

Church of the Holy Spirit

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2020



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

Daily Mass - Monday Through Saturday: 8:30 AM

Holy Days: As announced

Temporary Rectory Hours

Monday – Thursday: 9 AM – 1 PM

During these hours, someone is available to answer calls, but because of the pandemic we are unable to allow anyone into the rectory. We plan to reopen the rectory on Monday, August 3.

Rectory Phone: (516) 354-0359

Website: HolySpiritNHP.com

Pastor's Page

Dear Friends,

Once again, **I thank you for your generosity to our parish.** However, it's important that I remain truthful, and transparent regarding our finances. Since the pandemic began, the parish is down One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000). This includes the loss of our Easter collection and our annual Family Festival, which generates an average profit of \$43,000. Our weekly collection is also down One Thousand to Three Thousand Dollars on a weekly basis. For those of you who have been generous, we greatly appreciate it. For those whom have not contributed, I ask you to please consider a fair donation, it's our parish to share during good times and bad times.

Since we had to postpone our **First Holy Communion** for our second graders, our new date is Saturday, September 19th at 12:00 noon. In place of this, if any parent would like to have their daughter or son receive First Holy Communion at a Sunday Mass, please send Mr. Bob Hodgson, our Director of Religious Education (DRE), an email and one of us will contact you to schedule it. Mr. Bob's email address is MrBobDRE@aol.com.

We will know next week the date our ninth graders will be receiving their **Confirmation**, but it will most likely be the week of October 18th, 2020.

We are in serious discussion about the possibility of downsizing our Sunday Mass schedule. Due to the shortage of priests, we may need to take one Mass off our schedule. Monsignor Cantley, at 91 years old, who drives here every week from Douglaston to help us, will not be back until January, at the earliest. Fr. John Maher, is a priest who teaches at St. John's University and helps us twice per month, and he is now being transferred out of state. Fr. Rich Rock, also from St. John's University, is only able to help us for one Mass every month. And Monsignor Dreasen, who lives here and is a tremendous help to all of us, is retired, and at 81 years old, we can only ask so much of him. These are difficult times and we need your support. There are many parishes across the country that are being forced to close. That is the hardest and saddest experience for the people of any parish. That is not the issue here, but downsizing will, in the long run, keep our parish strong and vibrant. We fully understand the inconvenience this will pose for some of you, but please try to understand our predicament. We will still have our 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday evening and three Masses on Sunday. We will have more information next week. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

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4th of July: Independence Day

Independence Day is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence, on July 4th, 1776. The Continental Congress declared that the thirteen American colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain, King George III, and were now united, free, and independent states.

We thank all of our men and women, past and present, for serving our country. You are all appreciated!!

May God continue to bless the United States of America, the greatest country in the world!

Mass Guidelines

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Guidelines!!!

- 1) Face masks must be worn.
- 2) 25% capacity at every Mass.
- 3) Do not sit in pews that are roped off **(this is very important)**.
- 4) Families may sit together. All non-family members must be 6 feet apart.
- 5) The restroom should only be used for **emergencies!**
- 6) Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass. Those who do not wish to receive communion, can leave once Mass ends.
- 7) The Bishop is asking that we worship at our own parish and not travel to another parish.
- 8) We will keep the Church as clean as possible at all times. Please do not expect perfection because that will be impossible. This is about coming to Church for God.
- 9) The elderly or sick are kindly asked to stay home. **Dispensation from obligation to attend Mass remains in effect until further notice.**
- 10) **THIS IS A DIFFICULT TIME FOR ALL OF US, SO WE KINDLY ASK FOR YOUR PATIENCE. WE ARE IN UNCHARTED TERRITORY AND NEED YOUR HELP. IF THERE IS SOMETHING YOU DISAGREE WITH, YOU MAY BE RIGHT, BUT WE ARE DOING OUR BEST. IF CORRECTION IS NEEDED, WE WILL MAKE THE CORRECTION NEXT WEEK. LET'S MAKE THIS WORK TOGETHER. THANK YOU!!**

Reflection

Sunday, July 5, 2020

(Lec. 100)

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- 1) Zechariah 9:9-10
- 2) Romans 8:9, 11-13
- 3) Matthew 11:25-30

FOCUS: Jesus' kingship is one of mercy with humility and compassion for all who struggle.

In the kingship of Jesus, we celebrate his humility and gentleness, and in a particular way, his understanding of the blessings of children. His dominion is not one of power and control, but of a servant who lifts up the fallen and raises all who are burdened; he is gracious and merciful.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Zechariah tells Jerusalem to rejoice, for their king shall come to [them]...*riding...on a colt*, proclaiming a message of *peace to the nations*. Saint Paul instructs the Romans that *whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him*. In the Gospel, Jesus gives praise to the Father for what he has revealed to the little ones.

Announcements

SAVE THE DATE!

First Communion 2020

This year's First Communion has been scheduled for September 19th at Noon!

Join us for this blessed event!



Parish Census

In order to get a start on Holy Spirit's ParishCensus, please send your email address to Lauren and Monica, if you have not done so already:

Lauren: lpetricca@holyspiritli.org

Monica: mgannon@holyspiritli.org

The Parish Census was postponed due to COVID-19, but more details will be provided during the coming weeks.

