



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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Mission

Holy Spirit Parish is a community demonstrating that God is known and loved through living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ taught by the Roman Catholic Church through Word, sacrament and service with certain hope that all who repent and believe will have eternal life.



Vision

1. We see a parish that is diverse, Spirit-filled and vibrant, joyously worshipping together.
2. We see a parish generously caring for each other with our time, treasure and talents.
3. We see a parish with relevant, active and well-led ministries that are mission-oriented.
4. We see a new parish hall built in the next 3-5 years that serves as a gathering space for parishioners to learn, connect, grow and celebrate our faith.

MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass Schedule
 Saturday Mass Of
 Anticipation 5pm.
 Sunday 9 am & 11 am

Weekday Mass

Monday, Wednesday
 & Thursday - 9 am
 Tuesday & Friday - 7 pm
 Saturday 9am

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday morning
 at 8.30 am

Sacrament Of Confession

Saturday 9.30 am - 10am
 4 pm - 4.30 pm
 or by appointment

First Friday Adoration

6.30pm Followed By Holy
 Mass at 7pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday To Friday

10:00am - 4.30pm -Lunch
 Break 12pm - 1pm

Saturday

10.00am - 12:00 noon

**Office is closed
 on Monday**

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, 12th July 2026

'I shall be filled with the vision of your glory'

The prophet Isaiah (today's **First Reading**) reminds us that God's great desire, revealed through his word, has always been to prepare his chosen people for their full inheritance. God's word does not return empty-handed.

The **Second Reading** shows that suffering, though part of the Christian life, will come to an end with the glory of God. St Paul is trying to encourage us not to lose hope in the promise of the Lord's risen life.

In the **Gospel**, Jesus asks us a question, as he asked it of those of his own day: are you truly hearing and accepting my word, that it might grow in you and produce much fruit?

The **Responsorial Psalm** creates a wonderful scene of how God's word falling on the fertile ground of creation produces bountiful and abundant riches, ever-flowing and brimming over.

Let us pray, this week, that we might be that fertile ground, ready to receive God's word with open, generous, willing arms.

<https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/>

Pope's Intention July 2026

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Parish Ministries, Organization Services

Knights Of Columbus

Mark Rizzo

Legion Of Mary

Fidel Carolino

Ministry Of Hospitality

Coordinator: Jose Cruz

Ministry Of Lectors

Coordinator: Armando Cordova

Flower Ministry

Coordinator: Erlinda Lintag

Altar Servers Ministry

Coordinator: Mark Villar

Catechetical Ministry

PREP: Winnie Bernardo

Catholic Women's League

President: Evangeline

Pagsanhan

Extraordinary Eucharistic

Ministry

Coordinator: Ray Jalilali

Music Ministry

Ana Marie Avendano, Noreen Nicolas

Elvis Atienza, Alberto Taculod-Organist

Project Advance Team

Art & Violet Tonido

Jun & Liezel Javier

Building Committee

Theo Vanden Hoven

Be The Light Ministry

Coordinator Rose Arcilla

SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE PARISH

BAPTISM: Call the parish office to register for the Baptism Preparation Course. This is for parents and godparents. It is held every 1st Saturday of the month from 1pm to 3pm. Baptism is every 3rd Sunday of the month at 1pm

MARRIAGE: Arrangements are to be made through the pastor at least six months prior to your wedding date. A marriage preparation course is a requirement of the Archdiocese. Secure a spot at all Marriage Prep courses. Go to registration webpage: <http://rcav.org/m-prep/>

CONVALIDATION: If your marriage was not celebrated as a Sacrament and you wish your marriage to be recognized by the Church, then call the parish office to make an appointment to see **Fr. Jack**

ANointing OF THE SICK : Call the parish office to request a hospital visit or for communion to the sick at home.

FUNERALS: Please contact the office before making any arrangements with the Funeral Home.

MASS INTENTIONS: Did you know, Catholics can "offer" Mass?

We do so for multiple reasons such as thanksgiving, for another person/s such as a birthday, graduation or wedding anniversary or as is most common, for the repose(peace) of the soul of someone who has died. Mass Offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church

Parish Events

1. It's wonderful to see **Fr. Jack** on deck again. We pray for his continued health and improvement in mobility.
2. We offer a huge thank you to **Fr. Bryan** for administering the parish while **Fr. Jack** was recovering. He will always remain in our thoughts and prayers.
3. Remember to support the **CWL bake sale after Mass today** and enjoy the goodies with family and friends
4. A parish picnic will be held in the park in front of the **Community Centre** commencing after the **11:00 Mass on Sunday, July 26**. There will be games for the kids and the not so young kids, and the Knights of Columbus will be running a concession stand with all profits to go to the Building Fund. Mark the date on your calendar.



