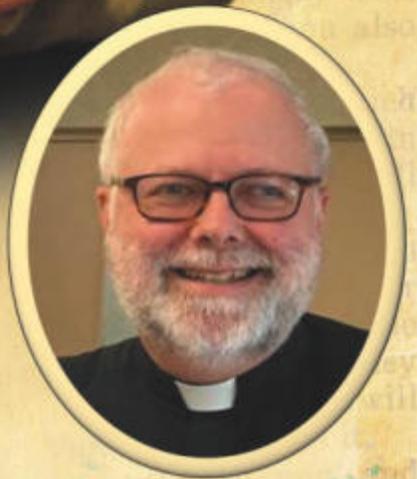
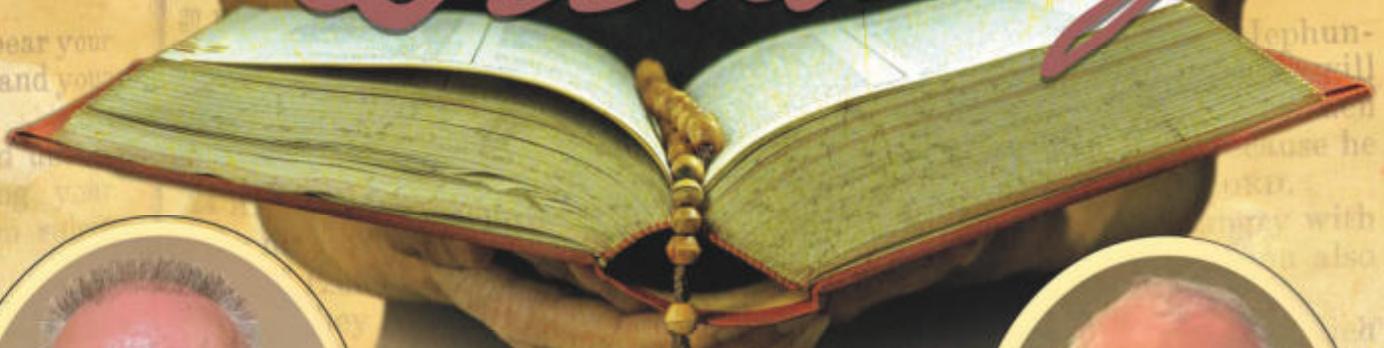


PRIESTHOOD Sunday



Holy Spirit Church

Dear Fr. Kris and Fr. John, Our Leaders, Models, and Servants...

Wherever the Spirit calls you in the Church, may you always strive to do the will of the Father and bring more souls to Christ. We appreciate all you do for Holy Spirit and its Parish Family. Thank you for being our priests and for the light you bring to the lives of others through your loving ministry.

*With appreciation,
Your Parish Family*

A Prayer for Priests...

Father, You sent your Son Jesus Christ to be our High Priest, and you gave us the gift of priesthood to continue His saving work. Bless our priests, and give us more of them. Make them holy. Strengthen them to proclaim the Gospel of Life, and to defend the rights of all, especially the unborn. Bring us, your priests and people to the life that never ends. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***31st Sunday In Ordinary Time
October 31, 2021***

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2021

5:30 pm **Jose Jorge**
req. by Ron & Kathy Possumato

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021

8:00am **Fred Saemann**
req. by Judy & Al Arnold
10:00am **Carl Stampel** req. by Family
12:00pm **Charles & Helen Wall**
req. by Family
3:00pm **Rosary**

All Saints Day (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021

8:30am **Isabel Vitalicio** req. by Her Mother
12:00pm **All Parishioners**
7:00pm **Pieklo, Pietryka & Maslowski Families** req. by Fr. Kris

All Souls Day

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

8:30am **All Souls of the Faithful Departed**
7:00pm **All Souls of the Faithful Departed**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021

8:30am **All Souls**

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021

8:30am **All Souls**

First Friday Devotions

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021

8:30am **All Souls**

First Saturday Devotions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

8:30am **In Thanksgiving**

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

5:30pm **Jose A. Soares** req. by Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021

8:00am **Elizabeth Terp**
req. by Ann Margaret Shannon
10:00am **Nikki Nyzio-Gangemi**
req. by Family
12:00pm **All Deceased Members of the Manego Family** req. by Family

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

October 31, 2021

Eucharistic Adoration

On November 5th and 6th, we will celebrate First Friday and First Saturday Eucharistic Adoration following the 8:30AM Mass. Come join us in prayer with devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary.



