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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT - 2018

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2018

ALMADEN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB



A Month of Repentance

The bishop has designated October as a month of repentance at every parish in the Diocese. We will modify our Sunday liturgies as follows:

- The church environment will be simplified like Lent and purple vestments will be used, the color of repentance.
- Fr. Brendan and Fr. Edgar will not wear any vestment at all during Mass but instead lay the vestment over the presider's chair. They will wear only the stole for Mass and sit in a chair beside the presider's chair as a symbol of humility.
- We will not sing an opening song but use the sound bowl as we process.
- The presider will also prostrate fully before the altar asking for forgiveness for the sins of our brother-priests and our bishops.
- We will have special prayers throughout the liturgy for forgiveness and healing.
- Fr. Edgar will lead an adoration prayer service every Friday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- The priests will also fast one day each week in repentance.

Cost: Entry fee: **\$225/player, \$210/Senior 65+, \$50/Dinner only. Register by Friday, Oct 19, 2018**
(Entry Fee includes greens & cart fees, range balls, prizes, lunch, dinner and auction)

Name: _____
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Please list the other players in your foursome:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Player Entry Fee: _____ # of Players x \$225
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 Dinner only: _____ # of Dinner only \$50
Total: \$ _____

- Payments: Please make checks payable to Holy Spirit (Note "Golf Tournament" in the memo area.)
- Note: Holy Spirit School parents may ask to have entry fees billed through their FACTS account.
- To pay by credit card in person, please visit the Holy Spirit School front office.
- To pay online, please visit the Holy Spirit Church or School website.

Tournament Information: 4 person Shamble*. Make your own or choose to be paired up.

10:00 am Registration and Putting Contest on Putting Green (Contest commences at 10:30 am)

12:00 noon Shotgun Start - Lunch Provided

5:00 pm No-host Cocktails, Dinner and Live Auction

*Shamble rules: Take the best drive of the 4-some, then play your own ball to the hole.

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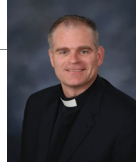
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Question of the Week

Finish the following sentence:
Jesus looked at you, loved you and
said, "you are lacking one thing..."
What must I do in my personal life
to grow closer to Jesus?

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR



Jesus is famous for his powerful parables throughout the gospels and rightly so. They give us a way to understand how God works in our lives through the power of story which is more timeless than any instruction. But the way he handles dissenters is even more powerful. Jesus always does the same thing when one of his detractors comes up with a question to try to stump him. *He reframes the question.*

Today's gospel is a great example of this as the Pharisees asked him, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" Jesus pushes back asking them, "What did Moses command you?" In other words, what did the law command you? This was a rhetorical question for Jesus knew the law inside and out and did not need to ask them. But he was beginning his reframing. He points them back to the law because the spirit of the law was always more important than the law itself according to Jesus time and time again.

In this ancient time, a man could get a bill of divorce from his wife for something as significant as infidelity or as trivial as bad cooking. It was the right only of the man and not the woman. The woman was property that could be traded on such trivial matters.

But Jesus reframes their question of divorce back to the "human dignity" of treating everyone with respect. He quotes Genesis as a reminder, "God created them male and female" in his own image. No one is complete in himself or herself. We were created for relationships with one another and those relationships continue to form us in the divine image.

Jesus constantly looks beyond the arena of legality. His reframing continues with the way he welcomed the little children after the question of divorce from the Pharisees. He upbraids the disciples for missing the point about their discipleship. Just like the Pharisees wanting to lessen the divorced women placed in their society, the disciples did not want to be bothered by these lesser ones, "the little children." Jesus reframes his attention to the little children and any other person struggling with life's difficult and painful experiences. Jesus says, "Let the children come to me...for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

We would do well to imitate this "reframing" strategy when we are asked difficult questions when it comes to our Church. Many of you have shared with me how difficult it is right now to field questions about the Catholic Church and the abuse scandal. Maybe one approach is to reframe their question from a matter of faith "in the church" to a question of "faith in Jesus and the Church as the people of God."

I always agree with people who struggle with the institutional church, and I am one of the people of the institution! But I also do what Jesus does and I reframe the question to be a question about believing in Jesus. I believe the deeper question is: "Do I believe in Jesus?" and "Am I willing to fight for him and his Church?" To those questions my answer is unswervingly: "YES. I AM. I am willing to die for him." Now more than ever should we fight for Jesus and his Church. Now more than ever should we pray to Jesus. Now more than ever should we show love for Church and be his People. Now more than ever!



