

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

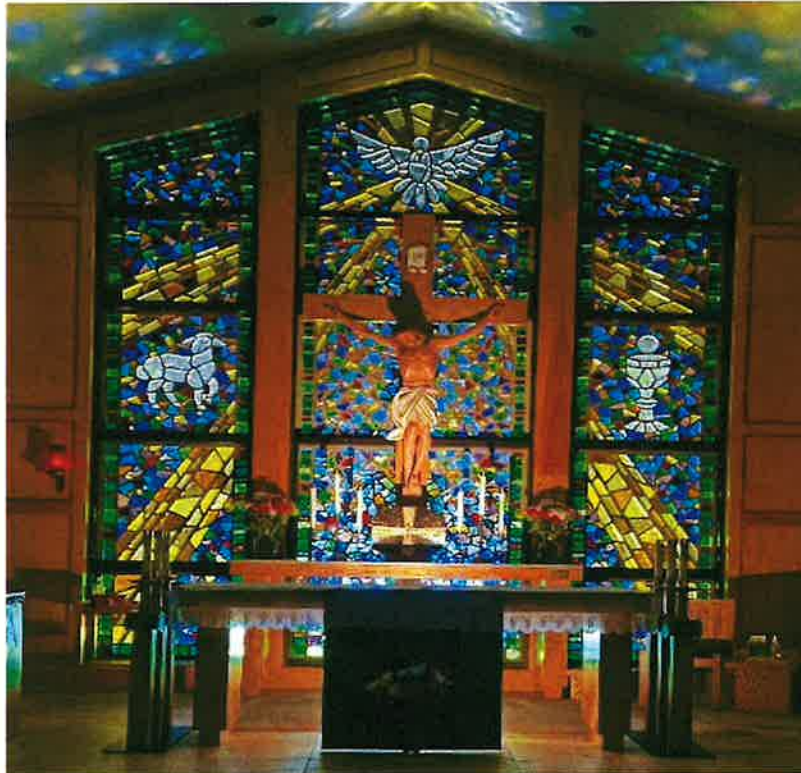
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This week's Celebration of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am
Monday 9:00 am
Communion Service
Tuesday 9:00 am
Wednesday 9:00 am
Thursday 9:00 am
Friday 9:00 am

Adoration

Tuesday
9:45 am - 12:30 pm
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Reconciliation

Tuesday 9:45 - 10:30 am
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm
Sunday Upon request
Weekdays Upon request

Sacrament of the Sick

Offered at first Friday
Mass upon request.

Marriage or Baptism

Contact the parish office
six (6) months prior to the
anticipated date.

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 17, 2025

TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:
JER 38 : 4 - 6; 8 - 10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
PS 40 : 2 - 4; 18

2ND READING:
HEB 12 : 1 - 4

GOSPEL:
LK 12 : 49 - 53



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Pope's August Intention

For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Church Organizations

Financial Council Pastoral Council Virtus Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Knights Legion of Mary Food Pantry Music Ministry Rosary Makers/Prayer Blankets Cenacle of Life Welcome Bereavement	Charlie Clymer John Rigney Jerry Hauck Gary Laudt Marge Clymer Jane Bidlack Bryan Todd Carol Szczepanski Vicki Hauck Deacon John Erdag
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PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance: 8/10 SAT: 63 8/11 SUN: 88

Collections from 8/10 - 8/11:

Offertory	\$ 2,024.00
Votive Candles	\$ 12.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 810.00

AUGUST SECOND COLLECTIONS

8/2 & 8/3: Building and Maintenance Fund
 8/16 & 8/17: Holy Spirit Faith Formation

Thank you for your generous contributions.

Please remember Holy Spirit in your Will.



Mass Intentions

Sat 8/16	George Duke+ (Knights of Columbus)
Sun 8/17	Vicki & Jerry Hauck (Ellis Family)
Tues 8/19	Adolgina Albuquerque+ (M/M Evans)
Wed 8/20	Regina Kim (Ann Marie Vancas)
Thur 8/21	Jack Beaton+ (M/M Clymer)
Fri 8/22	George Duke+ (Knights of Columbus)



Remember the sick of our parish: Vicki Hauck; David Barber; Deacon Sam; Elaine Arellano; Dale Boman; Michael Jernigan; Marissa Cowles; Judy Terry; Randy Munoz; Jess & Eva Corrigan; Elaine March & Rosemary Seltzer; Maureen Tucker; Lou & Ray Masferrer; Patrick Wood; Margaret Smith-Cauley; Wyatt Cesarz; Elmer Mulhollon, Ram Singh, Pat Schmear, Barbara Schneider; Helene Kaczowka; Emly Walker; Cindy Sue Erdag; Emeress Aiwohi; Joe Bonneville; Wauneta Winton; Joe Fazzio; Juan & Barbara Delgado; Avery Boultinghouse; Jo & Doris Hoffman; Roy Marchak; David Borel; Verna Sloan; Mike Stephens; Kathy Bowers; Msgr. Ron Diegel; Chris & Dave Paape; Richard Schuetz; Jodie Woods; Jean Hamilton; Kathleen Fleming; Jaye Anderson; Greg Mooney; Karee Haney; Charlie Parker; Jacob Stephens.