OUR WEEKEND COLLECTION

October 23rd - 24th

Sunday Collection:	\$ 7,922.00
2nd Collection:	\$ 3,870.00
(Loaves & Fishes)	
Poor:	\$ 52.00
Helping Hands:	\$ 4.00

Holy Spirit 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
Website: www.holyspiritunion.org

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E-Mail: parishoffice@holyspiritunion.org

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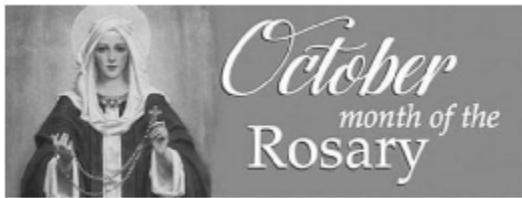
Monday—Thursday 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Friday—9:00AM to 12Noon Only



**Mike Scholz; Steve Nemeckay;
Ron Sidor; Mary Lynn;
Stephanie Barrett;
Carol Wiedrauk;
Jeanette Pollari**

To Have Someone Added, please call the Parish Office. Thank You.

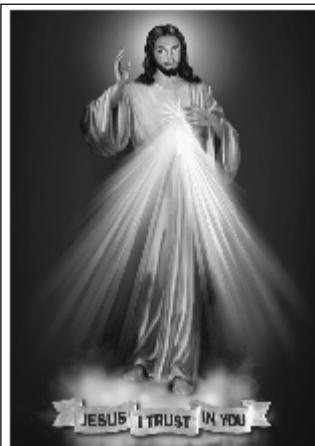


DEVOTION AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

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 31, 2021
3:00 PM



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

Starting, **Sunday, November 21, 2021** and every third 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!

Communion & Mortal Sin

Question: I have a friend who receives communion, but who I know for a fact is in a state of mortal sin. Should I tell our priest? Is it my responsibility to say something?

Answer:

While we may always want to do what is best for our friends and family members, we have a responsibility to respect their privacy and their conscience. In its reflections on the Eighth Commandment ("You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor"), the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "Respect for the reputation of persons forbids every attitude and word likely to cause them unjust injury. [One] becomes guilty: -of rash judgment who, even tacitly, assumes as true, without sufficient foundation, the moral fault of a neighbor; -of detraction who, without objectively valid reason, discloses another's faults and failings to persons who do not know them; of calumny who, by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgments concerning them" (no. 2477).

We will never truly know what is in a person's mind, heart, and soul; only God knows those things.

We should, of course, take our concerns to God and entrust the person about whom we are concerned to God's grace and mercy. If we have concerns about the spiritual wellbeing of someone with whom we are close, we should go to the person themselves and talk about our fears and concerns. Unless it is a case of abuse or endangerment (which we have a moral and even legal responsibility to report to the appropriate authorities), we ultimately do not have the freedom to share another's persons faults or sins, however good we think our intentions might be.

God bless America



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 2nd of last year.*

All are welcome to join us at this Memorial Mass.

Coffee and Pastries after the Mass in the School Auditorium!

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

Let us remember our dearly departed...

Anne L. Radler
Alfredo Yu
Thomas F. Galuppo, Sr.
George Russo
Patricia Fox
Kathleen Mary Morro
Josefina Farre
Emma Rosa Villagas
Elizabeth Hearne
Maria Filipe
Margaret D. Matera
Maria Lourdes Aronce
Elinor DeLeon
Rogelio Gonzalez
Juan Gomez

Vincent Misukonis
Lynn Liput
Ralph Sperduto
Anna Sosnicky
Serafin Corvilla
Alden Sanford
Mieko Inghilleri
Edna Weigand
Thomas Ronan
Romualdo Galano
Elizabeth Engle
Amelia Guzman
Brian Drury
Janice Candito
Mark Jasper

