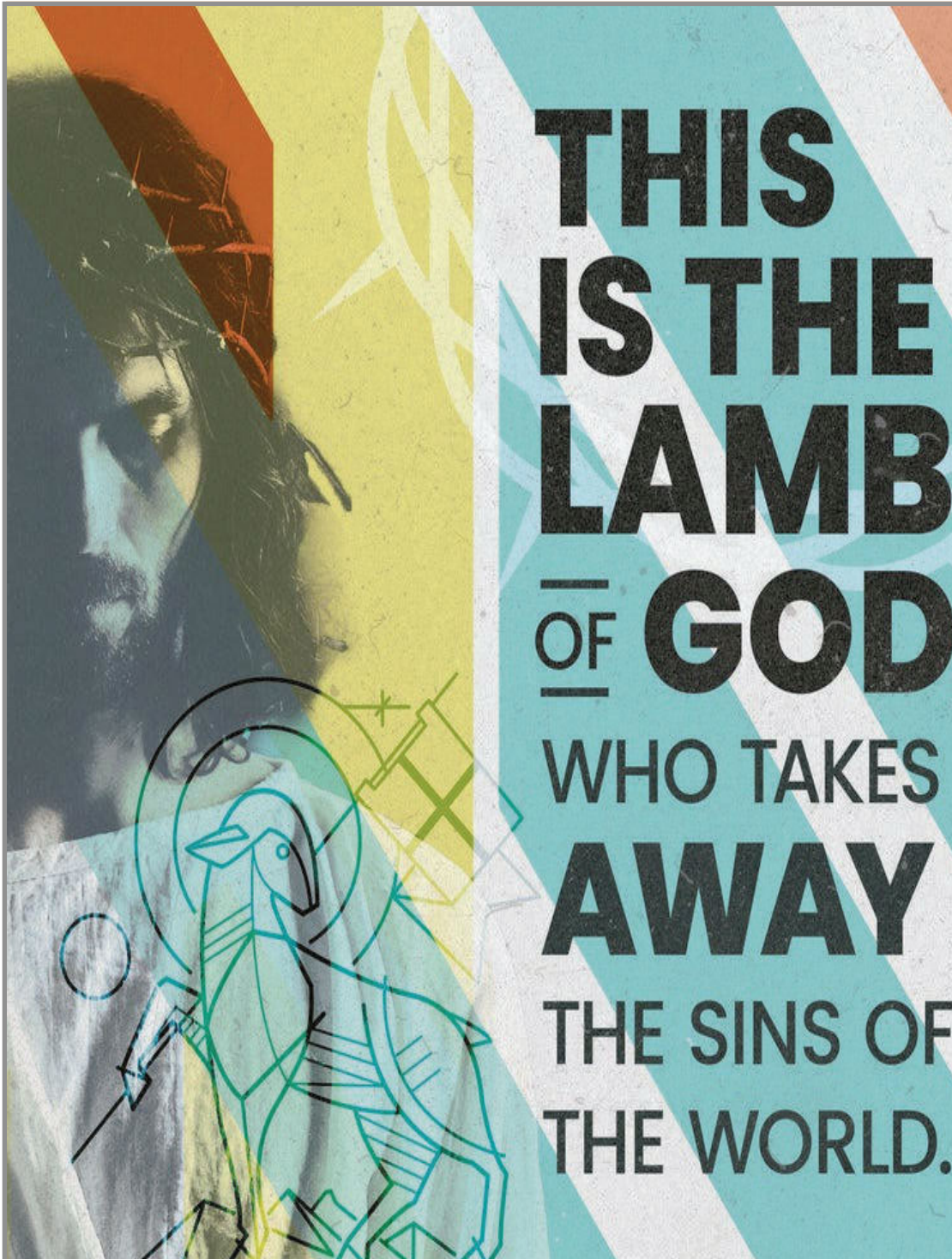




SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WELCOME

With joy we welcome all who have gathered here with us to worship God.

