



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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January 25, 2015, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Joyful Christmas Concert



Photos by Mario Domondon



Mass schedule: Saturday, 5:00pm; Sunday, 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm and 5:00pm
Confession: Saturday, 3:30pm to 4:30pm; Thursday before 1st Friday: 3:30pm & 7:30pm

Welcome to Holy Spirit

Here you will find a parish that gives importance to prayer, service, hospitality and community building. We have numerous groups and organizations that are very active in the parish. Our school continues to impart quality Catholic education. Enriching Faith Formation programs are offered to young and old alike. Our well-planned and prepared liturgy is at the center of our parish life.

If you are new to the area, we warmly welcome you to our wonderful parish, and, if you are part of Holy Spirit parish, may I thank you for your excellent spirit and collaboration in making our parish so very much alive. And may Christ be alive always in our hearts and our parish.

Fr. Mathew Vellankal, Pastor

Mission Statement

Be Spirit filled and make disciples!

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 HolySpirit Church

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We're Open

Gift Shop:

Sun. 8:30 - 2:00

Parish Library:

Sun. 9:00 - 12:30

Church Office:

M-F 9:00 - 7:30

Sat. 9:00 - 5:00

Sun. 9:00 - 1:00

Faith Formation/De Sousa House Office:

M-F 9:30 - 4:00

School:

M-F 7:30 - 3:30

Schedule

Masses

Mon. - Fri.: 7:00 & 8:15 a.m.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

1st Friday: 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 & 8:15 a.m.
Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.,
12:30 & 5:00 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

Eucharistic Adoration

Perpetual Adoration is ongoing in our Governo House Adoration Chapel.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Thurs. before 1st Friday: 3:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays: call for appointment

Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funerals call the office at [510-797-1660](tel:510-797-1660) or check out holyspiritfremont.org/sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

1st Saturday at 11:00 a.m. All seniors and those seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend this Anointing Mass.

Contact Us

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COME FOLLOW ME

When I was growing up, my Catholic friends would tell me that their church was the one true church, the church that Christ founded. Being raised as a Presbyterian, I met that statement with skepticism. Even today, as a fully initiated and practicing Catholic, let alone a member of the clergy, I still have a tough time with that statement.

Yes, it is true that Christ founded His church. And through Apostolic succession, we have the Catholic Church today. But is this what Jesus had in mind when he first called His disciples.

Yes it is, but I don't think He was thinking about the overall structure of the church. What He really wanted is you, the people who sit in the pews to be His church. You who come together to worship, to help one another, and to help those on the outside in need, you are the church.

Consider that Catholic Charities in the US is the 3rd largest charity in the US in terms of monies given to help those in need. And it is supported by you, the people in the pews. As He called us to do, take care of the poor and needy.

Catholic Hospitals in the US have 18% of the hospital beds but provide services to more of the poor

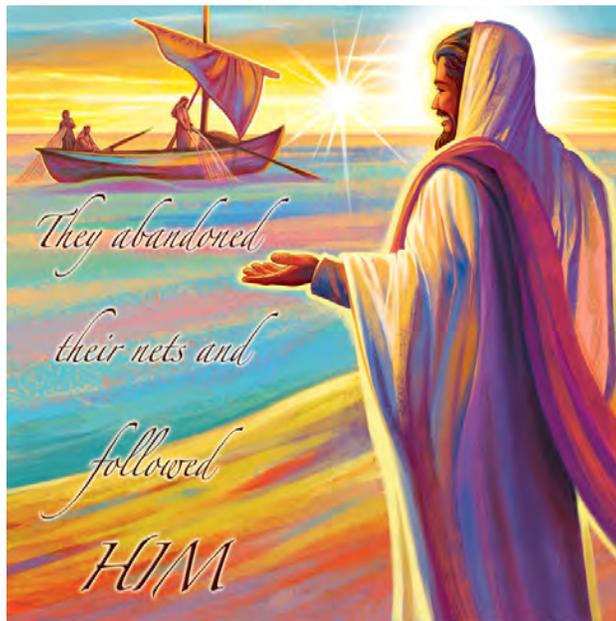
and indigent that any hospital system, other than county hospitals. And these hospitals were started and run by people just like you. As He called us to do, take care of the sick and lame.



