Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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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, 5	THE 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Minnie Rencher
5	THE 6 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The People of Holy Spirit Parish
5. 5	Weekday in Ordinary Time Joann Douglas
5.	THE 7 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The People of Holy Spirit Parish
5, 5	THE 7 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Fred Jefferson

VACCINATION CLINIC AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health has asked our help in providing a location to set-up monthly vaccination clinics. Garfield Heights and the 44105 zip code have, among all the zip codes and municipalities in Ohio, the lowest vaccination rate among the eligible population: less that 40%.

On the fourth Thursday of the month for five consecutive months (March through July), staff of the Board of Health will be here to give the vaccination to anyone who comes. We could use two volunteers to help with some logistics for each two-hour clinic. More details will be forthcoming after the board of health makes a site visit and maps out the logistics.

MAY HE REST IN GOD'S PEACE

Lawrence (Kenny) Collier died on Saturday morning, February 5th at home. Please pray for his eternal rest, and pray for God's peace for his wife, Helen, daughter, Stacey and all his children, and all the family.

Funeral details are pending.

COULD IT HAPPEN HERE?

- On June 17, 2015 a young man welcomed into a Bible study group opened fire and murdered nine people in the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina.
- It was October 27, 2018 when a gunman entered the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh; while firing his weapon he killed eleven people and injured six others.
- At the Congregation Beth Israel Synagogue in Colleyville, Texas on January 15, 2022, a man accepted a cup of tea before taking four members of the congregation hostage for eleven hours.

At the synagogue in Texas, all the members escaped physical harm because, as the *New York Times* reported, "The hostages whispered instructions and edged closer to the door – part of invaluable training that anxious congregations are using."

We are planning to have such a training here. A sergeant of the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department will come to our church before the end of March for a two or three hour session. Every member of our community who wants to participate is encouraged; our ushers and hospitality ministers especially will be expected to attend.

The goal is not to frighten us; the times in which we live are scary enough. Our aim is to admit that truth and do what is prudent. If we ever find ourselves in the midst of an active shooter or hostage-taking event, what do we need to know about reacting so that we maximize each others' safety?

We're working on scheduling this. When the precise details are settled, please make every attempt to be a part of this regrettable but prudent security effort.

PHYSICALLY PHRAGILE

The "P" on Father David's ballcap now stands for *Phragile*. He is reluctantly admitting that he is accident prone at the same time he is so very grateful for your expressions of love and prayers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY			
2/14	Lydia Cook Josephine Jones	Logan Traylor London Traylor	
2/15	Vivian Alexander Merline Goodson	Gabriel Sacco Dolores Smoot	
2/16	Tiffany Morris		
2/17	Kay Lawson		
2/18	Victor Ezirim Eva Traylor	Mariah Williams	

The Columbia Race Riot of 1946 The Story of how the Black Community of Columbia, Tennessee Prevented the Lynching of a Veteran and His Mother



In February 1946, World War II Veteran James Stephenson, Jr. defended his mother, Gladys, while she was being verbally abused in a local department store when they went to pick up a radio they were having repaired, unaware that the radio had been sold to another customer. The store employee got into a scuffle with Stephenson who, with his mother, was charged and arrested

for disturbing the peace. The mother and son pleaded guilty and received a \$50 fine.

They were arrested again after William Fleming, Sr., the store clerk's father, filed charges against the Stephensons on behalf of his son for assault with an attempt to commit murder. A local Black businessman posted their bond and they were released.

A white mob heard about the incident and gathered at the Maury County Court House while black townspeople gathered at Mink Side, a black business district. Trepidation regarding going to the gathering prompted the black townspeople to arm themselves and they started shooting out the street lights.

Police were summoned to the area and were blocked from entering. Shots rang out and four officers on the scene were injured. The Highway Patrol came to support the local police and started firing indiscriminately into the buildings, searching homes, confiscating weapons, and stealing property. More than one hundred black women and men were arrested, three blacks were singled out as most likely responsible.

They were defended by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Executive Secretary, Walter White and Chief Legal Counsel, Thurgood Marshall came to Columbia to organize a defense for the twenty-five remaining prisoners. The trial was held in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee on October 4, 1946. An allwhite jury surprisingly found only two of the men guilty.

Because of this incident and others like it, President Harry Truman established the Presidents Committee on Civil Rights. This race riot turned out to be a precursor of the uprisings of the 1960's.

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH COMMUNION PARTICIPATION MISSION



Today is our last scheduled listening session. It takes place in Mulligan Hall right after Mass. Please come downstairs today.

For a synodal Church who wants to participate. The intention is to invite people into

a conversation about their experiences with the Catholic Church and their thoughts about what the Catholic Church ought to be and how we can get there. There is a lot of respectful listening in a reflective, prayerful atmosphere.

In the coming weeks we will prepare a full report for the parish and for the diocese. While this portion of the process is coming to an end, there will be more information as we continue to journey toward the Synod in Rome in October 2023. Stay tuned, please.

CATHOLIC CHARITES APPEAL

The Catholic Charites Annual Appeal takes place next weekend. Many parishioners should have received a letter in January, inviting your support of the annual appeal. Your support of the 2022 annual appeal will help to serve those individuals who are most in need and most vulnerable. You are invited to view stories of inspiration and find more information at CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal.

As you know, we are assessed a goal we are expected to reach; we consistently do so. Thank you for your continuous generosity in these challenging times.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Jer 17: 5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26
Monday	Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13; Lk 10:1-9
Tuesday	Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Jas 1:19-27; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday	Jas 2:1-9; Mk 8:27-33
Friday	Jas 2:14-24; Mk 8:34—9:1
Saturday	Jas 3:1-10; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday	1Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

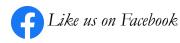
DEAN'S LIST

We congratulate Faith Starks for consistently making the Dean's List at Kent State University. She is in her sophomore year and we pray for her continued success and God's blessings on her throughout her college years.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A JOB?

Trinity High School is looking for van drivers for the 2022 school year. There are openings for mornings and afternoons, a few days a week or up to 30 hours. For more information, please contact Jenn Newrones at 216-581-5753 or <u>newronesj@ths.org</u>.

Collection	
06 February 2022 — online contributions	\$2,885.00
06 February 2022 — envelope contributions	\$3,385.08
Sunday collection total	\$6,270.08
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$10.00
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$213.00
Ministries of Mercy total	\$223.00
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	Hal Wyant
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	Merline Goodson
Tyric Green	Jimmy Owens	Sophronia Reed	Sandra Rose	Barbara Galloway

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:				
Saundra Clark	Mario Williams	Maurice Williams	Steven Rau	
Joshua Sánchez	Dennis Ross, II	Uchechi Onwuanaibe	Sadé Powers-Morgan	