

# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

*01 March 2020*

## 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

Your Father who  
sees what is hidden  
will repay you.

— Matthew 6: 18



## 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, 29 February 2020* THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
4:00 pm Intentions of Roberta Price Little
- Sunday, 01 March 2020* THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
8:30 am People of Holy Spirit Parish  
10:15 am (+) Felicia Young
- Wednesday, 04 March 2020* THE 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF LENT  
6:30 pm (+) Sheila Reeves
- Saturday, 07 March 2020* THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
4:00 pm (+) Richard A. King
- Sunday, 08 March 2020* THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT  
8:30 am (+) Susie King  
10:15 am People of Holy Spirit Church

**FULL, CONSCIOUS, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION**

*Reflections on the Celebration of Sunday Mass*

***The Gospel Acclamation***

The Liturgy of the Word begins as we sit to listen to the Scripture selections that are given us for the day. The first reading is almost always from the Old Testament. The psalmist leads us in a sung response to that text. The second reading is always from somewhere in the New Testament that is not one of the four gospels.

And then we all stand.

We stand to listen to the gospel of Jesus Christ — our most precious, cherished, and holy writings as Christians. That's why we stand; and we stand at attention, almost in a military precision way. Because the words of the gospel are the most dear to us, the most instructive to us, the most comforting, challenging, significant words we ever use — in church or anywhere else.

Almost all of the time when we stand for the reading of the gospel it is framed by a sung acclamation (an *Alleluia* before and after the proclamation). But in our parish we have a custom of not singing anything at those moments during the season of Lent.

Lent is designed to be a little more somber, a little more subtle. So when it happens that the deacon makes his way to the ambo in silence, think of the penitential nature of the season we have just entered. And hear the silence.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Sunday* Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12; 17-19; Mt 4:1-11
- Monday* Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday* Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday* Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday* Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday* Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday* Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday* Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

**CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY**

The program we were planning for this weekend to celebrate Black History, featuring the talents of our young people in the parish, isn't quite ready. We need more time to organize, plan and rehearse. We want to make it of the highest quality we can. And the truth is that we can celebrate Black History anytime we want; we're not going to allow ourselves to be limited to February. So, keep an eye out for further announcements about the ways the youth of our parish will celebrate our rich heritage. The plan will come into shape in the coming weeks.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY		
Monday	Bill Dodd	Patricia Tabor
Tuesday	Brittany Forte Alanna & Ivy King	Colleen Sauvain Joseph Vallery Jr.
Wednesday	Sharon Booker Marcella Lash Demetrius Ledgyard	Dolores Posey John Yelenosky
Thursday	Sara Dickson	
Friday	Anthony Brown	Mary Pinckney
Saturday	Terry Ann Lester	

**SOMETHING FOR LENT**

*A Series of Scriptural Reflections on Saturday Nights*

The parish pastoral council endorsed an idea that Fr. David provide a series of talks for the season of Lent. So, each Saturday evening, from February 29<sup>th</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>, Fr. David will be presenting certain themes related to the Gospel of Matthew, since that is the gospel the church features in our Sunday readings this year.

If you're looking for something a little extra to do during Lent, this could be it. The talks will be in church immediately following the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays. If that's not the Mass you are coming to for the weekend, then plan on arriving at church around 5:15. The talks will last about 20 to 30 minutes (no more than that), and will be followed with a short time of discussion.

These are the six Saturdays:

*February 29<sup>th</sup>      March 7<sup>th</sup>      March 14<sup>th</sup>  
 March 21<sup>st</sup>      March 28<sup>th</sup>      April 4<sup>th</sup>*

**ONLINE GIVING**



In the office we have made a decision to download contributions one time each week - on Thursdays at midday. If your contribution is posted by that time, it will be credited to the previous Sunday. If your contribution arrives after that, it will be credited to the following Sunday's total.

So, online giving is active and working the way we expect. If you want to sign up and need any assistance, please give the office a call. Thank you for your constant generosity.

