



SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father.” - Jn 14:6-7

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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.

BE SPIRIT FILLED AND MAKE DISCIPLES!



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 (except if it falls on Holy Thursday)
Weekdays: call for an appt.

Eucharistic Adoration

Visit the Adoration Chapel in the Governo House.
Hours: 6:00 am to 6:00 pm daily

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday at 12:00 pm (except if it falls on January 1 and Holy Saturday). All seniors and those who are seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend.
Next Mass: June 3, 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. There is no Mass on Good Friday.
Next Mass: June 2, 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, MAY 7 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)	† Rita Seramilla Quizon, † Harold Neil Miller, † Braulio Salas Portillo
7:15 am	Efren Martin, † Lina Dugay, † Marina & Virgilio Concepcion, † Milanita Aquino
9:00 am	Vinny Longarini, Kyle Atikus Isidore Barnes, † Virginia Louise Mancenido, † Joseph Nicholas
10:45 am	Espiritu Family, Joseph Smith & Family, † Ligaya Bamford, † Romeo de Silva, † Magdalena Gastelum
12:30 pm	For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
5:00 pm	Pelimiano Family, Patricia Aceberos, † Teodolfo Embalzado, † Victoria Ayson

MONDAY, MAY 8 | MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

7:00 am	Victoria & David Ballesil, Patricia Aceberos, † Lucia Baluyut
8:15 am	† Eric Cruzada, † Epitacia De Torres, † Lucia Baluyut

TUESDAY, MAY 9 | TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

7:00 am	† Dominador Abenojar, † Lola Vera & Epifania Dizon, † Domingo & Catalina Cabrera
8:15 am	† Teresita Batitang, † Agustine Vu, † Ramoncito Cruzada

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10 | WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

7:00 am	Nina Shaji, † Ester Dimalanta, † Portia Sebastian
8:15 am	† Paulina Castaneda, † Elpidia C. Calso, † Christine Vu
6:30 pm	† Eduardo & Ramon Concepcion, † Vicente & Eduardo Jr Concepcion, † Endrino A. Parra

THURSDAY, MAY 11 | THURSDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

7:00 am	† Ray Orduno, † Felicisimo Licad, † Rosa King
8:15 am	Brandon Aguirre, † Susana Francisco, † Christine Vu

FRIDAY, MAY 12 | FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

7:00 am	Jennie Visitacion, Logan Makoa Lopez-Tran, † Lorna Arachea
8:15 am	Cristina T. Concepcion, † Cielito Alberto, † Rocco Filippone

SATURDAY, MAY 13 | SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

7:00 am	Gliceria Lucero, † Bruno Carmona, † Bernardino Aljentera
8:15 am	Susie Grande Family, Kay Do, † Maxine Macalma Marzan, † Rizalina Estavillo



FROM THE DESK OF DN. STEVE...

Annette and I pray that everyone reading this is doing well. Always keep your faith strong, and pray, pray and pray to support our brothers and sisters.

The First Reading today, Acts 6:1-7, is one of my favorites, about the formation and necessity for deacons to attend the needs of those who are often overlooked, such as the widows who had no one to protect and speak for them.

The Apostles' ministry was focused on prayer and preaching the word. Creating deacons helped the Church grow and mature, and broadened ministries to serve and support our brothers and sisters, especially those in need.

What is a deacon in our Catholic Church today?
There are two types of deacons.

Transitional deacons are seminarians who are preparing for the priesthood. After being a transitional deacon for 6-12 months, they are ordained a priest by the bishop.

Permanent deacons are men with no intention or desire to become a priest. They can be single or married. If a man is married, he must have already been married for a time before being ordained a deacon. If his wife dies, the deacon cannot remarry, unless approved by the Vatican for special reasons, such as having young children. With the approval of the bishop, an unmarried or widowed deacon may choose to start the process for them to becoming a priest.

Personally, I have only seen this once; a single, unmarried man who was ordained a permanent deacon then later asked and was granted to become a priest, Father Jimmy.

Deacons serve in several capacities. Most people see deacons serve at Mass. Deacons can also: baptize; witness marriages (outside of the Mass); perform vigils, funeral, and burial services (outside of the

Mass); distribute Holy Communion; visit the sick; provide spiritual direction to couples and individuals; serve on parish committees and councils; and advise the pastor when asked.

As Ministers of the Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel, preach, and teach in the name of the Church. We also administer Communion services (outside of the Mass), and we lead the faithful in prayers.

As Ministers of Charity, deacons lead in identifying the needs of others, and work with parish resources to meet those needs. We are social justice warriors, there for others through their journey in life, always reminding people how much God loves them.

Deacons do not get paid and there is no 401K. We all have regular jobs, many of us work the usual 40-hour week, and most of us have families we a responsible for.

We love to teach our faith, help where we can, and we are there for others when needed.

What are the main differences between ordained deacons, priests and bishops?