LIVING THE LITURGY



Altar Servers: Bearers of Light, Word, and Sacrament

As Catholics, we are especially blessed by God, particularly when looking back to the people of the Old Testament. Before the time of Jesus, the relationship that humanity had with God was much more removed; reserved to the words of the prophets, and kept to one particular place, such as the temples and mountains where the prophets interacted with God in the Old Testament. In current times, we as a Church are given the opportunity to experience God in and through the

Sacrifice of the Altar. Through the Eucharist, we receive the intimate gift of union with Christ. And through ministry, we are able to give back to Him our works.

There are many ministries in which a parishioner can participate during the Eucharistic Liturgy. Of the ministries entrusted to the laity (non-ordained members of the Church), perhaps one of the oldest is the Altar Server Ministry. Originally referred to Acolytes, the Altar Servers have the longest-standing tradition of lay-ecclesial ministry in the Catholic Church.

Throughout the vast history of our Church, Acolytes have had a prominent and crucial role in the Mass. From preparing the wine and hosts to be consecrated into the body and blood of Christ to, in special circumstances, administering Communion to the Assembly.

The Altar Servers at Holy Spirit have several roles throughout the Mass. There are three Altar Server positions: Cross Bearer, Chalice Bearer, and Book Bearer. Each of these different positions have different jobs that are all important to the smooth celebration of the Mass. They assist in various tasks ranging from holding the Roman Missal for the Presider to leading both the gathering procession at the beginning of Mass and the recession once the liturgy has ended.

Pope Francis says in his 2015 address to Altar Servers, "God's call to us is a call to go out and share God's mercy and the joy of faith. It cannot be lived or protected in an underground bunker to which we flee in difficult moments." Serving at the altar, is a privileged way to draw closer to Christ, which in turn "enables you to open yourselves to others, to journey together, to set demanding goals and to find the strength to achieve them."

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 10/8 Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
T 10/9 Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
W 10/10 Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
TH 10/11 Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
F 10/12 Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
S 10/13 Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
SU 10/14 Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30



Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

Daily Mass / Communion Service

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Daily Holy Hour

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

Daily Rosary

Monday - Friday 9:15 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration & Reconciliation

First Friday of the month
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.
or by appointment



MASS INTENTIONS

SA 10/13 5:00 Holy Spirit Parish
SU 10/14 8:00 Don Murray †
Paul Sick †
11:30 George Sanchez †
Rahul Pinto †
Adolfo Reyes †

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill:

Valerie Gold, Pat Lambert,
Frances Mullin, Joan Pirnik

For those who have recently died:

Frank Bellanca, Pete Huttlinger



Training for NEW Altar Servers

Altar Servers have a very important role during Mass and our parish is enriched through their dedication and service. If your child would like to become an altar server, sign up for one of these training sessions:

Thursday, October 11th

2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Meet inside the Church

Saturday, October 13th

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Meet inside the Church

Sign up here: <https://doodle.com/poll/bg5rpge7f5vckdt5>

Note: At least one parent needs to attend the last 15 minutes as we will be reviewing the program and the scheduling.

Who can become an altar server?

- Boys and girls with a desire to serve the Church
- 5th grade and older
- Have received their First Holy Communion
- Attend Mass regularly

For more information, please contact: German Scipioni at german@scipioni.org or Carolina Scipioni at carolina@scipioni.org.

SAVE THE DATE: 2019 National Mission Trip San Augustine, Texas February 17 – 23, 2019

Join us for our annual mission trip to San Augustine, Texas. The focus is on construction projects and long-term community building.

The trip is open to students in sixth grade or older and all Holy Spirit parishioners. Each student is required to be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian. No prior experience is required.

Registration opens Wednesday, October 24th. Approximate cost is \$1200.

Our next information meeting for those considering going on this year's trip is scheduled for October 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Visit our Holy Spirit website for more info, or contact Kyle Coulter at kyledcoulter@yahoo.com.



Saturday at Sacred Heart

School aged children and older are invited to join us for our next Saturday at Sacred Heart on **Saturday, October 20th, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.** We will help in the Food Pantry and Clothes Closet, and anywhere else we are needed to help Sacred Heart prepare to serve their customers.

