

Holy Spirit School

Wednesday Envelope

April 29, 2015



In this week's WE...



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Teacher Appreciation Week (May 4th - 8th) ~ Volunteer Sign Up & Info



CYO Scholarship Award ~ Submission Deadline, May 1st



"Partners In Faith" Newsletter ~ May 2015



HSS 2015 Yearbook Order Form



Also, be sure to visit Holy Spirit School at
www.holyspiritschoolfremont.com

Holy Spirit School
3930 Parish Ave.
Fremont, CA 94536
510.793.3553

WEEKLY UPDATE

Thursday, 4/30/15

Peer Tutoring 3:15



Friday, 5/1/15

1. May Day
2. May Crowning
3. First Friday Mass 11:00
4. All students are asked to bring **ONE** flower today.



May
Crowning

Saturday, 5/2/15

First Communion Gr. 2
12:00 Mass



Sunday, 5/3/15



Monday, 5/4/15

First Communion
Celebration Mass 8:15a.m.
Teacher Appreciation Week

Tuesday, 5/5/15

Teacher Appreciation Week



*Be Spirit filled and
make disciples!*

Wednesday, 5/6/15

1. Minimum Day 12:00
Dismissal
2. Teacher Appreciation Week

**REMINDER: 5 MPH HOUR SPEED LIMIT IN
SCHOOL PARKING LOT AT ALL TIMES!!**

CASH CALENDAR 2014/15 - Today's \$100 winner is Deepak Cherian. **The next drawing for \$100 will be held on Monday, May 4th.**

FESTIVAL SIGN-UP SITES ARE NOW AVAILABLE:

Festival Banner Carriers

http://www.MySignUp.com/holyspirit_festival_banner_carriers_2015

Parking and Security

http://www.MySignUp.com/holy_spirit_festival_parking_and_security_2015

Festival Booths

http://www.MySignUp.com/holy_spirit_festival_booths_2015

Online sign ups will end on May 14, 2015. If you have any questions, you may contact Patty Gerardo (pattygerardo@sbcglobal.net) text (510-366-5570) or Edda Rivera (eddarivera@att.net) (510-207-1228)

Thank you so kindly,
Patty Gerardo/Edda Rivera
Holy Spirit Festival Committee



3rd Trimester Progress Reports will be sent home today in grades K through 3.

4th through 8th grade parents can review their student's academic standing through the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

[Parent Sign In](#)

WEEKLY UPDATE

PROGRESS REPORTS FOR GRADES K-3 GO HOME TODAY

BANNER CARRIERS NEEDED - *UPDATED INFORMATION*

Looking for students to carry the banners during the festival parade. Students that participate will receive a free wrist band for use at all inflatable bouncers/slides on Sunday only. For more information, please contact Denise Latchford at deniselatchford@gmail.com or (510) 468-8429.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK - TAW is next week, May 4th – May 8th and we are still in need of volunteer sign ups. Please go to your respective Volunteer Sign-up link to see how you can help. There are still many open slots to fill per grade level. Please scroll down and look for the TAW flyer for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Herbert at mherbert@stanford.edu

On Tuesday, May 5th, we will be arranging floral bouquets for each of our faculty and staff. Please have your student bring in flowers, either from your garden or store bought to the Peace Center by the morning announcements. If you are interested in arranging the bouquets, please go to the Peace Center immediately following the morning bell. Parent hours will be given for volunteers. If you would like to help with arranging the floral bouquets, please contact Gina Rivera at 510-303-0205. Thank you so kindly, **Marie**

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK IS MAY 4-8

Parents can sign in to help according to the grade of their students:

- 8th - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/3WJ8W>
- 7th - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/YWWYH>
- 6th - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/KCA8L>
- 5th - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/9WQXQ>
- 4th - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/BC74M>
- 3rd - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/PPFXQ>
- 2nd - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/TQCE9>
- 1st - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/FBYCQ>
- K - <http://www.volunteersignup.org/89HYB>

FACEBOOK - Please join our 'Holy Spirit School – Fremont' Facebook page to help the HSS community stay updated with current events happening in our school community. Thanks!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/168246763254745/#!/groups/HolySpiritSchoolFremont/>

LOOKING FOR FESTIVAL BOOTH SPONSORS - Holy Spirit Church Festival Committee is currently seeking businesses, families, or individuals to sponsor a booth for this year's festival. A \$100 donation can be made to help defray the cost of our booth and games. Sponsors will be recognized with a banner displayed on a booth and also on the Festival Program distributed among parish families. To sponsor a festival booth, please contact Edda Rivera at eddarivera@att.net or 510-207-1228.

