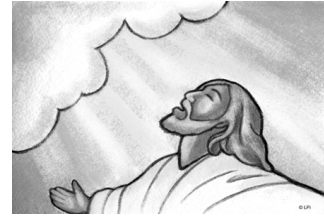


*Holy Spirit Parish
Mission Statement*

We come together as a diverse and welcoming community to glorify, praise, and give thanks to God in Christ Jesus. Inspired by God's Word and the Eucharist, we go forth to serve the needs of our parish and the extended community.

We are called through the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel message and reach out to the poor and oppressed. We are committed to know, understand, and love each other as members of Christ's body.



Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/ 2 Tm 1:8b-10/ Mt 17:1-9
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/ Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/ Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/ Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/ Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
 Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/ Jn 4:5-42 or
 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mass Intentions:

Wednesday, March 15: Mass
6:30PM: (+) Terrie Harrison

Saturday, March 18: Vigil:Third Sunday of Lent
 4:00PM: The People of Holy Spirit Parish

Sunday, March 19: Third Sunday of Lent
 8:30AM: (+) Willis Williams
 10:15AM: For the Intentions of Gloria Alveranga

Collection

(Weekly Goal: \$6,000.00)
 Actual: March 4-5: \$9,827.53
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Thank you very much for your continued support!

Happy Birthday to:

Johnita Larkin & Eliza Solomon on Sunday, March 12th
 Roderick Solomon on Monday, March 13th
 Hayley Calhoun & Earle Turner on Wednesday, March 15th
 Cornelius Morse & Lucille Mahone on Friday, March 17th

May God Bless all of You!

The Light Is On For You

After consulting with more than half the pastors and parishes the Diocese of Cleveland will continue the practice of holding the "Evening of Confessions" on **Wednesday, March 15, 2017**. Brother Mick will be in the **Mass chapel from 4:00—6:00 PM** to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

St. Patrick's Day Brunch

Today, after the **10:15 Mass until 2:30pm**, The Holy Name Society will sponsor a **St. Patrick's Day Brunch in Mulligan Hall**. Tickets are \$10.00. We will also have a raffle to support the Seminarians; 1st prize, computer (with Windows 10), 2nd prize \$100.00, 3rd prize \$50.00. Tickets for the raffle are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. **See any Holy Name Member for tickets.**

Annual Lenten Fish Fry

Get ready for the **Men of Faith's** Annual Lenten Fish Fry on **Friday, March 24, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.** in Mulligan Hall. Cost: \$9.00/ Dinner. SEE ANY MEMBER OF THE **MEN OF FAITH** for TICKET(S).

Help Our Ushers to Help You

If you wish to carry the gifts at Mass please let us know, all are welcome. If you are late attending Mass the Ushers will ask that you enter the Church down the side aisles. We are asking all to refrain from walking during all the Readings, Prayers, Gospel and Homily. Thanks for your cooperation.

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

Family Perspectives

God wants to bless our families. Are we too busy and stressed to notice and accept these blessings? God is present, waiting to meet and bless us in our families, but needs our time and attention. We need to take time together as families to have fun, to talk, to work together, to eat and pray. Schedule some "family times" in the calendar and see Jesus in the transfiguration of your family members and relationships.

Reflection

Ben Franklin reportedly joked from time to time about waking up earlier to economize on candle usage. Daylight Saving Time starts on the Second Sunday of Lent this year. First used in 1908 in Thunder Bay, Canada, its purpose is to save energy and make better use of daylight. All of us, it seems, busy about many things, look for ways to save time, economize on energy, and find more light.

Jesus was transfigured before his disciples. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. A heavenly voice did not tell the disciples to look at him but instead, "Listen to him."

Listen, learn, and, in the light of the Transfigured One, face our fears, problems, difficulties, and seemingly unbearable life issues. If we listen well, we won't "lose" an hour worrying and running to catch up on some "things." Instead, we can "gain" an hour through attention to abstinence, almsgiving, and practice of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy—not only during the Holy Season of Lent but all the time.

Parking in Front of the Church

Emergency vehicles must be able to park right in front of the center double doors of the church. **Please** do not block the area joining the driveway of the apartment building to our paved front plaza. We would like this area to be reserved solely for those with handicap placards. All other parishioners are asked to park in the church parking lot around the school and parish center. Thank you for your courtesy regarding this matter.

Second Sunday of Lent
Pastor's Corner (See Insert)

Stations of the Cross

We will have stations on the following days at 7:00PM in the Church.

