

Holy Spirit Church

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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 ~

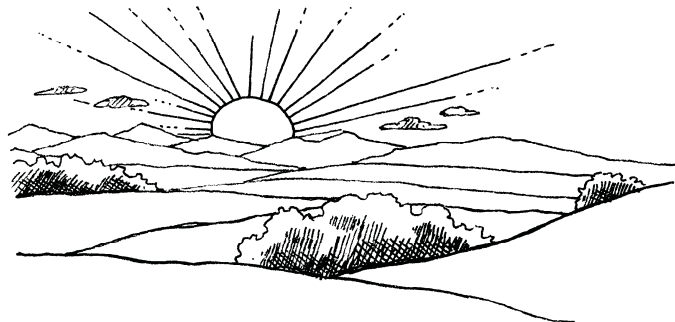
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Web Site - www.holyspiritunion.org

Holy Spirit Church
 Union, NJ
 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 January 17, 2010

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Nations shall behold your vindication,
 And all the kings your glory.
 —Isaiah 62:2

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$11,537.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/10/09

POOR: \$25.00
 HELPING HANDS: \$12.00

Pray for ...

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| Connie O'Shea | Rev. John Olszewski |
| Marie Armstrong | Shirley Gargano |
| Mary Corigliano | Joey Genova |
| Trude Kleissler | Ann Russo |
| Gary Russo | Bea Guadagno |
| Jo Landwirth | Rudy LaGala |
| Andrew Lewinter | Susan Dowling |
| Kevin Anon | William Tyson |
| Ann Marques | John Marques |
| Michael Denicola | Jodi Wendt |
| Laura Skibin | |

SAVE THE DATE

The Holy Spirit Women's Retreat Team will offer a Lenten Retreat for women the weekend of March 19-21. It will be held in the parish and will center around prayer and service. Join us for this opportunity to be with the Lord. More details to follow.

A message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding in Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

Fr. Armand

Family Liturgy:

Thank you to all who participated in our family Liturgy on January 10th. 1st Grade students in Mrs. Miuccio's Holy Spirit School class and 3rd grade students in Mrs. Ramos' Tuesday CCD class completed the banner by placing Baptismal candles on it. Our petitioners, who wrote and read their own petitions, were Lesley Checo, Alexandra Anton, Olivia Corvelyn and Grace Corvelyn. The Finnerty Family brought up the gifts. Our excellent CYO lector was Lauren Stapleton. Our next Family Liturgy will be held on February 7th at the 9 o'clock Mass.



School News

With the holidays behind us, we now look forward to **Catholic Schools Week** which will take place **Jan. 31st thru Feb. 6th**. This is a dynamic week that focuses on the rewarding benefits of a **Catholic School education**. Among the usual anticipated events are the **Book Fair**, the **Grandparents' Tea**, and the **Parent-Student Luncheon**. A more detailed schedule of events will be provided soon!



We will be wrapping up Catholic Schools Week on **Saturday, February 6th**, from **7PM- 11PM** with our first ever **"BROADWAY NIGHT."** Broadway Night is a fun night out **ADULT ONLY** Dance that includes a **50/50 raffle**, **basket raffles**, **wine & more!** **Tickets are \$25 per person & must be purchased in advance.** Feel free to **BYOB** and/or **food- desert** will be provided. We encourage all to come as **all proceeds from this event support our technology program** here at Holy Spirit School! For **tickets or more information**, please call the school **(908) 687-8415** or Mrs. Wallerstein.



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 cartridges

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

CYO/Youth Ministry News

Website: cyounionnj.com

All those volunteering at the Quadriplegic Center Cheshire Home) should be at Phil's office at 5:30pm this Thursday. If interested in signing up see Joey Giambusso or Peter Mc Ternan. Next week you will be able to sign up for the Nursing Home BINGO EVENT. (See Heather Baumann)



Thank you to all our Mentors who helped out last week at the Confirmation Meeting. Especially Nicole Vendola and Austin LaPilusa who gave presentations. It is great to see you all continuing to share about your own Confirmation experience

Did you see the new Ski Trip deal !!! We have renegotiated and our trip is now \$50.00 less! We are still taking registrations so if interested please bring yours in this week. A form and information can be downloaded from our website. Go to the Blog page under downloads.