July 5th, 2026

Thank you for your generosity

No. of envelopes - 119

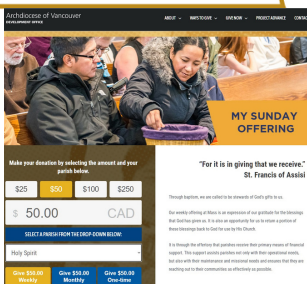
Regular collections \$ 2,808.15

Building Fund 180.00

Insurance 800.00

Total \$ 3,788.15

Online Donations - June \$ 2,003.24



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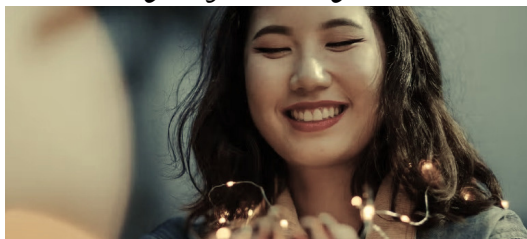
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We parishioners of Holy Spirit Parish greatly appreciate the time and effort Fr. Bryan has devoted to us in our time of need. We wish him great blessings in all his future endeavors and may God's grace be with him always. He will always be in our prayers.

Prayers for All Eight Billion



Reflect

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One of the most used words today is “divided.” And yet the word Catholic (from the Greek) means “through the whole” and “worldwide.” Today can you be honest with yourself about the divisions you hold onto, the judgments toward others, how you reject them?

Pray

God,

Today I will try to go big with my prayers.

Bigger than ever, to match your greatness.

While I have my own specific loved ones to pray for—
you know who, since you know all—

I’m going to include each and every one.

All eight billion.

One whole group: humans, our whole planet.

Yes, today I beseech you: Help us.

Help us all.

Act

Take a moment to look up **John August Swanson’s painting Festival of Lights**. It is a magnificent vision of the masses, united together, close, all holding light.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/pauseprayMarkMaureenO'Brian>



Welcome back Fr. Jack!

Blessed Peter To Rot



Peter To Rot lived on a tropical island in the Coral Sea, in what is now known as Papua New Guinea. He was born in the village of Rakunai, where his father was the tribal chief. Peter’s parents, like many other other villagers, were catechized and later baptized by Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.

Peter grew up Catholic and thought of becoming a priest, but his father said it was too soon. So Peter studied to become a catechist who could work the missionaries to spread the faith. Then Peter was assigned to work as a catechist in his own village. As a teacher he was direct and dynamic and genuinely cared about the people. In 1936, Peter married Paula Ia Varpit, who was also Catholic. They joyfully celebrated the Church’s sacraments as well as local traditions. Peter and Paula were the parents of three children.

Then in 1942, the world as at war, and Japan occupied Peter’s island. The missionary priests were imprisoned. Peter, a layman, remained free. Peter worked even harder then. He and his catechists baptized babies and converts, visited the sick, assisted with charity, conducted Sunday services, and distributed the Eucharist to priests in prison.

Then the military police cracked down. They banned Christian worship and religious gatherings. They decided the islanders should return to polygamy, and Peter objected to this. Peter was arrested in the spring of 1945 and was confined to a cave. When his wife and mother came to visit, he informed them that a Japanese doctor was coming to visit, but he was not sick. He suspected a trick. He asked Paula to bring his good clothes—he wanted to be ready to meet God.

The doctor arrived and gave Peter an injection and something to drink, and plugged his nose and ears. When Peter began to convulse, the doctor covered his mouth, and the soldiers held his down until he suffocated. Soon the rest of the prison camp found out what happened to Peter.

The next morning, the Japanese guards acted surprised to find Peter dead. They said he had died of an infection, but the crowd that attended Peter’s funeral knew the truth. They knew Peter was a martyr for the faith.

Peter To Rot was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1995. The ceremony took place in Papua New Guinea.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/>



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CWL is calling all our wonderful **bakers** to share your talents for our upcoming bake sale.

Please package your **baked goods** into sale-ready portions and include a **list of ingredients** for allergy awareness.

Kindly bring your contributions to the **July 11, 2026, 5 PM Mass** or the **July 12, 9 AM and 11 AM Masses**.

Everyone else, please come ready with **cash or card** to support the sale.

For more details, please talk to any CWL member.



John August Swanson's painting Festival of Lights.

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