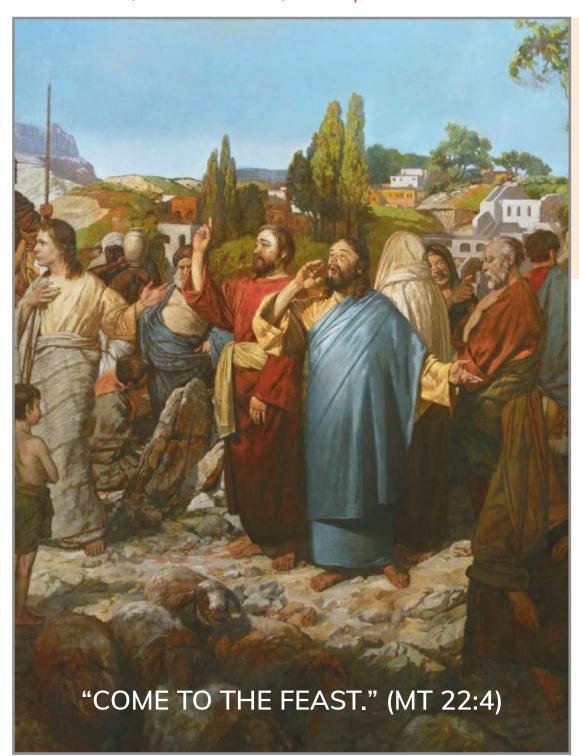


#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 | 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### **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.



### 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: November 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. There is <u>no</u> Mass on Good Friday.

Next Mass: November 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, OCTOBER 15 | TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd)/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) † All Souls in Purgatory

7:15 am Rosemarie Saenz, † Maria Luisa Thomas, † Dr. Charoentasn Petro-Paulo

Chintanaseri

9:00 am For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

10:45 am Primo Mina & Family, Jonathan Tambaoan, Jade Eidelberg, † Veronica

**Nicholas** 

12:30 pm Celestina Martinez, † Jholo Rivera

5:00 pm † Rosalinda Martinez, † Rodolfo Lagera, Sr.

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 | MONDAY OF THE 28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32

7:00 am Charles Jr. & Joanne Ybarra, CJ Delarosa, † Conchita Sigua

8:15 am † Deacon Bill Drobick, † Dr. Charoentasn Petro-Paulo Chintanaseri

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

7:00 am Ofie Flores, Emlyn J. Engalla, † Mary Skidmore

8:15 am † Ivanica Bacica, † Therese Truong

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 | FEAST OF SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9

7:00 am † Jesus Orduno, † Dan Batacan, † Bennid Torres

8:15 am † Ben D. Calso, † Aquilina Agbuya

6:30 pm † Dr. Charoentasn Petro-Paulo Chintanaseri

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 | MEMORIAL OF SAINTS JOHN DE BREBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Lk 11:47-54

7:00 am Marvi Bajet, † Richard L. Morris, † Pedro L. Valerio

8:15 am John Zowin, Renato Castaneda, † Zosimo (Jim) Magana

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 | FRIDAY OF THE 28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

7:00 am † Elly Dronkers, † Joseph Victor Shagday, † Araceli Del Rosario

8:15 am Rainaclare Sibal, Eloisa T. Seli, † John & Ann Zowin, † Falakiko Veimau

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 | SATURDAY OF THE 28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12

7:00 am Jonathan Mano, † Conchita Sigua, † Maria Luisa Thomas

8:15 am Remigio Punzalan, † Jess & Magdalena Clamor

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.

### NOURISH





### FROM THE DESK OF FR. KEN...

Immediately after criticizing the religious leaders through the parable of the tenants in last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus proceeded to

tell another parable, again directed at the religious leaders. We hear this parable in today's Gospel.

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks.

The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again, to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city.

We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to His feast, giving us His salvation. Yet He asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Ken

### **FORMED**

#### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) The Wedding Feast of the King

Who doesn't love a party—especially when someone else is footing the bill? Well, in today's Gospel we hear about several people who turned down an invitation to a banquet. And not just any old banquet, but a feast put on by the king! These people even went so far as to kill the servants who invited them. Finally, the king gave up on his chosen guests and opened the banquet to anyone who wanted to come.

#### Prayer for Radical Solidarity

O Blessed Mother, at the angel's word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own.

By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations. Ask your Son to give us unfailing determination to witness to the profound dignity of every person, at every stage and in every circumstance.

