# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

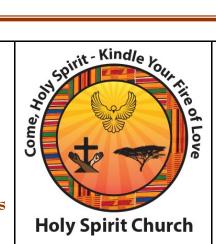
> > 15 November 2020

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.



Death is swallowed up in victory.

— 1 Corinthians 15: 54c



# 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 216.991.9644

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, 15 November 2020 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Church

Wednesday, 18 November 2020 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6:30 pm John Shields

Sunday, 22 November 2020 SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING 10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Church

#### REST IN GOD'S PEACE

We offer our promise of prayers to Kenneth Diamond and his family on the passing of his wife Jeanne Diamond. She was an active member of Holy Spirit Church and a former member of the Hallinan Center, St. Cecilia and St. Philomena parishes. A memorial service was held this past week at the Communion of Saints Church.

We offer the support of our prayers to Renade Freeman and her family on the passing of her brother, Mandell Lomax.

We also pray for Kenny White and all who mourn the passing of his niece, Rena (Adams) Mills whose funeral service was yesterday at Mount Sinai Baptist Church on Woodland Avenue.

May all our dearly departed know God's peace and mercy.

## MASS FOR THANKSGIVING DAY

Our parish celebration of Thanksgiving will be Mass at the ordinary Wednesday evening time, 6:30 pm (November 25<sup>th</sup>). If everything goes according to plan, that will be the first time that the Wednesday evening Mass will be livestreamed. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving holiday.

# **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

We are planning two Masses for Christmas. The first will be on Christmas Eve at 7:00 pm and on Christmas Day we will celebrate Mass at 10:30 am. We are hoping to livestream both Masses.



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

Monday Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

Friday Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday Ez 34:11-12, 15-17, 1 Cor 15:20-26,28; Mt 25:31

#### ANNUAL COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE DECEASED

During Mass last Sunday a candle burned for each of our brothers and sisters who were buried from our church throughout the year. If you were unable to attend Mass last weekend, you may pick up the candle in remembrance of your loved one. Please contact the church office to arrange a time.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY					
11/15	Ngozi Chukwu Tom Fett	Johnnesia Larkin Marcy Ellen Reese			
11/16	Julius Simmons	Marcia Turner			
11/17	Charlotte Brown Estella Fortson	Mildred Jackson Fred Whatley Sr.			
11/18	Kylee Tucker				
11/19	Irene Metlock				
11/20	Rhonda Abrams Michael Cahoun	Angeli Persons Douglas Rivers			

# BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH MOTHER MARY ELIZABETH LANGE

(1784 - 1882)

Mother Mary Lange was born in Cuba and emigrated to Baltimore, Maryland by 1813. Deeply touched by the needs of immigrant children, she responded by offering free education to children of color. Wanting to commit her life to God more completely, she became the foundress of what is the first congregation of women of African heritage in 1829, the Oblate Sisters

of Providence.

Mary Lange practiced her faith to an extraordinary degree. It was her deep faith which enabled her to persevere against many obstacles. She is an example of how we may all aspire to be. In close union with her God, she lived through disappointment and opposition until God called her to himself February 3, 1882. She has been declared a Servant of God, a step along the way to being canonized a saint of the church.

# **CONGRATULATIONS**



Congratulations to the following Trinity High School students who made the honor roll based upon grades earned August 24 - October 23, 2020:

First Honors - Jasmine Smoot Merit Roll - Janaya Smoot

Please join us in recognizing their hard work and supporting all our students in maintaining high standards.

# AN UNEXPECTED DONATION

In light of so much racial inequity and injustice which has been fomenting in our society in recent months, Gesu Church made a donation to our parish "to show our solidarity with our African American Catholic communities." The letter from the pastor went on: "In times when we witness such violence, fear, and pain, we are trying to work for justice and to arouse the hope that is so needed in our city and our neighborhoods."

