

# Holy Spirit Parish

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 21, 2018**

## LEAVE BEHIND

Simon, Andrew, James, and John abandoned their nets and followed Jesus. The nets were their livelihood, the most important tools for their work as fishermen. For these first disciples, their nets represented all they knew life to be about, and all it could be. Yet they put the nets aside, risking an unknown future in order to “catch people” as Jesus promised. What do you need to leave behind? Most people will not be asked to give up their livelihood in order to answer Christ’s call. Yet we certainly must abandon everything that prevents us from living our lives authentically as followers of Jesus. Sometimes we must let go of the life we know in order to embrace a living, compelling, meaningful life of faith in Christ. Prayerfully examine your faith and life. Is there attachment to material possessions? Are there relationships or feelings that prevent you from living and growing in faith? Is there a negative habit that gets in the way? Let go of what stands between you and the Lord. Invite God’s healing presence, forgiveness, and mercy to transform the nets—all that holds you back—and risk answering Christ’s call to discipleship.

## WALK TOWARD

Jonah did not simply walk away from his previous way of life. He walked toward Nineveh. The disciples did not only abandon their nets. They walked toward Jesus and to a life of discipleship. G. K. Chesterson is quoted as saying, “Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been tried and found difficult.” Yet Christian living is also deeply meaningful. What would happen if you truly took the call to follow Jesus to heart? It isn’t only about turning away from things that are counter to the Christian way of life. As it was for Jonah, the disciples at the seashore, and Saint Paul, a true life of faith is also about walking toward God, about loving God and neighbor, about risking an unknown future filled with life and goodness, holiness and grace.

## Masses:

**Saturday Vigil 5:15 p.m.**  
**Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:15 p.m.**  
**Weekday 8:00 a.m.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.**

**Baptisms: By appointment. Please call the Rectory 443-5442**

**Marriage: Couples planning marriage are asked to make an appointment at Rectory at least six months prior to your anticipated wedding date.**

- **Holy Spirit Parish School: (Grades TK-8) 448-5663**  
Ann Marie Faires, Interim Principal
- **Catholic Faith Formation (CFF): Patricia Scott, Director**  
Grades K-8; Mondays, 5:45 to 7p.m. at Holy Spirit School.
- **Respect Life Ministry: Mack & Lucy White 447-7327.**
- **Care of Sick & Elderly: Call the Rectory for Holy Communion home calls. 443-5442**
- **St Vincent dePaul Society ~SVdP Meet 4th Tues each month 397-7264**



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**Rev. Michael Hebda, Pastor**

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*We, the people of  
Holy Spirit Parish  
seek to live as disciples of Christ.  
Guided by the Holy Spirit,  
fed and strengthened  
at the Eucharistic table,  
we are called to witness the Good  
News of the Gospel by our  
lives of faith, service,  
community, and hospitality.*



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The kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and believe in the gospel.  
— *Mark 1:15*

### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:15 pm</b>	Doug Holbrook +
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Bonnie Heuer +
	<b>11:00 am</b>	Brandon Vlamis +
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	Holy Spirit Parishioners
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	For Unborn Children
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Fr. Martin Brusato +
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	For missionary work
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	For conversion of souls
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	For church leaders
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:15 pm</b>	Pete Sr., Dennis, & Pete Jr. Ruzir +
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Renee & Michael Malaki family, Spec Int
	<b>11:00 am</b>	Carl & Loretta Warren +
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	Holy Spirit Parishioners

### For All of You New Parishioners...



There will be a Welcome Brunch in your honor in McHugh Hall this **Sunday, January 21st at noon**. All who missed the last brunch are welcome, too. Please come and get acquainted with others and learn more about opportunities to get involved. Please RSVP to the parish office at 443-5442. All parishioners are invited to come and say hello and introduce yourselves!

