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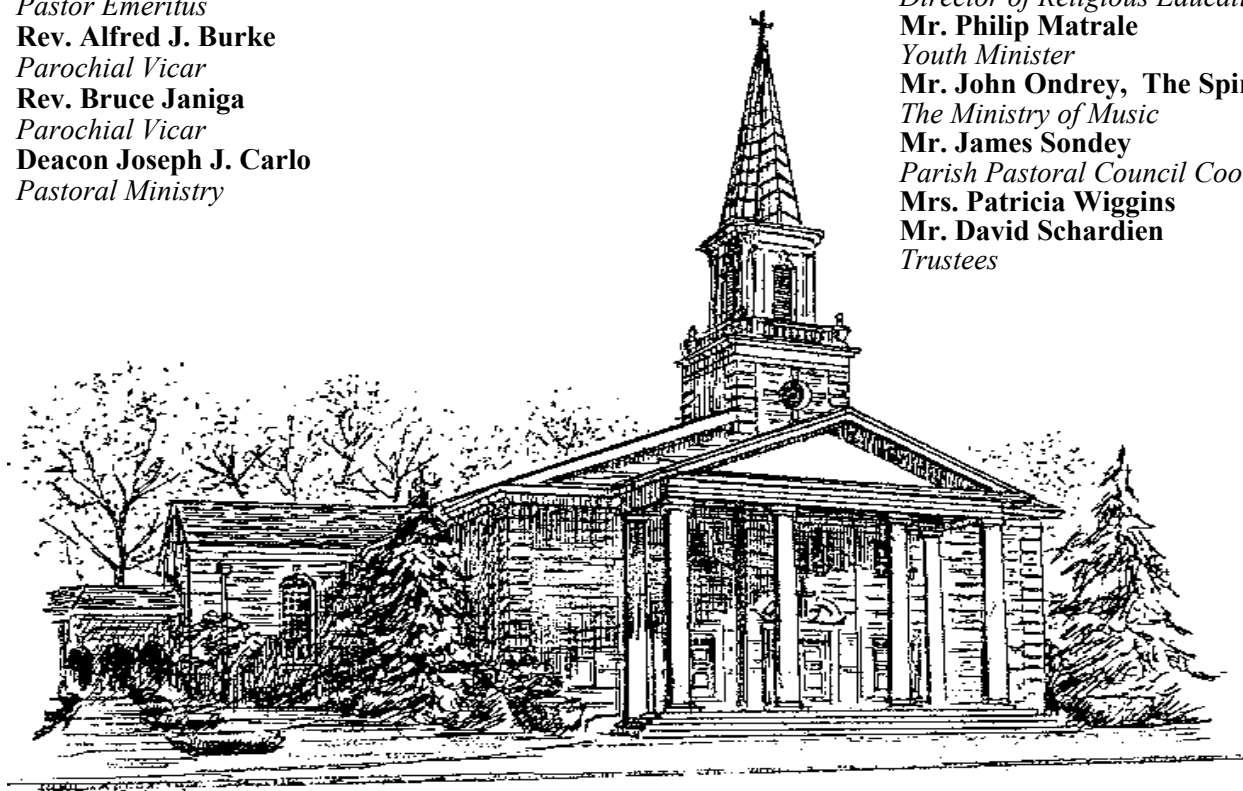
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Masses

Saturday: 8:30am 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12:00 Noon

(July 1st to Labor Day: 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00 Noon)

Weekdays: Monday thru Friday: 7:30am and 8:30am

Holy Days: Will be announced in Bulletin and from Pulpit.

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the second Sunday of each month. A Parent Preparation Program is required for first time parents. New parents should register for the Baptism as soon as possible after the child's birth by contacting the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

Saturday 11:30-12 Noon and 4:30 to 5:00pm.

Matrimony

According to the policy of the Archdiocese of Newark arrangements for weddings should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the priest whom you wish to officiate at your wedding, by calling the Parish Office.

Novena

In honor of Our Lady and St. Jude - Monday Mornings - (September—June) immediately following 8:30 Mass

Parish Membership

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the parish is requested to register at the Parish Office. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify the Parish Office. Certificates of Eligibility (Godparent/Sponsor certificate) will only be given to registered parishioners.

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Holy Spirit Church
 Union, NJ
The Feast of Pentecost
 May 19, 2013



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In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
 - 1 Corinthians 12:13a

Collections

Sunday Collection: \$10,944.00
 Communicating God's Word Collection: \$2,936.00

Donations for the Week of 5/5/13

Pew Restoration to date: \$28,726.00
 Poor: \$21.00
 Helping Hands: \$22.00

Pray for ...

