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1st Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018



Texas Mission Trip

On Sunday, February 18th, 54 missionaries are heading to San Augustine,

Texas for our 5th annual domestic mission trip. In partnership with Next Step Ministries, they will be working on repairing five homes, two of which were worked on by our missionaries during the trip last year. The missionaries are all very excited about the opportunity to serve others, enhance their relationships with their fellow parishioners and deepen their faith during the week long trip. Please keep them in your prayers!

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 Hayden Youn



**EVERY WEDNESDAY
OF LENT 6PM - 8PM**

All **Catholic** churches
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will be open for the
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Reconciliation**

www.dsj.org/light



If it has been a long time since
your last confession, welcome back!

Why Reconciliation?

Every saint had a history, and every sinner
has a future. The Lord's love, mercy
and reconciliation is available all the time.

RECONCILIATION IS WHAT GOD DOES.
We prepare for it by opening ourselves up,
by reflecting upon the areas in our lives bound
by darkness, hurt, shame or guilt into which
God so deeply desires to enlighten, heal, and free.

We prepare with the simple question:
**WHERE MIGHT GOD BE OFFERING ME
FORGIVENESS, HEALING AND FREEDOM?**

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Question of the Week

How do I make myself available
to "listen" to Jesus?

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR



In today's gospel, the Spirit drove Jesus into the desert and there he was tempted for 40 days. It is important to not miss the last part of the sentence, "...and the angels ministered to him." The angels ministered to him. Will we allow the Spirit to lead us into the desert of our lives for the next 40 days so that we can deal with all the temptations and then allow that the angels to minister to us, too?

Oftentimes, what we do on the Lenten journey is a competition of self will. Some people give up alcohol or they give up other stuff and they tell you every single day how much they are doing and how hard it is. They keep saying that Lent is almost over. We wish it was so we didn't have to hear about their self-challenge! Those can be great things to give up as long as we are careful to not just talk about the pain we endure. It is not about a competition of who does best with their self-will. Lent is more about cleansing the temple of our lives and turning back to God. Giving in to the Lord's Will in our life once again.

We need to allow the Spirit to put us into the desert of our lives. And yes, will there be temptations? Yes, there will be, but the Lord will minister to us and he will give us the strength to endure those temptations, but we have to pause and retreat. And yes, that is where these three legs of Lent come in: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

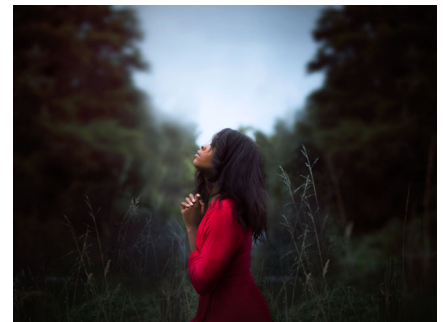
We must find a way to pray every day and to listen to where the Lord is; where is the Lord and the Spirit driving me; and what must I examine in my own life to purify my own life?

To help with that, yes, we fast from something, give something up, but it is not give something up in of itself. It is **give something up so we can be in a position to give something away**. For example, suppose we give up playing a game on the computer. What do we do with that time? Are we going to give that time to somebody else? Give it to our family? Are we going to give it to the Lord in prayer?

Lenten practice is meant to lead us to those who have nothing, this is the almsgiving. The purpose of these next 40 days is not about a contest; it is not about self-will; and certainly, it is not about any sort of diet program. The purpose is a metanoia, **a turning back to the Lord and a renewal of our heart**. That requires discipline.

Lent requires a reapplication of our best selves. The only way I know how to do that is in prayer. It is to take some time to ourselves and lay ourselves before the Lord and say, "Lord, give me the strength to be my best self; point out where I need to improve parts of my life and help me to shed those parts that are not the best parts of me."

We begin our journey of 40 days of Lent this weekend but we continue to be the people of God, seeking to do the Lord's Will in our lives.



LIVING THE LITURGY



The Rite During Lent- What's So Different?

