

# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019





#### Sacred Heart Reverse Collection

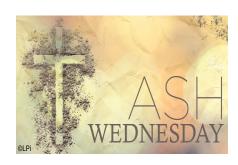
Next Sunday is the annual reverse collection for Sacred Heart. You will be asked to take a slip from the second collection basket instead of putting money in. These slips will ask

you to donate products that Sacred Heart distributes every day to their many customers. We will be collecting these items at Holy Spirit March 16th through March 24th and we will donate them to Sacred Heart. The Reverse Collection can be a Lenten family experience. During Lent, we are examining ourselves and our hearts so that we can follow Christ more closely. We have been blessed by God with so much and it is our Christian responsibility to care for others. We ask that you prayerfully consider participating in the Reverse Collection.

Sacred Heart provides many daily essentials to their customers. Items that are in high demand include pop-top cans, disposable diapers, infant formula, and adult tube socks.

As we all know, there are thousands of homeless men, women, and children in Santa Clara County, and Sacred Heart offers them non-cooking bags of food that contain pop-top cans and produce, as well as bag lunches. Many homeless walk constantly to keep moving and avoid loitering, and Sacred Heart provides clean, dry socks to make their days easier.

Sacred Heart also helps families with young children. Diapers and infant formula are expensive, and customers often cannot afford to purchase the diapers and formula that they need for their children. Please remember these needs when you are shopping this week, and thank you for caring for those in our community.



## A Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Gracious God,

today begins a period of inner reflection and examination.

The days stretch before me and invite me inward to that silent, holy space that holds your Spirit.

This special time beckons me to see my life through Christ's eyes and the truth and reality of your love incarnate.

Give me the grace to enter the space of these days with anticipation of our meeting.

And, when I open my soul to your presence, let your loving kindness flow over me and seep into the pockets of my heart.

I ask this for the sake of your love.

Amen

Join Us for Ash Wednesday Mass on March 6th at:

6:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m. School Mass

7:00 p.m.







#### NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

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#### **Holy Spirit School**

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Name some of the hungers that people experience. How can we as faith-filled people nourish them?



A few years ago, I described cleaning out my fridge and getting rid of stuff as similar to cleaning our lives out in

the Lenten journey. I recalled how that some stuff in my fridge didn't smell right, other stuff did look right



and other stuff, just moved on its own! After being away in Texas for a week and having hosted a few dinners in my house prior to leaving, I am left with the same task again. To clean out my fridge again!

The 40 days of Lent is like cleaning out that fridge. In our lives, we store lots of leftovers in our heart. We just keep putting stuff away and never really review it for any real use. We hold onto grudges and mistakes, hoping to use them against another person soon. But the reality is we often forgot what we have put in there and can be rather embarrassing what we have stored in our hearts and for how long! Some of the stuff doesn't smell right, look right and other stuff is plain rotten. Our hearts are full of all sorts of stuff and there is no room for Christ. We cannot fit anything more in there until we clear some stuff out.

That is what the Lenten season is all about. We are called to go on a journey into the desert of our lives and clear out our hearts making room for Christ and God's will. It is hard work and just like cleaning out the fridge, we probably ought not to try to do it in one session but take one shelf at a time. So let's take one shelf of our heart at a time and do a deep cleaning of all the stuff in there. Let's take one week to work on something we know we clean out.

The Church suggests there are three things we can do during our Lenten journey that will help us clean our hearts and make room for Christ: fast, prayer and almsgiving. We fast from something not to show off what we can "give up" for Lent but choose to do without something so we can remind ourselves that others have little or nothing. For example, we give up alcohol and when we desire a drink, we think of all those who have no water at all and therefore are moved to give alms to them.

What holds these two together is prayer. We are called pray daily, repent for our sins and remain faithful to the joy of the gospel. The only way we will be able to clean out our hearts is to spend some extra time in prayer realizing that we have so much stuff in the way of our personal relationship with Christ; we have so much stuffed into our hearts there is no room for Christ and his powerful message of forgiveness.

So maybe this Lent we "give up" room for Christ in our hearts by getting rid of grudges, pains, hurts and general un-forgiveness. Join us as we begin our Lenten journey on March 6 with Ash Wednesday.

#### LIVING THE LITURGY

# Ash Wednesday and the Penitential Rite

As we move next week from the liturgical season of Ordinary Time to the season of Lent, there are a number of things that change in the liturgy, as well as in our daily lives.



