

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**NEW OFFICE HOURS: Mon., Wed., Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
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Diane Bowman. Call the office.

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Weekend of January 20-21, 2024

MASS & SERVICE SCHEDULE

Weekdays: Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., at 9 am

Tuesday there is a communion service at 9 am.

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 5 pm & on

Youtube

Sunday Masses: 8 am, 10:30 am & on Youtube

1st Saturday of the Month: 9 am



- A Sunday Mass is recorded each week

SACRAMENTS: Please call the office 707.539.4495

Reconciliation: Call the office to schedule.

Marriage: Call 6 months in advance.

Baptism: Call 3 months in advance.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: You may register in person, on our website or by email.

ONLINE DONATING AVAILABLE

Parishioners now have the option to donate online to Holy Spirit Church. Links are available on our website and Facebook page.

Do you know someone who would like Holy Communion at home? Contact the office 707.539.4495.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 20-21, 2024

..from your Pastor's Desk

A.M.A.

Annual Ministry Appeal. I want to start by assuring you that **not a single penny** of the monies collected go to any legal defense or settlements. All monies collected go only to the specific ministries mentioned in the informational packet.

That being said, the A.M.A. is something you are very familiar with. For many years Holy Spirit Parish has been very generous and timely in your response to this appeal. Nice.

So – why do we have this A.M.A. every year? Don't we send the diocese money every month anyway? Well...yes. Let me take a few moments now to explain the relationship between Parish and Diocese. All Roman Catholic parishes worldwide, including ours, do not stand alone as separate entities. They only exist as part of a Diocese - we only exist as part of the Diocese of Santa Rosa – which is a part of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and on and up all the way to The Vatican.

The Church gives us spiritual guidance and direction. To achieve this, it depends upon a formal hierarchical and institutional structure for administrative purposes. Similar to secular organizations and institutions it is dependent upon its constituents for its support - both financial and in our case - spiritual. Here at our parish, we take in a weekly collection to meet our weekly expenses. The Diocese does not have such a capacity. They depend on private benefactors and the individual parishes to fund the various programs that serve each parish and the Diocese as a whole.

So, how are these monies collected and amounts determined? Each parish is assessed a figure based on previous years 'plate' and other contributions. This year our portion towards the A.M.A. is \$34,900 [last years was \$33,268. If by chance we exceed our goal, then 100% of that excess comes right back to us. I have looked into our assessment in comparison to the assessment of all the other parishes and can say that this is fair in that evaluation.

BEFORE I CONTINUE – THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT – ANY CHECK OR CASH CONTRIBUTION MUST HAVE OUR NAME – HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ON IT – so that we get the credit towards our goal. Speaking of which, we can no longer donate to a specific ministry. If you do specify so, it will not count toward our over all goal.

Some of you have already received an A.M.A. mailing, some will this week. We have about 600 households registered in our parish. Some households have already contributed. Some households will contribute soon. Some of you are new here this year so did not receive a mailing. To facilitate the process there will be an 'in-pew' solicitation soon at all the masses.

Envelopes and pencils will be available and you can take a few moments to write your contribution amount and how you will provide it [Check, Money Order, Cash, Credit Card, etc.]. The envelopes are self-explanatory. I prefer that you drop them in our collection basket or at the parish office. But if you have already contributed via mail – there is no need to fill out another one. We will collect the envelopes at the end of Mass – and send them all together, or you can bring it to the next Mass you attend here, or

mail them in yourself. Whichever way you choose - it is imperative that they know you are sending it from this parish so we get full credit towards our goal. Okay? Okay...

Again: Not one cent of monies collected through the A.M.A. goes towards any legal or settlement fees. They ONLY go to the specific ministries mentioned in the informational packets.

Just so you know I have personally pledged \$200.00. So – only \$34,700 more to go! My hope is that with each household giving what they can, 100% participation can be a reality. Together – we can do this!

God bless you, our Parish and our Diocese. **Father Ron**

MASS INTENTIONS: January 20-28

01/20	Sat	5:00 PM	Elly Manfredi's 94th Birthday
01/21	Sun	8:00 am	For the People
01/21	Sun	10:30am	Lorraine Usher's Birthday
01/22	Mon	9:00 am	Available
01/23	Tue	9:00 am	Communion Service
01/24	Wed	9:00 am	Lorraine Usher
01/25	Thur	9:00 am	† Daniel Sullivan
01/26	Fri	9:00 am	† Ken Hicks
01/27	Sat	5:00 PM	† Terry McNally
01/28	Sun	8:00 am	Available
01/28	Sun	10:30am	Available

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: January 27-28

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Min.
Sat. 5:00 pm	#1—Mary H. #2—Henri K.	Cheryl D. Shirley S. Tim S.
Sun. 8:00 am	#1—Bob A. #2—Brian C.	Cindy D-H. Donna K. Arlene S.
Sun. 10:30am	#1—Deanna B. #2—Jane G.	Mary C. Loyde J. Sherry J.

