

Holy Spirit Church

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Mrs. Patricia Wiggins

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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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27, 2009



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The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul;
 The decree of the Lord is trustworthy,
 giving wisdom to the simple.
 -Psalm 19:8

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$10,130.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 09/20/09

POOR: \$17.00
 HELPING HANDS: \$11.00

Pray for ...

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| Kevin Anon | Rev. John Olszewski |
| Shirley Gargano | Joseph Santillo |
| Joey Genova | Nicholas Compare |
| Ann Marques | Gil Restanio |
| Pat Cupo | Emily Butler |
| Louis Giacomina | Michael Denicola |
| Jody Wendt | James Neylon |
| Nick Panzariello | Marilyn Camancho |
| John Marques | Trude Kleissler |
| Emily Kokotos | Christopher Butler |
| Anna Magis | Bea Guadagno |
| Carolyn Milewski | Raymond Milewski |
| Sal Maisano | |

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

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.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

ALTAR BREAD; In memory of Caroline Marano req. by The Ulewicz Family

A message from our Pastor: Dear Parishioners,

I wish to thank all those who took a few moments last week to add their name to the marriage petition. As of when I am writing this, there are 720 names on the bottom. We average about 1100 people on Sunday, so when you take infants, children and teens out of the number you can see that we did exceedingly well.

For those of you who would not, or could not, sign the petition, please know that your feelings and opinions are completely understood and respected.

As we approach the month of October, there are a few upcoming events I want to draw your attention to. First, this coming Saturday at 11:00 a.m. we will again have one of our most popular events, the Blessing of Pets in honor of the Feast of St. Francis. Weather permitting we will gather on the steps of the church, if it rains we will go into the parish hall., in which case I ask you to bring lots of paper towels with you.

On Sunday, October 25, we will try something new: the devotion of the 2,000 Hail Mary's. You may have never heard of this, but it has been quite popular in other places for many years. Basically, this is an all day rosary marathon with each rosary dedicated to a different intention. There are many different ways to participate in this devotion: some will come and stay all afternoon and evening for the complete experience, some will come and stay for just a short while, others come and go throughout the day. Basically there is no right way and no wrong way to participate. For those who are here in the late afternoon, food will be provided in the parish hall. Remember, Jesus fed those who were with him all day, so will we.

Fr. Armand



*New York has the
 "Rockettes"
 New Jersey has the
 "Bridgewater Roxies"*

A high spirited and spectacular group of senior performers who will entertain 60+ Club, Friday, October 2, 2009. Prayer service with Deacon Stanley Kwiatek at 12:00pm in Church, meeting at 1:00pm. Membership is open to all 60+ from Holy Spirit Church. We look forward to meeting you! Don't forget to bring deposits for trips Liz has planned for us.



School News

A sincere **thank you** to everyone who participated in our **Open House** this past Tuesday and attended our first annual **Home School Meeting!** Your continued cooperation will help us achieve another amazing and successful school year!

REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS/STUDENTS:

ON OCTOBER 1st, ALL STUDENTS SHOULD REPORT TO SCHOOL IN THE WINTER UNIFORM ATTIRE ACCORDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL DRESS CODE.

Thank you for your cooperation!



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 8th Grade will be selling Entertainment and Kidstuff Coupon Books after all Masses this weekend. The cost of the Entertainment Book is \$30.00 and the cost of the Kidstuff Book is \$25.00



Please support our 8th graders as this benefits them for graduation. Books can also be purchased through the School Office at 908-687-8415.

The Holy Spirit Home School Association will be sponsoring its annual **Craft Fair on Saturday, October 17, 2009.** Please come out and join us for what promises to be another successful year. Plenty of wonderful Holiday gifts and ideas.

The Holy Spirit 8th grade will once again be selling a selection of colorful and hardy mums—these funds will be used towards 8th grade graduation costs.

There are still some tables available to crafters...but time is running out. Please spread the word to any crafters who may be interested. Please contact Lori Wunder at 908-713-0120 for additional information.

CYO/Youth Ministry News

Website: cyounionnj.com

This week Joan Fasanello from **Life Choices** will join us as our first guest speaker of the year. Life Choices will be bringing their brand new Mobile Health Center and our members will get a tour. Do not miss this very informative night.



We would like to thank all the parents, college helpers and CYO members who worked at the Italian Feast last weekend. A special thank you to all those who were dunked in our Dunk Tank! **You're the best!** All High School students are welcomed to join us this and every Tuesday for CYO. Meetings are 7:30-9pm in St. Michael's lower Church.

