

The Connection
SS. Peter & Paul
Ministry Booklet



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Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:15 PM

Daily

8:30 AM Monday through Friday

Rosary

8:00 AM Monday through Friday

Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00 AM Monday through Friday

Adoration Chapel Hours

9:00 AM-5:00 PM Monday through Thursday

9:00AM - 3:00pm Friday

Adoration

Fridays 12:00 Noon through 3:00 PM

Benediction

1st Fridays @ 3:00 PM

Holy Day Masses

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'UNITED FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD'

There are many members of our parish family who devote their time and talents to work with various ministries in the parish. I thank Almighty God for their ventures and appreciate every one of them for their selfless service and diligence to serve in the name of the Lord.

"Come, be MY LIGHT" - Mother Theresa's acceptance to this call of Jesus was the source of inception of her religious community— "The Missionaries of Charity." The numerous ministries we have in our parish give its members immense opportunities to serve in the name of Jesus and be His Light. This ministry booklet of our parish bears a testimony to their service to the community and calls for an open invitation for everyone who possesses an ardent fervor for serving the people of God.

"In Christ we are united"; being the Body of Christ with many Body parts." (1Corinthians 12:12). Yes, we are the lucky lot who got the call to frame and shape the Kingdom of God. As each of us is imbued with unique God-given gifts, may we be good enough to extend it to our brothers and sisters within our parish family and the community in Rocklin.

Blessings for radiating the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD...!**

Fr. Bony Arackal, Parochial Administrator

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LITURGY

www.rocklincatholic.org/liturgy

Assisted Listening Devices for the Hearing Impaired

www.rocklincatholic.org/assisted-listening-devices

If you are in need of assisted listening devices, please contact an usher before Mass. We have six listening devices that are available at each Mass.

Liturgy Committee www.rocklincatholic.org/liturgy-committee

SS. Peter & Paul's Liturgy Committee consists of representatives from each of the ministers of: Ushers, Music, Welcoming, Environment, Lector, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Faith Formation, RCIA and Mass Coordinators. The Pastor, Deacon and Coordinator of Liturgy are standing members of the Committee.

Nursery www.rocklincatholic.org/nursery

Babysitting is available during the 9:00 AM and 5:15 PM Masses each weekend in Room #1, excluding major holidays. Adult parishioners supervise care and provide a fun, safe, and loving environment for our youngest parishioners.

Seating for Physically Challenged Parishioners

There are designated areas in the church to accommodate those with physical challenges. Please arrive to Mass a bit early and ask an usher to assist you.

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers www.rocklincatholic.org/altar-servers

Altar servers are responsible for assisting the priest at Mass. We have children in the 4th grade and older, as well as adult serving in this ministry.

All training is provided.

Church Cleaning www.rocklincatholic.org/church-cleaning

Made up of parishioners who perform light housekeeping duties on a weekly basis, typically on a Saturday morning, this ministry helps keep our church sparkling. This behind the scenes ministry is a way to get involved and have your accomplishments appreciated by all.

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Liturgical Ministries, cont. www.rocklincatholic.org/liturgy

Church Environment www.rocklincatholic.org/church-environment

Our worship spaces are beautiful environments for prayer, reflection and celebration of the Eucharist. The individuals involved in this ministry add sensory elements to the environment during the entire year. The committee's goal is not just to create an attractive space, but to help the parish reflect on each occasion and inspire deeper prayer. Dedicated parishioners, men and women, are needed on this committee. Hours vary throughout the year.

Cleaning of Altar Linens www.rocklincatholic.org/cleaning-of-linens

This ministry involves washing and ironing the purificators that are used for wiping the sacred cup during communion, and the towels that are used on the altar by Father and the Eucharistic Ministers. This home-based ministry rotates approximately once every five months.

Eucharistic Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/eucharistic-ministers

As a Eucharistic Minister, you have responded to your baptism and the call to live as an active disciple of Jesus. And thus your role is a privilege, a humble and generous service, and a responsibility. You have the privilege of being Christ-bearers for God's people. And, your role (as for all of us) does not end when liturgy ends. We, the body of Christ, are called to bring the body of Christ to our world; to everyone we meet, in everything we do. These ministers participate in an initial training, ongoing trainings and days of prayer (retreat). They are placed on a rotation schedule.

