

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

04 October 2020

Mass Schedule

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

Only this do I seek:
to live in the house of
the Lord all the days
of my life.

— Psalm 27: 4



Pastor

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

Deacons

Deacon Ronald James
Deacon Shelby Friend
emeritus

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

Sunday, 04 October 2020 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Parish

Wednesday, 07 October 2020 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
6:30 pm John Shields

Sunday, 11 October 2020 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Parish

NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Thanks to everyone who participated in the election process of the new Parish Pastoral Council members including: those who submitted nominations, the nominees, the candidates, and everyone who voted.

Out of 22 people who were nominated, 19 parishioners accepted the nomination. 95 ballots were received, which is remarkable considering our reduced in-person attendance in these circumstances.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to those who are rotating off of the council: Patricia Douglas, Terrence Gaines, Jewel Jones, and Lou Lorenzo. They continue to serve our community in deeply meaningful ways.

While we repeatedly announced that we were electing four parishioners to the council, you can see that we elected five. That is because there was a tie vote for the fourth place, and since we gave no thought to a tie-breaker, Father David decided to ask both to serve for a three year term. The names and photographs of the newly-elected members are below.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is scheduled for Sunday, October 18th; it will be the first for these new members.

Kim Fortson Ray Hines Sandra Madison David Tucker Erin Whatley-Baker



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Monday Gal 1:6-12; Lk 12:25-37

Tuesday Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

Friday Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

NEW SIGN TO BE INSTALLED

The new electronic sign in front of our church is scheduled to be installed tomorrow. The next time you're coming to church or driving by be sure to take a look.

OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Kalvin Obiesie Nwosu, child of Obiesie Nwosu and Chika Ononiwu was baptized this weekend and becomes the newest member of our parish family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY		
10/04	LaShanti Pearson	
10/06	Rose Clark	
10/07	Angela Atterberry	Ayanna Smith
10/08	Richard Bass James Bellanca	Joseph West Jr.
10/09	Jordan Williams	
10/10	Yumi Simmons	Sr. Ritamary Welsh
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY		
10/07	Betty & Cecil Washington	
10/09	Cheryl & Edward Broussard	

FULL, CONSCIOUS, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

*Reflections on the Celebration of Sunday Mass
the eighth in a series*

The Communion Rite

After singing a full-throated and heartfelt *Amen* -- the *Great Amen* is what we call it -- the eucharistic prayer ends and we are back on our feet to pray the Lord's Prayer, praying to Jesus' father, and ours, in the very words he gave us to speak. This is the beginning of our preparation to receive the Lord's gift of himself -- given back to us through the gifts we just offered to him. This is a precious prayer for us and we use it every day. At Sunday Mass we must pray these words together and wholeheartedly, whether they are recited or sung. That's our responsibility.

The Sign of Peace is very muted these days, but still remains an important part of our preparation to receive communion, expressing out intention to live the peace that is God's gift. The Lamb of God is a litany that brings us to immediate preparation to receive the eucharist.

Then as we come forward to receive communion, we are receiving a gift from God, transformed for us from the gift we just offered to him. We receive back from the hands of the Lord the offering of our lives, but now the Lord has filled our gift with his life and grace and mercy. This is why it has always been preferable that we receive communion from the bread and wine that has been consecrated at that Mass.

Although we are not permitted to offer the Blood of Christ for consumption during this pandemic, it remains a vital part of what Jesus gave us at the Last Supper: bread that gives life, and wine that symbolizes life to its fullest. We have a God who not only wants us to live, but he wants us to live life fully and happily.

When the time comes that it is permissible, please join us in savoring the fullness of the gift that our God gives so generously -- his very life: body *and* blood.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR & SOCK DRIVE

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring an underwear and sock drive through October 25th. Please place new men's underwear and socks in any size, in the boxes at the church doors. Cash donations are also accepted and can be put in the collection basket. All donations of socks, underwear, and money will be given to Refuge of Hope, which serves meals to the homeless as well as being a men's shelter.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

We offer our sympathy and the promise of prayers for the surviving children, Raishawn and Rhonda, at the passing of their father Vance Parks, who passed on September 29th. The wake will be at Holy Spirit Church on Saturday, October 10th at 11:00 pm, followed by the funeral Mass at 12:00 pm.