The Liturgical colors change from green to purple, the songs change, our parish as a whole begins to take extra effort to grow in closeness to God. We begin this transformation of re-training our sights on God through the spirit of recompense; remembering the fact that we are sinners by the nature of our humanity, and asking God for guidance and aid through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

This whole process begins the very first day of Lent: Ash Wednesday. It is a truly unique celebration, often remembered as the day when Church-goers wear black crosses of ash on their foreheads to work or school. The ashes that we place on our foreheads on Wednesday have a deeper meaning than letting our friends know that we attended mass. The ashes are a representation of the fact that our human condition in life on earth is finite, and that our lives lead to the greater reality of life in union with God.

Wednesday, the Distribution of Ashes will replace the Penitential Rite or the "Kyrie," the part of mass where we acknowledge our sins and ask God for forgiveness. During the Distribution of Ashes, the phrases "Repent and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" will be said to each celebrant receiving ashes.

These words are not to downplay the existence of human life nor to accuse church-goers of being overly-sinful. These phrases bring perspective to the fact that our lives here on earth have the greater goal: getting to heaven.

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 3/4	Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
T 3/5	Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
W 3/6	JI 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab,12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 -6:2; Mt 6:1-6,16-18
TH 3/7	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
F 3/8	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
S 3/9	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
SU 3/10	Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

#### **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

T 3/2	8:30	Sr. Ingrid Clemmensen
TH 3/7	8:30	Paola Terracina †
F 3/8	8:30	Steve Undorte †
S 3/9	5:00	Peg Baron † Kay Banchero †
SU 3/10	8:00 6:00	Holy Spirit Parish Emmanel Staiti Adolfo Gulvan Ulloa

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

# For those who are ill:

Gene Conry

Suzanne Duncan,

Valerie Gold

Dinah Lyle

For those who have recently died

Lynne Loube-Tatlock

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nation, baptizing them



in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

#### Matthew 28:19

Baptism is the Sacrament of Initiation that welcomes all into the life of Christ. This is often the Sacrament that brings families and their friends back to the Church as they prepare to form their newly born children in faith. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with people but we need your help to be as welcoming as possible.

We have a need for people willing to help with our baptism celebrations on all levels. We typically schedule Baptisms for the third weekend of the month at both the 5:00 and 11:30 Masses.

We have been blessed with a team of people now led by Father Edgar who help with baptisms each month. It takes many hands to first prepare the families to accept the responsibility of baptism for their child (catechists), and assist during the Baptism mass (coordinators) from photography to creating the white garments that are such a beautiful symbol of baptism.

If you have time to help with this ministry as a catechist, coordinator, photographer or seamstress please contact Father Edgar at 408-997-5107 or edgar.elamparo@dsj.org.

#### SECOND OFFERINGS

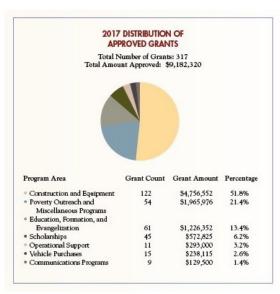
March 3rd	Holy Spirit School
March 6th	Aid to Churches in Eastern and Central Europe

#### The Church In Central and Eastern Europe

On Ash Wednesday, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more

than 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region.

Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.





#### **Survival Sacks**

Holy Spirit parishioners are continuing to volunteer to distribute Survival Sacks at Sacred Heart Community Center.

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. We have the privilege of looking at the face of Christ in each of our clients.

#### **Annual Diocesan Appeal**

Thank you to the 167 families that have given to the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal on behalf of our parish. We have reached 40% of our goal of \$290,000.



Your generosity is gratefully accepted and respectfully used. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please prayerfully consider what you can do to help. Every gift makes a difference. You can make a one-time gift, or you can pledge an amount that is payable over 10 months. We want and need your participation and your support.



# Youth Ministry Meal Fundraiser at California Piz-

On **Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** we are having a meal fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen on Blossom Hill at the Oakridge Mall. Come in anytime from 11:00am-9:00pm or call for take-out. Simply mention "Holy Spirit Church – Youth Ministry" and 20% of your meal's price is donated back.

It's an easy way to support our ministry!

# **3sixty High School Ministry**

Please note that there is no 3sixty after the 6pm Mass. 3sixty resumes on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> for a Praise and Worship night! All high school youth are welcome to attend!



# **■** Edge Middle School Ministry

The next Edge night will be on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. All middle school youth are welcome to come!



