



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

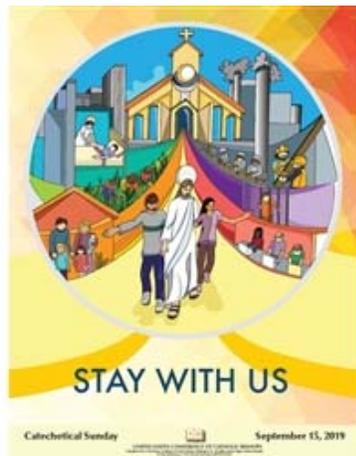
We follow Christ by Living our Faith, Sharing Knowledge and Serving the Community.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15th, 2019

## Catechetical Sunday

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 15, 2019. The 2019 theme will be "Stay with Us." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



## PRAYER FOR CATECHISTS

O God, our Heavenly Father, you have give us the gift of these catechists to be heralds of the Gospel to our parish family.

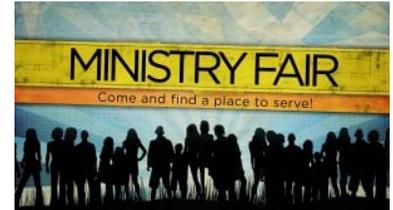
We lift them up to you in thanksgiving and intercede for them concerning their hopes and needs.

May we be attentive to the presence of you Word in them, a Word that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, I compassionate and consoles.

We pray that our parish family will always be blessed with those who have responded to the call to share in Christ's prophetic mission as catechists.

May we too be open to the universal call to service that Christ addresses to all of his disciples, contributing our gifts to the communion of the faith, the Church.

**Amen**



## Social Ministries Fair

*"Love and charity, are service, helping others, serving others and with the washing of the feet the Lord teaches us to be servants, and above all, servants as He was a servant to us, for every one of us."*-Pope Francis-

Please stop by the Social Ministries Fair over Hospitality Weekend between masses **September 21st and 22nd.** Mimosas, coffee and snacks will be served.

We encourage you to please take a moment to check out many of the opportunities available for you to be Christ's presence to the people of our community and beyond.

Holy Spirit ministry leaders will be on hand to answer any questions.

As Pope Francis calls us to the service of others, the Social Ministries Fair is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the many services we offer at Holy Spirit to minister to those living on the margins of society.

**PLEASE COME TAKE A LOOK!**

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## NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR



### “He spent the night in prayer to God” (Luke 6:12).

In Luke’s gospel, time and time again Jesus goes away to prayer. He goes to be in prayer when he is

overtasked. He goes to prayer when he is stressed. He goes to prayer when he is sad. He goes to prayer when he is about to make a big decision.

Basically, he goes to prayer all the time. This is critical for the success of his ministry and the cornerstone of him remaining successful in his ministry. Successful that is in the eyes of God and not humans!

This is really important. There is a difference between success in God’s eyes and success in humanity’s eyes. We give intellectual ascent to this concept but rarely operate from it. There is a HUGE difference. And to know the difference we need to be people of prayer like Jesus. To be a person of peaceful decision making we need to pray. To be a person of patience, we need to be a person of prayer. To be a person of kindness, we need to be a person of prayer. To be a person of forgiveness, we need to be a person of prayer. To be a person of clear thought, we need to be a person of prayer.

When Jesus started his ministry, he had to choose a core team to be his closest collaborators. Many disciples hoped to be chosen to accompany him on what appears to be a triumphal march from Galilee through Judea to Jerusalem. “In the thrall of this energy and the many signs of success, Jesus withdraws to the mountain to commune with his *Abba* to discern one of the most important decisions he will make, the selection of his inner circle of companions.

We do not know the talents and potential of the many not chosen, but if Jesus was trying to form a community representing the full range of human problems, he succeeds. Among his fishermen friends, Peter is boastful and unreliable, James and John are ambitious hotheads, Nathaniel has little confidence in anything coming out of Galilee, Matthew is a former Roman toll collector, Thomas has his doubts, Simon is a zealot, and Judas Iscariot will betray him.

If we assume that this group was inspired by Jesus’ night of prayer, then God’s plan is clearly not human success. It is a demonstration of the power of grace to redeem fallen human nature, to draw saints from among sinners and to heal a broken world not by force but by the gift of divine mercy. The disciples will be models for what love can do with human weakness.”

