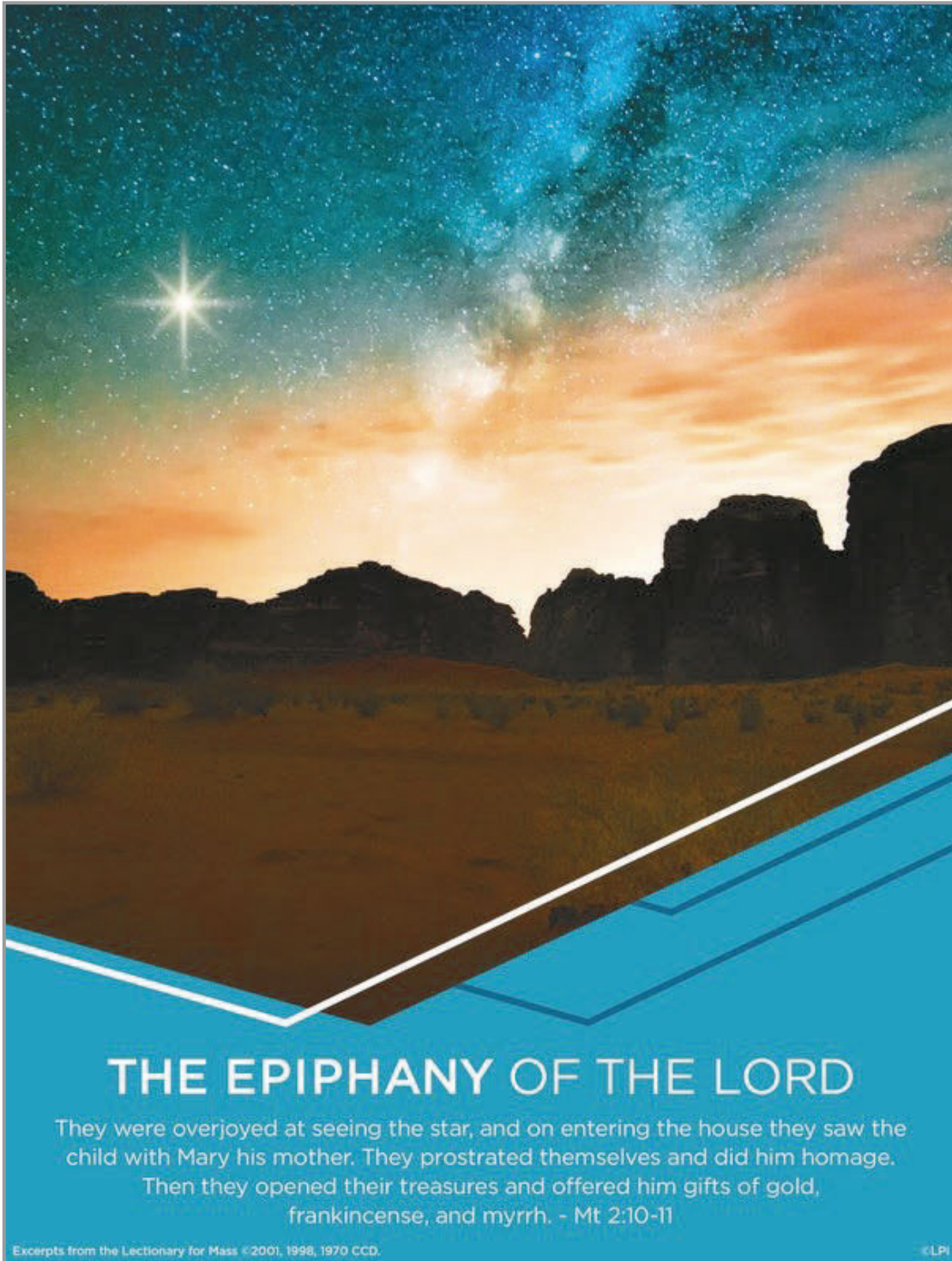




SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



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They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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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.