WEEKLY UPDATE

HOLY SPIRIT CYO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - Holy Spirit's CYO Board of Directors has initiated a scholarship program for graduating 8th grade CYO Student Athletes. For the first time, the board will be awarding one female and one male 8th grade student athlete a scholarship to help offset the cost of high school tuition. Each student will need to complete and submit an application form in order to be considered for the award. These documents can also be found on the CYO website: <www.holyspiritcyo.com>. **SEE ATTACHED FLYERS**

BUDDY FAMILIES NEEDED - Buddy families are needed for incoming families next year. We will have 26 new families in kindergarten and 14 new students in other grades. Please let Mrs. Drabin know if you can be a buddy family to a new family. You can be available to answer questions about various activities and programs and procedures. The New Families and Buddies Ice Cream Social will be on Wednesday, August 12 at 6:30pm in the Peace Center. You are welcome to join us for this social, but it is not a requirement in order to be a buddy family. Please email Mrs. Drabin at adrabin@csdo.org and let me know if you would like to be a buddy family for a new kindergartner or an older student. At the New Parent Orientation meeting on Tuesday, May 12., I would like to tell the new families the name, phone number and email for their seasoned buddy family. Thank you for helping to welcome our newest friends.

ENROLLMENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Volunteers are needed for the Enrollment Booth at the festival. No experience is necessary. We will train you. Sign up to help on May 16 or 17 at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/QLMP>

BIRTHDAYS - Your child may have a non-uniform day on his/her birthday. Please check with the classroom teacher to make sure it is appropriate for that day. No non-uniform days on Mass days, field trip days, or other special events. If you are bringing in a small treat for the class, please get that approved by the classroom teacher too.

We are not doing lunches for the class for birthdays.

Thank you for supporting this new policy.

SUMMER SCHOOL - brochures are in! St. Edward School is once again hosting summer school to neighboring Catholic Schools in Newark and Fremont. Your child can participate in a 1-5 week program based on your vacation needs. St. Edward School offers both before and after school care along with an after school sports program. Summer School will begin June 15 and run through July 17, 2015. You may pick up a brochure at the front office or visit website at www.stednewark.org to download an application. If you have questions you can call St. Edward School at 793-7242.

THURSDAY AM TRAFFIC DIRECTOR NEEDED:

- 1) Thursday opening – 7:45 to 8:01 AM (15 minutes only).
 - 2) One full hour per week towards parent hours – it adds up quickly!!!
 - 3) Do something worthwhile that has an ‘immediate impact’ for the safety of our children.
 - 4) Contact Rob Paglieri – Holy Spirit Safety Committee Chair – robzilla120@comcast.net , (510) 673-4049 – mobile phone.
- Thank you.

MOTHER-SON EVENT - MSIB - Mothers-Sons in Black - Laser Tag event coming soon. Friday May 8, 6pm to 9 pm. K through 8 mother-son teams pair up and head over to Laser Tagging Inc., in Newark at 5759 Stevenson Blvd for an evening of fun and adventure. 2 rounds of laser tag and 1 round in the maze, food and photo booth too. Cost is \$40 per mother- son pair, \$10.00 per additional child. Watch for flyers sent home and around school.

WEEKLY UPDATE

MOTOR PERCEPTION - help is needed Wednesday mornings from 8-10:30am.

Sign ups are available online at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/E3XH4>

Please help this valuable motor skills program for grades K,1, and 2. Any grade parent can join in on the fun!

