Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

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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.

DO YOU REMEMBER YOUR FIRST COMMUNION?

For many youngsters it is a day full of excitement and nerves: the thrill of getting dressed up in your best and being fussed over by loving family and friends, the anxiety of trying to remember where to stand and what to do in church.

Today was to be first communion Sunday for our parish. Seven of our young parishioners have been meeting and studying, working and learning prayers in preparation for today. But it's not to be, yet. They all celebrated the sacrament of reconciliation the first time before we had to cancel all services. Now we're discussing possibilities and talking out plans for celebrating first communion in conjunction with their families.

As soon as we have a plan in place, we'll let you know. Please remember these seven young men and women in your prayers in a special way today ...

> Gabrielle Peña Jules Rosky-Owens London Traylor Carter Collier

Ava Vallery Logan Traylor Cardell Jones

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Even though we might be allowed to celebrate Mass the weekend of May 30th and 31st, we decided to request that confirmation not be celebrated that day because there is no guarantee that we will be able to come to church. We didn't want to create all the enthusiasm and special planning for such a day only to have to postpone it at the last minute.

Abbot Gary Hoover, OSB has agreed to reschedule confirmation. It will now be celebrated on Sunday, September 20th.

Our candidates are a creative and energetic group of people who have worked hard to be ready. Please remember them in your prayers by name ...

Theresa Heffernan
Alesia Ogletree
Teshirah Rau
Amiir Talbott

Israel King Isabella Peña Joy Starks



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

 Sunday
 Acts 6:1-7; 1Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

 Monday
 Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

 Tuesday
 Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

 Wednesday
 Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

 Thursday
 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

 Friday
 Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

 Saturday
 Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

 Sunday
 Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

MASS INTENTIONS

While we are still not permitted to celebrate public Masses, scheduled intentions for the remainder of May have been transferred to the next available dates. To learn rescheduled dates for any of these intentions, please call the office:

Argentra Waley	Olivia Allen
Fred & Anna Jefferson	Mary Jo Evereett
Roderick Rencher	Gloria Meredith
Osea Slaughter	Leslie DeBrossard
Audrey B. Hopkins	Joel Wentling

HAPPY BIRTHDAY					
05/10	Martin Morris				
05/12	Ann Payne Sharon See	Andre Smith			
05/13	Gayle Edwards				
05/14	Mariah Crawford				
05/16	Rochelle St. Clair Nadia Heard				
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY					
05/14	Jane & Brian Boggan				
05/16	Catherine and Anthony Gibson				

A Mother's Day Prayer

Most Gracious Heavenly Father,

We thank you for our mothers to whom you have entrusted the care of every precious human life from its very beginning in the womb.

You have given to woman the capacity of participating with you in the creation of new life. Grant that every woman may come to understand the full meaning of that blessing, which gives her an unlimited capacity for selfless love for every child she may be privileged to bear, and for all your children.

Watch over every mother who is with child, strengthen her faith in your fatherly care and love for her and for her unborn baby. Give her courage in times of fear or pain, understanding in times of uncertainty and doubt, and hope in times of trouble. Grant her joy in the birth of her child.

To mothers you have given the great privilege and responsibility of being a child's first teacher and spiritual guide. Grant that all mothers may worthily foster the faith of their children, following the example of Mary, Elizabeth, and other holy women who follow Christ. Help mothers to grow daily in knowledge and understanding of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant them the wisdom to impart this knowledge faithfully to their children, and to all who depend upon them.

Assist all spiritual mothers - those who, though they may have no children of their own, nevertheless selflessly care for the children of others - of every age and state in life. Grant that they may know the joy of fulfilling this motherly calling of women, whether in teaching, nursing, religious life, or in other work which recognizes and fosters the true dignity of every human being created in your image and likeness.

We beseech you to send your Holy Spirit, the comforter, to all mothers who sorrow for children that have died, are ill or estranged from their families, or who are in trouble or danger of any kind. Help grieving mothers to rely on your tender mercy and fatherly love for all your children.

We ask your blessing on all those to whom you have entrusted motherhood. May your Holy Spirit constantly inspire and strengthen them. May they ever follow the example of Mary, mother of our Lord, and imitate her fidelity, her humility, and her self-giving love. May all mothers receive your grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in your presence in the life to come.

We ask this through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.



U.S. BISHOPS' STATEMENT URGING STATE AND NATIONAL LEADERS TO EXAMINE IMPACT OF COVID-19 VIRUS ON AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES

On behalf of the bishops of the United States, Bishop Shelton J. Fabre of Houma-Thibodaux, Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, Archbishop Nelson J. Perez of Philadelphia, and Bishop Joseph N. Perry, auxiliary bishop of Chicago have released the following statement in response to the impact of the Covid-19 virus in African American communities.

"Our hearts are wounded for the many souls mourned as African American communities across the nation are being disproportionately infected with and dying from the virus that causes Covid-19. We raise our voices to urge state and national leaders to examine the generational and systemic structural conditions that make the new coronavirus especially deadly to African American communities.

"We stand in support of all communities struggling under the weight of the impact this virus has had not only on their physical health, but on their livelihoods, especially front line medical and sanitation workers, public safety officers, and those in the service industry. We are praying fervently for an end to the pandemic, and for physical health for all, and emotional healing amongst all who have lost loved ones."

> Uncation Bible School is cancelled this year. ...just to be careful.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH HUNGER CENTER

Although the Hunger Center is closed due to the pandemic and is not currently serving hot meals on Wednesdays, the center does have available bags of nonperishable food items every Tuesday from 11:30 am -12:30 pm. The food is distributed outside of the side door.

THEA BOWMAN CENTER

The Thea Bowman Center's food pantry is open and lunches are still being served on Saturdays from 10:00 am - Noon. The center is located at 11901 Oakfield Avenue, Cleveland. The food pantry provides bags of food and boxed lunches that are distributed as takeout. They are distributed from the blue side door, across from the garage. The Thea Bowman Center is a cause that is dear to our Holy Spirit community's heart.

COMMENDED TO YOUR PRAYERS

MARY FRANCES DOSS

Please pray for Mary Frances Doss, the mother of Ruby Fett, who died late Saturday afternoon, May 2nd. May she rest in the peace of Christ and may her family know his love and mercy.

JOSEPH HENN

Please pray for Marilyn Henn and her family on the passing of her husband, Joseph Henn. He died in February.

DONALD KYNCOR

Please pray for Geraldine Kynkor and her family, on the passing of her husband, Donald Kynkor. Geraldine was a former spiritual coordinator at St. Henry and Holy Spirit parishes.

COLLECTION	
10 May 2020 — online contributions	\$3,340.00
10 May 2020 — envelope contributions	\$4,220.00
Sunday collection total	\$7,560.00
Easter — online contributions	\$410.00
Easter — envelope contributions	\$2,250.00
Easter collection total	\$2,660.00
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$50.00
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$470.00
Ministries of Mercy total	\$520.00

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	Juanita Adams	Elissa Coleman	Shirley Liston			
Roger & Connie Raines	Jesse & Jessica Carr	Demateress Richard	s 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	Jeffrey Rose			
Doris St. Clair	Merline Goodson	Shirley Wenson	Diane Heckathorne	Jerry Freeman			
PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:							
Saundra Clark	Melissa James St	ephanie Wentz	Andy Hutchinson	Uchechi Onwuanaibe			
Joshua Sánchez	Tyrone Franklin, Jr. M	ario Williams	Steven Daniel	Sadé Powers-Morgan			
Dennis Ross, II	Steven Rau G	len Pfleger	Maurice Williams				