



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 27, 2017

Youth Ushers



Holy Spirit is launching a new ministry starting with this new school year in the Fall of 2017. Under the guidance of Laura Smith, the chair of our usher ministry here at Holy Spirit, we are opening the usher ministry to any youth 5th grade and over who would like to do good works by joining our current ushers. A Holy Spirit usher welcomes parishioners and

helps our Masses run smoothly by assisting with the communion lines, collection and other behind the scenes duties.

The only requirements for joining this ministry is a willingness to serve, attendance at one of the trainings and regular attendance at Mass. It is not a requirement, but we are hopeful that parents will be inspired to join their children in the usher ministry as well. This is a unique opportunity to serve our community together.

Training dates has been scheduled for **Sunday, September 17th from 1:00pm–2:00pm or Monday, September 18th from 6:30pm–7:30pm** depending on which is more convenient for you. This training qualifies both youth and adults to serve as ushers.

Youth ushers (only) will be able to earn one school service hour for each Mass at which they serve.

If you interested in this ministry or would like to RSVP for the training, please contact Laura Smith at sargi8@sbcglobal.net.

Altar Server Training

If your child is interested in becoming an altar server, we will have training for two hours in the church on the following dates;

Saturday, September 16th; 11:00am-1:00pm, OR Sunday, September 17th; 1:00pm-3:00pm.

Requirements: 5th grade or older, has received Baptism and First Communion and attends Mass regularly.

Please contact Vani Aboud with any questions and RSVP at vaboud@yahoo.com. Space is limited at each training so please RSVP as soon as possible.

Saturday Lunch Ministry



Please consider joining us on **Saturday, September 16th** in an exciting way to meet others. We will meet at the Parish Office at 10:30 a.m. to make sandwiches and then pack the lunches, which will include sandwiches, fruit, cookie, and a drink. After the lunches have been made, we will drive to the St. James Park area of downtown San Jose. The sandwiches will be distributed to everyone in the park. When everyone has been served, part of the group will follow the light rail tracks into the center of the city and distribute sandwiches as they walk. The part of the group who remains in the park will clean up any litter. Even litter that is not part of the Holy Spirit lunches will be cleaned up.

Signups on the church website are now open. Only ten families will be able to sign up. We are asking for a one to one ration of adults to students as parents need to be with their child especially during the distribution in St. James Park. Student participation will be limited to sixth grade and older. A donation of \$10 will be asked from each family to cover the cost of food and supplies.

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24 Hour Emergency

Rev. Brendan McGuire, Pastor
 408-997-5105

Rev. Angelo David, Parochial Vicar
 408-997-5107

Merry Reardon, Pastoral Associate
 408-997-5112

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 408-997-5108

Faith Formation 408-997-5112

Baptism 408-997-5107

Initiation 408-997-5112

Marriage 408-997-5115

Sacrament of the Sick 408-997-5110

Pastoral Care 408-997-5110

Social Ministries 408-997-5111

Youth Ministry 408-997-5106

Music Ministry 408-997-5121

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**Question
of the
Week**

What can I do or give up to follow
 Jesus more closely?



Jesus asks his disciples in today's gospel, "Who do people say that I am?" The disciples responded with what they have heard and the responses are many. After being asked a second time of who they thought he was, Peter makes the powerful testimony, "You are the Christ, son of the living God." He gives witness to Christ because it was revealed to him by God. He had experienced Christ as the Messiah. He experienced his love firsthand. He "knew" Jesus was God made flesh. The rest of Peter's life is spent working out what that meant for him. There were times that he doubted and turned away. But we know that Peter always turned back. He always came back to Christ and to God.

As disciples of Christ, we believe Jesus is the Son of the living God, too. We claim that testimony every weekend when we recite the creed. We, too, have to spend the rest of our lives working out what that really means for us. There are also times in our lives that we doubt and fall away. But we, too, must remember, like Peter, to always turn back to Christ. We need to always return back to professing, "Christ, you are the son of the living God. You are the Messiah."

There are times that are more defining than others. There are times when it will cost us something to stand up and claim Christ as our savior. It might cost us a friendship of someone who we love but they really cannot stand that we are Catholic or even Christian. We need really to talk about it but leave it in the background for the sake of harmony. There are other times when our political views push to the front of our lives and our religious beliefs take a back seat. When we decide to have our faith on the front burner, decide to lead with our faith, we take a risk and it can cost us seriously.