CAFE ESPIRITU - We are still doing Cafe Espiritu on Friday mornings in the Peace Center. Children can buy hot chocolate for \$1.50 and treats. And parents we have coffee!! And if you need parent hours you can get 1/2 hour per dozen treats donated to sell. Treats could include but not limited to fresh fruit cups, muffins, yogurt treats, cookies, etc. all of course nut free. This is a great way to help earn money for the school and the kids love it! **Please get there early, we will stop selling hot cocoa at 7:55 to keep the children on time for morning prayer and announcements.**

YEARBOOK PHOTOGRAPHY - Parents, do you want to add a school moment to our school yearbook? Field trips? Classroom parties? Classroom helpers? You can download (free, of course!) the App for our yearbook publishing company. The app is called HJ eShare and is available on iPhones and Androids. If you would like to submit via your computer instead of mobile device, you can go to www.hjeshare.com Your eShare code is: spartans. Photos that are taken will be downloaded to our school account to be used by our Yearbook Committee for possible publication. Check out the flyer!

CASH FOR CLASS - Start shopping and saving those receipts! The Fremont Hub's Cash for Class program has started again. The Fremont Hub also has over 15 stores that we can receive TRIPLE POINTS from! Please remember to turn in your receipts often, they will not be accepted after 90 days from the purchase date. You may submit your receipts in the box located by the school office. Let's win up to \$2000 for our school!!!

Principal's Update....

Remember that Registration Forms and Tuition Agreements for next years academic year are due in the School Office by this Friday, May 1st. This will guarantee your child's enrollment for the the 2015-2016 school year.

Congratulations to Myah Romero of our Second Grade. She was baptized last Friday in a beautiful ceremony attended by her family and her classmates.

There will be a special crowing of the Blessed Virgin Mary at our 11 o'clock Mass on Friday. Please join us for this special First Friday liturgy.

Our Second Graders will receive their First Communion at the 12 o'clock Mass on Saturday. This is a very special rite of passage as our children take the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Congratulations to them and their families. A special blessing to all of them.

Third Trimester Progress Reports are being issued today. Grades K - 3 will receive hard copies to take home and grades 4 - 8 reports are available on Power School.

Remember to mark your calendars for the Thursday, May 7th Parent Club Meeting when you can meet and welcome next years Principal, Ms. Maureen Christensen.

**Peace,
Mr. Gerry Marchi**

There is no substitute for a great teacher!



HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL
2015 TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
May 4th THROUGH MAY 8th

Greetings Spartan Families!

We need YOU to help make Teacher Appreciation a truly memorable week. Listed below are several ways you can participate and show the faculty, staff and clergy your appreciation.

Your valuable time and resources are gratefully appreciated.

Please sign on to your respective grade links on "Volunteer Sign-up" and do not forget to include your name and telephone number so we may be able to contact you.

If you have any questions, please contact Marie Herbert at (510) 505-4103 or at mherbert@stanford.edu

Thank you for your endless support and generosity.

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Monday, May 4th through Friday, May 8th
"Breakfast for our Faculty and Staff"
Hosted by the Kindergarten Class

Each morning the Kindergarten class will have breakfast prepared for the faculty and staff.
Kindergarten Class Breakfast Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/89HYB>

***Please drop off your breakfast items on the round table
located in the school office lobby by 7:30am on the morning you have signed up***

Monday breakfast - bagels, lox, and cream cheese, fresh fruit, and orange juice
Tuesday breakfast - variety of hot casserole, fresh fruit, and orange juice
Wednesday breakfast - muffins, pasties, donuts, fresh fruit, and orange juice
Thursday breakfast - variety of hot casserole, fresh fruit, and orange juice
Friday breakfast - yogurt, granola, fresh fruits - apples, bananas, and orange juice

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, May 4th, 5th, and 7th
"Theme Lunches"
Hosted by the First Grade Class

The First grade class will have lunch prepared for the faculty and staff on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday
First Grade Class Theme Lunch Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/FBYCQ>

***Please drop off your lunch items on the round table
located in the school office lobby by 11:00am on the day you have signed up***

Monday, May 4th - Mex-Tex Fiesta
Tuesday, May 5th - Italian Fare
Thursday, May 7th - Asian Buffet

Tuesday, May 5th Bring flowers to school!