The top three differences are regarding the sacraments. Only priests and bishops can consecrate the bread and wine, which become the Body and Blood of Christ in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Priests and bishops can hear and forgive sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. And only priests and bishops can administer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

The Bishop oversees the deacons. He ordains us and assigns us to a parish. Here at Holy Spirit, we are mentored and supervised by our pastor, Father Ken.

What I have learned from being a deacon is that our work and ministry are not always what we do, but who we are.

May God's Love continue to grow in your hearts and actions.

Deacon Steve and Annette



SERVE

St. Joseph the Worker: Sister Parish Dispatch

Celebration of Palm Sunday Mass



Fr. Elipenda and Dn. James with Acolytes.



The congregation processing into the church.



The parish choir.

Parish Office Ministry

Do you enjoy working with people? Are you looking for some meaningful work for a few hours a week? Then join our Holy Spirit Parish Office Ministry as a volunteer receptionist. Contact us at 510.797.1660 or info@holyspiritfremont.org

From our Youngest Stewards
I helped someone, I prayed,
I studied my lessons:

Abbey, Ellie

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:

- ⇒ Chili
- ⇒ Ramen Soup—Chicken
- ⇒ Tuna

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: Catholic Charities of the East Bay

May 13-14, 2023

Next weekend's Second Collection benefits Catholic Charities of the East Bay.

Your donation will help further the mission of CCEB to support children and youth, families and seniors in crisis.

Some services that CCEB provides include: housing assistance, immigration services, human

trafficking awareness, counselling, and violence prevention programs.

Please be generous! Thank you for your support.

Ministry Lead Meeting

May 9, 2023 | 6:30 pm

Please join us for our next in-person Ministry Lead Meeting in the Peace Center. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 pm and should last approximately 45 minutes. If the lead member(s) can not attend, kindly request a representative to take your place.

Giving

Sunday, April 23

\$28,634

Corner

Special Collection coming up:
Catholic Charities of the East Bay | May 14

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.

PRAY



Our Lady of Fatima May to October 2023

Join us for Mass in honor of Our Lady of Fatima:

- Monday, May 15 @ 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, June 13 @ 6:30 pm
- Thursday, July 13 @ 6:30 pm
- Monday, August 14 @ 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, September 13 @ 6:30 pm
(in lieu of Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
- Friday, October 13 @ 6:30 pm (Mass to be followed by International Rosary)

Vocations Crucifix Program

We are looking for parishioners to host the Vocations Crucifix and pray for the men and women discerning to enter the priesthood or religious life.

Twice monthly on the second and fourth weekend of the month, families or an individual are invited to pray at home for two weeks.

To participate in this important prayer ministry, please sign up on Flocknote or call the Parish Office at 510.797.1660.



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

Salvador Garcia, Eulalia Villamor

Pray for Our Recently Departed

Richard Ahlbrandt, Janet Vincent Ahlbrandt, Barbara Ann McDuffie, Consolacion Reyes-Olaño, Maxima Castanas Ligas, Arcangelina D. Velasquez, Victoria Ayson

Birthday Blessings

Antonio M. Fermil

Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Frankie & Patty Carrillo



Celebrating the Sacraments

We are delighted to announce our parish celebrations of the Sacraments of Initiation.

First Holy Communion

- May 7, 2023 | 9:00 & 10:45 am

Our Faith Formation children will be receiving Jesus for the first time in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

- May 21, 2023 | 12:30 pm

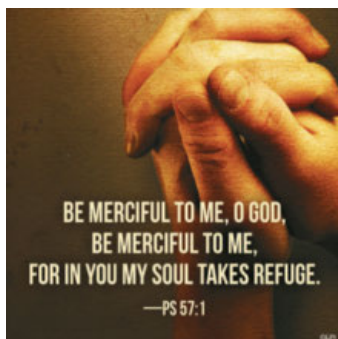
Our Holy Spirit School children will be receiving Jesus for the first time in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Sacrament of Confirmation

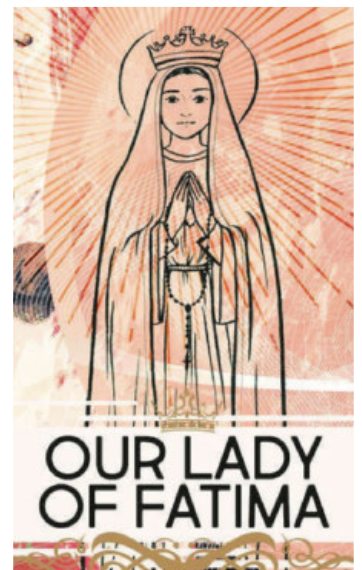
May 20, 2023 | 5:00 pm Mass

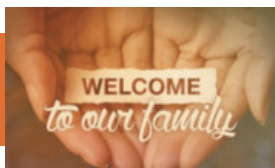
In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the baptized person is "sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit" and is strengthened for service to the Body of Christ.

We are excited for our parish youth who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this May.



That our children receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will begin a lifelong loving relationship with Jesus Christ. *We pray to the Lord...*





INVITE

10th Anniversary of the Installation of Bishop Barber

May 25, 2023 | 12:00 pm

Please join us at the Cathedral of Christ the Light for Solemn Mass on the 10th anniversary of the episcopal ordination and installation of Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ for the Diocese of Oakland.

