

Holy Spirit Church

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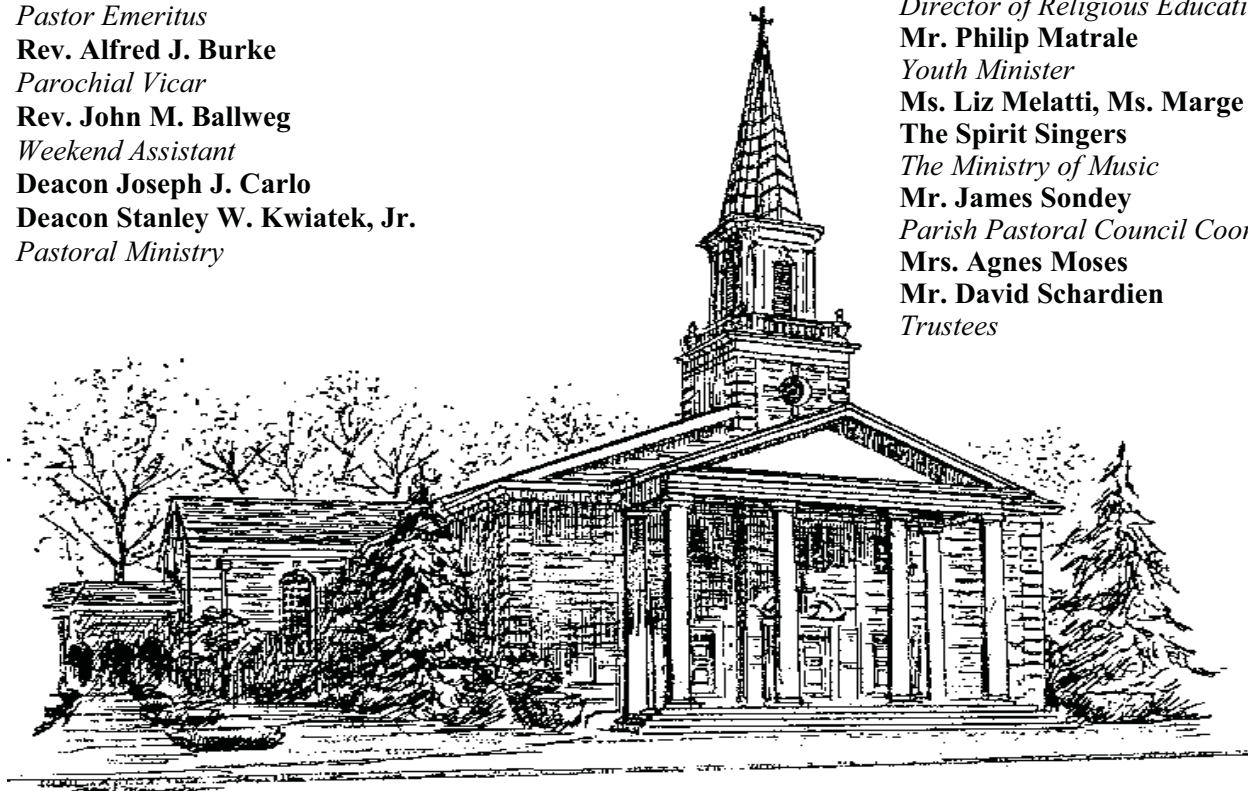
Mr. James Sondey

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Trustees



Union

971 Suburban Road

New Jersey 07083

Masses

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: Monday thru Friday: 7:30am and 8:30am

Holy Days: Will be announced in Bulletin and
from Pulpit.

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month. A Parent Preparation Program occurs in the preceding week. New parents should register for the Baptism at the beginning of the month prior to requested month by contacting the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

Saturday 11:30-12 Noon and 4:30 to 5:00pm.

Matrimony

Ideally, 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.

Novena

In honor of Our Lady and St. Jude - Monday Mornings -
Immediately following 8:30 Mass

Parish Membership

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the parish is requested to register at the Parish Office. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.