In that first Eucharistic procession, you carried Jesus to Elizabeth in her time of need. Obtain for us the grace to bring Christ to any expectant mother who is alone and afraid.

May our support help them to find hope and strength in the Lord. Amen.

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### SERVE

#### St. Vincent de Paul Blanket Drive

St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting blankets and cash donations to help families and unhoused neighbors who need little warmth during the coming cold months.

Please help donating one or more items listed below:

- New blankets only (size Full/Queen)
- Cash, check, and online contributions are also welcome! Checks should be made out to "Vincent de Paul Society" and write "blanket drive" on the memo line.

Blanket drive dates /times are as follows:

- Sat., 10/14 and 10/21, after the 5:00 pm Mass
- Sun., 10/15 and 10/22, after all morning masses

Thank you for you generous support!

#### Parish Blood Drive

Sunday, October 15, 2023 8:00 to 11:45 am Peace Center

Every 3 seconds someone needs a blood transfusion and there is no substitute for human blood. Your donation could make the difference between life and death.

Please make an appointment for our Parish Blood Drive. Appointments can be made at donors.vitalant.org just click "Donate Blood" and enter Sponsor Code: HolyHoly. You may also contact Kendee at kendeehs@yahoo.com.

Those who have an appointment will be taken before those without an appointment.

If only one more percent of all Americans would give blood, blood shortages would disappear in the foreseeable future.

You can change a life!

#### 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:

- ⇒ Breakfast Cereal
- $\Rightarrow$  Canned Soup
- ⇒ Chili

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 <u>only</u>. Do not leave donations outside. <u>Please note</u>: We do <u>not</u> accept perishable, fresh foods (e.g., meats, produce, dairy, etc.). All food donations must be in factory sealed packages and/or containers. <u>PLEASE</u>, <u>NO EXPIRED FOOD</u>. Thank you for your support! For information or assistance: 510.797.3672

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Tootsie Roll Drive October 14-15, 2023

The Knights of Columbus will be handing out Tootsie Rolls and soliciting donations to help people with Intellectual Disabilities following all Masses next weekend.

All funds raised will support local charities including Oakland Diocese SPRED, Special Olympics Road Runners Team, Bethesda Community Homes, and Special Needs Children's Center Foundation.

Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated.

#### Eucharistic Ministers Needed

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

#### **Rosary Makers**

Join us and learn how to make rosaries for our parish community and beyond! We meet on the first Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm in the CYO Room/ Parish Center. We accept supplies and monetary donations. Please drop off your donations at the Parish Office during regular business hours. For more information, contact Jennie Visitacion at 650.219.6417

Giving

Sunday, October 1

\$,34,662

#### Special Collection coming up:

World Mission Sunday | October 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.

### **PRAY**





#### **November Memorial Altar**

During November, we will have a memorial altar with photographs of our faithful departed.

Bring framed **4" x 6" (or smaller)** pictures of your departed loved ones to the Parish Office.

If your loved one was in the military, please let us know as they will be honored in a designated space.

Include your name and phone number on the back of the frame.

Please pick up your picture frame by November 30, 2023.

#### **Memorial Candles**

Dedicate a Memorial Candle for your departed loved one and bring the candle to our Annual Mass of Remembrance on November 2, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Candles may be purchased from the Sacristy, Parish Office, and de Sousa House.

Each candle is \$10 each and burns up to 6 days.

#### All Saints Day

Wednesday | November 1, 2023

On this holy day of obligation, Mass times are as follows:

- 7:00, 8:15, and 11:00 am
- 6:30 pm

#### All Souls' Day

November 2, 2023

In commemoration of All the Faithful Departed—please join us for Mass:

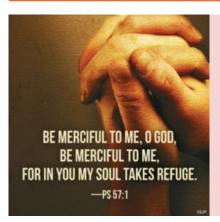
- 7:00 and 8:15 am
- 6:30 pm

### Annual Mass of Remembrance

November 2, 2023 | 6:30 pm

In remembrance of our departed loved ones, we invite our faithful to join us for Mass.

Purchase and dedicate a Memorial Candle and place it in the sanctuary during the memorial Mass.



May God grant us the wisdom and courage to lovingly protect His gift of human life at every stage, in sickness and in health. We pray to the Lord...



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

#### **Pray for Our Sick**

Junaid Safi, Ian Glover, Charlie Glover, Judith Lee Daprano, Lion Rafael De Tagle, Lesli Griffiths

#### Pray for Our Recently Departed

Cathy Puleo, Scott Marcelo, Ely Buensuceso, Michel Agbovi, Josephine Agboyan, John M. "Jack" Sullivan, Sergio Martin Garcia

#### **Birthday Blessings**

Fr. Aloysius



# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

Tues. and Thurs. 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.