The Liturgy, as we know it, is a celebration of the relationship between God and his children. Throughout the year, we, as Catholics, seek to celebrate every aspect of our faith by contemplating the life of Christ. The Church helps us to do this by the unfolding of the liturgical year to reflect "the whole mystery of Christ," that is, the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. This is also known as the Paschal Mystery.

Over the course of the year, the liturgy of the Church adjusts in depth and solemnity so that we in turn might internalize the importance and significance of conversion: of being shaped more and more into the image of Christ. The most significant event that we, as Catholics, celebrate is the Resurrection of Jesus. This event is acknowledged in our celebration of the three most magnificent liturgies of the year: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil/Sunday. These celebrations make up the climax of Holy Week, which is preceded by 40 Days of preparation. During this 40-day preparation, we acknowledge our humanity and strive to get closer to God by repenting of our sinfulness, and remembering our baptism as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter. This 40-day preparation is the season of Lent.

During the Lenten season, the way we celebrate the liturgy changes to reflect this preparation. We emphasize the invitation to repentance and the overall simplicity of the Eucharistic celebration. Just as we are encouraged to partake in fasting, almsgiving, and prayer during Lent in our daily lives, we as the Church also share in abstaining from liturgical actions as well. Over the next 6 weeks, the Gloria, which adds a celebratory note to the Introductory Rite by exclaiming the salvation of God, is omitted. Likewise, the Alleluia, is replaced with a different Gospel Acclamation, since Lent is the celebration of the time leading up to Christ's death. We, as the Holy Spirit Community, also omit the Gathering Song, in order to enter further into the celebration and, to allow the breadth and depth of the mystery of God's presence to surround us. We emphasize the Penitential Act by singing the Kyrie to acknowledge God's great and infinite mercy.

Pope Francis said that "Lent is a favorable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ." This weekend marks the beginning of the season of Lent, during which we devote ourselves more deeply to seeking God through repentance, prayer, almsgiving, and fasting. We celebrate these 40 days in the hope that we can learn to see the face of the Christ in all, and remember the loving sacrifice that we are called to share with the world.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
T	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
W	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
TH	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
F	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
S	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
SU	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



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

FRI	8:30	Jeanne Sommer †
SAT	5:00	John Coppola † John Walsh †
SUN	8:00	Don Murray †
	9:30	Marie Firato
	11:30	Ruth Fischer † Pat Carvahal † Joshua Gelman †
	6:00	Holy Spirit Parish

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are ill:
Gretchen Brush-Bates,
Howard Le Bas, Francis Miller.

For those who have recently died:
Joe Azevedo, Melissa Garbiras.

STEWARDSHIP



"Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7

We welcome to our parish family:

James, Margaret, Benjamin and Adam Caldwell

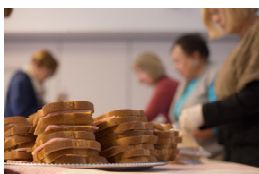
Justin Mora

Deane and Ashely Richan

Hope-Sutton Salvador

Please be sure to welcome these new parishioners, especially on one of our Hospitality Weekends. We are encouraged to wear our name badges and try to meet someone new at these monthly gatherings.

There is always a need for **help at our Hospitality Weekends**. If you are interested in helping with our wonderful hospitality gatherings, or just want to try helping for one weekend, please contact the Parish Office at 408-997-5110.



Saturday Lunch Ministry

Please consider

joining us **March 3rd at 10:30 a.m.** in the Parish Hall to make sandwiches and pack lunches to distribute in the St. James Park area of downtown San Jose.

We invite ten families to join us **every 1st Saturday of the month**. We ask for a one to one ratio of adults to students, and 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.

Visit <http://holyspiritchurch.org/sandwich-ministry> for more info.



Sacred Heart Reverse Collection

While you're out shopping this week, don't forget to pick up some items for our Reverse Collection. We will be collecting donations from **February 24th through March 4th**.

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**.

Thank you for caring for those in our community.