Please extend your prayers to Marc and Warren Minor and their family at the passing of their mother Dorothy Minor, who passed on September 24th. The wake will be at Holy Spirit Church on Friday, October 9th at 9:00 am, followed by the funeral Mass at 10:00 am.

We ask that you pray for Laverne Brownlee, Robert Brownlee Jr., Nathaniel Brownlee, Jeanette Jones and Jewel Jones and their family, at the passing of their husband, father, brother-in-law and uncle Robert Brownlee Sr. Robert Brownlee Sr. died on September 17th. A private memorial service was held.

PSR FAMILIES

A conference call is planned for this Saturday, October 10th at 9:00 am, with the families of children who will be participating in the PSR program this year.

Originally we were planning for that day to be the first class session, but ongoing conversations between PSR teachers and staff make it clear that we're not quite ready. So, we want to have this conversation with those family members who are taking responsibility for the children enrolled.

It is still true that a virtual classroom is the primary way we intend to conduct class this year. But we are also considering some in-person class time (one class at a time) for those who may prefer that. We will only do that with the unanimous consent of parents/families, teachers, and children. If we're not all in the parish center at the same time, there is plenty of room in that building to properly protect all of us according to the protocols we're following.

This message is a plea to the families to do whatever you can to participate in Saturday's video conference call. Please keep an eye out on your email for instructions to join the call on Saturday.

If you're not sure we have the email address where you want to receive those instructions, please give the church office a call. If your child is not already registered, please complete a registration form; they are available at the church entrances, and can be downloaded from the website.

Please silence all cellular phones and other electronic devices prior to the beginning of our liturgies.

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
ANNUAL BLANKET SUNDAY**

The 34th annual Blanket Sunday appeal kicks off next Sunday. Last year, funds from the appeal were used to purchase and distribute over 6,000 blankets and 200 beds to the homeless and low-income individuals and families throughout Northeast Ohio. Fewer than usual in-pew donation envelopes are available. You will find what we have available at the church entrances. You may also donate through our Online Giving website.

Checks may be mailed to:
St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday
1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor
Cleveland, OH 44114

Thank you for your generosity.

COLLECTION	
<i>27 September 2020 — online contributions</i>	\$3,138.00
<i>27 September 2020 — envelope contributions</i>	\$4,234.00
<i>Sunday collection total</i>	\$7,372.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — online contributions</i>	\$35.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions</i>	\$105.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy total</i>	\$140.00
<i>Catholic Communication Campaign</i>	\$340.00
<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	Carrie Aaron	John P. Jones, Jr.	Maxine & Shelby Friend
Calvin Singleton, Sr.	Marvin Young	Shirley Wenson	Elissa Coleman	Shirley Liston
Roger & Connie Raines	Jesse & Jessica Carr	Demateress Richards	Len Rosky	Jerry Freeman
Rosemarie McBride	Fletcher & Delores Posey	Jeffrey Rose	Luis Lorenzo	Bill & Monica Starks
Vera Payne	Pauline Reed	Catherine Wilson	Peter Ciccotti	Bettina & Horace Bowling
Beverly Jordan	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	Isaac King, Sr.
Kenny White	Della Powell	Sandra Cummings	Sharm Starks	Tyrone & Terry Lester
Doris St. Clair	Raman Belinson	Maureen Belinson	Linda E. Williams	Horace Reese
Kiana Pearson	Ruby Fett	Jesse Smiley	D.D. Ward -Warden	Jonathan Traylor
Richard Bass	Mildred Jackson	Mary Evans	Tammy Larkin	Sr. Kathleen McCafferty

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Saundra 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 Pfleger	Maurice Williams	