Lectors www.rocklincatholic.org/lectors

Proclaiming the word of God at Mass is a dual ministry of praising God and of leading others to understand Scripture. Lectors require preparation for our voices to project clarity and understanding. This discipline of preparation ends up being a gift. The new insights we gain increase our love of Scripture. We receive more than we give. In becoming a lector, you agree to initial training and ongoing evaluations, trainings and days of prayer (retreat). They are placed on a rotation schedule

Music Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/music

Music ministers pray using the language of music. By sharing their talents with the community, our music ministers greatly enrich our liturgies. Various styles of music are sung at each of the Masses and you are encouraged to find your place! Weekly rehearsals are provided and there are special choirs that are composed for special liturgical seasons. Share your gift!

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Liturgical Ministries, cont. www.rocklincatholic.org/liturgy

Ushers (Ministers of Hospitality) www.rocklincatholic.org/ushers

Those who minister as ushers will be welcoming people to worship, tending their needs, helping them find a place, gathering their gifts during the collection and bidding them farewell when the Mass concludes. By nature, you are a person who wants to help. You have a deep faith in Christ, a love for the Mass, and a place in a community. Your desire to serve will help the faithful worship when they arrive at church. This ministry is open to men and women and training is provided.

Welcoming Committee www.rocklincatholic.org/welcoming-committee

Every weekend, the welcoming committee is present at all masses to greet new people and invite them to register for the parish and to assist them in becoming a part of our faith community. This committee also mails cards to new families, congratulating them on life events or consoling them in times of grief. This committee is dedicated to reaching out and welcoming others.

SACRAMENTS, SPECIAL LITURGIES, and PREPARATION

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is a celebration in which those who are seriously ill or infirm are surrounded and supported by others in the Christian community, either during a special Mass or a private ritual in their home or care facility. If you know someone who is in need of anointing, please call the parish office.

Baptism of Infants and Young Children

This sacrament is celebrated for infants and children up to the age of seven. It is celebrated communally twice a month, typically on the second and fourth Sundays of the months (except during Lent). Parents and at least one godparent must attend a preparation session prior to the child's baptism. Our classes are held on the second Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 PM. Visit www.rocklincatholic.org/baptism for more information or to register for the class.

Baptism of Adults and Older Children www.rocklincatholic.org/rcia

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults and older children (over age 7) prepare for receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist (full initiation). If baptism has already been celebrated, then this process provides an opportunity to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, receiving Confirmation and First Eucharist. This process is in need of facilitators, sponsors, ministers of hospitality, and prayer partners. We need you!

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Confirmation www.rocklincatholic.org/edge

Confirmation is celebrated in the eighth grade as part of the culmination to our middle school two-year program. We also provide preparation classes for older teens and adults.

Eucharist www.rocklincatholic.org/faith-formation

Eucharist is celebrated in the second grade after completion of a two year preparation process. Children are enrolled in the first and second grade faith formation programs before receiving this sacrament.

Funerals www.rocklincatholic.org/funerals

The Catholic Mass of Christian Burial or a Memorial Service celebrates the mystery of life, death, and resurrection of Christ in a loved one who has died. We are happy to assist you in planning the funeral liturgy as well as helping you in your time of grief.

Marriage www.rocklincatholic.org/marriage

Couples desiring to be married in the Catholic church are welcomed! A date for the wedding should be arranged with the parish office at least six months prior to the desired wedding, this will allow time for preparation.

Marriage Preparation www.rocklincatholic.org/marriage-preparation

All couples are required to participate in marriage preparation courses. We offer a preparation program that fulfills this requirement. We also encourage engaged couples to consider attending an Engaged Encounter weekend. Contact the office to meet with a priest.

Quinceanera

If you would like to celebrate a Quinceanera at our parish, contact the parish office. There are particular guidelines in regard to the ritual and we are happy to help you celebrate this special milestone with reverence.

