

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Turkey and Tarps Drive

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." — Acts 20:35

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 \$7,200 as a parish for turkey dinners and purchased over 320 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 November 10-11.

Donations are also accepted at the Parish Office throughout the week until November 12. Online donations are also available through the parish website at http://holyspiritchurch.org/.

Together we can make a difference and brighten the season by ensuring families in need have the opportunity to gather for a bountiful holiday meal.

It is a wonderful blessing to help and bring Hope to those in need. Please pray for the success of this ministry, as well as the individuals and families, who will greatly benefit from your generosity.

November 11, 2018



A Prayer for Veterans Day

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.

Give them courage, hope and strength.

May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light.

To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever.

Amen.

The Parish Office will be Closed on Monday, Nov. 12th in **Observance Of Veteran's Day.**



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What are my gifts and how do I share them?



NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

These last several months have been really difficult for me personally and I have spoken of that many times in my bulletin articles and homilies. Yet the love of God shines through this

community and the love of friends has been my constant support to enable me to endure it all. I am deeply grateful for your unswerving love for me and active support of my priesthood and ministry. I am forever grateful.

Another source of affection and love has been my faithful companion and best friend, my beautiful dog, Leyla.

Unfortunately, Leyla died on Sunday night. When I came home from dinner out, she greeted me like she always did. Then I gave her some treats. Before she could consume any of the treats, her legs buckled, she fell back into my arms and she died of a heart attack.

As many of you know that she has been a through a lot over her short 4 ¹/₂ years of life. Early on when I rescued her, she had suffered some trauma resulting in some challenging behavior. But we worked



through those issues. When she turned one year old, she started having grand mal seizures. We finally got control of those seizures after another year and she was seizure-free for two blissful years. Then she developed an autoimmune disorder called "uveodermatological syndrome" where she lost most of her fur and her skin turned pink. She lost sight in one eye completely and partial sight in the other eye. We got control of that disease and her fur grew back but had turned white. Then we lost control of the seizures again. She continued to have bad seizures frequently and it was only a matter of time before I would lose her. We tried hard to balance the different drugs to address both conditions but we lost the battle and her heart gave in.

Leyla was always beautiful in my eyes regardless of the color of her fur and I loved her dearly. I loved her all the more because of her brokenness. When I looked at her with all her different conditions I saw a piece of myself with all my own brokenness. I loved her because she needed it. She loved me because I needed.

I am not sure why the Lord would not let me have her for a little while longer as she has been a great comfort to me in these dark times. But I have to trust the Lord again. I wish he would not expect so much of me sometimes! I must admit he

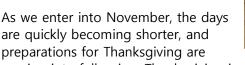
has never let me down yet so I will trust him again and let the Lord take Leyla to doggie heaven with Blackie and Bubba, my other two dogs.

Please keep me in your prayers and also the staff and my friends because they all loved her too.



LIVING THE LITURGY

Special Events Call for Sacred Objects





coming into full swing. Thanksgiving is a unique holiday in most households because it is when family comes together for what is arguably the fanciest meal of the year. And with such a sophisticated meal as Thanksgiving, you might notice a change in silverware, cutlery, and dishes from the normal everyday utensils to the fine China and crystal glasses that remain hidden in the cupboard the rest of the year.

We take great care to dignify gatherings like Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas dinner, and other special occasions. And part of the way many people do this is by designating special objects to be used exclusively for these events, such as the fine China and silver cutlery. Ultimately, it boils down to a simple statement: Special events call for Sacred Objects.

The Eucharistic Liturgy we celebrate on Sundays, like Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner, is a special event. Many sacred objects are used that indicate to us that the meal we share at communion is far from a normal meal. We do this by designating special bowls and cups to house the extraordinary food that we share.

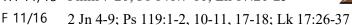
The special care we give to the objects used during mass is not new to our tradition as Catholics, but extends back to the Old Testament, under the rule of Solomon. In the first Book of Kings, "Solomon made all the vessels that were in the house of the Lord: the golden altar, the golden table for the bread of the Presence, the lampstands... the cups, snuffers, basins, dishes for incense, and firepans, of pure gold...."(1 Kings, 7:48-50).