Signups are open on the parish website. School aged children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent. Service hours can be earned.

Hope to see you at The Heart!



Survival Sacks

We gather on the first and third Thursdays of the month to distribute Survival Sacks, organize supplies, make hygiene kits, and fill backpacks. Sacks are provided to those who are homeless and living on the streets of San Jose, usually about 50 on each distribution day.

Our greatest need (as far as supplies for the program) is for men's underwear. If you would like to donate underwear to the Survival Sack Program, contact us via our e-mail listed below.

Consider joining us on October 18th. The signup link can be found on the parish website. Volunteers must be 16 or older. We meet at Sacred Heart at 8:45 a.m. and finish up about 10:45 a.m.

Should you need more information, contact either Patty O'Neil or Tom Burgei at tnburgei@yahoo.com.





Welcome Even the Littlest Ones

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus says, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." How beautiful is God's love for us, especially for the little ones. As followers of Christ and as members of our

Catholic community here at Holy Spirit, how are we making Jesus known to our Children and the members of the young Church?

As individuals, are we providing a helping hand or setting good examples for the ever-so-observant children? As a community, we are called by the Christ to be intentional about creating a warm, inviting environment, whether it be moving over a few seats to invite others to sit with us, welcoming a stranger as they visit our Church for the first time, or offering them a hymnal to follow along.

While it's true that children can be loud and distracting, we in the Catholic Church are invited to celebrate their presence at the Sunday Liturgy. This week, make it a point to give praise to parents and children for attending Mass together; the sound of little ones is cause for celebration that the Church is alive!

YOUTH MINISTRY

3sixty High School Ministry

This weekend, youth from 3sixty took time out of their schedules to go on retreat. Please keep the youth and the leaders in your prayers in hopes that they can find their voice to share their story and recognize how we all fit in God's story.



Please note that there will be **no 3sixty youth night this weekend** due to the Our Story Retreat. 3sixty resumes back on Sunday, October 14th with a Scripture / Issue night.

Edge Middle School Ministry



Our next Edge night will be on **Wednesday, October 10th at 7:00 p.m.** We will take a look at the Rosary and why it is such an important and powerful prayer in our faith. All middle school youth are invited to attend.

The one and only Edge Dance is Friday, October 19th, 7:00-9:30 p.m. in the Holy Spirit School Gym. All middle school youth grades 6-8 are invited to attend. Friends are welcome to come. Waiver form is required for entry as well as a \$10 admittance fee. Waiver forms can be downloaded on the Edge page on the parish website.

Confirmation

Confirmation Year 1: The October make-up session will be communicated once the date is set. Please stay tuned for when that will be.

Confirmation Year 2: The October session is Wednesday, October 17th at 6:30 p.m. The session will start off in the church. As mentioned in the orientation, all sessions are for Candidates (youth) and their Sponsors. Someone may proxy in case their Sponsor is unable to attend.



Building Bonds for Life

After a week of fun and fellowship, our 8th graders and their fabulous teachers returned from Yosemite ready to face their final year at Holy Spirit School. There are a lot of "lasts" awaiting them – last middle school dance, last Halloween parade, etc. There are also a lot of "firsts" as they write their high school application essays, prepare for the High School Placement Test and request letters of recommendations from coaches and teachers. It can be a lot for a 13-year-old.

The week at camp, though, reminds them to keep the bigger picture in mind as they work on trust and



teamwork with their classmates. The teachers and staff will guide them through 8th grade and prepare them for high school. The diligence and personalized care that goes into the application packets that are prepared on behalf of our students and the high academic standards we maintain will prepare our students for success beyond our classrooms, but their classmates are the ones they will walk with when they leave in June. It's important for our students to learn the importance of making time to renew the bonds of community.

