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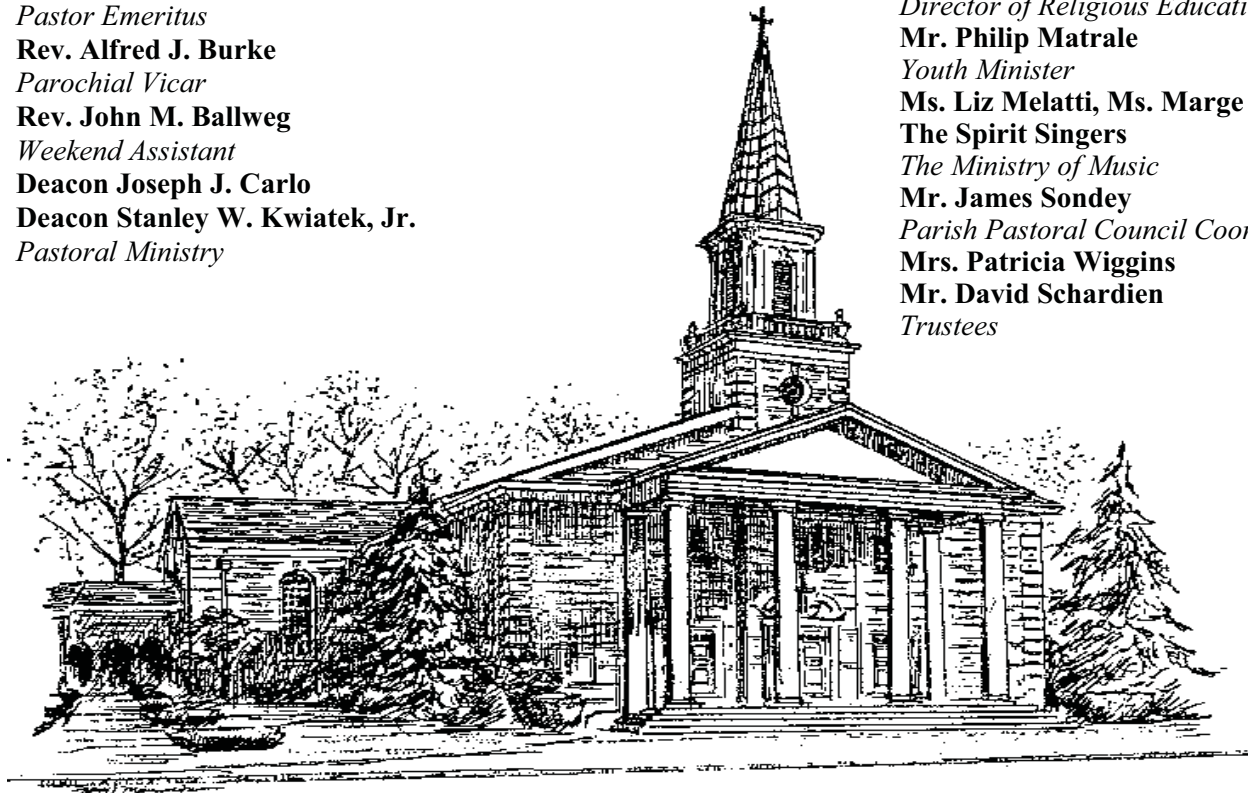
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Trustees



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

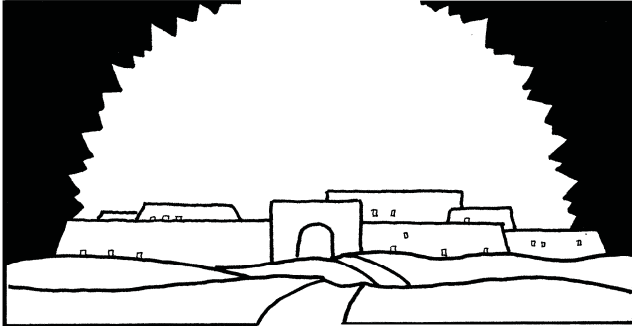
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Holy Spirit Church

Union, NJ

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2010



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Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

—Isaiah 60:1

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$12,148.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/27/09

POOR:	\$25.00
HELPING HANDS:	\$7.00

Pray for ...

Nikki Nyzio
Marie Armstrong
Mary Corigliano
Trude Kleissler
Gary Russo
Grace Cuomo
Andrew Lewinter
Kevin Anon
Ann Marques
Michael Denicola
William Tyson

Rev. John Olszewski
Shirley Gargano
Joey Genova
Ann Russo
Bea Guadagno
Jo Landwirth
Susan Dowling
Ray Blschoff
John Marques
Jodi Wendt
Rudy LaGala

SACRIFICIAL WINE: In memory of Mary Feo req. by her Children

A message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

The word Epiphany comes to us from the Greek and it means “showing” or manifestation.” Today is the traditional celebration of the arrival of the Magi, those mysterious visitors from the east, and the equally mysterious gifts they brought to the child Jesus. It was to these foreigners that Jesus first manifested, first showed himself to the world as its true light. In their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, the magi also showed to the waiting world that this was no ordinary child, but one who was born as a God, a King and, ultimately a sacrifice for the salvation of the world.