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Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm (except on Holy Saturday)
Thursday before First Friday: 3:30 pm (except if it falls on Holy Thursday)
Weekdays: call for an appointment

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: February 1, 2025

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: February 7, 2025

Mass Intentions

To request a Mass, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org or stop by the Parish Office.

New to Holy Spirit?

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

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To learn about the Catholic faith, please call 510.456.4975

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)	† Ramiro Castellanos, † Rocco Filippone
7:15 am	† Damisa Gomez, † Rocco Filippone, † Magfedio Raymundo, † Inocencia Raymundo
9:00 am	Ramon & Tessie Sugay, † Rosario Ramada, † Connie Soto, † Erlinda De Guzman
10:45 am	Tulio Family, † Patricia Barry, † Nolan Gatchalian, † Rogelio Malonzo Tulao
12:30 pm	The People of Holy Spirit Parish
5:00 pm	Dylan Francisco & Peter Daco, Joshua Alimpia, Estrada-Salindong Family, Savage Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 | MONDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

7:00 am	Hermelina Alejandro & Family, † Leslie Mendonsa, † Eugene F. Alejo, Jr.
8:15 am	Jose Jr & Letty Aguirre, Marissa Joy Cruzada, † Philip Maria

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 | TUESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

7:00 am	Marie Caribunay, † Eugene F. Alejo, Jr., † Philip Maria & Family
8:15 am	Susie Keim, † Irene Nacino

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 | WEDNESDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

7:00 am	† Warren Velasquez & Family, † Philip Maria & Family
8:15 am	Chito Sanchez, Cybill & Jonathan Smith
6:30 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Ignacio Yumena, † Prudencia Ragundin, Dave Realí

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 | THURSDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

7:00 am	† Perfecto Castaneda, † Exalt D'sa, † George Kamlley
8:15 am	Letty Ragundin Aguirre, Kate Speaks, † Philip Maria

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 | FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

7:00 am	Ramola & Jose, Rosalyn Jose, † Ramona Dote Esteves
8:15 am	† Philip Maria

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 | SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

7:00 am	The People of Holy Spirit Parish
8:15 am	Lurli Dobzyniak, † Reyna Castellanos

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 DN BERNARD...

There are numerous instances when God is manifested in both Old and New Testaments. If we look deeper into our daily lives, one will realize that God is always revealing Himself to us.

The wise men from the east came to find the newborn King of the Jews. Their story reveals to us how God makes His presence felt among them. The Magi's story can also be an eye opener for all of us to learn from, and perhaps follow. They represent us, the Gentiles, looking for what matters most in life. To those who search for Him, to the full extent of wanting to know Him, Jesus will surely reveal Himself.

The Magi's desire to find the Messiah was enough for them to achieve their goal, even though their journey was not easy. Their search would have been a snap of the finger if they had all the gadgets we have right now (GPS, electronic communications, transportation advancement, and so on).

In a way, the wise men's only recourse was to follow a special bright Star (Jesus) as their own GPS (God Points to a Savior) for their guide. Their determination, willpower, faith and sacrifices kept them on track, despite the many obstacles and diversions that they had to undergo in finding the Lord.

We may say I know who Jesus is, but if we only seek Him when we need Him, then, we really don't know Him. Not knowing Him is not finding out who He truly is, and this would be a big mistake. One bishop told of a theologian who, when dying, made this lament: "All my life long I did research on Christ, but I did not search for Him."

The Magi left their homes and gave up everything for Christ. Their love for God was admirable and noteworthy. The sacrifices they made showed how much they love God. For sacrifice and love go hand in hand. To demonstrate our love to God and neighbor, we need to make sacrifices each day even if it is a small one. It isn't love when there is no sacrifice.

We are just like the Magi; pilgrims here on earth in search for God. Just like them, along our earthly journey, we face hardship, obstacles, challenges that come to each one of us. The sacrifices we make in our pilgrimage reward us with the pearl of great joy when we come face-to-face with the Lord.

