

PREPARATION

Imagine the following scene: you sit down in your school desk. The teacher walks the aisle, placing the paper before you, face down. You set your watch. You will have exactly one hour to do the test. You turn the paper over. Then it hits you: you never took any notes. You never studied or did even one assignment. For a student, lack of preparation is the nightmare of nightmares.

Jesus talks about the need for preparation in today's Gospel. God is pleased to give us the kingdom, Jesus says. "Gird your loins and light your lamps." See that you are prepared.

Jesus' teaching reminds us of the question once posed to St. Francis de Sales and his companions, who, according to the story, were playing billiards. "What would you do if you knew the end of the world was coming in one hour?" The friends of Francis shared various plottings of how they would get their affairs in order. Most mentioned prayer. Francis shrugged, "I would continue doing what I am doing." Are *you* ready to meet the Lord?

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PARKING LOT USAGE

Starting this Monday, August 2, Shay Construction will be leasing our parking lot, Monday-Friday for employee parking while they complete work on the Orange County Water District project. Parking for the daily Mass will be greatly reduced. Parking on Ward Street is recommended when possible. We sincerely apologize for the inconvenience this may cause however after careful study it was decided that the substantial income generated by this project would be a great benefit to the entire parish.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Altar Server.....Joanne Peters, 963-3096
- Altar Society.....Betty Perry, 848-9733
- Baptism Class (English)..... 1st Wednesday, Parish Center, 7:30 PM.....Deacon Bill Cobbett, 963-1811
- Baptism Class (Vietnamese).....2nd Friday, Parish Hall, 7:00 PM.....Deacon Jerry Dao, 963-1811
- Bereavement Support.....Parish Hall, Fridays, 12:00 Noon..... Sandra Murray, 842-8486
- Blessed Sacrament Friday, 9:30 AM to 8:45 AM Saturday (Benediction).....Rochelle Giuseffi, 839-7617
- Charismatic Prayer Group.....Holy Spirit Parish Center, Room 9, Wednesday, 7:30 PM Joyce Meersman, 545-9077
- Catholic Spirit Singles.....3rd Sunday, 2:00 PM, Parish Hall..... Jim Roerich, 537-2091
- Commentator Coordinator.....Rich Skoczylas, 891-0737
- Devotions of the Holy Wounds..... 1st Friday following the 9:00 AM Mass.....Rochelle Giuseffi, 839-7617
- Divine Mercy Prayer Group..... Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Fridays 3:00 PM..... Cathy Thomas, 965-3632
- 24 Hour Exposition of the..... Monthly, 4th of each month begins after the 6:30 AM Mass
- Eucharistic Ministers..... Joan Kennedy, 968-9860
- Greeters..... Bev White, 963-9275
- His Hands..... Board Meeting, 2nd Tuesday, 12 Noon at the Mission..... Genny Victorino, 968-2111
- Hospitality..... Bev White, 963-9275
- Immaculate Heart..... 1st Saturday of each month 8:15 AM..... Rochelle Giuseffi, 839-7617
- Of Mary Devotions followed by the Fatima Rosary
- Italian Organization..... 2nd Thursday, Parish Hall
- Knights of Columbus.....2nd Tuesday of the month, Parish Hall..... Herb Baker, 488-2400
- Ladies Knights.....2nd Tuesday of the month, Parish Hall..... Bev White, 963-9275
- Lectors.....Rich Skoczylas, 891-0737
- Line Dance Group.....1st Thursday, 3rd Tuesday, Parish Hall.....Larry Doan, 963-9424
- Marriage Preparation Info.....3rd Wednesday, Parish Center, 7:30 PM.....Deacon Bill Cobbett, 963-1811
- Marriage Prep, Class— "Unitas"...3 times yearly, Parish Center.....Deacon Bill Cobbett, 963-1811
- Men's Bible Study..... Parish Hall, Every Monday, 7:00 AM.....Bob Novielli, 556-8658
- Our Lady Of Guadalupe..... 1st Tuesday of the month, Parish Hall..... Lyda Luna, 378-5189
- RCIA..... Parish Hall, Every Wednesday, 7:30 PM..... Joe Kelley, 962-5244
- Respect Life.....Rochelle Giuseffi, 839-7617
- Rosary Cenacle..... Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Mondays, 7:00 PM..... Patricia Rensing, 968-5843
- Rosary for Peace..... Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Sundays, 3:00 PM..... Roz Esh, 537-1701
- Scripture Study..... Room 7, Sundays, 1:15 PM.....Roz Esh, 537-1701
- Scripture Study..... Saturdays, please call for location.....Roz Esh, 537-1701
- Spanish Prayer Group..... Parish Hall, Every Monday 7:00 PM.....Hortencia Newhouse, 541-0507
- Stephen Ministry 3rd Saturday of the Month, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.....Julie Pekarcik, 963-2886
- Vocation Cross..... Roz Esh, 537-1701
- Women's Bible Study.....Parish Hall, Every Thursday 7:00—8:30 PM..... Ruth Vinson, 549-7750.