Parish Office - 687-3327

Fax - 687-1312

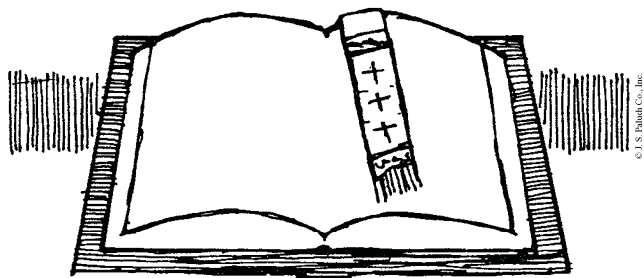
~ School - 687-8415 ~

E-Mail - holyspiritchurch@comcast.net

Religious Education Office - 964-7533

Web Site - www.holyspiritunion.org

Holy Spirit Church
 Union, NJ
 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 August 30, 2009



Welcome the Word

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you
 and is able to save your souls.

—James 1:21b

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$9,927.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 08/23/09

POOR:

HELPING HANDS:

Pray for ...

Kevin Anon
 Shirley Gargano
 Joey Genova
 Ann Marques
 Stanley Stachowicz
 Louis Giaconna
 Jody Wendt
 Nick Panzariello
 John Marques
 Emily Kokotos
 Anna Magis
 Carolyn Milewski
 Christopher Butler

Rev. John Olszewski
 Joseph Santillo
 Nicholas Compare
 Gil Restanio
 Emily Butler
 Michael Denicola
 James Neylon
 Marilyn Camancho
 Trude Kleissler
 Lois Tunnera
 Bea Guadagno
 Raymond Milewski
 Pat Cupo

Names will remain for four (4) weeks. For additional time,
 please call the Parish Office (908) 687-3327

A message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

Once again I want to apologize to all of you for the temperature in church last weekend. As you know, we are in the process of rebuilding the air conditioning system and, no matter how much we fix, something else breaks. As of today, we have spent \$60,000 on this, and I am getting as frustrated as some of you are that this is taking so long and never seems to be right. Oh well, winter is coming.

As you may have read in the newspaper, the Bishops of New Jersey have issued a pastoral letter regarding the nature of marriage. This is in preparation for a possible move by the State Legislature to change the definition of marriage in New Jersey during the upcoming lame duck session after the November election. It is essential that all Catholics are properly informed and educated on the official teaching of the Church on this vital subject. I have therefore placed ample copies of this letter at the church doors and ask that you take a copy home with you and read it. It is not a short letter, but it is easily understood. You should use this to help form your own consciences on this matter and you may also pass this on to others who may not fully understand why the church teaches what it does on this matter.

In the near future you will be hearing much more about this topic. I know that it is a very controversial issue with many good people on both sides of it. But in all things we must try to put on the mind of Christ and we are compelled to respond in the way that God calls us to.

Fr. Armand

Holy Spirit Men's Prayer Group will meet in September, please watch the bulletin for further messages.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

ALTAR BREAD: In memory of Cheryl Lambert req. by Son, John

SACRIFICIAL WINE: In memory of Cheryl Lambert req. by Son, John

SANCTUARY LAMP: In memory of John J. Sabol (45th Anniversary) req. by Son, Ron

GIFTS OF THE HARVEST: SAINTS & SELF

Women of the parish, save the evening of Friday, October 23, 2009, from 7 to 10 p. m. for a night of reflection, presented by the members of the women's retreat team. Details to follow.



School News

**Attention All Parents & Parishioners:
Don't throw away that empty inkjet cartridge!
Send it to EMPTIES4CASH**

Empty inkjet cartridges can be recycled and remanufactured. Our school will receive \$4.00 for each cartridge turned in. This will directly benefit our school, the students, and even the environment. You can help! Any ink cartridges with a print head can be recycled regardless of brand or type. Bring all cartridges to a designated cartridge box located in front of the Computer classroom in the Parish Hall.