#### **Confirmation Year 1**

The March session will be on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Please note the change of day for this month.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**



Children in Prek-5th grade registration for Vacation Bible School is at bit.ly/HSVBS2019register

Volunteer registration is at bit.ly/HSVBS2019volunteer

#### **Open House**

Holy Spirit School is hosting a special evening Open House on Wednesday, March 20 from 6 to 7:30 pm. Please join us for tours and an opportunity to visit with our amazing teachers. Tours will start in the library. If you have any questions or to schedule a tour, please call the school office at 408.268.0794.



# **State Capitol Tour**

Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students recently met Governor Newsom when they toured the California State Capitol as part of their US History class field trip to Sacramento. Students toured the Capitol building, and the various memorials on the surrounding grounds. Thank you to all the chaperones who made this valuable experience possible for our students.





# PASTORAL CARE

# Almsgiving & Acts of Service: Ways to Inspire & Transform during Lent



- \* Take a CPR class.
- \* Donate diapers to Sacred Heart Community Services.
- \* Introduce yourself to someone at church.
- Pray daily for someone on the Parish prayer list.
- \* Give blood.
- \* Open a door for someone.
- \* Help an elderly neighbor.
- \* Smile at someone you don't know.
- \* Call someone you haven't talked to in a while.
- \* Visit someone who is sick or homebound.
- Have your whole household commit to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.
- Volunteer at a food pantry or shelter.
- \* Unplug and go offline for a day. Spend that time with visiting a shut-in.

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

WEEK AT A GLANCE  Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: www.holyspiritchurch.org						
MON 3/4	9:15 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Layette Ministry Children's Choir Practice Faith Formation Class Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Parish Hall Church Parish Hall Classroom 2 Classroom 3			
TUE 3/5	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Social Ministries Planning Meeting Women's Faith Group Watercolor Workshop Baptism Preparation Class Women's Faith Group 360 Core Team Meeting	Parish Office Parish Hall Classroom 3 Church Parish Hall Be Still Room			
WED 3/6	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	Men's Faith Group Bible Study Robert Barron Domestic Church Meeting Sandwich Ministry	Parish Office Classroom 4 Church Parish Hall			
THU 3/7	8:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Survival Sacks Growing Our Friendship with Jesus Domestic Church Meeting	Sacred Heart School Library Church			
FRI 3/8	9:30 a.m.	Al-Anon Meeting	Parish Hall			
SAT 3/9			Be Still Room Parish Hall			
SUN 3/10	8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	RCIA Faith Formation Children's Liturgy of the Word Nursery Faith Formation	Be Still Room Parish Hall Parish Hall Pre-K Room Parish Hall			

## PASTORAL CARE CONT..

- \* Commit to a family meal at least twice a week.
- \* Volunteer at a local nursing home.
- \* Apologize to someone.
- \* Let someone go ahead of you in line at a store.
- \* Forgive Someone.
- \* Tell someone "I love you."
- \* Be brave and volunteer for Holy Spirit Pastoral Care Ministry!

#### St Patrick's Day Dinner

Come and join us for a night of fun and fellowship. Registration is now open for the St. Patrick's Day Family Dinner and Dance., on **Saturday, March 16th** from 6-10 p.m. You can sign up at https:// bit.ly/2TMAkaL

Pricing \$25 per Adult



\$18 per Child

\$80 for a family of 4 or more

# Ash Wednesday Day of Prayer

Begin your 40-day retreat!



Join Us!

Dominican Center

Wednesday March 6, 2019 9am-2pm

\$40

Register by March 1, 2019 http://bit.ly/2019AshWe

Call us for more informatio at (510) 933-6360 Join us for a quiet day of prayer as we enter into the season of Lent, the Church's annual 40-day retreat.

The day includes contemplative prayer, Eucharist with distribution of ashes, a simple, silent lunch, and personal time to reflect, journal and share. Walk the Holy Ground of our Motherhouse, including the labyrinth, meditation garden, olive groves and chapel.

Facilitated by Sister Ingrid Clemmensen, OP

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JOIN US For a FAMILY FUN DAY!

To benefit Holy Spirit School!

#### Sunday, March 10th 11am-1pm

Bring the whole family after morning mass, for an afternoon of jump houses, volleyball, basketball, ping pong and more.

\$30 per family
payable at the door
Food & Beverage available for Sale
and a portion of these proceeds will also be donated back to
HSS.

Fun for all ages, and great for our community.

City Beach
2911 Mead Ave. Santa Clara

Spread the word!

