

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

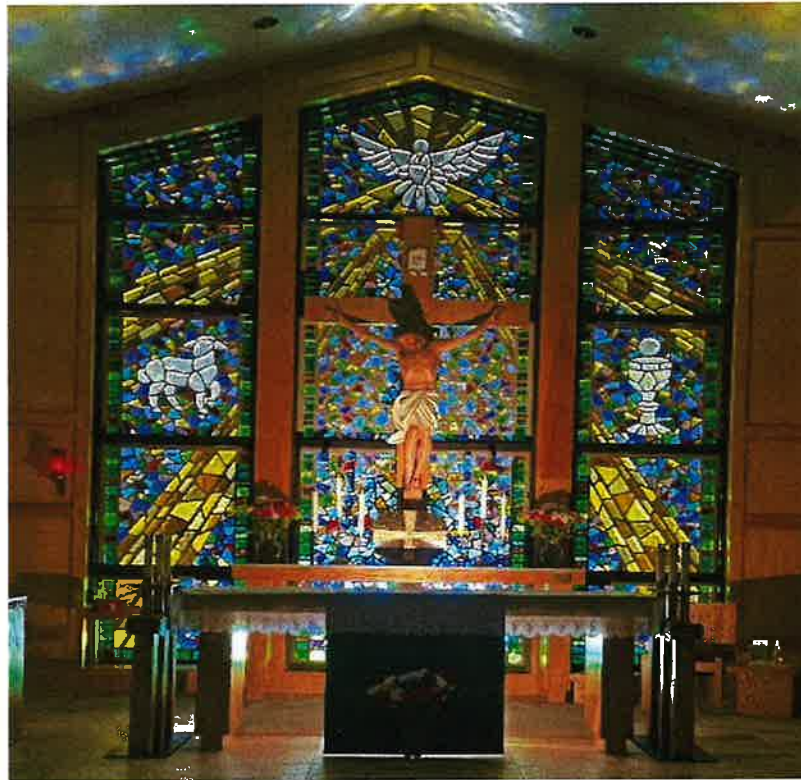
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Celebration of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Monday 9:00 am
Communion Service
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

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm
Sunday 8:00 - 8:45 am

Sacrament of the Sick

Offered the first Friday
of the month after 9:00 am
& 6:00 pm Mass.

Marriage or Baptism

Contact the parish office
six (6) months prior to the
anticipated date.

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 4, 2024

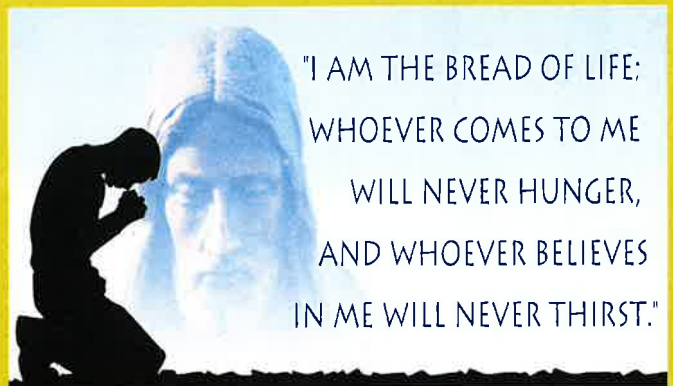
TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING:
EX 16 : 2 - 4; 12 - 15

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
PS 78 : 3 - 4; 23 - 25; 54

2ND READING:
EPH 4 : 17; 20 - 24

GOSPEL:
JN 6 : 24 - 35



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Church Organizations

Parochial Administrator	Fr. John Gomez
Financial Council	Charlie Clymer
Pastoral Council	John Rigney
Virtus	Justin Mahaffey
Knights of Columbus	Jerry Hauck
4th Degree Knights	Gary Laudt
Legion of Mary	Marge Clymer
	Jane Bidlack
	Bryan Todd
Food Pantry	
Music Ministry	Carol Szczepanski
Rosary Makers	Vicki Hauck
Cenacle of Life	Anna Parker
Welcome	Eva/Jess Corrigan
Bereavement	
Altar Flowers	

PARISH SUPPORT

Attendance: 7/27 SAT: 87 7/28 SUN: 100

Collections from 7/27 - 7/28:

Offertory	\$ 2,743.00
Building & Maintenance Fund	\$ 250.00

AUGUST SECOND COLLECTIONS

3rd & 4th: "Building & Maintenance Fund"
17th & 18th (19th): "Holy Spirit Faith Formation"

