



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

We follow Christ by Living our Faith, Sharing Knowledge and Serving the Community.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 26 2019



Gracious God,

The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) is an opportunity to help people across the United States and around the world connect with Christ. For example, the island of Samar in the Philippines is home to nearly two million people, about 90% of whom are Catholic. Many live in remote villages outside the reach of television and the Internet. Instead, radio is a critical source of information. The Catholic Church has provided the people of Samar with spiritual programming through a dedicated radio station for 20 years.

But in 2013, Typhoon Haiyan hit the island. It destroyed the entire radio station. The community has been unable to fund a new station, leaving hundreds of thousands without access to spiritual messages.

Your support for the Catholic Communication Campaign is now helping the local diocese to rebuild the station. Because of you, people can once again hear radio programs that deepen their faith. You have given our brothers and

sisters access to spiritual resources that they have lived too long without.

### SUPPORT THE CCC TODAY!

To learn more about the CCC and the projects it supports, visit [www.usccb.org/ccc](http://www.usccb.org/ccc).

### WHERE DO YOUR DONATIONS GO?

2017 Distribution of Grants: \$2,438,012.00

■ News & Information Services:	\$1,007,694.00	41%
■ Web-based Communications Resources:	\$360,000.00	15%
■ Preserving Church History:	\$308,882.00	13%
■ Developing Nations Projects:	\$293,436.00	12%
■ Human Life & Dignity:	\$218,000.00	9%
■ Cultural Diversity:	\$200,000.00	8%
■ Media Training:	\$50,000.00	2%



Fully 50% of collected funds stay in your diocese to support local communications projects. The other 50% of collected funds support national projects in the United States and around the world.



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CLIP, SAVE, AND SHARE THE TIPS BELOW!

## Be Digital Disciples on Social Media



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### Accompany People wit Joy!

Social media is a great tool to spread the Gospel. Use it to accompany others.

Follow the USCCB daily on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and share posts to spread the joy of our faith.

### Would I Say This in Person?

If you get angry on social media, take a break to think about what you'd say face-to-face. Is the comment loving and merciful?

If you're upset, don't comment right away. Walk away from your device, and ask yourself what you'd say in person.

### Create Networks of Encounter

Behind the wires and screens are people. Use social media to share affirming stories and encounter others.

Be authentic and build community. Offer to pray for each other or share a favorite prayer.

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom.

May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace.

In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe.

We ask this through your name.  
- Author Unknown

The office will be closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day

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Jesus calls us to be people of forgiveness-how do I live that out?



We continue to read from John's Gospel chapter 14 and 15 where Jesus explains to his disciples that he will be leaving soon but that he will send us his Spirit. He commands them and us to love another. He reminds us to "always remain in him" and he will remain with us. One of the metaphors he uses is the vine and the branches. He says, "Remain in me, as I remain in you...I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." That all sounds so simple and I think for the most part we try to remain part of him and pray.



But then comes the hard part where he talks about "pruning." He says, "He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." I have always thought about those wines that get pruned. If they could talk, would the vine not scream about having any of its limbs being pruned. "Hey! Vine grower! What are you doing cutting that branch off? That branch is bearing some fruit! Why are you cutting part of me away? I thought you wanted fruit from me, and that branch has fruit!" The vine does not understand that the more branches it has the less fruit it will bear. The vine does not comprehend that the vine grower does not want just fruit but wants "more fruit."

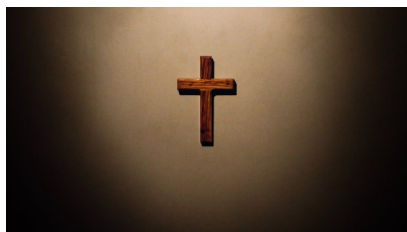
In the same way, when the Lord takes some things away from us, we might protest. "Hey God! What are you doing taking some things away from me? I was doing good things with what you have given me, I was bearing some fruit! Why are you cutting part of me away? I thought you wanted fruit from me and that part of me has fruit!" We do not understand that the eternal vine grower, God, wants more fruit from us and the only way to get more fruit, is to shed some things. It never feels good to shed things from our lives, but the Lord wants more fruit.

We all struggle with trying to do too many things. Most of us are overcommitted. Our lives are endlessly filled with action items and places to be and things to do. Most, if not all, of those things are good things which makes it very difficult to let them go. But more branches do not produce more fruit. The same way more good things are not necessarily better.