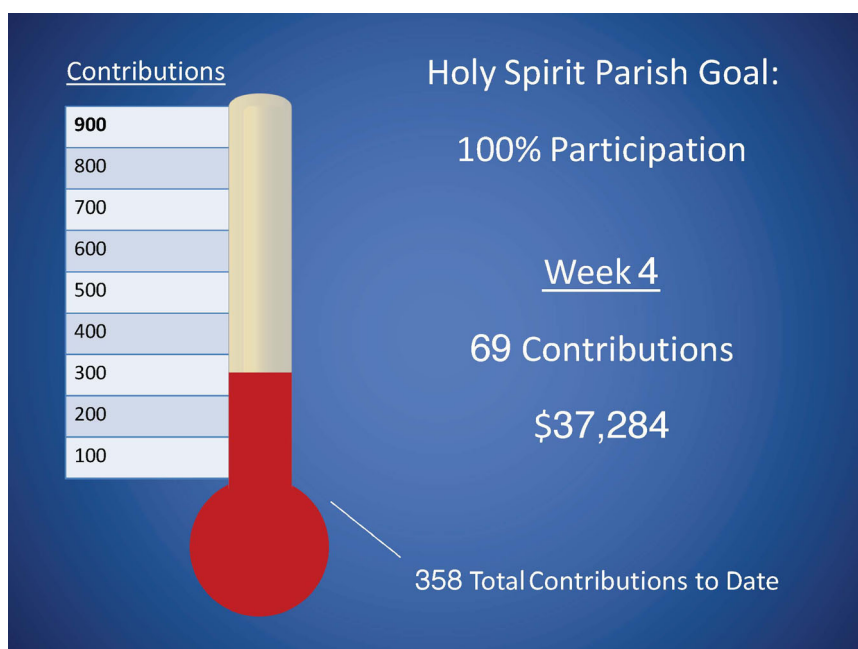
Survival Sacks

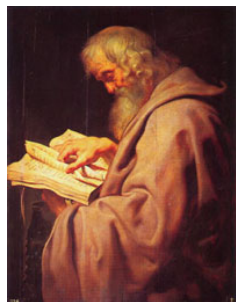
Holy Spirit parishioners are continuing to volunteer to distribute Survival Sacks at Sacred Heart Community Center. We gather on the **first and third Thursdays of the month** to distribute approximately 50 Survival Sacks, organize supplies, make hygiene kits, and fill backpacks. Sacks are provided to those who are homeless and living on the streets of San Jose. We have the privilege of looking for the face of Christ in each of our clients.

Consider joining us on **March 1st and/or March 15th**. We meet at Sacred Heart at 8:45 a.m. and finish up about 10:45 a.m. Sign ups for March will open on the parish website on February 19th.

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St. Simon

In Matthews Gospel, Simon (or Simeon) is mentioned in Sacred Scripture and has been identified as

one of the “brothers of the Lord.” Simon was not a blood brother of Jesus, but because the Aramaic and Hebrew language does not have a word for a close relative such as cousin, the word brother is often used.

St. Simon was a cousin of our Lord. Scripture tells us that his father was Cleophas, the brother of St. Joseph, and that his mother was the sister of the Blessed Mother. This would make Simon the first cousin of Jesus. Simon’s brother, called James the Less, was bishop of Jerusalem, and when he was martyred the Apostles met together and chose Simon to take his brother’s office of Bishop.

Civil war broke out in the year 66 and the Christians, believed to have been forewarned by our Lord (Mt 24:16), fled from Jerusalem. Most went with Simon to the other side of the Jordan and settled in a small city called Pella. Later, after Jerusalem had been burned, the Christians returned and dwelt among the ruins until Emperor Hadrian completely razed the city.

According to the writings of Eusebius, the Church historian, there were great miracles being performed by the saints during this time and many Jews were converting to Christianity because of these miracles.

St. Simon’s feast day is on February 18th.

Holy Spirit School Auction Fundraiser

Gather your friends and join us at our Alice in Wonderland– themed annual event at Villa Ragusa on **Saturday, March 24th!** You don’t want to miss this wonderful event—all are welcome. To purchase tickets, visit www.holyspirit-school.org.