AUGUST UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat 8/3:	9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Patriotic Rosary 5:00 pm Mass
Sun 8/4:	9:00 am Mass
Mon 8/5:	9:00 am Communion Service
Tues 8/6:	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Wed 8/7:	9:00 am Mass 6:00 pm Vigil - Al Murfin
Thurs 8/8:	9:30 am Rosary - Al Murfin 10:00 am Funeral - Al Murfin
Fri 8/9:	9:00 am Mass
Sat 8/10:	5:00 pm Mass
Sun 8/11:	9:00 am Mass
Mon 8/12:	9:00 am Communion Service
Tues 8/13:	9:00 am Mass Adoration 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Adoration 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Fundraiser Meeting 5:00 pm
Wed 8/14:	9:00 am Mass
Thurs 8/15:	9:00 am Mass Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) 9:30 am Legion of Mary Meeting 6:00 pm Mass
Fri 8/16:	9:00 am Mass

Pope's August Intention



For the political leaders. We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.



Remember the sick of our parish: Mary Ott; Emly Walker; Elizabeth Egan; Cindy Sue Erdag; Emeress Aiwohi; Jean Kelly; Fr. Ariel Cortes; Jeanette Sterner. Joe Bonneville; Wauneta Winton; Joe Fazzio; Sharon Kroll; Jeri Garfield; Ethan Cowles; Harry Needham; Lupe Leal; Jason McCormick; Eloise Sanchez; Linda Hedgecock; Juan & Barbara Delgado; John Buchanan; Dale Boman; Avery Boultinghouse; Bishop Joseph Strickland; Rosemary Seltzer; Elaine March; Libby Paladino; Jo & Doris Hoffman; Roy Marchak; David Borel; Verna Sloan; Mike Stephens; Kathy Bowers; John McGrane; Msgr. Ron Diegel; Chris & Dave Paape; Richard & Dottie Schuetz; John Fabitz; Jodie Woods; George Duke; Jean Hamilton; Kathleen Fleming; Jaye Anderson; Greg Mooney; Karee Haney; Charlie Parker; Jacob Stephens. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month.



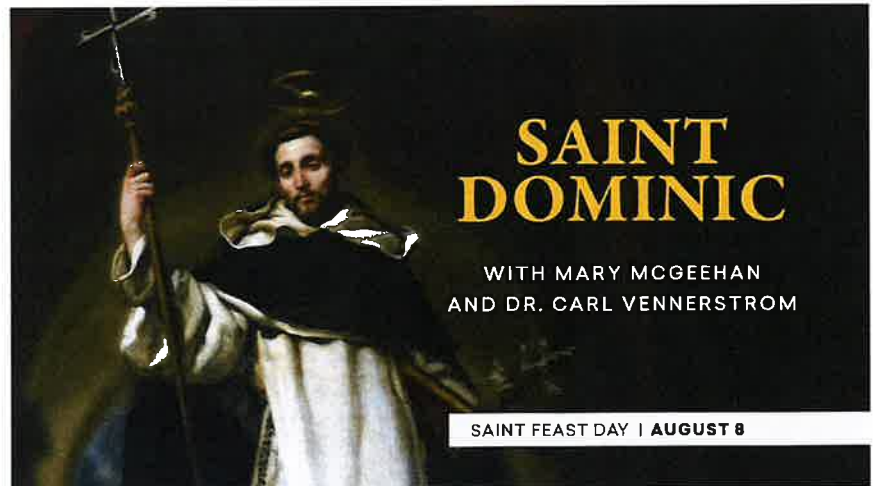
Remember our parishioners who have recently died: Al Murfin (husband of Evelyn Murfin); Sven Sterner (husband of Jeanette); Jim Hickey (husband of Gayle Hickey); Arch Sucherter (husband of Ursula); Tyler Adams; John Ott (husband of Mary Ott) and Page Sugg.