PRAYER LIST

Nancy Ahlswede	Bryan "Buddy" Kojima
Lorie Almanza	Joyce Meersman
Barbara Bradford*	Peter Mosca
Sean Bryan *	Oginia Nasr *
Ed Butorac *	Parker Nguyen *
Paul & Marian Catani*	Maria Theresa Nina*
Joy Chappelle *	Leo Nories *
Steven Cundall *	Bill Perez
George & Lucille DiGiacomo *	Lucy Piampiano *
Maria Farrell *	Michele Rands
Mike Gerald *	Al Saito
Joanne Giordano *	Nicole SantaCruz *
Lucy Guild	Dorothe Schmidt *
Lee Heins *	Mary Schulz *
Darlene Jabora *	Rosie Sefcik *
Ralph Kazarian *	Robert R. Trujillo *
Doris Kertesz *	Sandra Victorino
Kelly Kobel *	Ruth Wang
	Sharon Wingelnik

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God's promised summons (Wisdom 18:6-9).
Psalm: Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).
Second Reading: Because of his faithful obedience to God's call, Abraham's descendants number as the stars (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).
Gospel: Keep watch and be prepared, for you do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21 -- 19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Please pray for the safety of all the men and women serving overseas.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Wednesday, August 4, we will have all-night Adoration after the 6:30 AM Mass until Thursday, August 5, before 6:30 AM Mass. Come and keep Jesus company for one hour. Weekly Exposition from Fri. @ 9:30 AM until Sat. @ 9:00 AM.

PLEASE SPEND ONE HOUR IN THE CHAPEL DURING EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ON FRIDAYS AND PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE



Rest in Peace



*Our Parish Community wishes to extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Phyllis McLaughlin** and all those who have died. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

RCIA



INQUIRY CLASSES

If you have not been baptized, or have been baptized in another Faith Tradition, and wish to learn more of the Catholic Faith, please join us in rooms 5 and 6 for Inquiry Sessions, Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. We will explore the meaning of religion, and basic Catholic beliefs. Those who were baptized Catholic but have not received their First Eucharist are also invited. For more information, call Roz Esh, at (714) 537-1701.

WEDDING BANNERS

August 6
 Jose Alberto Gonzalez Moron & Priscilla Jasive Matar Y Matar Martinez
August 7
 Trang Minh Le & Derek Dinh Dang
 Jocelyn Medina & David Estiandan
August 14
 Anna Truong & Minh Nguyen
August 21
 Shannan Le & Roderick Quebral
 Joan Nguyen & Tuong Thomas Hoang
 Ni Li & Howard Lo

MASS INTENTIONS*

Aug. 2	6:30 AM	Maria Le †
	9:00 AM	Mary Nguyen †
Aug. 3	6:30 AM	Robert LaChapelle †
	9:00 AM	Buck Williams †
Aug. 4	6:30 AM	Claudia Sumner
	9:00 AM	Betty Markel †
Aug. 5	6:30 AM	Tom Brown †
	9:00 AM	Herb Reusch †
Aug. 6	6:30 AM	Josephine Valko †
	9:00 AM	Albert Markel †
Aug. 7	9:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	5:00 PM	Martin Frake †
	6:30 PM	Jose P. Carrasco †
Aug. 8	7:30 AM	Pro Populo
	9:00 AM	Kim & Tom Bees
	10:30 AM	Alfred Wagner & Family †
	12:00PM	John Lawrence Martin †
	5:00 PM	Josephine Valko †