“O” Week in PreK

Every student who has been through our PreK program fondly remembers “O” Week. It’s when the “sleeping” octopus visits the class for them to examine and explore. It’s just one of the shared memories our youngest students make and one our 8th graders can still recount.



Registration

Applications are still being accepted in most grades from PreK (age 4 as of September 1st) through 8th grade. To apply online, please visit our website: www.holyspirit-school.org/admissions/application. For a tour, please call us at 408-268-0794 x 1118.

YOUTH MINISTRY

3sixty High School Ministry

Last weekend, 3sixty went on retreat. We looked at how chaos plays a factor in our lives and how it affects us. We reflected on how we can tackle chaos head on because we know that our Lord is with us every step of the way. We had a wonderful group and it was such a blessing to see them grow in their faith.



3sixty is back **this weekend after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.** We will have a social night to build community—all high school youth are invited!

Edge Middle School Ministry

Our next Edge night is **Wednesday, February 28th.** We will explore what it means in our faith to give something up for Lent and why we do it. All middle school youth are invited!

Support Youth Ministry – Meal Fundraiser

Save the date! On **Thursday, March 1st** we are having a meal fundraiser at California Pizza Kitchen on Blossom Hill at Oakridge Mall. Come in anytime from 11:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. and mention “Holy Spirit Church – Youth Ministry.” 20% of your meal’s price is donated back. It’s an easy way to support our ministry!

PASTORAL CARE

WOW Tea Party

On February 3rd, parishioners who have lost a spouse (Widows Or Widowers "WoW!") gathered together in prayer and fellowship at the annual WOW Tea Party and Prayer Service. This annual event gives those who have lost a spouse, whether recent or long-standing, to join together in friendship and fun.

Many thanks go to the event co-chairs, Pat Baldovi and Joyce Nguyen, for recruiting the many generous volunteers who cooked and baked amazing goodies. Thanks to Fr. Brendan for leading us in prayer, and to our wonderful hardworking hosting crew. A special shout out to Bloomster's Florist of Almaden for their generous donation of incredible flowers creating our "Mad Hatter Tea" atmosphere!

Please keep all widows and widowers in your prayers as they continue to answer God's call in their own ministry. Contact Leah Harris at 408-997-5110 for more information about ministries for this special group.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

WEEK AT A GLANCE

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

OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH FOR PRESIDENTS DAY

MON	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry Music Practice ESL at OLR Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Classroom 3 Church OLR Classroom 4 PK1 & Parish Hall
TUE	9:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women's Faith Group Watercolor Group Suicide Bereavement Group Women's Faith Group 3sixty Core Team Meeting ESL at OLR	Parish Hall Parish Hall & CR4 Parish Hall Library Parish Hall Classroom 2 OLR
WED	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Group Scripture Study Light is On Reconciliation ESL at OLR	Parish Hall Library Classroom 4 Church OLR
THU	9:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Scripture Study Music Practice ESL at OLR	Parish Office Church OLR
FRI	9:30 a.m.	Al-Anon Meeting	Parish Hall
SAT	9:30 a.m.	Small Community of Faith	Parish Hall Library
SUN	10:45 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Classes Texas Missionaries Reception Texas Welcome Back at Mass 3sixty Youth Night	Parish Hall Parish Hall Church Parish Hall



PARISH ACTIVITIES



Registration for Nicaragua

Registration for the Nicaragua Mission Trips is **now open on the parish website** at <http://holyspiritchurch.org/nicaragua-mission-trip>.

Youth Trip is July 7th-14th; Family Trip is July 14th-21st

Registration closes Friday, March 9th, at 6:00 p.m. For questions, please contact Dan Crocker at dan@crockerworld.org.

Welcome to Holy Spirit Parish! We are so glad you joined us today.



Welcome

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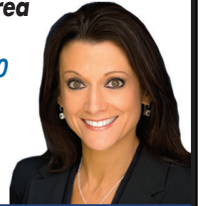
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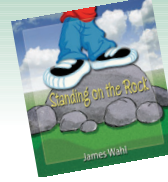


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