Remember the active military of our parish: Mitchell, LTJG Navy (Son-in-law of Stan & Terrie Evans). Ben Clymer, Air Force (Grandson of Charlie & Marge). Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike Stephens). CPL Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). Staff Sergeant, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Lt. Gary Buchanan; Capt. Blake Gaughan; Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Emma). Petty Officer 2 Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

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Mass Intentions

Sat 8/3 Edell Quinn+ (Legion of Mary)
 Sun 8/4 Cindy Sue Erdag (M/M Clymer)
 Tues 8/6 Donald Trump & JD Vance (M/M Clymer)
 Wed 8/7 Carolyn Aucoin
 Fri 8/9 Jim Hickey+ (M/M Clymer)



Special Observances

Monday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major (*Following the declaration of Mary as "Oeotoko" - meaning God bearer, by the Council of Ephesus in 431, Pope Sixtus III erected in Rome this oldest basilica in the West dedicated to the Mother of God.*)

Tuesday: The Transfiguration of our Lord (*This feast was inserted into the general calendar in 1457 by Pope Callistus III to celebrate the defeat announced in Rome on August 6th of the Turks at Belgrade—this date occurs 40 days before the feast of the Triumph of the Cross.*)

Wednesday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs (*Sixtus II and four deacons were arrested on August 6, 258 while celebrating the Eucharist in the cemetery of Callistus; by order of Valerian, they were decapitated that same day.*)

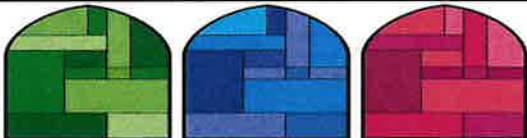
St. Cajetan, Priest (*Co-founded with Gian Pietro Carafa (later Pope Paul IV) the Theatines (today known as the Congregation of Clerks Regular, who number about 175 religious; devoted to reform, prayer, and ministry, especially the poor and the sick.*)

Thursday: St. Dominic, Priest (*Founded the Order of Preacher; an elective fraternal form of community life devoted to contemplation, study, and preaching; sought to bring Albigensians back into the Church through preaching and living evangelical poverty; Order's ideal "Contemplari et contempata altis trader.*)

Friday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr (*Born Edith Stein, she taught in various schools until forced to resign due to anti-Semitic legislation in 1933, she entered the Discalced Carmelite convent in Cologne where she received the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. She later moved to Echt, Holland, on account of the Nazi persecution, she was arrested and transported to Poland where she was killed in Auschwitz. Along with St. Catherine of Sienna and St. Bridget of Sweden, she was declared co-patroness of Europe by Pope John Paul II.*)

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 our contact person:
 Justin Mahaffey 903-714-3649 or
 email him at: justin.mahaffey@icloud.com



Special Parish Announcements

Funeral information:

Al Murfin - Vigil Service on Wednesday, August 7th at 6:00 pm Deacon Sam Mullen presiding. Thursday, August 8th at 9:30 am Rosary, followed by the Memorial Mass at 10:00 am; Fr. Mike Snider presiding. The Vigil Service, Rosary, & Funeral Mass will take place here at Holy Spirit.

John Ott - Preparations are still being made.

Other special prayer request:

Please keep Fr. Ariel in your prayers this week.



Holy Spirit Food Ministry

We are running low on food grocery bags, any donations can be placed in the container outside the church office. We are always looking for volunteers—you would be surprised how many parishioners it takes to facilitate this ministry. If you know of anyone who needs our help, please contact: Robert Mailliard (503-559-6022) or Bryan Todd (972-672-4218).

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US FEED THE HUNGRY IN OUR COMMUNITY

fundraising

Our next fundraising meeting for the annual Casino Night will be Tuesday, August 13th, at 5:00 pm in St. Jude's Hall. We are looking for more volunteers to share great ideas. Come join us!



As the new school year begins, let us pray for our schools, teachers, staff, students, and parents. May God bless each of them during the 2024-25 school term.

Coming soon...!

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Article for the Holy Spirit Catholic Church Bulletin. 1 August 2024 Edition (Submission date: 29 July 2024) Submitted by Randy Munoz

10 Things You Need to Know About Jesus' Transfiguration by Jimmy Akin
<https://www.ncregister.com/blog/10-things-you-need-to-know-about-jesus-transfiguration>

1. What does the word "transfiguration" mean? The word "transfiguration" comes from the Latin roots trans- ("across") and figura ("form, shape"). It thus signifies a change of form/appearance. This is what happened to Jesus in the event known as the Transfiguration: His appearance changed and became glorious. Before looking at the Transfiguration itself, it's important that we look at what happened immediately before it in Luke's Gospel.