Friday, March 17
Friday, March 24
Sunday, March 26 after 10:15 Mass
Friday, March 31
Friday, April 7

Lenten Regulations

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence (from meat) for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. Bishop Thomas has dispensed the faithful from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of St. Patrick observed this year on Fri., March 17th. Those who choose to partake of meat on that day are encouraged to undertake another penance that day in the form of a corporal or spiritual work of mercy.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Mission of Mercy Ministry

Pope Frances named 2016 "**The Year of Mercy.**" Holy Spirit Women's Guild started a "Mission of Mercy Ministry" in June of 2016, as a pilot program, visiting our parishioners confined in nursing homes or assisted living facilities. They visit 3-4 nursing homes from east side to west side. A Eucharistic minister is always assigned to give communion to those able to receive communion. We pray, sing and fellowship. A bulletin and other church literature are left. We were able to visit four of our parishioners before they were called home to glory. Every one of us that served in this ministry feel blessed from our experience. To learn more about this ministry, call the rectory office at 216-581-0981 to leave your name and phone number for Edith Jones or Rose Dukes, **you do not have to be a member of the Women's Guild to join this ministry.** *Our Father* said, "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy."

Fifth Annual Night at the Races

Night at the Races for Archbishop Lyke School will be held at the Harvard Campus on **Saturday, April 1st from 6:30-11:00pm**. This year we will again be giving winning horse sponsors a trophy and \$20 if their horse wins its' race (excludes the Auction Race). Sponsor a race for \$100 or place an advertisement in the program. There will be refreshments, entertainment, 50/50 raffles, side boards, door prizes, and baskets. Cost \$10, horses \$10. **OUR STUDENTS ARE THE REAL WINNERS IN THIS RACE!** Sign-up forms will be available at each church entrance.

Cemetery/Funeral Planning Workshop

The Bereavement Group will host a Cemetery/Funeral Planning Workshop presented by Michael Vujas from the Catholic Cemeteries Association. Come gain knowledge on end of life issues. The workshop will begin **after** the 10:15 a.m. Mass on **March 26** in the Parish Center. These non-selling workshops are usually less than an hour. Refreshments will be serve. All are welcome!

March 12, 2017
Liturgical Ministers

Sat. Mar., 18th 4:00PM

Reader (s): Jane Boggan

Servers: Komlavi Ekouevi

Min of HC: Pamela Kelso

Ushers: Eugene Hicks
Jesse Smiley
James Wilson

Sun. Mar., 19th 8:30AM

Reader (s): Helene Vallery

Min of HC: Sr. Brigetta

Servers: Doreen Chukwu

Ushers: People of Faith

Sun. Mar., 19th 10:15AM

Reader (s): Vivian Alexander
Andre Smith

Min of HC: Marilyn Griffin
Maria Hanan

Rita Hargrove
Willie Averyhart*
Pat Temple*

Servers: Anthony Gibson

Israel King
Isaiah King
Ushers: John Gianguzzo
Charles Douglas II
Kala Johnson
David Tucker

NOTE: Liturgical Ministers & Ushers please pick up your **March schedules** in the Vesting Sacristy.

Meetings this Week

Sun., Mar. 12:	After 10:15 Mass	Holy Name Branch-MH Youth Group-PC First Communion Class-PC REC
Mon., Mar. 13:	7:00pm	Bible Study-PC
Tues., Mar. 14:	7:00pm	OGN Meeting-PC Cr
Wed., Mar. 15:	12:30pm	Bible Study-The Avenue
	4:00-6:00pm	Evening of Confessions-Ch
	6:00pm	Cantor Workshop-SMR/C
	6:30pm	Mass-Ch
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal-C
Thurs., Mar. 16:	6:00pm	Youth & Young Adult Choirs-C
	7:00pm	Praise Dance Rehearsal-C
Fri., Mar. 17:	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross-C
Sun., Mar. 19:	After 10:15 Mass	Confirmation Class-SMR

Holy Spirit Youth and Young Adult Choirs Concert

The Concert is Sunday, April 2nd at 4pm. Archbishop Lyke School students will also participate. A free will offering will be taken.

Holy Spirit Choir CD

Don't forget to **purchase** a CD featuring the Holy Spirit Choir! David Williams, Music Director, and the Choir has put a lot of heart and love into making beautiful and unforgettable music for you to enjoy whenever and wherever you wish. The cost is \$15. You can buy a CD from any of the choir members or you can call our church office at 216-581-0981.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you or members of your family are admitted to the hospital and would like to be visited and remembered in prayers, notify the rectory at 216-581-0981. If you are unable to attend Mass and wish to receive Communion, please contact the rectory.

