

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF TYLER

Celebration of the Mass

(Apr. 4 to Apr. 11)

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
Communion Service
Friday 9:00 am

Adoration

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



Reconciliation

Tuesday 9:45 - 12:30 pm
Saturday 4:30 - 4:45 pm
(or by appt.)
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.

1612 S FM 2869

HOLLY LAKE RANCH, TX 75765

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 5, 2026

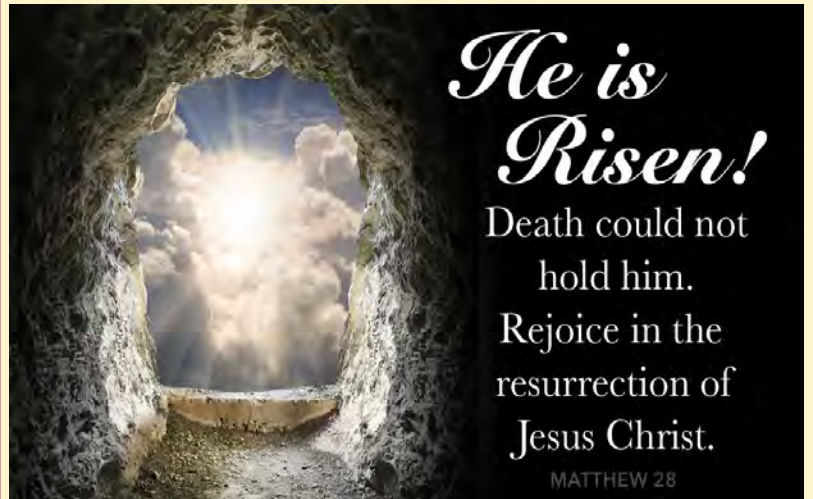
TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING
ACTS 10 : 34 ; 37 - 43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
PS 118 : 1 - 2 ; 16 - 17 ;
22 - 24

2ND READING:
I COR 5 : 6 - 8

GOSPEL:
JOHN 20 : 1 - 9



*He is
Risen!*

Death could not
hold him.
Rejoice in the
resurrection of
Jesus Christ.

MATTHEW 28

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Happy Easter



*He
has
risen,
Alleluia*

My dear parishioners,

On my first Holy Week with Holy Spirit's Parish Family, Deacon John and I wish one and all a Holy Easter--a joyful celebration of Christ's victory over death's grasp. No more can sin claim the tomb of its victim; but through his glorious resurrection, freedom is given and is available for you. For forty days and nights, we fasted, prayed, and disciplined our bodies and minds, so that the power of darkness could not prevail. How true of the following theme of our Lenten journey, "light prevails-darkness fails." Let the light of Christ's resurrection continue to shine ever so brightly in your hearts, in your families, and in your homes. Remember all are welcome in our church, and to embrace the light of Christ's resurrection.



With warm regards,
Fr. Francis O'Dowd PP; VF

Church Organizations

Financial Council	Charlie Clymer
Pastoral Council	John Rigney
Knights of Columbus	Jerry Hauck
4th Degree Knights	Gary Laudt
Legion of Mary	Marge Clymer
	Jane Bidlack
Food Pantry	Bob Mailliard
Rosary Makers/Prayer Blankets	Carol Szczepanski
Cenacle of Life	Vicki Hauck
Funeral Preparations	Deacon John Erdag

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance:	3/28	SAT: 75	3/29	SUN: 95
Collections from 3/28 - 3/29				
Offertory			\$	2,110.56
Votive Candles			\$	18.00
Catholic Relief Services			\$	5.00
Mass Intentions			\$	20.00

APRIL SECOND COLLECTIONS

- 4/3: Good Friday for the Holy Land
- 4/4 & 4/5: Building and Maintenance Fund
- 4/11 & 4/12: Caring for the Priests
- 4/25 & 4/26: Catholic Home Missions

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



Mass Intentions

Sat 4/4	+Dorothy "Dottie" Schuetz (Richard Schuetz)
Sun 4/5	Mass for the People of Holy Spirit Parish
	Amy Grotta (Ann Marie Vancas)
	+Alan Pike (Ann Marie Vancas)
Tue 4/7	+Frank Duff (Rebecca Niebrugge)
Wed 4/8	+John Way (Linda & Eric Hurley)
Fri 4/10	+Joseph & +Ann Pericak (Mary Catalano)
Sat 4/11	



"Today, we welcome two holy, young men into our Hbly Spirit Community."

We praise the Holy Spirit for guiding Christian Myers and Ryker Park to Holy Spirit Parish and for forming their hearts to the glory of Jesus Christ at His Church. On Holy Saturday night at the Mass of the Easter Vigil, these Catechumen Elects will receive their Sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and sharing in the Eucharist. Let us continue to pray for them as they enter fully into the parish community and as we now walk fully together in our spiritual journeys towards eternal life.