Deacon Chuck

And since it is Catholic Schools' week, we shouldn't forget them. Matthew Kelley made a statement that \$12 billion a year is spent to teach Catholic School students. If all the Catholic schools closed, it would cost \$18 billion a year to educate those children in the public schools. And there would be no increase in monies as parochial school parents already pay to support the public schools. The schools are supported by you, the people in the pews. As He called us to take care of the children.

So while the Church may not be exactly like Christ envisioned, the people are. Being Catholic means being universal in the love and support of those in need. That is what Christ wanted when He first said to His disciples, "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men."



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KidZone

Holy Spirit Parish has a fun, safe program for your child every Sunday during the 9:00, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Masses. KidZone is for potty-trained preschoolers, 3 - 5 years of age. It's free, but registration is required and will be done on a first come/first served basis. Registration forms are available on our website: holyspiritfremont.org. For more information, please call Fran at [510-456-4974](tel:510-456-4974) or stop by the De Sousa House.

Faith and Prayer

Liturgy 101: Memorial

A memorial is a day of celebration on the church calendar. It ranks below solemnities and feasts. Some memorials are so minor that they are optional. The others are obligatory.

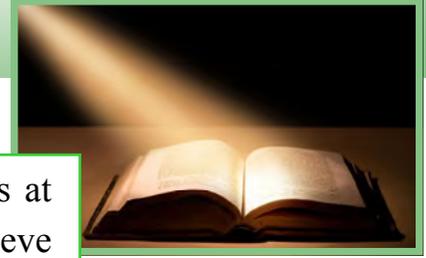
If a memorial falls on a day of higher rank—a Sunday, for example—it is not observed at the liturgy that year. Falling on a weekday, however, an obligatory memorial will always be observed. Optional memorials may be celebrated or ignored.

On a memorial day the readings at Mass are generally those of the usual weekday. Optional readings are supplied in the lectionary for each memorial, but these are not required. In some cases, when the saint of the day is mentioned in the New Testament, the reading for the memorial is obligatory. This happens, for example, with Mary Magdalene.

The collect will always be proper to the memorial. The prayer over the offerings, the preface, and the prayer after communion may also pertain to the memorial. The priest vests in a color associated with the saint of the day, whether white or red.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2015



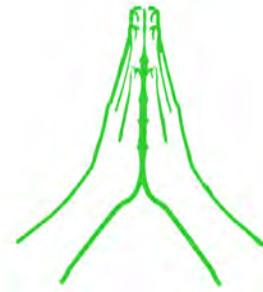
The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel. — *Mark 1:15*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Monday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
Tuesday: St. Angela Merici
Wednesday: St. Thomas Aquinas
Saturday: St. John Bosco



Please note our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to call the office to include your ill loved one for the week: [510-797-1660](tel:510-797-1660).

Pray for the Sick

Frances Velasco, Julio Abruno, Ted Foster, Fernand Silva, Howard Hancock, Rosalie Perez, Paulette Davis, Joseph Abreu, Joel Rivera, Leonard Amato, Haley

Verducci, Rita Alvarez, Justin Acoba, and Maria Monteiro

From Death through to New Life

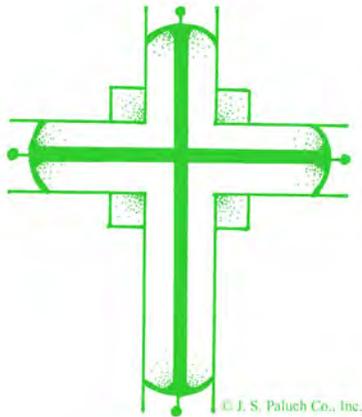
Grace Heitzig, Efren Aguas, Don Gleason, and Ruby Blaylock

Faith and Prayer

Ash Wednesday is February 18, 2015

Mass & distribution of ashes will take place in the church at:

7:00 a.m., 8:15, 11:00, 12:30 p.m.,
5:00, 6:30 and 8:00 p.m.



20 Minutes for 40 Days

Please join for daily Lenten readings and reflections with Fr. Mat and Dn. Rigo. It will be held from Monday through Saturday from 6:25 to 6:45 a.m. at the Fireside Room during the entire Lenten season.

“The Magnificent Lenten Companion” will be used as a resource and all the participants will get that booklet free. If you participate in this short 20-minute program for 40 days, your life will be forever transformed. No registrations required; just show up.