The Twelve follow him closely during Jesus public ministry. He loves each of them, including Judas. Their stories are invitations for us to come as we are into discipleship. He is coming down the mountain now after a night of prayer. He looks out over the crowd of us, and then he calls each of us by name. He wants each of us to be people of prayer. So, come and learn how to pray at one of our sessions on prayer. It will be worth every minute of your time.



## Question of the Week

If you were to give an account of your stewardship, what would you include?

### Unnecessary Clutter

We have recently finished a series of articles reflecting on the meaning and importance of the most visible signs or symbols inside the church ranging from Sacred Images to the Ambo.

Today, we begin to explore the book by Dennis Smolarski entitled "How not to say Mass?" In this book, the author discusses some major concerns that will help people authentically celebrate the Holy Eucharist. We will only discuss two of these concerns.

The first topic is "*Do not do damage to strong liturgical symbols through unnecessary clutter.*" The author writes that *to make one piece of furniture compete with the others, or to clutter the furniture in such a way that one wonders what is what (e.g. to turn the altar into the cave of Bethlehem at Christmas) is far from being good liturgical practice.*

The main focal points of Liturgy are the altar, the baptismal font, the ambo, and the presider chair. Initially, there should be nothing on the altar. The Book of the Gospels, if used, may be placed on top of it from the beginning of the Mass until the proclamation of the Gospel. Then, from the Presentation of the Gifts until the purification of the vessels, only the Chalice with the Paten and the Pall, a Ciborium, a Corporal, a Purificator, and the Roman Missal can be placed on the altar and harmoniously arranged to avoid cluttering. This permits the symbols to stand on their own. Ideally, there should be only one cup and one loaf of bread. Other vessels or items such as the cruets, finger bowl and towel, etc. should be placed on a separate credence table discreetly located near the altar. The presider should not make the altar into a "working" desk, i.e. placing personal items on it, e.g. reading glasses, homily notes, etc. Remember, it is the Altar of Sacrifice, anointed by Sacred Chrism, and must be revered at all times.



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M 9/16 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

T 9/17 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17

W 9/18 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

TH 9/19 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

F 9/20 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

S 9/21 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Su 9/22 Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]



### 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 9/17 8:30 Santiago Baez †  
W 9/18 8:30 Joseph Kuttiam  
TH 9/19 8:30 Dolores Fortich †  
S 9/14 5:00 Olivia Nhi Nguen †  
James Kase †  
Arlene Mickels †  
SU 9/15 6:00 Holy Spirit Parish

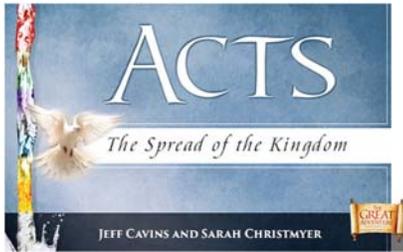
### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### For those who are ill:

Nicole Conley  
Lisa Olson



Scripture Study



Holy Spirit Scripture Study begins a new study **Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**, Acts: *The Spread of the Kingdom*, by Jeff Cavins.

The Acts of the Apostles shows the Church, enlivened by the Holy Spirit, teaching, preaching healing, and restoring the outcasts in the same way that Jesus did on earth. It provides a historic framework for understanding the rest of the New Testament. Paul's letters come alive in a new way when they are read within the context of Acts. You will learn how the Gospel witness spread outward in waves, from Jerusalem to Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Share with the early Christians the joys and struggles of living the life of Christ, and learn how these still apply today.

We meet from 9:15AM until 11:00 in the Parish Hall. The cost of the study is \$40. for the study guide. All are welcome, no matter where you are in your faith journey or scripture study experience.

For more information contact Merry Reardon at [merry.reardon@djs.org](mailto:merry.reardon@djs.org)



Hospitality next weekend.

**Saturday after the 5:00pm Mass and Sunday after 8am, 9:30am, 11:30am, and 6pm Masses.**

Come enjoy light refreshments and fellowship with your faith community.

Don't forget to wear your **Holy Spirit name badge** and meet someone new!

Don't have a Holy Spirit name badge? Go to [holyspiritchurch.org/name-badges](http://holyspiritchurch.org/name-badges) and order yours today!

