

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Ministering to the people in Rincon Valley and beyond

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 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

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-
JULY 2nd and 3rd

... from the *Pastor's Desk* :

Independence Day

How many people this week as they celebrate the 4th of July holiday by grilling their hot dogs, drinking their beer, lighting off their sparklers and fireworks - will stop for even a few moments and bow their head in gratitude? How many will try to think of creative ways to share their abundance with those who do not even have the basic necessities of life?

For that is what this day should mean to us as Catholic Americans. We express our gratitude for the abundant blessings given to this country. And, because of gratitude, we must seek to extend God's blessings to others. Think about it, what made this a great nation?

1. Natural resourcescoupled with...

2. The contributions of many and diverse peoples who came to these shores.

Our greatness, though, must be shown in our care for the most vulnerable of peoples. We must seek to include everyone in the blessings of prosperity. Speeches will be made this Holiday - Our nations fore-fathers will be quoted - songs will be song - all reminding us of how our nation proclaims it's dedication to liberty, to justice, to equal rights and opportunities.

To those to whom much is given, much is expected. If we are blessed, and we most certainly are, we cannot turn within ourselves and ignore the needs of others. Neither can we seek to impose our will on others by our military might, as if justice comes about by force. Might does not make right. Arrogance, vengeance, occupation, are not the ways of the Carpenter from Nazareth. Freedom and liberty must walk hand in hand with responsibility: Responsibility first of all to natural law and to the will of God.

If we desire to spread our ideals to the world, we do this more by sharing our blessings than by imposing our views by force. We must remember always the words of the Lord:

‘Whoever humbles himself will be exalted..’

And as we are seeing already the other half of that proclamation is equally true: Whoever exalts himself will be humbled.

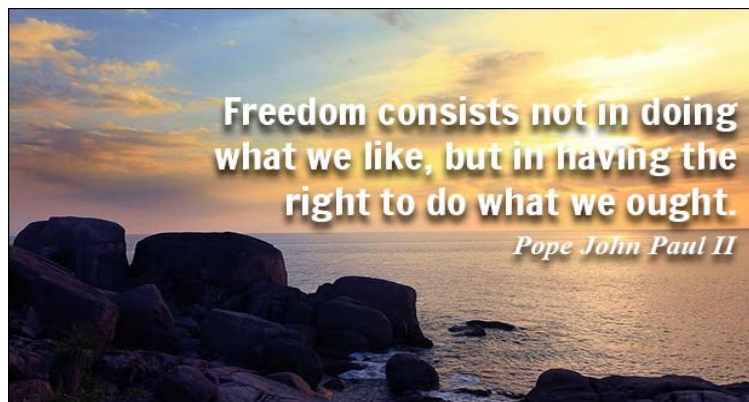
* May the Lord deliver us from overbearing pride and presumption.

* May the Lord help us to be servants of truth and righteousness.

Let us pray for a time in the near future when even a fraction of our military budget can be spent feeding the hungry of the world and providing medicine and health for the world. Injustice is not destroyed by containment or preemption. Ideologies cannot be forced on a people any more than doctrinal beliefs can. People followed Jesus' way not because of what He said - or what was said about Him - but because of what He did. That is how injustice is to be destroyed. And if any leaders dare to call themselves his followers let them truly do as he commanded... that is, the Will of the Lord. Loving enemies, doing good to those who may hate, giving aid to those who might otherwise deprive us of our needs. If this were followed, perhaps all the children of Abraham — those from Isaac, those from Ishmael, and those of faith — could truly be united.

God Bless us,
God Bless America,
God Bless the world.

Father Ron



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: \$6,025.00

ALTAR FLOWERS –Our Altar flowers this week are in honor of the people of Holy Spirit Parish

**NEXT WEEK'S COLLECTION:
BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**



MASS INTENTIONS – July 1st –July 9th:

Sat	1	9:00	Int. of Albert Ghergich B-day
		5:00	+Daniel Sullivan
Sun	2	7:30	Mass for the People
		10:15	Intention of Melissa Nguyen
Mon	3	9:00	Available
Tue	4	9:00	Available
Wed	5	9:00	Int. of Covel-DeBruin Family
Thurs	6	9:00	Int. of Adelard & Alexia Lepire
Fri	7	9:00	+Fran Samuels
Sat	8	5:00	+Richard & Mary Cecilia Dahl
Sun	9	7:30	Mass for the People
		10:15	Jack & Jacky Macy 53rd

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, Helen Hubbard, Joey Benjamin, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bonnie Clark, Barbara McRae, Charlie Rogers, Carol Posehn, Jack Macy, Louis Alan Hodson, Joan Ryan, Renee Dierckx Jackson Langdon, Nina Cantacessi, Debbie Sickma and Lisa Adams

FOR THE SOULS OF: Clem Shanahan, Bruce Campbell Linda Escobar

ATTENTION ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, GREETERS AND SERVERS!!!

