

Holy Spirit Church

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Mr. James Sondey

Parish Pastoral Council Coordinator

Mrs. Patricia Wiggins

Mr. David Schardien

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

First Sunday of Lent

February 21, 2010



The word is near you,
In your mouth and in your heart.
-Romans 10:8

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$9,836.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 2/14/10

POOR: \$34.00
HELPING HANDS: \$11.00

Pray for ...

Connie O'Shea
Marie Armstrong
Mary Corigliano
Trude Kleissler
Gary Russo
Jo Landwirth
Joanne Landeck
Kevin Anon
Ann Marques
Michael Denicola
Laura Skibin
Joan Scholz

Rev. John Olszewski
Shirley Gargano
Joey Genova
Ann Russo
Bea Guadagno
Rudy LaGala
Susan Dowling
William Tyson
John Marques
Jodi Wendt
Karen Williamson

“Holy Hour for Life”

Come join us for a Holy Hour for Life
Praying before the Blessed Sacrament On
Wednesday, March 3, 2010 7:30 PM
At Holy Spirit Church Suburban Road, Union, NJ
Sponsored by: Holy Spirit Respect Life Ministry

A message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

It's hard to believe that the holy season of Lent has begun. It seems that we are still finding stray pine needles remaining from Christmas, and here we are preparing for Easter. The Lenten regulations appear again in this bulletin and I ask you to please read them and make them a part of your journey. I also encourage you to take the time to discern how God is calling you to make this season truly special: giving something up, doing something more, treating people better, attending Mass more often or arriving on time for the ones you do attend. There are so many ways to keep the season, that to not make an attempt is truly sad.

I also remind you that during Lent flowers and other decorations are not permitted in the church. If you were planning on placing them, may I respectfully suggest that you donate the money you would have spent on them to your favorite charity.

Finally, if you are looking for a devotion to attend during this holy season, I remind you that the Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday at 7:00 p.m. All are invited and encouraged to participate in this special prayer.

Fr. Armand

“Do You Remember”

If you are fond of Sand Dunes and salty air, quaint little Villages here and there, you're sure to fall in love with Old Cape Cod. Come along with Holy Spirit 60+ on Monday May 17, 2010 through May 21, 2010 to experience the above. Four (4) nights lodging; eight, (8) meals-4 breakfasts and 4 dinners). Visit lovely Martha's Vineyard, and exploration of Historic Hyanis and Sandwich, tour “Outer Capes” Provincetown and Chatham, visit JFK Museum, the Eastham Wind Mill and much more. Price is \$440pp double and \$570 single. This price includes all tips and luggage handling (Motor Coach Transportation). Full payment is due March 19, 2010.



For more information please call Liz at 9108-687-0781.

ATTENTION ROSARIANS

Due to the inclement weather on February 9, 2010, the Rosary meeting was cancelled. Therefore, anyone wanting to attend the day out on April 17th, please send your \$70.00 check made out to Holy Spirit Rosary Society to:
Fran Donnelly
280 New Jersey Avenue
Union, NJ 07083
Send your check A.S.A.P. Thank you



School News



Don't cook dinner on Saturday, February 27th! Instead, come to our 6th Annual Pasta Dinner fund-raiser sponsored by Holy Spirit School's Athletic Program! Join us from 6:30

PM until 10PM in the Parish Hall for a FUN evening of music, dancing, games and raffles! If you can't stay for the fun but want a night out of the kitchen, **take-out orders for only \$5 each** will also be available! Our pasta dinner includes spaghetti & meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and beverages. **Tickets are \$10 per guest** (all ages), and **VIP round tables for 12 are available for \$150**. Buy tickets now... last year's event was a sell-out! **All proceeds benefit our sports teams here at Holy Spirit School.** For tickets or more information, please call the school at (908) 687-8415.



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

CYO/Youth Ministry News

Website: cyouunionnj.com



Congratulations to our CYO Members who have been named the **2009 Cheshire Home Volunteers of the Year!** Cheshire Home is the Quadriplegic Center we volunteer at once every month. Our members help the residents by cleaning their living quarters, helping do their laundry and aiding them with personal matters they find difficult to do on their own.

It is always our pleasure to be of assistance to the residents of Cheshire Home. You can see our members in action at Cheshire on our website under **Service Projects**.

This month we are very proud to have our Core Team represented in our new Member of the Month. So Congratulations to **Brendan Silva of Holy Spirit**. And **Megan Bohse from St. Michael's**.

Brendan was just appointed to our Core Team after proving himself with the great number of community service projects he continues to participate in.

Megan has been a Core Team member since Freshman year and has proved herself with countless hours of service and dedication to the group. Both Brendan and Megan are great examples to look up to for anyone who would like to be on Core Team as well as be a good Christian person.

"Bring a Friend Night" will be coming up on March 9th. Start thinking now about the friend you would like to bring to this special event. More details will be given at CYO.