Watercolor Workshop



Join us for Watercolor Workshop, a Small Christian Community, which meets on Tuesdays at 1:30 to 3:30 in Room 4 of the Parish Hall, beginning **September 24**.

Contact Chris Cairns at [cairns7@pacbell.net](mailto:cairns7@pacbell.net) to get the Supply List.

No experience necessary! Beginners welcome. Watercolor is a great creative outlet, friendly, and fun."

Saturday at Sacred Heart



Sacred Heart Community Service is a non-denominational, non-profit organization which provides integrated services onsite free of charge to all in need.

The programs offered are in three main categories: Essential Services (food, clothing, housing, and utility assistance), Self Sufficiency (education, family support, and employment), and Policy and Organization (training low income volunteers to work together to address the needs of their community).

School aged children and older are invited to join us for our next Sacred Heart Saturday. On **September 21st**.

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.

School aged children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent. Service hours can be earned.

Hope to see you at The Heart!

**Almaden Art & Wine Festival**

Stop by the Holy Spirit School booth this Sunday at the Almaden Art & Wine Festival! Our student ambassadors will be hosting games in the Kids Zone. This is just one of the ways our students help build community outside of our school.

**Lions? No. Tigers? No. Bear? Yes!!**

B Week in PreK means it's time for the Teddy Bear picnic! Our littlest students enjoy their snack in the sun filled courtyard while their stuffed friends "nap" in the classroom. The best part of the day is when the children come back inside to learn their bears and friends have been up to all kinds of mischief. There is so much learning in PreK, but there is so much imagination and joy in there too!



We are still enrolling in our PreK program. For more information or to visit our fun classrooms, please call 408.268.0794.

**3sixty High School Ministry**

Last Sunday, 3sixty kicked off another year of ministry in great fashion. The Hall was filled with 60 youth who enjoyed the large group activities and icebreakers. After the 6pm Mass, 3sixty hopes to build off this great momentum. All high school youth are welcome to attend.

**Edge Middle School Ministry**



Last Wednesday, Edge kicked off their year in ministry. It is always a blessing to see the abundance of middle school youth. The next Edge night is scheduled for **October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

**Confirmation Year 1**

There is still room to register for Confirmation Year 1. While we already had our first orientation session, it is not too late. Please contact Row for more information at row.david@dsj.org. The first session is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm** in the church.

**Confirmation Year 2**

The orientation session for the Year 2 group will be on **Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in the church. The orientation is for both parents and candidates.



**Growing Your Faith**

Men's Fall Cursillo Weekend  
**October 3-6, 2019**

Women's Fall Cursillo Weekend  
**October 17-20, 2019**

**A great opportunity** to deepen your relationship with Jesus happens this Fall.

Consider going on a **Cursillo** weekend. Described as a short course on Christianity, Cursillo combines prayer, learnings, heartfelt talks, good food, and fun.

You'll meet people just like you who desire a stronger Catholic-Christian Faith. Leaders and speakers have a passion for the Faith.

A Cursillo weekend runs from Thursday after dinner through Sunday afternoon.

Let a friend know about this opportunity and encourage your spouse, too.

If you haven't attended a Cursillo, decide to go this Fall. If you have attended a Cursillo, invite a friend.

**For more information, contact John Greene / (408) 460-3099**

[www.sanjosecursillo.org/sponsorship](http://www.sanjosecursillo.org/sponsorship)



**How to Communicate Effectively with Seniors, Part 2**

Caring for, and having, successful relationships with older adults often requires unique communication skills and strategies. This series offers five tips for successful communication with seniors. Not each of these ideas may apply to your particular situation or the older adult(s) involved, but simply use what works.

**2. Ask Instead of Order**

One of the core needs of many seniors is to feel relevant and respected. You can help validate these needs by frequently asking instead of ordering when communicating with the older adult. For example:

Instead of: "You're having soup for lunch today." Say: "Would you like to have some soup for lunch?" or "We're having soup for lunch today, okay?" Better yet, offer options: "Would you like to have soup or salad for lunch today?"

Asking questions offers the senior a greater sense of **respect** and regard. Offering options gives her or him a greater sense of **control** of their immediate environment.

