

# Church of the Holy Spirit

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021



"I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us, and we change things."

- Mother Teresa

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

**Daily Mass (Monday Through Saturday):**  
8:30 a.m.

**Holy Days:** As announced

## Confessions

**Saturday:** 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

## Rectory Office Hours

**Monday:** 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**No Saturday hours during the pandemic.**

Due to the pandemic, only one parishioner will be allowed into the Rectory at a time.

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# Pastor's Page

Dear Friends:

In this issue of our bulletin, please enjoy photos of our First Holy Communicants. First Holy Communion is, and should be, one of the most important days of our lives. Receiving Holy Communion on a regular basis should be the most important thing we do every week. Why is receiving Holy Communion so important? At the last Supper, which was the institution of the Eucharist, Jesus shared the first Eucharist with his Apostles and assured them, although he will not be with them physically much longer, he will always be with them for all eternity. As we celebrate this most amazing day on Holy Thursday, and every day at Mass, we listen closely to the words of Jesus. On the day before he was to suffer for our salvation and the salvation of all, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with his eyes raised to Heaven, he gave thanks, said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying: **TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.**

Every week at religious education, our teachers, with the direction and support of Mr. Bob Hodgson, our director of religious education, instill in their students, your sons and daughters, the importance of that first Eucharist and how Jesus came down from heaven to show us the way to Heaven. And, although our teachers have different teaching styles, and different grade levels, they do their best to communicate how important Jesus is, and should be, in our lives.

This Sunday is the last day of class until September, but it's not the last day of Mass. PLEASE, if we take our faith seriously, our sons and daughters should be at Mass every week. This is the best way for them to learn about their faith; by making a commitment to Jesus Christ.

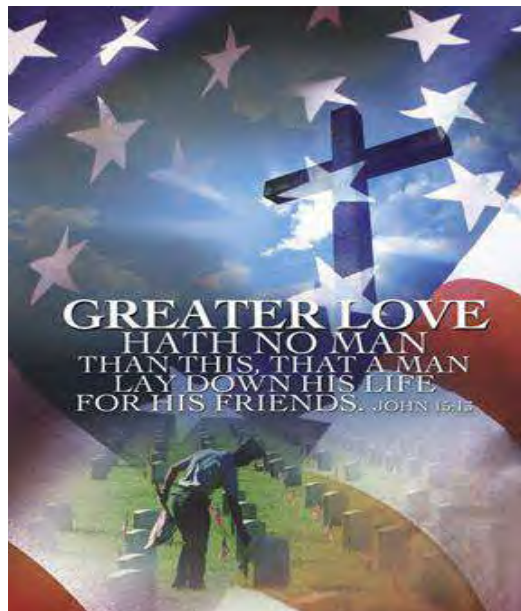
Some people are still asking if it is safe to come to Church, and my answer is yes. Is everything perfect – no, but nothing is perfect anywhere (except in Heaven). We do everything we are asked to keep our Church clean, safe and in accordance with all guidelines and mandates. Recently Cardinal Dolan, the Archbishop of New York, was asked if people should be coming back to Church; and I will paraphrase his answer, 'if you are going out to lunch or dinner, getting together with friends or groups, going to school, or any of the above, you should be coming to Mass'. I think this is a brilliant answer. If we want God to be a part of our lives, we should be in Church!

As we continue to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus and his Ascension into Heaven, may we ask for His blessings for a safe, happy and holy life.

Fr. Grieco

*"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist."*

# Memorial Day – Mass – Sunday May 30, 2021



Memorial Day is a day that we remember those who died while serving our United States Armed Forces.

On Sunday, May 30, 2021, Holy Spirit will honor our fallen brothers and sisters at the 9:30 a.m. mass.

We ask all those who served in our United States Military, from any branch (Active, Reserve, or Retired), to wear their uniform.

Any US Military Uniform is acceptable, this includes Class A Dress Uniform, Fatigues, BDUs, or ABUs.

## Save the Date



**Starting the month of October, frontline workers who placed their lives at risk during COVID, will be recognized and receive a special blessing during a Mass dedicated to their particular field.**

**Pease hold the following dates on your calendar:**

**Sunday, October 3 at 11:30 a.m.: Health care professionals**

**Saturday, October 16 at 5:00 p.m.: Police officers and military personnel**

# First Holy Communion: 11 AM Group

Congratulations to all the children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 8, 2021. There were two Masses held that day.

A total of 18 children received their First Holy Communion.



Front row (left to right): Nicholas Ferri, Brandon Caputo, Nicolas Rago, and Angelina Creado.

