

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

20 December 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

I rejoice heartily in
the Lord, in my God
is the joy of my soul.

— Isaiah 61: 10a



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, 20 December 2020* THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Church
- Wednesday, 23 December 2020* ADVENT WEEKDAY
6:30 pm Stefanie Bell
- Thursday, 24 December 2020* THE VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS
7:00 pm The People of Holy Spirit Church
- Friday, 25 December 2020* CHRISTMAS DAY
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Church
- Sunday, 27 December 2020* THE HOLY FAMILY
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Church

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday* 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38
- Monday* Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45
- Tuesday* 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
- Wednesday* Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
- Thursday* Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25
- Friday* Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18
- Saturday* Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
- Sunday* Gen 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- CHRISTMAS EVE
December 24th
7:00 pm
- CHRISTMAS DAY
December 25th
10:30 am

On New Year's Eve we will celebrate Mass at 7:00 pm. This Mass is for the holy day, January 1st, the feast of Mary, the Mother of God.

- NEW YEAR'S EVE
December 31st
7:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

From Wednesday, December 23rd at Noon through Monday, January 4th, the parish office will be closed to ordinary business. Fr. David will pay close attention to incoming messages and will respond to pastoral needs.

To reach Fr. David, please call the parish rectory and leave a message at extension 12. The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 5th.

REST IN GOD'S PEACE

Please offer the promise of prayers to Jeanette Jones and the entire Jones family on the passing of their husband, father and grandfather, Donald Jones. Mr. Jones passed on December 11th. The funeral Mass was held at Holy Spirit Church yesterday.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

12/20	Robert Moore	Sunni Wenson
12/21	Brenda Anekwe-Smith	
12/22	Michael Jones	McKenna Roseberry
12/23	Doreen Beckles	
12/24	Jasmine Adams-Linton Chase Hales Marlene Land	Betty Martin-Holden Mary Pinckney
12/25	Sylvia Little-Harris	Walter Wenson
12/26	Leslie Traylor	

HAVE A JOYOUS, BLESSED AND SAFE HOLIDAY

We wish everyone a joyous and blessed holiday. Please be safe as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

The State of Ohio recommends that due to the pandemic, we celebrate Christmas at home and that we don't eat or drink with anyone outside our household. It is not safe to be around others without wearing a mask, which of course is impossible when eating. Restaurant meals should be picked up or delivered. Also, avoid traveling, which increases the chance of exposure to the virus.



AVAILABLE RESOURCES

JESSE TREE MATERIALS



At the church entrances, you will find this week's materials for Advent's Jesse Tree. All materials for the four weeks of Advent may also be found on the website. There is a symbol for each day of the week, along with a reference to a Scripture passage, a prayer and a reflection for the day.

The Jesse Tree has a long tradition in the church as a way to celebrate Advent. It is a meaningful family activity, and a great way to introduce children to important Bible stories.

***2021 AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
CALENDARS AVAILABLE***

The 2021 Josephite 50th Anniversary African American History & Heritage calendars are available at the church entrances. If you are unable to come to church, please contact the church office to make other arrangements to receive one. Please take or request only one calendar per household. Thank you.

WORDS OF GRACE

The new Words of Grace daily reflections and prayer booklets for January - March 2021 are available at the church entrances. If you will not be coming to the church, please contact the church office to make another arrangement to obtain one.

OUR PARISH ANNIVERSARY



The feast of the Epiphany falls on Sunday, January 3rd. It marks our 13th anniversary as Holy Spirit Parish. God is good.

As he has every year, Bishop Roger is planning to be here to lead us in celebrating God's goodness. We will livestream the Mass, but if you've been thinking about returning to Mass in person, even occasionally, maybe Epiphany Sunday is the day.

**HUNGER CENTER
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

In addition to the bags of food and personal items that the Holy Spirit Church hunger center provides, we will also be distributing toys and clothing during the holiday season on Tuesday, December 22nd from 4:00 - 5:00 pm. The hunger center will be closed for the holidays on December 29th and January 5th and will reopen on Tuesday, January 12th.

RESOURCES FOR SENIORS

SENIOR LIVING AND CARE OPTIONS

Senior Housing has published a document that provides information for families and senior citizens who are looking for senior living and care options that can help maintain their independence and quality of life in Ohio. This free resource provides comprehensive information on topics like financial support and care options that are available. The website offers resources for every city and state across the country. You can read about the work in Ohio here:

<https://www.seniorhousingnet.com/seniors/senior-living-us/ohio>

***HOLIDAY EATS & TREATS
FOR SENIORS OF GARFIELD HEIGHTS***

Councilwoman Shayla L. Davis presents Holiday Eats & Treats for Seniors of Garfield Heights. On December 24th, experience a complete free holiday meal with contactless delivery. The menu consists of chicken/beef meatballs, green beans with turkey, rice or mashed potatoes, a dinner roll and dessert. Please RSVP by December 20th (limited to the first 75 seniors signed up) to 216-552-5210 or sdavis@garfieldhts.org. Your RSVP must include: full name, age, address and contact number.

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

**FREE COVID-19 TESTING
FROM UNITEDHEALTH GROUP**

The UnitedHealth Group (UHG) is administering free Covid-19 tests in Cleveland at the following sites:

Lee Road Baptist Church
3970 Lee Road
Cleveland, OH 44128

Elizabeth Baptist Church
6114 Francis Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44127

Lee Memorial AME Church
861 E. 105th Street
Cleveland, OH 44108

Testing will be available during the following days and times through December:

Mondays, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Saturdays, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

COLLECTION	
<i>13 December 2020 — online contributions</i>	\$2,740.00
<i>13 December 2020 — envelope contributions</i>	\$4,916.00
<i>Sunday collection total</i>	\$7,656.00
<i>Retirement Fund for Religious — online contributions</i>	\$100.00
<i>Retirement Fund for Religious — envelope contributions</i>	\$305.00
<i>Retirement Fund for Religious total</i>	\$405.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — online contributions</i>	\$415.40
<i>Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions</i>	\$95.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy total</i>	\$520.40
<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	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. Kathleen McCafferty, SND	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	Cole Whaley	Gerri Fracasso
Clementine Jefferson	Lucille Mahone			

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	