FAITH FORMATION www.rocklincatholic.org/faith-formation

Nursery www.rocklincatholic.org/nursery

Complimentary childcare is available during some of our weekend Masses, excluding major holidays. This care is provided by adult parishioners who have been fingerprinted and who have received CPR training. We also provide care for some of our adult faith formation classes and special events. Volunteers are also used in this ministry. Contact the faith formation office for more information.

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Pre-School and Kindergarten

Our parish provides programs that are designed to support parents in education their children in faith and which will create a strong foundation for future religious education. Registration is required and these classes are held on Sunday mornings or afternoon during Mass.

Grades 1-6 Children's Faith Formation www.rocklincatholic.org/grades1-6

We provide weekly faith formation classes which run from September to May. The classes are one hour and are offered on Sundays at 4:00 PM, Mondays at 3:30 PM, and Tuesdays at 4:30 PM. An additional pre-school class is offered on Sunday mornings at 4:00 PM. Our classes are taught by trained volunteers and you are encouraged to consider this ministry. These classes provide the necessary preparation for first Eucharist, Reconciliation and they help children create a personal relationship with God.

Grades 7-8 (EDGE Ministry) www.rocklincatholic.org/edge

The EDGE program challenges our 7th & 8th graders to grow in their knowledge of our Catholic faith through engaging and relevant curriculum. The EDGE program incorporates social, spiritual and service components which encourages the middle school "tween" to explore and apply what they learn to their daily lives. The EDGE program also serves as our Confirmation preparation program. It is our goal that our program will not only prepare our middle school youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation, but also teach and inspire them to respond and cooperate with God's grace in all the circumstance of their daily lives, long after their Confirmation has passed. The EDGE meets on most Sunday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:15pm in the Social Hall. A Core Team of volunteer adults and high school teen mentors assist in leading our program. We hope you consider serving on the team.

Family Faith Formation www.rocklincatholic.org/family-faith-formation

As an alternative approach to traditional faith formation classes, we provide entire families the opportunity to be formed in faith together by attending one evening every two weeks. These courses are attended with other families who rotate leadership.

High School Youth Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/youth-ministry

Through a variety of ways, our high school youth ministry meets the faith formation needs of our high school students. The Youth Group meets as a large group once a week (typically Sunday nights) and includes service projects, social gatherings, small faith group meetings (held in parishioner homes), a yearly mission trip, and fundraisers that serve the parish community.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study www.rocklincatholic.org/mens-bible-study

This method provides an in-depth, no nonsense look at various books in the Bible. This study runs all year long in Room #4. If one is unable to attend or misses a session, he can download and listen to the teaching on the website www.audiobiblestudy.org. This is facilitated by one leader and is a lecture format.

Mom's Bible Study www.rocklincatholic.org/moms-bible-study

With the demands of motherhood, you may find yourself overwhelmed at the challenges facing you as you navigate through your child's development. Put your spiritual life back on the front burner through this approach. Perfect for those who want to learn more about studying God's word and is also appropriate for more seasoned learners.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

www.rocklincatholic.org/thursday-morning-bible-study

Participants will study the Bible by way of theme or by studying a particular book of the Bible. Most studies last between 6-10 weeks and cost approximately \$15 each. This group meets on Thursday mornings and is led by a facilitator. This approach also uses Catholic materials and a video commentary.

Thursday Evening Book & Bible Study

www.rocklincatholic.org/thursday-evening-bible-study

This group uses a variety of approaches in their studies. Utilizing the Little Rock Scripture Study, the Threshold Bible Study, some video-based series and more, you will never be bored. Open to both men and women and this group meets at 7:00 PM on Thursday nights.

Women's Bible Study www.rocklincatholic.org/womens-bible-study

The Women's Inductive Bible Study groups provide an opportunity each week to carefully study a passage of Scripture and share insights and questions, with the goal of discovering the timeless truths God intends for us to live by. Furthermore, there is opportunity for fellowship and prayer with other women in a supportive environment.

Book Club www.rocklincatholic.org/book-club

Do you like to read and discuss great books? Our parish has a book club that meets every other month. Our selections are generally written by Catholic authors. Some of the books have been true stories of canonized saints or everyday Catholics and others have been about Church issues. The book selections are always advertised in the bulletin and weekly emails, and are available for purchase from the parish office. Our meetings are also advertised. For more information, visit our website.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION, cont.

