

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 ~

E-Mail - holyspiritchurch@comcast.net

Religious Education Office - 964-7533

Web Site - www.holyspiritunion.org

Holy Spirit Church

Union, NJ

Second Sunday of Lent

February 28, 2010



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The Lord is my light and my salvation;
Whom should I fear?

-Psalm 27:1

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$11,873.00
Retired Priest Collection: \$3,439.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 2/21/10

POOR: \$29.00
HELPING HANDS: \$8.00.

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,

Congratulations!

Congratulations are in order to Marie Armstrong who has served our parish as secretary/receptionist for over 30 years, as she now enters into a well earned retirement. Please join me in thanking her for many years of service and dedication to our parish. We ask only the finest of God's blessings as she continues to be an active member of our parish community. We assure her, and her family, of our prayers and best wishes for their future happiness. Again, thank you Marie for all you have done over these many, many years.

On this Second Sunday of Lent we once again journey to Mt. Tabor to witness the awesome moment of the Transfiguration. For just a brief instant, Jesus reveals himself in his full divine majesty to Peter, James and John who are dumbfounded by the experience.

The Transfiguration is more than just a historical event; it has great significance for all of us today as well. That same vision of the Lord in majesty that the apostles had briefly, is the very same vision of Jesus that we will have of him for all eternity on that day we are called to stand before him.

Lent is the time set aside to prepare us specifically for this moment. As we journey through this sacred season, we have presented to us increasingly more powerful opportunities to prepare ourselves for that final day. If we begin by following the directive that comes forth from the voice of God in today's Gospel, namely, to “listen to Him,” and not just hear him, we take the first steps on the path that will ensure our sharing in this divine vision.

Fr. Armand



School News

**Spring Clean &
HELP THOSE IN NEED!**

**** CLOTHING DRIVE ****

Home School Fund Raiser

Fri., April 16th 3PM - 5PM

Sat., April 17th 9AM - 1PM

**Clothing, Shoes, Belts, Hats & Gloves,
Curtains, Blankets, Pocketbooks, &
Stuffed Animals.**

**Ask your families, friends and
co-workers, too!**

Volunteer for contract hours.

Hours for full bags of clothes.

**ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN HEAVY TRASH BAGS-
(NO BOXES or LOOSE ITEMS)**

Students in Grades 1-7 will be taking their Terra Nova tests starting Monday, March 1st thru Friday, March 5th. There will also be a 12:30 PM dismissal on Friday. A whole week of testing can be tiresome, so let's all remember to keep the children in our prayers!



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*

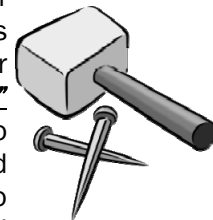
Empty inkjet cartridges can be recycled and remanufactured. Our school will receive \$4.00 for each cartridge turned in. This will directly benefit our school, the students, and even the environment. You can help! Any ink cartridges with a print head can be recycled regardless of brand or type. Bring 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: cyouionnj.com

This Tuesday Night we have one of our most anticipated Speakers coming to CYO. So get ready for **Justin Fatica and "Hard As Nails" Ministry**. This is a great night to come to CYO to be challenged and seriously think about your Faith. Do Not Miss It! Due to our special Program we will open the doors at 7pm.



"Bring a Friend Night" will be coming up on March 9th. At this night you bring a friend who has never been to CYO before. The night will consist of games, prizes, refreshments and most importantly **Faith Sharing!**

Our presenters for the night will be **Josh Burgos and Raquel Pinto**. 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) 964-7533.