† Rest in Peace

***A funeral Mass takes precedence. If your Mass changes, you will be notified.**

PARISH EVENTS

Vietnamese Religious Education



Registration for the Vietnamese Religious Education program is being accepted. Please come to the RE office to register. We accept students from age 5 (or Kindergarten) through Confirmation II. Classes are held every Saturday:
 Shift I: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
 Shift II: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
 For more information, please contact Sr. Agnes at (714) 964-8767 after August 1st.



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

High School CYF Meeting, August 1, 7:30-9:30 PM
 Next Jr. High School CYF Meeting, August 8, 7:00-9:00 PM

Any High School Seniors interested in attending the Senior Retreat, please contact Brandon in Youth Ministry.

*The Youth Ministry Office regular hours are:
 Mon. & Tues.: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
 Sunday: 10:00 AM to 10:30 PM*

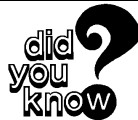
*For more information leave a message for Brandon in the Youth Ministry Office,
 Phone: 963-7256, or youthministry@hscfcv.org*

YOUTH MINISTER NEEDED

Part-time Youth Minister position opening at Holy Spirit. Looking for a dedicated individual, who can work flexible hours. Needs to have strong knowledge of Catholic religion and be a role model for teens. Please send resume to :

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
 17270 Ward St., Fountain Valley, CA 92708
 Attention: MaryAnn Mullin or
 Call (714) 963-1811 for more information.

Medical studies have shown that women who undergo abortions have an increased risk of breast cancer.



2004 QUEEN OF PEACE PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

September 12-20. **Escorted** by Nada Prskalo, **Spiritual Director:** Fr. Sean Condon. Please respond by August 20. Net price from LAX: \$1585.00 per person. Your trip includes: Round trip from LAX to Split Croatia, 7 nights in a modern house in Medjugorje; breakfast and dinner daily in Medjugorje; Transfers by private motor coach; Assistance of local guide; Daily Mass; Trip to Dubrovnik. For more information, please call Nada Prskalo at (949) 223-3970 or (949) 249-2500. Fliers are all available at the back of the Church.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours:



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:
 9:30 AM—12 Noon,
 2:30 PM—5:30 PM,
 Thursday: 10:00 AM—12 Noon,
 Sunday: 9:00 AM.—11:30 AM,

Sr. Anna, Sr. Doris or Linda may be reached at (714) 963-7871.

REGISTER FOR RE NOW!!

- RE Registration for 2004-2005 have been mailed to families who were registered last year. Each family must register again each year. Please return forms as soon as possible. If you did not get the forms in the mail or want a registration packet, please contact the RE Office (963-7871).
- Students going to Mater Dei High School or other Catholic High Schools need to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation in their home parish. It is a two-year preparation process. Please contact the R.E. office for registration forms or any questions, 963-7871.

CATHECHISTS/TEACHERS NEEDED FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

If you are interested in passing on the Catholic faith and willing to teach children and youth of our parish, please contact Sister Anna in the RE office (963-7871). Training is available during the summer through the diocese or here at Holy Spirit Parish.

Kingdom Seekers Summer Choir

The Kingdom Seekers Summer Choir is looking for enthusiastic singers. All are welcome to join us in singing at the 5:00 PM Mass throughout the summer. Please contact the Youth Ministry Office for information at 963-7256 or youthministry@hscfcv.org.



Pro-Life meeting for Tuesday, August 3 is cancelled. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7, Classroom 4 at 7:00 PM.

CATHOLIC SPIRIT SINGLES

This organization is open to singles over 45 who enjoy the single life as active Catholics. The next meeting will be August 15, 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

WE HAVE SCOOTERS!!!