Ryker Christian

DATA ENTRY CLERK

Holy Spirit Catholic Church is seeking an enthusiastic, energetic self-starter to assist with the parish data entry and day to day operational support. Duties for this part time position will include database entry and integrity, generating reports, support to the outsourced bookkeeper, and general administrative activities such as reception and phone coverage, supply inventory control and clergy support. This position is part time 15 hours per week, and applicants require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Please submit a written application to:

Holy Spirit Parish
1612 S. FM 2869
Hawkins, Texas 75765
Attn: Fr. O'Dowd



Pope Leo's April Intention

For priests in crisis. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Holy Spirit Food Ministry

Due to increased costs of groceries, the Food Ministry is in need of non-perishable food donations. If you can contribute, place donations in the box outside the church office. Or, for monetary donations, use a Food Ministry Donation Envelope, available in the basket in the narthex. All contributions are greatly appreciated and serve to help people in need at HLR and its surrounding community. Additionally, we are, once again, in need of plastic grocery bags.

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



Remember the sick of our parish: Mark Edwards; Deidra Hatcher; Shepard Gartin; Erin Sine; Joe Fazzio; Dr. Steve Boswank; Charles McCloskey; Deanie DeLee; Sharon Ryan; Marge & Charlie Clymer; Mary Langhoff; Lillian Speights; Rebecca Niebrugge; Claire Sullivan; Kirk Wilder; David Barber; Elaine Arellano; Marissa Cowles; Judy Terry; Randy Munoz; Jess & Eva Corrigan; Elaine March & Rosemary Seltzer; Maureen Tucker; Patrick Wood; Margaret Smith-Cauley; Elmer Mulhollon, Roland & Pat Schmeier, Barbara Schneider; Helene Kaczowka; Emily Walker; Joe Bonneville; 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; 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).



Remember the faithful departed: Alan Pike (funeral April 7th at 1:30 pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church), dear friend to Ann Maric Vancas.

He has risen,

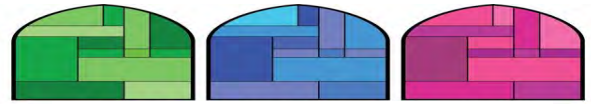


Alleluia.

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



Special Announcements

- In observance of Easter, the Diocesan and Holy Spirit Church offices will be closed on Thursday (April 2), Friday (April 3), and Monday (April 6)
- Next Sunday's second collection is designated for "Caring of the Priests". This collection supports the on-going needs of current and retired priests, including health insurance, medical expenses, and other physical and spiritual needs of our priests as determined by the bishop.
- Next Sunday come join us for the Knights of Columbus's "Best Breakfast in Town". Adults (18 and over) eat for \$5 and everyone else is free.

APRIL UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sat 4/4: 8:00 pm Solemn Easter Vigil Mass (Holy Saturday)
- Sun 4/5: 8:30 am The Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Sunday)
- Mon 4/6: *Diocesan and Church offices closed*
9:00 am Communion Service
- Tues 4/7: 9:00 am Mass
9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration
1:30 pm Funeral Mass for Alan Pike
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
- Wed 4/8: 9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Bible Study
3:00 pm Cenacles of Life
- Thurs 4/9: 9:00 am Communion Service
1:00 pm Legion of Mary
- Fri 4/10: 9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Rosary Makers
- Sat 4/11: 5:00 pm Divine Mercy Sunday
- Sun 4/12: 8:30 am Divine Mercy Sunday
Knights of Columbus Breakfast
- Mon 4/13: 9:00 am Communion Service
6:00 pm OCIA
- Tues 4/14: 9:00 am Mass
9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration
- Wed 4/15: 9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Bible Study
3:00 pm Cenacles of Life
- Thurs 4/16: 9:00 am Mass
1:00 pm Legion of Mary
- Fri 4/17: 9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Rosary Makers





“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.”

Palm Sunday



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Palm Sunday marks the solemn beginning of Holy Week. Holy Spirit Catholic Church recalls Jesus’s triumphant entrance into Jerusalem.



NEXT SUNDAY: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Understanding the Sanctity and Inherent Dignity of Every Human Life

Sunday of Divine Mercy is an opportunity to share the message of Christ’s infinite mercy with all suffering under the weight of sin. In the 1930s, Jesus appeared to a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, who recorded His messages in her Diary. On one such occasion, Jesus said to St. Faustina, “My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners” (Diary, no. 699).

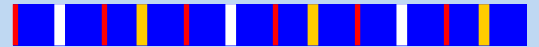
Respect Life Action Guide April 2026; USCCB

Happy Easter

Holy Spirit’s office staff
wishes all its parishioners
a safe and
“HOPPY” EASTER!



Knights’ Korner



Eats:

Our next breakfast is on April 12th.

For all of you “a-fish-n-ados”, I have good news. Our next fish fry is April 17th. Tell your friends and neighbors there is one more catfish dinner to savor this season!

2026 Annual Pro-Life Baby Shower:

The Holy Spirit Council will host their 10th Baby Shower, again supporting the Building Blocks, Living Alternatives Ministry. This program helps new moms and dads in need through an earn-while-you-learn system, where parents earn points by attending doctor appointments, parenting classes, and mentoring sessions.