“How good to sing praise to our God; how pleasant to give fitting praise.” (Psalm 147:1)

Let us lift up our minds, hearts, and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday: 7:00* & 8:15 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:15 am
9:00 am* | 10:45 am*
12:30 pm | 5:00 pm

Weekday

Mon.-Fri.: 7:00* & 8:15 am
Wednesday: 6:30 pm
First Friday: 6:30 pm

*Masses are livestreamed on our Facebook page and YouTube channel.

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WORSHIP

OUR VISION

Be a flourishing community of intentional disciples shining as beacons of Christ.

Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm
Thursday before First Friday:
3:30 pm
Weekdays: call for an appt.

Eucharistic Adoration

Visit the Adoration Chapel in the Governo House.
Mon. to Fri.: 6:00 am to 12:00 pm
Sat.: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Sun.: 12:00 to 5:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday at 12:00 pm (except if it falls on January 1). All seniors and those who are seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend.
Next Mass: February 4, 2023

Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funeral, contact us at 510.797.1660 or holyspiritfremont.org

First Friday Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 pm immediately followed by Mass
Next Mass: February 3, 2023

Mass Intentions

To request a Mass, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org or 510.797.1660

New to Holy Spirit?

Welcome! To register, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org or go to holyspiritfremont.org/join-our-community

Interested in Catholicism?

To learn about the Catholic faith, please call 510.456.4975

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)	Jonathan Mano, † Souls in Purgatory, † Rita Macasiray
7:15 am	David Ballesil, † Gregorio Avendano & Family, † Bud Francis, † Elisa Ramel
9:00 am	Marissa Savage, Froula Family, † Richard Lewellyn, † Hermenegildo & Lucila Padlan, † Gerard De Vera
10:45 am	For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
12:30 pm	Aylmer Jordan A. Abrea, Ray & Rita Rosario, Celeste De La Torre, † Elacio Sunga
5:00 pm	† Felipe & Natividad Alivario

MONDAY, JANUARY 16 | MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 2:18-22

7:00 am	† Cesar Villamor Sr., † Elisa Ramel, † Rosario & Romeo Suarez
8:15 am	Alison Grande Family, Priscilla C. Rosete, † Hung & Ninh Pham

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANTHONY, ABBOTT

Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c/Mk 2:23-28

7:00 am	† Shirley Nagle, † Suzanne Ogi, † Patchy Payawal
8:15 am	† Pilar Torres, † Zelma Miranda, † Elisa Ramel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 | WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 3:1-6

7:00 am	Jacqueline Reece, Reni & Santhosh, † Rita Kane Hylle
8:15 am	† John & Ann Zowin, † Honrado Tengsico, † Elisa Ramel
6:30 pm	† Andy Chan

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19 | THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Mk 3:7-12

7:00 am	† Boyen Abia
8:15 am	† Elisa Ramel

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20 | FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mk 3:13-19

7:00 am	Marc & Lalaine Lanuza, † Mario Esteves, † James Sullivan
8:15 am	† Gregory Miller, † Alberto F. Espiritu, † Ed Gacerez

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT AGNES, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 3:20-21

7:00 am	† Elisa Ramel
8:15 am	† Loc & Nhat Vu

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.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. EDDIE...

Beloved parishioners,

The Christmas season is now behind us. We continue our journey as God's people in the Church liturgical calendar known as "Ordinary Time", that is until the arrival of Lent in just over a month's time. I would say, "Ordinary Time is but a call to become extraordinary." It would be a big fault to misunderstand that the Lamb of God whom John the Baptist pointed out is moderately active in Ordinary Time. Indeed, in the ordinary course of events and throughout our lives, the Lord invites us to be extraordinary in offering ourselves in the likeness of Him, the humble and obedient servant as Isaiah described, so that we too could rise up in all circumstances and to conduct our lives in exceptional holiness.

"Here I am Lord, I come to do your will." What a beautiful line in the Psalms which embodies that becoming extraordinary is the sure path to being holy as we make our common pilgrimage towards God. Holiness doesn't just happen; it makes demands on us. We must leave the comfort of what we are familiar with and our well-known ways of responding to God. It is time for us to ponder, to seek and to act all the more in allowing ourselves to be those servants who will lead others to Christ.