Please have your student bring in flowers, either from your garden or store bought to the Peace Center by the morning announcements. We will be arranging floral bouquets for each of our faculty and staff. If you are interested in arranging the bouquets, please go to the Peace Center immediately following the morning bell. Parent hours will be given for volunteers. If you would like to help with arranging the floral bouquets.

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**Wednesday, May 6th
"International Working-Luncheon"
Hosted by the Second Grade Class**

The Second Grade Class will host the "International Working - Luncheon for our Faculty and Staff"
Second Grade Class International Working - Luncheon Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/TQCE9>

Please drop off your dish on Wednesday, May 6th between 11:00am to 11:30am in the De Sousa House

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**Friday, May 8th
"Friday Catered Luncheon"
Hosted by the Third Grade Class**

The Third Grade Class will host a "Catered Luncheon" for the faculty and staff
Third Grade Class Catered Luncheon Volunteer sign-ups: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/PPFXQ>

Please send your donations to the school office, labeled "3rd Grade Catered Luncheon

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**"Snack Gift Basket"
Hosted by the Fourth Grade Class**

The Fourth Grade Class will host the "Snack Gift Basket" appreciation gift
Fourth Grade Snack Gift basket Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/BC74M>

Please send your donations to the school office, labeled 4th Grade Snack Gift Basket

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**"Appreciation Gifts"
Hosted by the Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Grade Classes**

The Fifth, Sixth, and seventh Grade Classes will host "Appreciation Gifts"

Fifth Grade Snack Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/9WQXQ>

Sixth Grade Snack Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/KCA8L>

Seventh Grade Snack Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/YWWYH>

Please send your donations to the school office, labeled "5th, 6th, 7th Appreciation Gifts"

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**"Have a Starbucks on us!"
Hosted by the 8th Grade Class**

The Eighth Grade Class will host the "Have a Starbucks on Us" appreciation gift
Eighth Grade Volunteer sign-up: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/3WJ8W>

Please send your Starbucks gift card to the school office, labeled "8th Starbucks gift card

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Holy Spirit CYO
Catholic Youth Organization, Oakland Diocese
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Student Information

Student's Name: _____ Phone: (H) _____ (C) _____

Student's Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: (H) _____ (C) _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

School Information

Current School attending: _____

Catholic High School you plan to attend: _____

School Address: _____

Have you been accepted? _____ If not, please explain: _____

NOTE: Refer to the *Holy Spirit CYO Scholarship Program Overview* for complete eligibility and application requirements. Documents may be found on the Holy Spirit CYO website:
holyspiritcyo.com

References

List three (3) references that you would like the selection committee to contact to verify your participation in Holy Spirit's CYO program. References may be coaches, directors, league officials, referees, clergy, etc. Only one reference may be a family member.

Name: _____ Relation: _____
Contact information: _____

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Contact information: _____

Parent/Guardian & Applicant Signatures

By signing below I certify that I understand the criteria for the scholarship and submission deadlines for the application and recommendation form.

I hereby authorize the review of all aspects of this application by the Holy Spirit CYO Scholarship Selection Committee for the sole purpose of consideration for this scholarship award. Furthermore, I acknowledge that the information provided herein is true and correct.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Applicant's Signature Date

Application Check List

- Completed Application
- Essay
- Participation & Achievement Form

Mail your completed application, form and essay to:

**Holy Spirit CYO
Scholarship Program
37588 Fremont Blvd.
Fremont, CA 94536**

Applications must be mailed and postmarked on or before ***Friday, May 1, 2015.***
Applications submitted after this date will not be considered.



CYO ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION/ACHIEVEMENTS

List below your athletic participation and achievements for each year in Holy Spirit CYO.