**Thank you for your support!
Daria Wallerstein & Judy Julien**



The **Labels for Education** and **Box Top\$ for Education** programs are a great way to get **FREE** merchandise for **Holy Spirit School**. But we need **YOUR** help in order for our school to meet its collection goals! Many companies now participate in these programs (i.e. Campbell's, Swanson, Pepperidge Farms, Kimberly-Clark, Ziploc, etc.), and by saving the **labels with the UPC bar code**, and/or clipping the **Box Tops for Education symbol** from these products, you can help Holy Spirit School receive **FREE** school supplies! Collection boxes for these labels are located on the tables inside the entrances of our Church and School. **Thank you all for helping to benefit our students at Holy Spirit School!**

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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### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)


#### *Inquiry*

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), *Inquiry* is just as it sounds. It 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.

## CYO/Youth Ministry News Cyunionnj.com



We would like to thank the following parents who helped us out by chaperoning and supplying rides for our summer activities. Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Dzedzic, Mr & Mrs. Furnari, Mr & Mrs. Helmstetter, Mr & Mrs. Lupo, Mr & Mrs. Raab, Mr & Mrs. Ruhl, Mrs. Shaw, Mr & Mrs. Telle, Ms. Trepuntti, Mrs. Torr, Mrs. Vendola, & Mr & Mrs. Weber. Their time, care for our kids and support was greatly appreciated. God Bless!



### *Holy Spirit Rosary Altar Society*

The Holy Spirit Rosary Altar Society will be sponsoring a day of recollection at St. Joseph's Shrine in Stirling on October 8, 2009. The price of the ticket is \$27.00. Coffee and donuts will be provided upon arrival. A hot lunch will be served at noon. A free bus will be provided. For reservations call Mary Faughnan at 908-688-6168.

### Something to Pray About

We are in need of a few Catechists. Please prayerfully consider sharing our faith and its traditions with the youth of Holy Spirit Church. Presently we need **catechists** from 3:45-5:00:

Wednesday, Grade 5

Wednesday, Grade 6

Several other classes are near full and we may need catechists from 3:45-5:00:

Tuesday, Grade 3

Tuesday, Grade 5

We are also in need of several class aides on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:45-5:00 PM.

If you are willing and able to share in this valuable ministry, please call the Religious Education Office at 964-7533. Thank you.

### Just a Reminder:

+ Registrations increase by another \$10.00 as of September 1. Please re-register immediately.

+ Grade 1 parents, your children should register for Religious Education this year. A child must be a part of the Religious Education program for two consecutive years before celebrating the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Please bring a copy of their Baptismal certificate when you register.



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|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>AUGUST 29th</b>                                         |
| 8:30             | Anthony Russo req. by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margadonna        |
| 5:30 pm          | William Lawrence req. by Louise                            |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>AUGUST 30th</b>                                         |
| 8:00             | Margaret V. Lombardi req. by Daniel and Jean McGuiness     |
| 10:00            | Francis Corveleyn req. by The Wiggins Family               |
| 12:00            | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                       |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>AUGUST 31st</b>                                         |
| 7:30             | Cheryl Lambert req. by Martin and Lisa Herrejon and Family |
| 8:30             | Elizabeth Ziobro req. by Children                          |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>SEPTEMBER 1st</b>                                       |
| 7:30             | Michael McGuire req. by Stanley and Anna Kuzan             |
| 8:30             | Anthony Russo req. by Mary Donohue                         |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>SEPTEMBER 2nd</b>                                       |
| 7:30             | Sr. Dorothy Ann Kelly req. by Alicia McCormick             |
| 8:30             | Michael S. Murray req. by Alicia McCormick                 |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>SEPTEMBER 3rd</b>                                       |
| 7:30             | Emma Blumetti req. by Kathy and David Arminio              |
| 8:30             | Alice R. Towers req. by Robert Clark                       |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>SEPTEMBER 4th</b>                                       |
| 7:30             | In Thanksgiving for Andrew Tamayo req. by Tamayo Family    |
| 8:30             | Hannah Ince req. by Betty Daly                             |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>SEPTEMBER 5th</b>                                       |
| 8:30             | Anthony Russo req. by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pawiak          |
| 5:30 pm          | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                       |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>SEPTEMBER 6th</b>                                       |
| 8:00             | Ann Boron req. by Toth Family                              |
| 10:00            | Michael Miczewski req. by Sister, Frances Martin           |
| 12:00            | Mary Mantia req. by Family                                 |