Each day of the year ahead is an invitation and

an opportunity to become extraordinarily holy as we are called to reclaim and relive our mission as God's people. It won't be easy and the road that lies ahead does not promise a happy one, but that shouldn't stop us from transforming ourselves in a better direction, even if it is only a small step. As said, "All beginnings start with every first step," and I firmly believe that the grace of God is more than enough to lead us to fulfill the calling of being His servants.

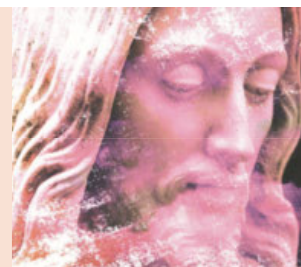
As we come together for Mass at any time of the year, let us remember that no Mass is ever ordinary. With the offering of bread and wine and the rite of consecration, the Lamb of God continues to call us to become a part of His sacrifice on the cross for the salvation of the world. My prayer is that we will respond with a "Yes" by conducting our lives in perpetual holiness so that despite our brokenness, we will be that servant who is brave to say, "To do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!"

I look forward to getting to know you better in my second year here at Holy Spirit. I am so glad you are part of my journey as a priest! I look forward to making time for you, learning with you, and praying with you. May God bless you all! And remember, God gives us the grace to be extraordinary servants of the Gospel.

With all my prayers for you and your family,

Father Eddie

“Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.” ~ John 1:34





SERVE

Thank You for Supporting the 2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal

On behalf of our pastor, Fr, Ken Sales, thank you for your generous support of the 2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal.

By sharing your time, talent, and treasure with our brothers and sisters and the broader community in the Diocese of Oakland, you are making a sacrifice and returning to God a small portion of the many gifts and blessings He has given to you.

Just like last year, the 2022 parish goal for the 2022 Bishop's Ministries Appeal, as set by the diocese, was \$99,400. Because of your generosity, our parish raised \$139,543.45 (as of the December 15, 2022 statement). That's 140.39% of the overall goal! Monies raised over the goal go back to our parish. Thank you so very much!

Though we exceeded our goal, we did not, however, raise as much funds as we have in previous years. We understand that many of our families faced many struggles this past year. We are very grateful to those who prayerfully considered what they could offer and gave generously to the Bishop's Appeal. It is our hope and that we can make better strides for next year's appeal. Those who are blessed with more are challenged to give more, but everyone is asked to respond.

Again, thank you for your generous support of the 2022 Bishop's Ministries Catholic Appeal.

May God continue to bless you and your loved ones.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry



Heading to the store this week? Consider picking up a few items for our SVdP food pantry. Here's this week's grocery wish list:

- ⇒ Canned Green Beans
- ⇒ Chef Boyardee / Canned Pasta
- ⇒ Pork & Beans

Please drop off non-perishable food donations at the Parish Office during regular business hours or Governo House on Saturdays, 9:00-10:00 am only. **Do not leave donations outside.** Please note: We do not accept perishable, fresh foods (e.g., meats, produce, dairy, etc.). All food donations must be in factory sealed packages and/or containers. **PLEASE, NO EXPIRED FOOD.** Thank you for your support! For information or assistance: 510.797.3672

Second Collection: Holy Spirit Youth & Young Adult Ministry January 14-15, 2023

This weekend's Second Collection benefits our Holy Spirit Youth & Young Adult Ministry.

Funds raised go towards tuition assistance, ongoing formation and development for the staff and team, etc. Thank you for your generous support.

Flower Fund

We are accepting donations towards floral arrangements for our church sanctuary.

You may drop off your donation at the Parish Office or send by mail.

For information or special requests such as dates, colors, or events (e.g., anniversary, birthday, memorial, etc.), please text Judy Young at 510.378.1933.

Giving

Sunday, January 1

\$40,307

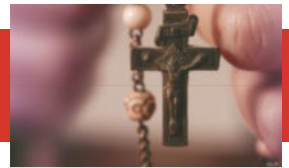
Corner

Second Collections coming up:
St. Vincent de Paul | January 22

Our pledged weekly amount (excluding special collections):
\$31,963

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Please visit our parish website at <https://holyspiritfremont.org/give/> to enroll in Online Giving or Text-to-Give. For assistance with registration, please contact OSV at 800.348.2886 or our parish helpline at 510.456.4969.



