# 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

0 0 0	The 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Betty Blue
0 00	The 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time The People of Holy Spirit Parish
0 0 0	Weekday in Ordinary Time Elissa Coleman
5, 55	THE 16 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The People of Holy Spirit Parish
5, 55	THE 16 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Rena Adams

# **BEYOND THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Our letter to Bishop Malesic asking him to make a strong and unequivocal statement against racism and racial violence in the wake of the mass shooting in Buffalo was sent with 97 signatures. The two-page letter in response by Deacon Jim Armstrong on behalf of the bishop is on the church's literature rack. Over 25 copies of the letter were taken last weekend and people have been reacting to it to Father David in writing, by email, by telephone and in person.

All those who took the time to respond were generally unsatisfied with the response. Father David had a telephone conversation with Deacon Armstrong this week. The focus of that conversation was the fact that the deacon's letter never addressed the central request of our letter to the bishop: that he make a very strong statement against racism and racial violence. In the end, Deacon Armstrong agreed to place our letter before Bishop Malesic again with the renewed request that he make a clear and unambiguous condemnation of racism and the violence it foments.





### **PSR PLANNING**

Later this month, on the 28<sup>th</sup>, the PSR team is meeting to make plans for the next catechetical year. Among other things, the staff will be discussing and deciding on which format for class (Zoom, in person, or a hybrid model) is best suited to our circumstances.

A registration form for families will be available soon.

# MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE

Cal Temple died early on Monday morning, July 4<sup>th</sup>. The funeral Mass will be here on Thursday at 11:00 am with a wake at 10:30.

We received word this week that 21-year-old Jasmine Traylor died unexpectedly. She was the granddaughter of Eva Traylor and daughter of Jesse and Christina. She lived in Atlanta.

We commend all those who have gone before us to the love and mercy of God; may they be at rest and peace. We pray for God's healing spirit to touch the hearts of their families and all who will miss them so much.

	HAPPY BIRTHDAY				
07/10	Evelyn Aponte Valerie Little-Baker Joan Martin	Joshua Martin Judith Martin			
07/11	Sr. Kathleen McCafferty	Leah Burtnett			
07/12	Carter Lundy	Michael Heard			
07/14	Linda L. Williams				
07/15	Vivian Little	Diana Rau			
	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY				
07/11	Margarete & Clarence Smith				

# PARISH FELLOWSHIP DAY SUNDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>



Last weekend a group of about 15 people stayed after Mass to have a first conversation about preparations for the day; they made good progress. Another meeting is scheduled for next Sunday morn-

ing, the 17<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am in the parish center. Please note the unusual time; an early meeting will allow those who are also attending the pastoral council meeting after Mass to do so. This 9:00 am meeting will take no more than one hour, allowing time to comfortably make it across the parking lot and into church for Mass.

The August 14<sup>th</sup> Mass is being planned to be inside the church, but all of the other fellowship festivities will take place outside. The school gymnasium will be available to us all day.

Any parish organization that wants to set up a table to promote its goals and mission is most welcome. Just leave a message at the parish office.



# SUMMER PLANNING

The Parish Pastoral Council is meeting after Mass on Sunday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. As always, please feel free to contact any member of the council with suggestions for the agenda or with any questions, concerns or new ideas. A brochure containing contact information for members of the council is always available in church on the literature rack.

The Finance Council meets later that same week, on Thursday evening, to review reports for the fiscal year 2021-2022, and approve a budget for the fiscal year just beginning this month.

# SISTERS ON RETREAT

Please note that Father David will be with a group of the Sisters of Notre Dame at their motherhouse in Chardon all this week, helping to lead them in a six-day retreat. Wednesday confessions and Mass will happen here as usual, and the office is open according to our posted hours.

Please offer a prayerful thought for the sisters this week.

# **COULD IT HAPPEN HERE?**

Back in January the Parish Pastoral Council endorsed a plan to offer training to members of our parish should it ever happen here that a person intent on committing violence enters our liturgy or any parish activity. A training session is finally scheduled for Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Lieutenant Ankhenton of the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department will come to our church at the end of July for a two to 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?

Because of the Lieutenant's schedule, the session cannot begin until 2:00 pm. That means that there will be almost a two-hour period of time between the end of Mass and the beginning of this event. So, we will serve lunch beforehand. The training session usually takes two hours; but it can take up to three hours. The number of questions from participants is what determines the session's length.

This is a regrettable but prudent safety initiative. If you are at all able to attend, please plan on it.

In order to adequately prepare lunch, please sign up. There are sign up lists at the church entrances as well as a form online. Go to our website and click on the Forms tab. Or:

<u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FjzqR-</u> <u>XnJdkYC1dqtQHZYiSrylsFwTev-</u> tgwVafDH4TA



# **Readings for the Week**

Sunday Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Monday Is 10:17; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27

*Thursday* Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

*Friday* Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday Gn 18:1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

# **ONLINE GIVING**



If you are not contributing electronically but would like to start, it's never too late. Please visit the Online Giving link on our parish website, or contact the

office. It is a secure, convenient, and easy way to donate.

If you choose to give this way, and no longer wish to receive the paper envelopes in the mail, please let us know. It will save the parish some money and allow your donations to go that much farther for our mission.

## **Messages on Facebook**

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for particular messages from parishioners that are addressed to our entire community.

## LADIES OF PETER CLEVER

The Ladies of Peter Clever are meeting Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the parish center.

Collection			
03 July 2022 — online contributions	\$3,444.00		
03 July 2022 — envelope contributions	\$6,800.00		
Sunday collection total	\$10,244.00		
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$25.00		
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$235.00		
Ministries of Mercy total	\$260.00		
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 Tucker	Carrie Aaron	John P. Jones, Jr.	Maxine & Shelby Friend
Cole Whaley	Marvin Young	Jimmy Owens	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	Tyrone & Terry Lester
Sr. Kathleen McCafferty, SND	Della Powell	Sandra Cummings	Sharm Starks	Horace Reese
Lucille Mahone	Raman Belinson	Maureen Belinson	Linda E. Williams	Jonathan Traylor
Doris St. Clair	Ruby Fett	Eunice & Jesse Smiley	D.D. Ward -Warden	Merline Goodson
Kiana Pearson	Mildred Jackson	Star Lewandowski	Cora Williams	Sophronia Reed
Tyric Green	Barbara Galloway	Sandra Rose	Barbara Oliver	

# 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		