Items such as diapers, baby wipes, bath supplies, clothes, bedding, car seats, toys, and monetary donations can be placed in the portable playpen in St. Jude’s Hall. **Donations will be accepted from April 11 through April 26.**

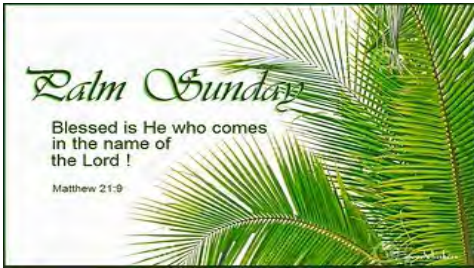
Joining the Knights of Columbus:

Scan this QR code with your smart phone.

It will bring up the Knights of Columbus website for joining. We’re Council #15174. We are waiting for you!



**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH
2026**



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

SATURDAY, MARCH 28 5:00 PM
SUNDAY, MARCH 29 8:30 AM

Blessed palms will be available



RECONCILIATION SERVICE

TUESDAY, MARCH 31
6:00 - 7:00 PM

Along with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THURSDAY, APRIL 2
6:00 PM

Mass of the Lord's Supper



GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

FRIDAY, APRIL 3
3:00 PM

Passion of the Lord



HOLY SATURDAY OF THE EASTER VIGIL

SATURDAY, APRIL 4
8:00 PM

Solemn Easter Vigil Mass



**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

SUNDAY, APRIL 5
8:30 AM



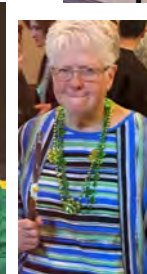


So long, farewell, Auf Wiedersehen, good-bye, adieu, to you and you and you.....

My heartfelt thanks to all who spent countless hours setting up, working in the kitchen, cooking, serving, and cleaning up for the St. Patrick's Potluck along with my retirement party. Thank you as well to everyone who provided food and gifts. Your generosity, hard work, and loving support made the celebration truly memorable. I am deeply grateful to each of you and for the many blessings we share as a parish family.

May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Bridget Rich



Bye!

**Please
join us**

Knights of Columbus Friday Fish Fry

Jan 30th - Feb 13th - Mar 6th - Mar 27th

FRIED CATFISH W/ALL THE TRIMMINGS:

- French Fries
- Hush Puppies
- Beans
- Coleslaw
- Desserts
- Coffee/tea



**Dinner served from
5:00—6:30pm**

Tickets at the door
Carry-out available

Adults \$15
(Children 12 yrs. &
under free)

**Holy Spirit Catholic
Church Hall
1612 FM 2869**

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

THANK YOU

With an immense amount of gratitude
Knights of Columbus Council 15174
Hbly Spirit Rosary Makers
Special thanks to the following: Cathy Ellis,
Kim Sine, Marcia & Steve Boswank,
Rocio Bailey, John Rigney, Carol
Szczepanski, Carol Gleaves &
Samantha (niece), and
Michelle Johnston.



Thank you to all the
parishioners for pre-
paring so many deli-
cious side dishes
and deserts.



Congrats to our
50/50 winner:
Kathleen Fleming

COMMUNITY NEWS POSTS



● **Pro-Life Education**

WHEN: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024 (Following the 9:00 am Mass)

DURATION: 45 MINUTES

Pat Bonneville speaks to us from an educated background in National and Texas abortion legislation. The ultimate goal of this presentation is to become conversant with the truth.

- ⇒ **Texas heartbeat law exponentially improves health care for pregnant women**
- ⇒ **Why the abortion pills are dangerous to women**
- ⇒ **Every Hail Mary celebrates two unborn babies**
- ⇒ **Catechism and abortion**
- ⇒ **Planned Parenthood: Racist & Eugenics**
- ⇒ **Jesus taught us to be pro-life**



● **Life Chain Rally**



Results of Tenth *Life Chain* Hosted by Holy Spirit

Sunday's October 6, 2024, *Life Chain* was very successful, thanks to the 50 people attending. Participating were members of Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Holly Tree Bible Church, and Whispering Pines Nazarene Church. Although the weather was hot, the volunteers, ranging in age from 6 to over 86, were very enthusiastic, as were the vehicle drivers on FM 2869.

We look forward to next year's annual event.

Thank you, all the volunteers who organized and participated in the event.

● PREGNANCY & INFANT LOSS HOLY HOUR & REMEMBRANCE MASS

Each year, October 15th is a special day of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance. This year, Holy Hours and Masses will be held across the Diocese of Tyler. These are for anyone who has experienced the loss of a child whether by miscarriage, stillbirth, or early infant death.

- ⇒ **October 17, St. Patrick Catholic Church:
Holy Hour 6:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm**
- ⇒ **October 21, St. James Catholic Church
Holy Hour 5:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm**
- ⇒ **For additional Mass times and locations, check the diocesan web site for the most current schedule.**

● COMMUNITY FALL FESTIVAL

Summer Heights Fellowship will host its Annual Community Fall Festival on Sunday, October 27th. Each year local area churches come together to provide a safe environment for all ages to enjoy carnival games, inflatables, live music, and lots of food. Come join the fun!

● BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi's undeniable care for nature and animals, Holy Spirit hosts a Blessing for Animals.

