



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 | 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**THE LORD IS
KIND AND MERCIFUL,
SLOW TO ANGER,
RICH IN
COMPASSION.**

PSALM 103

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: October 7, 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: October 6, 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, SEPTEMBER 17 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

- 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 7:15 am Carole Barrett, Ansy Mary Antony, † Christopher A. Flack, † Hilaria Miranda
- 9:00 am Victor F. Fermin, Fitz, Lucel & East Reyes, † Anastacia Jamir, † Narcisa "Essie" Nazareno
- 10:45 am Espiritu Family, Arturo & Dolorosa Cardona, Chris & Girlie Nitafan, † Richard Dyer, † Christopher Joseph Discenna
- 12:30 pm For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 5:00 pm Dn. Tim & Lily Roberto, † Rocerino Rimano, † Mike Enriquez

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | MONDAY OF THE 24TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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

- 7:00 am † Maura T. Saenz, † Hilaria Miranda, † Michael Michel
- 8:15 am Tanya Marie Cruzada, † John & Ann Zowin, † Loriefe Rimano

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 | TUESDAY OF THE 24TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

- 7:00 am Renato de Jesus, † Hilaria Miranda, † Deacon Bill Drobick
- 8:15 am LT Ogi-Robbins, † Joseph Victor Shagday, † Gavin Anthony Palmon

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 | MEMORIAL OF STS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GON, PRIEST, & PAUL CHONG HA-SANG, & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

- 7:00 am † Reynaldo Honrado Jr., † Hilaria Miranda
- 8:15 am † Megan Marquez, † Ernesto Kong Jr., † May Fejeran
- 6:30 pm † Rodolfo Felarca, † Walter Mandy

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

- 7:00 am Carlo Soriano, † Victoriano del Barrio, † Rachille Goff
- 8:15 am † Hilaria Miranda, † May Fejeran, † Hilarion R. Turtego

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 | FRIDAY OF THE 24TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

- 7:00 am † Telesforo Baluyut, † Andy Chan, † Mark Anthony Castanas
- 8:15 am Pat Saturnio, † Telesforo Baluyut, † Florentino N. Halog, Sr.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 | MEMORIAL OF ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIEST

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

- 7:00 am Louis Kin Heng Wong, † Hilaria Miranda
- 8:15 am Barrett Family, † May Fejeran, † Irene N. Turtego

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 BR. RONALD...

On Forgiveness

Let's have a simple recall and reflection exercise. Which line in the Lord's Prayer summons us to forgive? I'm sure you correctly answered, "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sinned against us." This part of the prayer emphasizes the connection between seeking forgiveness from God for our own sins and our willingness to forgive others who have wronged us. It underscores the reciprocal nature of forgiveness. Thus, it is indubitable that forgiveness is one of the main themes in Jesus' teaching and healing ministry.

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus teaches a parable to instill the importance of forgiveness (Mt. 18:21-35). Simon Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive someone who sins against him, suggesting the common Jewish practice of forgiving up to three times. But, Jesus accentuates a much greater degree of forgiveness—seventy-seven times or sometimes translated as "seventy times seven," essentially meaning forgiveness is limitless. Furthermore, Jesus tells the parable of the unforgiving servant to illustrate His message. In the story, the servant owed an enormous debt to his master, which he couldn't repay. The master, out of compassion, forgives the entire debt. Nevertheless, when the same servant encounters a fellow servant who owed him a comparatively small amount, he refuses to

show mercy and has the debtor thrown into prison. When the master learns of this, he condemns the unforgiving servant for not extending the same mercy that he had received.

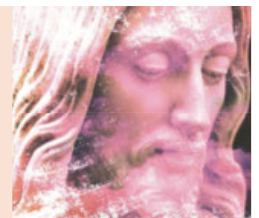
The Gospel clearly emphasizes the importance of mercy, compassion, and the interconnectedness of our relationship with God and our relationships with others. It highlights the principle that forgiveness should flow both ways: from God to us and from us to others. It encourages believers to examine their hearts and attitudes toward forgiveness, recognizing that receiving God's forgiveness should motivate us to be forgiving in our interactions with others. Additionally, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that in refusing to forgive others, our hearts are closed and hardened making them impervious to the Father's merciful love. (CCC 2840)

Now, let me ask you a personal question. Are you a forgiving person? I know the answer cannot be a simple yes or no because forgiveness can be difficult for diverse reasons and situations. Forgiveness is a profound personal process and is not always easy to achieve. It doesn't necessarily mean condoning the actions of others or forgetting what happened. Instead, it's about choosing to let go of the negative emotions and finding a path toward healing, freedom, and love.