As we present our offerings of our Time, Talent and Treasures to God in the Mass, He returns our offering to us through His only Son, Jesus, present in the Eucharist. We come together in worship at the Table of the Altar for the most extraordinary meal, and such special events require sacred objects.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 11/12	Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6
T 11/13	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10
W 11/14	Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19

TH 11/15 Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25



S 11/17 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

SU 11/18 Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

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

TUE 11/13	8:30	Richard Benedetti † Ron Grow †
WED 11/14	8:30	Mona Lacey † Chado Kultiam †
SAT 11/17	5:00	Holy Spirit Parish
SUN 11/18	9:30	Patricia Francisco † Delia Lasconia † Sean Murray Sr. †
	11:30	Rahul Pinto † Frank Bellanca †
	6:00	Socorro Magallon +

PRAYER REQUESTS

Blanca Tovar +

For those who are ill: Anna DeLaRosa, Florence DiFante, Valerie Gold, James Hoagland, Hamid Rahnema, Merry Reardon

For those who have recently died: Bathazar Gonzalez, Thomas Skelton, Elsie Van Dorn

STEWARDSHIP



Holiday Help at Sacred Heart Community Service

The holidays are fast approaching! As you go to make your holiday list of "things to do", please consider putting "volunteer at Sacred Heart" at the top of your list!

Sign up now on the church website for service opportunities during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. There are still many volunteer openings, especially on weekdays.

For more details, please check out the website at http:// holyspiritchurch.org/sacred-heartcommunity-service/

For questions, contact Mary Jane Vitkovich at mjvitkovich@hotmail.com.



SECOND OFFERINGS

November 18th	Catholic Campaign for Human Development
November 25th	No Second Offering

Financial Stewardship

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10)

A Christian Steward is one who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends to them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord. Each member of Holy Spirit Parish shares in the responsibility for its mission and is called to practice Stewardship of the Church.

Many of you have asked us to report more frequently than once a year on the fiscal state of our parish. The graph below will provide that reporting each month.



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, which include sandwiches, fruit, cookie, and a drink. 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 everyone has been served, part of the group follows the light rail tracks into the center of the city and distributes sandwiches as they walk. The part of the group who remains in the park **cleans up litter**. Even litter that isn't part of the Holy Spirit lunches will be cleared away. Please go to http:// holyspiritchurch.org/.sandwich-ministry/ to sign up, or contact Lisa Martin at

lisamart666@gmail.com.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 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.

SCHOOL NEWS

FAITH FORMATION

Congratulations to our boy and girl running clubs! They completed their 5k this weekend and rocked the finish line! The Mini Mermaid and Young Triton running clubs are a six-week after school program of self-discovery, confidence-building and goal-setting. Through movement, journaling, and group activities participates learn to stand up for themselves and others, ask for help, offer help and set steps to reach their goals. Thank you coaches for bringing this wonderful program to our students.



The Enchanted Forest Book Fair is coming to Holy Spirit School.

Special ADULTS ONLY book fair

shopping on Tues. Nov. 20, from 8 am to Noon.





Scripture Study: Revelation Wed. mornings 9:15 to 11:00 Begins November 14 Parish Hall Be Still Room

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come is an new study by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith. Revelation shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Here you will discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean. You will see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." It is a revelation of God as our Divine Bridegroom and the Church as his spotless Bride, forever united in a heavenly, holy, and mystical marriage that we enter into every time we celebrate the Mass. All are welcome to attend this 11 week study. regardless of wherever you are in your faith journey. There will be a \$28.00 charge for materials. Please RSVP on the Parish website or in the Parish office.

If you have questions please contact Mary Kane at maryk5@pacbell.net.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Save the date! Our Autumn Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser is next Sunday, **November 18th from 8:30am-11:30am.** The breakfast will be run by youth and proceeds go directly to support youth ministry. Cost for the breakfast is \$5 per person / \$20 for a family of four or more.



3sixty High School Ministry

Last Sunday, 3sixty continued the Out in the Open series with a night called Holy or Hypocrite. This night is to acknowledge the hypocrisy and judgement within the Church and to challenge the youth to recognize that the Church, while comprised of imperfect people, is the path to holiness for everyone. After the 6pm Mass, 3sixty will be doing an Art Night. We hope to provide the youth with this unique opportunity to use art as an avenue to sit still, center oneself, and pray. Parishioner Chris Cairns will be our guest this evening to lead us in our art night. All high school youth are welcome!



