Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

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COME, 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

| 5, | THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT The People of Holy Spirit Parish |
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| 2, | THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Audrey Hopkins |
| 5 | VIGIL, THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION The People of Holy Spirit Parish |
| 5 | THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Isaac Turner |
| 2 | THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT The People of Holy Spirit Parish |

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY



Two meetings have been scheduled for next weekend, to fully explain the process of listening that every church organization in the diocese is undertaking through the end of January. Everyone

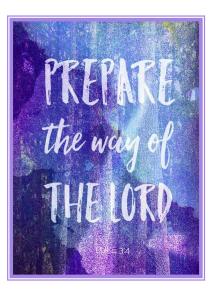
who sees these words is invited to attend.

Approximately two dozen of our fellow parishioners – because they currently hold a leadership role in various parish organizations – have been invited to attend one of those meetings. Any interested person (whether s/he is a parishioner or not) is welcome to attend. Please spread the invitation far and wide: the whole process is about listening to each other, recognizing that everyone has something valuable to contribute to the conversation.

The meetings will be in person in Mulligan Hall: Saturday, December 11th from 10:00 am - Noon and Sunday, December 12th from Noon to 2:00 pm

Following these explanatory sessions, ten opportunities have been scheduled before the end of January to gather in small groups (five in person, and five by way of Zoom) to listen to each other in a spirit of prayer and to work toward what the church is called to be in our times.

More information will be forthcoming.



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is December 8th; it is a holy day of obligation for all Catholics. There are two opportunities to attend Mass.

In addition to the opening Mass of the Advent Revival on the 8th (see the notice in the next column), we will celebrate Mass in our church on Tuesday the 7th at 6:30 pm.

Because of the revival, and to encourage members of our parish to participate, there is no Wednesday evening Mass at Holy Spirit Church on the 8th.



Our *We Give Catholic* campaign was successful and exceeded our goals. A complete report of all that was donated for our *Holy Spiriteens* youth will be in next weekend's bulletin.

| HAPPY BIRTHDAY | | | |
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| 12/05 | Frank Blackmon Gail Ellington | Asha Smith | |
| 12/07 | Edward Hawkins | | |
| 12/08 | Gina Burtnett Braxton Lovett | Margaret Luton Patricia Moore | |
| 12/09 | Evelyn James | | |
| 12/11 | Tiana Craft | Renee Gillespie | |

ADVENT REVIVAL Gathering in Hope and Promise



For three evenings this week, Saint Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church is hosting an Advent revival. Father Anthony Bozeman, SSJ, a respected and eloquent preacher, is the revivalist.

Wednesday - Friday December 8th - 10th 7:00 pm

December 8th, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, is a holy day of obligation. The Mass which opens the revival that day fulfills our obligation to attend Mass on the feast day.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- The next PSR class is this Saturday, December 11th. To complete preparation for class sessions that day, the PSR teachers meet virtually on Tuesday this week, following the evening Mass.
- First communion class is December 12th.
- Confirmation class meets the following Sunday, December 19th.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you to the Men of Faith ministry for the beautiful job they did on stripping, waxing and buffing the church floor. This time the men took the additional step of taking care of the floor between and under the pews, yielding beautiful results. We are very grateful for their time and efforts. What a precious gift their ministry is to our church community. Please go out of your way to say thank you when you see them.

MEN OF FAITH

The Men of Faith meet today following Mass at the parish center.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild Christmas luncheon is next Saturday from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm in the parish center.

FAMILY PROMISE WISH LIST DONATION BOX

The Family Promise 2021 Holiday Wish List donation box is available for your donations through this weekend. The list of items needed along with donation receipt forms are attached to the box located at the church's north entrance. Thank you for your participation.

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

| Christmas Eve 12/24/2021 | Friday, 7:00 pm |
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| Christmas Day 12/25/2021 | Saturday, 10:30 am |
| Holy Family 12/26/2021 | Sunday, 10:30 am |
| New Year's Eve 12/31/2021 | Friday, 7:00 pm |
| Epiphany 01/02/2022 | Sunday, 10:30 am |

- There is no 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, December 25th or Saturday, January 1st.
- January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, is not a holy day of obligation this Christmas season.
- On the Feast of the Epiphany, January 2nd and our parish anniversary, Bishop Roger Gries will preside over our celebration.
- The Wednesday evening Masses will be celebrated as usual at 6:30 pm on December 15th, 22nd, 29th, and throughout January.

HOLIDAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Copies of the holiday ministry schedule including the Immaculate Conception through the Feast of the Epiphany, are available in the sacristy. Thank you to all of the ministers for sharing your gifts during the holy days and throughout the year.

HUNGER CENTER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The hunger center will be closed for the holidays on December 21st and December 28th and will reopen on Tuesday, January 4th.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

- Monday Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
- Wednesday Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
 - Friday Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
- Saturday Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Sunday Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

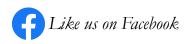
LIVE NATIVITY

Visit the live nativity at Saint Aloysius Church on Saint Clair Avenue on Thursday evening, December 16th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. See the flyers on the bulletin boards for complete details.

IMAGE CLEAR ULTRASOUND MOBILE UNIT

You may have seen the mobile unit that was in front of the church every Thursday offering pregnancy tests and ultrasound imaging free of charge. The service is still available but has moved to the Miles Supermarket Plaza.

Please place new underwear and socks in the Holy Name Society's sock and underwear drive box at the church entrances.



RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Next weekend's second collection is the annual collection for the retirement needs of the sisters and brothers who have served the church faithfully over the decades and continue to do so. Please be as generous as you can.

| Collection | | | |
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| 28 November 2021 — online contributions | \$2,055.00 | | |
| 28 November 2021 — envelope contributions | \$2,002.00 | | |
| Sunday collection total | \$4,057.00 | | |
| Ministries of Mercy — online contributions | \$25.00 | | |
| Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions | \$5.00 | | |
| Ministries of Mercy total | \$30.00 | | |
| 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 |
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| Jewell Gardner | Henry & Kay Tucker | Carrie Aaron | John P. Jones, Jr. | Maxine & Shelby Friend |
| Cole Whaley | Marvin Young | Richard Bass | Wendy Lewis | Shirley Liston |
| Roger & Connie Raines | Jesse & Jessica Carr | Demateress Richards | Jean & Len Rosky | Jerry Freeman |
| Rosemarie McBride | Fletcher & Delores Posey | Gerri Fracasso | Cordell Curry | 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 | Clementine Jefferson |
| Edith Richardson | Allyssa Brand-Bey | Theresa Talbott | Preston 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 |
| Lucille Mahone | Raman Belinson | Maureen Belinson | Linda E. Williams | Horace Reese |
| Doris St. Clair | Ruby Fett | Eunice & Jesse Smiley | D.D. Ward -Warden | Jonathan Traylor |
| Kiana Pearson | Mildred Jackson | Star Lewandowski | Cora Williams | Alanna King |
| Tyric Green | Mary Sibyl Kress | Hal Wyant | Patricia Pecnik | |
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If you decide that it is no longer necessary for your name to appear on this list because your condition has improved, please contact the parish office.

| PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY: | | | | |
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| Saundra Clark | Mario Williams | Maurice Williams | Steven Rau | |
| Joshua Sánchez | Dennis Ross, II | Uchechi Onwuanaibe | Sadé Powers-Morgan | |