Marilyn Parlegreco
Marcus Antoine
Efren Andalis
James Minitelli
Agnes Mortimer
Joan O'Boyle
Delores DeDeo
Theresa Robalo
Edith Lambias
Harry Desrouleaux, Sr.
Elverna A. Popadek
Rolando C. Sikat
Melinda Signorella
Alberta Chambers
Irene Stachowicz Lewis



*In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers
and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love;
deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.
The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness
of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever. Amen*

Holy Spirit Churh
 Financial Report
 Fiscal Year Ending 6/30/21

Revenues	06/30/21	06/30/20	Change
Sunday & Holyday Collections	490,291	534,287	(43,996)
Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals	7,795	5,160	2,635
Unrestricted Gifts	19,858	21,688	(1,830)
Religious Education	11,298	17,250	(5,952)
Fundraising and other	5,582	26,124	(20,542)
Interest Income	15,445	16,831	(1,386)
Restricted Income	26,803	4,213	22,590
WALS 50% Share	1,235	5,155	(3,920)
Total Revenues	578,307	630,707	(52,400)
Expenses			
Salaries & Benefits	298,724	313,234	(14,510)
Contracted Services	182,836	99,017	83,819
Plant Related	72,901	40,389	32,512
Utilities	79,182	47,348	31,834
Supplies & Equipment	28,320	31,059	(2,739)
Assessments	100,044	98,160	1,884
General Expenses	54,549	51,140	3,409
Total Operating Expenses	816,556	680,347	136,209
Net deficit before Capital Projects/Other	(238,249)	(49,641)	(188,608)
Capital Projects and Other			
Plus PPP Loan Frogiven	43,978	43,978	
Less Capital Project Expenses	(29,000)	29,000	
Net fund surplus/(deficit)	(194,271)	(78,641)	(115,630)
Other Information-Parish Debt			
Debt to Archdiocese	30,835	30,835	
Health Benefits Payable	10,261	10,261	-
Parish Debt	41,096	10,261	30,835



THE LIGHTER SIDE...

A priest, a lawyer, and an accountant were all at the bedside of a very ill man. The man said to them, "Gentlemen, I'm dying. Before I go, however, I want to ask you one final favor: I would like to be buried with the remainder of my money." He then hands the priest, the lawyer, and the accountant three envelopes that contain \$100,000 each.

"While my coffin is being lowered into the earth, please throw each of the envelopes in. Don't tell anyone what's inside the envelopes." So the three men leave. Sure enough, one week later, the man dies.

During the funeral, the three men toss the envelopes into the grave whilst the coffin was being lowered.

After the funeral, the three men go to a cafe to discuss the life of the old man. The priest says, "I have a confession: I took \$10,000 from my envelope. But I used it to fix up the children's home. The old man was always very generous and loved the children. I'm sure he wouldn't mind seeing where his money went." The lawyer pipes in: "Well, I also have a confession: I took \$30,000 as payment of a personal loan he borrowed from me years ago." The accountant, looking rather shocked, says, "I cannot believe you two! I wrote a personal check that covered the whole thing!"



PATRIOTIC ROSARY AND MASS FOR OUR COUNTRY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4th

**7:00 pm - Patriotic Rosary
7:30 pm - Mass for Our Country**

Please mark your calendars now. Your participation can and will make a difference.

*Fr. John Gordon, Director Office of Evangelization
Archdiocese of Newark*

Readings for the week of October 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34 **Monday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a **Tuesday:** Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a **Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-3 **Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10 **Friday:** Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8 **Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [1b]/Lk 16:9-15 **Next Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



Respect Life: The Respect Life Ministry (www.holyspiritunion.org/Respect Life) 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



We are excited to announce that beginning, **Thursday, November 11th**, Father Paul Schetelick will offer a six (6) week Bible Study on Infancy Narratives in Luke and Matthew. There will be (2) Sessions: one in the morning from 9:30-10:30AM and the other in the evening from 7:30PM-8:30PM. Both will take place in Drexler Hall (Office Building). If you are interested in attending, please contact the Parish Office to reserve a spot!

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off center. If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel. If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own wellbeing and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet.

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