

# Holy Spirit Church

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## 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*“Whoever wishes to be great  
among you will be your servant;  
whoever wishes to be first among  
you will be the slave of all.”*

*~Mk 10:43-44*

*October 17, 2021*

### *Parish Staff*

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### *Mass Schedule*

**Daily (Monday to Saturday) 8:30 AM**

**Saturday Vigil Masses 5:30 PM**

**Sundays 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12 Noon**

**Holy Days - As Announced**

**Reconciliation - Saturday 4:30PM—5:15PM**

### *Parish Office*

**984 Suburban Rd. • Union, NJ 07083**

**Tel: 908-687-3327—Fax: 908-687-1312**

### *Office Hours*

**Monday—Thursday 9:00AM to 3:00PM**

**Friday—9:00AM to 12 Noon Only**

# **Mass Intentions** FOR THE WEEK

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021**

5:30 pm **Beatrice Freeman**  
req. by Ethel Fairweater

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021**

8:00am **Anna Sosnicky** req. by Nancy W.  
**Agnes Kelly & Anna Moore**  
req. by Rosary Society

10:00am **Pasquale Lambiasi**  
req. by His Wife & Daughters

12:00pm **Jorge de los Angeles**  
req. by de los Angeles Family

3:00pm **Rosary Devotion**

**St. Luke, Evangelist**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021**

8:30am **Rev. Alphonse Arminio**  
req. by family

**Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues,  
Priests and Companions, Martyrs**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021**

8:30am **All Parishioners**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021**

8:30am **Harry A. Ramsay**  
req. by His Daughter

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021**

8:30am **Sr. Celine McNerry**  
req. by Julia Carr

**St. John Paul II, Pope**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021**

8:30am **Frank Bissett**  
req. by the Wiggins Family  
**Mary Rose Salinardo**  
req. by Her Mother

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2021**

8:30am **Barbara Carol Donnelly**  
req. Her Family

**Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2021**

5:30pm **Jacqueline & James Rogers**  
req. by Maureen Ogonowski

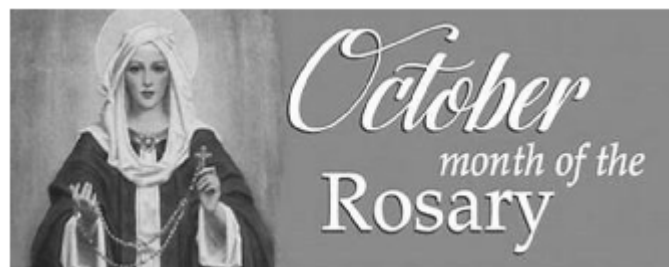
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021**

8:00am **Anna Sosnicky**  
req. by Mr & Mrs Charles Gallo

10:00am **Hugh Gleason, Jr.** req. by Megan  
**Kathleen Bergin**  
Req. by Ed & Joan Garthwaite

12:00pm **Mercedes Olivera Rivera**  
req. by Miriam

3:00pm **Rosary Devotion**



## **OCTOBER DEVOTION AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH**

ALL ARE INVITED for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and the praying of the Scriptural Rosary every Sunday in October.

Bring your family and friends.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021**

**3:00 PM**

*"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary." - Pope Saint Pius X*



## **OUR WEEKEND COLLECTION**

**October 9th - 10th**

**Sunday Collection:**

\$7,332.00

**Poor:** \$ 12.00

**Helping Hands:** \$ 7.00



**Mike Scholz; Steve Nemeckay;  
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Carol Wiedrauk**

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Please note that all 7:30am intentions are being  
fulfilled at the 8:30 am Mass until further notice.

**SAVE THE DATE—COMING IN NOVEMBER  
DEVOTION TO THE DIVINE MERCY**



Starting, **Sunday, November 21, 2021** and every Sunday of the month thereon, all are invited to attend the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, and the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Litany after the 12PM Mass. Bring your family and friends and join us in prayer!

*“O God, let every beat of my heart be a new hymn of thanksgiving to You. Let every drop of my blood circulate for You, Lord. My soul is one hymn in adoration of Your mercy. I love You, God, for Yourself alone” (Diary 1794)*



**WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY  
BAPTISED**

*Sunday, October 10, 2021*

*Maximus Martinez*

*Glorianna Martinez*

*Dallas Giancarlo Sylvester*

*Jordan Armanti Kolas, Jr.*

**Readings for the week of October 17, 2021**

**Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/ Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45 **Monday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9 **Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38 **Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48 **Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53 **Friday:** Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59 **Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9 **Next Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

**Available for Special Intention or  
In Memory of Your Loved One**

Mass Intentions: \$15 (weekday)  
\$20 (weekend)



Sanctuary Lamp \$25

Bread & Wine \$25

*If interested, please call the Parish Office  
at 908-687-3327*

***We Gather to Celebrate***



***Parish Membership***

Our parish family invites all of its members to full and active participation in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the parish is requested to register at the Parish Office. Registration is necessary for admission to our Religious Education program and reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony, and also for anyone needing letters of eligibility for sponsorship. If you move, please notify the Parish Office.

***Baptism***

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the second Sunday of each month. A Preparation Program is required for first time parents. New parents should register for the Baptism as soon as possible after the child's birth by contacting the Parish Office.

***Matrimony***

According to the policy of the Archdiocese of Newark arrangements for weddings should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the priest whom you wish to officiate at your wedding, by calling the Parish Office at 908-687-3327.