In many parts of the world, especially in southern Europe, today is referred to as “little Christmas.” In those same countries, this is the day when gifts are exchanged, not on December 25, which is kept as a spiritual day of celebration and feasting. In honor of this tradition, give something to someone else today. Perhaps you can give them some of your time, some encouragement. Maybe you can offer someone a kind word, a helping hand, a sympathetic ear, or maybe just simply be there for someone who needs you today. Remember, the very best gifts don’t come wrapped from a store, given out of obligation, but come from within your own heart and are given in love.

Fr. Armand



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School News

**HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL WISHES
EVERYONE
A HAPPY & BLESSED New year!**

Welcome Back! School re-opens Monday, January 4th after our Christmas vacation. We look forward to all the exciting activities coming our way in the new year!

Soccer Awards Night will take place on Wednesday, January 6th at 7:00 PM in the Cafegymnasium. Congratulations and *thank you* to all of our Holy Spirit superstar athletes and their dedicated coaches!



Along with the **Labels for Education** and **Box Top\$ for Education** programs, Holy Spirit School also participates in an additional fundraiser from **Tyson products**. Clipping these labels is a great way to get **FREE** merchandise for Holy Spirit School! **Many companies** now participate in these programs, so by saving the **labels with the UPC bar code**, and clipping the **Box Tops for Education symbol and Tyson labels** from these products, you are helping **Holy Spirit School!** Collection boxes for these labels are located on the tables inside the entrances of our Church and School.

Thank you for your support!!!



**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!
Judy Julien & Daria Wallerstein

Arriving Late For Mass?

Late arrivals are asked to join the worshipping assembly unobtrusively, entering the pews by way of the side aisles (and preferably while the congregation is standing). Please do not walk down the main aisle once the liturgy has begun.

... And may we all be mindful of the teaching of Vatican II (CSL 56): "The two parts which in a sense go to make up the Mass, viz. the liturgy of the word and the Eucharistic liturgy, are so closely connected with each other that they form but one single act of worship. Accordingly this sacred Synod strongly urges pastors of souls that, when instructing the faithful, they insistently teach them to take their place for the entire Mass, especially on Sundays and holy days of obligation."

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.



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|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 2nd</b>                                    |
| 8:30             | Annette Renga req. by Uschak Family                   |
| 5:30 pm          | John Short req. by Mary and David Schardien           |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 3rd</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | Sam Sosnicky req. by Daughter, Susan                  |
| 9:00             | Mafalda Vassallo req. by A. Peter Genova              |
| 10:30            | Vincent Yeo req. by Sister, Francis Price             |
| 12:00            | Diane Barlics req. by Maureen Moleen and Family       |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 4th</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                  |
| 8:30             | Frederick J. Neri, Sr., req. by Wife and Children     |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>JANUARY 5th</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | Francis Symuleski req. by Barbara Prescott            |
| 8:30             | Joan Rita Hartsfield req. by Aunt Mary and Family     |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>JANUARY 6th</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | William Lindenmuth req. by Family                     |
| 8:30             | Jennie Bizon req. by The Maher Family                 |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 7th</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | Walter Pogozeleski req. by The Miczewski Family       |
| 8:30             | Marie Fogarty req. by Family                          |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 8th</b>                                    |
| 7:30             | Eugene Terp req. by Tom and Joan Shannon              |
| 8:30             | Anthony McKenna req. by Betty Daly                    |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 9th</b>                                    |
| 8:30             | Susan D'Amato req. by Ann Margaret Shannon            |
| 5:30 pm          | Lee and Emma Bettyas req. by Sister, Louise           |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 10th</b>                                   |
| 7:30             | Dolores M. Gallagher req. by Alison and Evan Brickman |
| 9:00             | Anna Sokiera req. by Eleanor and George Kovach        |
| 10:30            | Rudolph Wadle req. by Wife                            |
| 12:00            | Michael Radler (7th Anniv.) req. by Mom and Dad       |

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

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| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                                                        |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | Grade 8 Mentoring 7:00-8:30pm—<br>Parish Hall<br>Cub Scout Pack 161 Parent Leader<br>Meeting 7:00pm—Music Room         |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>RCIA—7:30—9:00pm—Drexler Hall                                                                |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | St. Philomena's 12:00-1:30 pm Church<br>CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>Holy Hour for Life 7:30-8:30pm—<br>Church            |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>Catholic Divorce Ministry—7:30-9:00<br>Drexler Hall<br>Boy Scouts—7:00-9:00pm—Parish<br>Hall |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | Family Liturgy—9:00am—Church<br>AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                        |

### “Holy Hour for Life”

Come join us for a Holy Hour for Life  
Praying before the Blessed Sacrament On

**Wednesday, January 6, 2010**  
**7:30 PM**

At Holy Spirit Church Suburban Road, Union, NJ  
Sponsored by: Holy Spirit Respect Life Ministry

**2<sup>ND</sup> Annual Catholic Men's Conference** to be  
held on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at Seton Hall  
University. More details soon.

