Fourth Sunday of Easter

Be Spirit filled and make disciples!

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Pray for Our Sick
Tita Cruz, Keilani Waxdeck, Richard Mau, Joseph Figuerido, Fr. Helmut, Tommy T. Salas, Rosemary Willis, Narasimhan

Pray for Our Recently Departed
Fr. Ananias Bonoan, Hegenia Nolasco, Doug Lee, Marilyn Bernard

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.
What’s Happening at Holy Spirit?

Vocations Cross Program

The Vocations Cross Program resumes this Sunday, May 12th. Each Sunday during the 9:00 am, 10:45 am, and 5:00 pm Masses, we invite a family, couple, or individual to receive the Vocations Cross and commit themselves to pray daily during the week for the gift of more priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers to serve in our Oakland Diocese. After your week is completed, you will in turn ask another parishioner to take up the Vocations Cross and continue to pray for vocations. It is our hope that this experience will encourage each of us to take seriously our vocation as a member of the Body of Christ and encourage ALL of us to pray for the vocations of priesthood and religious life.

Our Lady of Fatima

May - October 2019 | Church

Join us for Mass in honor of Our Lady of Fatima on the 13th day of each month (with the exception of October) beginning May 13, at 6:30 pm. Subsequent Masses are: June 13, 6:30 pm; July 13, 5:00 pm followed by Rosary; Aug 13, 6:30 pm; Sept 13, 6:30 pm; and Oct 12, 5:00 pm followed by International Rosary and Reception.

Holy Spirit Gift Shop Grand (Re)Opening

The Holy Spirit Gift Shop will open its doors next Sunday, May 19, 2019, 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Check out our new look! We have new merchandise and a variety of gift items. *Stop by for a visit!*  

Holy Spirit Parish Festival

*Save the date!* Join us on Sunday, June 9, 2019, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm to celebrate the 133rd Anniversary of Holy Spirit Church. *Enjoy a day of fellowship, good food, games, and entertainment!* Don’t forget to buy your Raffle tickets—stop by the table in St. Francis Plaza after all Masses or visit the Rectory Office, $2/ticket or $20/booklet (11 tickets). Prizes: 1st-$2000; 2nd-$1000; 3rd-$500. Drawing will be during the Festival.

AmazonSmile

Do you have an Amazon account? Shop through AmazonSmile and support Holy Spirit Parish.
A PARISH ENCOUNTER

Our pastoral staff is hosting a listening session. All are welcome.

Healing from Clergy Abuse Scandals

May 14, 2019, 7:00 pm, in the Church
Kidzone

9 am, 10:45 am, & 12:30 pm Masses

We offer free care for your preschooler every Sunday.

We are located downstairs beneath the church. Please stop by and visit us! More info call Fran at (510) 456-4974.

Clergy

Fr. Kenneth L. Sales, Pastor
510-456-4964
Fr. Lee Chompoohan, Parochial Vicar
510-797-1660
Fr. Matthew Murray, Parochial Vicar
510-456-4965
Dcn. Rigo Cabezas, Dir. of Rel. Ed.
510-456-4975
Dcn. Chuck Glover, Pastoral Care
510-789-8652
Dcn. Steve Lewellyn, RCIA
510-797-1660
Dcn. Tim Roberto, RCIA
510-598-7408
Dcn. Emeritus Richard Yee, Retired

Departments

Business/Maintenance: Jeff Van der Sluis (510) 456-4970
Facilities Scheduling: Rosalyn Jose (510) 456-4995
Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Office: (510) 456-4974
Music: Paul Orella (510) 673-3873
Safe Environment: Keiru Bakke (510) 456-4972
St. Vincent de Paul: (510) 797-3672

What's Happening at Holy Spirit?

Ushers and Greeters

Our parish continuously needs Ushers and Greeters to assist during our Masses. To volunteer, please stop by the Rectory Office and complete an application.

KidZone

KidZone is hiring for the Sunday Program! Applicants must be 21+ yrs., have experience working with preschool-age children, and is full of energy! Work hours are 1-2 Sundays each month, 8:30 am-2:00 pm. Please contact Fran at (510) 456-4974 for more information.

Holy Spirit Preschool

Holy Spirit Preschool offers a partnership between home and school. We are dedicated to developing the whole child by providing quality, well-rounded Catholic education for the preschool-aged child focusing on spiritual, academic, social, emotional, and physical growth in a safe, caring environment. Space limited. Schedule a tour (510) 793-2013.

