



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 5, 2017

## Thanksgiving and Christmas Volunteer Opportunities at Sacred Heart Community Service



Open your hearts during the holidays and help at Sacred Heart Community Service. Many hands large and small, are needed as volunteers for their Thanksgiving and Christmas programs.

For Thanksgiving, come join your fellow parishioners to help fill food boxes to the brim with ingredients for Thanksgivings dinners. After stacking hundreds of filled boxes, you can also volunteer to help distribute them to customers for their families to enjoy holiday meals. It is truly an experience that will make your own Thanksgiving time meaningful.

During the Christmas holiday time, food boxes are also put together for those in need and many volunteers are needed. In addition, you can volunteer to help out at Sacred Heart's TOYBOX. The Learning Center will be transformed with hundreds of brand new unwrapped toys where parents will choose toys to give to their children for Christmas celebrations. Your help is needed to help put a smile on a child's face. Please look over the various shifts, paying close attention to the age requirements.



Signups are now open on the church website and fill up quickly so sign up early. For more details on the shifts, please go to [holyspiritchurch.org/sacred-heart-community-service/](http://holyspiritchurch.org/sacred-heart-community-service/)

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Jane Vitkovich at [mjvitkovich@hotmail.com](mailto:mjvitkovich@hotmail.com).

## Prayer for Veterans

Help us, dear God,  
to see your face in  
every Veteran we encounter.  
Guide us as we imagine new ways  
to support Veterans  
and their families.  
Grace their lives for their sacrifice  
for our Country.  
Bring healing and peace to all who  
have been wounded physically,  
mentally and spiritually  
during wartime.  
Bless the families of our Veterans  
as they support and care for those  
who have served  
in the armed forces.  
Help us bring your saving grace to  
heal the invisible wounds of war.  
We ask this in Jesus' name.  
Amen.



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## Question of the Week

How do I daily prepare to  
encounter Jesus?

## NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR



The week of November 5, 2017 is *National Vocation Awareness Week*. Recently the priests of the diocese met to review status concerning the number of priests and it was shocking news! Currently, we have 99 priests in active ministry in 54 parishes and diocesan assignments. In 15

years, the diocese will celebrate 50 years as a diocese. By then we expect 45 San Jose priests to retire leaving only 44 priests left to minister in 54 parishes. That will not be enough for one priest per parish. We have only 7 seminarians in formation. We are in crisis mode. We need young men to consider becoming priests.

I am already working two jobs as a pastor and as Vicar General and my average work week is 75-80 hours. It is not possible to keep this pace up many more years and few priests can work double jobs at that pace. We need to ordain 3 new priests every year to just keep up with the current workload. What can you do as a parishioner?



First, please pray for young men to be open to God's will for their lives. Please pray that they will discover and fulfill a vocation. Second, please encourage or invite young men in your life

to seriously consider the possibility of becoming a priest. It takes on average, a young man to be asked by three individuals to consider a vocation before they will take it seriously. Third, if they are even remotely open then please invite them to speak to Fr. Angelo or me. We need help to get more vocations.

I have been a priest 17 years and I absolutely love my life. I have journeyed with so many people on their path of faith, it has been a true privilege to help in some small way. I have worked very hard to be the best priest and pastor possible. I need some help and company to continue to do it. Over the last 3 years we have only ordained 2 priests. Please help us invite more people to consider a vocation to priesthood.

If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, then please go to [www.dsj.org/Vocation](http://www.dsj.org/Vocation) or [facebook.com/DSJVocations](https://facebook.com/DSJVocations) for tools to discern and foster religious Vocations in the Church.

## LIVING THE LITURGY

### The Second Collection

Every few weeks in the month we take up a second collection immediately after Communion. Typically, it is for a unique occasion, something outside the purpose of the first collection. In the past month we have taken up collections for the victims of the natural disasters that have occurred in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and northern California. Why do we take up a second collection and how is that different from the first collection?

After the Liturgy of the Word, the presider announces the collection and the people come forward to the altar and present their monetary offerings. These monetary gifts are for the support of the Church and the care of the poor. They are placed directly at the foot of the altar. Immediately afterwards, the gifts of bread and wine are presented by the faithful in a procession to the priest who offers them to God. These offerings of bread and wine as well as the monetary offerings represent us and all that we have. They are an expression of our gratitude to God for the blessings that he has given us. The presentation of the gifts and the monetary collection are the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

There is a fundamental connection between what we do in the liturgy and what we do in the world. We do not just attend Mass on Sunday and then forget about it for the rest of the week. In the Eucharist, we partake of the Body and Blood of Christ. We hear his command, "Do this in memory of me." This is not only a call to partake of the Eucharist, but also a command to charity and service.

The monetary gifts gathered at the second collection provide for local, national, and international needs. They are fundamentally charitable contributions taken up by the Church at the direction of the bishop for a specific purpose. They are different from the first collection. The monetary gifts taken at the first collection become part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They represent the gifts that we give back to God and are offered back to God in the liturgical service. Collections taken up after Communion are outside of that liturgical service.