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 Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of Newark will be administered on Friday, 11/6/09. Application forms and Handbooks for this test; a listing of all Catholic High Schools and their admission requirements are available from: MCS/CTB at their website, www.coopexam.org or email support @coopexam.org. To obtain registration forms, please call 1-888-921-2667 or visit www.coopexam.org.

Knight of Columbus Council #4505 Presents: "A Charitable Evening"

Special Guest—Sr. Ann Dominic - October 3, 2009

The evening will consist of dinner, open bar, music, dancing, presentations and much more. Ticket prices are \$45.00 per person. This event will take place at the Council Hall on Jeannette Ave. in Union. All proceeds to be donated to Camp Fatima and other charities at the direction of Sr. Ann Dominic. For tickets or information call Tom Conte at 908-687-4898 or email octdinner@aol.com. Thanks and hope to see you there.

Religious Education Classes have begun.

Thank you to each and every volunteer who came forward to be a Catechist.

It is through their dedication, preparation and prayer that our faith and its traditions will be passed on to the youth of Holy Spirit Church.

Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all of the catechists, students, and their families.



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| SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 26th |
| 8:30 | Josephine Kreder req. by Greg Kreder |
| 5:30 pm | Reno Family req. by Adams Family |
| SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 27th |
| 7:30 | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish |
| 9:00 | Raymond Manganelli req. by Karas Family |
| 10:30 | George E. Price req. by Family |
| 12:00 | Marie Monteverdi req. by Daughters |
| MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 28th |
| 7:30 | Robert Donnelly Jr., req. by Fran Donnelly and Family |
| 8:30 | Cecelia Maher req. by The Maher Family |
| TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 29th |
| 7:30 | Fr. Jose Luis Arrieta req. by Jessie Verzosa |
| 8:30 | Anna Gunther req. by Husband and Children |
| WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 30th |
| 7:30 | Carmen DeSarno req. by Wife, Children and Grandchildren |
| 8:30 | Gloria Arminio req. by Family |
| THURSDAY | OCTOBER 1st |
| 7:30 | Sr. Dorothy Ann Kelly req. by Alicia McCormick |
| 8:30 | Editha Torres req. by Tupas Family |
| FRIDAY | OCTOBER 2nd |
| 7:30 | Frank Kovach req. by George and Eleanor Kovach |
| 8:30 | Miriam Cadigan req. by Mary Faughnan and Family |
| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 3rd |
| 8:30 | Anthony Russo req. by Mr. and Mrs. A. Scasso |
| 5:30 pm | Juanita Ulozas req. by Husband, Charles |
| SUNDAY | OCTOBER 4th |
| 7:30 | Elio Trovato req. by McCafferey Family |
| 9:00 | Carmen DeSarno req. by Wife Rose and Family |
| 10:30 | Mary D. Dooner req. by Family |
| 12:00 | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish |

PARISH ACTIVITIES

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| SUNDAY | AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall 7:15 pm |
| MONDAY | 7th Grade Parent/Student Meeting— 7:00pm—Church Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:00pm Parish Hall |
| TUESDAY | CCD—3:45-5:00pm—Church RCIA—7:30-9:00pm—Drexler Hall |
| WEDNESDAY | St. Philomena's 12:00-1:30 pm Church CCD—3:45-5:00pm—Church |
| THURSDAY | CCD—3:45-5:00pm—Church Catholic Divorce Ministry - 7:30 - 9:00 Drexler Hall Boy Scouts—7:00-9:00pm-Parish Hall |
| FRIDAY | 60+ - 12:00-12:30 Church/ 1:00-3:00pm Parish Hall |
| SATURDAY | Pet Blessing—11:00am—Church St. Joseph Raffle Sales—After Mass |
| SUNDAY | St. Joseph Raffle Sales—After al;; Masses AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall 7:15 pm |

The Novena in honor of Our Lady and St. Jude has begun on Monday mornings immediately following the 8:30 Mass

“Holy Hour for Life”

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

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.

**Benedictine Academy**  
**840 North Broad St. Elizabeth, NJ**

Benedictine Academy, an all-female Catholic secondary school located in the Westminster section of Elizabeth, will hold Open Houses for the Class of 2014 on Thurs, 10/8/09 at 7:00pm, and again on Tues. 10/20/09 at 7:00pm. Parents and current 7th & 8th grade female students interested in knowing about the school's college preparatory program for grades 9-12 are invited. This school offers individualized attention and encouragement in the Benedictine Tradition, while teaching young women to "listen, learn, love and lead". Middle States Association accredited, 98% of students applying to college have been accepted for the past fourteen years. Financial assistance and scholarships are available for the 2010-2011 academic year. During the Open Houses, visitors will have the opportunity to meet faculty, administration and current students, and to have their questions answered. For more information, please call 908-352-0670, ext. 104

**The Union Recreation Department** will sponsor a **Halloween Window Painting Contest** on Saturday, October 10, 2009. The contest is open to all Union students from grades 5 through 12. Windows are limited and will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. Application forms are available at the schools or the Union Recreation Department Office, 1120 Commerce Avenue, Union." Further information may be obtained by calling 908-686-4200.

