A silhouette illustration of a nativity scene against a purple and pink sunset sky. In the foreground, three camels are led by a figure. To the left, a group of figures, including Mary and Joseph, are gathered around the infant Jesus in a manger. A large, leafless tree stands to the left of the manger. In the background, rolling hills are visible under a starry night sky with a prominent bright star.

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
and they shall name him Emmanuel,  
which means God is with us.

-Matthew 11:23

4th Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

## Holy Spirit Catholic Church

4341 East 131st Street

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Office Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs 9:00am-1:00pm or by appointment

**Saturday Vigil Mass**

4:00 pm

**Sunday Mass**

10:30 am

**Wednesday Weekday Mass**

5:00 pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Wednesday, 4:00-4:50pm  
or by appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday, 4:00-4:50pm  
(Holy Rosary, 4:30 pm)

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## HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear Holy Spirit Family,

This last Sunday of Advent is a reminder of how God leads us in our lives. Joseph had a plan that he thought needed to happen. He felt that to protect Mary, whom he was betrothed to and who was found pregnant, it would be best to quietly divorce her. He was looking out for her good in the only way he knew how at that moment. It was at that same moment that the angel appeared and revealed that God had other plans for him. These were not just alternative plans, but far greater plans that involved the salvation of the entire world! If Joseph had not opened his mind and heart to this invitation, where would we be today? St. Joseph played a crucial role as the adopted father of Jesus and spouse of Mary, protecting them from the dangers of those who wanted to be rid of them. Joseph was awoken by the Holy Spirit's presence in His life and he responded with *immediate trust*. As we spend these last few days of Advent preparing for Christmas, let us ask ourselves, where is the Holy Spirit asking me to trust in Him more? Where do I need to put aside my own plans and designs, be still, and listen for God's guidance? Can I practice more patience with His timing and believe I will know His peace as the right answers to my problems and plans for my life are revealed?

*Fr David Nomand OFM CAP.*



### OUR VALUES

#### The Word

We are inspired by God's Word and the Eucharist as the source of our faith and salvation.

#### Family

We are committed to know, understand, and love each other as members of Christ's Body, the Church.

#### Inclusivity

We invite all to participate in the life and mission of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

#### Outreach

We are called through the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel message and reach out to the poor and oppressed.

#### Legacy

We nurture our faith across all generations to build a lasting foundation for our Church.

### OUR VISION

A parish where all find nourishment and support in family, life, and faith in Christ.

### OUR MISSION

To glorify, praise, and give thanks to God through Jesus Christ, by coming together as a diverse and welcoming community.

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR / MASS INTENTIONS

- 12/20-21 4th Sunday of Advent  
4:00pm, People of Holy Spirit Parish  
10:30am, Barbara & Walter Moore (Living)
- 12/22 Monday of the 4th Week of Advent
- 12/23 Tuesday of the 4th Week of Advent
- 12/24 The Nativity of the Lord (Vigil Mass)  
6:30pm, People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 12/25 The Nativity of the Lord (Mass during the Day)  
10:30am, People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 12/26 Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr
- 12/27 Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist
- 12/27-28 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
4:00pm, Kay Tucker  
10:30am, People of Holy Spirit Parish



- 12/21 Brenda Anekwe-Smith, Roslyn McClain
- 12/22 Kayla Norals Roseberry
- 12/24 Jasmine Adams-Linton, Chase Hales, Betty Martin-Holden, Mary Pinckney, Ivy Vallery
- 12/25 Jerome Baker, James Krivanek, Sylvia Little-Harris
- 12/26 Carla Budd, Etienne Forte, Leslie Traylor
- 12/27 Jeanne Donyo, Mattie Hogan, Matthew Sacco, Erin Whatley-Baker

## PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

**Monday Bible Study**....Mondays, 7:00pm, ZOOM

### Hardin Martin

**Men's Bible Study**.....Mondays, 7:00pm, PC

**Holy Spirit Food Pantry**...Tuesdays, 4-5pm, PC

### Cleveland Food Bank

**Mobile Food Distribution**...3rd Thursdays, 3-5pm

### Alcoholics Anonymous:

**Eastside Old Timers**.....Tuesday, 7:00pm, PC

### Alcoholics Anonymous:

**Wednesday Meeting**.....Wednesday, 10:00am, PC

**OGN**.....2nd Thursday, 7:00pm, ZOOM

**Thursday Bible Study**....Thursday, 12:00pm, PC

**Women's Guild**.....1st Saturday, 10:30am, PC

**Peter Claver**.....3rd Saturday, 9:30am, PC

**Men of Faith**.....1st Sunday, 12:15pm, PC

**Holy Name Society**.....2nd Sunday, 12:15pm, PC

**PSR**.....1st/3rd Sunday, 12:15pm, PC

**Coffee and Conversation**...4th Sunday, following  
10:30 Mass in Mulligan Hall

**Arts Reaching Kids**.....Sundays from 2-4pm, PC  
Call 216-925-9183 to register for the next session





**Wed, Dec 24 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

6:00pm Youth Christmas Pageant

6:30pm Vigil Mass with Carols after Communion

**Thurs, Dec 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

10:30am Mass during the Day

**Sun, Dec 28, THE HOLY FAMILY (regular Masses)**

**Thurs, Jan 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

*Holyday of Obligation*

10:30am Mass

**Sun, Jan 4, THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

*Feast Day of Holy Spirit Parish*

4:00pm Vigil Mass CANCELLED

10:30am Sunday Mass followed by lunch reception

**Sun, Jan 11, THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**



**YOUTH  
AND FAMILY  
GAME NIGHT  
FRIDAY, DEC 26  
6-8PM**

JOIN US IN MULLIGAN HALL FOR FOOD AND FUN  
AFTER ALL THE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS!



