

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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Office hours:
Tuesday — Friday
9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

17 November 2019

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass
8:30 a.m.
10:15 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Wednesday
6:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday
5:00 — 6:00 p.m.



Holy Spirit Church

May the glory of the
Lord endure forever.

Psalm 104: 31a



Pastor
Fr. W. David Nestler,
O.F.M. Cap.

Deacons
Deacon Shelby Friend
Deacon Ronald James

Music Minister
Mr. David Williams

Archbishop Lyke School
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ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME AND WORSHIP WITH US



**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.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, 16 November 2019* 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm (+) Chester McGrady
- Sunday, 17 November 2019* 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 am (+) Jakkie Reid
10:15 am People of Holy Spirit Parish
- Wednesday, 20 November 2019* 33RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
6:30 pm (+) Edson C. Williams
- Saturday, 23 November 2019* 34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm (+) Roderick Rencher
- Sunday, 24 November 2019* 34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 am (+) Orville Temple
10:15 am People of Holy Spirit Parish

WHAT WE BELIEVE AND WHY WE BELIEVE IT

Have you ever been at a loss when you have been asked about what we believe as Catholics and why we do some of the things we do? Some parishioners have suggested that we have a town hall style meeting where people can bring these questions before the rest of us, and Father David will do his best to help us understand and respond to what are often challenging questions. Please see the flyer at the church doors and save Sunday, December 1st as the day.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

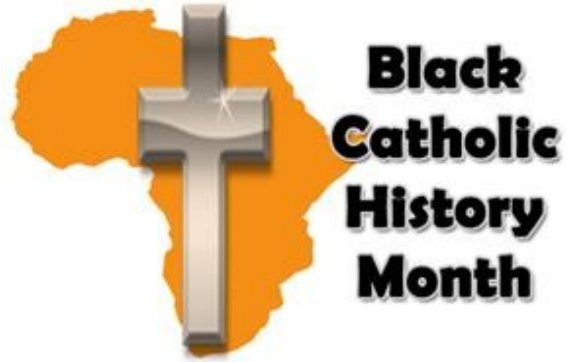
Confirmation class is today and on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Teens in grades 8-12 who have not been confirmed are invited to attend the classes, as are their parents.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

The next First Communion class is Sunday, November 24th. The class is held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, following the 10:15 am Mass in the parish center. Parents are encouraged to participate in the classes.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT
Sunday, 17 November 2019**

Today at 3:00 pm is the monthly grief support meeting at Calvary Cemetery. The meeting is held the 3rd Sunday of each month and the same grief support is available on the same day at other cemeteries. Visit <https://www.clecem.org/information/Bereavement.aspx>.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday* Mal; 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
- Monday* 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday* 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday* 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday* 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
- Friday* 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday* 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40
- Sunday* 2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

**DIOCESAN GOSPEL CHOIR TO SING AT
IX CENTER CHRISTMAS CONNECTION
Saturday, 23 November 2019**

Come support our own Diocesan Gospel Choir and get an early start on your holiday shopping at the IX Center Christmas Connection. The Diocesan Gospel Choir will sing this Saturday, November 23rd at 1:00 pm. Discounted tickets may be purchased at Drug Mart stores for \$12.00. Otherwise, general admission ticket price is \$13.00 + \$1.00 service fee and may be purchased online or at the IX Center box office. Children 12 and under are free.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Sunday	Charlotte Brown Estella Fortson	Fred Whatley Sr. Mildred Jackson
Monday	Kylee Tucker	
Tuesday	Irene Metlock	
Wednesday	Rhonda Abrams Michael Calhoun Angeli Persons	Douglas Rivers
Friday	Florine Brown Clarence Smith	Johnny Traylor
Saturday	Jessica Carr Clarence Smith Jr.	

DID YOU KNOW THAT NOVEMBER IS BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH?



In July 1990, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States voted to establish November as Black Catholic History Month, honoring the men and women from Africa who pioneered the faith. Many forget that Christianity did not begin in Europe. Black Catholics have had a huge impact on the history and traditions of Christianity. The month of November was chosen because there are several dates in this month that are important to Catholics of African descent, such as the death and feast day of Saint Martin de Porres (November 3rd).

