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.

Reopening of the Church

At the church, we are gearing up to have our first public Mass since March. We are allowed to celebrate Mass together the weekend of May 30th / 31st under certain guidelines. The guidelines are quite extensive. In order to guarantee that we can comply with safe practices, we will begin with only one Mass for the first weekend (maybe two).

Mass will be at 10:30 am.

The guidelines include things like:

1. We must observe physical distancing. In that regard, please pay attention to the markings on the pews which indicate where we can sit while maintaining a safe distance between ourselves. Similar markings are in the center aisle to guide us during the communion procession.

2. We are asked to use hand sanitizer upon entering church, and then again as we leave church.

3. We are required to wear face masks throughout the Mass except when we receive communion. The lector can remove his/her mask when reading, the cantor when singing, and so on. The general rule is that we wear a mask unless we are performing a necessary service that a mask will obscure.

4. If you have a temperature above 100.4° F, you should stay home. Remember, even as we begin to reopen, we are still dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. This dispensation continues until further notice.

5. There will be no offertory procession for the time being. And rather than have ushers take up the collection, baskets will be near the church doors so you can easily drop your envelope there.

6. The Sign of Peace is suspended until further notice.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

 Monday
 Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a

 Tuesday
 Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

 Wednesday
 Acts 17:15-22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

 Thursday
 Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

 Friday
 Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

 Saturday
 Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

 Sunday
 Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 1-11a

CHANGE IN MASS TIMES

When we return to church in two weeks, we will open with a new Mass schedule. The decision was made after broad and extensive consultation. The support for the change is high, even though it will be something of a hardship for some. Thank you for accepting whatever inconvenience this may entail.

Giving ourselves a little more time between the two Sunday morning Masses will allow us to start on time, to give last-minute instructions to servers, readers, and others, and to generally be more organized, focused and prayerful as we begin. It is our expectation that the benefits will far outweigh the disadvantages. This is our new schedule:

Saturday:	4:00 pm
Sunday:	8:15 am
Sunday:	10:30 am

HAPPY BIRTHDAY				
5/17	Nathaniel Brownlee	Catherine Crawford-Hales		
5/18	Barbara Crawford	Marian Mauldin		
5/19	Asia Martin			
5/21	LaVerne Barham Luis Lorenzo	Keba Turner Nia Turner		
5/22	Ruthie Darrell O'Neal Ogletree	Williemae Ogletree		
5/23	Sultan Jones	Pat Shields		
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY				
5/17	Renade & Jerry Freeman			

GRATEFULLY RECOVERING

My first thought as I was crawling out of my badly smashed car last Saturday was that I hoped I could still be at church on time to say hi to everyone who drove by to pick up the Mother's Day gifts we were distributing that afternoon. I guess I didn't know how badly injured I was.

It turns out that I broke my left elbow, which required surgery to repair; I also broke my right hip, which is expected to heal on its own.

After three days in the hospital, I am home and lying low. The healing has begun, but it is a process that will take several weeks. The good news is that the doctors say I can resume my normal activities as I am able. So, I am spending my time not only resting, but also doing what I can to keep us together in Jesus' loving arms, to keep our projects and initiatives moving forward, and take care of each other.

My desire to be at the church doors for the Mother's Day giveaway last Saturday was because I miss you all dearly. I feel your love and care, your concern and your prayers. Food keeps rolling in. I am so grateful to our good God to be part of a community full of so much selfless love.

I pray that God bless you all; may his blessings, which you have so graciously shared with me, redound to you and everyone who is in any need. Let's continue to pray for each other and love each other.

t. David

MAY GOD'S PEACE BE HERS

On Wednesday May 13th, Juanita McPherson passed away. A graveside service for the family will be conducted at Calvary Cemetery on Tuesday, May 19th. Please keep Ms. McPherson's family and friends in your prayers. And please pray that God fill her with his eternal light and love.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Fr. David's accident has delayed the rescheduling of the meetings of the parish finance council and the parish pastoral council. No definite dates have been settled on yet, but planning for the meetings is back on track.

When they are ready, reports of the meetings will be shared with the parish at large. Both meetings will take place by way of video conferencing.

THE DEACON'S CORNER



In Jesus' last supper farewell to his disciples, he prepared them for his coming passion and death. He also assured them of his future presence. He has a twofold focus in this section of his discourse; the love and

obedience his disciples are to exhibit, and the promise Jesus gives them.

The reading today is framed by his statements about the relationship between love and the observance of the commandments, "If you love me." Jesus teaches an obedience to the commandments which is not based on fear or legalism but flows from the love of Jesus.

As an abiding assistance for his disciples to live as he did, Jesus will send them another Advocate, or paraclete. The term means someone who is called to another's aid. The Advocate also advises, intercedes, and gives comfort, much like a parent to a child. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to be our Advocate. At this point in the Easter season, we begin to anticipate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

MASS INTENTIONS

These scheduled intentions for May have been transferred to the next available dates. To learn rescheduled dates for any of the intentions which have been transferred during our shutdown, please call the office. The most recently rescheduled intentions are:

Audrey Hopkins	Olivia Allen
Mary Jo Everett	Gloria Meredith
Leslie DeBrossard	Joel Wentling

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ayanna Smith who graduated from medical school and is now employed at University Hospitals. We are extremely proud of her accomplishments.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES

Please submit the names of all 2020 graduates to the church office as soon as possible. We will be including the graduates' names in an upcoming bulletin.



Next Public Mass: Two weeks from Today 31 May 2020 — Pentecost Sunday 10:30 am Welcome Back!

YOUR GENEROSITY ABOUNDS!

During this shutdown caused by the pandemic, there are plenty of stories of parishes in the diocese whose weekly offerings have dropped between 40 - 65%. This has led them to dig into savings accounts and even to apply for small business loans. Some pastors are panicking.

Our own offerings are down only 26%; we have not borrowed money or used any of our savings. At this rate, we will eventually face trouble; but for now, we're hanging in there. Thank you for everything you're doing to continue contributing to our church's financial needs. No matter how much or how little you are able to give right now, your generosity is making the difference. Thank you, and please keep it up.

Collection	
10 May 2020 — online contributions	\$3,753.00
10 May 2020 — envelope contributions	\$4,680.00
Sunday collection total	\$8,433.00
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$60.00
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$000.00
Ministries of Mercy total	\$60.00
Thank you so much for your continuous	support!

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	ls Len Rosky	Patricia Pendleton			
Rosemarie McBride	Fletcher & Delores Posey	y 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 -Warder	Jonathan Traylor			
Kiana Pearson	Mildred Jackson	Mary Evans	Tammy Larkin	Autholia Payne			
Doris St. Clair	Merline Goodson	Shirley Wenson	Jeffrey Rose	Jerry Freeman			
Pray for our parishioners in the military:							
Saundra Clark	Melissa James S	tephanie Wentz	Andy Hutchinson	Uchechi Onwuanaibe			
Joshua Sánchez	Tyrone Franklin, Jr. N	Iario Williams	Steven Daniel	Sadé Powers-Morgan			
Dennis Ross, II	Steven Rau G	Glen Pfleger	Maurice Williams				