

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

07 August 2022

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

May the glory of the
Lord endure forever.

— Psalm 104: 31a



Pastor

Fr. W. David Nestler,
O.F.M. Cap.

Deacons

Deacon Ronald James
emeritus

Deacon Shelby Friend
emeritus

Music Minister

Mr. David Williams

Archbishop Lyke School
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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

- Saturday, 06 August 2022* THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm Leslie DeBrossard
- Sunday, 07 August 2022* THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 am The People of Holy Spirit Parish
- Wednesday, 10 August 2022* SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON
6:30 pm Minnie Rencher
- Saturday, 13 August 2022* THE 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm The People of Holy Spirit Parish
- Sunday, 14 August 2022* THE 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:30 am Fred and Anna Jefferson

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

COMMUNION
PARTICIPATION
MISSION



The diocese completed and submitted its synodal work. There is a ten-page report available on the diocesan website and print copies in church. This is the report that summarizes the diocese's synodal process and outcomes. It has been submitted to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) where the focus of the synodal work is now, until it is submitted to the Vatican as part of the preparatory materials for the synod itself, scheduled to take place in the fall of 2023 in Rome.

As of early July, the USCCB had received reports from 152 out of 178 dioceses in the U.S., and 104 other Catholic entities have contributed. Approximately 620,000 people in the country participated in the synod either through in-person or virtual listening sessions or through a survey.



COULD IT HAPPEN HERE?

This is the headline we've used for all the announcements regarding our plan to offer some initial training for how to respond in the event that a person intent on violence enters our worship or meeting spaces.

We all know the answer to the headline question; it can happen here. It happens in the most sacred of places. The Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department made an extensive presentation last Sunday that was attended by almost 50 of us. The first and most important thing that everyone needs to be aware of in a public space is how you can exit the building most quickly if you need to. Notice that there are six exits from the church to the outside. There are the three entrances that we ordinarily use to enter the building. But there are also other ways out all the time.

If we ever need to evacuate the church building quickly, please know that your fastest and safest way out of the building may not be the way you entered.

The staircases that lead from the church to the Mulligan Hall restrooms (on the 131st Street side of the church) have a steel door that leads directly to the outside. Those doors have a magnetic lock on them; press that "Exit" button and the crash bar will open the door.

The staircase beside the choir area (on the south side of the building) is no longer a storage area. It is open when we are in church and allows a sixth exit from the building.

Our awareness of things like this may save the life of the person sitting next to you in the pew.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY		
08/07	Madeleine Morris	Amiir Talbott
08/09	Barbara Galloway	Barbara Neal
08/10	Donald Abrams	William Dillard Sr. Rosalind Whatley
08/12	Bettye Hughes	Monica Kamusikiri
08/13	Lucas Sacco	

HAVE YOU GOTTEN USED TO IT TOO MUCH?

If you are still attending church only through your computer screen or smart phone, but could come in person, please come in person. That is my challenge to you.

If you've been relying on the streaming and have gotten used to it, challenge yourself to come back in person. Commit to returning to church for four Sundays in a row. Be here in person, receive communion in fact, not virtually, and greet the brothers and sisters you love here face to face, looking into their eyes.

When anyone does that four weeks in a row, I believe that person will be swelled with the realization of what has been missing and will not want to return to celebrating Mass over a fiberoptic cable.

Give us four weeks in person and you'll be amazed at the realization of what you've been missing.

If you take up this challenge, please let me know, as some have already. And please let me know if I'm right or wrong – or something in between – when your four-week test is over.



**A FURTHER REMINDER
ABOUT OUR OBLIGATION
TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS**

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation was reinstated just a little more than one year ago, the weekend of June 5 - 6, 2021. As has always been the case, those who have a serious reason are exempt from this obligation. This includes those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group.

People in this situation should still look for an appropriate way to observe the Lord's Day and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday; an excellent way to do this is through viewing a broadcast of the Sunday Mass. Masses that are broadcast through various media are not intended as a substitute nor do they fulfill the obligation for people who are able to gather for a Sunday celebration and other holy days of obligation. Rather, they are intended for the sick, homebound, the imprisoned, and others who are unable to attend Mass in person.

If you're back to previous patterns of going to the bank, the grocery store, the theater, high school or professional sporting events, restaurants, and the like, then why not join us in church on Sunday to worship the One God who is so good all the time? We miss you.

**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE
INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CHURCH? ...**

It's time to begin the process of incorporation into our faith for the next group of people whom God is calling to join our community as a fellow disciple on the way. Do you know anyone who may be interested? Please take the initiative to invite them to come to church with you and explore the possibility. If you want to give their name and contact information to Father David, he will be happy to contact them and begin a conversation with them.

**... INVITE THAT PERSON
TO MASS AND FELLOWSHIP NEXT SUNDAY**

If you know someone who may be open to joining us in worship and ministry around here, invite them to participate in our

Parish Day of Fellowship

next Sunday. This is the first such gathering in a few years and enthusiasm for the day's festivities is growing. We are serving breakfast at 9:00 am which is open to everyone, but has a particular focus on reintroducing ourselves to our neighbors.

The 10:30 Mass in church is the only parish Mass that day to highlight the unity of our community which is committed to gathering around God's altar every week.

And then, the party continues across the grounds, with all of the fixings of a summer cookout, activities for the children, the young, the young-at-heart, and anyone else like Father David who can barely walk. The school gymnasium will be ours for the day. Bring a basketball or two.

It will help a lot for food preparation if you will return one of the RSVP cards at the end of the pews; it is also available on our website.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

Monday Ez 1 ;2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27; Lk 9:57-62

Tuesday Ez 2:8—3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Thursday Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

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

PSR
PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION
2022 - 2023

Please note these important decisions of the PSR staff:

- ◆ PSR classes will be held in person in the parish center.
- ◆ PSR classes will be for one hour on the first and third Sundays of each month from 12:00 Noon - 1:00 pm, beginning with Sunday, September 18th.
- ◆ As the students arrive in the building, they will be welcomed with a small snack and a drink; coffee will be served to the adults bringing the children, and stimulating conversation is promised.
- ◆ A registration form is available on the parish website and paper copies are at the church doors. Please complete one form for each child you are registering.

Nominations for four positions on the Parish Pastoral Council are now open. See the nomination form in church or on the website.

COLLECTION	
<i>31 July 2022 — online contributions</i>	\$2,303.00
<i>31 July 2022 — envelope contributions</i>	\$2,496.50
<i>Sunday collection total</i>	\$4,799.50
<i>Ministries of Mercy — online contributions</i>	\$25.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions</i>	\$125.00
<i>Ministries of Mercy total</i>	\$150.00
<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	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	Cora Williams	Merline Goodson
Kiana Pearson	Mildred Jackson	Star Lewandowski	Barbara Oliver	Sophonria Reed
Tyric Green	Barbara Galloway	Sandra Rose		

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

