

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 31, 2019



Support Holy Spirit School by ordering some See's candy for Easter! Holy Spirit School is selling See's Candies for our Spring Fundraiser. Choose from a variety of delicious See's Candies chocolates from Chocolate Butter Eggs to Assorted Lollypops, Toffee-ettes or a 1 pound box of Assorted Chocolates for a great Easter treat. If you are giving a gift and you aren't sure about their chocolate preferences, get them a gift certificate so they can indulge in their personal favorites. All proceeds will benefit Holy Spirit School students.

Stop by the table after mass to pick up an order form and start your Easter shopping! Make checks payable to Holy Spirit School. Please turn in your order form and money to the Holy Spirit School front office by April 1st at 12pm. You can also fill out an order form online at www.bit.ly/seescandyhss and bring it to the Holy Spirit School front office.

You may pick up your candy after 9:30 am and 11:30 am mass on April 14th.

Thank you for supporting Holy Spirit School!







Prayer of the Farm Workers Struggle

Show me the suffering of the most miserable; So I will know my people's plight.

Free me to pray for others; For you are present in every person.

Help me take responsibility for my own life; So that I can be free at last.

Grant me courage to serve others; For in service there is" true life.

Give me honesty and patience; So that I can work with other workers.

Bring forth song and celebration; So that the Spirit will be alive among us.

Let the Spirit flourish anti grow; So that we will never tire of the struggle.

Let us remember those who have died for justice; For they have given us life.

Help us love even those who hate us; So we can change the world.

Amen.

Written by Cesar E. Chavez



The office will be closed April 1st.

In observance of Cesar Chavez Day





NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

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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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Has there been a time in your life when you have felt betrayed?

The famous Rule of St. Benedict which governed most monasteries in early Christianity began with the word "listen," often translated "hearken." Then it continues to say how important it is that we obey the "word of God." But listen comes first as we cannot obey if we do not know what we are

following. "Listen and obey."

That is a great way to rekindle our Lenten journey this week. We need to listen to the Lord more carefully and then obey him. To really listen we need to set aside some quiet time. There lies the challenge for all of us. No matter whether we are retired or working, young or old, introverted or extroverted, we are



all called to set aside some time to listen in silence. It seems that time alone in silence is a precious commodity these days. So what are we to do?

The first place we start is with the "desire" for silence, the "desire" to listen to God. If we do not have the desire then we will never get the silence to listen because we will not seek it. I know it seems strange but the first place to start is to pray for the "desire to listen." O Lord, I want to listen to you, I want to hear your voice. Help me to have a strong desire to hear you always When we have the desire for listening then soon enough we will find we have the time and capacity but it first starts with desire.

When we have that time and are now listening to Christ then he will gently guide us to his law. When we listen like this then we will find God's law is a move towards freedom and in that freedom we are called to love in a deeper way. Then we will find ourselves not only obeying the letter of the law but embracing the spirit of the law. Sometimes the spirit of the law overtakes the letter of the law and we love beyond measure. God's ways are always gentle and kind and he encourages us to live in the freedom of the law and live by the Spirit of the law as well.

Embrace the last few weeks with more listening and coming back to God more and more. Maybe you can join us for our annual communal sacrament of reconciliation on Tuesday, April 9 and be reconciled to God once more. May we find a better way to listen to God and stay in his freedom of the law. But in all things be gentle and loving of others.

Also I encourage you to join us the next two Wednesday nights for more "best of my homilies" on the death and passion of Christ. Last week I gave 10 homilies from the life of Christ and now we move onto the death of Christ. If you cannot make it on Wednesday, you can watch it live on the homepage of the parish at http://holyspiritchurch.org/live-streammass/

LIVING THE LITURGY



Processions:

In the Liturgy, every action has a purpose. Whether it's standing, sitting, singing, or praying, every action we do as the Faithful is done for a specific reason. A prime example of this is the four times that we, as a community, move in procession. In our Sunday liturgy, there are four moments during which we

move together in procession: The Gathering Procession, the Presentation of the Gifts, Communion Procession, and Recessional.

During the Gathering Procession, the Presider and Liturgical Ministers process together from the entrance of the Church to the sanctuary, reverence the Altar, and proceed to their places in the Assembly or in their designated areas.