The questions are: How much and how far are we willing to give so that we can find Jesus? What sacrifices are we willing to make for God and others?

May we find the true treasure in life, and when we do, may we offer ourselves as gift to Him, our Savior. Then, we can truly say, "Happy Epiphany!"

God bless us all.

Dn. Bernard & Jean

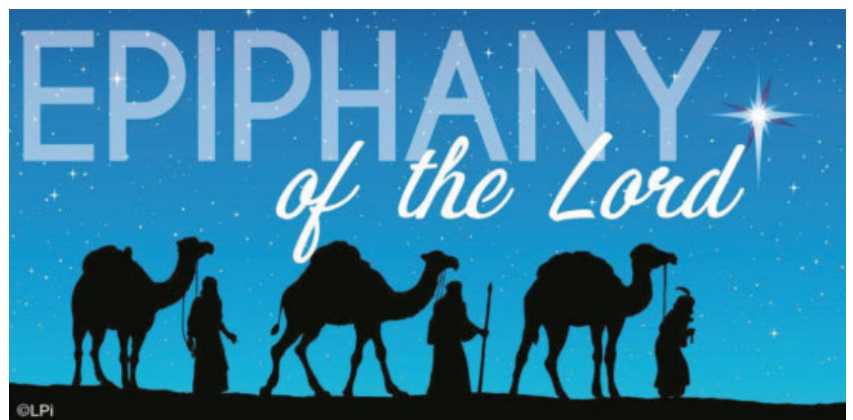
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Diaconate Formation Information Meetings

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO THE DIACONATE?

A new Deacon Formation class is starting in the Diocese of Oakland. For more information, interested men and their wives are invited to attend one of the information meetings.

Date: Sunday, January 5, 2025 OR Sunday, January 26, 2025

Time: 2:00-3:00 pm

Location: Transfiguration Church Parish Hall, 4000 E. Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley

For more information, Cielo Barroso-Branco in the Diocesan Office of Clergy Services: 510.267.8356 or CBranco@oakdiocese.org

Thank You!

Thank you so much for your support of our Sister Parish, St. Joseph the Worker, in Ngundu, Tanzania!

The children are studying very hard and making great progress. A total of \$35,599.50 was wired to the Diocese of Same for 2025. Here are the details:

- \$30,306.50 for 74 children
- \$2,450 for 7 Vocational students
- \$2,843 for 2 students supported by private donors

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

We are in need of new Eucharistic Ministers for the 8:15 am Daily and Sunday 5:00 pm Masses. Contact Dee Francisco at dee@holyspiritfremont.org if interested in joining this ministry.

Join the Altar Society

We are in need of volunteers to help with the upkeep and maintenance of the sanctuary and care for altar linens. If interested, contact our Art & Environment Ministry via text at 510.378.1933.

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
- ⇒ Chef Boyardee / Canned Pasta
- ⇒ Spam

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 for Maintenance & Improvement Fund January 4-5, 2025

This weekend's Second Collection is for our Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund.

Restricted funds collected will be used for the maintenance and improvements of our facilities and deferred maintenance, and repairs such as plumbing issues, roof leaks, campus lighting and improved security, just to name a few.

For more information, please contact Eric Hom at eric@holyspiritfremont.org.

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

Corner

Sunday, December 15

\$34,778

Second Collection coming up:

Diocesan Seminarians/Vocations Program | January 12

Our weekly collection goal (excluding special collections):
\$34,210

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.



Scripture Study—"Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled"

January 8, 2025 | Wednesdays
7:30-8:45 pm | de Sousa House

The Gospel readings on Sundays during this new liturgical year will come primarily from the Gospel according to Luke.

Join us on Wednesdays for a short eight-week program on the study of the Gospel of Luke consisting of a 15-minute daily preparation at home and a weekly small group session.