Finally, let us always remember that we Christians are called to bear witness to the sequela Christi because our Lord is abounding in mercy and compassion.

“I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.”

(Matthew 18:22)





SERVE

St. Joseph the Worker: Sister Parish Dispatch

Children in Saturday Faith Formation.



Children helping and doing their part around the parish.

Second Collection: Holy Spirit School September 16-17, 2023

This weekend's Second Collection benefits our parish school. Proceeds will go towards programs such as tuition assistance and enrichment activities. Thank you for your support!

Flower Fund

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

We thank the following donors:
Sept. 9 ... HS Indian Society
Sept. 10 ... Rolly & Marina Salazar; Kay Do

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
- ⇒ Jelly / Jam
- ⇒ Peanut Butter—16 oz.

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

Parish Blood Drive Sunday, October 15, 2023 8:00 to 11:45 am

Mark your calendar for our upcoming PARISH BLOOD DRIVE!

Please take the time out of your busy week to help save a life.

Only 5% of the population donates blood and there is no substitute for human blood.

By the time you have finished reading this notice, someone has needed a blood transfusion.

Won't you please make an appointment to help?

Appointments are available at donors.vitalant.org or contact Kendee at kendeehs@yahoo.com to make an appointment.

Thank you for your support!

Giving

Corner

Sunday, August 27	\$32,481
Sunday, September 3	\$34,834

Special Collection coming up:

Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust | September 24

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.



Memorial Mass for Rev. Mr. William "Bill" Drobick † (1948-2023)

September 22, 2023 | 11:00 am
Holy Spirit Fremont



Please join us for Mass in memory of Dn. Bill Drobick †.

Dn. Bill is survived by wife Joanne "Joni" (nee Reberg), daughter Holly Marsh, sons Matthew and Joseph Drobick, their spouses, and 11 grandchildren.

On behalf of Fr. Ken Sales, our clergy and parish staff, we express our deepest condolences to Joni and the Drobick Family. May Dn. Bill † rest in peace.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays and Thursdays | 8:45 to 9:30 am

Spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. God invites all of us to offer our joys and sorrows to Him.

Is there something holding you back from accepting His love? Our merciful God

invites us to reconcile with Him in the Sacrament of Confession.

Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz

Novena | Sept. 19-27, 2023

Join us in praying the Novena and Rosary after the 7:00 am daily Masses and Sunday 7:15 am Mass.

Mass | Sat., Sept. 30, 2023

Join us at the 5:00 pm Mass as we celebrate the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz. Reception to follow in the Parish Center.

Sponsored by the Holy Spirit Filipino Society.

Our Lady of Fatima Mass & International Rosary

October 13, 2023 | 6:30 pm

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

Bring your images of our Blessed Mother to be blessed.

Immediately after Mass, join us as we pray the International Rosary.

If you would like to participate in the Rosary and recite the Hail Mary in your native language, please contact: Marina, 510.207.6395 or Bella, 510.791.6121



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

Eileen Foley, Jean Brandenburg, Ann Patton, Lucina Balagtas, Maria Martinez, Junaid Safi, Dora

Pray for Our Recently Departed

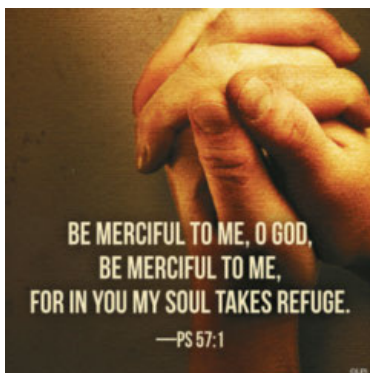
Leonid Shevchenko, Jhola Rivera, Bernadette Keh, May Fejeran, Ernesto Revecho

Birthday Blessings

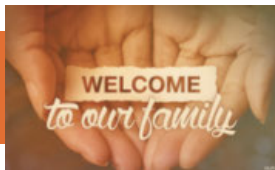
Mario Castellanos, Louis Kin Heng Wong, Theresa Marie Bilgera, AnsyMary Antony, Alden Visitacion

Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Allan & Jennie Visitacion



For our parish, that we continue to actively invite men and women in our midst to share their gifts and energy with the Church as they each discern their vocation, we pray to the Lord...