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30, <i>or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer</i>
Tuesday:	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Friday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

### New Year and New Activities a message from Fr. Michael

- Beginning February 2, Holy Spirit Parish will begin nine hours of Eucharistic Adoration. Every First Friday our church will be open from 8:00 A.M. morning Mass until 5:00 P.M. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be more details in the coming weeks.
- Dinner with Father Michael every third Friday of the month beginning February 16. Four families will be invited to have dinner with Father Michael. New families and established families will be invited. The objective of the dinner is simple. Families will get know more about each other and Father Michael will get to hear about the successes and challenges facing Holy Spirit Parish.
- Our Stewardship Program: Time, Talent and Treasure will begin our annual Lenten kick off. I am hoping that the Time for prayer component will provide much needed prayer time. On Wednesdays during Lent at 5:30 P.M., Fr. John Healy will be presiding at Mass. I have invited him to preach on some of the experiences he has had working as a Hospital Chaplain and his travels involving ministry.
- Lenten Sacrament of Reconciliation every Wednesday evening 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. and Saturday 4:00 P.M. till 4:45 P.M.

### GIFT

WHAT I AM IS GOD'S GIFT TO ME.  
WHAT I BECOME IS MY GIFT BACK  
TO GOD.

—Anonymous

### New Parishioner Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Ph. # \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please place form in the collection or drop off at the rectory.*

**Here at Home**

***Time Talent Treasure (TTT)***

*Faithful Stewardship. A way of life.  
Everything we think, say and do  
after we say "I believe."*



**STEWARDSHIP**

*It's all about gratitude.  
It's all about giving back.  
It's all about God.*

**Catholic Schools Week Open House**

The theme to celebrate National Catholic Schools Week this year is "Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed." This theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Holy Spirit Parish School begins the celebration on Sunday, **January 28** with **9:00am Mass** at church followed by **Open House** at the school from **10:30am to 12:00noon**.



**Catholic Schools**  
*Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.*

**A Sincere Thank You!**

The SVdP of our Parish thanks everyone who so generously donated items in response to our request for warm clothing for the poor and the homeless in Sacramento.. Almost 500 items were donated! Some donated items will be distributed to people who visit Loaves and Fishes and Sharing God's Bounty. These two good organizations provide hot meals and other services to needy families and the homeless. Other donated items will be distributed through the Cathedral when our Parish Helping Hearts provides lunches for the homeless lunch this coming Tuesday, January 23. Thank you for your generous hearts and for making a positive and loving impact on our community.

**Coffee & Catholicism**

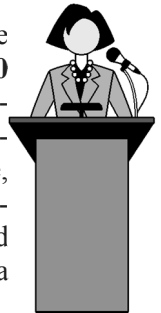
Fr. Pepka has had to take a short leave of absence so Coffee & Catholicism is temporarily not meeting. It will resume in the near future and will be announced.

**This Week At A Glance**

- Jan 20/21 Brown bag lunch collection
- Jan 21 Witness to Love Fellowship & Prayer
- Jan 21 New Parishioner Brunch
- Jan 21 7th grade Confirmation retreat
- Jan 23 Saint Vincent de Paul meeting
- Jan 25 Guild meeting
- Jan 25 Book club
- Jan 25 Bible study
- Jan 25 HSPS State of the School talk
- Jan 28 HSPS Open House

**HSPS State of the School**

Be informed, please join us at our First "State of School" on **Thursday, January 25th at 6:30 pm** in the school gym. Topics to be presented: Principal's vision for our school. Progress Report outlining academic performance, school budget, benefits provided by fundraising dollars, long term school maintenance and development, results of School Survey, and a Principal Forum with Q&A.



**Now Accepting TK and Kindergarten Applications**

Holy Spirit Parish School is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year for both Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten classes. If your child will be 4 or 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2018 you can apply by contacting the school at 916-448-5663. Holy Spirit Parish School focuses on following the teachings of Jesus and developing the love of learning. 1:1 i-Pad Technology - Academic Excellence - Fine Arts Program - Spanish - After School Care.

**Walk for Life West Coast 2018**

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 14th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco next Saturday, **January 27**. There will be Mass at **9:30am** celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at **12:30pm** in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at **1:30pm**. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people. For complete info about the Walk, visit [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com) or call 415-658-1793.

**Father-Son Programs**

The Father-Son Programs explore God's special gift of human fertility and the beauty and wonder of God's plan for growing up and becoming a man. The program will be offered for boys ages 12 to 15 and their dads on **February 24th**. The total cost is \$20 per family and includes lunch. Visit [www.fathersonprogram.com](http://www.fathersonprogram.com) for more info about location, time and content or to register.

**When have you experienced the Kingdom of God?**