Edge Middle School Ministry

Our next Edge night will be on Wednesday, November 14th. In this night we will reflect upon the things and people we take for granted and how we can be thankful for it all. All middle school youth are welcome to attend.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

PASTORAL CARE



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, and we pray for their peaceful rest in the arms of the Lord.

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."

WEEK AT A GLANCE Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: www.holyspiritchurch.org					
MON 11/12	7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Parish Office Closed Veterans Day Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Classroom 2 Classroom 3		
TUE 11/13	9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women's Faith Group Watercolor Workshop Women's Faith Group 3sixty Core Meeting Parish Council Meeting	Parish Hall Classroom 3 Parish Hall Be Still Room Parish Office		
WED 11/14	6:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Faith Group Domestic Church Meeting Scripture Study-Revelation Pastoral Care Meeting Adult Choir Practice Edge Youth Night	Parish Office Church Be Still Room Parish Office Church Parish Hall		
THU 11/15	8:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Survival Sacks Domestic Church Meeting	Sacred Heart Church		
FRI 11/16	9:30 a.m.	Al-Anon Meeting	Parish Hall		
SAT 11/117	5:00 p.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)	Parish Hall		
SUN 11/18	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pancake Breakfast Nursery 3sixty Youth Night	Parish Hall Pre-K Parish Hall		

SAVE THE DATE November 17 HOSPITALITY



Join us immediately following 5 PM Mass to

enjoy complimentary refreshments and drinks and the company of your fellow parishioners. Join us after all the morning Masses for our Fall Pancake Breakfast.

Meet at least one new parishioner!~

Show your Holy Spirit hospitality:

Wear your name badge to Mass every weekend!

Don't have a badge??

Order your name badge (\$3.00 ea. or 2 for \$5.00) on our website,

http://www.holyspiritchurch.org/community/name-badges

Badges may be picked up in the Parish Office:

BULLETIN BOARD



Christmas Pageant

We will be having tryouts for our annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday, November 18th at 2:00pm in the Church.

If your child is interested in participating this year, please plan on attending the tryouts. Children will be trying out for speaking parts. All parts, both speaking and non-speaking will be assigned that day.

All children between the age of 5 and 12 are welcome to participate.

Our planned practices for this year are Tuesdays, November 27th, December 4th and December 18th. The dress rehearsal will be on Thursday, December 20th.

As there are only 3 practices, please make sure your child is able to attend all of the practices and the dress rehearsal.

The Christmas Pageant performance is at the Christmas Eve children's Mass at 4:00pm in the school gym. If you have any questions, please email Liz Roberts at lizroberts@mindspring.com



Save the Date! Advent Wreath Making Sunday, Dec. 2 Parish Hall Volunteer

Village House Shelter at St. Marks Church needs our help November 17th and 26th

The Village House rotating shelter is moving to St. Mark's Episcopal Church on November 8. St. Mark's in Santa Clara jumped in at the last minute to host the shelter during the month of November. But it's a small congregation and need help from other Village House churches.

Holy Spirit is committed to help with volunteers on the dates of November 8, 17 and 26. With each of our evening shelters pitching in for three evenings, we should be able to easily staff up St. Mark's for the month. St. Mark's Church is located at 1957 Pruneridge Ave. by Valley Fair.

Volunteers can sign up for any of the jobs listed below by signing into the volunteer SignUp page at http:// signup.com/go/GHiBqZF. Sign in for any of the jobs which have not already been filled. More information is available on the site. Jobs we're especially targeting include

- Overnight 2nd shift, 2am-6:30pm
- Breakfast Assistant
- Guest Discharge Lead
- Laundry Service -Towels
- Evening Security
- Assistant Dinner Volunteer(2 volunteers). Dinner Preparation and Deliver (Actually prepare the food)

The shelter will rotate from St. Mark's to St. Paul's United Methodist on December 5 and will finally return to Holy Spirit Parish in January.

Save the date for our annual Advent Wreath making event! Bring your family and friends to the Parish Hall **anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.** on **Sunday, December 2nd to** construct your wreath.

This is a great way to kick off the Advent season and meet and mingle with others in our parish. Watch the bulletin for further information. Please RSVP at http://holyspiritchurch.org/advent-wreath-making/.