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Sunday, 01 March after 10:15 am Mass	Men of Faith meeting
Monday, 02 March 7:00 pm	Bible Study
Wednesday, 04 March 12:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Bible Study Sacrament of reconciliation Mass Adult choir rehearsal
Thursday, 05 March 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal Praise dance rehearsal
Friday, 06 March 7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, 07 March after 4:00 Mass	Lenten scriptural reflections
Sunday, 08 March after the 10:15 am Mass	First Communion class Holy Name Society meeting PSR teachers meeting

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Following this year's Revival, opening the season of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross in church on Friday evenings at 7:00 up to the week before Good Friday.

The time-honored and traditional devotion of the Stations of the Cross will be prayed on these Fridays:



*March 6      March 13      March 20  
 March 27      April 3*

If you're looking for a way to honor Lent and give a little something extra to our good Lord, maybe this is it.

**ON MASS TIMES**

As many know, the timing of our two Masses on Sunday morning was discussed at the first parish pastoral council meeting. And we have solicited opinions from our parishioners, especially through the use of our suggestion boxes at the church doors.

Very few have offered a comment. And no one has disagreed with the suggestion that we give more time between the two Masses.

For those who have to be here for both Masses, the intervening time between Masses is short; and that is a significant reason why we are not able to start the 10:15 Mass on time.

Because (so far) no one is suggesting that we should not change our Mass times, a decision may be coming sooner rather than later.

The proposal is to change the first Sunday morning Mass to begin at 8:15; and then the second Mass will begin at 10:30. However, that doesn't mean that we who are the later Mass crowd get to wait another 15 minutes before we make our way to church.

Please come as you do; the greetings and conversations we have with each other are precious and dear. They are not to be denied. But if we publicize that our Mass is at a certain time, we should do our best to honor that. Almost all of the comments related to this issue make that point: if Mass is scheduled to begin at a certain time, then let's start. No one will quibble over five or seven minutes. But when we are going on twenty minutes, we are not being fair to each other and each one's schedule for the rest of the day. One more request: if you have an opinion, please offer it. Call the office or use of the suggestion boxes at the doors. A definite decision and change may be coming soon.

## AN EVENING OF CONFESSION

Wednesday, 11 March 2020

Holy Spirit Church

5:00pm - 8:00pm

Every year, sometime during the season of Lent, the Diocese asks every parish to be open at the same time for a three-hour period for an evening dedicated to celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation.

On Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Fr. David will be in church and available to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation beginning at 5:00 pm. We will still have our usual evening Mass at 6:30, followed by choir rehearsal. Before Mass and after, Fr. David will be in the chapel and available to celebrate the sacrament with anyone who is looking for an experience of our God's loving mercy.

### LENTEN PRAYER MATERIAL

Lenten reflections, entitled *Daily Graces*, are available at the church doors. 100 additional copies of the Pocket Gospels book have arrived and are available at the church entrances. Help yourself to both, please, as you will.

### 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	Carrie Aaron	John P. Jones, Jr.	Maxine Friend
Calvin Singleton, Sr.	Marvin Young	Shirley Wenson	Elissa Coleman	Shirley Liston
Roger & Connie Raines	Jesse & Jessica Carr	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	Jerry Freeman
Doris St. Clair	Merline Goodson			

### PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

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



## FISH FRY

Friday, 27 March 2010

The Men of Faith are sponsoring a fish fry on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 - 7:00 pm at Holy Spirit Church, Mulligan Hall. The dinners are \$9.00 and include perch, spaghetti, slaw, dessert and beverage.

COLLECTION	
23 February 2020 — online contributions	\$1,800.00
23 February 2020 — envelope contributions	\$6,639.00
<i>Total</i>	\$8,439.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — online contributions</i>	\$10.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions</i>	\$25.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy - Total</i>	\$35.00
<i>Thank you so much for your continuous support!</i>	