Be sure to check the website at

www.holyspiritNHP.com.



Message from the Director of Religious Education

Registration begins on July 1st for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program, Grades 1 through 8.

For those currently enrolled in our program, registration forms will be mailed to your home in the coming weeks.

If you are new to our program, please call **Mr. Bob Hodgson at 516-354-0359 ext. 132**. Leave your name, phone number and full address, and he will mail you the registration forms.

At this time, due to the coronavirus, we are not having in-person registrations. Your forms, and check made out to Holy Spirit, can be mailed to the Religious Education Office.

If you need to make an appointment to see Mr. Bob Hodgson in person, please call him to make an appointment.

Attention Parents of Soon-to-be First Graders

Will your child be starting first grade in September?

Are they ready to begin their journey in our faith?

Classes for Holy Spirit Religious Education program begin in September 2020.

Your child will learn to pray. They will learn about the life and teachings of Jesus Christ through song, crafts, and religious instruction.

They will learn about the values that we cherish in our faith.

Free Kindergarten & Pre-K Religious Education

Holy Spirit offers free religious education classes for Kindergarten & Pre- K students!

Classes meet on Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass.

We will talk about the Gospel, the Mass, the life of Jesus, AND we will be doing crafts & singing songs!

A journey begins with the first step.

Let us take that first step with you and your child.



Family Mass Lector Schedule

Lector Schedule: July 5 - July 19, 2020

If you are unable to make a Mass, please call/text Marie Scandura at 516-279-8381.

If you are scheduled to lector, please be at the Church no later than 9:15 a.m., since capacity in church is limited to 25%.

July 5, 2020

Intro	Zachary Canese
First Reading	Mia Alana
Second Reading	Miranda Toro
Petitions	Pia Alana

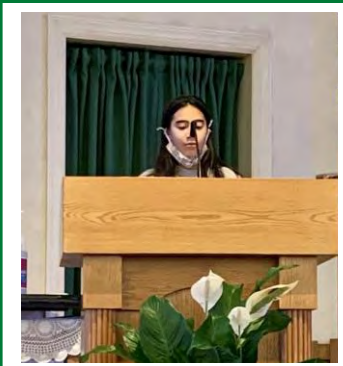
July 12, 2020

Intro	Isis Rojas
First Reading	Vallerya Rojas
Second Reading	Shyler Fernandes
Petitions	Sherwin Fernandes

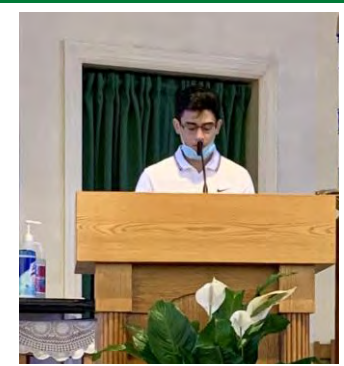
July 19, 2020

Intro	Ally Petricca
First Reading	Hailey Brooker
Second Reading	Darla Petricca
Petitions	Miranda Toro

Family Mass - June 28, 2020



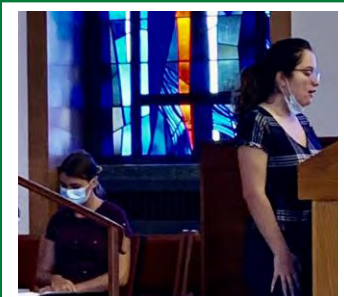
Selena Jones



Sean Jones



Deana D'Urso



**Hailey Mikowski and
Jasmine Garnica**



Mass Intentions & Prayers

Mass Intentions and Other Offerings for a Loved One are Still Available

To request a Mass Intention, contact Lauren Petricca in the rectory at (516) 354-0359, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. The requested donation for Mass Intentions and Purgatorial Mass cards is \$20.

Weekly offerings for the Bread and Wine, or Altar and Sanctuary candles, are also available. The requested donation for these is \$25.



Prayer Requests

Michael Grady
and for
those serving in our military.

Prayer requests will appear for four weeks. Please notify the rectory if a prayer request needs to be extended.

Saturday, July 4

8:30 AM:

5:00 PM:

Weekday

Parishioners of Holy Spirit

Maryanne Gallagher

Sunday, July 5

8:00 AM

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

12:30 PM

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Norma Fernandez

Julia Hysyk

Karen Tumulty

Monday, July 6

8:30 AM

Weekday

Purgatorial Society

Tuesday, July 7

8:30 AM

Weekday

Patrick Mantovi

Wednesday, July 8

8:30 AM

Weekday

Med Villegas

Thursday, July 9

8:30 AM

Weekday

Parishioners of Holy Spirit

Friday, July 10

8:30 AM

Weekday

Parishioners of Holy Spirit

Saturday, July 11

8:30 AM

5:00 PM

Saint Benedict, Abbot

Betty Costello and Karen Grasso

James Cameron

Please pray for the recently deceased members of our parish, especially for:

Pietra Costa
John J. Fitzgerald
Rosario Lanci
Rose Misciagna
Susan Nero

Photo Gallery



Mina Woodward (cantor) & Marilyn McClean accompanying on the organ.



Tim Smith, Lector at 8 AM Mass



Rich and Tina Puglisi



John McHale, Lector at 5 PM Vigil Mass



Frank and Patty Cantreva