Please email the parish office the times you are unable to serve for August, September, October and November so we can get the schedule in order. Thank you!!

14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 8-9

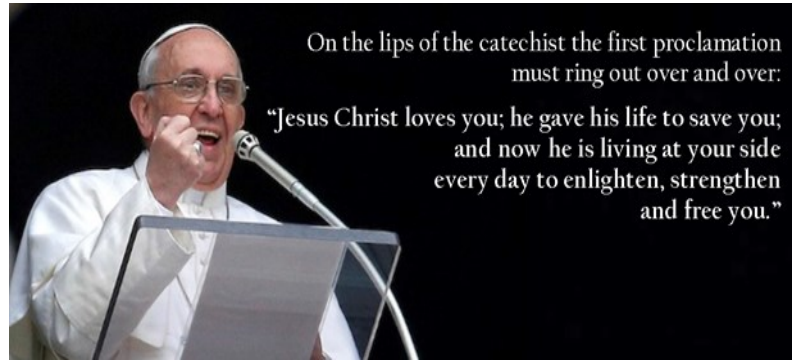
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Servers
Sat, July 8 5 pm	M. Davis, J. McHugh	D. Krempely, J. Landen, E. Manfredi, D. Mollhan, K. Snodgrass	S. Ayres M. DeMeo	M. Johnson
Sun., July 9 7:30 am	P. O'Brien, L. Kubo	Dn. John, B. Antoniuc, P. Mazur	K. Castro	E. McDonnell
Sun, July 9 10:15 am	S. Duffy, J. Cook	B. O'Shell, T. Pimentel, J. Schlander, S. Simpson, K. Stevens, R. Vidalin, P. Dillaway	C. Farias G. Gonzalez Martin	C. Beurtheret I. Norcia-Crowell
Children's Liturgy of the Word – Jane Catelani Howard				
Homebound Week of July 5: P. Breuer, T. Pimentel, D. Mollahan Friends House: Arlene Storm				

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Building the Kingdom, one student at a time!

Walk beside the children of our parish as they explore the Good News of Jesus and our Catholic faith. Over 120 young people (grades K-12) are signing up for Faith Formation classes this Fall. **You can help by training to be a catechist, catechist aide or substitute catechist for Faith Formation 2017-18.** With the many classes offered throughout the week (Sunday to Wednesday... see class times and ages below), you are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule. As you nurture the faith of our young, and walk beside them on their journey of faith, you will grow and learn as well! As one long-time catechist put it, "I learn so much from the children!" We provide you with training, materials and support. Training will be in August and classes begin the week of September 10th.

If interested or for more information, contact Megan O'Neill at 539-4495 ext. 12 or megan4soneill@yahoo.com.



“Faith formation is more than a subject to be taught...it is an invitation to a way of life”.

- Joe Parocki



FAITH FORMATION 2017-2018, IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

We would love to walk beside your children in faith in the coming year. Registration forms are available in the back of the church or in the Faith Formation Office. If you are not already a registered parishioner at Holy Spirit please register in the Parish Office. *Sacramental Preparation classes fill up fast. Save your spot today.*

Grades K-6 Sunday Classes 9-10:05AM or
Wednesday Classes 3:30-4:30PM (if enough students registered)
Confirmation (2nd year prep) 6:30-8:30PM Monday evenings
Junior High Youth Ministry (gr. 7-8) 7-8:30PM Tuesday evenings
High School Youth Ministry (gr. 9-12) 7-8:30PM Wednesday evenings



If your child was a student in the 6th grade class or was a member of a Jr. or Sr. High Youth Ministry this past year and would like to receive their Confirmation next Spring 2018, they will be enrolling for the 2nd yr. Confirmation Prep. this coming Fall.