

Holy Spirit Church

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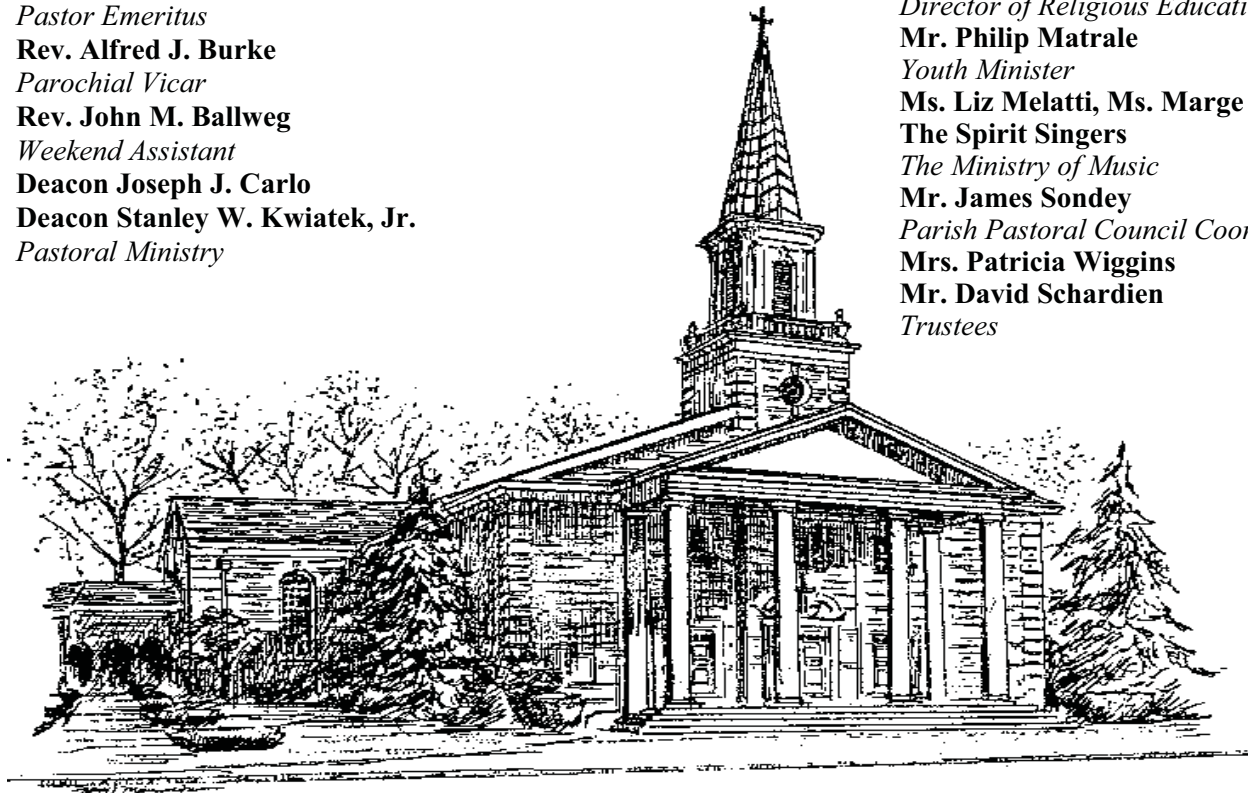
Mr. James Sondey

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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

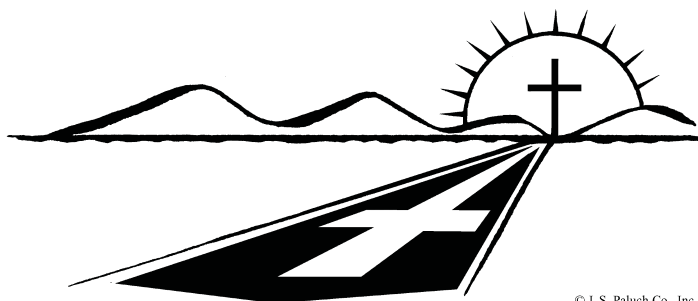
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Holy Spirit Church

Union, NJ

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2010



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I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.
-Philippians 3:8

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$9,328.00
Peter Pence Collection: \$2,670.00

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 3/14/10

POOR: \$16.00
HELPING HANDS: \$7.00

Pray for ...

Connie O'Shea
Marie Armstrong
Mary Corigliano
Trude Kleissler
Gary Russo
Jo Landwirth
Joan Scholz
Kevin Anon
Ann Marques
Michael Denicola
Laura Skibin
Rev. Jack Ballweg
David Dulina

Rev. John Olszewski
Shirley Gargano
Joey Genova
Ann Russo
Bea Guadagno
Rudy LaGala
Susan Dowling
William Tyson
John Marques
Jodi Wendt
Robert Lash
Annette DiBlasio

**ALTAR BREAD; SACRIFICIAL WINE;
SANCTUARY LAMP;** In memory of Donald
Faughnan req. by Mary Faughnan and Family

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES

Easter Sunday—April 4, 2010: If you want anything to be publicized in our Easter Sunday—April 4th issue of our bulletin you must have your information to Lisa by **Wednesday, March 25, 2010 by 12:00 noon.**

We appreciate your anticipated cooperation in this matter. The bulletin has notified us as to these deadlines so that we are assured our delivery.

