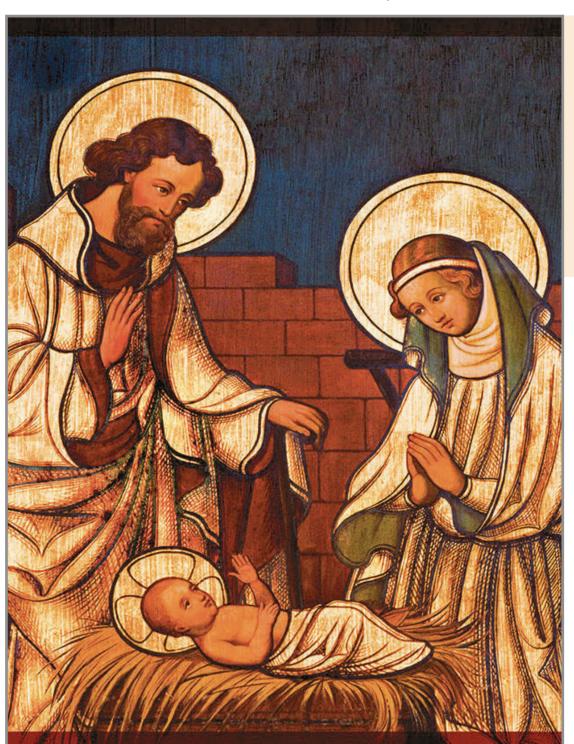


SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2023 | FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



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: January 6, 2024

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: January 5, 2024

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, DECEMBER 31 | FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

5:00 pm † Estella Chico, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr., † Valentin B. Aguinaldo,

(Vigil Mass) † Eduardo M. Moskaira

7:15 am † Purification Swaminathan, † Maria Ngoy Dinh, † Souls in Purgatory,

† Carmen Acosta

9:00 am † Ememorita Gonzales, † Ruben Real, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr.,

† Bienvenida Bonoan Ballesteros

10:45 am Espiritu Family,Emmanuel Oblena, Poly and Deepa Palamuttam,

† Renato Diokno

† Tony Durante Family, † Ernesto Kong Jr., † Valentin B. Aquinaldo,

12:30 pm † Eduardo M. Moskaira

5:00 pm Guevarra Family, Kersten & Dash Plicner, † Myra Jose, † Lourdes & Fred Udo

11:00 pm Erna Edejer Lacebal, † Joseph Butler, † Pedro Najar

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 | SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

THE MOTHER OF GOD

Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

7:00 am Esperanza Rose Vergara,† Megan Marquez, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr.

9:30 am Ansy Mary Thanksgiving to Holy Trinity, † Pilar Torres, † Prospero Ong

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 | MEMORIAL OF SAINTS BASIL THE GREAT AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS & DOCTORS OF THE CHURCH

1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

7:00 am Lawrence Acosta, † Maria Angela Ching, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr.

8:15 am Anne Asis Junco, † Rosita Flores, † Rhoda Alegado

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 | CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

7:00 am Marika de Jesus, † Godofredo Aquino, † Domingo Marquez 8:15 am Rolando B. Esteban, Ofelia Marquez, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr.

6:30 pm | Jose |r - Letty Aguirre

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

1 |n 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/|n 1:35-42

7:00 am Agnes Velasquez, Anne Monique A. Villanueva, † Benita Ramirez 8:15 am Ramon & Tessie Sugay, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr., † Edgardo Asuncion

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

7:00 am Lucy Shagday & Family, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr.

8:15 am Ramon & Tessie Sugay , Dave Reali 6:30 pm For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 | CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

7:00 am † Bill & Mavilla Hanks, † Ruperto Tankeh, Sr., † Rick Garcia 8:15 am Marissa Joy Cruzada, † John Briske, † Carolina Racca

12:00 pm For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

NOURISH





FROM THE DESK OF DN. BERNARD...

As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family in this Octave of Christmas, we honor Jesus, the Blessed Virgin Mary,

and St. Joseph as a perfect family. At the same time, we reflect upon this holy model of faith, love, and unity.