Sports Include: Softball, Cross Country, Basketball, Cheer, Volleyball, and Track & Field

HSCYO 8th Grade		
Sport	Head Coach/Asst. Coach	Awards & Honors
<i>List below any other sport or team you would like to selection committee to consider</i>		

HSCYO 7th Grade		
Sport	Head Coach/Asst. Coach	Awards & Honors
<i>List below any other sport or team you would like to selection committee to consider</i>		

HSCYO 6th Grade		
Sport	Head Coach/Asst. Coach	Awards & Honors
<i>List below any other sport or team you would like to selection committee to consider</i>		

Additional CYO Participation (prior to 6th grade)			
Sport	Year(s)	Head Coach/Asst. Coach	Awards & Honors



Holy Spirit CYO
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW
Catholic Youth Organization, Oakland Diocese

The Holy Spirit Catholic Youth Organization (HSCYO) Athletic Program will be awarding scholarships to two (2) student athletes. Each scholarship will be worth \$500. An application may be downloaded from the HSCYO website: holyspiritcyo.com. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to one male and one female 8th grade graduating student athlete at the graduation ceremony held at the end of the school year. Eligibility is based on the HSCYO Guidelines which are explained below. The deadline for submitting your postmarked application is Friday, May 1, 2015.

*Thank you,
Holy Spirit CYO Board of Directors*

Holy Spirit CYO Scholarship Program

PURPOSE

The purpose of the HSCYO Scholarship is to recognize athletic achievement, promote leadership, good sportsmanship, encourage high school achievement among all athletes, and to assist with the cost of high school education. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to one male student athlete and one female student athlete. In the event of a tie, the scholarship will be divided equally among the recipients.

ELIGIBILITY

Any graduating 8th grade student who has participated in Holy Spirit CYO for at least three full seasons (at least one of which must have been during that student's 8th grade year) will be eligible for this scholarship. The applicant does not need to be a student at Holy Spirit School. The applicant shall have been accepted (or have made application and is pending) to a recognized Catholic High School.

Athletic Participation: Applicant must be in good standing with Holy Spirit CYO and who has participated as an athlete in at least one sports program with HSCYO for a minimum of three full seasons. The applicant's record will be verified by the Athletic Directors and the HSCYO Board of Directors Selection Committee after submission of the application.

Good Sportsmanship: Applicant must exemplify and have demonstrated good sportsmanship, including attitude toward team members, coaches, equipment, officials, and spectators.

Financial Need: Financial need is not a consideration.

References: List three (3) references that can verify his/her CYO participation. Only one reference can be a family member.

Participation and Achievement form: 6th – 8th Grade Athletic Participation and Achievement form must be completed and submitted with application.

ESSAY

Each applicant is required to submit an essay using the following topic:

In what ways has your participation in CYO helped you practice your faith?

Essay Requirements:

- Essay must be 500 words or less
- Essay must be typed in a MS Word document with 1" margins.
- Times New Romans or Cambria 12-point font.
- Include a title page for your essay with the following information:
 - Essay Title
 - Applicant Name
 - Applicant contact information
- Number each page. Use a header that includes the essay title and your name on each page.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicant must complete and mail the application, essay and *Participation & Achievement* form to the address below. All entries must be postmarked on or before Friday, May 1, 2015.

**Holy Spirit CYO
Scholarship Program**
37588 Fremont Blvd.
Fremont, CA 94536

Payment of Scholarship

A one-time payment will be made to the registrar of the recipient's high school at the beginning of the school year and only after verification of enrollment by the high school.

Selection Committee

Holy Spirit CYO Board members will serve as the "Selection Committee." Coaches or faculty members of HSCYO and Holy Spirit School may be consulted for information regarding individual applicants; they will NOT, however, have any vote in the selection process. HSCYO Board members who are a parent, step-parent, guardian, of a graduating student-athlete may NOT participate on the Scholarship Selection Committee, and a replacement may be appointed.

Deadline

Applications must be mailed and postmarked on or before **Friday, May 1, 2015**. Applications submitted after this date will not be considered.

Partners in FAITH™



Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

May 2015

Holy Spirit School

Catch The Spirit

Thoughtful Moments

St. Joseph the Worker

As the earthly father of Jesus, St. Joseph showed how hard work and dedication can lead to holiness if our efforts are for God.