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

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|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                               |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    |                                                                                               |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   |                                                                                               |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | St. Philomena's 12:00-1:30 pm Church<br>Holy Hour for Life 7:30-8:30pm—<br>Church             |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | Catholic Divorce Ministry - 7:30 - 9:00<br>Drexler Hall<br>Boy Scouts—7:00-9:00pm-Parish Hall |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    |                                                                                               |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  |                                                                                               |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                               |

## *Regular Mass Schedule*

*Please remember*

*Beginning September 13, 2009*

We will resume our Regular Mass  
Schedule:

***Saturdays: 5:30 pm***

***Sundays: 7:30 am***

***9:00 am***

***10:30 am***

***12:00 noon***

### **Holy Hour for Life™**

Come join us for a Holy Hour for Life  
Praying before the Blessed Sacrament On  
**Wednesday, September 2, 2009 7:30 PM**  
At Holy Spirit Church  
Suburban Road, Union, New Jersey  
Sponsored by: Holy Spirit Respect Life Ministry



***Congratulations 60+  
It's our 25th Anniversary***

Thanks to our beloved "Sister Celine". Her love for Holy Spirit and its Senior members, she organized our first senior club, now called Holy Spirit 60+

Our first meeting of our twenty fifth year will be held on Friday, September 11, 2009. Prayer service to thank God for all his blessings bestowed upon 60+ these past twenty five years and the coming of our new season at 12:30 in Church with our Moderator Father Burke and meeting following at 1:00pm in the School Hall.

Please be prepared with trips you are planning to attend. See Liz or call her at 908-687-0781.

**New members are always welcomed.**

**Fall Foliage Trip  
Monday, Oct. 19 to Friday, Oct. 23, 2009**

**Holy Spirit 60+** invited all to a Fall Foliage trip to newly renovated Villa Roma Resort, in the Mountains of Calicoon, N.Y. for a great week-long vacation.

Welcome refreshments and orientation upon arrival. Full American plan with dinner on Monday, breakfast, light buffet lunch and dinner on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and breakfast on Friday before departure. Caesar's Night Feast on Thursday, with complimentary wine at every table. Nightly music and top variety entertainment, with a different show each night.

Complete schedule of daytime activities, games and prizes. Indoor sport complex, with Bocce, shuffleboard, ping-pong table, video games. Indoor pool/Jacuzzi—fully equipped state of the art fitness center. Outdoor bocce, volleyball, tennis, basketball and more.

Price: \$485.00 per person, double...\$535.00 per person, single.

**\$100.00 deposit at time of reservation  
Call Liz at 908-687-0781.**

**The Cooperative Admissions Examination  
Attention: Eighth Graders and their families  
interested in attending a Catholic High School in  
September, 2010:**

The Cooperative Admissions Examination for participating Catholic High School in the Archdiocese of Newark will be administered on Friday, November 6, 2009. Application forms and Handbooks for this test and a listing of all Catholic High Schools and their admission requirements are available from: MCS/CTB at their website, [www.coopexam.org](http://www.coopexam.org) or email support @coopexam.org. Questions and to obtain registration forms, please call 1-888-921-2667 or visit [www.coopexam.org](http://www.coopexam.org).

**The Association of St. Philomena's Helpers and Servants of the Suffering and the Poor** welcome and invite all to join them every Wednesday at 12:00 noon for Mass in Holy Spirit Church. After Mass, the Association conducts a prayer service, praying for the end of abortions, increased vocations to the priesthood and religious life, for the conversion of sinners and the release of the souls in Purgatory by praying the Rosary, conduction of a Cenacle, followed by Benediction. Any questions please direct them to Deacon Stanley Kwiatek.

