

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
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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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 19, 2025

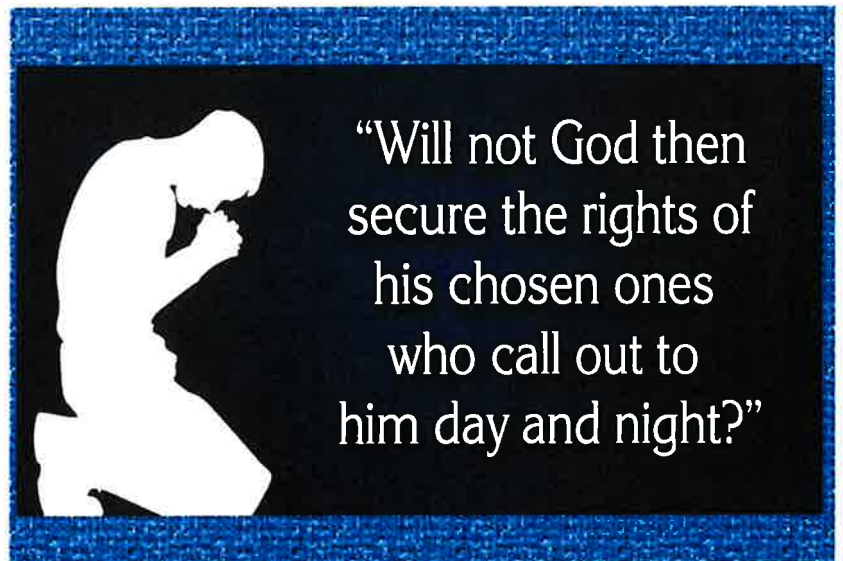
TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:
EX 17 : 8 - 13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
PS 121 : 1 - 8

2ND READING:
2 TIM 3 : 14 - 4 : 2

GOSPEL:
LK 18 : 1 - 8



“Will not God then
secure the rights of
his chosen ones
who call out to
him day and night?”

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Pope Leo's October Intention

For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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 Funeral Preparations	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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Mass Intentions

Sat 10/18 Sun 10/19 Mon 10/20 Tues 10/21 Wed 10/22 Thurs 10/23 Fri 10/24	Stan Evans (Knights of Columbus) Lauren Bidlack (Jane Bidlack) Norman Taliana (Knights of Columbus) Joseph Esin (Knights of Columbus) Michael Lalumia+ (Marie Hansen) Russell+ & Nadine+ Anderson (Ruddie Anderson) Al+ & Evelyn+ Murfin (Murfin Family)	
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Remember the sick of our parish: Lillian Speights; Rebecca Niebrugge; Greg Mooney; Claire Sullivan; Kirk Wilder; David Barber; Deacon Sam; Elaine Arellano; Marissa Cowles; Judy Terry; Randy Munoz; Jess & Eva Corrigan; Elaine March & Rosemary Seltzer; Maureen Tucker; Lou & Ray Masferrer; Patrick Wood; Margaret Smith-Cauley; Elmer Mulhollon, Pat Schmeier, Barbara Schneider; Helene Kaczowka; Emly Walker; Cindy Sue Erdag; Emeress Aiwohi; Joe Bonneville; Wauneta Winton; Joe Fazio; 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.



Remember the active military of our parish: Senior Chief Petty Officer, James Nichols, (Nephew of Dcn John & Cindy Sue Erdag). 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).

Rosary Makers

Holy Spirit Catholic Church Rosary Makers' mission is to spread love and devotion to Our Lady throughout the world with the rosaries we make.

Please join us on Fridays after the 9:00 am Mass in St. Jude's Hall for coffee and fellowship as we make rosaries for the missions.

Carol Szczepanski 903-638-9974

October
The Month of the Holy Rosary

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance:	10/11	SAT: 59	10/12	SUN: 88
Collections from 10/11 - 10/12				
Offertory		\$	3,134.00	
Votive Candles		\$	42.50	
Building & Maintenance		\$	387.00	

OCTOBER SECOND COLLECTIONS

10/4 & 10/5: Building and Maintenance Fund
10/18 & 10/19: World Mission Sunday
 10/25 & 10/26: All Souls Day

Thank you for your generous contributions.
 Please remember Holy Spirit Catholic Church in your Will.

OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat 10/18:	5:00 pm Mass
Sun 10/19:	8:30 am Mass
Mon 10/20:	9:00 am Mass
Tues 10/21:	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Wed 10/22:	9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Bible Study 3:00 pm Cenacles of Life 5:00 pm Fundraising Meeting
Thurs 10/23:	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Legion of Mary
Fri 10/24:	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Rosary Makers 6:30 pm SOCKHOP AND DINNER FUNDRAISER
Sat 10/25:	5:00 pm Mass
Sun 10/26:	8:30 am Mass 5:00 - 7:00 pm Community Fall Festival Summit Heights Fellowship Church
Mon 10/27:	9:00 am Mass
Tues 10/28:	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Wed 10/29:	9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Bible Study 3:00 pm Cenacles of Life
Thurs 10/30:	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Legion of Mary
Fri 10/31:	9:00 am Communion Service 9:30 am Rosary Makers



Need an extra hand around the house? Call a Knight. We are here to help with small projects around the house.

Call Bruce Becker 214-679-8331.

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

Holy Spirit Food Ministry

Our monthly Fill-a-Bag to Fight Hungry Ministry is this weekend. Please pick up a grocery bag in the narthex after Mass on October 18th & 19th. Then, return the filled bag the following week. Filled bags can be put in the bin outside the 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 its 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).

November—The Month of All Souls

During November, we are called in a special way to remember "our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection". Holy Spirit will have a place of remembrance for all family and friends who have passed away this past year. Parishioners are invited to provide a digital picture of your loved one to the church email (holy.spirit2@yahoo.com), so that we may recognize his or her throughout the month of November.

Additionally, we will place a Book of Remembrance in the narthex in which the families of your beloved dead (previously deceased) can be remembered in prayer throughout November (*i.e. Deceased family of O'Dowd and Cavanaugh*). The book will be placed on the altar during each Mass that is said during the month.



Special Announcements

- **Bishop Kelly will celebrate a Jubilee Mass for Children on Saturday, October 25 at 10:00 am at the Cathedral in Tyler. All families are welcome to join in his celebration marking the Jubilee with a renewed spirit of hope for the future. The children and youth that attend will receive a special gift from Bishop Kelly.**
- **Big Buck Raffle tickets are available under the outside portico after each Mass. Single ticket \$5; Book of 6 tickets \$20. Prizes are Visa gift cards: 1st - \$1000, 2nd - \$750, 3rd - \$500, and 4th - \$250. Our fundraising goal is \$12,000. Come get your tickets!**
- **Don't forget about the community's Fall Festival, we are requesting parishioners to provide donations of 1-liter sodas; please place donations in St. Jude's Hall - labelled "Summit Heights Fall Festival".**
- **As the Month of November is upon us, Father is once again opening up Mass Offerings. We do have many slots available; however, please be considerate of other parishioners' desires to have Mass said for their loved ones.**
- **The new "Workbook for Lector, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word" have arrived. All lectors are reminded to "check out" your books this weekend. Please complete all information on the sign-out sheet because we are going to publish a list of lectors and their phone numbers.**



SPECIAL OBSERVANCES



Saturday: St. Luke, Evangelist (Syrian physician from Antioch and companion of Paul; authored Acts of the Apostles and a gospel for gentile Christians; it speaks of God's mercy, universal salvation, love of the poor and the marginalized, absolute renunciation, prayer, and the Holy Spirit; represented by a winged ox; patron of the medical profession, painters, artists, sculptors, and butchers.)

Monday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest (Paolo Francesco Danei, known as St. Paul of the Cross was born in Liguria; renowned preacher and founder of the Passionists (C.P.), today numbering about 1925 members, who combine the apostolate of retreats and missions with penitential monasticism.)