Joey Genova
 Joseph Catino
 Marian Fortunato
 Connie O'Shea
 Hugo SantaMaria
 June Scholz
 Serafina Dapuzzo
 Tammy Sweet
 Jessica Melisse
 Irene Whitten
 Phyllis Pardun

Abby Francesca
 Nancy Edelman
 Bob Deckert
 Alice Deckert
 Jill Galante
 Beth Ann Bonner
 Carol Jandersit
 Elizabeth Gautreau
 Yolanda Salvatore
 Blanche Tyler
 Helen Lash

A message from our Pastor: ***Dear Parishioners,***

What an amazing weekend this is! As if the Feast of Pentecost was not important enough, today we also kick off the celebration of our parishes 50th anniversary. For half a century, the people in this part of Union, and beyond, have gathered in this spot, under the inspiration and title of the Holy Spirit, to give praise and thanksgiving to almighty God. In return, God has blessed this parish in so many different and beautiful ways.

Chief among those blessings are, most certainly, the people of the parish themselves. 50 years ago, in 1963, because of overcrowding at St. Michael's and St. Genevieve's, a faithful and courageous group of people, under the leadership of Fr. George Drexler, accepted the challenge of Archbishop Boland to begin a new parish located between the other two. Many of these "founding families" are still with us, and still tell the stories of those first days of gathering for Mass at McCracken Funeral Home and Kawameeh School. Baptisms were held in the rectory, or in a nearby church, and it was all rather exciting. Next came the fund raising campaigns to finance the church and school buildings, and finally the day arrived, three years later, when they were dedicated by the Archbishop and the new parish finally had a permanent home.

Since those early days, Holy Spirit has grown to become one of the largest and most active parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark. In the past 50 years, thousands of people have come through the front doors to hear God's Word proclaimed, to be nourished with the Eucharist, to hear the comforting words of Absolution, to be Confirmed, Married and, sadly, buried with the rites of the Church. At the same time, countless people of faith have gone beyond themselves to care for the sick, to feed the poor, to advocate for justice for the unborn and the elderly. Thousands of children have had the Good News proclaimed to them in Holy Spirit School and in the Religious Education Program.

Socially, the parish has come together on too many occasions to number to enjoy being in each other's company, to eat, laugh, and dance to help build up the marvelous community that exists today.

As we celebrate this phase of our story, and as we look forward to what is to come, we do so in the certain knowledge that if we keep Jesus as the center of what we do and who we are, our future potential is as limitless as our dreams allow. Are we the "perfect" parish? Certainly not. But are we trying to make it so? Most certainly. Happy Anniversary to all of us! May God, who has begun the good work in this parish, bring it to completion.

Fr. Armand

Did You Know?

Since the foundation of Holy Spirit Parish.....

The Presidents of the United States have been:

John F. Kennedy
Lyndon B. Johnson
Richard Nixon
Gerald Ford
Jimmy Carter
Ronald Reagan
George H.W. Bush
William J. Clinton
George W. Bush
Barack Obama

The Governors of New Jersey have been:

Richard Hughes
William Cahill
Brendan Byrne
Thomas Kean
James Florio
Christine Todd Whitman
Donald DiFrancesco
James McGreevey
Richard Codey
Jon Corzine
Chris Christie

The Pastors of Holy Spirit have been:

Rev. George Drexler
Rev. Msgr. John Koenig
Rev. Msgr. Vincent Doyle
Rev. Armand Mantia

The First Babies Baptized were...

Robert Benton, child of Ormal and Anne Benton
John Lauer, child of Joseph and Alma Laurer
Timothy Mennitt, child of James and Eleanor Mennitt

The First Marriages were...

Wolfran Striepe and Antoinette Taccogna
Emerson Porter and Jane Sznajder
Paul Bolanowski and Clara Saldutti

The First Funerals were...

Margaret Dick
Edward Meehan
Hubert Back

1963 was a busy year...

In world news:

The opening of the Second Vatican Council
Mother Seton beatified by Pope John XXIII
Martin Luther King, Jr. arrested in Birmingham
Gordon Cooper orbits the Earth in the final Mercury spaceflight
JFK declares segregation "morally wrong"
Pope John XXIII dies, succeeded by Pope Paul VI
The Soviet Union launches the first woman into space
ZIP codes are introduced into the U.S. Mail system
The Great Train Robbery takes place in England
Martin Luther King Jr. delivers his "I have a dream" speech
Demolition begins on the original Pennsylvania Station in New York
John F. Kennedy is assassinated, Lyndon Johnson becomes President of the United States

In popular culture:

Audio cassettes are introduced
Lava lamps are introduced
Valium is introduced
The first successful liver transplant is performed
Patsy Cline dies
Dick Powell dies
Ted Weems dies
Aldous Huxley dies
Robert Frost dies