St. Joseph was not rich. As a carpenter he had to work hard to support his family. He must have been worried when he found out that Mary was expecting the Son of God. Yet, he offered all he was to raise God's son and protect him from harm. Thus, St. Joseph made everyday life holy.

Parent pep-talk

Ever say something about yourself that isn't flattering? We all have our moments, but rethink the negative self-talk especially when children can hear. Instead, give yourself a pep-talk. It's more effective. Be kind to yourself.

Family as treasure

"[T]he home represents the most precious human treasures, that of encounter, that of relations among people, different in age, culture and history, but who live together and together help one another to grow." Pope Francis



Convince your children of your love

Children who feel loved are more confident, kinder, and less vulnerable to emotional problems. And, when children know they are loved by their families, they can understand that they are loved by their heavenly Father.

Communicate feelings openly. Express how you truly feel. Say what you mean and mean what you say. Don't expect children to know without being told.

Ask thoughtful questions and listen intently. It's a simple act but can be a powerful demonstration of love. Asking and listening quietly communicates that you value your child's thoughts. It can demonstrate love and heal without your ever saying a word.

Let your actions speak for themselves. When you love someone, you have to act accordingly. Youngsters will be able to tell how you feel about them simply by the way you treat them over the months and years.

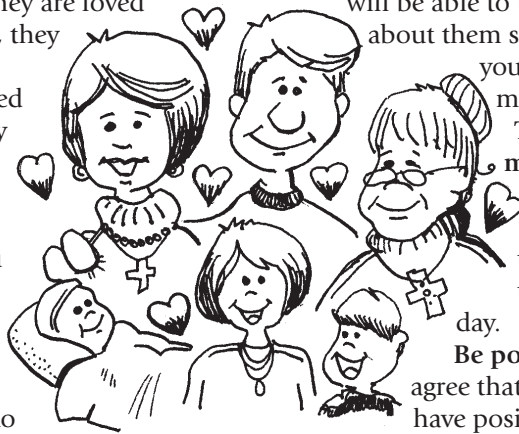
Touch has a lasting memory. Hugs, kisses and loving touches can speak louder than any words. Dole them out freely every

day.

Be positive. Researchers agree that happy families have positive communication patterns. Aim for five positive

interactions to every negative one. Verbally compliment and encourage one another sincerely.

Speak the truth always. Speaking the truth, even and most often when it hurts, makes you trustworthy. Then children will know to believe you when you say, "I love you."



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do we believe the Church is the "Temple of the Holy Spirit?"

The Israelites worshipped God in the Temple of Jerusalem. This temple no longer exists. Instead, we worship God in the Church, which is not limited to a particular place.

The Church is alive with the Spirit of Christ. Jesus is present in the Word of Scripture, and in



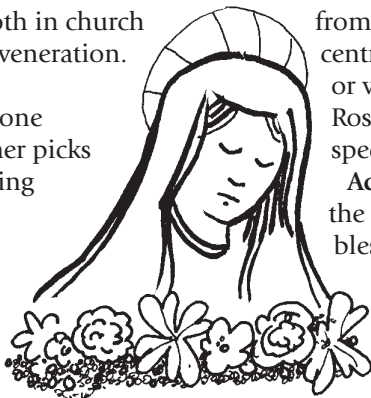
the sacred signs of the Sacraments entrusted to the Church. St. Augustine said, "What the soul is to the human body, the Holy Spirit is to the Body of Christ, which is the Church."

Family fun with Mary

The month of May is when Catholics, both in church and at home, offer up to Mary honor and veneration. Try these ideas at home:

Rosary Relay: When praying the Rosary, one person starts a Rosary prayer and the partner picks it up halfway through and finishes it. Praying this way keeps both people focused and enthusiastic.