First Communion and Confirmation Gifts

Need a gift for your *First Communicant* or *Confirmandi*? Our Parish Gift Shop has a wonderful selection of items to choose from. Shop open on Sundays, 8:30 am-2:30 pm

Bring Your Marriage into the Church: Convalidation

Couples who bring their marriage into the Church welcome God's grace and special blessings upon their marriage. If your vows were exchanged in the presence of ministers from other religious traditions or civil officials, we invite you to bring new meaning to your relationship by embracing the vocation of marriage through Convalidation.

This year's Group Marriage Convalidation is on September 30, 2023. Registration is open through May 31. For more information, contact us at 510.456.4969 or marriage.convalidation@holyspiritfremont.org

Parish Festival

Holy Spirit Parish Festival - "Faith Restored, Renewed, Relived"

June 4, 2023 | 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

We invite you and your family to this year's Holy Spirit Parish Festival, celebrating the 137th Anniversary of our parish. Enjoy an array of foods, entertainment, and games. Be part of this blessed day of fellowship and fun!

Festival Banner Design Contest

We are holding a banner design contest that embodies this year's festival theme: "Faith Restored, Renewed, Relived". The competition is open to all children ages 9 to 14. If your design is chosen, you will win \$100. All entries must be received no later than 9:00 am on May 8, 2023. For more details, visit our parish website.

Holy Spirit Novena & Coronation Mass

Join us in praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit on May 19-27, 2023, in anticipation of Pentecost Sunday on May 28th. And join us at the 12:30 pm Mass on Sunday, June 4th, when we crown our 2023 St. Queen Isabel, Jewel Gerardo.

Holy Spirit Parish Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale. The Grand Prize is \$2000! The second and third prizes are \$1000 and \$500 respectively. Purchase tickets at the Parish Office or through our various parish ministries. Thanks for your support!

Festival Booth Sponsors

This year, our Parish Festival is open for business partners' booth sponsorship. Sell your products and services, or showcase your business. To reserve a booth, scan the QR code or go to <https://forms.gle/kqHMqSSDVb22sE959>. For more info, contact Tom Garcia at tngarciajr@gmail.com.



AROUND THE PARISH



Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Congress 2023: "I Am With You Always"

Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, invites the faithful in the Diocese of Oakland "to join in the National Eucharistic Revival to reflect upon the centrality of the Eucharist in our lives and to reaffirm our call to be a people nourished fed, and renewed by the Eucharist itself." (Oct. 2022)

Join us for what is sure to be an amazing event for youth and adults, which will include talks, Adoration, Holy Mass, and more!

- September 8-9: Spanish track
- September 15-16: English track

Registration is now open. Also seeking volunteers, sponsors, vendor participants, and donors.

To register or for more information, go to <https://oakdiocese.org/eucharisticrevival2023>

No One Dies Alone

Washington Hospital has created a new volunteer program called No One Dies Alone to train and coordinate end of life companions for those who are passing away in our hospital.

Volunteers sit vigil in the hospital room with patients actively dying at Washington Hospital.

WHHS is seeking adults interested in becoming a NODA volunteer. For more info, please contact JB Goodier, Spiritual Care Coordinator, at 510.818.6569 or jeremy_goodier@whhs.com.

Thank You

I heard a voice within my soul. I am very pleased that you had not been talking with Me, but were making My goodness known to souls and rousing them to love Me. (Diary, 404) ... Tell the world about My mercy and My love. (Diary, 1073)

Thank you to all who prayed the Divine Mercy novena and attended the Feast. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, Holy Spirit School, and Holy Spirit Youth & Young Adult Ministry for their participation.

Please join the Divine Mercy Ministry. We meet every Monday on Zoom. For more information, contact Alice Gonzales at 510.378.5449 or Jennie Visitacion at 650.219.6417.

Save the date! We invite you to join us for the upcoming St. Faustina novena on September 26-October 4, 2023 and celebrate her feast on October 5.

Parish Office

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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
9:00 am to 12:30 pm

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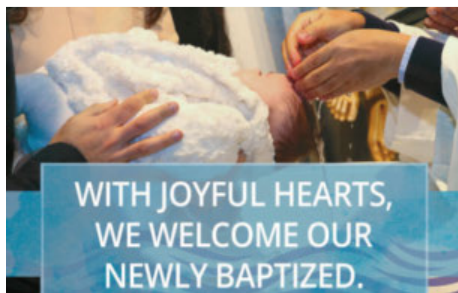
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Mason, Dominic, Apollo,
Elmoth, Margaux,
Lorenzo, Nohea



Vacation Bible School: "Stellar"

Save the Date ... June 12-16, 2023

We are excited to announce the return of our Summer Vacation Bible School! We invite all children in Grades 1-6 to join us. Kick off the summer in stellar fashion! Learn how to Shine Jesus' Light! Let's Light Up the World! More information to follow. Stay tuned!



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