This New Year, we invite you to deepen your understanding of the Gospel through dedicated study, actively engaging with scripture and seeking to apply its teachings more fully in your daily life.

In this eight-part study, Jeff Cavins and Dr. Jeffrey Morrow show us the beautiful Biblical roots for Mary, the Rosary, and the Mass that are found in Luke, strengthening your prayer life like never before.

Materials will be provided. To register, please contact Rosalyn@holyspiritfremont.org

Women Gather

Saturday, January 18, 2025

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.



Walk for Life West Coast January 25, 2025

Join us as we walk for the littlest among us at the 21st Annual Walk for Life West Coast. We continue to bear witness to life from conception to natural death as we peacefully walk and pray to change hearts and minds and for healing.

Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

9:30 am: Walk for Life Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cordileone

Rally and Walk

Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco

12:30 pm: Walk for Life Rally

1:30 pm: Walk begins

We will hire a bus to transport parishioners to San Francisco for the Mass and the Rally, with the support of our Knight of Columbus Council.

Scan the QR code to reserve your spot. Please share the QR code and invite your family and friends to join us.

Please contact rosalyn@holyspiritfremont.org for more information.



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

- Raymil "Niño" Hortillosa
- Andrew C. Javier, III
- Alfredo Pisco
- Lourdes Pisco

Pray for Our Recently Departed

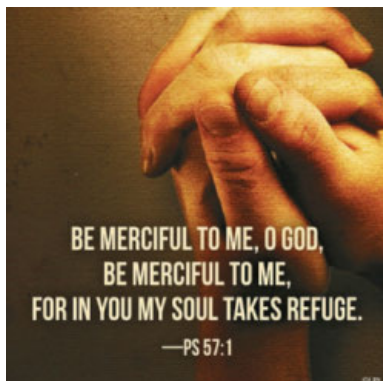
- Fr. Celso Nolasco Gomes
- Catalina Dy-Liacco
- Marietta Herrera

Birthday Blessings

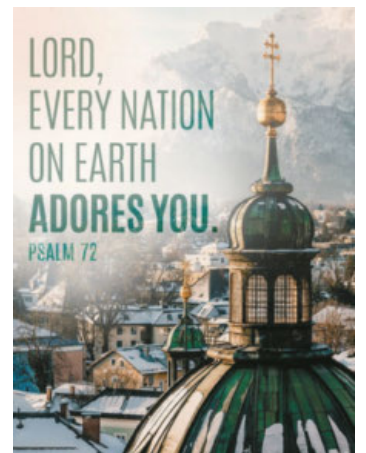
- Dn. Chuck Glover
- Rosalyn Jose
- Peter Scampavia
- Emily Francisco

Wedding Anniversary Blessings

- Dn. Chuck & Sherry Glover (58 yrs.)
- Dylan Francisco & Peter Daco (2 yrs.)



Lord, as we embark on this new year, we lift up to you, our loved ones, our communities, and the world. May your peace reign in our hearts and in the hearts of all people. Bring healing where there is brokenness and reconciliation where there is division.





INVITE



Maintenance Technician Lead Needed

Holy Spirit Parish & School is seeking a qualified individual as our part-time, 23 hours per week, Maintenance Technician Lead.

The successful candidate will be responsible for providing preventative and predictive routine maintenance work, semi-skilled carpentry and plumbing work along with other minor buildings and grounds repair work throughout the campus.

Visit the Announcements page our parish website for responsibilities and job classifications—<https://holyspiritfremont.org/announcements/>

Interested candidates should send their cover letter and resume to Eric Hom, Business Manager at eric@holyspiritfremont.org.

CYO Track & Field

CYO Track & Field registration is now open for all athletes, regardless of experience. Kinder to 8th Graders welcome.

Registration is \$100 for the Spring 2025 season. Go to HolySpiritCYO.com to register. Contact Tom Fezler at Crosscountryathleticdirector@holyspiritcyo.com for more information.