Maybe we need to shed some of the many "good" things we are doing so we can produce even more fruit. I know that recently the Lord is calling me to do just that; to do less and produce more fruit. It is hard to decide what to let go in order to be more balanced but that's where prayer helps. We let the Lord decide what we are to let go off. It is a process of discernment, a process of listening to the Lord in our hearts.

I hope you can take Memorial Day weekend and rest a while and look at the many things you are committed to. And see if the Lord is asking you to do less and produce more!

## LIVING THE LITURGY



### The Sign of the Cross

One of the most basic Christian gesture in prayer is the sign of the Cross. As Pope Benedict says, *"It is a visible and public "YES" to Him who suffered for humanity; to Him who in the body has made God's love visible, even to*

*the utmost; to the God who reigns not by destruction but by humility of suffering and love, which is stronger than all the power of the world and wiser than all the calculating intelligence to men (The Spirit of the Liturgy – Ratzinger, p. 177)."*

Indeed, we recognize that a person is a Catholic whenever they make the sign of the Cross. It is very integral to the Catholic Faith. It is not only a sign or symbol but it is our own public declaration of our belief in Christ crucified who suffered and bore the pain to save us all. It is through the cross that salvation came to humanity. It is through the cross that death and sin were overcome by the power of God. It also signifies our belief in the Triune God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit who from the beginning was with us and will be until the end of time. It is also a remembrance of our own baptism. The cross took away our original sin, renewed us, and we were reborn to a new life. It is also a symbol for protection. It will hopefully shield us from every evil and temptation. Finally, it is a symbol of Hope, the hope for the Resurrected Christ to come again. The sign of the Cross is the summary of the whole essence of Christianity. Behold the Cross of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 5/27 Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

T 5/28 Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11



W 5/29 Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

TH 5/30 Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28;  
10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

F 5/31 Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56

S 6/1 Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

SU 6/2 Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20;  
Jn 17:20-26

### 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

T 5/28	8:30	Luigi Ignacio †
W 5/29	8:30	Arsenio Siy Jr. †
SA 6/1	5:00	Rahul Pinto † Doreen Williams Andy Williams Renee Lowrance †
6/2	8:00 9:30	Carlos Gonsalves † Jack & Thea Dolan †

### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### For those who are ill:

Valerie Gold

Ed Linn

Kaley Lowrance

Alice Moss

#### For those that have recently died:

Enrique Orci

Bob Vogel

**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.

Survival Sacks will be distributed on **June 6th and June 20th**. 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.**

We have the privilege of looking for the face of Christ in each of our clients. If you are unable to volunteer, we would request that you say the following prayer for the homeless each day during your meditation time:

Please consider joining us for this important ministry.

If you have any questions, please contact either Patty or Tom at [tnburgei@yahoo.com](mailto:tnburgei@yahoo.com) or call (408) 356-6773.

**Thank you.**

# STANFORD BLOOD CENTER



**Save the Date**

Saturday, June 22nd

the Stanford Blood Center Mobile will be

at Holy Spirit Church from:

1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m..

To make appointments, visit:

<https://stanfordbloodcenter.org>

**WHY DONATE WITH STANFORD BLOOD CENTER?**

SBC is a community blood center that connects local donors to local patients through blood donation. We are a leader in the fields of transfusion and transplantation medicine, supplying essential blood products and transplant matching services to Bay Area hospitals.

**Saturday Lunch Ministry**

We meet in the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m. to make sandwiches and then pack the lunches, which include sandwiches, fruit, cookie, and a drink. After the lunches have been made, we drive to the St. James Park area of downtown San Jose.



The lunches are distributed to everyone in the park. When everyone has been served, part of the group follows the light rail tracks into the center of the city and distributes sandwiches as they walk. The part of the group who remains in the park cleans up litter. Even litter that isn't part of the Holy Spirit lunches will be cleared away. We invite ten families to join us on June 1st, the first Saturday of the month.

We ask for a one to one ratio of adults to students as parents need to be with their child especially during the distribution in St. James Park. Student participation is limited to sixth grade and older. A donation of \$10 is asked from each family to cover the cost of food and supplies. You can sign up at [www.holyspiritchurch.org/sandwich-ministry/](http://www.holyspiritchurch.org/sandwich-ministry/)

**SECOND OFFERINGS**

May 26h	No Second Offering
June 2nd	Holy Spirit School

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Mulan, Jr.

Last weekend the wonderful casts of Disney's Mulan Jr. filled our gym with music, song and dance.

Congratulations to all our 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade performers for a wonderful production!



To learn more about all the programs offered at Holy Spirit School, please call the school office at 408.268.0794.

We are still accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year.