We are at one of those moments as a nation. When hatred of others because of the color of their skin is held up as an ideal, we cannot remain silent. When people espouse violence to bring such bigotry about, we have to stand up, act up and speak out. It is not enough to remain in the background. Who do people say that we are as Catholics, or as Christians? We need to stand up and be counted as a strong and loud voice against racism.

Like no other time in modern history, we cannot equivocate. We need to raise our voices against white supremacists, Neo-Nazis and KKK. Maybe we cannot agree on other religious views or how those views inform our political views, but together let nobody divide us on this one tenant. Racism is wrong. White Supremacists are wrong. Neo-Nazis are wrong. KKK are wrong. We will not remain quiet. We will not give them the same space as if their voice has any moral equivalence to the truth. We stand united against hatred and violence of all forms. We will stand against racism. Who do people say we are? We are Christians who do not condone hatred or violence. We will stand together against white supremacists, neo-Nazi's and the KKK.

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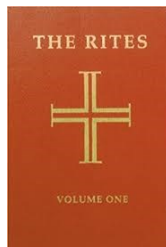
The Rites of the Catholic Church

Every Sunday at Mass, we pray the Creed. One of the statements is I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. There is only one Catholic Church under the guidance of the pope. Within that scope of Church, there are multiple rites. We speak of them as many churches, but they are all part of the one Catholic Church. According to the Constitution on the Church, the Catholic Church is understood to be "a corporate body of Churches," united with the bishop of Rome, who serves as the guardian of unity.

When Christ founded His Church, he sent out the apostles to go out into the world to preach and baptize. The apostles did that and traveled throughout the world preaching and teaching. In the first century, there were three major cultural centers of the western world. These centers were Rome, Antioch (Syria), and Alexandria (Egypt). The early Church evangelized in all of these centers. Each center had a unique culture, language and customs. The apostles brought the Gospel message to these centers and the essential elements of religious practices were brought into those cultures and absorbed by those cultures. This way, the symbols and rituals of the faith became meaningful to that culture. In the fourth century, the Byzantine Empire grew and became another cultural center. What developed over the years was a Western Church centered on Rome and an Eastern Church centered on the other areas.

A rite represents the formal procedures and traditions about how the sacraments are to be celebrated. The churches in these centers developed their own liturgical practices and the rites. The largest rite in the Catholic Church is the Latin or Roman rite. That's why we are called Roman Catholic. The largest of the eastern rites is the Byzantine Rite. Over all there are over 20 liturgical rites present in the Eastern Church today. All of the rites are in full communion with Rome. They each celebrate the liturgy within their local cultures. They have their own organizational structures. They are generally organized under a Patriarch, who together with the bishops and other clergy oversee their Church. Overall they are subject to the pope in Rome.

One of the differences in these rites is that some of the Eastern Rite Churches allow priests to get married. The word "catholic" means universal. Our Catholic Church is truly universal since it unites so many diverse rites whose members share a common faith.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
T	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
W	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
T	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
F	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
S	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
S	Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

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

Tu	8:30	Charles E. Smith † Charles M. Smith	
W	8:30	Anne Obbiso † Elmer Schubert † Albert Vistan †	
Th	8:30	Arsenio Sanchez †	
F	8:30	Renee Lowrance † Rahul Pinto †	
Su	8:00	Holy Spirit Community	
	11:30	Rahul Pinto † Alfonso Santolalla †	
	6:00	Carolina Vello De Aaron	

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill:
Rosalie Giacobbe, Valerie Gold, Rod Levin, Alice Moss, Jeanne Sommer and Bill Sterner.

For those who have recently died

STEWARDSHIP

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. Matthew 25:35

Nowhere in scripture is our call to action more clear than when Jesus reveals that we are really serving Him when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty or welcome the stranger. And nowhere is there a better opportunity to answer the call to action on all three fronts than to join the team of people, under the



direction of Teresa McCarthy, who distribute food at Our Lady of Refuge on the **second Wednesday from 11:00am–2:00pm each month.**

Holy Spirit has been joining with the parishioners of Our Lady of Refuge to distribute fresh fruit, vegetables, meat, eggs and dry staples provided by the Second Harvest Food Bank for over 3 years. It is a beautiful experience to meet Jesus in those we find in the receiving line each month.