Rebuild My Church

2019 Bishop’s Appeal

We are called to assist in rebuilding Christ’s Church. The annual appeal helps sustain vital ministries and programs throughout the Diocese of Oakland. Our financial support will help the Bishop Barber “maintain the health and vibrancy of our Catholic community.”

Adoration Chapel

Spend one hour with the Lord. To sign up, go to www.holyspiritfremont.org, click on the button ‘Sign up for Adoration Pro,’ choose “Weekly Commitment” then click on ‘Sign up.’ You may also stop by the Rectory Office to sign up for Adoration.

Alpha Continues Through Easter

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm | De Sousa House

The Alpha team invites you to dinner followed by a short video presentation and conversations about faith, life, and Jesus. For info, call Dcn. Rigo at 510-456-4975. All faith levels welcome.
Children’s Liturgy of the Word
9:00 am and 10:45 am Sunday Masses

K-4th graders are invited to join Children’s Liturgy of the Word. We share the Gospel and have a Gospel-related activity. No need to register, no fee. Join us at the banners when the Mass celebrant invites the children to come forward. Parents welcome. Children return at Offertory during the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Bereavement Support
Are you dealing with the death or illness of a loved one, a divorce, a job or other life-changing loss? Sharing your story with others in a confidential environment may speed healing and lighten the burden. Your story is unique, but pain is universal. Our deanery-sponsored support group’s next series begins Sunday, May 19, 2019, 2:30-3:30 pm, in the Fireside Lounge:  
May 19 - Sharing the Story of Your Grief; June 2 - As You Deal with Your Loss; June 9 - Anger & Regrets; June 23 - Sharing a Special Reading; June 30 - Maturing Grief; July 7 - Sharing Memories; July 14 - Ritual & Healing; and concluding on July 21 - Memorial Service. For more info, contact Helen Campbell, 510.795.7958.

We welcome our newly baptized! Lorenzo, Julian, Amara, Laurenmae, Mackenzie, Levi, Dashiell, Averie

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry
Heading to the store this week? Consider picking up a few items for our SVdP food pantry:
- Canned Green Beans
- Spam
- Tomato Sauce

Please drop off non-perishable food donations at the rectory office. Thanks for your support!

Please note: All food donated must be in factory sealed packages/containers.

A/V Team
Do you like working with cameras, sound equipment, etc.? Join the A/V Team! After completing the internship, each team member receives $27.50 per Mass worked. Must be 16+ yrs old and willing to work at the 5 pm Mass on Saturday; and/or 7:15 am, 5 pm Masses on Sunday. Space limited. For more info, contact Jeff at jeff@holyspiritfremont.org

Holy Spirit Office Volunteers Needed
We are looking for weekend volunteer receptionists. Tasks include: answering phones, greeting visitors, welcoming new parishioners, and other miscellaneous tasks. This is a dynamic, engaging, and positive environment to serve our parishioners. For info, call 510.456.4969

Special Collections coming up:
Catholic Charities | May 19
Sunday, May 5 $34,510

Giving Corner

From our Youngest Stewards
Abby, Celestina, Ellie, Jason, Langston, Mia, Mia C.
Our Father Series will resume 05.12.19

These last two petitions of the Our Father will be considered together.

“For I do not do the good I want, but I do the evil I do not want” says St. Paul in Romans 7:19. How often this seems to be our own experience—we don’t do the good we want to do and, instead, do the evil we know makes us miserable. We experience how the sins of others affect us as well. We all experience evil, suffering, and pain. In all of this, we ask where the Father’s love might be.

What are we asking for in these two petitions? First, it is important to remember that “God is not subject to temptation to evil, and he himself tempts no one” (James 1:13) and that “God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it” (1 Corinthians 10:13).

Christ is the ultimate answer to suffering temptation and evil. He Himself was tempted by Satan and conquered. He faced the agony and pain of the Cross and rose triumphant on the third day. Through Christ we can have hope that in the midst of temptation and suffering, we can hope for victory in Him.

Why exactly God allows temptation and suffering in our lives is a mystery, something that will only be explained in Heaven. We hold on to the hope that the Father gives us in His Son. We pray with the boldness of a child, asking our Father to keep us from temptation and evil in the midst of a broken world and in our broken human natures.

Pope Benedict XVI gives us a prayer of hope: “I know that I need trials so that my nature can be purified. When you decide to send me these trials, when you give evil some room to maneuver...then please remember that my strength goes only so far. Don’t overestimate my capacity. Don’t set too wide the boundaries within which I may be tempted, and be close to me with your protecting hand when it becomes too much for me.”[1]

Knowing that the Father will always be with us, in good times and in bad, we say, Amen!


Written by Fr. Matthew Murray