The Presentation of the Gifts is a movement comprised of what seems like two processions; the Offertory and the Presentation of the gifts of Bread and Wine. However, these two gifts are really to be considered one gift from the community; Bread, Wine, Monetary donations and gifts for the poor.

The Communion Procession utilizes the movement of the Assembly moving together to further emphasize the unity of the gathered faithful. As we all move toward the Altar to receive Communion, we receive Jesus in the Eucharist as one Body of Christ, and Christ receives us into himself as his collective chosen people.

The Recessional is an encounter with the Lord and with one another. The final words of the dismissal are an invitation to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." This means that, as we leave the Church, we are invited to go out and share Christ with everyone we meet.

Having been fueled with the power of Christ's love. We are called to come as one Body in Christ, move as one Body in Christ, and to go forth as one Body in Christ.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 4/1	Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54			
T 4/2	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16			
W 4/3	Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30			
TH 4/4	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47			
F 4/5	Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30			
S 4/6	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53			
SU 4/7	ls 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11			
	Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;			
	Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]			

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 4/2	8:30	Ray Mercado	
W 4/3	8:30	Doreen & Andy Williams Renee Lowrance Abraham Mattathil	
TH 4/4	8:30	Nolan Mascarenhas	
F 4/5	8:30	Aiden Tauro	
S 4/6	5:00	Holy Spirit Parish	
SU 4/7	9:30 11:30	Lawrence Lawson Rahul Pinto Fe Viray	

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill:

Lou Antonioli, Haley Derrick, Suzanne Duncan, Valerie Gold, Bill Sterner

For those who have recently died:

David Dunivent, John Le, Suzanne Simmons, Ruben Simpliciano

STEWARDSHIP



Feeding the hungry

Please consider joining us in an exciting way to serve others. We meet in the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m. to make sandwiches and then pack the lunches. After the lunches have been made, we drive to the St. James Park area of downtown San Jose.

The sandwiches are distributed to everyone in the park. When all have been served, part of the group follows the light rail tracks into the center of the city and distributes sandwiches as they walk. The group who remains in the park cleans up litter.

We invite ten families to join us. 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. Our next Saturday Lunch Ministry meets on **April 6th**. Please contact Lisa Martin at lisamart666@gmail.com for more information.

SECOND OFFERINGS

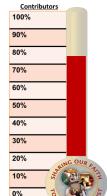
April 7th	Holy Spirit School	
April 14th	No Second Collection	

The 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal continues to succeed in our parish.

Families have responded with a very generous amount of \$242,00 towards our Diocesan goal of \$290,000 and our parish goal of \$400,000.



Currently we are at 84% of our Diocesan goal and 60% of our parish goal.



To date, 390 families in our parish have contributed towards the Annual Diocesan Appeal.

If you are not yet part of these donors, we want your participation and need your support.

Please pray and answer the call to do your part to support our Catholic Church and the mission of God, here in the Diocese of San Jose.

Your gift will make a difference!

Survival Sack Distribution

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 40 on each distribution day.

Survival Sacks will be distributed on April 4th and 18th. The signup link can be found on the parish website beginning on **Monday, March** 25th, 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:

God of compassion, your love for humanity was revealed in Jesus whose earthly life began in a stable and ended in the pain and isolation of the cross. We hold before you those who are homeless. Draw near and comfort them in spirit and bless those who provide them with shelter, food, and friendship. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen

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

YOUTH MINISTRY



Diocesan Youth Retreat

The annual Diocesan Youth Retreat (DYR) will take place on June 10-14 at the pristine retreat site in Lake Tahoe. This year marks its 24th retreat. This long-standing tradition in our Diocese has changed so many lives. Last year, the retreat had 260 youth and 70

leaders. Holy Spirit alone brought 50 youth! We hope to grow this retreat this summer. This retreat is open to all 8th graders through high school seniors. Registrations are now up and online. Please visit https://bit.ly/ DYR2019ENG to register. Or contact Row at row.david@dsj.org for more details.

3sixty High School Ministry

Last Sunday, we continued our Taking Care series focusing on taking care of the mind. We had a fruitful night in exploring how to maintain a healthy mindset.