***Hold the date for yourself!***

***Family Liturgy:*** Our next Family Liturgy will  
be held on Sunday, January 10, 2010 at the 9  
o'clock Mass. We encourage all families to bring  
their children as the Mass and homily is directed  
to them.

**Catholic Men's Conference  
"Champions of Faith"**

**Saturday, March 13, 2010**

**Seton Hall University, South Orange, N.J.**

Offering a structure of fellowship and support to deepen men's faith and relationships with Jesus Christ, their families and society

**"As Iron sharpens iron so one man sharpens another" Proverbs 27:17**

**Benedictine Academy**

Young women in 6th through 8th grades are invited to Benedictine Academy for **"Discover BA Day"**, **Saturday, January 9, 2010**. Benedictine Academy is a Middle States-Accredited all-female Catholic college preparatory high school located in the Westminster section of Elizabeth. Ninety-eight percent of graduates have been accepted to college for the past fourteen years. Our student/teacher ratio of 10:1 offers students individualized attention and encouragement. Students of diverse faiths and cultures attend our school. They will be on hand to greet and guide you in exploring the Academy at **"Discover BA Day"**. Drop in and experience brief class sessions with teachers, observe science demonstrations and interactive lessons using SMARTBoard technology, and hear information about our athletics programs, clubs and activities. There will also be advice on how to afford an excellent Benedictine high school education. The day begins at 9:00am and ends at 2:00pm.

It's a great opportunity to see the extraordinary place where young women have been preparing for the future for over 95 years...see why BA is "The Smart Place to Be"! To register, or for more information, please call Ms. Branco at 908-352-0670, ext. 104.

**Roselle Catholic Scholarship  
And Heritage Awards**

Roselle Catholic annually distributes over \$300,000 in scholarship and grant money to our students. Scholarships, Heritage Awards and grants are awarded to incoming freshmen based upon their academic achievement, community service and character. To apply for any of these scholarships, please go to the school's website: [www.rosellecatholic.org](http://www.rosellecatholic.org) to download an application. **The deadline is January 8, 2010.**

**WHAT WILL YOUR SON BE DOING  
THIS YEAR?**



He could be camping, swimming, hiking, building a rocket, tying a knot, building a campfire, learning life skills & first aid, pitching a tent, making a friend, helping a community, just about ANYTHING!  
He could be doing these things all year with the scouts!  
Learn what it's all about.

**CUB SCOUT PACK 161 &  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 85**

Grades 1-5 Cub Scouts; Grades 6-12 Boy Scouts  
Scouting with attitude!

For more information contact:  
Vinny Franchino (908) 686-8789 or  
Fred Sloan (908) 591-1564

**Benedictine Center Retreat**

The Benedictine Center invites you to **Thomas Merton: A Voice Crying Out** on Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Open to all. (Weekend retreat January 29-31 for women only.) at St. Walburga Monastery, Elizabeth, NJ. \$30 for Saturday with lunch included. \$125 for the weekend. Call 908-353-3028 to register.

**Union Catholic Scholarship Exam**

The Union Catholic High School Scholarship Exam for the Class of 2014 will be held on Saturday, January 9, 2010 at 9:00 AM. There is no makeup for this exam. Over \$120,000 in scholarship monies will be awarded. The fee for this exam is \$25.00. To register for the Scholarship Exam, contact the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, ext. 328

**St. Michaels' Church and School**  
**Elizabeth, NJ**

A reunion of St. Michael's School, Elizabeth, NJ will be held on Sunday, 10/10/10. Pass the word! We are looking for class lists and all Alumni. Contact us if you have information to share, want to join the committee, or are interested in attending.

Yolanda Diaz-Reyes—443 Maple Ave. Elizabeth, NJ 07202 908-354-1274.  
Website: [http://capemayteddybear.com/St. Michaels/Index.htm](http://capemayteddybear.com/St.Michaels/Index.htm)  
email: [stmikealumlists@aol.com](mailto:stmikealumlists@aol.com)

**How to Report Abuse**

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

***Ready for Summer Vacation?***

It is certainly not too early to begin thinking about your vacation plans for Summer, 2010. Why not be a part of history and attend the 41st production of the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, which is performed every 10 years. Brochures are available in the parish office detailing this wonderful opportunity, departing July 3, 2010 which also includes visits to many of the other beautiful cities of Bavaria and Austria such as Munich, Nuremberg, Innsbruck and Salzburg. Space is limited, so please act quickly. If you have any questions, please call Fr. Armand or call Anne Breslin of Great Experiences at (201) 825-3725

**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 and 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