With less cognizant and physically able seniors, ask and follow up without waiting for an answer. Let them feel they're part of the decision making process, but maintain a degree of control over some aspects of their lives for safety.

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Dates subject to change. View our complete calendar at: [www.holyspirtchurch.org](http://www.holyspirtchurch.org)

MON 9/16	9:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry Children's Choir Practice Faith Formation Classes Music Practice Men's Faith Group AA Meeting	Classroom 3 Church Parish Hall Church Classroom 2 Classroom 3
TUE 9/17	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Women's Faith Sharing 3Sixty Core Team Meeting Social Ministries Fair Planning Meeting Women's Faith Sharing	Parish Hall Be Still Room Parish Office Parish Hall
WED 9/18	6:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Men's Faith Group SEEL Confirmation Year 2 Meeting	Parish Office Be Still Room Church
THU 9/19	8:45 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Survival Sacks SEEL GOFJ Planting	Sacred Heart Be Still Room HSS Library
FRI 9/20	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	SEEL Al-Anon Meeting	Be Still Room Parish Hall
SAT 9/21	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Social Ministries Fair Sacred Heart Saturday Mass Coordinator Training Choir Music Rehearsal CLOW Hospitality After Mass	Courtyard Sacred Heart Church Church Parish Hall Parish Hall
SUN 9/22	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:45 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Hospitality After All Masses Social Ministries Fair Music Rehearsal Nursery CLOW Music Rehearsal Faith Formation Classes Girl Scout Award Ceremony Music Rehearsal 3Sixty Youth Night	Courtyard Courtyard Church Parish Hall Parish Hall Church Parish Hall Church Church Parish Hall

**ESL at OLR Needs Your Help!!!**

We are in need of volunteers to help teach adult classes in English as a Second Language over at Our Lady of Refuge Church (2265 Lucretia Blvd, San Jose) on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



The only requirements are knowing how to speak English, get fingerprinted and complete a short training through VIRTUS. Please consider this ministry.

It is very rewarding! If you have any questions or would like to sign up please contact Jim Gibbons at [jim@gibbons.com](mailto:jim@gibbons.com)

## BULLETIN BOARD

Dear friend,

I firmly believe that we all work better when we work together.

Please join me and at the County's first Community Summit on Homelessness on **Saturday, September 21, 2019**, at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds.



The free Summit will be from 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Fiesta Hall. We will be providing light snacks and beverages in the morning followed by a box lunch. We encourage you to eat breakfast before arriving. Parking will also be free at the fairgrounds,

Through roundtable discussions led by trained facilitators, the Summit's goal is to bring a diverse group of participants to share experiences, enhance participants' knowledge, and discuss ideas about how to address homelessness and provide housing for the unhoused in our communities. We are inviting to the table homeless individuals, recently housed individuals, affordable housing and homeless advocates, community and neighborhood leaders, service providers, public health representatives, educators, government representatives, law enforcement and others. It is only by sharing differing viewpoints in a civil environment that we can create solutions and engage community involvement to face the crisis that we see every day on our streets and in our neighborhoods.

Please RSVP as soon as possible by visiting the Community Summit on Homelessness page on the District 3 website. Seating is limited. Registered seats are on a first come, first served basis. Some standing room is also available. However, if we reach maximum capacity, we will place your name on a wait list. And if you are unable to make this year's summit, please complete this survey link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7QY2LR9> to hear your opinions because your voice matters.

For questions, please call my office at 408-299-5030 or email Janice Rombeck at [Janice.Rombeck@bos.sccgov.org](mailto:Janice.Rombeck@bos.sccgov.org) or Enrique Flores at [enrique.flores01@bos.sccgov.org](mailto:enrique.flores01@bos.sccgov.org).

Thank you,

Dave Cortese

Supervisor District 3

**FUN FOR EVERYONE!**



*Santa Teresa Church*



**Country Jamboree**

**SAT OCT 5  
12-9pm &  
SUN OCT 6  
9:30-5pm**

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS  
GAMES FOR THE KIDS  
ENTERTAINMENT  
DANCING**

**Howdy Partner!  
Bring your appetite and join us for some  
finger-licking delicious food  
and family fun!**

**FOOD & VENDOR  
BOOTHS  
SILENT AUCTION**

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