Catholics Returning Home www.rocklincatholic.org/catholics-returning-home

This five week program is intended for those parishioners just returning to the Catholic church or for those who would like a refresher course. Get answer to those nagging questions about “why we do that”. Informal and refreshing.

Contemplative Prayer www.rocklincatholic.org/contemplative-prayer

Offered once a week, on Wednesday mornings. Parishioners are invited to step away from the hustle and bustle and immerse themselves in a contemplative prayer group. Lectio Divina prepares one for the upcoming Sunday’s gospel, and twenty minutes of Centering Prayer done in a group environment allows one to recognize the Spirit within.

Dialogue Workshops and Mentoring

www.rocklincatholic.org/dialogue-workshops

Our world today can be very polarized and communication can easily break down. We offer workshops aimed at increasing productive dialogue and becoming a peaceful presence. Private mentoring from a certified practitioner is also available.

Dinner & Dialogue www.rocklincatholic.org/dinner-and-dialogue

Enjoy a casual potluck dinner and a glass of wine while discussing faith. Participants meet together in the fall, choose a book, and then meet once a month on a Friday night to discuss the material. Open to singles and couples.

Guest Speakers and Special Events

From time to time we offer guest speakers for an evening or a longer series (up to six weeks) at a nominal charge. These prepared speakers are either from the parish staff or the local community. Watch the bulletin or email alerts.

www.rocklincatholic.org/guest-speakers-and-special-events

Guided Autobiography www.rocklincatholic.org/guided-autobiography-class

Write your family story and leave it as a legacy for your children and/or grandchildren. One week at a time, participants meet with others and begin creating their story. Facilitated by a trained educator, these sessions will help you through the entire process of discovery and writing. Nominal fee for participation and instruction.

Lay Formation www.rocklincatholic.org/lay-formation

Anyone serving in ministry (faith formation, liturgical ministries, etc.) are highly encouraged by the Diocese of Sacramento to receive basic formation in their faith. Our parish is an approved Diocesan Lay Formation Site and we offer classes which meet the diocesan requirements for Basic Formation certification. These classes are engaging and informative.

Movie Events www.rocklincatholic.org/movie-events

Looking for a relaxing time with fellow parishioners? Periodically we offer movies with a Christian theme. Sometimes these movies are classics, and other times they are contemporary. All movies are shown in the Multipurpose Room. There is no charge for these events but free will offerings are collected to help Adult Faith Formation.

Parenting Classes www.rocklincatholic.org/parenting-classes

Offered periodically through the year, we offer classes for parents of young children and a separate set of classes for parents of adolescents. Both of these courses utilize the Active Parenting Approach which is widely used and highly regarded. These classes are affordable and childcare and materials are provided.

Parish Mission www.rocklincatholic.org/parish-mission

Each year, we strive to offer a parish mission. This mission is perfect for teens and adults. It is a time to break from our normal church and home routines and refocus our spiritual lives. We encourage all parishioners to attend our yearly parish mission!

Retreats www.rocklincatholic.org/retreats

We support and provide various retreat experiences for our parishioners including the Women's and Men's retreats at Christ the King, and the annual Women's Retreat at Mercy Center facilitated by our parish staff.

SoulCore www.rocklincatholic.org/soulcore

Join SoulCore and you will have the opportunity to re-energize your prayer life and your body! Mary Combs, one of our parishioners, is bringing this unique blend of exercise and prayer to our parish. The classes are offered on Monday mornings and Tuesday evenings in Room #9. At this time there is no charge. For more information, visit our webpage.

Wine & Wisdom www.rocklincatholic.org/wine-and-wisdom

Wine & Wisdom is a monthly gathering for men and women which promise thought-provoking discussions on issues affecting today's Catholics.

Due to the ever changing nature of these courses, new offerings are added regularly. To stay informed, be sure to visit our website regularly and read the Sunday bulletin. If you are registered in the parish, you will also receive weekly email updates.

**PARISH LIFE
MINISTRIES**

Bereavement www.rocklincatholic.org/bereavement.