A message from our Pastor:

Dear Parishioners,

On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, both the season and the liturgy take a very dramatic turn. Up until this point, Lent has been concerned with the traditional topics of prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and sacrifice. From here on, those items, important as they are, fade into the background slightly and now we begin to look ahead to the events fast approaching.

Many decades ago, today began a "mini-season" within Lent called "Passiontide." Some of you may remember the days of coming into church and seeing all the statues and crucifixes covered; they remained that way until Easter Sunday. All of this was to distance distractions and draw attention solely to the great upcoming mysteries of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. Even though we don't do any of this anymore, beginning today we can still turn our hearts ahead. We can begin our meditations on the meaning of these vital moments in the life of our faith and our church.

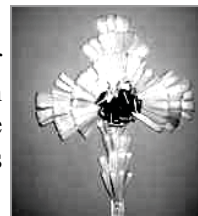
Perhaps the best way to enter into these great mysteries is to plan on participating in the beautiful celebrations of Holy Week, Beginning next Sunday, with Palm Sunday, and continuing until Easter we have the opportunity to walk these final days with our Lord. The full schedule for Holy Week is found elsewhere in this bulletin, as well as the remaining times to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This great sacrament is also a perfect way prepare ourselves to enter into the Paschal Mystery and I strongly encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities to encounter the Lords mercy and forgiveness.

Once again, I remind you that if you wish to offer get well greetings to Fr. Ballweg, please send them care of the parish and we will gladly forward them to him. Father is scheduled shortly for a hip replacement and will be away from us until at least the end of April. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Fr. Amand

Holy Spirit Rosary Society

Palm crosses will be available for purchase after all Masses on March 20th, 21st and March 28th, 29th. The cost is \$10.00 each. Please support this sale, it is one of our major fund raisers.





School News

**Spring Clean &
HELP THOSE IN NEED!
** CLOTHING DRIVE **
Home School Fund Raiser**

**Fri, April 16th: 3PM - 5PM
Sat, April 17th: 9AM - 1PM and after 5:30 PM mass
Sun, April 18th: Before & after all masses until 2 PM**

**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)**

The last HOME SCHOOL MEETING for this school year will be held at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, March 23rd in the cafegymatorium. All parents are encouraged to come hear about the final upcoming events being planned for our children here at Holy Spirit School. We hope to see you there!

St. Thomas More Scholarship applications are now available for qualified families here at our school. If you are interested in applying or need more information, please call the school at **(908) 687-8415**.



We would like to remind all of our St. Patrick's Day Parade participants that the parade has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 27th. Hope to see you there!



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!!!

CYO/Youth Ministry News

Website: cyounionnj.com



This Tuesday Night will be our Easter Food Drive at CYO. Let's do our best to feed the local homeless and hungry!

We would like to thank Raquel Pinto and Josh Burgos who gave self-written Presentations about Youth Ministry last week at Bring a Friend Night. (Which was packed!!) They impressed us all! Remember, your BAF friend is invited to all CYO activities for the rest of the year.

Those of us going to the Union High Presentation of Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat should meet at Union High at 7pm on Thursday. The play begins at 7:30.

Also thanks to our members who volunteered at the Cheshire: Handicapped Center and with the handicapped kids of the ARC in the last few weeks.

The Association of St. Philomena's Helpers and Servants to the Suffering and the Poor seek your assistance.

We are collecting useable rosaries in good condition that will be sent to the orphans in the Ukraine and the service men in Afghanistan.

You can place the rosaries in the box which will be located in the vestibule of the church. Deacon Stan will collect them and send them out appropriately.

We appreciate all the support that you can give.

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>MARCH 20th</b>                                                  |
| 8:30             | John Staba req. by Wife & Children                                 |
| 5:30 pm          | William and Sarah Lawrence req. by Louise                          |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 21st</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | Mary Kovach req. by George and Eleanor Kovach                      |
| 9:00             | Alice R. Towers req. by Arline and Stanley Bunnell                 |
| 10:30            | Peter Szuylk req. by Daughter                                      |
| 12:00            | Edward Garthwaite req. by Joan and Edward Garthwaite               |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 22nd</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | James McCormick req. by Alicia McCormick                           |
| 8:30             | Agnes and Charles Gordon req. by Family                            |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>MARCH 23rd</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | Michael S. Murray req. by Alicia McCormick                         |
| 8:30             | Richard Bunis req. by Geraldine Casey                              |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>MARCH 24th</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | Carol Palasits req. by Judy and Al Arnold                          |
| 8:30             | DaNave Family req. by Daughters                                    |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>MARCH 25th</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | For the People of Holy Spirit Parish                               |
| 8:30             | In Thanksgiving for Pettie Tamayo req. by Manego & Tamayo Families |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 26th</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | Patricia Dion req. by Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Marinzulich                 |
| 8:30             | Deceased Members of the Maher Family req. by The Maher Family      |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>MARCH 27th</b>                                                  |
| 8:30             | Donald E. Faughnan req. by Mary Faughnan and Family                |
| 5:30 pm          | Theresa and Joseph Pegnato req. by Wola Marra                      |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>MARCH 28th</b>                                                  |
| 7:30             | Dolores M. Gallagher req. by Helen McCann                          |
| 9:00             | Joseph Vangraitis req. by Daughter                                 |
| 10:30            | Anna Trovato req. by Joseph and Carol Trovato                      |
| 12:00            | Libio Espiritu req. by Maria Espiritu                              |