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE TO REMOVE OR ADD A NAME/
RANK TO EITHER OF THESE LISTS.**



Remember the active military of our parish: Senior Chief Petty Officer, James Nichols, (Nephew of Dcn John & Cindy Sue Erdag). Sergeant Steven Blackburn, US Army (Nephew of Michael & Kathleen Laurel) Cody Mitchell, LTJG Navy (Son-in-law of Stan & Terrie Evans). Ben Clymer, Sr Airman USAF (Grandson of Charlie & Marge). Captain Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). Lt. Gary Buchanan; Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno AMT 2nd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Petty Officer 2 Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

Anyone involved in any Ministry at our Parish, must be compliant on your Ethics and Integrity training with VIRTUS.

To sign up for training, please notify Holy Spirit's contact person:
Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or email him at:
justin.mahaffey@icloud.com

AUGUST UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Sat 8/16:</u>	5:00 pm Mass
<u>Sun 8/17:</u>	8:30 am Mass
<u>Mon 8/18:</u>	9:00 am Communion Service 6:30 - 8:00 pm RECERTIFICATION TRAINING
<u>Tues 8/19:</u>	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
<u>Wed 8/20:</u>	9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Bible Study
<u>Thurs 8/21:</u>	8:00* am Mass (*Father has Priest Study Day @ Chancery) 9:30 am Legion of Mary
<u>Fri 8/22:</u>	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Rosary Makers
<u>Sat 8/23:</u>	5:00 pm Mass
<u>Sun 8/24:</u>	8:30 am Mass
<u>Mon 8/25:</u>	9:00 am Communion Service
<u>Tues 8/26:</u>	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
<u>Wed 8/27:</u>	9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Bible Study
<u>Thurs 8/28:</u>	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Legion of Mary 7:00 pm K of C Council 15174 Meeting (Rosary 6:30)
<u>Fri 8/29:</u>	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Rosary Makers



Ohhh,
Those summer
nights!

Holy Spirit Food Ministry

Our monthly Fill-A-Bag to Fight Hunger Ministry is this weekend. Please pick-up a grocery bag in the Narthex after Mass on Aug. 16th & 17th. Then, return the filled bag the following week. Filled bags can be put in the bin outside of Church Office or handed to a Food Ministry member. Thank you for your continuing support of this crucial ministry that serves our community at HLR and the surrounding area.

If you know of a resident in need, please obtain their name and phone number. Please provide their information to: Bob Mailliard (503-559-6022) or Bryan Todd (972-672-4218).



SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Saturday: St. Stephen of Hungary (As the first Christian king of Hungary, he united and Christianized the Magyar people; received the "holy crown" from Pope Sylvester II in 1000; renowned for his charity to beggars; known as the "apostolic King and apostle of Hungary.)

Tuesday: St. John Dudes, Priest (In 1643, founded the Congregation of Jesus and Mary [C.I.M.] ("Eudes," today numbering about 500 religious) for training the clergy; also founded the Sisters of the Good Shepherd to assist morally endangered women, especially, prostitutes; promoted cult to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.)

Wednesday: St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church (Cistercian abbot of Clairvaux; reformer and spiritual author (e.g. 'On Loving God'; 68 sermons on the Canticle of Canticles); preached against the Albigensians; founded 68 monasteries; preached the Second Crusade; denounced injustice and worked for peace; known as Doctor mellifluus; patron of Gibraltar.)

Thursday: St. Pius X, Pope (Undertook liturgical and canonical reforms, especially communion for children and frequent communion for adults; considered Modernism in 'Lamentabili' and 'Pascendi dominici gregis'; wished "to renew things in Christ"; patron of sick pilgrims.)

Friday: THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (This memorial, prescribed in 1954 by Pope Pius XII for 31 May, is now fittingly celebrated on the octave day of the Assumption.)



**"Need an extra hand around the house?
Call a Knight. We're here for you.
Call Bruce Becker 214-679-8331."**

Fr. Francis Prayer

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I give you my heart and soul to you.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, assist me now and in my last agony.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bring forth my soul in peace with you.



