

Holy Spirit Prepper's Seminar

(This is now the official title of our group)

Official Prayer: *“Speak Lord for your servants are listening. What would You have us do?”*

What follows is the general outline for what we did at our first meeting which was August 13, 2022. There were about 25 people in attendance. Some were the experts while others were there to learn. We all introduced ourselves and our special interests. Some spoke longer than others about their knowledge and their experiences. While the future of our meetings is not confirmed yet, we will most likely be hosting a particular speaker allowing them to talk about their area of expertise. Those talks will be posted here in print, then maybe even in recorded form.

But here is the outline for that first meeting.

Spiritual:

- We have been warned. Beginning with the Old Testament, Gospels, Epistles, various Church fathers and Saints – “Be prepared, for at an hour you least expect...”
- Catechism
- Blessed candles
- Miraculous medals planted around the perimeter of the property.
- Blessed holy water and salt
- Confession – the best state to be in for the end, in the “state of grace”
- Personal Consecrations
- Praying, Prayers of reparation for our world, Family Rosary
- Bible reading
- Spiritual reading
- Various books
 - *Rescued: The Unexpected and Extraordinary News of the Gospel* by Fr. John Riccardo
 - *The End of the Present World and the Mysteries of the Future Life* by Charles Arminjon (St. Terése’s favorite)
 - *On the Brink, America and the Coming Judgment* by Fr. Joseph Esper
 - *The Warning: Testimonies and Prophecies of the Illumination of Conscience* by Christine Watkins
- Three Days of Darkness. The Second Coming.
- Private Revelations. Marian Apparitions.
- Multiple YouTube sites

Practical:

- What will you do as individuals? With your families? What will we do as a parish?
- Holy Spirit Church, spiritual / practical.
- Refuges: Our *Refuge Flag* out front which identifies us as dedicated to Jesus and Mary as our refuge
- Proposed *Family Life Center*. Design considerations.
- “Closet” Preppers. (Some of you!)
- Public Preppers. (Some of you)
- The Curious. “I have questions!”
- Prepping organizations. CORAC (Corps of Renewal and Charity)
- Networks of preppers
- Sharing of information
 - Gardening, canning, stocking of food, freeze-drying, fishing, hunting,
 - energy, wood heat, solar energy, wind, generators. Etc.
 - water pumps and water collection.
- Security concerns
- Guns and training
- Cameras, door locking

So far, personally, I have:

Spiritual:

- Personal consecration to Mary and Jesus. St. Joseph
- Consecrated the rectory to the care of the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart.
- Wearing a St. Benedict Cross

Practical:

- Three- fuel generator
- Stocking split wood for firewood
- New free-standing Woodstove. Stove-top cooking capable.
- Styrofoam over windows
- Beginning to purchase bulk food.
- Studying. Researching. Consulting. (Fr. Matt in California)
- Hosting this seminar to begin the discussion.

~Fr. John