? Do you live in Petaluma and want to register and receive Sunday offering envelopes or sign-up online for electronic giving? We have registration forms in the bell room to the right of the church entrance. Please call the parish office for more information: 707-762-4278.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We are blessed to have a thriving Catholic school community



right here in our parish! St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School offers a faith-filled, academically excellent education for students in Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through 8th grade.

Our dedicated faculty and staff are committed to nurturing the whole child: Mind, body, and spirit through daily prayer, participation in school Mass, rigorous academics, and a strong sense of community rooted in Gospel values.

We invite all families to consider the gift of a Catholic education for their children. Whether you're already part of our school or exploring options for the future, we welcome your interest and involvement.

Come visit us and see the difference a Catholic education can make.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our school community. Together, we are forming future leaders in faith and service.

For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact our office @ 707-762-6426 or visit www.svelem.org.

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SICK BOOKS are available at the rectory office. If you haven't picked up your book, please do so. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, closed for lunch from 12 to 1 pm. If you have any questions, please call the office at 707-762-4278.

WEEKLY INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY



- All are welcome! Free bags of groceries are provided to low-income families and individuals in Petaluma, through Petaluma Interfaith Pantry, which operates every Thursday evening. No paperwork needed; we serve all in need. Thursday Evening Interfaith Pantry opens at 5:00 pm at the Elim Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall at 504 Baker Street. For more information, please call 762-4081.