# 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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER The People of Holy Spirit Church
Wednesday, 14 April 2021 6:30 pm	Easter Weekday John Rubus
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#### EASTER TRIDUUM

My most profound thanks to everyone who played a part in any way to make our Triduum liturgies as prayerful and beautiful as they were. There are way too many people to name, but know that I am aware of what effort you gave for love of the Lord and our brothers and sisters. Thank you.

We had some glitches and unexpected things along the way. Someone once said that good liturgy is planned spontaneity — that is, you plan as best you can, but then you have to be flexible and adapt throughout the celebration. We did that.

Over the last few weeks, our in-person attendance for liturgy has been growing; it seems that as more and more people are becoming fully vaccinated, they are eager to return to church and are putting a toe in the water. On the Fifth Sunday of Lent our attendance was 91. On Palm Sunday, 115 people attended. And on Easter Sunday, 158 people were in church, which doesn't include the 51 people who came to celebrate the Easter Vigil.

Here's hoping the upward trend continues. As it does, please continue to carefully observe the coronavirus protocols we have in place.

Happy Easter! t. David



#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday	Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31
Monday	Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

## **DRIVE-THROUGH EUCHARIST**

This initiative is off to a good start. On Palm Sunday, approximately 24 people received communion. And on Easter Sunday, we distributed the Eucharist to 29 people.

Until you feel safe returning to church in person, this is a way you can receive Communion each Sunday. We will make the Eucharist available in this way until the bishop reinstates our obligation to attend Sunday Mass in person.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY			
04/12	Dorien Strong		
04/13	Sheryl Blakemore		
04/14	Juanita Pollard Hurt LaShelle Wilson		
04/15	Morgan Crawford Lillianna Morales		
04/16	Charles Leak Jr.		
04/17	Gloria Anekwe Mary Brown		
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY			
04/11	Evelyn & Ron James		
04/12	Gail & Charles Ellington		

## **PSR News**

There is PSR news to report on a few fronts:

- This is a reminder to all PSR families that back in the autumn we added a class day in June. We did this because we did not begin this year's schedule until November due to challenges associated with organizing our video-conferencing capabilities.
- There will be PSR class on May 8<sup>th</sup>. The class on June 12<sup>th</sup> will close out the year.
- Even though PSR classes end in June, we are committed to continue making the second Sunday of every month throughout the year a Youth Mass.
- After a lengthy conversation over several meetings, the PSR staff agreed to structure next year's program so that each class meets twice a month. Typically class sessions will be on the second and fourth Saturdays, but that will require some rearrangement. A schedule will be finalized as the PSR staff has planning meetings over the summer.
- Because there remains so much uncertainty about when we will be permitted to gather in person again, we are preparing to conduct next year's classes through video conferencing. When we can safely use the parish center again, we will make the necessary adjustments.

# YOUTH MASS SUNDAY

Today's Mass features the youth of our parish in roles of service. Please offer them a word of encouragement and gratitude.

#### FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES

First Communion Class meets online today at 2:00 pm. First Communion is scheduled for Mother's Day, May 9<sup>th</sup>, at the 10:30 am Mass, with an in-person practice the day before.

Confirmation class resumes in person today at 12:30 pm in the parish center, for both the 2021 and 2020 classes. The Confirmation liturgy (for both classes) is scheduled for Father's Day, June 20<sup>th</sup>, with Bishop Roger Gries. Parents should have received an email, as well as a printed letter, with detailed information. There will be an inperson rehearsal with sponsors, on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Let's stay prayerful for these young people of our parish as they continue to prepare to celebrate these special sacraments.

# PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council meets next Sunday at 2:00 pm. The council members are meeting by way of video conferencing. All parishioners are welcome to join the meeting as observers.

Here is the link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/97667580530?</u> pwd=Zi9wZUJKd3pmenQrMEJRcW9DM09oQT09

## FINANCE COUNCIL

The Finance Council will meet on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm, by way of video conferencing.

#### **COVID 19 VACCINATIONS**

We now have access codes for appointments for the onedose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. The code gives you a chance to claim an appointment that has been reserved specifically for people from communities which are often overlooked.

The Johnson and Johnson vaccine will be offered beginning near the end of this month. Anyone 16 years of age and older who wants to schedule a vaccination appointment may contact the church office to receive a code. For those youth under 18 years old, the parent or guardian will need to contact the office.

Please receive a vaccination. Not only is it something you do to take care of yourself, but it is an act of charity toward one another.

#### **COVID-19 TESTING**

We have made our parking lot available for free Covid-19 testing over the last couple of weeks in cooperation with an initiative of the City of Garfield Heights. Unfortunately the organization doing the testing has struggled to be here consistently during the announced hours.

They were to have been here all last week, but supervisors called them away to work in another city. We are told that they will be back this week, Monday through Saturday. However, if you want to be tested here you would do well to give the office a call to confirm the hours and days testing will be available.

You need to register at www.OHcovidtesting.org. This is necessary in order to be eligible to be tested, but you are not required to schedule an appointment. You can come any day during the hours indicated by the church office.

#### **GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

Every year the collection that every Catholic Church in the United States takes is designated for the care of the holy places in and around Jerusalem associated with Jesus' life and ministry. It is used to protect and maintain these inspiring pilgrimage sites. Thank you for your generosity to that collection.

#### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT**

The Catholic Cemeteries Grief Support group meets next Sunday from 3:00 - 4:00 pm at Calvary Cemetery and virtually from 5:00 - 6:00 pm via Zoom. Sign-up for the virtual meeting at http://bit.ly/ ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup. Alternatively, you may contact Rhonda at rabrams@clecem.org or at 216-930-4866. The April topics are "Mother's Day Grief" and "Renewed Hope in the Midst of Grief".

Collection		
02 April 2021, Good Friday — online contributions	\$150.00	
02 April 2021, Good Friday — envelope contributions	\$445.00	
Good Friday, Holy Land collection total	\$595.00	
04 April 2021 — online contributions	\$3,655.00	
04 April 2021 — envelope contributions	\$5,462.00	
Easter Sunday collection total	\$9,117.00	
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$0.00	
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$246.00	
Ministries of Mercy total	\$246.00	
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.

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	Gerri Fracasso	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	Walter Malcomb	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
Lucille Mahone	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	Star Lewandowski	Cole Whaley	Alanna King
Clementine Jefferson				

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	