We Wish Birthday Blessings to ...

Marra-Marie Magsakay

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 24th

- 5:00 † Alma W. Ubhoff
† Vital Silveira, Jose & Elisa Brasil
† Gladys Yonich

Sunday, January 25th

- 7:30 † Dorothy Knowles
† Josie Schulte
† Ka On Leung
- 9:00 *The People of Holy Spirit Parish*
- 11:00 *Alan Ladrillono*
† Candelaria Tanquintic
† David McCann
- 12:30 † Angel Salindong
† Josefa Ocampo
† Robert Devera
- 5:00 † Alice Perry
Roderick & Arlene Domingo
† Catalino Domingo Jr.

Monday, January 26th

- 7:00 † Wilfredo Faustino Sr.
8:15 *Ned Barrett*

Tuesday, January 27th

- 7:00 † Rolando Doculan
8:15 *Maria Antonieta Cruz*

Wednesday, January 28th

- 7:00 † Ka On Leung
8:15 † Elisa Straight
6:30 † Pete Castaneda

Thursday, January 29th

- 7:00 † Joseph Truong Pham
8:15 † Marcelo C. Tagle Jr.

Friday, January 30th

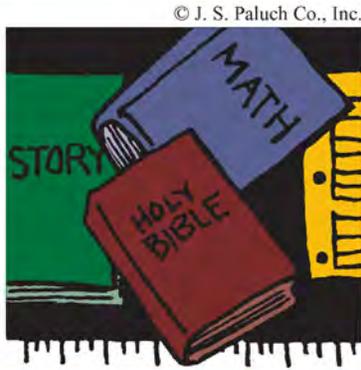
- 7:00 † Joseph & Catherine Rowe
8:15 † Felisa & Emilio A. Miller

Saturday, January 31st

- 7:00 † Terencio Faustino Sr.
8:15 † Jesus Cruz Santos

Parish School & Family Life

Holy Spirit School - Please come to our Open House at Holy Spirit School and Pre-school on Sunday, January 25th, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (following the 9 a.m. Mass).



Catholic Schools Week

Applications for the 2015-16 school year are now available online and in the school office.

- **Preschool:** Holy Spirit School offers a pre-school program for children ages 3-5 years old.
- **Grades K-8:** Holy Spirit Elementary School program is available for students K through eighth grade.
- **Kindergarten:** Come learn about our quality full-day program at the Kindergarten Information Night on Tuesday, January 27th, at 7 p.m. in the K classroom in the back of the Peace Center, formerly the Small Hall.

There are many ways to learn more about our parish school and what our quality Catholic education can offer you and your child. Check out our school via our website, www.holyspiritfremont.org/schools/ to learn more about our WCEA/WASC-accredited school led by Principal Gerry Marchi.

Parish Events

Drive-Thru Prayer	M-F	Parking Lot	5-6:00 p.m.
Meal for the Needy	Sat.	Peace Ctr	10:30-12:30
KidZone during Mass	Sun.	Preschool	9,11,12:30
HS School Open House	1/25	School	10-12:30
Bereavement Meetings	1/25	Fireside	2:30-3:30
Fat Sunday & Bake Sale	2/8	Peace Ctr	8-1:30
Family Camping	6/10-13	Yosemite	—

This summer will be the fifth Family Camp that Father Mat has spent in the Yosemite Valley with Holy Spirit parishioners. The adventure includes three days in tent cabins with hiking, swimming, river rafting, campfires and an outdoor Mass. Reservations are underway for this trip scheduled from Wednesday, June 10th to Saturday, June 13th. Cost for a family of 4 is \$465 and a deposit of \$165 will be taken at the time of reservation with the balance being due on May 1st. Please complete the reservation form below and turn it in at the Parish Office or contact Jeff at 456-4970 or jeffhschurch@gmail.com Spaces are limited so make your reservations today!

2015 HS Yosemite Vacation Trip

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Housekeeping Unit for up to four family members \$465.00 (Additional family members younger than 13-\$27 each)

Total fee for HS Yosemite Vacation Trip \$ _____

A deposit of \$165 will be due when the reservation is turned in. Balance due on May 1st. All checks should be made out to Holy Spirit Parish. For info contact Jeff at jeffhschurch@gmail.com or [510-456-4970](tel:510-456-4970).