Second row (left to right): Andrew Giambrone and Dylan Cunanan.

Third row (left to right): Audrey Spiegel, Gianna Ramos and Layla Farina.

Back row (left to right): Fr. Grieco, Melissa Farina (teacher) and Mr. Bob Hodgson (Director of Religious Education).

**Andrew Giambrone**



**Angelina Creado**



**Dylan Cunanan**



**Audrey Spiegel**



**Gianna Ramos**



**Layla Farina**



**Nicholas Ferri**



**Brandon Caputo**



**Nicolas Rago**



# First Holy Communion: 1 PM Group

Photos: Special thanks to Meghan Allen for serving as our photographer for the day.



Front row (left to right): Dylan Deede, Tessa Krafchin and Kimberly Galeano.

Second row (left to right): Audrey Comeau, Lorenzo Conroy, Sean Comeau, Sofia Comeau and Abigail Brutus.

Back row (left to right): Fr. Grieco and Mr. Bob Hodgson.

Missing from photo: Mason Otero.

Tessa Krafchin



Dylan Deede



Kimberly Galeano



Audrey Comeau



Sean Comeau



Sofia Comeau



Lorenzo Conroy



Abigail Brutus



Mason Otero



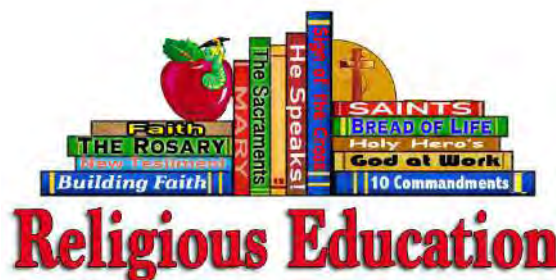
# Religious Education

## Family Mass for Families in Holy Spirit's Religious Education Program

This weekend, the 9:30 a.m. Family Mass will be a special Mass for all children and families in our Religious Education Program.

***As a reminder, this is also the last day of class for Religious Education.***

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Family Mass and hope we will continue to see you at Mass during the summer, until classes start again in September.



## Registration for Holy Spirit's, 2021-2022, Religious Education Program Begins June 1, 2021

Holy Spirit will begin registering students for the 2021-2022 Religious Education Program on June 1.

**Registration is by appointment ONLY.**

Parents/guardians should contact Mr. Bob Hodgson, Holy Spirit's Director of Religious Education, at **(516) 354-0359 ext. 132** or at **[MrBobDRE@aol.com](mailto:MrBobDRE@aol.com)**.

Current students will receive their registration forms in the mail. If you are new to the program and registering your child/children for the first time, please contact Mr. Bob Hodgson.

**Classes start on the following dates:**

The first Thursday class for grades 1, 2 and 3 will begin on September 23 at 3:45 p.m.

The first Sunday class for grades 1 - 8 will begin on September 26 at 10:30 a.m.

# Free Health Screening This Thursday



## Catholic Health

### St. Francis Hospital and Health Center

#### Free Health Screenings

Includes a brief cardiac history. Blood pressure and a simple blood test for cholesterol and diabetes for adults 18 and older. We also provide patient education and referrals. No appointment is required.

#### WHERE:

**Holy Spirit Church**

**16 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street**

**New Hyde Park, NY 11040**

#### WHEN:

**Thursday, May 20, 2021**

**10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**(Last screenings at 1:45 p.m.)**

## Parish Social Ministry

### Holy Spirit Social Ministry

If you would like to support the Food Pantry, the items most needed are shelf stable milk, cold/hot cereal (i.e. oatmeal), jelly and Ramen noodles. Drug store and supermarket gift cards are always welcome.

Food donations can be dropped off inside the church entrance on Saturday or Sunday during Mass times. ***Please make sure food that is donated is not expired or opened.*** Your support is greatly appreciated! We also thank Dominick's Deli on Herricks Road for their support!



**Food pantry hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

# Lector Schedules

## 9:30 AM Family Mass Lectors: May 16 and 23, 2021

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.