## FAITH FORMATION

### Mary Prayer Garden



Summer is here and with the kids out of school, it is the perfect time to create a prayer garden in your yard, as a family.

Prayer gardens allow a person time in solitude to contemplate, pray, and meditate by reflecting on the sacred space that includes flowers, statues, or water features.

Mary gardens include flowers named after Our Lady, such as roses, lilies and marigolds, among other countless varieties.

You don't need a large area to create a meditative space. You simply need to find some time in the summer to make this a family endeavor of transforming a particular space into one that is dedicated to Mary.

You can add special touches, like benches and statues, or birdbaths. If you don't have much space, consider making a Mary garden in a large planter.

Once it's complete, pray a family rosary together and encourage everyone to spend time outside praying, meditating, reading, or just enjoying nature.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### DYR Meet and Greet



For all youth and leaders attending the upcoming Diocesan Youth Retreat, there will be a special meet and greet on **Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 6pm Mass** in the Parish Hall. Holy Spirit has roughly 45 youth and 12 leaders going...the most any parish is taking out of all the parishes in the Diocese! Because of the large numbers it would be great for all of us to get acquainted with each other prior to the retreat.



### Summer Ministry

Stay tuned for some fun summer

opportunities for ministry! Some gatherings include DYR reunions, Mass on the Beach, laser tag social, Scripture prayer series, and more!

### Middle School Diocesan Youth Retreat



After a successful inaugural retreat last summer, the Middle School Diocesan Youth Retreat (MSDYR) is back for another great retreat this summer. This year's retreat will be held on **August 5-8, 2019** at Mission Springs Retreat Center in Scotts Valley. This is open to all incoming 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. More information regarding the retreat, can be found here: <http://bit.ly/MSDYR2019ENG>



**Stroke Awareness, Part 2**

Sometimes other symptoms appear with a stroke, separately, in combination with F.A.S.T. signs (see last week’s bulletin). Knowing the signs and symptoms of a stroke is the first step to ensuring medical help is received immediately. For each minute a stroke goes untreated and blood flow to the brain continues to be blocked, a person loses about 1.9 million neurons. This could mean that a person’s speech, movement, memory, and so much more can be affected. Learn as many stroke symptoms as possible so you can recognize stroke FAST and save a life!

**Stroke symptoms include:**

- ◆ **SUDDEN** numbness or weakness of face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- ◆ **SUDDEN** confusion, trouble speaking, or understanding
- ◆ **SUDDEN** trouble seeing in one or both eye
- ◆ **SUDDEN** trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- ◆ **SUDDEN** severe headache with no known cause

Call 9-1-1 immediately if you observe any of these symptoms. Note the time of the first symptom. This information is important and can affect treatment decisions. To find out more and help educate others, visit [www.stroke.org](http://www.stroke.org).

For prayer support, call for Pastoral Care at 408-997-5110.

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: [www.holyspiritchurch.org](http://www.holyspiritchurch.org)

MON 5/27	8:00 p.m.	Parish Office Closed for Memorial Day AAA Meeting	Classroom 3
TUE 5/28	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women’s Faith Group Watercolor Workshop Kindergarten Prayer Service Practice Music Practice Women’s Faith Group	Parish Hall Classroom 3 Church Church Parish Hall
WED 5/29	6:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men’s Faith Group Bridge Kindergarten Prayer Service Practice Music Practice	Parish Office Parish Hall Church Parish Hall
THU 5/30	10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	HSS Graduation Practice HSS Graduation	Church Church
FRI 5/31	9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.	Al-Anon Meeting Kindergarten Prayer Service Practice DYR Service Leader Training	Parish Hall Church Parish Hall
SAT 6/1	10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Saturday Lunch Ministry Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)	Parish Office Parish Hall
SUN 6/2	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Hospitality Weekend Nursery Confirmations Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) Nicaragua Preparation Meeting School Mass (Kindergarten)	Church Courtyard Parish Hall Church Parish Hall Church Church

**Parish Picnic**



Help is Needed!

Here are a few opportunities to participate/get ahead of your service hours:

- Do you love baking? Bring nut-free baked goods for the Cake Walk!
  - RSVP Table: help those interested in attending the picnic  
RSVP after all masses (May 25-26 and June 1-2)
- Love to paint? Help with our face-painting and henna booth.
  - Got energy? Be referees for 9-Square games  
and leaders for the cake walk  
(duration depends on how much baked goods we have)

Please go to: <http://bit.ly/2019volunteer4picnic> to add a comment and let us know where you’re interested in helping

**REGISTER NOW!**

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