Special Announcements

- **JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR!** Are you enthusiastic and have a love for music? We invite you to join our church choir! No prior experience is necessary. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 2:00 pm in the church.
- The choir is looking for a back up organist . Additionally, anyone who plays any other instrument is interested in enhancing our church services, please send Carol an email at: caroljmbg@gmail.com
- **VIRTUS Recertification Training.** On Monday, August 18th at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in St. Jude's Hall. This training is for those who **have completed the 3-hour initial training between the years 2022–2025.** You should have received an email indicating that you need to complete your background check. Upon the completion of this task, you **must** go online to complete your registration.
- **MOVIE NIGHT!!** On Wednesday, August 27th we will host a movie night in St. Jude's Hall—see attached flyer.



Support Our Parish and Win Big!

Holy Spirit Parish is excited to announce the kickoff of our annual raffle (now called drawing), beginning the weekend of Aug. 23rd & 24th. Parishioners will receive an envelope containing books of drawing tickets. Our goal this year is to raise \$12,000 to support our parish.

How You Can Help: Every parishioner plays a crucial role in the success of this fundraiser. Your participation and enthusiasm are invaluable. You can make a significant impact by reaching out to your neighbors, friends, family members, and colleagues to offer them the chance to purchase tickets. The more tickets we sell, the closer we get to achieving our fundraising goal, and the more chances everyone can win!

Raffle Prizes: We are offering four substantial prizes in the form of Visa Gift Cards: 1st Prize: \$1,000; 2nd Prize: \$750; 3rd Prize: \$500; 4th Prize: \$250. Your efforts in selling tickets will not only benefit the parish but also offer exciting opportunities for winners to claim these fantastic prizes.

Ticket Purchase Options: You can support Holy Spirit Parish and increase your chances of winning with two ways to purchase raffle tickets: **Single ticket for \$5.00 OR Bundle of 6 tickets for \$20.00.**

Stay Tuned: More information and updates about the drawing, including drawing date and other details, will be provided in next week or two parish bulletin. In the meantime, please mark your calendars for the weekend of August 23rd & 24th, and get ready to support our parish in this exciting way!

Thank you for your generosity, spirit, and dedication to Holy Spirit Parish.

From the desk of: **Deacon John**

“Kindle In Me”

When I was in high school, I was a player on a pretty good soccer team that won quite a few games. But no matter how well we did on the pitch (that's the field for you non-soccer literates) our coach always criticized us. Always. We could win a game 10-1 and he'd complain that we gave up a goal. One day we asked him why he was always so hard on us, and he said, “Don't be worried if I yell at you. Be worried if I don't. Because if I stop pushing you, it means I don't think you have any more potential.” That was one of the greatest lessons I've learned in my life.

Jesus says some pretty critical words to us today, “Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.” He knows that not everyone will understand Him, nor follow Him. So, He's pushing us hard to bring us to our full potential. He speaks of sending the Holy Spirit down to us, to set the earth on fire, and will use us to do just that.

And like a stern coach, He's anxious for us. He says, “how I wish it were already blazing!”. He can't wait for us to realize our potential. But before we can take over, He must accomplish His own Baptism – His death on the cross – and He speaks of His anguish until that's completed. Because then, the Holy Spirit will descend down upon His “players” and, through His Divine fire, we can achieve the greatness that He sees in us.

How is your life today? Does it seem like you're going through some pretty serious and divisive situations? Maybe a family problem? Or health or financial issues? Do you feel like things would be so much calmer without those problems pushing at you? Do you feel like you're losing faith in Him?

Maybe He's helping us grow in the potential we have for Him. Maybe He's showing us to not give up but instead continue to strive hard for Him. Maybe He's telling us that we have much more within that we need to let out. Maybe He's helping to remove everything that's obstructing us from the lofty goals He has for us. Because maybe, just maybe, He sees how glorious we can become and He's pushing us to reach that.

There is a really cool prayer in our Catholic tradition which goes, “Come Holy Spirit, fill my heart and kindle in me the fire of your love”.

Kindle in me the fire of Your love and set me ablaze.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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E O C C S P E A C E M
A Y Z C L N B P O Q Y
R L G R E A T T O T H
T U L N K X F I F H H
H M D V R P I S A D Z
D G D F F V W M T I U
E N J U G I I P H V N
Q K M R Q N R B E I A
X S O N F H M E R D G
R D A U G H T E R E B

- Earth
- Fire
- Baptism
- Great
- Peace
- Divide
- Father
- Mother
- Daughter
- Son



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MOVIE NIGHT



You're Invited!



**Wednesday August 27, 2025
6 to 8 p.m.
St Jude Hall**

A beautiful, animated story about the impact of God's grace, and of unseen spiritual influences in our daily lives, especially during our participation in the Holy Mass. Good for the whole family.

**Hall chairs are available, but feel free
to bring more comfortable folding chairs if you'd like**

Popcorn and Iced Tea provided, or bring your own snacks