

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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

12 March 2023

Sunday Mass
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

Oh, that today you
would hear his voice:
harden not your
hearts.

— Psalm 95: 8



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.

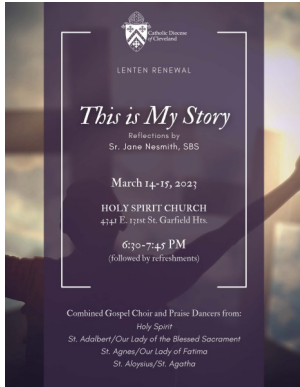
COME, WORSHIP WITH US

LENTEN REVIVAL

Tuesday - Wednesday
14 - 15 March 2023
6:30 pm

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

THIS IS MY STORY



The Office of Black Catholic Ministries has planned a Lenten Revival for Tuesday and Wednesday evenings this week. The services begin at 6:30.

The second evening's celebration will take place in the context of our usual Wednesday evening Mass; it also includes a short ritual of formally handing on the Creed to the

Elect – passing on one of our great treasures: the church's statement of belief. A small reception will take place after the services. Please join us, and spread the word.

Put it on your calendar!
This year's **PARISH FELLOWSHIP DAY**
Sunday
August 13, 2023

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Confirmation class meets today right after Mass and again next Sunday, March 19th.

PSR CLASS

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

PSR and First Communion classes also meet right after the 10:30 Mass next Sunday, March 19th.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, 11 March 2023* THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
4:00 pm The People of Holy Spirit Parish
- Sunday, 12 March 2023* THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
10:30 am O'Lisa Cohea
- Wednesday, 15 March 2023* WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
6:30 pm Stephen McCabe
- Saturday, 18 March 2023* THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
4:00 pm The People of Holy Spirit Parish
- Sunday, 19 March 2023* THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
10:30 am Mr. J. Jones

THE SCRUTINIES

Two Sundays ago, during a ceremony at the cathedral, five youngsters among us officially became candidates for baptism in the Catholic Church. They are now counted among the *Elect* of the church – those chosen by God to become members of the Catholic Church at this year's Easter Vigil.

This weekend, at the 10:30 Mass, we will celebrate what is known as the First Scrutiny with and for them. From the early centuries of the church, this ritual – and two more just like it – are celebrated in the middle of Lent. They are meant to uncover, then to heal all that is weak, insufficient or sinful in the hearts of the *Elect*, and to bring out and strengthen all that is upright, strong and good.

The First Scrutiny finds its meaning in the gospel story this weekend – Jesus meeting the woman of Samaria coming to Jacob's well. In the midst of their conversation, Jesus sees deeply into her heart and invites her to share the life-giving water that only he can give, that quenches thirst once and for all. The meaning of the story is embedded in our baptism and we enthusiastically invite our *Elect* to drink from the deep well of Jesus' love and mercy along with us.

These rites are not only for the *Elect*, but they also deepen our community's resolve to hold fast to Jesus and to carry out our decision to love God above all.

Please pray for our *Elect* in a special way in these last weeks of preparing for the Easter sacraments:

- Maximus Kress* *Dominic Darrell*
- Olivia Kress* *Kadeon Bogan*
- Janae Collier*

MEN OF FAITH FISH FRY

The annual fish fry is on Friday, March 31st. Dinners will be available for take out from 3:00 - 7:00 pm at \$12.00 each. There is no dining in the hall; meals are for take out only.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

03/12	Johnita Larkin	Eliza Solomon
03/13	Marlene DeBrossard	
03/15	Hayley Calhoun Ariel Trawick	Earle Turner
03/16	Tahj Kendrick	
03/17	Lucille Mahone	

**MASS
WITH THE SACRAMENT
OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**



The Wednesday evening Mass on March 22nd will include the opportunity for those in attendance to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The sacrament takes place after the homily and before the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

The sacrament is not only for those who are in danger of imminent death and should not be thought of in that way. The sacrament may and should be given to anyone whose health is seriously impaired. The instruction on the sacrament offers these general guidelines for who rightly asks to receive the sacrament:

- * those whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age;
- * the sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after being anointed and then again falls ill, or if during the same illness the person's condition becomes more serious;
- * elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present;
- * sick children may be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament.

Celebrating the sacrament during Mass gives us the opportunity to collectively bring our weakness and ill health to God for blessing and healing. By the sacrament, we present ourselves and our loved ones to God, and we are strengthened by praying together for each other. Even if you are not in need of this sacrament at this time, come and pray with brothers and sisters here, who beg God's healing Spirit in their lives.

PLAZA RENOVATIONS TO BEGIN SOON

The architect completed the design. The sewer authority gave its approval. The contractor is ready to order materials. Our final set of plans and request to enter into a contract with the contractor is on the bishop's desk. With his approval (expected in about one week), we may see the beginning of construction in about three weeks.

Once begun, the project is expected to last about eight weeks, during which time the entire front plaza will not be open to any vehicles.

MENTORING A REFUGEE FAMILY

Earlier this week, four of us went through the orientation training for mentoring a refugee family. Once some more paperwork is completed, we'll be connected with a local refugee family – likely within a few weeks.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY GIFT BASKET

In celebration of the feast of Saint Patrick, the members of Holy Name Society are raffling a gift basket. The basket is filled with useful and delightful items. It is displayed this weekend near the north entrance of the church (the Blessed Mother altar side). Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from any member of the society.

LADIES' AUXILIARY THANK YOU

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Peter Claver sent this following message of gratitude:

Thank you Holy Spirit family for making the Ladies of Peter Claver's bake sale a tremendous success. We are blessed to belong to such a supportive parish family.

THANK YOU

Ruthie Darrell and her family extend their gratitude to the Holy Spirit Church family for our prayers, condolences and acts of kindness, on the passing of her husband, Carlton Darrell.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Monday 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11: 14-23

Friday Hos 14: 2-10; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

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Join fellow
parishioners
in praying
the Stations
of the Cross
on Friday nights
during Lent
at 6:30.

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

SECOND COLLECTION CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Next week our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection. You can learn more about the Catholic Relief Services at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The next Grief Support gathering is next Sunday at any of six Catholic cemeteries, including Calvary on Miles Avenue. An in-person meeting is at 3:00 pm; a virtual meeting is at 5:00 pm.

<https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Organizing meeting for anyone interested
Sunday, 19 March 2023, 1:00 pm
Parish Center

COLLECTION	
05 March 2023 — online contributions	\$3,619.00
05 March 2023 — envelope contributions	\$4,142.00
Sunday collection total	\$7,761.00
Ministries of Mercy — online contributions	\$000.00
Ministries of Mercy — envelope contributions	\$600.00
Ministries of Mercy total	\$600.00
<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 a eucharistic minister, 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
Dwight A. Carpenter	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	Barbara Galloway
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	Della Powell	Sr. Mary Beth Daly	Sharm Starks	Horace Reese
Sandra Rose	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
Jerry Cohea	Tyric Green			

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:

Sandra Clark	Mario Williams	Maurice Williams
Steven Rau	Sadé Powers-Morgan	Uchechi Onwuanaibe