For each \$20.00 contribution to the Building Fund you will receive a **KICK-SCOOTER**. They are sturdy and collapsible and make a great gift! Come to the Parish Office for a look.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
HOLY SPIRIT COUNCIL 9667**



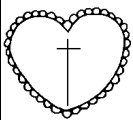
- August 2: Singing Knights practice
- August 3: First-degree exemplification
- August 4: Bocce
- August 4-5: Adoration
- August 8: Fairview
- August 9: Singing Knights practice

*Become a member of the
Knights of Columbus!*

Call Herb Baker at (714) 488-2400
herbaker@msn.com

**Welcome to the newest members of our
Parish, Baptized in July, 2004**

William Bacon, Ryan Byrd, Justin Gallegos, Marlon Gallegos, Gisele Garacia, Luca Ngo, Darren Nguyen, Christian Ramirez, Madeline Spence, Amber Taylor, Hailey Torres-Vaxquez, Victor Torres-Vasquez, Megan Williams, Christopher Truong.



**MARRIED IN CHRIST
Congratulations to those who were
married in the month of July!**

- Loan Kim Tran & Dung Anh Nguyen
- Tracey Nguyen & Khanh Tran Nguyen
- Lisa Ngoc Huynh & Thi Ba Nguyen
- Vivien Hang Vu & Hoang Huy Pham
- Chau Thy Pham & John Rathbun Jr.
- Cathy Tran Nguyen & Ruben Cervantes
- Rebecca Vy Do & Peter Manh Dang
- Minh Sa Ngoc Nguyen & Minh Khai Trinh
- Trina Marie Bruno & Ronald Allen Trace
- Tran Hoang Yen Nhi & Le Phuoc Loc
- Olyvia Anh Kim Bui & Phuong Hoang
- Nguyen Thi Quynh Nhu & Rob McDonald
- Phuong Truong & Hoang Loc

**BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS
AND GODPARENTS**



Baptism Classes in English for godparents and parents who wish to have their children baptized at Holy Spirit Church are held monthly in the Parish Center on the first Wednesday of each month. The evenings start at 7:30 PM and end before 9:00 PM.

Parents and godparents will learn about the requirements for the sacrament of Baptism. Parents will complete the Baptism Registration Form and sign up for the date for their child's Baptism. For more information, please call the Parish Office (714) 963-1811.

COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2004

Regular Collection: \$18,157.00

2004 PSA PLEDGES:
\$197,526.00

Thank you for your generosity!



**DIVINE MERCY SYMPOSIUM
HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH**

August 7, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

**Speaker: Brother Don De Castro
Devotees of the Divine Mercy**

**Spiritual Director—Fr. Marito Rebamontan
“JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU”**

Jesus promised that: “Souls who spread the honor of My mercy, I will shield through their entire life as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death, I will not be a Judge for them but the Merciful Savior”.

(Diary of St. Faustina, Entry No. 1075)

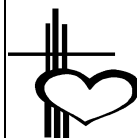
EVERYONE IS INVITED

Refreshments will be provided. Please bring sack lunch. For more information, contact Cathy Thomas, (714) 965-3632, Roz Esh, (714) 537-1701.



You are invited to the annual Family Picnic, Sunday, Aug. 15, at the Green Valley Club House behind the Church parking lot, 1:00-5:00 PM. We will provide the food and drinks and have games for all ages. Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of fun and food!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES



How Important Is Marriage To You?


It is a sad fact that over 50% of marriages in the United States end in divorce. This is destructive to society, painful for families, and truly devastating for children, the innocent victims, who all too often suffer a lifetime of hurt.


We care about marriage at Holy Spirit. We want to do our best to prepare couples for successful marriages that will stand the test of time. With this in mind, we provide a comprehensive marriage preparation program that prepares couples for a marriage that will last a lifetime. Our program is called “Unitas”. The next session starts in September, 2004.

“Unitas” is an eight-week program. Engaged couples meet once a week for eight weeks from 7:30 to 9:30 PM. Couples who complete the program receive a certificate that fulfills the requirements for marriage preparation in the Catholic Church.

If you are thinking about getting married, please register early for this very important program. Registration forms are available in the church office.

For more information, please call Deacon Bill Cobbett at (714) 963-1811, ext 122.