Holy Spirit Health Council

**Cold and Flu Season is here, now is the time to get your flu shots!
Health Council will meet the fourth Sunday of each month in the Parish Center.**

“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth” -3 John:2

Gesu Job Bank

Gesu is looking for a part-time employee working in the Gesu cafeteria. This is a part-time commitment from 9:00am –1:00pm a couple days a week. Please email Laura at lcoviello@gesu.com or call 216-970-9196 for more details.

The Jesuit Retreat House is looking for a part-time maintenance assistant. This person will need the ability to work a flexible schedule and serve in different parts of the site as needed. To learn more, call Barbara Leggot at 440-884-9300 x310.

Men! HOLD THE DATE! - March 25th

Men! Plan to attend the 17th Annual Catholic Men’s Fellowship Conference “**Answer the Call**” on **Saturday, March 25th** with keynote speaker Tim Staples, a nationally known Catholic Evangelist. The Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn on Rockside Road in Independence. Special prices are available for students and parish groups. All priests, deacons and seminarians are admitted free. The conference begins with a light breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and concludes with 4 p.m. Mass. Registration includes breakfast, lunch and all conference programs. For more information or to register log on to www.cmfneo.com.

Care Notes

At the parking lot entrance to the church there is a display of Care Notes. Care Notes are brief booklets on a variety of topics. Be sure to check them out today!

Thea Bowman Center (TBC) Would Like Volunteer Help

Thea Bowman Center is looking for volunteer help. They need volunteers with marketing and/or graphic design skills to help develop flyers for children’s summer programming and other program information. TBC also needs volunteers to teach basic computer skills to community residents. TBC has computers and community residents have requested to learn the basic computer skills. Those who are interested can contact Ella Thomas, Executive Director, at 216-491-0699 or by email: ella.thomas@theabowmancenter.org.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

From March 1 through April 9, you’re invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - **40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion**. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you’d like more information - and especially if you’d like to volunteer to help, please contact: John Noall @ 216-245-9744 or email at: clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com.

Retrouvaille Weekend - April 21-23

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring - your relationship cold, distant - thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help. RETROUVAILLE (rediscovery), which is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland but open to couples of all faiths, consist of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information or to register, call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or online www.helpourmarriage.org.

Seeds of Literacy Tutors are Needed

Seeds of Literacy provides free basic education & GED preparation to adults in the Cleveland area. Volunteer tutors help students one-to-one at a variety of skill levels and subjects. A tutor training session at the **Seeds West** will be **April 29th from 9:00am to 3:00pm**. For more information or to register, contact Alexandria Marshall at 216-661-7950 x15. Seeds West is located at 3104 W. 25th Street, 3rd Floor, Cleveland. **Seeds East** is located at 13815 Kinsman Road, Cleveland.

Free Community Meals

On the last Saturday of every month free meals are available **from 1:00-3:00pm** at the *First Cleveland Mosque* located at **3613 East 131st Street**. The meals are cooked on site using fresh ingredients.

Please Remember in Prayer:

Let us always pray for our sick and shut-in parishioners. In particular, please remember in prayer: Rochelle Larkin-Carr, Jesse Traylor, Rose Thomas, Ivy Greenidge, Pauline Reed, Olivia Allen, Lillie Mae Baker, Moses Evans, Stephen Aarons, Sam Brooks, Cedric Greene, Sharon Fakadej, Elissa Coleman, Kay Tucker, Fred Whatley, Amanda Lewis, Horace and Bettina Bowling, Carl Cummings, Adlean Atterberry, Kelly Beckles, Helen Collier, Estella Fortson, Dorothy Minor, Tyrone Smith, Calvin Singleton, Sr., Luis Lorenzo, Monica Starks, Mattie Smith, Thelma and Rufus Arnold, Frances Shellenbarger, Della Powell, Lois Smith, Jonathan Traylor, Tammy Larkin, Mary Evans, Mildred Jackson, Barbara Lake, Kiana Pearson, Barbara Galloway, Eunice (Tommie) Smiley and Jesse Smiley, Ruby Fett, Sara Dickson, Linda E. Williams, Richard Bass, Raman Belinson, Phyllis Partee, Sharm Starks, Daniel Jefferson, Margaret Luton, Sandra Rose, Reaver Jones, Roger St.Clair, Fletcher Posey, Juanita McPherson, Dwight Carpenter, Brenda Anekwe, Rosemarie McBride, Sr. Rita Mary Harwood, SND, Theresa Talbott, Denise Curry, Carmen and Sherman Whaley, Sr. & Eric Baxter.

Pray for our Parishioners in the Military:

Saundra Clark, Stephanie Wentz, Andy Hutchinson, Steven Rau, Melissa James, Steven Daniel, Dennis Ross II, Tyrone Franklin, Jr., Maurice Williams and Mario Williams.