*The Bereavement Ministry of Holy Spirit Church  
will sponsor a Memorial Mass on All Souls Day*

***Tuesday, November 2, 2021—7:00PM***

*You are invited to attend and remember your loved ones who have been called home to the Lord. Especially mentioned will be those whose funeral Masses were celebrated at Holy Spirit Church since November 2<sup>nd</sup> of last year.*

***All are welcome to join us  
at this Memorial Mass.***



**I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me  
will live, even though they die. John 11:25**



**The Polish Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Newark**  
Cordially invites You to:

**Mass for Polonia**  
Commemorating Saint John Paul II

**Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 3:00PM**

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart—89 Ridge St., Newark, NJ

His Excellency, **Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski**, Auxiliary Bishop  
for the Diocese of Rockville Center, New York, will be the  
main celebrant and homilist.

***The Polish Apostolate would be most honored by your presence as we celebrate one of the  
greatest Popes and Saints in the history of the Catholic Church.***

You are cordially invited to join us for our ...

**Fourth Annual Benefit Concert for the Homeless**

**Tommy James & the Shondells**

**Saturday, November 13, 2021 @ 8:00 PM**

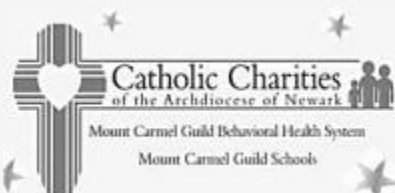
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Doors Open at 7:15 PM

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**Crystal Blue Persuasion**

**I Think We're Alone Now**

**Hanky Panky**

**Say I Am**

**Crimson & Clover**

**Mony Mony... and more!**



## THE LIGHTER SIDE...

### Bored Meeting

After a long, dry sermon, the pastor announced that he wished to meet with the church board following the close

of the service.

The first man to arrive and greet the minister was a total stranger.

"You misunderstood," the priest said. "This is a meeting of board members."

"I know," said the man, "but if there is anyone here more bored than I am, I'd like to meet him."

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The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is "a gradual process that takes place within the community of the faithful." The length of time of the process varies according to individual need, experience, readiness and commitment.

If you, or someone you know is interested in more information, please call **Cathy Drake at the Office of Religious Education at (908) 964-7533.**

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If you are not a Catholic, but attracted to the Catholic Church, or a Catholic needing to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist or Confirmation), this is a time set aside for asking questions and exploring God's call in an informal setting. There are no commitments or obligations required, only questions answered and information shared. Again, call **Cathy Drake at (908) 964-7533.**

### Food Bin Reminder!

Our sincere thanks to all who continue to donate food to the barrels located at the doors of the church. Your ongoing generosity is tremendously appreciated by us and especially those at the St. Joseph Social Service Center who receive it. However, please remember that the barrels are for **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD.**

This means un-expired boxed, canned or otherwise shelf-stable items only. Recently we have found fresh fruit, bread and eggs in the barrels as well as those perpetually problematic items months and years past their sell by date. I'm sure that the intentions of the donors were good, but we are not able to accept these things.

*Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.*



**Food Collection**

## Psychics and Mediums

**Question:** Are Catholics allowed to visit psychics? Why or why not?

**Answer:** It's part of human nature to experience some sense of unease and fear about the future. This can lead some people to seek out the services of psychics or consult horoscopes or turn to other occult practices or resources (e.g. Ouija boards or tarot cards). The Catechism of the Catholic Church is very clear that Catholics should avoid such practices: "Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone" Despite the uncertainties we might feel, we are called to have faith and trust in God, confident of God's desire for what is best for us. This means that we are called to surrender, to pray and to reflect on how we can best move into the future in hope, knowing that God is with us.

## Union Catholic High School 1600 Martine Avenue—Scotch Plains, NJ

Current 8th grade students are invited to join us for our **Virtual Hope and Inspiration** on **October 27th from 4-5PM.**

To register, contact the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, Ext. 328

Prospective Students and Families are invited to join us for our **General Information Session—Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 7:00PM.**

The more you learn about UC, the more you can envision your future! Pre-registration is required, go to: [https://unioncatholic.schooladminonline.com/portal/new\\_inquiry](https://unioncatholic.schooladminonline.com/portal/new_inquiry)

For additional information visit our website at: [www.unioncatholic.org](http://www.unioncatholic.org) or call 908-889-1600, ext. 302



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Admissions: 732-382-1952 Ext. 127

**"The Future is Hers"**

## LOAVES AND FISHES COLLECTION



For 35 years Holy Spirit has supported a ministry to **St. Joseph's Social Services Center's Soup Kitchen in Elizabeth**. On the fourth Saturday of every other month a team of volunteers from Holy Spirit cooks a hot meal for 175-200 people and goes to the kitchen to serve those who come to eat. This has been possible because of the generosity of the people in this parish. They have donated their time, talents, and money to this ministry.

On the weekend of **October 23/24** there will be a **Fishes and Loaves** collection at all Masses as a second collection. This money will be used to buy the groceries we cook and serve at the kitchen.

**We thank you in advance for your generosity to this ministry!**



**Respect Life:** The Respect Life Ministry ([www.holyspiritunion.org/RespectLife](http://www.holyspiritunion.org/RespectLife)) has been updated to include information for dealing with many life issues – healing from abortion, dealing with infertility, dealing with terminal illness, adoption, crisis pregnancy, ethics, and end of life issues. Information is also available on the Respect Life Table in the entrance to the church.

**Crisis Pregnancy Help:** Any woman who is pregnant and in need of assistance should never feel that abortion is her only option. Personal and confidential assistance is available at the following numbers:

**Archdiocesan Respect Life Office:** 973-497-4350  
**Several Sources Foundation:** 201-818-9033

**Post Abortion Healing** for men and women. If interested, call the Archdiocesan Respect Life Office 973-497-4350. All calls are strictly confidential.

Information of Rachel's Vineyard Retreat can be found at: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

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"What do you wish me to do for you?" Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It's an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today's Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God's attention. That's not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It's a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God's kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God's Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words "thy will be done" will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God's eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God's definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

*God bless America*

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