HERE'S THE WORD...

A Brief Commentary on the Gospel

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Cycle A)

Readings: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; Psalm 40:1, 4, 7-10; 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; John 1:29-34

Theme: The True Identity of Jesus of Nazareth

Today's Liturgy of the Word reveals Jesus Christ to us in three ways: He is the "Servant" of God promised by the Prophet Isaiah (Is 49:5-6); He is the "Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world" (Jn 1:29; and He is the "Son of God" (Jn 1:34).

The First Reading is from the second the 8th-century BC prophet Isaiah's four "Servant Songs." Isaiah identified the Servant as God's divine representative, ordained to His mission before His birth to spiritually restore God's covenant people. However, His mission will not be limited to Israel but will include the conversion of the Gentiles for whom He will be a "light to the nation," carrying God's universal message of salvation "to the ends of the earth."

The Second Reading is the introduction to Paul's letter to the Christian community at Corinth, Greece. St. Paul reminds the Corinthian Christians of the three ways in which the existence of church at Corinth is grounded in God's initiative by being sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to a holy life in Christ through Christian baptism, and being members of the universal Body of Christ along with all others who call upon the name of Jesus.

Jesus began His public ministry soon after His baptism by St. John the Baptist in the Jordan River. Our Gospel Reading concerns St. John the Baptist's revelation of Jesus' true identity as the Lamb of God and a sin offering for the atonement and sanctification of the covenant people. John leaves no doubt that Jesus is the promised Messiah, the Servant of the Lord who the prophet Isaiah foretold would redeem Israel. He is the Christ that St. Paul and the other Apostles and disciples served and proclaimed as the One who brings salvation to the world!

"And the Word was made flesh...and dwelt among us."

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Ken



Please note: Our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to contact us to include your loved one. Go to <https://holyspiritfremont.org/request-a-prayer/> or call the Parish Office at 510.797.1660

Pray for Our Sick

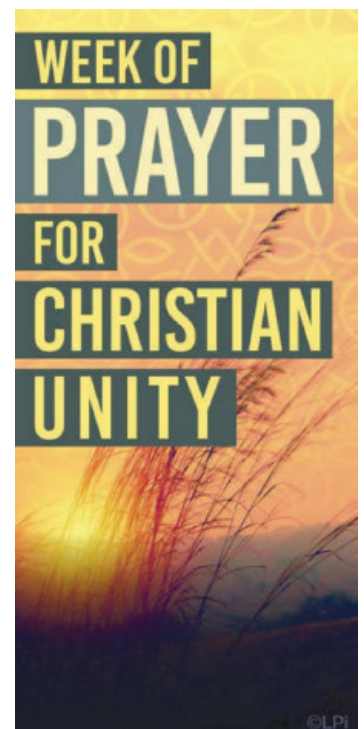
Bernie Hoercher, Wayne Young, Lesli Griffiths

Pray for Our Recently Departed

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, James Sullivan, Fortunato Santos, Leonila Mortensen, Delores Homen, Cesar Rivera, Elisa Ramel, Joseph Anthony Zamora

Birthday Blessings

Margaret Jiang, Joyce Steiner, Jean Taguinod, Michael Javier, Michele Javier-Poma





INVITE

Women Gather

January 21, 2023 | 10:00 am

Join us for our next in-person gathering. Come early between 9:30 and 10:00 am for a meet and greet. Prayer at 10:00 am is followed by lunch and an afternoon of service. Space at Casa Julie is limited. For more details or to RSVP, contact Sr. Annette at 408.390.7184

Filipino Society Food Sale

January 22, 2023 | Parish Center

The Filipino Society will be hosting their \$7 Meal Deal next Sunday after the morning and 12:30 Masses. Get a great meal at a deal! Proceeds benefit parish special projects. For large orders, email us by January 19 at hfsf.communications@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.

Donate to Abode Services

January 28-29, 2023 | St. Francis Plaza

MJ Johnson and Amy Wilhelm, our parish representatives on Abode's Winter Relief Rapid Re-Housing Committee, will be collecting much-needed household items and personal hygiene products after all the Masses, all of which will go to the less fortunate in our community.