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HOLY NAME SOCIETY FOOD DRIVE

The Holy Name Society's annual food drive is underway until December 31st. Please place non-perishable food items in the boxes found at the church doors.

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 17 November 2019 after the 10:15 am Mass 3:00 pm	Confirmation class Grief support group at Calvary Cemetery
Monday, 18 November 2019 7:00 pm	Bible study
Wednesday, 20 November 2019 12:30 pm 3:00 - 4:30 pm 5:00 - 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Bible study Math tutoring Sacrament of reconciliation Mass Adult Choir rehearsal
Thursday, 21 November 2019 6:00 pm	Youth Choir rehearsal
Saturday, 23 November 2019 1:00 pm	Diocesan Gospel Choir at IX Center
Sunday, 24 November 2019 after the 10:15 am Mass	First Communion class

MATH TUTORING AVAILABLE

Brenda Anekwe-Smith is a certified math teacher who is available to tutor students in the seventh to twelfth grades. Ms. Brenda will be in the parish center on Wednesday, November 20th and 27th from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. There is no need to register and no charge, just show up.

GUN SAFETY PETITIONS AT NORTH CHURCH ENTRANCE

We are encouraging our parishioners to sign the gun safety petitions at the north church entrance. The petitions will be placed before the Ohio legislature to propose stronger background checks and gun sale laws. You must sign the petition for the county where you currently reside. Further details regarding the petition are available at the north entrance. The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) encourages the enactment of sensible regulations addressing the culture of violence in our country.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

We offer the promise of our prayers to Danny McElroy, a musical director of the Diocesan Gospel Choir and choir director of St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima choir and his family. Danny's father Reverend Fred Caffie passed last Sunday. The funeral service was this past Saturday.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN TO CELEBRATE FOUNDER'S DAY AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH
Sunday, 8 December 2019

Members of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. will be worshipping at Holy Spirit Church in remembrance of their founder Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune on Sunday, December 8th. A reception will follow in Mulligan Hall.

ARE YOU CALLED TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

If you feel called to serve the church, but don't know where or how, consider formation and education to become certified as a Lay Ecclesial Minister for the Diocese of Cleveland. The diocese is holding an open house on December 13th at The Center for Pastoral Leadership, 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe. For further information or to RSVP, please contact the Lay Ecclesial Ministry Office at 440-943-7670 or layecclesialministry@dioceseofcleve-land.org.

FAITH BASED JOB OPPORTUNITY

Are you creative, responsible, open? Want to work for a faith-based community? You are invited to become a L'Arche assistant. In L'Arche, assistants are people who choose community and relationships, are supported by L'Arche in their personal and professional development, and act as direct support for community members with intellectual disabilities. Assistants create a home atmosphere and share life with persons with disabilities. No experience is required. You must be at least 18 years old and able to drive. If interested contact www.larchecleveland.org or call Jen at 216-721-2614.

**READ LATEST ISSUE OF
NORTHEAST OHIO CATHOLIC MAGAZINE**



What are a few local celebrities thankful for this season? Read this and more in the new issue of Northeast Ohio Catholic Magazine. Be sure to check your mailbox or go online at dioceseofcleveland.org.

**OUR LADY OF PEACE 100TH ANNIVERSARY
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**
Saturday, 7 December
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Come to the Our Lady of Peace Christmas Bazaar on December 7th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Cummins Hall, East 126th Street and Shaker Blvd. Holiday crafts, baked goods and household items will be sold.

**SECOND COLLECTION
CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Next Sunday, November 24th the 2nd collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.



COLLECTION	
<i>10 November 2019</i>	\$8,626.00
<i>Archdiocese Military Services</i>	\$448.70
<i>Thank you so much for your continuous support!</i>	

PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

*If you or members of your family are admitted to the hospital and would like to be visited and remembered in prayer, please notify the parish office.
If you are unable to attend Mass and want to receive a visit from the pastor or deacons, please contact the parish office.*

Let us always pray for our sick and shut-in parishioners. In particular, please remember in prayer:

