



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Ministering to the people in Rincon Valley and beyond

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Mass Schedule:

Stations of the Cross: March 17th -Fridays, 5 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5pm.

Sunday: 7:30 & 10:15 am.

Liturgy of the Word for Children: Sundays 10:15 am.

Weekdays: Mondays-Thursday & First Friday & First Saturdays 9am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Every Thursday and First Saturdays following 9 am Mass
or at the Rectory with an appointment**

For other Sacraments:

Please call the Parish Office

6 months in advance for Marriage

3 months in advance for Baptism

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT **March 11 - 12, 2017**

... from the *Pastor's Desk*

Things to do during Lent: We are all asked to embrace the practices of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving during Lent.

Fasting: The directives for fasting were posted in the bulletin a few weeks ago and I do encourage each of you to add a "small fast" of something each day. It could be as simple as no sugar in your coffee or no second cup of coffee. Perhaps eating a bit less food at each meal or skipping the bread or desert works for you. These small gestures add up and you will feel the difference. And fasting does not apply to food only – you can also fast from internet or TV time a bit each day.

Almsgiving: I explained our parish-wide Lenten Almsgiving effort of 'House-In-A-Box' in great detail last week. You have already been very generous with our special collections and I know that each of you is aware that God will bring a person [or persons] before you with whom He asks you to share time, treasure or talent Do not let these Grace-filled moments pass you by.

Prayer: The idea is to add more prayer in your daily life. You all have the Lenten devotional books I gave you. If not there are more available. Church is open every day from 8:00 until 5:30. Stop by for a visit. Daily Mass is at 9 in the morning and I've added a Wednesday evening mass at 6:30pm for further convenience. Thursdays there is Holy Hour with Benediction from 9:30-10:30 am. Confessions are also heard during that time. Fridays we have Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm.

Come to all or one. I do strongly encourage you to make the effort to attend some of these services. Not so much that I care about numbers – but I want you to receive the spiritual benefit, the blessing of time with Our Lord and His people.

God Bless and keep you,

Father Ron

MASS INTENTIONS – March 11 - 19:

Sat	11	5:00	+(Teri) Theresa Guaraldi
Sun	12	7:30	+Bernie Pola
		10:15	+Archie da Luz
Mon	13	9:00	+Sandy Parker
Tue	14	9:00	Intentions of Julie Radcliff
Wed	15	9:00	Int. of Covel-DeBruin Family
		6:30	For the People of the Parish
Thurs	16	9:00	+Gayle Darling
Fri	17	9:00	Communion Service
Sat	18	5:00	+David Frey
Sun	19	7:30	+Betty Schwan
		10:15	+Mary E. Byrne

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

The intentions of the Holy Spirit Prayer Chain, Steve Straessler, Tristan Humble, Mauro DeTrizio, Kelly McGuire, Feliciano Llosa, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogio, Bonnie Clark, Adelina Hernandez, Clem Shanahan, Linda Escobar, Bruce Campbell, Yolanda Madrid-Picano and Joann Maniscalco.

FOR THE SOULS OF: Jeanne Huffman and Mary Kyncy.

COLLECTION LAST WEEK: \$7,362.33

BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND: \$2,650.00

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK:

Catholic Relief Services/Campaign for Human Development

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 17th - 5 pm

(Time change for this week only—St. Patrick's Dinner)



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS OF LENT

Many of you cannot make our daily masses at 9am dues to scheduling conflicts. Accordingly, we have added a 630 pm evening mass on Wednesdays during lent. This is a 'Daily' mass, usually about 25 minutes in length.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR OFFICE MANAGER:

Dear Parishioners of Holy Spirit,

I have found myself welling up with tears this last week—especially at Mass when I look around at each of you. I begin to think of the moments we have shared—on the telephone, in the Rectory, at Mass and at social events—since August of 2009.

My three sons and their families are all in Southern California and I have decided I want to be close enough to see them and my grandchildren more often. My home has a “For Sale” sign out front and I am in Southern California this weekend visiting Leisure World, a Senior Community, where I intend to move.

Fr. Ron has graciously accepted that I am going sometime soon. He will be asking the Personnel Board of the Parish Advisory Committee to begin the process of finding my replacement. My hope is that I will be able to help with the transition as needed.

This has not been an easy decision as Holy Spirit is such a large part of my spiritual and personal life as well as my job.

*Thank you all for your love and friendship,
Kathy*

NEW LITURGY SCHEDULE IS NEEDED BEGINNING APRIL 1ST

Please call or email the office with the dates you are unavailable to serve between April and July 31.....Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Greeters, (Lectors please advise Mike Cusack).