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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>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              |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 1st</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Ann Burke req. by Family                                |
| 8:30             | Patricia Muller req. by Friend, Barbara                 |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>MARCH 2nd</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Jennie Giordano req. by Tom and Ann Hornig              |
| 8:30             | Dorothy Kennedy req. by Lynn Osterodt                   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>MARCH 3rd</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Sister Mary Russo req. by Alicia McCormick              |
| 8:30             | Steven A. Cinque req. by Guido Petruzzelli              |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>MARCH 4th</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Yolanda Marra req. by Larry and Elsie Piparo and Family |
| 8:30             | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                    |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 5th</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Nelia Purisima req. by Agnes, Tano, Betty and Leo       |
| 8:30             | Paquito DeJesus req. by Emerita Mallorca                |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>MARCH 6th</b>                                        |
| 8:30             | Nicholas C. Siccone req. by William DeLeonardo          |
| 5:30 pm          | Marie Orlando req. by Sister                            |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 7th</b>                                        |
| 7:30             | Sam Sosnicky req. by Wife Ann and Family                |
| 9:00             | Rosina DiPaola req. by Husband and Children             |
| 10:30            | Florence LaRocco req. by Husband                        |
| 12:00            | June Auer 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>    | Cub Scout Pack 161 Parent Leader 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 Church<br>Bereavement—7:30-9:00pm—Drexler Hall |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>Boy Scouts—7:00-9:00pm Parish Hall<br>Catholic Divorce Ministry—7:30-9:00 Drexler Hall                                |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | 60+ 12:30/Church—1:00-3:00 Parish Hall<br>Stations of the Cross-7:00 pm Church                                                                  |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  |                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | Confirmation Retreat 9:00am—2:30pm—Parish Hall<br>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.*

**Holy Spirit is sponsoring a Women's Retreat** the weekend of March 19-21. All women are invited to come, bring a friend, and spend some time with our Lord away from the daily distractions during this Lenten season. The theme is Martha, Mary and Us: Our call to Prayer and Service. Registration forms and more details can be found in the vestibule of the church.

***“New Members Welcome”***

If planning to attend St. Patrick's celebration on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at "Doolans" in Spring Lake, full payment of \$64.00 is due.

This year Liz and Frank, with the help of Holy Spirit 60+ are collecting **MEN'S jeans size 36 to 44** to distribute to Bridges Outreach Inc. program in Summit, NJ. Each week in Newark, they feed and clothe nearly 4,000 people, including 600 children through several street and shelter programs. In New York City the number of people they feed and clothe increased by 20% this past year. If we can make a difference in their lives by providing something as simple as a pair of Jeans, we will through our 60+ group. So please go through your closets and bring to our meeting **MEN'S JEANS size 36 to 44** and also **Magda's** outreach lap robes for our troops in Iraq. Any questions, call Liz 908-687-0781.

***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

***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."

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

**Saturday, March 13, 2010 Seton Hall University**

This conference will focus on bringing men together to form a brotherhood that goes beyond the conference and helps you strengthen faith, your family and identity as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

**Prepare to be inspired! Prepare to be Challenged!  
Prepare to be blessed!**

Dynamic Catholic speakers share the truth of the Gospel and call all men to live out their faith with courage and holy boldness. Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, Joe Kleck, ex-Jets Pro Football Player, Curtis Martin, Director of Focus, Rich Donnelly, MLB Coach and more speakers who will inspire.

Registration on line for the quickest and easiest way or pick up a registration form available in church. Visa and mastercard with online registration at [www.rcan.org/menscommission](http://www.rcan.org/menscommission). Checks or cash would also be accepted.

Cost \$20 individual, Seniors 65+ \$15—Students 14 and under \$15. Priest and Religious Free. Cost includes breakfast and lunch. Deacon Joe will organize car pools. If you have questions call him at 964-9372.

***Iron Sharpens Iron, One Man Sharpens Another***

**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.

**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

### ***5, 25, and 50 years of Marriage Celebrations***

The Archdiocese once again will be honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in the year 2010. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. The schedule is as follows:

#### **5th and 25th Anniversary**

**April 11, 2010**

**3:00 PM – All four counties**

(Deadline for reservations is April 2, 2010)

#### **50th Anniversary**

**May 16, 2010**

**3:00 PM—Essex and Union Counties**

(Deadline for reservations is May 7, 2010)

#### **50th Anniversary**

**June 6, 2010**

**3:00 PM—Bergen and Hudson Counties**

(Deadline for reservations is May 28, 2010)

### **“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 \$440 per person 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.***