2. What happened right before the Transfiguration? In Luke 9:27, at the end of a speech to the 12 apostles, Jesus adds, enigmatically: There are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God. This has often been taken as a prophecy that the end of the world would occur before the first generation of Christians died out. The phrase "kingdom of God" can also refer to other things, though, including the Church — the outward expression of God's invisible kingdom. The kingdom is embodied in Christ himself and thus might be "seen" if Christ were to manifest it in an unusual way, even in his own earthly life.

3. Did such a manifestation occur? Yes, and it is the very next thing that Luke relates: the Transfiguration. Pope Benedict states that it has been...convincingly argued that the placing of this saying immediately before the Transfiguration clearly relates it to this event. Some—that is to say, the 3 disciples who accompany Jesus up the mountain—are promised that they will personally witness the coming of the Kingdom of God 'in power.' On the mountain: the 3 of them see the glory of God's Kingdom shining out of Jesus; they are overshadowed by God's holy cloud; in the conversation of the transfigured Jesus with the Law and the Prophets, they realize that the true Feast of Tabernacles has come; they learn that Jesus himself is the living Torah, the complete Word of God; and they see the 'power' of the Kingdom that is coming in Christ ... We thus may have the key to understanding Jesus' mysterious statement just before the Transfiguration. He wasn't talking about the end of the world. He was talking about this. In fact, Luke notes that the Transfiguration took place "about 8 days after these sayings," thus stressing its proximity to them and suggesting that it was the fulfillment of this saying, concerning the fact that some of them would see the kingdom of God. Mark gives a different number of days, saying it was "after 6 days" (Mark 9:2), but these both approximate a week.

4. Who witnessed the Transfiguration? The 3 who are privileged to witness the event are Peter, James and John, the 3 core disciples. ... The fact that Jesus only allowed 3 of his disciples to witness the event may have sparked the discussion which swiftly ensued about which of the disciples was the greatest (Luke 9:46).

5. Where did the Transfiguration take place? Luke states that Jesus took the 3 "on the mountain to pray." This mountain is often thought to be Mount Tabor in Israel, but none of the gospels identify it precisely.

6. Why did the Transfiguration take place? The Catechism explains it this way: Christ's Transfiguration aims at strengthening the apostles' faith in anticipation of his Passion: the ascent onto the 'high mountain' prepares for the ascent to Calvary. Christ, Head of the Church, manifests what his Body contains and radiates in the sacraments: 'the hope of glory' [CCC 568].

7. What does Luke (in particular) tell us about this event? Luke mentions several details about the event that the other evangelists do not: He notes that this happened while Jesus was praying. He mentions that Peter and his companions "were heavy with sleep, and when they wakened they saw his glory and the 2 men who stood with him." He mentions that Peter made his suggestion to put up booths as Moses and Elijah were departing.

8. Why do Moses and Elijah appear on the mountain? Moses and Elijah represent the 2 principal components of the Old Testament: the Law and the Prophets. Moses was the giver of the Law, and Elijah was considered the greatest of the prophets. The fact that these 2 figures "spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem" illustrates that the Law and the Prophets point forward to the Messiah and his sufferings. This foreshadows Jesus' own explanation, on the road to Emmaus, of the Scriptures pointing to himself (cf. Luke 24:27, 32).

9. Why was Peter's suggestion misguided? The fact that Peter's suggestion occurs when Moses and Elijah are preparing to depart reveals a desire to prolong the experience of glory. This means Peter is focusing on the wrong thing. The experience of the Transfiguration is meant to point forward to the sufferings Jesus is about to experience. It is meant to strengthen the disciples' faith, revealing to them in a powerful way the divine hand that is at work in the events Jesus will undergo. This is why Moses & Elijah have been speaking "about his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem." Peter misses the point and wants to stay on the mountain, contrary to the message the 2 heavenly visitors have been expounding. As a seeming rebuke of this, a theophany occurs: "A cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!'"

10. What can we learn from this event? The Transfiguration was a special event in which God allowed certain apostles to have a privileged spiritual experience that was meant to strengthen their faith for the challenges they would later endure. But it was only a temporary event. It was not meant to be permanent. In the same way, at certain times in this life, God may give certain members of the faithful (not all of the faithful, all the time), special experiences of his grace that strengthen their faith. We should welcome these experiences for the graces they are, but we should not expect them to continue indefinitely, nor should we be afraid or resentful when they cease. They may have been meant only as momentary glimpses of the joy of heaven to sustain us as we face the challenges of this life, to help strengthen us on the road that will — ultimately — bring us into the infinite and endless joy of heaven.