INVITE

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

We are in need of new Eucharistic Ministers for the 5:00 pm Mass on Sundays. If interested in joining this ministry, please contact Dee.francisco3@yahoo.com

Paint and Wine

Sunday, October 8, 2023 | 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Join us in the de Sousa House for an afternoon of painting and fellowship. \$20/Adult—refreshments and materials included. You must be 21+ yrs. old to participate.

Proceeds benefit our seminarians in the Oakland Diocese. Funds raised will go towards their educational expenses at St. Patrick's Seminary & University. RSVP by September 29. Contact our Parish Office at info@holyspiritfremont.org or 510.797.1660.

Faith Formation 2023-2024

Registration for Children's Faith Formation, First Communion, Middle School, High School Confirmation, and Adult Faith Formation (RCIA) is still open.

For information, visit our parish website - <https://holyspiritfremont.org/>. Go to the "Faith Formation" tab at the top right, then choose the appropriate learning level from the drop down menu.

You may also stop by the de Sousa House Mondays to Thursdays, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, or contact the Faith Formation Department at 510.456.4974 or faithformation@holyspiritfremont.org.

Grief Support

Sundays | 2:30 pm | Fireside Lounge

Are you dealing with the death or illness of a loved one, a divorce, the loss of a job or other life-changing loss?

Sharing your story with others may speed healing and lighten the burden of loss. Your story is uniquely yours but pain is universal.

9/17/23: As You Deal with Your Loss

9/24/23: Anger & Regrets

10/1/23: Consolation

10/8/23: Maturing Grief

10/15/23: Sharing Memories

10/22/23: Ritual and Healing

10/29/23: Memorial Service

11/12/23: Coping with the Holidays

Information shared during the meetings is strictly confidential. For more details, please contact Helen Campbell at 510.795.7958.

Alpha

Wednesdays | 7:00-9:00 pm | de Sousa House

Explore faith through conversation and dinner. Everyone is welcome! Each Alpha session begins with a meal, followed by a video then small group discussion and reflection.

For more information, contact us at faithformation@holyspiritfremont.org.



Kimberly, Zeke,
Avah, Mila, Kyle

The Chosen: An Interactive Bible Study

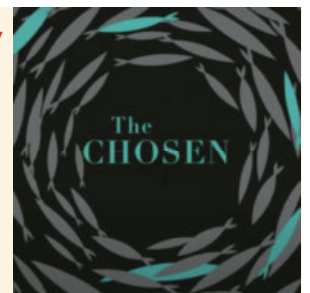
Mondays beginning October 9, 2023

7:00 to 9:00 pm | de Sousa House Theater

"The Chosen" centers on Jesus and the different people who met and followed or otherwise interacted with him.

Join Dn. Steve and Annette Lewellyn in reflection and study on the life of Jesus as portrayed in the groundbreaking series.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and de Sousa House. Purchase the study guide for Season 1 through [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com). For more info, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org.



AROUND THE PARISH



Cub Scouts #154

Come have fun and play games while learning life skills—join the Cub Scouts at Holy Spirit! Scouting supports faith, civic, and outdoor responsibility.

Email hspack154@gmail.com for more information.

Catholic Homeschooling Community

Catholic families homeschooling in Fremont or nearby areas, seeking faith-filled community for yourself and your children: Let's come together to support one another on this home-educating journey.

To join us for park playdates, feast day celebrations, and to help build the faithful community that we are forming, email Katie Froula at seatofwisdom77@gmail.com

Catholic Coffee Fundraiser Support Our Seminarians of the Oakland Diocese

Purchase your favorite coffee—for a great cause!

Proceeds go towards our seminarians' educational expenses at St. Patrick's Seminary & University.

Complete and submit the form below with payment.

Parish Office

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9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturdays
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Sundays
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Parish Gift Shop

Sundays
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Parish Library

Sundays
9:00 am to 12:30 pm

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Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Email _____ Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Coffee	Beans	Grounds	K Cups	Total Qty.	Cost (Qty x \$14.95)
St. Drogo Ethiopian Roast					
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mexican Mocha					
Padre Pio Espresso Roast					
St. Dymphna Half Decaf Blend					
St. Valentine Raspberry White Mocha					
St. Patrick Irish Cream					
St. Therese of Lisieux Light Roast					
St. Peter Parish Medium Roast					
St. Michael Dark Roast					
St. Joan of Arc French Blend					
All Saints Variety Pack K-Cups-Set of 12					
St. John Paul II Peruvian Dark Roast					
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Salted Caramel					
Sleeping St. Joseph Decaf					
St. Nicholas Christmas Blend					

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