If you would like to join our dedicated group of volunteers coordinated by Holly Salkeld, please contact Katie Metzger at 408-997-5115 or kmetzger@dsj.org.

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 distributed 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 for the face of Christ in each of our clients.

Sacred Heart corporate sponsors continue to support our work. Motorola and Starbucks (stores at Alma and Monterey and at Curtner and Old Almaden Road) have provided coffee and Survival Sack supplies. Also, several Catholic High Schools and churches within the Diocese (e.g. Presentation, Mitty, and Queen of Apostles) have contributed hygiene kits, backpacks, underwear, and socks. We thank each and every group for their support.

Consider joining us on **Thursday, September 7th and/or on Thursday, September 21st.** We meet at **Sacred Heart 8:45am and finish up about 10:45am.** Sign ups for September are open on the parish website as of **Monday, August 28th.**

Saturday at Sacred Heart



School aged children and older are invited to join us for our next Saturday at Sacred Heart on **Saturday, September 16th 9:00am 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 in the week ahead.

Signups will open on the parish website on Monday, August 28th. School aged children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent. Service hours can be earned. Please contact Mischa Plesha at mischaplesha@sbcglobal.net with any questions.

Hope to see you at The Heart!



SECOND OFFERINGS

September 10 Holy Spirit School

September 17 Catholic Education

What is Catechesis?



"Catechesis is nothing other than the process of

transmitting the Gospel, as the Christian community has received it, understands it, celebrates it, lives it and communicates it in many ways." (General Directory for Catechesis #105)

The great commission has been handed to women and men, whom God has called, to proclaim the Good News. This ministry of teaching and forming has traditionally been referred to as catechesis.

The word catechesis comes from the Greek meaning "to echo the teaching" meaning that catechesis or the teaching of the faith is an interactive process in which the Word of God re-sounds between and among the proclaimer, the one receiving the message, and the Holy Spirit! Catechesis is a life-long process of initial conversion, formation, education, and on-going conversion. Through word, worship, service and community, it seeks to lead all God's people to an ever deepening relationship with God who reveals himself in Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. Catechesis takes many forms and includes the initiation of adults, youth and children as well as the intentional and systematic effort to enable all to grow in faith and discipleship.

Many people recall the term C.C.D. which stood for the "Confraternity

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Summer Blood Drive

Thank you to those who took time to donate blood. Please know that your generosity will help save countless lives. Our next blood drive will be scheduled in December.

Youth Ministry Kick-Offs

Registrations for 3sixty and Edge for the 2017-2018 ministry year are now up and online! Visit the parish website under 'Ministries' and 'Youth Ministry' to register. Please consider registering your youth for 3sixty high school and Edge middle school as they are both fantastic ministries with great energy and depth.



3sixty kicks off on Sunday, September 10th and Edge on Wednesday, September 13th.

3sixty High School Ministry Summer Socials

The last 3sixty summer social will be after the 6pm Mass. As summer break has all but ended, we will relax and enjoy in fellowship. All high school youth are welcome to attend.

FAITH FORMATION CONT'D

of Christian Doctrine" which served parishes in their efforts to provide religious education to children who attended public schools. Today, we have retrieved the notion of catechesis to capture the broader mission of the Church to proclaim the Gospel to adults, youth and children in order to "put people in communion with Jesus Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church #426).

The Arts at HSS

The school year is off and running! Please join us in welcoming our new Art & Music teachers. Mr. Jim Burris will lead our music



program which features singing in K-2nd, Instruments in 3rd-5th and a Show Choir in Middle School. Intermediate students will learn to play Boomwhackers, Recorders or Hand Bells depending on their grade. Mr. Burris hopes to feature the Show Choir at area events. We can't wait to hear!

Mrs. Jenny Dickson is heading up an outstanding art curriculum for every student on our campus. PreK through 8th grade will visit the new art room where they will experience new media and methods as their artistic abilities bloom.

Peek into PreK Today



Are you looking for a PreK program for your four-year-old? Come see where our youngest students discover FAITH, seek KNOWLEDGE and experience COMMUNITY.