Rochelle Larkin-Carr	Estella Fortson	Catherine Powell	Amanda Lewis	Rosie Bridges
Eliza Solomon	Henry & Kay Tucker	Daphne Allen	John P. Jones, Jr.	Maxine Friend
Calvin Singleton, Sr.	Marvin Young	Juanita Adams	Elissa Coleman	Shirley Liston
Roger & Connie Raines	John Shields	Demateress Richards	Len Rosky	Patricia Pendleton
Rosemarie McBride	Fletcher & Delores Posey	Juanita McPherson	Luis Lorenzo	Bill & Monica Starks
Vera Payne	Pauline Reed	Catherine Wilson	Jewell Gardner	Bettina & Horace Bowling
James Wilson	Marian Mauldin	Marlene Land	Maria Hanan	Patricia Polk
Carmen Whaley	Don Miller	Denise Curry	Patricia Pendleton	Marlene DeBrossard
Edith Richardson	Allyssa Brand-Bey	Theresa Talbott	Frederick Whatley	Thelma Arnold
Helen Collier	Reaver Jones	Margaret Luton	Daniel Jefferson	Mattie Smith
Dorothy Minor	Della Powell	Sandra Cummings	Sharm Starks	Tyrone & Terry Lester
Phyllis Partee	Raman Belinson	Maureen Belinson	Linda E. Williams	Horace Reese
Sara Dickson	Ruby Fett	Jesse Smiley	D.D. Ward -Warden	Jonathan Traylor
Kiana Pearson	Mildred Jackson	Mary Evans	Tammy Larkin	Al Roberts
Jerry Freeman	Carrie Aaron	Jesse & Jessica Carr		

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Sandra Clark	Melissa James	Stephanie Wentz	Andy Hutchinson	Uchechi Onwuanaibe
Joshua Sánchez	Tyrone Franklin, Jr.	Mario Williams	Steven Daniel	Sadé Powers
Dennis Ross, II	Steven Rau	Glen Pflieger	Maurice Williams	



November Black Catholic History Facts

Nov 1, Saints Julian and Basilissa used all their money to convert their home into a hospital which sometimes housed thousands. St. Basilissa tended the sick women in one part of the house and St. Julian in another part. Although they survived several persecutions and died separately in peace, the Church calls them martyrs.

Nov 2. Among the popes between St. Peter and Pope Francis, three popes were African. St. Victor I was a deacon when he became pope in 189 A.D. and became a martyr in 199. St. Melchiades was the 2nd Black pope from 311 to 314. St. Gelasius I was pope from 492 to 496.

Nov 3. The only saint of African origin in the Western Hemisphere to date, is St. Martin de Porres of Lima Peru. Born in 1579, he became a Dominican Brother, Founded an orphanage and a hospital. He ministered to hundreds of Africans who were forced into slavery. He is the Patron Saint of Peru and of the poor.

Nov 4. St. Monica of Tagaste, Africa, spent most of her time praying for a wayward and worldly son, who eventually became one of the Church's greatest theologians, St. Augustine. She died in the year 387.

Nov 5. Henriette Delille was the founder of the Sisters of the Holy Family based in New Orleans, Louisiana, and is among three Black candidates for sainthood in the Church. At age 17, she and two companions began to evangelize the large slave and free-people-of-color populations in New Orleans.

Nov 6. Simon of Cyrene, which is in Africa, carried the cross of Jesus in the Gospel according to Luke. In the Book of Acts, Apostle and Deacon Phillip helped convert an official from the Kingdom of Ethiopia to follow Jesus even before the conversion of St. Paul. This event is credited with changing the Church from a primarily a Hebrew and Greek community to a truly universal and catholic Church.

Nov 7. St. Aganaum, an African, is the patron saint of southern Germany and parts of France, Spain, Italy and Switzerland. He became a general in the Roman army. St. Maurice and his 6,000 African soldiers were ordered to put down a rebellion, but he and his legion found out they were Christians, they refused to fight them. St Maurice and his soldiers were executed. Their relic remains are enshrined in a basilica in Switzerland.

Nov 8. Two young African Christian women and three companions were thrown to wild animals and killed for their faith in the year 207. St. Perpetua, a new mother, and her pregnant maid-servant Felicity, both refused to worship Roman gods. They were both beheaded.