Parish Life

Information Ministry! We have an exciting new ministry forming here at Holy Spirit. We're searching for an attractive name, but for now we are simply calling it the *Information Ministry*. This ministry will consist of volunteers who will answer questions from parishioners and visitors about sacraments, parish registration, schools, faith formation, etc. And just where are the restrooms?!

We're looking for two volunteers per Mass on Sundays. Training provided—you just bring your warm smile and love of Christ. Interested? Contact Fr. Mathew to sign-up.



Come one, come all, as we go to Feather Falls (Cache Creek, too)! The Holy Spirit Filipino Society is hosting a casino trip on Saturday, January 31st to Feather Falls and Cache Creek. Tickets are only \$30 for a day of fun & fellowship. For reservations and information, please call Danny Zenarosa at [\(510\) 468-7980](tel:5104687980).

Bereavement Program will meet in the Fireside Lounge on Sundays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. for nine weeks starting TODAY (Sunday), January 25th. All of us experience heart-rending losses during our lives. Come meet others who are also mourning a loss and be able to listen or express your feelings in a safe and confidential environment. Through prayer and sharing, burdens may be lightened and hearts start to heal.



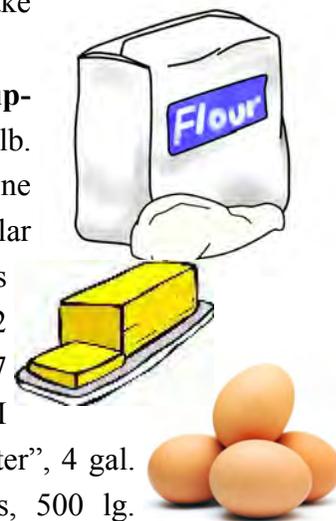
Fat Sunday is February 8th - 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Peace Center. The Festival Committee is serving warm Portuguese filhoz (fe-lawsh), meaty linguica sandwiches and delicious sweetbread for its Fat Sunday social. Holy Spirit's "Fat Sunday" (usually celebrated the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, but this year **it's a week earlier**) honors the Church's old custom of Shrove Tuesday or "Fat Tuesday", the day before Ash Wednesday. Shrove Tuesday comes from the confessing or "shriving" of sins in preparation for the Penitential season of Lent. The day is then given over to merry-making in using up all the "fat" in the house before the beginning of Lent. Stop by the Peace Center after Mass and join in the food, fun, and old fashioned bake sale!

Can you help with our supply list? We need: (12) 10 lb.

bags Flour, 4 cartons fine Sugar, 1 10 lb. bag regular sugar, 10, 1 gal. bottles

Wesson Vegetable Oil, 22 doz. Extra Large Eggs, 7 lbs. butter, 2 lg tubs "I Can't Believe It's Not Butter", 4 gal. whole milk, 1000 napkins, 500 lg. paper lunch bags, 12 rolls paper towels, 3 cases each water & soda, 30 lbs. Kingsford burquettes, or cash donations of any size!

Please mark donations "Festival Fat Sunday" and leave it at the Rectory/Office along with your name and phone. Those wishing to volunteer, please email Phyllis Bright at pbright@pacbell.net or call her at [510-206-2806](tel:5102062806). THANK YOU!



Parish Life

Pauline Book & Media Exhibit

Holy Spirit Church will host a Catholic book and media exhibit the weekend of January 31st & February 1st. The Daughters of St. Paul will be present after all the Masses with a great selection of Catholic books, music and movies for all ages in English and Spanish. The selection will include bibles, spirituality and prayer books, saint biographies, the writings of the Popes, and Lenten resources. This will be great opportunity to get something inspiring to read, watch or listen to. The Daughters of St. Paul operate the Pauline Book & Media Center on 935 Brewster Ave., Redwood City.

Parish Blood Drive is coming up next month on Feb. 22nd. Please schedule an appointment by contacting Kendee at kendeeds@yahoo.com or 510-796-8956 or online at www.bloodheroes.com/ (click "donate blood" and enter sponsor code: HolyHoly). Only 37% of the US population is eligible to give blood and less than 10% of those people donate blood annually. If only 1 more percent of all Americans were to give blood, blood shortages would disappear in the foreseeable future. So please, take the time to join us in this life saving endeavor. Our Parish Blood Drive will be in the Peace Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. *Thank You!*



We are collecting the dried palms for burning to make ashes used during Ash Wednesday. Bring your palms from Passion Sunday last year to church and place in the baskets by the doors. We will burn the palms on Tuesday, February 17th so please bring the palms in before that day. Thank you!