An appropriate letter of gratitude has been sent and our parish pastoral council will be asked to offer some ideas for the best use of the gift. While the donation is unrestricted, Gesu Church stated a preference that it be used for the youth of our parish family.

# THE JESSE TREE

Many of us have heard of the Jesse Tree tradition during Advent; maybe you've even used it in your family. The tradition originated in the medieval church in the form of carvings, stained glass windows, or illuminated manuscripts illustrating Isaiah 11:1: "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots." It is a prophecy that God will bring new life to his people through the lineage of Jesse who became the father of King David. Old Testament prophecies announced that the promised savior would come from David's family line.

The Jesse Tree is like Jesus' family tree. The ornaments have symbols on them that portray significant stories in the Old Testament until the birth of baby Jesus at Christmas — the sprout of Jesse. The tradition during the Advent season is that a Bible story is read which relates to Jesus' family or God's people. After the Bible story is read and discussed, an ornament is placed on the Jesse Tree. This is done from the beginning of Advent to Christmas Day. This is a great family activity that can be used to mark the Advent season.

When Advent begins in two weeks, we will have a page for each day of the season with a reference to a Scripture passage, a prayer and a reflection. Ideas for decorating an ornament to hang somewhere in the home will also be provided. If you cannot come to church to take the pages home with you, they will be available on the website for printing.

May our Advent be blessed!



# OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS: THE ENDURING CALL TO LOVE

You are invited to attend the two remaining evening reflections entitled, "Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love." The conferences will address responding to racism: understanding, conversion and action. The presenters include Mr. Cary Dabney, the Director of the Diocese of Cleveland's Office of Ministry to African American Catholics and Dr. Valerie D. Lewis-Mosley who is a healer, scholar, pastoral theologian and social justice advocate. The next teleconference call is on Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00 pm. To register go to <a href="https://forms.gle/kxMLbxF6u37mPL6W8">https://forms.gle/kxMLbxF6u37mPL6W8</a>. For more information, please contact Michele G. Gilfillan at 646-584-8187 or mggilfillan@yahoo.com. A flyer with further details is posted on the church bulletin boards.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next week's second collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Forty million people in the United States live in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects.

You can contribute by placing your contribution in the CCHD envelope in your packet or picking up an envelope at the church doors. You may also contribute by going to our website and clicking the link to Online Giving. Thank you for your generosity.

# WORLD KINDNESS DAY

World Kindness Day was just celebrated this past Friday. God taught us to love our neighbors each day, not just one day. This week make a conscious effort to perform an act of kindness to someone.

## **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT**

The Catholic Cemeteries Grief Support group meets today, November 15th from 3:00 - 4:00 pm at Calvary Cemetery. The topic is "Thanksgiving Grief: Preparing for the Holidays." Protective face coverings are required. Please RSVP or address questions to Rhonda at rabrams@clecem.org or 216-930-4866.

Collection	
08 November 2020 — online contributions	\$2,808.00
08 November 2020 — envelope contributions	\$5,268.00
Sunday collection total	\$8,076.00
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$25.00
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$517.00
Ministries of Mercy total	\$542.00
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 & Shelby Friend
Calvin Singleton, Sr.	Marvin Young	Richard Bass	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	Tammy Larkin	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.
Sr. Mary Beth Daly	Della Powell	Sandra Cummings	Sharm Starks	Tyrone & Terry Lester
Kenny White	Raman Belinson	Maureen Belinson	Linda E. Williams	Horace Reese
Doris St. Clair	Ruby Fett	Jesse Smiley	D.D. Ward -Warden	Jonathan Traylor
Kiana Pearson	Mildred Jackson	Mary Evans	Barbara Galloway	Cole Whaley

# PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY: Saundra Clark Melissa James Stephanie Wentz Andy Hutchinson Uchechi Onwuanaibe Joshua Sánchez Tyrone Franklin, Jr. Mario Williams Steven Daniel Sadé Powers-Morgan Dennis Ross, II Steven Rau Glen Pfleger Maurice Williams