***St. Michael's Parish, Union, New Jersey***

Will be having a Blood Drive on  
Sunday, September 13, 2009 7:30 AM—3:00 PM  
School Cafeteria - 1212 Kelly Street  
Breakfast will be served to all who come.  
Hope to be seeing you, Sister Ann Dominic and Volunteers  
908-686-5271 ext. 110

***ATTENTION BOWLERS:***

The Holy Spirit Rosarian Bowling League will begin their new season on Wednesday, September 9th at 12:15 pm at Hy-Way Bowl. All women from the parish are welcome. For more information, please call Helen Schultheis at 686-2406 before August 30th.

**PARISH OFFICE**

**is located at 984 Suburban Road 908-687-3327**

You can reach the Office from the Parking Lot.

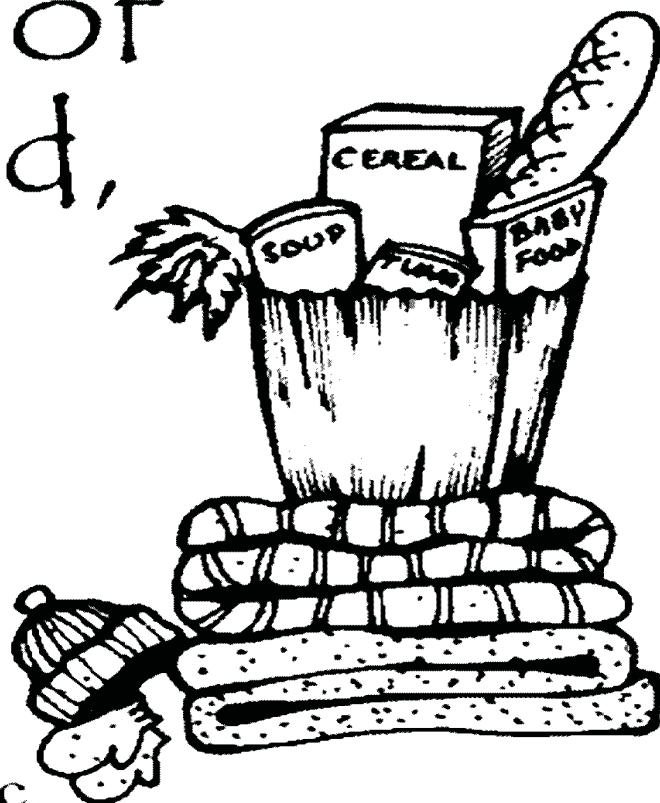
**(On the Morris Avenue Side)**

**The Office hours are: 8:30 am to 12:00 noon  
1:00 pm to 4:30 pm**

In an emergency, or to arrange an appointment with a priest, please call 908 687-3327

**Bulletin Information**—Articles for this church bulletin must be submitted by Tuesday at noon to appear in the following Sunday edition. Articles can be dropped off at the Parish Office or submitted through e-mail at [bulletin@holyspiritunion.org](mailto:bulletin@holyspiritunion.org). As always, articles will be published as space allows

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## HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 30, 2009

**“All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights... Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and keep oneself unstained by the world.”**

Many of us are not familiar with the letter of James. Written at the end of the first century the author is encouraging the first Christians in living their commitment. Faith is to be an active, permanent commitment, not limited to saying ‘I believe’.

The Word of God has been ‘planted’ in us. Did Jesus not use the same analogy of the places where the seed was sown? That Word is the source of eternal life and salvation. The Word who came into the world came to save us all. That Word is Jesus Christ Himself.

Some church people are described as ‘shakers and doers’ as they put into practice what they have accepted themselves. A simple test to see if I am living my religious belief is to see if I am caring for the widows and orphans, or others in need. I look to see if my charity is genuine as I reach out to others.

Today as I reflect upon the Word of God, I ‘humbly’ ask God to direct it to that part of my life where there is need for change