Donations may include: laundry baskets, mops, brooms, laundry detergent, bleach, dryer sheets, paper towels, napkins, sponges, dish soap, gloves, toilet scrub brushes, toilet cleaners, window cleaners, surface cleaners, bath soap, liquid hand soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc. Your generosity as always is very much appreciated.

Memorial Altar Photos

If you placed a photo of your deceased loved on the November Memorial Altar, please stop by the Parish Office to claim your picture. Unfortunately, due to a lack of space, we will only keep the remaining photos until January 31, after which they will be disposed of.

Sanctuary Candles—\$7 Each

Purchase your candles—just in time for Candlemas on February 2, 2023—and have them blessed at Mass! The candles are made of beeswax and burn up to 5 days. Stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours or see one of our sacristans in the Sacristy after Mass.

Holy Spirit School Crab Feed

February 25, 2023 | 4:30 pm | Parish Center

Save the date! Holy Spirit School Crab Feed is BACK! Join us for the return of our annual fundraiser. Enjoy fellowship and good food! Only \$80.00 per person for all-you-can-eat crab! More details to follow soon!

The WORD in Other Words

Bible Diary | \$20 each

Would you like to deepen your faith in 2023? Are you looking for a meaningful Christmas or New Year gift for your loved ones? "The WORD in Other Words" contains daily scripture readings and reflections by SVD priests, Blue Sisters, and Pink Sisters in the Philippines. Purchase a copy from the Parish Office or place your order via email at info@holyspiritfremont.org.



Reina, Jesse, Wyatt, Olivia,
Roberto, Logan, Alina

9 Days for Life

January 19-27, 2023

Please join us in praying the Rosary for Life immediately after the daily 7:00 am Mass and the 7:15 am Sunday Mass.

Also, we invite you to pray the 9 Days for Life Novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention includes a reflection along with suggested activities and resources.

Go to www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life for more information.



AROUND THE PARISH



Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Spanish/English Retreat January 20-22, 2023

Experiences of grief and pain are often unnamed and unspoken but both typically accompany abortion, miscarriage, and stillbirth. Although these experiences are different in some ways, often there are similar struggles. Women, men, and couples - anyone affected by pregnancy loss - are encouraged to attend the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

For more information or to register, contact Becky Morales at becky@realoptions.net. You may also find more details at <https://oakdiocese.org/events/rachels-vineyard-retreat-spanish-english-retreat-january-20-22-2023>

Walk for Life Mass January 21, 2023 | 9:00 am Cathedral of Christ the Light

All the faithful are invited to join Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, as he celebrates Mass in preparation for the Walk for Life West Coast.

After the Mass, participants are encouraged to go as a procession to the San Francisco Walk For Life. For more information, go to <https://oakdiocese.org/life-justice>

Thank you!

We would like to thank everyone who participated and supported our 2022 Simbang Gabi novena. May God bless us all! *Pagpalain sana tayong lahat ng Mahal na Diyos!*

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land & Egypt March 5-17, 2023

Join Fr. Ken Sales on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Egypt!

Experience the Mysteries of the Holy Rosary as we visit holy sites in Bethlehem (including Mary's House, Cana, and the Mount of Olive) and Jerusalem (Via Dolorosa).

The cost (\$3690/double room) includes (but not limited to) airfare, Daily Mass, breakfast and dinner, and deluxe coach transportation.

For more details, stop by the Parish Office or contact Alex Paras at alerrparas68@gmail.com or 510.509.0585.

Thank you, Elite Bakery!

On behalf of our parish and Table of Plenty, we wish to thank Elite Bakery in Union City for their weekly donations of pandesal. We are grateful for your generosity.

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Mondays to Fridays
9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Saturdays
9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Sundays
9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Parish Gift Shop

Sundays
8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Parish Library

Sundays
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Martin Luther King Day

In observance of Martin Luther King Day, the Holy Spirit Parish Office & Rectory will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2023.

MLK Day is also the only federal holiday designated as a National Day of Service. We encourage you to go out and volunteer in our community.

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