Wednesday: St. John Paul II, Pope (Karol Jozef Wojtyla was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. As archbishop of Krakow, he took part in the Second Vatican Council. On October 16, 1978, he was elected pope and took the name John Paul II. His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people, and the sick, led him to make numerous pastoral visits throughout the promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the revised Code of Canon Law for the Latin Church and Eastern Churches, and the 3rd typical edition of the "Roman Missal", Pope Francis canonized him on April 27, 2014.)

Thursday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest (Reformer of the Franciscans and Poor Clares; preached devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus; sought an end to the Western Schism; animated resistance against the Turks at the battle of Belgrade; patron of military chaplains.)

Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop (Anthony Claret is from Catalonia; vigorous reforming bishop of Santiago, Cuba; founded the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (C.M.F.), today numbering about 3,034 members; fostered credit unions and the apostolate of the press.)



You are cordially invited to
Holy Spirit's Sock Hop
featuring DJ Dale Cummings

Date: Friday, October 24
Time: 7:00 pm Dinner
8:00 pm Dancing/Singing
Raffle: 10:00 pm

Doors open at 6:30 pm
Limited seating
Tickets: \$30 per person
(purchase after Mass or in the church office 903-769-3235)

2025 Life Chain

On Sunday, October 5th, The Knights of Columbus organized the 11th annual Life Chain event. Bringing together people from Holly Tree Bible Church and Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 38 volunteers (ranging in ages up to 88 years old) braved the warm weather. Additionally, approximately 110 passing drivers witnessed our efforts. Thank you to all our volunteers...see you next year!

Sadness of Christ

"But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?." – Luke 17:6

At the end of today's Gospel, Jesus adds kind of a strange sentence. After teaching his disciples to pray without ceasing, Jesus says, "But when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?" What does He mean?

Jesus is referring to His second coming, at the end of history, when the final judgment will take place. And He wonders out loud whether there will be anyone left at that time who really believes in Him. And there's a lot of Scripture scholar speculation about the condition of the Church at that time.

But I don't think that's only where He's going with this. I think He's just simply baring His heart to us. He knows that He will never abandon us, but He also knows that some will abandon Him. And that saddens Him. He hopes, by expressing His concern, to confirm our decision to persevere in our trust, to follow Him through thick and thin.

And when we think about that, we see how profound it really is. Only in Christianity does the one, true, all-powerful God actually desire our friendship. In other religions, gods are meant to be worshipped, never become friends. Only in Christianity does God come down to our level, in order to raise us up to His level, so that we can live in a real, true, loving, everlasting relationship with Him.

That's why Jesus can become sad when He thinks of those people who are going to give up on Him – because His desire for them is real. Because even knowing this, He still allowed Himself to become vulnerable to us. He became one of us. He walked with us. Healed our illnesses. Fed us when we were hungry. Taught us about Himself. Invited us to follow Him to His Kingdom. And all the time, He loved us.

And He was ridiculed by His own chosen people, beaten, scourged, forced to carry His cross through the streets to the hill where He'd be nailed to it, and then, even after His death, to be pierced in the side with a spear. His precious blood would be spilled because of His love. He knew all those risks. Yet He would take those exact same risks even if He knew that He would find faith in only one single person. So, in today's Gospel, because He knew those risks just from loving His children, He laments, "When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith?"

But you see, this is a tremendous message of hope for the people. He didn't want His love actions to be overlooked. He wanted to shake the people from their spiritual stupor. So, He spoke sadly to get their attention. Because failure could cost them the salvation of their souls. This is a rally cry to those who have faith to bring others to faith, too.

I believe that we, too, must be shaken from our spiritual stupors. It's often easy for us to read the line, "But when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?" and be convinced that we're already okay. "Yeah, He'll find faith in me when He returns. I'll stand right with Him as He sorts out the others."

But is that a deep reflection into ourselves or just a superfluous glossing over of what we want to believe about ourselves? If we're being completely honest with ourselves, we all are probably giving Jesus the opportunity to lament over us.

But if we instead take that question to heart and realize that we do not want to disappoint our Lord, we'll take action now on our faith to constantly reveal Him to the world. To show the type of faith that incents others to have faith, too. So that when He does return, yes, He will find faith on earth.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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- Weary
- Judge
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