

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 27, 2023

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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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!

*Jesus said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter said in reply,
"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."*



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*Jesus said to him in reply,
"Blessed are you,
Simon son of Jonah.
For flesh and blood has not
revealed this to you, but my heav-
enly Father.*

Matthew 16:15-17

Saturday Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass

10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
(Holy Rosary 5:40-6:00pm)

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Sisters and Brothers in Christ!

This week I would like to share a scripture reflection from Liturgical Press that can shed light on today's Gospel:

We cannot presume to know God's ways or assume that God works by our expectation or calculation. Doing so reduces the Christian life to one of predictable repetitions, when life with God is truly a mystery of astonishing discoveries. We cannot dictate how God works, but we can trust God's love and the ultimate achievement of God's purposes. The question is whether we can follow and accept God's new work and revelations as they happen.

Peter, unlike some religious leaders, is able to accept Jesus as God's new revelation. In response, Jesus gives him special authority and responsibility. Of course, Peter also fails later by denying Jesus but is fully restored, because God will and can always improvise to bring mercy and redemption.

Matthew plays with the Greek words for "Peter" and "rock," as they sound very similar. Paul, in discussing the rejection of Jesus by some Jews, conflates several verses from Isaiah (8:14-15; 28:16) to talk about a rock on which some will stumble and fall (Rom 9:33). That is what happens when someone misses God's new acts because of presumptions about God.

Let us bring to God our needs as well as our faith in who He is...and then stay open to the new life He is always leading us into!

-Fr Dave

LITURGICAL CALENDAR/MASS INTENTIONS

- 8/27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm Vigil *Albert A. Pottinger*
10:30am *People of Holy Spirit Parish*
- 8/28 Memorial of Saint Augustine,
 Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- 8/29 Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist
- 8/30 Wednesday of 21st Week
6:30pm *Roderick Rencher*
- 8/31 Thursday of the 21st Week
- 9/1 Friday of the 21st Week
- 9/2 Saturday of the 21st Week
- 9/3 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:00pm Vigil *People of Holy Spirit Parish*
10:30am *Deceased of Andre/Alisa
 Smith Family*

BIRTHDAYS!!

- 8/27 Alisa Temple
- 8/28 Marissa Arnold, Charles Douglas
 Hercilia Gonzalez, Kennedy Morson
- 8/29 Rosemarie McBride
- 8/31 Pamela Gamier
- 9/1 Matthew Hales, Isaac King, John Murphy
- 9/3 Ayesah Douglas, Bradford Tabor,
 Charles Webb

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

- 8/27 **PSR Open House**, 12:15pm, Parish Center
- 9/7-9 **Strategic Planning Listening Sessions**
 Various Times, Parish Center
- 9/10 **Parish Council Meeting**, 12:15pm, PC
- 9/12 **Finance Council Meeting**, 6:30pm, PC
- 9/17 **First Day of PSR Classes**, 12:15pm, PC

Monday Night Bible Study

Monday, 7:00pm, Zoom

Little Rock Men's Bible Study

Mondays, 7:00pm, Thea Bowman

Thursday Bible Study (beginning 9/14)

Thursdays, 12:00pm, PC

Women's Guild

1st Saturday, 10:30am, PC

Men of Faith

1st Sunday, 12:15pm, PC

PSR

1st and 3rd Sunday, 12:15pm, PC

OGN

2nd Thursday, 7:00pm, Zoom

Peter Claver

3rd Saturday, 9:30am, PC



PSR OPEN HOUSE!

Holy Spirit Parish School of Religion (PSR) will host an Open House this Sunday, August 27th after the 10:30 mass in the Parish Center. Come share fellowship, faith, and refreshments with the PSR community. All families with students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade are encouraged to come and make sure you have all the information needed to be ready when PSR classes begin September 17th. Learn about changes to this year PSR program. Pick up your PSR calendar.



We have several opportunities to join ongoing communities who dive into God’s Word and discover the richness of our salvation and how to apply it to our lives. Please consider attending one of the following bible studies:

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY,

Mondays, 7:00pm, on Zoom

LITTLE ROCK MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Mondays, 7:00pm, Thea Bowman Center

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Resumes on Thursday, Sept. 14, at 12:00pm, in the Parish Center. The study will begin with a study of the Book of Genesis.



CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FRIARS PROVINCE OF ST AUGUSTINE 150TH JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Saturday, Sep 30 · 12–2 PM

St Paul Shrine, 4120 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland

Bishop Edward Malesic, Presider

Fr Bob Marva OFM Cap, Homilist

All are invited to celebrate the friars and the communities they have served in Cleveland for over 40 years and in the USA for 150 years! If you would like to attend, please RSVP:

ddomanski@dioceseofcleveland.org

STRATEGIC PLAN LISTENING SESSIONS

Please complete a survey being distributed at Masses this weekend and sign up at one of the Church entrances to attend a listening session where you can provide further input on who we are as a Holy Spirit family, how we would like to grow in faith, serve our community, and invite others into our home!

A UNIQUE PROGRAM TO STRENGTHEN AND HEAL YOUR MARRIAGE SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2023

The Retrouvaille program is designed to help married couples develop improved ways of communicating and relating to each other in order to overcome challenges which have left them feeling frustrated, hurt, distant, or even hopeless. Retrouvaille, which means rediscovery, is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, but is open to couples of all faiths. This program consists of a weekend experience and six follow up sessions. For more infor-

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. Please join us to learn more about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and savings certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event to HOLY CROSS Cemetery – 14609 Brookpark Rd., Brook Park 216/641-7575 ext. 3 or email bdejohn@clecem.org.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION GRIEF SUPPORT MEETINGS

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually: For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>. For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.



PLAZA RENOVATION TO BEGIN SOON

With the plaza renovation beginning soon we need to begin parking all cars either in the Church parking lot behind the Church or on the Church side of Cranwood Drive.

COLLECTION

	8/13/23	8/20/23
<i>Online Contributions</i>	\$2945.00	\$2540.20
<i>Envelope Contributions</i>	\$2175.00	\$2282.00
<i>Sunday Collection Total</i>	\$5120.00	\$4822.20
<i>Ministry of Mercy (online)</i>	\$25.00	\$90.00
<i>Ministry of Mercy (envelopes)</i>	\$25.00	\$65.00
<i>Ministry of Mercy Total</i>	\$50.00	\$155.00

Thank you so much for your continuous support!

ONLINE GIVING VIA OUR SUNDAY VISITOR (OSV)

www.osvhub.com/holyspiritcleveland/giving/funds

Take advantage of the simplistic convenience of automatic, regularly scheduled contributions (or one-time gifts for special collections) through Our Sunday Visitor. You control how much and how often you give. You can see reports on your contribution history and generate tax statements at each year's end.

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:

Carrie Aaron	Merline Goodson	Sr. Kathleen McCafferty	Doris St. Clair
Thelma Arnold	Tyric Green	Don Miller	Sharm Starks
Raman Belinson	Maria Hanan	Barbara Oliver	Bill & Monica Starks
Maureen Belinson	Mildred Jackson	Jimmy Owens	Theresa Talbott
Bettina & Horace Bowling	John and Mary James	Vera Payne	Jonathan Traylor
Allyssa Brand-Bey	Daniel Jefferson	Ann Payne	Henry Tucker
Dwight A. Carpenter	Clementine Jefferson	Kiana Pearson	Cole Whaley
Jesse & Jessica Carr	Reaver Jones	Patricia Pendleton	Carmen Whaley
Jerry Cohea	John P. Jones, Jr.	Fletcher & Delores Posey	Preston Whatley
Helen Collier	Beverly Jordan	Della Powell	Linda E. Williams
Denise Curry	Tammy Larkin	Catherine Powell	Cora Williams
Cordell Curry	Rochelle Larkin-Carr	Roger & Connie Raines	Catherine Wilson
Patricia Douglas	Tyrone & Terry Lester	Pauline Reed	Hal Wyant
Ruby Fett	Star Lewandowski	Sophonra Reed	Marvin Young
Estella Fortson	Amanda Lewis	Horace Reese	
Kendall Fortson	Wendy Lewis	Demateress Richards	
Gerri Fracasso	Shirley Liston	Edith Richardson	
Maxine & Shelby Friend	Margaret Luton	Sandra Rose	
Barbara Galloway	Marian Mauldin	Jean & Len Rosky	
Rachel Gason	Rosemarie McBride	Jesse Smiley	

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	Steven Rau	Mario Williams
Uchechi Onwunaibe	Sydney Turner	Maurice Williams
Sadé Powers-Morgan		