Just like anyone of us in numerous ways, the household of Jesus, Mary and Joseph lived the ordinary day-to-day routine that a typical family experienced – work, errands, mealtimes, household chores, childrearing, and so on. They may have solved problems, shared their joys, laughter, tears, hurt or sickness, and sorrows. I'm very sure they have encountered all this as a family, including the gossip and embarrassment they had to face when Mary was found to be pregnant. Then, envision when the Holy family migrated to Egypt; the sacrifices they made to save their child. Think about the long journey and how hard it was for all of them. Did they travel by foot or by boat, by donkey or by something else? Imagine the joy and the sorrow they felt when they presented Jesus at the temple. How about their worries when they lost lesus? Sometimes, I would even think that the little boy lesus could have been bullied for being good and obedient.

This is significant because it reveals God's love for family life. God, the Father, allowed His Divine Son to live this kind of life, and as a result, elevated family life to a place within the Trinity. The Holy Family reveals to us that every family is invited to share as members of God's family by encountering our ordinary daily lives with grace and virtue.

Jesus came into this world to show us the importance of a family - a father, a mother, and child/children. He could have come instantly well-developed in human form, but he didn't. Instead, He came just like anyone of us, normally conceived in the mother's womb and brought up in a household that consists of a father and a mother. In this way, Jesus was teaching us how to be humble, to be obedient and dependent to our parents, to love our families and others.

Mary and Joseph's faith in God had to be shared and taught to little Jesus. Likewise, if we believe in God and follow Jesus Christ, then by all means, catechism should begin at home. Parents should take on the responsibility of teaching their children faith and to model the virtues. They should teach the importance of praying and being dependent on God. Jesus, even in His adult life, always gave a special time to pray to God, the Father.

What makes them a Holy Family? It is their faithfulness to the will of God as well as their love, care, and respect for one another. They believed in God's plans and mostly, they trusted God especially during those times when they did not have a full understanding as to why such events were happening.

As children of God, our goal is to bring each member of our families to heaven. With faith, love, peace, and joy residing in our hearts and lives, we, too, can inspire others to become holy. Perhaps, this could be our resolution for the new year.

We wish you all a New Year filled with God's blessings.

Dn. Bernard & Jean

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

The Holy Family Watch formed.org



In this FORMED Now! special episode, Dr. John Sehorn sits down to reflect on the Holy Family of Nazareth—Jesus, Mary, and Joseph—and how they serve as the model for families today.



SERVE

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.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

We are in need of new Eucharistic Ministers, especially for the 12:30 pm and 5:00 pm Masses on Sundays.

Please contact Dee Francisco at Dee.francisco3@yahoo.com to join this ministry.

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 Josephine at 510.797.1660 or info@holyspiritfremont.org

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.

For more information about this important ministry, contact the Parish Office at info@holyspiritfremont.org or 510.797.1660.



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:

- ⇒ Dry Pinto Beans—1-lb.bags
- ⇒ Tomato Sauce
- ⇒ Vienna Sausaae

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

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.





Second Collection: St. Vincent de Paul December 30-31, 2023

This weekend's Second Collection benefits St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Your contributions help our less fortunate neighbors with food, utilities, rent, and other emergency needs.

Our ministry thanks Holy Spirit families who support us through monetary contributions, pantry food, and prayers.

Giving

Special Collection coming up:

Diocesan Seminarians / Vocations Program | January 7

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



Women Gather

Saturday, January 20, 2024

Once again, we invite you to join Women Gather. Come early for a cup of coffee, to meet and greet the others joining us for prayer and faith sharing.

Prayer at 10:00 am is followed by lunch and an afternoon of service. Space at Casa Julie is limited, please RSVP to Sr. Annette at 408-390-7184 for details.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 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.

Prayer for the New Year

Help Us Enter the New Year

God of all time, help us enter
the New Year quietly,
thoughtful of who we are to ourselves
and to others,
mindful that our steps make an impact
and our words carry power.

May we walk gently.

May we speak only after we have listened well.

Creator of all life, help us enter the New Year reverently, aware that you have endowed every creature and plant, every person and habitat with beauty and purpose.

May we regard the world with tenderness.

May we honor rather than destroy.

Lower of all souls,
help us enter the New Year joyfully,
willing to laugh and dance and dream,
remembering our many gifts with thanks
and looking forward to blessings yet to come.

May we welcome your lavish love.

In this new year, may the grace and peace of Christ bless us now and in the days ahead.