Math Tutor For Grades 6-8

A parishioner is volunteering his time to help middle schoolers with Math. If interested in signing up your child, please contact faithformation@holyspiritfremont.org.

Filipino Society Food Sale

January 5, 2025 | Peace Center

The Filipino Society will be hosting their \$10 meal deal next Sunday after the morning and 12:30 Masses. Join us for a great meal and fellowship. We thank you for your support. Proceeds benefit parish special projects.



Community Night Out

January 29, 2025 | 12:00-8:00 pm
Billy Roy's Burger Co.

All are welcome! Please join us for the Holy Spirit Church & School Community Dining Out Fundraiser. Bring your family and friends to Billy Roy's!

10% of your dining goes back to support our Holy Spirit School students. Please present the flyer at time of purchase—see Page 7.

Holy Spirit School Crab Feed Save The Date!

Holy Spirit School is hosting its annual Crab Feed & Auction on March 1, 2025. There will be lots of food, fun and fellowship.

Contact HSSCrabFeed@gmail.com for more information.



Reina

Sister Parish Benefit Concert Postponed

The benefit concert, featuring the Saringhimig Singers, scheduled for December 7, 2024, has been postponed indefinitely (due to the maestro's illness).

If you purchased a ticket, you may choose to donate the value of the ticket to Holy Spirit Parish. If you would like a refund, please bring your ticket to the Parish Office during regular business hours.



AROUND THE PARISH



HERE'S THE SITCH...

From Fr. Ken's Desk: 2024 Maintenance & Improvements Recap

Thank You for supporting our monthly Maintenance & Improvement Fund. Without your faithful support, the projects completed below wouldn't have happened. While we have consistently received \$6K per month towards our M&I Fund, our goal in 2025 is at \$9K/month so we can continue to address our deferred maintenance. This takes everyone in our community to chip in and participate. Whatever amount you can give to the M&I Fund is greatly appreciated; however, this should be above and beyond what you currently give to our regular offertory collection. With an aging campus, your support of our M&I Fund is that much more critical as our newly formed Buildings & Grounds Committee works to secure, improve, and enhance our existing infrastructure. If you have any questions, suggestions or if you see something that needs to be repaired, contact our Business Manager Eric Hom at eric@holyspiritfremont.org. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

2024 Completed Facility Projects

2024 Completed Facility Projects	Cost
Church Door in Vestibule	\$3,000.00
New Replacement Fire Hoses in Church	\$2,000.00
Tree Trimming	\$10,000.00
Broken Underground Irrigation Water Pipe in Backfield	\$2,000.00
Governo House Water Heater	\$6,000.00
Governo House Plumbing (New Copper Pipes & Underground Sewer Pipes)	\$15,000.00
Repair Bathroom Leak (Shower) in Fr. Frank's Room	\$5,000.00
Replacement Ice Machine in Desousa House	\$3,000.00
Replacement AC Unit in Church Audio/Visual Room	\$4,000.00
New AC Unit in Rectory Office	\$4,000.00
Rectory Roof Leak (New Roof Drain & Pipe)	\$12,000.00
Parish Center (Gym) New Water Heater	\$6,000.00
Holy Ghost Cemetery Tree Trimming & General Maintenance	\$8,000.00
Total Expenses	\$80,000.00

Parish Office

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HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH AND SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY DINING OUT FUNDRAISER

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CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!

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HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

In observance of Christmas and New Year, please note the following parish closures and modified hours:

Dec. 24, 2024 to Jan. 5, 2025
De Sousa House Closed

Dec. 24-29, 2024 & Dec. 31, 2024 to Jan. 1, 2025
Parish Office & Rectory Closed

Dec. 30, 2024 & Jan. 2-5, 2025
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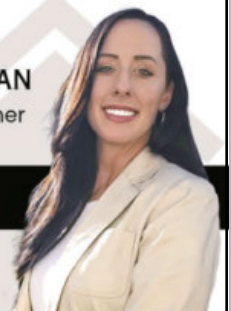
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