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-

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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>FEBRUARY 20th</b>                                          |
| 8:30             | Mercedes V. Borer req. by Emerita Mallorca                    |
| 5:30 pm          | Ann Moore and Family req. by Alberta and Bill                 |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>FEBRUARY 21st</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Dolores M. Gallagher req. by Nancy and Pat Antonelli          |
| 9:00             | Frank Esposito req. by Susan and Dennis Gallagher             |
| 10:30            | Marie Yesenko req. by David and Kathy Arminio                 |
| 12:00            | Michael Radler req. by Mom and Dad                            |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>FEBRUARY 22nd</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                          |
| 8:30             | Frank Cadigan req. by Tess Kost                               |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>FEBRUARY 23rd</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Peter Dilkus req. by Margaret Gelcius                         |
| 8:30             | David Terpstra req. by Liz and Frank Weishapl                 |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>FEBRUARY 24th</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Sister Mary Russo req. by Alicia McCormick                    |
| 8:30             | Steve Wolf req. by Anthony Russo                              |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>FEBRUARY 25th</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Eleanor Saemann req. by Judy and Al Arnold                    |
| 8:30             | Frederick J. Neri, Sr. (3rd Anniv.) req. by Wife and Children |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>FEBRUARY 26th</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Blossom Zygmunt req. by Stahlberg Family                      |
| 8:30             | Caroline and Carmen Marano req. by Geraldine's Friends        |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>FEBRUARY 27th</b>                                          |
| 8:30             | Anthony Pollari req. by The Pollari Family                    |
| 5:30 pm          | Jim Trench req. by Marie and Claudine Gilenski                |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>FEBRUARY 28th</b>                                          |
| 7:30             | Robert French req. by Mary and David Schardien                |
| 9:00             | Richard F. Lohn req. by Family                                |
| 10:30            | Nicola Ferraro req. by Wife and Family                        |
| 12:00            | Lois Tunnera req. by Joe and Anne Barbella                    |

## 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>    | First Eucharist Parent Meeting<br>7:00pm—Church                                                                        |
| <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>Bereavement—7:30-9:00pm—<br>Drexler Hall             |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>Boy Scouts—7:00-9:00pm Parish<br>Hall<br>Catholic Divorce Ministry—7:30-9:00<br>Drexler Hall |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | Stations of the Cross-7:00 pm<br>Church                                                                                |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | Pasta Dinner—After 5:30 Mass<br>Parish Hall                                                                            |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                                                        |

## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2010 LENTEN REGULATIONS

- The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.  
On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.  
On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.
- The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 21, 2010 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 30, 2010.**

\*Canon 920, 1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*



**MARTHA, MARY, AND US: OUR CALL TO PRAYER AND SERVICE**

We invite the women of the parish to attend this year's Lenten Retreat. (Please feel free to bring a friend.) It will be a weekend dedicated to a look at prayer and service.

**When:** *Friday, March 19, 2010* – 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

*Saturday, March 20* – 8:30 a.m. (Mass) – 5:00 p.m. A light breakfast and a lunch will be provided.

*Sunday, March 21* – 9:00 a.m. Mass (Closing celebration for retreatants who are able To attend, as well as their families.)



**Where:** Parish Hall and Church

**Cost: \$20.00**

Please bring **rosary** beads, a **Bible, if you have one.** (We will have some available to borrow at the retreat.) Also, bring a **pencil or pen,** and a **comfortable pillow** if the Parish Hall chairs are uncomfortable for you. **Wear comfortable, warm clothing.**

Complete the registration form below and mail it with a check for **\$20.00 payable to Holy Spirit** to Joan Garthwaite, 650 Salem Road, Union, NJ 07083, or drop it off at the Parish Office at 984 Suburban Road by **Friday, March 5, 2010.**

We look forward to being with you in the Lord . If you have any questions, contact Barbara at 687-0048 or Joan at 908-964-9261 or email jgarthwaite2@verizon.net.

Joan Garthwaite Sandy Hulme Barbara LaMort Cathy Matunas Laura Scwab

**MARTHA, MARY, AND US: OUR CALL TO PRAYER AND SERVICE REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm willing to come to the Parish Hall at 4:00 on Friday, March 19, to help set up for the retreat.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm willing to stay after the retreat ends on Saturday, March 20, to help clean up.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm willing to bring a dessert item for Friday/Saturday.

**In preparation for Friday night's prayer service, please read the story of Martha and Mary (Luke 10:38-42), included below.**

<sup>38</sup>As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

<sup>41</sup>"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup>but only one thing is needed.<sup>[a]</sup> Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Martha felt that she couldn't get out of the kitchen and felt overwhelmed by her responsibilities there. A pot or a spoon might symbolize her situation.

**Think about a time when you felt overwhelmed as Martha did. It could have been yesterday! What item would symbolize that situation for you? Please bring that item with you for Friday night's prayer service. For example, if you are constantly in the car driving your children to various activities, you might bring a Matchbox car or a picture of a car. If you're forever babysitting, you could bring a calendar.**