PARKING SPACES

"Do to others whatever you would have them do to you." Please note that the striped areas between the hand-caped spaces are NOT parking spaces. Cars have been blocked in multiple times already. Also, the spaces we added in the East parking lot are reserved for those in need of assistance. Kindly be thoughtful and charitable in your parking decisions.

YOUTH MINISTRIES INFORMATION

Faith Formation Grades 1-6

Sunday's Gospel shows both Jesus' future and our own future. The Gospel sets our sight on Easter, just as Peter, James, and John glimpse the risen Jesus for a passing moment. Lent invites us to join Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem where he will be crucified, but also where he will rise victorious from the dead. Check out pflaumweeklies.com to find your free resources designed for families in continuing the Good News at home.

Sunday Classes 9-10:05 am.

Wednesday Classes 3:30-4:30 pm

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

All Junior High Students are invited to join us this Monday (3/13) 3:30-5PM in the Holy Family Room. We will continue our “Encounter; Experiencing God in the Everyday” Bible series. This week we will explore the Eighth Session; The Church.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2ND YEAR

The Monday and Tuesday (3/13&14) we will gather from 6:30 to 8:30pm in the Holy Family Room. We will continue our preparation for Confirmation with Lesson 18: “Are You Talking To Me? Getting to Know God Through Prayer.”

Many thanks to those of you that took “Prayer Cards” for our Confirmation Candidates. Please keep them in your prayers each day until their Confirmation on May 13th.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

All high school teens are invited to join us this Wednesday evening (March 15th) from 7-8:30pm in the Holy Family Room. We will explore another episode of “Joan of Arcadia.”



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22ND
7 PM**

UPCOMING EVENTS!

1. Jr. High Youth, Mon., Mar. 13, 3:30-5pm in the Parish House
2. Confirmation 2nd Year Youth, Mon., Mar. 13, 6:30-8:30pm in the Holy Family Room
3. Confirmation 2nd Year Youth, Tues., Mar. 14, 6:30-8:30pm, in the Holy Family Room
4. Men's Club Dinner Meeting, Tues., Mar. 14, 6:30 pm, in the Hall
5. Grades 1 and 2 Wednesday Class, Wed., Mar. 15, 3:30 -4:30pm, in the Parish House
6. Mass, Wed., Mar. 15, 9 am and 6:30 pm
7. High School Youth, Wed., Mar. 15, 7-8:30pm, in the Holy Family Room
8. Bible Study, Thurs., Mar. 16, 7-8:30 pm, in the Parish House
9. *****Stations of the Cross, Fri., Mar. 17, 5 pm, in the Church *****
10. St Patrick's Day Dinner, HSMC & HSWC, Fri., Mar. 17, 6 pm, in the Hall (Tickets on sale following mass)



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Server
Sat, Mar. 18 5 pm	J. Albers, K. Kinkela	P. Dillaway, M. Johnson, K. Snodgrass, P. O'Brien, D. Mollahan, J. McHugh, S. Simpson	M. DeMeo S. Ayres	
Sun., Mar. 19 7:30 am	K. LeRoy, L. Kubo	Dn. Storm, B. Connolly, L. Desimone	K. Castro	C. D-Hordyk
Sun, Mar. 19 10:15 am	S. Duffy, J. Cook	L. & S. Johnson, R. Vidalin, J. Schlander, K. Stevens, T. Pimentel, C. Griffin	C. DePond	R. Reynolds I. Norcia- Crowell
Children's Liturgy of the Word – Babette O'Shell				
Homebound Week of March 15: P. Breuer, M. Hoefft, E. Manfredi Friends House: Arlene Storm				

Holy Spirit Men's Club & Holy Spirit Women's Club "St. Patrick's Day Dinner"



**Corned Beef & Cabbage
Dinner**

**Live Music by Holy Spirit
Hoolligan Irish Band**

***Plus two Italian
Bartenders!**

Friday, March 17th

Doors Open at 6:00 PM

\$20 per person \$3 cocktails

**Gloria's Famous Irish
Coffee!!**



**ADULTS ONLY PLEASE
TICKETS ON Sale After Masses!**

STAR OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCH will host a Lenton Retreat on Wednesday, March 29th at 1:30 pm in the Monsignor Fahey Parish Center. The title of the retreat is "It's Lent Again! What are you doing to make your life miserable?" Fr. Anthony Rosevear, O.P. a Dominican priest with the Western Dominican Province in San Francisco will be our speaker. FREE Call: 858-663-2880

Men's Club Surprise Dinner Meeting

March 14, 2017

An evening of good food, and good
friends!

Cocktails at 6:30 pm

Dinner at 7 PM

****FREE DINNER FOR ALL**

1st TIME ATTENDEES!!!**

Dinner menu: "Cooks Surprise"!!