**PreK Open House
Sunday, August 27th
10am to 1pm**

PARISH ACTIVITIES

*Suicide
Bereavement
Support
Group*



Finding your way through
the wilderness of grief after
a suicide loss
Honoring Your Way
Seeking Understanding
Moving Through
Finding Strength & Hope

Out of the Wilderness
Tuesdays,
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
August 22 -
September 26

Holy Spirit Church
1200 Redmond Ave
San Jose
Parish Hall *Be Still Room*

Please, RSVP Needed
to:
Leah Harris
(408) 997-5110

Week at a Glance

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

Monday	9:15 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Small Community Of Faith Widow's Book Club Faith Formation Classes Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Parish Hall Library Parish Hall Library Parish Hall Parish Hall Room 4 PK1 & Parish Hall
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Women's Faith Group Watercolor Workshop 3sixty Core Team Meeting Suicide Support Group	Parish Hall Parish Hall & Rm 4 Parish Office Parish Hall Library
Wednesday	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Group Scripture: Blessed Mother Grief Faith Sharing Group	Parish Office Parish Hall Room 4 Parish Office
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	School Mass	Church
Friday	9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Small Community Of Faith Al-Anon Meeting Eucharistic Adoration	Parish Hall Library Parish Hall Church
Saturday			
Sunday		Parish Office Closed For Labor Day	



Women's Faith Group

Tuesday mornings at 9:15am, women of all ages come together in prayer and fellowship in the Parish Hall. Have you been too busy to grow? No matter where you are on your faith journey, we will encourage each other along the way.

Come transform with us:
Beginning Tuesday, August 29th:
Tuesday mornings, 9:15am-10:30am ...OR...NEW! Tuesday evenings, 7:00pm-8:15pm

Please contact Merry Reardon at mreardon@dsj.org or 408-997-5112 to rsvp

PASTORAL CARE



Scheduled for surgery? Recovering from illness? Homebound because of advanced age?

If you or someone you know would benefit from prayers, a pastoral care visit or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, contact Leah Harris, Director of Pastoral Care, 997-5110 or lharris@dsj.org.



Married Couples:

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all. Time away from the

pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen that special someone who loves you. **The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 10-12, 2017 in San Jose.**

For more information visit our website at sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

Questions at End of Life: A Catholic Perspective Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 from 1pm – 3pm. Church of the Transfiguration – in the Church, 4325 Jarvis Ave, San Jose

Presenter: Fr. Joseph Benedict Choices at end of life present unique challenges, particularly within a complex and technologically advanced society. Physical death is perceived within modern society as the ultimate human tragedy. This presentation will explore end-of-life choices within the context of faith in Jesus and the moral tradition of the Church. Free. For more information, contact 650-428-3730 or cemeteryinfo@dsj.org



The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offered by RealOptions Pregnancy Medical Clinics is September 15-17, 2017, Vallombrosa Center, 250 Oak Grove Ave, Menlo Park, CA. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer support to those who have been impacted by pregnancy loss, abortion and/or miscarriage. If the quality of your life is affected or you have never completely recovered from pregnancy loss, Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a place where you can find support, compassion and healing.

Retreats are offered at no cost to attendees and are confidential. Apply by visiting www.realoptions.net/hope or call 408-837-0990.

Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

An ombudsman is someone who is an advocate for people living in long term care such as skilled nursing facilities or residential care homes for the elderly. Ombudsmen are mandated by the federal Older Americans Act. Holy Spirit Parish has a rich history of volunteer participation in the Ombudsman program in Santa Clara County through Catholic Charities.

To determine if you might be interested, an orientation/overview of the program will be presented on Tuesday, August 29th, 2017 from 10:00 am to Noon at Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County located at 2625 Zanker Road, Suite 200, San Jose, CA. If you are interested in completing the program after learning about the volunteer opportunity at the orientation, the Summer 2017 Ombudsman Certification.

Training is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 5th and end on Friday, September 29th – we will meet on the following dates:

- Tuesday, 9/5 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Friday, 9/8 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Tuesday, 9/12 10:00am - 12:00pm
- Wednesday, 9/13 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Friday, 9/15 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Tuesday, 9/19 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Friday, 9/22 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Tuesday, 9/26 10:00am - 4:00pm
- Friday, 9/29 10:00am - 4:00pm

For more information, **please contact Wanda Hale the Program Manager at 408-944-0567.**