To learn more, please call Holy Spirit School, 408-268-0794.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: www.holyspiritchurch.org

MON 10/8	3:15 p.m.	Children's Choir Practice	Church
	5:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Classes	Parish Hall
	7:15 p.m.	Men's Faith Group	Classroom 2
	8:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	PK1 & Parish Hall
TUE 10/9	9:00 a.m.	Women's Faith Group	Parish Hall
	1:00 p.m.	Watercolor Workshop	Classroom 3
	6:30 p.m.	EMOE Training	Church
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Faith Group	Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	3sixty Core Meeting	Classroom 2
	7:00 p.m.	SMOC Meeting	Parish Office
WED 10/10	6:30 a.m.	Men's Faith Group	Parish Office
	9:00 a.m.	GOFJ Meeting	Church
	7:00 p.m.	GOFJ Meeting	School Library
	7:00 p.m.	Edge Youth Night	Parish Hall
THU 10/11	2:30 p.m.	Altar Server Training	Church
	5:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice	Church
	6:30 p.m.	Seasons of Hope Grief Consolation	Parish Office
	7:00 p.m.	GOFJ Meeting	Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Texas Mission Info Meeting	Church
FRI 10/12	9:30 a.m.	AI-Anon Meeting	Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
SAT 10/13	9:30 a.m.	Small Community of Faith	Be Still Room
	10:00 a.m.	Altar Server Training	Church
SUN 10/14	8:30 a.m.	Faith Formation Classes	Parish Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Nursery	Pre-K
	10:30 a.m.	Faith Formation Classes	Parish Hall
	7:00 p.m.	3sixty Youth Night	Parish Hall



Save the date!

Scripture Study: Revelation
Wednesday mornings
9:15 to 11:00 a.m.
Starts November 14th
Parish Hall Library

Join us for Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come, a Scripture Study program by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith. Have you always wondered about the mysterious figures and images in Book of Revelation? This study shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. We gather Wednesday mornings for 11 weeks, beginning November 14th. All are welcome!

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Mental Illness Awareness Week October 7-13

Each year, millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental health condition. However, mental illness affects everyone directly or indirectly through family, friends or coworkers.

Despite mental illnesses' reach and prevalence, stigma and misunderstanding are also, unfortunately, widespread.

That is why each year, during the first full week of October, the National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) and participants across the country raise awareness of mental illness. Each year, they educate the public, fight stigma and provide support. And each year, the movement grows stronger.

Mental health conditions are important to discuss year-round, but highlighting them during Mental Illness Awareness Week provides a dedicated time for mental health advocates across the country to come together as one unified voice. Since 1990, when Congress officially established the first full week of October as Mental Illness Awareness Week (MIAW), advocates have worked together to sponsor activities, large or small, to educate the public about mental illness.

In 2018, NAMI will promote the theme of "CureStigma" throughout all awareness events, including Mental Illness Awareness Week which takes place from October 7-13.

1 in 5 Americans are affected by mental health conditions. It shames them into silence. It prevents them from seeking help. And in some cases, it takes lives. Stigma against people with mental health conditions hurts us all. But the good news is that Stigma is 100% curable. Compassion, empathy and understanding are the antidote. Your voice can spread the cure. Join NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Together we can #CureStigma.

On Tuesday, October 9, Santa Teresa Parish will host its annual Prayer and Candle Lighting Service from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Following will be a 15-20 minute presentation about local NAMI services and the compassionate sharing of a teen's journey with depression.

Thursday, October 11, is National Depression Screening Day. You can visit www.helpyourselfhelpothers.org to complete an anonymous self-assessment for yourself or a loved one.

All week: Wear green! Green is the national color of mental health awareness. Wear it to show your support for people living with mental health challenges. Help break down the barriers that prevent many from seeking the help they need.

For more information about local efforts in reducing stigma or confidential referrals to local support, contact Leah Harris, Holy Spirit Pastoral Care, at 408-997-5110.



All Saints/All Souls Day

Thursday evening, November 1st, our community will come together for **Mass at 7:00 p.m.** to celebrate the Communion of Saints. For the duration of November, we pray for all of our loved ones who have died in Christ. Help those who have recently lost someone they love by hosting the All Saints Day

Reception at 8:00 p.m. after Mass.

Create a peaceful setting in the Parish Hall, inspire others to remember their loved ones with a memorial activity or display and provide light refreshments. This might be a meaningful way to honor someone whose memory you cherish as well!



Senior Autumn Luncheon

Saturday, November 10th, the Parish honors all of its elder members at a Mass just for them and a tasty lunch to follow. Do you have the gift of hospitality? Like to decorate for the season? Looking for a way to serve together as a family? This is the perfect event for you. Contact Leah by October 7th to chair the event and by October 9th to be a team member! There's nothing more fulfilling than sharing gratitude and pie!

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