The Bereavement Ministry seeks to aid and comfort anyone grieving, especially the loss of a loved one. You will be offered an ear to listen, a hand for support and a heart to share. We gather weekly on Wednesday afternoons in the Parish Library from 4:00 to 6:00pm.

Coffee & Donut Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/coffee-and-donuts

This ministry provides an opportunity to build community in our parish. Coffee and Donuts are served most Sunday mornings after the morning Masses. You may participate either by enjoying a donut in the Social Hall, or volunteering to serve donuts to others. Community and being together is a foundation for a strong healthy parish!

Cursillo www.cursillo.org or www.sacramentocursillo.com

Cursillo in Christianity is a movement that, through a method of its own, tries to, and through God's grace manages to enable the essential realities of the Christian to come to life in the uniqueness, originality, and creativity of each person. In becoming aware of their potential and while accepting their limitations they exercise their freedom by their conviction, strengthen their will with their decision, to propitiate friendship in virtue of their constancy in both their personal and community life.

DivorceCare www.rocklincatholic.org/divorcecare

DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. DivorceCare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help forward to rebuilding your life. This group meets on Friday nights. 13 week sessions begin each Fall and Spring. For those who have been through the initial series, ongoing support is also available on Friday nights.

Family Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/family-ministry

This ministry is a group of families that meets at least once a month for fun and fellowship. It is a way to spend time with other families that share our Catholic faith and spend valuable family time together. We enjoy activities such as camping, bingo, bowling, and games. We meet for park days, pizza feasts, and BBQs. Our families often attend church gatherings such as the New Year's Eve party and Crab Feed together. Most of our activities include a faith based activity and family prayer and some gatherings are service oriented. Families with children of all ages are welcome to join this ministry and will surely enjoy the sense of community and connection with others in our church. A leader for this ministry is needed. Please consider this opportunity!

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MINISTRIES**

Library Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/library

The Library Committee works to make our library more accessible to all when those pressing questions about the week's Gospel remain, or when answers to life's larger questions are needed. The Library is open on the weekends before and after each Mass. Access to the Library during the weekdays is granted upon request.

L.O.V.E. (Living our Vows Every Day) www.rocklincatholic.org/loved

This ministry to married couples allows couples time to focus on one another and God and builds friendships with other couples. This group meets monthly.

MOMents of Grace www.rocklincatholic.org/moments-of-grace

This women's group is open to mothers of young children and provides an opportunity to get together for prayer, fellowship, and time to share the simple act of noticing God in everyday moments of grace. Childcare is provided upon advance arrangement.

Spiritual Direction www.rocklincatholic.org/spiritual-direction

Spiritual Direction can help you identify and trust your own experiences of the Holy in life to 1) Deepen your relationship with God, 2) Discern and make life-giving choices, 3) Look for the Spirit in struggles, losses or disappointments and 4) Find encouragement, affirmation and challenge. We are fortunate to have a qualified Spiritual Director in this parish: Gail Branner. It only takes an hour of your time once a month, and the all-inclusive \$25 fee is minimal, so why not *Come and see?*

WakeUP! www.rocklincatholic.org/wake-up

An opportunity once a month, for men to meet that may struggle from time to time to balance their faith, family, and professional obligations but are committed to continuing the journey to discover stability in all three areas of their lives.

**PARISH LIFE
ORGANIZATIONS**

Boy Scout Troop 435 www.rocklincatholic.org/boy-scouts

The mission of Scouting is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Scouting offers young people responsible fun and adventure, training young people in citizenship, service, and leadership. The Catholic Church has a long history of recognizing Scouting as a Youth Ministry. The Church fully embraces Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, and Venturing.

PARISH LIFE ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Guild– www.rocklincatholic.org/ladies-guild

The Mission of the Ladies Guild is threefold: 1) to provide an opportunity for social activities and to promote fellowship among parish members 2) to develop financial resources to support the charitable needs of the parish and surrounding community. 3) to provide a bereavement reception for Ladies Guild members and to assist and coordinate other hospitality services. Membership in the Ladies guild is open to all women of the parish over 18 years of age.

Meetings are held on the fourth Monday morning of each month.