- Vinita Hampton Wright





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

- Nishah
- Teresa Garcia

Pray for Our Recently Departed

- Maria Rosa
- Anastasia Murtagh
- Felicitas Solanga Montenegro

Birthday Blessings

- Dn. Chuck Glover
- Vanina Kim



New Year Mass Times

New Year's Eve Sunday December 31, 2023

5:00 pm - Mass

10:00 pm - Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

11:00 pm - Mass

New Year's Day Monday January 1, 2024

7:00 and 9:30 am



INVITE

Parish Blood Drive

January 7, 2024 | 8:00 - 11:00 am

We need your help to help those in our area who need blood. Each day, 43,000 pints of blood are used in the United States and Canada and less than 10% of the population in the U.S. donates annually.

Please support our Parish Blood Drive next Sunday, January 7th, in the Peace Center. Please make an appointment as those with an appointment will be taken first. You can schedule an appointment at donors.vitalant.org - just click "Donate Blood" & enter Sponsor Code: HolyHoly or contact Kendee at kendeehs@yahoo.com.

Your life giving donation will change the life of someone in our community. We really appreciate your support especially during the holidays! Thank You!

Filipino Society Food Sale

Price Change

Due to increased food and supply costs, the Filipino Society will be increasing the price of our meal deal to \$10 (including bottled water) starting in 2024. We thank you for your support as we continue our mission of fund-raising for our scholarships and special projects for Holy Spirit Parish.

The Chosen: An Interactive Bible Study

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

Beginning, Monday, January 22, 2024, 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 2 through Amazon.

Holy Spirit School Open House

Sunday, January 28, 2024 | 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Save the date! Join us for our Open House as we kick off Catholic Schools Week. Stop by and see our amazing parish school. Meet the faculty and staff, and receive information on kindergarten testing. We look forward to seeing you at the Open House!

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.

CYO Track & Field Team 2024

Come join the Holy Spirit Track & Field Team! Run for FUN! Run for your health, mind and spirit!

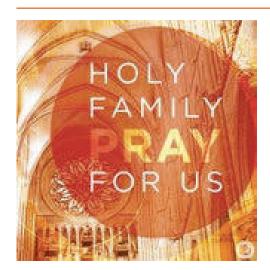
Open to children in Kinder through 8th grade. Kids can participate in sprints, distance runs, relays, jumping and throwing events (2 Field & 1 Running or 2 Running & 1 Field event combinations).

Our focus will be on having FUN, good sportsmanship and being a beacon of Christian fellowship. No experience required. Athletes will train at their level.

To register, go to:

https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=482484

For more information please contact Coach Chris at cdcanotal@yahoo.com





The Bishop's Ministries Appeal supports the ministries that go out into the parishes: faith formation and evangelization, CYO sports, formation of priests to serve parishioners, care of the retired priests, and meeting the unexpected needs of schools and parishes.

We invite you to learn more about how your support makes a difference, and donate in a way that works for you – be it a a recurring gift, a one-time gift, or a pledge. Scan the QR code or go to https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page



AROUND THE PARISH





In observance of New Year, please note the following parish closures:

December 29, 2023-January 2, 2024

Parish Office & Rectory
De Sousa House
Adoration Chapel

On behalf of Fr. Ken, Fr. Eddie, Fr. Binh, Fr, Frank, all of our deacons and parish staff, we pray that you and your loved ones have a wonder-filled Christmas and a blessed New Year.

See you at Mass!

Grief Support

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. Information shared is strictly confidential. For more information, please contact Helen Campbell at 510.795.7958.

Ignatian Companions

If you have a yearning to deepen your spiritual life while accompanying the poor and marginalized in your community, Ignatian Companions may be the answer! It is a program for adults who want to connect their spirituality with service to those in need while engaging with other Companions in dialogue, prayer, and reflection. For more information, contact Marco Matute at marco@saintagnessf.org or 415-297-7954 or go to ignatian-companions.org

Nourish—Support for Caregivers

Nourish for Caregivers is a ministry created specifically to offer support to the unique challenges of in-home caregivers. This Christ -centered program brings resources and support to family caregivers who carry both the blessing and burden of providing comfort and healing to people who are ill, suffering, and need special care. Caregivers can join local and/or national Zoom calls for support (En Español). Go to https://oakdiocese.org/catholics-care for additional information.

Current Schedule of Local Nourish Calls:

1st & 3rd Tuesday (2:00 pm)
3rd Wednesday (7:00 pm)
4th Thursday (7:00 pm)
Local Nourish Calls in Spanish:
1st & 3rd Viernes (7:00 pm)
National Nourish Calls:
Tuesday (8am) & Thursday (8:00 am)

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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