Off to Camp  Each summer, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provides a week of camping in the mountains to over 300 inter-city youngsters who otherwise could not afford it. This camping experience brings healthy recreation, fun, good food, and a needed change in environment to these kids and their parents. Through a grant from the LA Times Family Fund and other donations, the cost to provide this experience is only \$50.00 per camper. Your financial support for one or more campers would be greatly appreciated. Send your tax-deductible donation to SVDP Camping Fund, 180 S. Cypress, Orange, CA 92866. Thanks in advance for your assistance. For more information, please contact Denis at (714) 547-5566 or denis@svdpoc.org.

Just Faith Formation Program beginning in September. Just Faith, a formation program for Catholics interested in studying Catholic social teaching, will be offered at Sts. Simon and Jude on September 16. 

Just Faith offers an intensive study of the Catholic call to address the needs of the world. This challenging thirty-three week program includes weekly meetings and reading commitments, two retreats and immersion experiences. Group limited to 14 registrants. Deadline to register is August 9. Call Donna Rustvold at (714) 963-1572 to register or for more information.

CHECK THIS OUT! Hospice Volunteers are needed in our community to provide supportive services to terminally ill patients and their families. VITAS Hospice is seeking interested individuals who can commit an average of one hour per week to make a difference. The only necessary qualifications are a caring heart, the ability to listen, and a willingness to learn. Training classes will be held on August 7 and August 14. Please contact Nancy Freihaut at (714) 734-2723.

Donations of yarn requested! VITAS Innovative Hospice serves terminally ill patients throughout Orange County. We currently have Craft Volunteers who crochet lap robes for patients but many of these caring individuals are elderly community members on fixed incomes. They are willing to donate their time, energy and crafting talents but need assistance with donations of yarn. If you would like to make a yarn donation or become a Craft Volunteer, please contact Nancy Freihaut at (714) 734-2723.

VOTING ASSISTANCE TALKS AVAILABLE
The Registrar of Voters Office will be conducting a series of group discussions on the use of the E Slate voting systems throughout August, September and October. The presentation, which includes a short video, can be scheduled by calling Bruce (714) 968-2579.

3RD ANNUAL CURSILLO DINNER AND AUCTION
The Cursillo Movement of Orange County is invites all parishioners to our 3rd Annual Cursillo Dinner-Auction, Saturday evening, Aug. 21, 2004, at 6:30 PM, at Holy Family Cathedral Parish Center, Orange. Cuisine by Kevin Curley. Live, silent auctions and music will be provided by Dick Hultin and the "Countrymen" band. Tickets are \$25.00. For further information please contact: Gary Gordon (949) 459-6372 ext. 2 or J Bruce Camino (714) 634-8798 ext. 8191 or visit the Cursillo website www.occursillo.org.

 **Arts & Crafts** Third World Gifts and Handarts, a nonprofit marketing source founded locally in 1975, will be here on Sunday, August 15, to sell handcrafts made by impoverished artisans from several developing nations, plus areas of the United States. The artisans set their own prices for these beautiful and useful items. Please support this mission by stopping by their display tables located on the patio after Mass. Thank you for helping the hard-working artisans and their families! You may also visit their gift shop at 152 N. Glassell, Suite B in Old Towne Orange, (714) 288-1434.

DON'T MISS OUT! **The 14th Annual National Catholic Family Conference, "For I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel,"** scheduled for August 21-22, at the Anaheim Convention Center and Hilton in Anaheim. Adult, teen, and children's program with daily Mass, concert, speaker panel. Fun for the entire family. For more information, please log on to www.CatholicRC.org or call (877) 526-2151.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING
An effective natural method used to plan or space births. Certified educators teach the Sympto-Thermal method in convenient locations throughout the year in English and Spanish. Based on the most recent medical knowledge, this method is clinically proven to be 99% effective when used by properly instructed, motivated couples. You must attend all three sessions and should begin instruction at least six months prior to your wedding. Want to learn more? Next English class begins September 27, October 18 and November 8 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Irvine. Next class in Spanish will be on September 10, 17, 24 and October 1 at Our Lady of the Pillar Church in Santa Ana. For more registration information, contact Sandra at (714) 282-3047.