Marriage Encounter -www.wwme.org or www.wme12.org

Looking for the perfect weekend? A weekend to bring you and your spouse closer together? A WWME weekend is exactly what you are looking for. At a Worldwide Marriage Encounter, the original and continually updated marriage enrichment program, you get away from the distractions of everyday life and focus on each other. Instead of simply listening to lectures about how to improve your marriage, you will actually be improving your marriage over the weekend.

Men's Club-www.rocklincatholic.org/mens-club

The SS. Peter & Paul Men's Club is a group of energetic men ranging from 18 years old to those of retirement age and beyond who meet for camaraderie and whose goal it is to participate and sponsor parish events and projects. The Men's Club believes that the church, the parish community, and our families are of the utmost importance.

Meetings are held as needed. Please consider joining our group!

Parish Finance Council www.rocklincatholic.org/finance-council

The Parish Finance Council is a small group of parish members, whose primary role is to advise the Pastor regarding the financial affairs of the parish, and to assist the Pastor with the preparation of an annual operating budget, and other financial reports as needed. Additionally, the Finance Council is a consultative body to the Pastor, for consideration of purchases, parish projects, and any other commitments of parish resources. Members of the Finance Council serve a three-year term, with 1 or 2 selected each year. Council meetings are held once a month except in July and August.

Parish Pastoral Council www.rocklincatholic.org/parish-council

A Parish Pastoral Council gives its help to the pastor in fostering pastoral activity. It investigates, under the authority of the pastor, all those things which pertain to pastoral works to ponder them and proposes practical conclusions about them. In order to be able to freely ponder and discuss these issues, Parish Council meetings are by necessity closed to parishioners. However, an open period is set aside at the beginning of each meeting for parishioners to bring to the council's attention any pastoral concerns they may have. Please pray that the council may be guided by the Holy Spirit in advising the Pastor on the many pastoral duties for which he is responsible.

SS. Peter & Paul Foundation Endowment Trust

This ministry is led by a Board of Trustees who is responsible for developing programs to support annual funding of scholarship for deserving parish students, as well as administering the scholarship application process. Additionally, the Trustees administer the assets of the Fr. Michael J. Dillon Endowment Fund, which provides a scholarship each year to a graduating high school senior who will be attending a Catholic college or university. www.rocklincatholic.org/scholarship.

SERVING OTHERS

Within the Parish

Funeral Hospitality www.rocklincatholic.org/funeral-hospitality

In conjunction with a funeral/memorial service held at SS. Peter & Paul Church, and at the request of the family, the Funeral Hospitality ministry will plan, organize and implement a reception for the family and friends of the deceased.

Losing a loved one is a very traumatic experience.

Gathering for a meal can help a decedent's family through their time of grief.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound www.rocklincatholic.org/ministry-to-the-sick-and-homebound

This ministry reaches out to our parishioners who are homebound or living in a convalescent home. Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Training is required to do this. The training takes about 90 minutes. Please keep this ministry and the people it serves in your prayers.

Respect Life Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/respect-life

Human life is our first gift from God – a gift we are called to care for and protect. Blessed John Paul II wrote the profound and powerful encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*, which propels the Respect Life Ministry to live out the gospel of life in our daily lives, in the home, at church, and in our community. Our mission includes: Fostering Prayers, Promoting Education/Information and Outreach. Our meetings are open to all and we welcome your ideas and suggestions as we heed the call to build up the culture of life. Our monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month.

Social Concerns Ministry www.rocklincatholic.org/social-concerns

Our social concerns committee strives to journey with or walk alongside our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate than us. This outreach ministry deals primarily with charity (providing aid directly to the suffering) and offers various opportunities to direct service to help those in need.

SERVING OTHERS
Within the Community

Alcoholics Anonymous www.aa.org

nights at SS. Peter & Paul but operates independently. AA is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

Assist a Family www.rocklincatholic.org/assist-a-family

You are invited to help a family in need with the Assist-a-Family program. To assist a family, the minimum requirement is to provide the grocery gift card to cover the family's Christmas meal and some extra meals as well as one gift and one item of clothing for each member of the family. The average cost to assist a family of 4 is \$350. The families we help are truly in need. Some of them are the "working poor", those who barely make ends meet each month, while others rely completely on federal and state assistance. Our families are from our parish community, referred to us by a local daycare center, or referred by St. Vincent de Paul. All are local families.