Last Week's General Collection \$ 7476.00
 Online General Fund Offering \$ 1017.50

Next week's second collection is for the Church in Latin America.

Please write separate checks for each offering.
 Thank you!

FUNERALS

George Losada ~ Feb. 3, 2024 at 11 am
 James Barton ~ Feb. 9, 2024 at 11 am
 *Ed McCarthy ~ Feb. 17, 2024 at 10 am
 *NOTE CHANGE OF TIME

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Jim Weese, Laura Zabatta, Jon DeVault, Bruce Marts, Kathy Hauck, John McHugh, Laura Pontes, Nancy Carrey, Larry Darling, Renee Ralls, Marion Fairbank, Tim Coyne, John Scrempo, Mike and Nancy Cusack, Cecelia Bautista, Bob Spalding, Donald Brent, Tristan Humble, Pat LaRussa, Marlene Knivila, Jenny Lemp, Doug Harman, Karin Lee, Margaret Duffy, Maria Alvarez, Mary Jo Toth, Mary Davis, Arthur Tyler, Lisa Bennett, Ruth Ann Haisey, Lew & Margie Chase, Anthony Ibarra, the Pisenti family, The Holy Spirit Prayer Chain.

FOR THE SOULS

Terry McNally, Derek Dunn, Bill Pinella, George Macaulay, Barbara Nowacki, Phyllis Smith, Ed McCarthy, Laura Dole, Arlene Figueroa, Mike Milano, Bob Jenness, Doris Gianini DeFord, Bill Davis, Kathy Stoddard, Dominica Mollahan, William Ouimette, Kim Seghezzi, Stephen Otis, Sister Rosann Fraher, Joe Darling, Dan Ann Hansen, Helen Keefer, Joan Martin, Toni Drucker, Frank Siroky.

Please call the office if you wish to add or keep someone on the prayer list. Each name will remain for 3 months from the time we receive a request unless we hear otherwise.

SAVE THE DATE
All Parish Lent Program
For ALL AGES
Wednesday, February 7th
5:30 pm

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE
The Italian Catholic Federation is
awarding scholarships to the class of
2024 high school graduates.

Applicants must be a Catholic, have at least a 3.2 GPA, and any Italian ancestry. Applicants do NOT need to be enrolled in a Catholic school. Applications available from high school counselors, online at www.icf.org, or call 888.icf1924.



While on mission in the world, St. Catherine of Siena maintained an “inner chapel” in her soul to speak with God, heart to heart. Jesus urged us to do the same (Matthew 6:6). Shut out the world for a while and take refuge in your inner chapel every day. Sit at His feet. Mary believed in Jesus and gave Him her best. He must be our hope, our salvation, our all. This is absolutely necessary. Encounter Him in others.

Mother Teresa said, “Until you can hear Jesus in the silence of your own heart, you will not be able to hear Him saying ‘I thirst’ in the hearts of the poor.” The closer we grow to God, the better we’ll “see” and love Him in others. Serve Him.

BAPTISM CLASS -
NOTE DATE CHANGE
Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 10 am
in the church.

Consider attending if you will be baptizing your child or if you will be a godparent in the near future.

~ GRIEF SUPPORT ~

Grief can catch us off guard sometimes, no matter how long ago the loss. God knows our needs during this tender time and provides generously. One way is through the loving support group here at Holy Spirit. We hope you will join us as we focus on God's Word in a community of loving support, faith sharing, and intercessory prayer.

For more information, please call: Deanna 707-595-3050 or Mary 707-495-3095.

CHANGE OF DATE 6:30-8 pm
JANUARY 31ST,

March 6, April 3, May 1
in the Church Hall.

FAITH FORMATION

K-5 Whole Family Wednesdays 4:30-6pm
2nd year
First Year Confirmation Wed. 6:15-7:30pm
Second Year Confirmation Sun. 12-1:15 pm

Director of Faith Formation: Matt Conley
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NOTE TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS
9:30 AM-2:30 PM ON
MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS
AND TUESDAYS FROM 11 AM-2:30 PM.

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR END OF
YEAR CONTRIBUTION TAX STATEMENTS.
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Please do not leave your car parked in the parking lot because we close and lock the gates every afternoon. *Thank you!*