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 16th</b>                                                                  |
| 8:30             | Frederick Scott req. by Family                                                       |
| 5:30 pm          | Eillen Stepanick req. by Dear Friend                                                 |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 17th</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | Nicholas C. Siccone req. by William DeLeonardo                                       |
| 9:00             | Luis Torres Sr. req. by Tupas Family                                                 |
| 10:30            | Frank Mantia req. by Family                                                          |
| 12:00            | In honor of Isabella Uschak's 7th Birthday req. by Godfather Roman, Grandma and Papa |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 18th</b>                                                                  |
| 8:30             | The People of Holy Spirit Parish                                                     |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>JANUARY 19th</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | John J. Krahel req. by Agnes, Tano, Jeane, Brian and Betty                           |
| 8:30             | Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti req. by Tom and Joan Shannon                               |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>JANUARY 20th</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | Manfred Dhalhauser req. by Brigitte and Frank Margadonna                             |
| 8:30             | Frank Cadigan req. by Fay Stewart                                                    |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 21st</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | Jovita Alinea req. by Eden Muhi                                                      |
| 8:30             | Jim Schaeffer req. by Anthony Russo                                                  |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 22nd</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | Adele Sadlowski req. by Eden Muhi                                                    |
| 8:30             | Doris Mims req. by Josephine and Cindy                                               |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 23rd</b>                                                                  |
| 8:30             | Charles Lorenzo req. By Ann Margaret Shannon                                         |
| 5:30 pm          | Jennie Bizon req. by Frank and Liz Weishapl                                          |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 24th</b>                                                                  |
| 7:30             | Helen Jankowski req. by Ted Jamer                                                    |
| 9:00             | Victoria Pilapil-Espiritu req. by Maria Espiritu                                     |
| 10:30            | Elenora Costa req. by Frank and Donna Costa                                          |
| 12:00            | Catherin Cece req. by The Katz Family                                                |

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

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| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | Children's Liturgy—9:00am—Church<br>AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                         |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    |                                                                                                                             |
| <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                                                              |
| <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 Hall         |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | Dinner Dance to Benefit Orphanage<br>3:00pm-12:00am-Parish Hall                                                             |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | Rosary Society Executive Board<br>Meeting—9:00-10:00am—Music Rm<br>Cub Scout Pack 161—Pinewood<br>Derby—10:00am—Parish Hall |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | 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, February 3, 2010**

**7:30 PM**

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

### Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry

Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry, Union, New Jersey announces the start of new session of group meetings to help you cope with the loss of a loved one.

**Meetings consist of 8 consecutive weeks beginning:**

**February 10, 2010—7:30 pm**

**Space is limited.**

For more information, call  
Deacon Stan Kwiatek at 908-964-7653  
or Marilyn Force at 908-964-8763

**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**

**PRO-LIFE MASS AND HOLY HOUR**

All are invited to attend the Annual Archdiocesan Pro-Life Mass and Holy Hour marking the 37<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the infamous Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in the U.S. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend John W. Flesey **today**, Sunday, January 17 at 12 noon in Sacred Heart Cathedral Basilica (89 Ridge Street, Newark) and followed by a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Life at St. Lucy's Church, Newark (a few blocks away). There will be a short procession to St. Lucy's immediately following the Mass. Holy Hour will include the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Silent Adoration & Benediction. Young Adults of the Archdiocese will lead prayers and music. **Let us come together to pray for the unborn, our nation and its leaders – that our prayers may open hearts, minds, and souls to the fullness of the Gospel of Life in our lives and laws. For additional information, log onto [www.rcan.org/life](http://www.rcan.org/life)**

**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.

**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!**

**Roselle Catholic High School** will be hosting an Open House on Thursday, January 28th at 7:00pm. We cordially invite all 7th and 8th graders and their parents to come and see all the exciting possibilities offered at Roselle Catholic.

**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



**The Knights of Columbus Union Council 4504  
Blood Drive & Bone Marrow Donor Screening**

The Knights of Columbus Union Council 4504 will be holding a Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Donor Screening on January 31, 2009—9:00am—2:00pm at the Council Hall located at 1034 Jeanette Avenue, Union, NJ.

Please stop in and help us help others who are in need; remember "God forbid" it could be you or me one day that needs the help!

**Center For Hope Hospice & Palliative Care** is in need of an RN 1-2 days per week. It is a set schedule at a Senior Citizen Residence. Responsibilities include taking vital signs and performing mini-assessments. Minimal paperwork is required. Please send resume to Center For Hope Hospice & Palliative Care Attn: Human Resource Director, 1900 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

**Mother Seton Regional High School**

On Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. there will be an Open House for 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls and their parents at Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Rd., Clark, NJ. Students and parents are invited to come to the open house, to bring their friends and to learn more about the high school options available to them. Mother Seton Regional High School is located at Exit 135 on the Garden State Parkway.

### **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.

### **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.”

### ***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