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

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| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | Rosary Altar Society Palm Cross Sale<br>After All Masses<br>AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm                                     |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    |                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | CCD—3:45—5:00pm—Church<br>Home School Meeting 7:30pm<br>Parish Hall<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 Hall<br>Catholic Divorce Ministry—7:30-9:00<br>Drexler Hall                             |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | Stations of the Cross-7:00 pm Church                                                                                                            |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | Rosary Altar Society Palm Cross Sale<br>After 5:30 Mass                                                                                         |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | Children's Liturgy 9:00am—Church<br>Rosary Altar Society Palm Cross Sale<br>After All Masses<br>AA Spirit of Recovery - Drexler Hall<br>7:15 pm |

### *HOLY WEEK 2010*

#### **Confessions:**

Saturday, March 27, 2010  
11:00am—12:00 Noon  
4:00pm—5:00pm

Wednesday, March 24, Wednesday, March 31  
7:30pm—8:00pm

#### **PALM SUNDAY—March 28**

Blessing of Palms at all Masses

#### **HOLY THURSDAY, April 1**

No Morning Mass  
Mass of the Lord's Supper—8:00pm  
Church remains open for adoration until 11:30pm  
Night Prayer 11:30pm

#### **GOOD FRIDAY, April 2**

No Morning Mass  
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion  
3:00pm  
Stations of the Cross—7:30pm

#### **HOLY SATURDAY, April 3**

No Morning Mass  
Blessing of Easter Food 11:30am  
No 5:30 Mass  
The Easter Vigil—8:00pm

#### **EASTER SUNDAY, April 4**

**Mass at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon**

**Children's Liturgy:** The next Children's Liturgy will be held on Palm Sunday, March 28th at the 9 a.m. Mass. A friendly reminder to all of the children who participated in the last Children's Liturgy, to bring back the collection boxes which you made. We will collect them at Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday. The money will be presented at Easter Sunday Mass and then will be sent directly to ongoing relief efforts in Haiti for the children suffering from the effects of the earthquake. Please bring your collection boxes with you into the parish hall when you come up for Children's Liturgy on Palm Sunday. Thank you!!

**FAMILY LITURGY:** Thank you to all who participated in our Family Liturgy on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Our banner "Jesus Always Forgives" was completed by third grade students in Mrs. Cymbaluk's Holy Spirit School class. Our petitioners were Isabella Cruz, Lisette Sorrano, Eric Kapner and Candace kharatonov. The Arnold-Kapner Family brought up the gifts. Our excellent lector was Dana Bartone. Our next Family liturgy will be held on Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, at the 9 o'clock Mass.

### "Holy Hour for Life"

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

**Wednesday, April 7, 2010  
7:30 PM**

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

### 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

**All Men of Holy Spirit** are invited to the Holy Spirit Men's Prayer Group after 8:30 Saturday Mass 3/27 in the music room. We pray and discuss the readings for Sunday. We are men who love our God and want to learn more about Him. Coffee and will be served. Peace!

### 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

**Lenten Lecture** Benedictine Sisters, Elizabeth, NJ, invite you to hear Rev. Jane Tomaine, Episcopal priest and author of *St. Benedict's Toolbox* who will speak about "Getting Back on the Wagon: a Lenten Call to Benedictine Stability" on March 28 at 3:15 PM. This will be followed by refreshments and 5 PM Vespers. Open to the public; no registration or fee required. For information, call 908-353-3028.

The **Women's Holy Week Retreat** at Benedictine Sisters in Elizabeth, NJ will center on the liturgy of each day. The retreat begins Wednesday evening, March 31, and concludes on Easter Sunday. \$175. For information and registration, call 908-353-3028.

**Private Retreat Weekend** for women will be held April 16-18 at Benedictine Sisters, Elizabeth, NJ. Take time for private prayer and reflection. Join the community's prayer and meal schedule. There are no group conferences. \$125. For information and registration, call 908-353-3028.

**The Spirituality of Gardening** is offered to all on Saturday morning, April 17, 9 AM to 12:30 PM. \$15.

### A Message from PSE&G

Are you and your family being squeezed by these tough economic times? The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and New Jersey SHARES programs can help with your energy bill. To find out which of these programs will best meet your needs, call 1-800-510-3102, Monday thru Saturday, or visit [www.pseg.com/help](http://www.pseg.com/help) to learn more and where to apply.

***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 908-687-0781.***