Nov 9. St. Josephine Bakhita was kidnapped from her family in Sudan and sold into brutal slavery. Her different "owners" frequently beat and tortured her. At age 14, she was sold to an Italian diplomat. She received Christian instruction from the Sisters of Charity in Venice, Italy. When the diplomat returned to Africa, St. Bakhita refused to go and remained with the Sisters in the convent. St. Josephine Bakhita eventually joined the religious order and for the next 50 years, she joyfully served as the convent's cook, seamstress, sacristan and doorkeeper until her death in 1947. St. Josephine Bakhita was the first African woman to be canonized by the Church in the 21st century.

Nov 10. Pierre Toussaint who worked as a hairdresser in New York 200 years ago, is on track to become the first African American man to be canonized as a saint from the United States. He was born in Haiti when it was still a French colony. His owners fled with him to the United States to escape the slave rebellion in Haiti. He became a very successful hairdresser. When his slave-owner died, he quietly supported his owner's widow, who freed him from his slave status. He later married and used his considerable wealth to support charitable causes. Pope John Paul II declared Pierre Toussaint Venerable, the first step to becoming a saint.

November Black History Facts 2

Nov 11. The first African American priest ordained in the United States was born in Baltimore MD. 150 years ago. Charles Randolph Uncles was the son of a railroad worker and seamstress. He broke the color barrier in Baltimore's St. Mary's Seminary at a time when segregation was the norm in the Catholic Church. Two years after his ordination, Fr. Uncles became one of the founders of the St. Joseph Society of the Sacred Heart, more commonly known as the Josephites, whose mission was to evangelize African Americans in the United States and elsewhere.

Nov 12. The Oblate Sisters of Providence in Baltimore is the first and oldest religious congregation for women of color in the United States. Mother Mary Lange, a Haitian immigrant and educator, and three companions founded this order in 1829, when Maryland was still a slave state. Under great risk, they dedicated themselves to serving orphans and educating Black children. She also founded St. Francis Academy, which continues as a co-ed high school that educates inner city African American and Hispanic youth. Mother Lange's candidacy for sainthood began in 1990.

Nov 13. One of the pillars of the Catholic Church, St. Augustine, wrote 96 books during his lifetime. His writings covered a huge range of subjects such as morals, history, philosophy and heresy. Pope Leo the Tenth admired St. Augustine so much that he allowed his feast to be honored the same as those of Christ's Apostles. His feast Day is today.

Nov 14. Born of a rich and noble family of African descent in Spain, St. Peter Claver chose to spend his life serving the sick and downtrodden in South America. He treated people with leprosy and met all the slave ships on the docks in Colombia. He also served the neglected Native Indian people in Colombia. St. Peter Claver touched some 50 thousand African slaves. Over one hundred years

ago, the Catholic organization called the Knights of St. Peter Claver was founded in his memory.

Nov 15. St. Katherine Drexel was born into great wealth in Philadelphia, PA. Her parents taught her that their money was meant to be shared with others. In service to suffering Native and African Americans, she gave more than 21 million dollars of her own money to help found dozens of churches, schools and hospitals across the U.S., including Xavier University in New Orleans, LA. She also helped found Holy Redeemer Parish and school in Washing, DC. St. Katherine Drexel also founded her own religious congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. She described herself as the mother and servant of the Indian and Negro races. St. Kathrine Drexel died in 1955 and became a saint in the year 2000.

Nov 16. The Healy brothers, James, Alexander and Patrick were born of a slave mother and fathered by a Georgia plantation owner. They were sent north for their education and freedom. Because of the racial climate in the 19th century, the Healy brothers had to be ordained in Europe. James Augustine Healy became the nation's first African American bishop in Portland, Main, in 1875. A year earlier, his brother Patrick Francis Healy, became the highly regarded president of the Catholic institution, Georgetown University. Ironically, Georgetown did not admit students of color until the mid-1900's.

Nov 17. Ss. Ursus and Victor were soldiers in the Theban Legion. They were captured at Solothurn in Switzerland and executed for their faith and buried outside the walls of the city. Theodoline, Queen of Burgundy, in 480, had the body of St. Victor brought to Geneva and built a basilica in his honor. She built a church over the tomb of St. Ursus of Solothurn.