By our baptism as Catholics we are called to be stewards of God's gifts to us. We are to use them in ways that support our families, our parish, our community, and our world.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
T	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
W	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
T	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
F	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
S	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
S	Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

### 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

M	8:30	Edward Vierra †
T	8:30	Antonio Sanchez †
Th	8:30	Marcella Giles † Haydee Bolan
F	8:30	Steve Wiedlin † Tristan Nguyen †
Sa	5:00	Vinnette Paslaqua † Paul Cline † Carmel Bastholm
Su	8:00	Holy Spirit Community
	9:30	Noemi Farreles Inigo Farreles Jeanne Sommer †
	11:30	Filipina "Pett" Grey † Rahul Pinto †
	6:00	Antonio Sargiotto †

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill: Sue Houston, Ernesto Rodriguez and Bill Sterner

For those who have recently died: Sara Farfan and Kathleen Powell

**“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.”  
Proverbs 22:6**

Children’s Liturgy  
of the **Word**

Do you raise your hands in blessing as the children move to the parish hall to experience the Liturgy of the Word for Children (CLOW)? Have you ever considered who receives them when they walk out the door? Holy Spirit has a dedicated group of your fellow parishioners who give of their time each

month to share the Weekly readings with our children in grades 1 - 5. At CLOW, the children hear the same readings we hear, but then have an opportunity to discuss and unwrap each reading. CLOW is a beautiful gift to the children as they grow in faith. Currently we are looking for 5 CLOW catechists to take the place of our catechists who are retiring after many years of service. CLOW takes minimal time as it is offered only at 5:00pm and 9:30am Mass, all materials are provided and you are only with the children for about 20 minutes once a month. Catechists are scheduled well in advance and typically serve the same weekend each month. Would you consider taking on this opportunity to serve our children at Holy Spirit, especially if your children are attending CLOW each week? If you are interested, please contact Melissa Brush at mbrush@dsj.org or 408-997-5120

**Turkey and Tarps Drive**

“...we can do small things with great love.” - Mother Teresa



Please visit the Turkey and Tarps Drive table this weekend after all masses to contribute toward this important ministry of Sacred Heart Community Service. Last year, we raised \$5000 as a parish for turkey dinners and purchased over 375 tarps for the homeless community in Santa Clara County. A donation of \$20 supports one turkey dinner,

which feeds 12-18 people, or two tarps. Donations will be collected at a table outside of each mass on the weekends of **November 4-5 and November 11-12**. Donations are also accepted at the Parish Office throughout the week until November 13.

We encourage you to join with the rest of the parish community to feed the hungry and shelter the needy. Please pray for the success of this ministry, as well as the individuals and families, who will greatly benefit from your generosity.



If you have any questions, please contact Diane Pham at dianepham818@yahoo.com or Joyce Nguyen at jjnguyen1107@sbcglobal.net

**Diocesan Prayer for Vocations**

*Heavenly Father,  
Your divine Son taught us to pray  
to the Lord of the harvest to send  
laborers into His vineyard.*

*We earnestly beg You to bless our  
parish, our school, and our Diocese  
with many more priests, religious,  
and lay faithful who will know you  
intimately, love You fervently, and  
serve You joyfully through the  
inspiration of the Holy Spirit.  
We pray that you continuously call  
our young people to a living  
encounter with your Son in the  
Word and Eucharist, that they  
might be made worthy ministers  
of your Holy Catholic Church.*

*Strengthen them with the support  
of their parents, teachers, and  
friends on earth and all the angels  
and saints in heaven.*

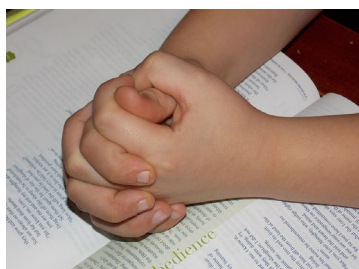
*May the ever Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of the Church, intercede for  
us that we might listen to the  
Word and act on it.*

*We ask this through Christ our  
Lord. Amen.*

*St. Joseph, Patron of our Diocese,  
pray for us!*



**Praying with your child**



Faith is a living relationship with God that, like any other relationship, requires communication to remain healthy. Another word for this communication with God is prayer.

Remember that to lead your child into prayer does not mean to “do” the prayer for your child. Be aware of how you are leading them to participate, whether it be through silence or through speaking. Fostering a welcoming spirit for prayer time and having a designated prayer space is extremely important. When inviting your child to pray aloud in their own words, remember that God welcomes all of us - whether our words sound solemn or silly. To allow our children to talk with God as a friend is so valuable to their spirituality. Invite your child to be still and to listen for God’s voice. Remind our children that prayer is a conversation, we not only talk but we also sit quietly and listen to God.

Be sure to invite your child to spend time in silence with God and to be aware of how God wants to be with each of them in a special way.

To teach our children to have a vivid alive prayer life is the best gift we can give our children.

**Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**



Save the date! On **Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>** from **8:30am-11:30am**, we will be having our

annual Autumn pancake breakfast fundraiser. Prices are \$5 per person and \$20 for a family of four or more. All proceeds go directly to support youth ministry.