Culture of Life

Pope Francis has seen a deeper link between the poor and the unborn. They are both among the first victims of a "throw-away society", an attitude that sees people as disposable when they do not serve the selfish interests of those with more power.

"Poverty and Abortion: A Vicious Cycle,"
2014 Respect Life Program
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Poinsettia Thank you - We gratefully acknowledge all parishioners, ministries, and visitors of Holy Spirit Church for their donations to provide Poinsettias and Christmas trees to decorate our worship space. Many of the names are in "Memory of or in Honor of" a loved one. (It may take us a few bulletin issues to get everyone's name in the thank you.)

Knights of Columbus, Kit Faubion & Brian Zamora, Ladies In Stiches, Jose & Catherine Pereira, Wounded Warriors, Eulalia Villamor, Betty Taylor, David J Pereira, Anonymous, Adolph & Eugenia Bettencourt, Paul Bonaccorsi, Apolinario & Honor Trinidad, Rudy Dettenrieder, Josefina Raquindon, Brian, Liz, Brandon Aguirre, Poncoano Raquindon Jr.-Sr., Pilar, Jose Aguirre Sr., Jose & Leticia Aguirre Jr., Rudy & Ernie Jimenez, Laverne Jensen, Perla M Martin, Jaime, Purification & Edmund Cruz, Abreu Family, Agnes Smith, Joseph Smith, Mabel Taix, Edward Taix, Marie Smith, Danny Mitchell, William Rudolph, Pauline Rudolph, Richard Dyer, Phyllis Dyer, Catherine Vasaturo, James Vasaturo, Our Parents, Paulina Castillo, Jeseфа Domingo, George L Pimentel Jr., Francisco & Socorro Magno, Frank & Flo Quinones, Conrado Jaballas, Ernesto C Valdellon, Terry Carimio, Rodolfo Carimio, Patrocinio & Eric Cruzada, Joela Abreu, Bernie Goularte, Bernadine M Goularte, Amando & Eulalia Bayane, Tom Hildenbrand, Mary M MacLean, Mary E Maciel, Jose & Cecilia Nadal Velasco, Jeanette Rose, Dorothy Vargas, and the Buenaflor Family.

Stewardship



A Note from Bishop Barber

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are blessed to be one family of God, a multicultural community of believers whose mission is "to know Christ better and make Him better known". We are one family in faith, sharing in the responsibility of building up the Church of God in the East Bay and ensuring the ongoing vitality of our diocesan Church for future generations.

As we prepare for the future, we have an opportunity to renew our commitment to God and one another. I invite you to be a part of the *Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together* campaign; our historic endeavor to strengthen our local parish communities and our diocesan Church. This \$65 million campaign will enhance our ability to educate and form our children and young adults, provide increased pastoral and spiritual care, expand services for the "least of our brothers and sisters", provide for our retired clergy, strengthen our parishes and improve the overall financial condition of our Church of the East Bay.

As I hold you in my prayers, I also ask you to please pray for me and for the success of our diocesan capital campaign.

Yours Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, S.J.
Bishop of Oakland



This month the SVdP Food Pantry here at Holy Spirit needs canned fruit, canned soup, tuna, and mac & cheese. Thank you for dropping items at the Parish Office!

Stewardship Corner

Sunday, January 18th	= \$ 28,439
Seminary	= \$ 1,340

Our pledged weekly amount is
\$29,408.

From our Youngest Stewards ...

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Noah, Mailia.



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We invite you to attend the 14th Annual Crab Feed and Auction on Saturday, March 7th. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50 each and will be on sale today during Catholic School Week's kick-off in the Peace Center (Small Hall) and can be purchased at the school's front office or from our ticketmaster Arlene Dela Cruz Vargas. Please email us at hsscrabfeed@gmail.com for any inquiries. It will be an UNFROGETTABLE evening! Thanks for supporting the children at Holy Spirit School! We look forward to seeing you all there!

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