Engaged Encounter www.engagedencounter.org or www.sacee.org

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a weekend retreat away with other engaged couples with plenty of time along together to plan for a sacramental marriage. It is designed to give couples planning marriage the opportunity to dialogue honestly and intensively about their prospective lives together-their strengths and weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals, their attitudes about money, sex, children, family, their role in the church and society-in a face-to-face way.

Giving Tree www.rocklincatholic.org/giving-tree

The Giving Tree provides Christmas gifts for children and adults who are in need and might not otherwise receive anything for Christmas. These people are clients of local agencies: Lazarus Project, Mother Teresa Maternity Home, Peace for Families, Placer County Children's Receiving Home, St. Vincent de Paul Society, W.W.J.D, inc., Home Start and Head Start.

Lazarus Project www.lazarusprojectinc.org

The Lazarus Project is a not-for-profit multi-service organization providing transitional housing and support services to individuals enabling them to find permanent income and housing. Ultimately, through the development of life skills and utilizing community resources, participants of our program become self-sufficient.

SERVING OTHERS– *Within the Community*

Loaves and Fishes www.sacloaves.org.

This organization, located in Sacramento, provides many services for the less fortunate and homeless. Our church participates in helping to serve meals at the facility once or twice a month. We carpool from church. Please join us for community building as well as helping our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Narcotics Anonymous www.na.org

Narcotics Anonymous meets weekly on Friday nights at SS. Peter & Paul but operates independently. It provides a recovery process and peer support network that are linked together. One of the keys to NA's success is the therapeutic value of addicts working with other addicts. Members share their successes and challenges in overcoming active addiction and living drug-free, productive lives through the application of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of NA.

Placer Care Coalition www.placercare.com

The Placer Care Coalition's primary purpose is to give aid and comfort in varying forms to the disadvantaged and marginalized in our parish and the surrounding neighborhoods. Placer Care Coalition hosts an annual wine and food tasting event, "Raising Spirits," to raise funds for the organizations they collaborate with and assist – WWJD?, Lazarus Project, St. Vincent de Paul, and Homestart.

Rocklin/Loomis Kids in Need www.rocklincatholic.org/rocklin-loomis-kids-in-need

This ministry is dedicated to helping children that attend school in our parish community. There are 300+ families that live at or below the poverty level and many are homeless or live in temporary shelters. Through the generosity of our parish we are able to help make these children's lives a bit happier and easier. Often the choice comes down to paying for food or rent and having to skip the little things that help kids fit in and/or create lasting memories of their childhood. We have collection drives three times per year that are distributed through the Rocklin and Loomis School District.

Fall: School Supplies: (paper, printer ink, composition books, gift cards to pay for other items)

Christmas: Gifts distributed via the Giving Tree Program

St. Vincent de Paul www.rocklincatholic.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society

Since 1983, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Roseville has been the largest privately funded supplier of services to the working poor and homeless. Our goal is to help families and individuals reach self-sufficiency. We also operate 15 transitional living units. Our funding is supplied mostly through private donations. St. Vincent de Paul is a member of Placer Care Coalition.

The Gathering Inn www.rocklincatholic.org/gathering-inn

The Gathering Inn is the Christian response of providing homeless persons a safe and secure place to rest at night, a warm meal, and to be treated with dignity. This service is offered to 50+ people per night in the South Placer County area. Our parish hosts the homeless twice a month and volunteers prepare and serve the food.

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W.W.J.D.? www.wwjdinc.org

W.W.J.D. began several years ago with one woman feeding homeless and working poor out of the back of her car. Today W.W.J.D. provides over 40,000 meals a year, serving each day of the week out of mobile vans in the Roseville and Auburn areas. In addition, we provide medical care, emergency housing, clothing, and a myriad of other services with an all-volunteer staff. Our parishioners are welcomed to volunteer to help staff the vans or provide other clerical and volunteer assistance.

To Register for the Parish

www.rocklincatholic.org/parish-registration

Or

Visit the Welcoming Table at Mass

Or

Stop by the Parish Office

To register to receive parish information via email

www.flocknote.com/sspp

or email darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org

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