**3sixty High School Ministry**

Last Sunday, 3sixty spent our evening in fellowship with fun fashion at our Halloween social. Youth enjoyed the craziness of some of the costumes worn and also the crafts in making our own rosary bracelet.

After the 6pm Mass, 3sixty continues on the semester focus of Discernment with a youth night on Consolation and Desolation. We will take time to reflect on the tuggings of our heart and see how these tuggings, both good and challenging, allow us to see the movement of the Spirit. All high school youth are welcome to attend.



**Edge Middle School Ministry**

Our next Edge meeting will be on **Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**. On this night we will be taking some time to reflect on what we are thankful for. All middle school youth are welcome to attend.

**“Everybody Wants to be a Cat!”**



Holy Spirit School presents Disney’s Aristocats Kids, a lively musical featuring Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students! You don’t want to miss it!

**Show Dates:**

**November 10 at 5 pm & 7 pm**  
**November 11 at 1 pm and 3 pm**

\$10 adults, \$5 students and seniors  
Tickets available at the door of the Del Biaggio gym.

**SCRIP**

Have you wondered about the table you see outside mass every Sunday? Our wonderful parent volunteers are selling gift cards as part of our school’s SCRIP fundraiser. You may buy a variety of gift cards at face value and the school receives a percentage of the sale. Proceeds are used for a variety of programs on campus that directly benefit our students. If you are ever looking for a gift card, please consider purchasing through SCRIP.

**Open Classroom**  
Please visit us on **Friday, November 10 between 9:00am and 11:00am**  
Our student ambassadors will offer tours of the campus and a unique opportunity to peek into the classrooms to see our amazing teachers at work.  
  
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**Remembering our beloved departed: a month of prayers**

Every November the Church dedicates the month to remembering our faithful departed. Seasonally, the liturgical year is drawing to a close, corresponding to the autumn season with the falling leaves and the "dying" or hibernation for winter. The liturgy brings us readings that urge us to prepare our hearts, thoughts and actions to be "ready" to meet our Lord's presence face to face. Our loved ones who have died are experiencing that greatest of all joys and the month brings us the opportunity to renew our awareness of our own participation in the Communion of Saints. Our beloved dead, basking in the light of Christ, intercede for us, and so we give thanks for the gift of their lives on earth and for their presence at the banquet in Heaven.

The month of November gives us impetus to do more things related to our beloved dead so that we might honor their memory. We begin the month by celebrating

All Saints Day and All Souls Day. We hear the names of those who have died in our parish, with the tolling of the bells. We also remember our own departed loved ones, friends and family and we pray for their peaceful rest in the arms of the Lord.

We may find that scripture, songs on the radio and visual reminders transport us back to memories of shared times. We may remember names and faces of friends or family who have been gone for years. As we pray for them, we are comforted by the fact that there is no time with God; everything is present with Him, and no prayers are ever "too late."

<b>Week at a Glance</b>			
Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: <a href="http://www.holyspiritchurch.org">www.holyspiritchurch.org</a> .			
Monday	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 3:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Domestic Church Meeting Layette Ministry Children's Choir Practice Faith Formation Classes Domestic Church Meeting Music Practice ESL at OLR Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Parish Hall Room 3 Church Church Parish Hall Church Church OLR Parish Hall Room 4 PK1 & Parish Hall
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women's Faith Group Watercolor Workshop Out of the Wilderness Baptism Preparation Class 3sixty Core Team Meeting Women's Faith Group ESL at OLR	Parish Hall Parish Hall & Rm 4 Parish Hall Library Church Parish Hall Room 2 Parish Hall OLR
Wednesday	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Group Scripture Study Edge Youth Night ESL at OLR Seasons of Hope Grief Sharing	Parish Office Parish Hall Room 4 Parish Hall OLR Parish Hall Library
Thursday	9:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Scripture Study Music Practice Texas Mission Trip Meeting ESL at OLR	Parish Hall Church Parish Hall OLR
Friday	9:30 a.m.	Al-Anon	Parish Hall
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Parish Hall
Sunday	9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word Faith Formation Classes 3sixty Youth Night	Parish Hall Parish Hall Parish Hall



"Last week, we inadvertently missed the names of some of our beloved loved ones who had a funeral here at Holy Spirit in the past year. In our continued celebration of All Saints & All Souls for the month of November, please remember in your prayers the families of: David Becerra, Julio Brandt, Richard Cameron, and Velma Chimienti.

Gone from our sight, but forever present in our hearts."



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We will be celebrating Thanksgiving starting with Mass at **9am on Thursday, November 23rd**. We hope you can join us in the Parish Hall afterward for a bit of hospitality and fellowship before you set off to be with your family and friends. Please bring your favorite bread or sweet to share. You may drop it off in the parish hall before mass. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

If you would like to help with set-up or clean-up please contact Stephanie Francois at: [ssf123@pacbell.net](mailto:ssf123@pacbell.net) or 209-814-5443 (cell)



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