### May 16, 2021

Intro	Hailey Mikowski
First Reading	Miranda Toro
Second Reading	Andrew Canese
Petitions	Linda Cheung

### May 23, 2021

Intro	Ian Alana
First Reading	Albert Ferri
Second Reading	Mia Alana
Petitions	Kaitlyn O'Brien

## Adult Lector Schedule: May 15 - 23, 2021

### May 15 - 16, 2021

5/15 at 5:00 p.m.:	John McHale
5/16 at 8:00 a.m.:	Sarah Oliveri
5/16 at 11:30 a.m.:	Kathy Vargas

### May 22 - 23, 2021

5/22 at 5:00 p.m.:	Joe Sharkey
5/23 at 8:00 a.m.:	Anna Garvin
5/23 at 11:30 a.m.:	Florence Scarinci

# Reflection

## Sunday, May 16, 2021

(Lec. 60)

- 1) Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26
- 2) 1 John 4:11-16
- 3) John 17:11b-19

**FOCUS:** God is love and whoever remains in love, remains in God.

The Gospel takes us back to the Last Supper and Jesus' prayer for his followers. Full of concern for our welfare, he wants us to have all the spiritual resources necessary to be faithful and united. He knows there are perils and dangers, but if we keep our eyes fixed on him, remaining in his love and consecrate in his truth, we will succeed.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Peter exercises leadership in the early Church as it prays for the Lord to direct their hearts in choosing a replacement for Judas Iscariot. John writes, *if we love one another, God remains in us*. In the Gospel, Jesus prays that his disciples will be protected from the danger of this world and remain united.

## Seventh Sunday of Easter



# Mass Intentions & Prayers



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.  
Amen.

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

Gandolfo Aiosa  
Marylin Gray

**Saturday, May 15**

8:30 AM  
5:00 PM

**Easter Weekday**

Linda Manchery  
Mary O. Gluck

**Sunday, May 16**

8:00 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:30 AM

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Vincent and Amelia Cheffo  
Frank and Ann Sorrentino  
Parishioners of Holy Spirit

**Monday, May 17**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Purgatorial Society

**Tuesday, May 18**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Vincenza Tarantino

**Wed., May 19**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Consuelo Velez

**Thursday, May 20**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Glenn Peter Gardner

**Friday, May 21**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Catherine Fitzgerald

**Saturday, May 22**

8:30 AM

**Easter Weekday**

Julius Dellabate  
Marcus Goncalves  
Mary Lou Jennerjahn  
Michael Nickic  
Parishioners of Holy Spirit

5:00 PM

**Sunday, May 23**

8:00 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:30 AM

**Pentecost Sunday**

Aaron Bleeker  
Richie Closs  
Linda Miata



## Prayer Requests

### Prayer Requests

Jerry Alicea  
Braulio Baeza  
Maria Batista-Toro  
Valerie Erickson  
Dianne Romano  
Janet Rossano  
Marisa Sequino  
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.*

## Wedding Banns – First Time



Katelyn Chiasera  
and  
Daniel Valerio

**May 31, 2021**  
**Holy Spirit Church**

## BAPTISMS

To arrange for your child's baptism, please contact Deacon John Hogan at [jhoganhs@gmail.com](mailto:jhoganhs@gmail.com)

Baptisms are held the first Saturday of each month at 2:00 p.m.



## Mass Guideline Reminder

Even if you have been fully vaccinated, we ask that you still wear a mask and maintain social Distance.

Additionally, if you wish to receive Holy Communion on your tongue, please **wait until Mass ends** and receive Communion after Mass.

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If you are not fully vaccinated, please consider doing so. As whacky as politics is today, the one thing that almost everyone agrees on is that it is much safer to be vaccinated than not to be vaccinated. **Please listen to your doctor and not hearsay or gossip!**

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements must be made at least one year prior to the ceremony and before arrangements are made for the reception.

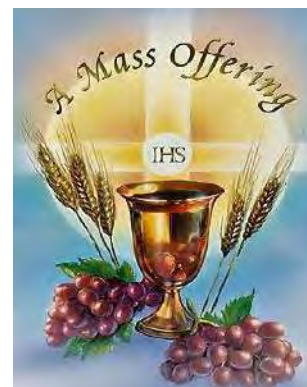


Please contact Fr. Grieco at [frgrieco@yahoo.com](mailto:frgrieco@yahoo.com).

## Mass Intentions for 2021 are Still Available

To request a Mass Intention, stop by the rectory during office hours. For all Mass Intentions the requested donation is \$20.

The requested donation for Bread and Wine, or Candle, offerings are \$25.



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## Bulletin Deadline

Please note the deadline for submitting requests for the May 30, 2021 bulletin is **Wednesday, May 19, 2021.**

Requests should be sent to both [mgannon@holyspiritli.org](mailto:mgannon@holyspiritli.org) and [frgrieco@yahoo.com](mailto:frgrieco@yahoo.com)

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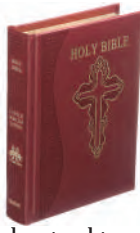
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