SATURDAY	MAY 18th
8:30	Mary Farrelly req. by John and Heather Carr
5:30pm	The People of the Parish
SUNDAY	MAY 19th
7:30	The People of the Parish
9:00	The People of the Parish
10:30	The People of the Parish
12:00	The People of the Parish
MONDAY	MAY 20th
7:30	Mr. Rosano req. by Barbara Gelband
8:30	Frank and Laura Musial req. by daughter, Barbara
TUESDAY	MAY 21st
7:30	Nanette Lacanilao req. by Maria Espiritu and Family
8:30	Gloria M. Weisz req. by Alicia McCormick
WEDNESDAY	MAY 22nd
7:30	Clayton Loveland req. by Betsy Ambielli
8:30	Thomas Sperduto req. by Ann Ciccone
THURSDAY	MAY 23rd
7:30	Edward Domaracki req. by the Nyzio Family
8:30	Rev. Thomas G. Arminio req. by the Arminio Family
FRIDAY	MAY 24th
7:30	Joseph Dowling req. by the Heimall Family
8:30	Carol Schoenknecht req. by the Saunderson Family
SATURDAY	MAY 25th
8:30	In honor of the ordination of Fr. Luis Mario Garcia req. by Tias Marianne and Donna
5:30pm	Michael and Bertha Turinchak req. by granddaughter Megan and Family
SUNDAY	MAY 26th
7:30	Jane Bruzzi req. by Family
9:00	Helen Cowen req. by Family
10:30	George E. Price req. by Family
12:00	Armand Mantia Sr. req. by Family

In 50 years, Holy Spirit Parish has been served by:

(sincerest apologies if anyone has been omitted, it was entirely accidental)

Rev. George Drexler
 Rev. Jack Ballweg
 Rev. Joseph Ward
 Rev. Leonard Smolen
 Rev. James McFarland
 Rev. Henry Ferrazoli
 Rev. Michael Patete
 Rev. James Glynn
 Rev. Joseph Bejgrowicz
 Rev. John Korbelak
 Deacon Thomas Arminio
 Rev. Msgr. John Koenig
 Rev. William Crum
 Rev. Charles Hartling
 Rev. James Weiner
 Rev. Edward Furrevig
 Rev. Msgr. Vincent Doyle
 Rev. Norbert Laskowski
 Rev. Stanley Ortyl
 Rev. James Manos
 Rev. Alfred Burke
 Deacon Joseph Carlo
 Deacon Stanley Kwiatek
 Rev. Armand Mantia
 Rev. Malachy Odoh
 Rev. Marco Hurtado-Olazo
 Rev. Bruce Janiga

Important Dates in the Life of Holy Spirit Church

June 14, 1963

Parish is created by decree of Archbishop Boland

June 28, 1963

Fr. Drexler named pastor

July 14, 1963

First Sunday Mass at Kawameeh

October 1963

First Religious Education Classes held

November, 1963

Priests move into present rectory

December 9, 1963

First meeting of the Rosary Society

June 8, 1964

Fund raising for church begins

September 27, 1964

Ground breaking for church/school

Christmas, 1964

First Holy Spirit Choir performance

October, 1965

First CYO with 300 young people

September 24, 1966

Formal dedication of the church and classrooms

May 18, 2013

Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Parish

Holy Spirit Church

Was dedicated by Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Costello on September 24, 1966.

- ♦ Is of Georgian Colonial architecture
- ♦ Is 146 feet long, 62 feet wide and 115 feet across in the transepts (side door to side door)
- ♦ Can seat 950 people
- ♦ The parking lot can hold 200 cars legally
- ♦ The building is made of rose-blend Williamsburg brick with a Colonial Gray slate roof
- ♦ The steeple is 50 feet tall, measured from the roof of the church.
- ♦ The altar is cut from one piece of Italian Perlato marble, the four green legs are Verde Isoie marble.
- ♦ The altar contains relics of St. Timothy, a companion of St. Paul, and St. Perpetua, a third century martyr.
- ♦ The two coats of arms above the sacristy doors those of Pope Paul VI and Archbishop Thomas Boland, both of whom were reigning when the church was completed.
- ♦ The windows on the pulpit side represent the Earthly life of Jesus.
- ♦ The windows on the Tabernacle side represent the Risen life of Jesus.

Holy Spirit Parish Anniversary Events

May

Reception in Parish Hall

June

Movie Night

August

Day of Chance

September

Family Fun Day

October

Alumni Event

November

Golden Anniversary Dinner Dance

December

Tree Lighting

**Celebrating 50 Years
1963-2013**

Happy Anniversary to Us!

Friday Evening



Nov. 1, 2013



**Gala Dinner-Dance
to be held at
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Set aside the evening of November 1, 2013 for our gala dinner-dance and Super 50/50. More information on this, and other events, will follow shortly. Please plan on joining us to continue the celebration.

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to give praise for what will be”***

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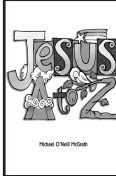
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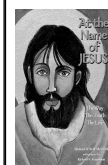
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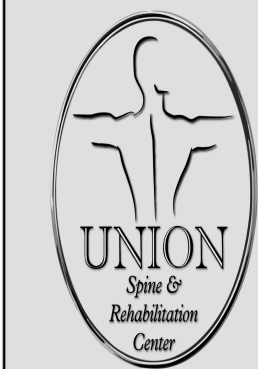
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