### INVITE

#### **Indian Society Food Sale**

October 15, 2023

The Holy Spirit Indian Society is hosting their Food Sale after all the morning and 12:30 pm Masses. \$5 and \$10 meal options available. Proceeds will help fund parish projects. Thank you for your support!

#### **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.

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, contact Helen Campbell at 510.795.7958.

#### The Chosen: An Interactive Bible Study

Mondays | 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.

Purchase the study guide for Season 1 through Amazon.

#### Filipino Society Food Sale

October 22, 2023

The Filipino Society will be hosting their \$7 meal deal next Sunday after the morning and 12:30 Masses. Stop by the Parish Center—get a great meal at a deal.

For large orders, please email us by Thursday, October 19th at hsfs.communications@gmail.com. We thank you for your support. Proceeds benefit parish special projects.

#### **Stephen Ministry**

Are you looking for a way to serve our parish? The Stephen Ministry of Holy Spirit Church prayerfully and lovingly ministers to parishioners mourning the loss of a loved one. Stephen ministers support families through the funeral rites and assist with the planning process.

When we help during funerals, each time commitment is typically about 2 hours, which includes setting up in the church, greeting guests, and participating in the Mass. Any amount of time you can give is appreciated.

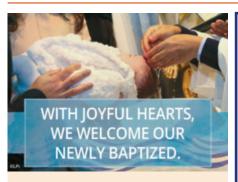
If you are interested in joining the Stephen Ministry, contact the Parish Office at 510.797.1660 or info@holyspiritfremont.org

#### **Vocations Crucifix Program**

We are looking for parishioners to host the Vocations Crucifix and pray for 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 presented with the Vocations Crucifix and invited to pray for two weeks.

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



Nomi Soul, Tala, Rory, Marlysse, Aleia Mae

#### October is Respect Life Month

#### Rosary for Life

Throughout the month of October, join us in praying the Rosary:

- Mondays to Saturdays, after the 7:00 am Mass
- Tuesdays and Thursdays, after the 8:15 am Mass
- Sunday, October 29, after all the Masses

Respect Life Prayer Service | Saturday, October 28, 2023

Join us for our Respect Life prayer service and wreath-laying ceremony immediately after the  $5:00~\rm pm$  Mass. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.



## AROUND THE PARISH



#### Simbang Gabi 2023

Join us for our traditional Simbang Gabi Masses in preparation for the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior on December 15-23 at 6:30 pm.

To support our Simbang Gabi novena, please contact the following: **Mass Sponsors:** Jennie Visitacion, 650.219.6417 or Stephanie Delarosa, 415.937.3704

**Souvenir booklet:** Albert Leano, 310.867.3266

**Lector/Eucharistic Minister:** Femy Fonacier, 408.307.0359

A sign up sheet can also be found in the vestibule at the church main entrance. For more information, please contact Pat Saturnio at 510.468.7321

#### Publicity Requests for November and December

Due to the upcoming holidays, please submit any/all publicity requests at least three (3) weeks prior to the publication/publicity date.

Go to our parish website at <a href="https://holyspiritfremont.org/publicityrequest/">https://holyspiritfremont.org/publicityrequest/</a> to submit your request.

#### 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 donor(s):

- Oct. 14 ... In Memory of Veronica Nicholas (correction)
- Oct. 23 ... Convalidation of Abar & Caroline Nicholas

#### Parish Gift Shop

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas—in October! Stop by our Parish Gift Shop and check out our selection of Christmas articles, including nativity scenes and ornaments. Shop hours are Sundays, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

### Holy Spirit School Crab Feed—Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 16, 2024. Our annual Holy Spirit School Crab Feed will take place in the Parish Center. It's all the crab you can eat and plenty of fun! More information to come.



#### Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End

We are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when loved ones approach life's end, we may not know how to provide compassionate care. Surround your friend or family member with love, support, and companionship that are "anchored in unconditional respect for their human dignity, beginning with respect for the inherent value of their lives" (*To Live Each Day with Dignity*, USCCB).

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This is a summary of a USCCB Respect Life Program article by the same name. To read the full version, go to <u>usccb.org/endoflifecare</u>.

#### **Parish Office**

Mondays to Fridays 9:00 am to 5:00 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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