While we recognize that our minds can be fragile, we can support one another and be there for one another.

After the 6pm Mass, 3sixty will dedicate our evening in prayer. This will be a great time to experience various forms of prayer. All high school youth are welcome to attend.

FAITH FORMATION



2019-2020 Faith Formation Classes

Grades K-5

Class schedules are:

Sundays 10:45-11:45 am or Mondays 5:30 P.M. to 6:30 pm

Registration begins March 31st

For those interested in First Reconciliation and First Eucharist preparation through the Domestic Church program at Holy Spirit, we ask that your child experience two years of religious education either through Catholic School education or the parish Faith Formation classes prior to celebrating their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Preparation begins during year two. You can register at http://bit.ly/faithformationreg2019

Questions? Please contact Melissa Brush at Melissa.brush@dsj.org





See's Candy sale ends tomorrow! All orders due in the school office

April 1 at noon!!
Thank you for your support!



Summer Enrichment Camps Registration opens tomorrow,

April 1.

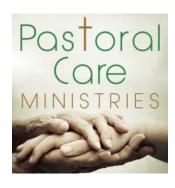
Please visit our website!



Thank you to all our donors, sponsors and families who make Saturday's auction a huge success!

Let's do it again next year!

PARISH ACTIVITIES



Need 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 leah.harris@dsj.org



Called to Volunteer for Pastoral Care?

Feel called to minister to the sick and homebound? Contact Leah at leah.harris@dsj.org, or 408-997-5110.

WEEK AT A GLANCE Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: www.holyspiritchurch.org					
MON 4/1	5:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Parish Office Closed-Cesar Chavez Day Faith Formation Class Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Parish Hall Classroom 2 Classroom 3		
TUE 4/2	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Women's Faith Group Watercolor Workshop Music Practice Women's Faith Group 360 Core Team Meeting Passion Rehearsal	Parish Hall Classroom 3 Church Parish Hall Be Still Room Church		
WED 4/3	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Group Bible Study: Bishop Robert Barron Domestic Church Meeting Sandwich Ministry Music Practice Paschal Mystery Presentation. Fr. Brendan	Parish Office Classroom 4 Church Parish Hall Church Church		
THU 4/4	8:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart Survival Sacks Domestic Church Meeting	Sacred Heart Church		
FRI 4/5	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon Meeting Eucharistic Adoration	Parish Hall Church		
SAT 4/6	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Domestic Church Retreat Small Community of Faith Children's Liturgy of the Word	Hall/Gym/Church Be Still Room Parish Hall		
SUN 4/7	8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	RCIA Faith Formation Children's Liturgy of the Word Nursery Faith Formation 3Sixty Youth Night	Be Still Room Parish Hall Parish Hall Pre-K Room Parish Hall Parish Hall		

Art and Environment Help

This is the time of year when our Art and Environment ministers have to work extra hard to transform our church into a beautiful and prayerful space for worship. Please let us know if you are available to help on any or all the dates below:

Palm Sunday Set up: 4/13 at 9:00am

Holy Thursday set up: 4/18 at 10:00am

Good Friday set up: 4/18 at 8:00pm after Mass

Easter Set up: 4/20 at 9:00am

Please contact Sue Schill at sue@bobschill.com. Any time you can share will be much appreciated and community service hours are available, if needed.





Spring Men's Cursillo Retreat

April 4-7

St. Clare's Retreat Center



Looking to spend a weekend to grow and reflect on your relationship with Christ? Join several Holy Spirit parishioners as we attend the upcoming Cursillo Weekend!

During the 3-day retreat, a team of religious and lay people will present a series of talks to help you reflect on your Christian life, as well as what it means to live out Christianity in community.

SanJoseCursillo.org Contact:

Paul Milioto at

pe-milioto@msn.com

... or ask parishioners Kyle Coulter, Bob Fields, Sam Florio, Tim Gale, Bruno Martinez, Joe Milioto, Sanjay Noronha, or German Scipioni.

Note: Spring Women's Cursillo Retreat is **May 2.**



Planning a Catholic Funeral

Are you interested in learning more about planning your funeral?

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

St. Anthony Parish

- In the Church -20101 McKean Road, San Jose, CA 95120