**Mother Seton Regional High School**  
**Valley Road, Clark, NJ**

*Wednesday, September 30, 2009—7:30—9:30 pm*

There will be an OPEN HOUSE for all fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls and their parents. Parents and students will have an opportunity to tour the school, examine the curricular and co-curricular programs and meet with administration, guidance and faculty members. Visiting students will experience life at Mother Seton Regional High School through contacts with students involved in various activities within the school. An informal social will follow at which parents and daughters may mingle with faculty and students of Mother Seton, which is located at Parkway Exit #135 in Clark.

**Union Catholic High School**

**1600 Martine Ave. Scotch Plains, NJ**

On Thursday, October 8, 2009, Union Catholic will host its Fall Open House. We would like to cordially invite students who are currently in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade to join us. There will be formal presentation beginning at 7:00pm with "Early Bird Tours" at 6:15 pm. Our faculty, staff, and coaches will be on hand to lead individualized presentations and answer any questions. Our "Freshman for a day" Program will begin on October 1st. Parents can call our office to schedule a day to visit. Our Scholarship Exam will be held on January 9, 2010 at 9:00am. Parents and students can obtain information and an application at Open House or on our website at [www.unioncatholic.org](http://www.unioncatholic.org).

**Pro-Life Seminar**

On Saturday, October 3, 2009 the annual Archdiocesan Life Issues Seminar will be held at Queen of Peace Church and High School in North Arlington from 11 AM to 3:30 PM. Auxiliary Bishop Edgar M. daCunha will celebrate Liturgy at 11 AM. A light lunch will precede the seminar. The theme of the day will be "A Call to Action – Overcoming the 'Culture of Death'." Robert George, Professor of Jurisprudence at Princeton University and Damon Owens, Founder of Joy-Filled Marriage and Natural Family Planning Coordinator for the Archdiocese will be the featured speakers. Registration is required. General Admission is \$10. Student admission is \$5. Registration forms with information regarding the speakers and directions are available on the Respect Life table in the vestibule of the church or call the Respect Life Office to register – (732)-388-8211.

**GIFTS OF THE HARVEST: SAINTS AND SELF**  
 REGISTRATION

**For those who attended the Women's Retreat, come again!**  
**For those who were unable to attend the retreat,**  
**come and see ...!**

On Friday, October 23, 2009 from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. the Women's Retreat Team will offer an evening of reflection for all interested women. You will have an opportunity to listen, reflect, pray, and share, if you wish. Below is a registration form to be returned by **October 13** to the parish office or to Joan Garthwaite, 650 Salem Road, Union, NJ 07083. If you prefer, you may email your response and the following information to [jgarthwaite2@verizon.net](mailto:jgarthwaite2@verizon.net). Please put *Gifts of the Harvest* in the subject line.

**Bring a friend!**

*If you have any questions, call 908-964-9261.*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Please bring a nonperishable food item for  
 Helping Hands**

**St. Genevieve's Rosary Society**

The St. Genevieve's Rosary Society will be having a "Granny's Attic" sale (flea market) on October 17, 2009, in the church hall. Tables will be \$20.00 each. We have a limited amount of tables, so anyone wishing to participate please send your name, address and telephone number with a \$20.00 check payable to St. Genevieve's Rosary Society before October 10, 2009 to: Donna Pietz, 725 Westfield Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ 07208. If any questions, you can call Donna Pietz at (908) 355-3029, Mariann Baumbach at (908) 289-0392, or Pat Murphy at (908) 245-6860. Sale will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Set up time will be 7:00 a.m. **Elevator available.**

# *The Blessing of Pets*



*Saturday, October 3, 2009*

*11:00 a.m. sharp*



*Front Steps of Church*

*In case of rain, the blessing will be held in the parish hall*

*All pets with properly leashed owners are welcome to attend!*

*Please remember: All pets must be properly restrained (leash, tank, cage)*

*All children must be accompanied by an adult.*

*The parish is not responsible for the safety of any animal or person*



## **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