Shine the shrine: Create a Mary prayer space for the entire month. Frame a picture of Mary (either downloaded



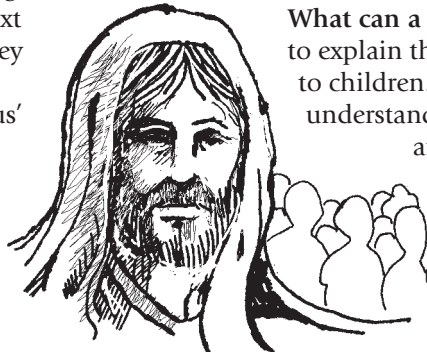
from the Internet or drawn by hand) and place it in a central place in the home. Keep fresh flowers in a glass or vase next to it. Every day during May, pray your Rosary, Memorare, or Litany before the picture as a special Mary devotion.

Add a dash of blessing to Grace: Throughout the month of May, tack on a simple request for her blessing to your mealtime grace. "Mother Mary, pray for us," can follow just about any prayer you come up with and keep her fresh in your mind during May.

Scripture LESSON

Matthew 28:16-20; A message for us, too.

When Jesus appeared to the Eleven on the mountain top in Galilee, it was so the crowd with them could witness his Ascension and get instructions for next steps. Now that they had been taught and witnessed Jesus' glory, he wanted them to teach others how to live as God's children. As his followers today, that's our mission, too.



Jesus gave his listeners three commands: Go, make disciples of all nations, and baptize them. Baptism

signifies a renewed relationship with the Father, as revealed through the Son, to be filled with the Holy Spirit – in other words, the Holy Trinity.

What can a parent do? It's difficult to explain the concept of The Trinity to children. But we don't have to understand it to believe it. We affirm it each time we make the Sign of the Cross and say the words Jesus said, "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

We also remember that the Cross of Jesus is the means by which we can follow him into eternal life.

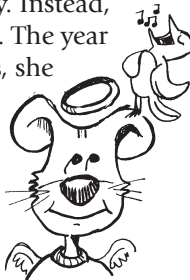
Feasts & Celebrations

May 15 – St. Isidore (1170). Isidore was born in Madrid to a poor farming family. He married St. Mary de la Cabeza and worked for a wealthy landowner. A devout Catholic, he spent many hours in prayer and was energetic in the care of the sick and poor. It is said his food baskets were never empty.

May 12 – Sts. Nereus and Achilles (100). Nereus and Achilles were Roman soldiers of the Praetorian Guard and served under the Emperor Trajan. After they converted to Christianity, they refused to serve the

Emperor. They were exiled from Rome to the island of Terracina and were beheaded.

May 25 – St. Mary Magdalen de'Pazzi (1607). Born to a distinguished Florentine family, Catherine de' Pazzi was expected to be a woman of high society. Instead, she became a Carmelite. The year after she made her vows, she experienced ecstasies, became a mystic and a healer. Years of spiritual hardship followed. Her ecstasies were recorded in three large volumes.



Parent TALK

The behavior of one of the girls in Anne's class was making her miserable. The girl would tease, insult, and instigate fights with all the other students. I asked what the teacher thought, and Anne said the girl was able to avoid the teacher's notice.



At first I told Anne to show empathy and said that maybe the student didn't get enough attention at home. Perhaps try telling the girl to stop, and explain that what she was doing was unkind. I wanted Anne to forgive and extend a hand of friendship. It did no good. Anne was miserable.

Finally, I met with the teacher. She listened and assured me she would handle the situation. There was a quick change. At special lunch meetings, the girls learned tips on how to be a good friend and were encouraged to write positive comments about each other. I was delighted that the teacher used compassion and empathy to build friendships among the students.

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 (Unless noted, Bible quotes and references are from the Revised Standard Version and New American Bible.)



MEMORIES, FUN AND FRIENDS

Making new friends and making memories with old friends are important parts of the school year. Help your child(ren) keep fun and memories alive for years to come with a yearbook, a time capsule of the events and friends that made this year unique.

Use this form to preorder the Holy Spirit School yearbook today. The cost of the yearbook will be \$25.00

Be sure your student has this special keepsake to help them remember the memories, fun and friends of this school year. Order your copy today!

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

Student Name:

Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Please make checks payable to Holy Spirit School.

Quantity	Cost	Subtotal	Amount Enclosed