**HOLY SPIRIT  
FINANCE COUNCIL  
PRESENTS**

# Jesus, Dollars & Donuts

A FAITH BASED APPROACH TO MONEY MANAGEMENT

**October 26, 2025** - Count your costs: Know what's in your wallet? Your big bad budget vs that Big Beautiful Bill.

**November 23, 2025** - How can I give 10% to Jesus when I'm paying 25% to my credit card?

**January 25, 2026** - Financial talk for black families, Estate planning, wills, trusts, life insurance and planned giving.

## IN THE CHURCH

*Immediately following Mass*

A discussion of scriptures and finances today,  
based on

DFREE® Financial Freedom Movement (faith-based curriculum)  
[www.dfree.org](http://www.dfree.org)

# MLK DAY

*Join us for a*

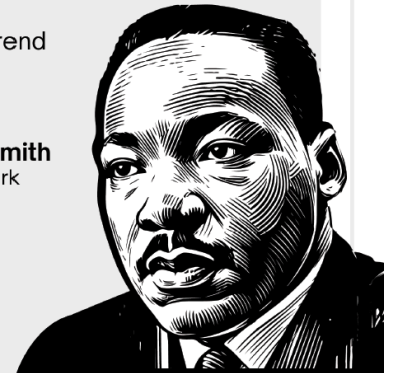
Memorial Liturgy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM

*The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist*

Celebrant: Most Reverend  
Michael G. Woost

**Homilist: Fr. Kareem Smith**  
Archdiocese of New York



The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
1007 Superior Avenue E  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114-2582



**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION**  
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

*Faith, Hope, and Remembrance*

The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next Sunday Grief Support Group will be Sunday January 18th.

In-person will meet at 3pm, virtual at 5pm. In a welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings are being held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at no charge to you.

Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand.

For details, call Renee at 216-930-4866 or visit:

[www.clecem.org/Events](http://www.clecem.org/Events)

## In-Person Locations:

- All Saints, Northfield - 480 W. Highland Road
- All Souls, Chardon - 10366 Chardon Road
- Holy Cross, Akron - 100 E Waterloo Road
- Holy Cross, Brook Park - 14609 Brookpark Road
- St. Joseph, Avon - 32789 Detroit Road

Virtual – Please register at

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

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	4:00pm	10:30am	Total
11/22-11/23	38	159	197
11/29-11/30	20	113	133
12/6-12/7	64	173	237
12/13-12/14	18	92	110



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

***Do you know someone who may be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?***

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and/or possibly becoming a member of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. Classes will begin this Fall. Please call or text Erin Raines at 216-543-7679 for more information.

WEEKLY COLLECTION	12/14/25
<b>Weekly Collection Goal</b>	<b>\$7,712.00</b>
<b>Sunday Total Collection</b>	<b>\$5,716.00</b>
Sunday Online Contributions	\$3,340.00
Sunday Envelope Contributions	\$2,376.00
<b>Ministry of Mercy Total</b>	<b>\$746.00</b>
Ministry of Mercy (online)	\$215.00
Ministry of Mercy (envelopes)	\$531.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

**PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING**

[www.osvhub.com/holyspiritcleveland/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/holyspiritcleveland/giving/funds)



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

***Holy Spirit Church's Ministry of Mercy*** is funded by the generosity of our Holy Spirit family to assist those in need of emergency assistance. It is primarily for our parish family member. It is also used to purchase food and supplies for our Holy Spirit Hunger Center, Tuesday Food Pantry and third thursday Mobile Food Pantry, which supports our surrounding neighborhood community. Thank you for your generous support of this valuable ministry that is helping so many!

### PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS

*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 an extraordinary minister, please contact the parish office.*

***Let us always pray for our sick and shut-in parishinors. In particular, please remember in prayer:***

Carrie Aaron	Kendall Fortson	Shirley Liston	Edith Richardson
Thelma Arnold	Maxine & Shelby Friend	Margaret Luton	Sandra Rose
Raman Belinson	Merline Goodson	Marian Mauldin	Jean & Len Rosky
Maureen Belinson	Tyric Green	Rosemarie McBride	Doris St. Clair
Frank Blackmon	Maria Hanan	Barbara Neal	Sharm Starks
Bettina & Horace Bowling	Mary James	Barbara Oliver	Bill & Monica Starks
Allyssa Brand-Bey	Daniel Jefferson	Jimmy Owens	Jonathan Traylor
Dwight A. Carpenter	Clementine Jefferson	Wilbur & Beverly Parker	Leslie Traylor
Jesse & Jessica Carr	Reaver Jones	Ann Payne	Cole Whaley
Helen Collier	John P. Jones, Jr.	Kiana Pearson	Carmen Whaley
Denise Curry	Beverly Jordan	Fletcher & Delores Posey	Preston Whatley
Sr. Mary Beth Daly	Tammy Larkin	Della Powell	Linda E. Williams
Patricia Douglas	Rochelle Larkin-Carr	Roger & Connie Raines	Catherine Wilson
Ruby Fett	Tyrone & Terry Lester	Pauline Reed	Marvin Young
Estella Fortson	Wendy Lewis	Horace Reese	

*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 PARISHINORS IN THE MILITARY:

Saundra Clark	Steven Rau	Mario Williams
Uchechi Onwuanaibe	Sydney Turner	Maurice Williams

