

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

Rev. William L. Arnold, Pastor

January 24, 2010

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 23:

Vigil of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, January 24: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Philip Harwick (Virginia Brenneman)

11:00 a.m. Maria Tata (Valerio & Maria Tata)

Monday, January 25: The Conversion of St. Paul, apostle

8:00 a.m. Dolores Devlin (Parish Gift)

Tuesday, January 26: St. Timothy & St. Titus, bishops

8:00 a.m. Carole Gilmore (The Passero Family)

Wednesday, January 27: St. Angela Merici, virgin

9:00 a.m. Dave Ducey (Bob & Marilyn Cain)

Thursday, January 28:

St. Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Felicia Floyd (Fr. Bill Arnold)

Friday, January 29:

8:00 a.m. John "Duke" Stapleton

Saturday, January 30:

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Hugh N. Kelly (Betsy Ferguson)

Sunday, January 31: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For the People

11:00 a.m. John L. Davis (Parish Gift)



Please Remember in Prayer: Catherine Knoblauch, our long-time parishioner who died January 19, 2010. Her funeral Mass was held Friday, January 22nd at Holy Spirit Church. Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers are with her family for their loss.

Please also pray for those parish family and friends who are hospitalized and/or ill, including Carl Jura, Michele Smith and Joe Gillilan, and for those who are homebound or in convalescent homes.

Remember in your prayers, the thousands of people in Haiti who have lost their lives, the injured survivors, the emergency workers, and all those who are suffering through this great tragedy.

Also pray for the servicemen and women of our armed forces and their families and those who may be in harm's way.



Thank You – Special Collection

for Haiti: Spontaneous generosity is a great thing. It is nothing less than the ability to respond immediately to an urgent need.

Last weekend, our collection for the earthquake victims in Haiti yielded **\$5,427.95**. The check has already been sent to Catholic Relief Services in Baltimore, MD.

In the event you were not prepared to contribute last week, found yourself short a few extra dollars, or wanted to write a check for this week, the Second Collection for Haiti will be taken again this week. Please – do not take offense if you gave last week and are not able/prepared to give again this weekend! If you didn't give last weekend and are prepared today, the special Second Collection is for you! Thank you – God will reward your generosity to the victims in Haiti! This is a second opportunity – not an obligation!



From the Pastor's Desk...

The Gospel for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time comes from the very beginning of the Gospel of Luke. He addresses his Gospel account to Theophilus – the same individual to whom his second work, the Acts of the Apostles, is addressed. Luke pledges his audience accuracy and reliability of his narrative. The opening jumps from chapter one to chapter four – much of the intervening or missing narrative is the Lucan account of the birth of the Christ – texts which were proclaimed during the Christmas season.

Notice the initial enthusiasm of the reception Jesus received in Nazareth, where He had grown up. Luke records that He taught in the synagogues and was praised by all. The praise will soon turn to venom, as the people begin to desert His teaching and realize their own personal disapproval. In fact, the verses immediately following today's text record the crowd's outrage at Jesus' final words read today: "Today, this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." The next lines tell us how the residents of Nazareth discredit Jesus' authority and teaching by remarking "He is only a carpenter's son – his family is of no importance."

What could strengthen Jesus, given the initial outbreak of hostility against Him? Jesus announces that His ministry is directed by the Spirit. He knows that He has an important mission to bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to the blind and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Jesus knows who is guiding Him and who has come to help. He has said it all.

Have a good week,
Fr. Bill Arnold



LITURGY

Liturgy and Spiritual Life Committee – This new committee under the direction of our Pastor, Fr. Bill Arnold, will hold its first meeting, this Tuesday evening, January 26, 2010. Public Prayer of the Church – (Liturgy and Spirituality) is the "source and fountainhead" of the life of the Church (Vatican II). As such, it deserves primary focus and attention, from the parish and from us as individuals. The purpose of the Committee is to assist Father Arnold in 1) creating oversight and insight into all parish worship activities; 2) increasing parishwide understanding of the reasons behind the order of liturgy; 3) seeking input from committee members and parishioners on possible growth areas of our common worship and spirituality.

Parish Offertory Summary

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	January 16 & 17
Parish Contribution Envelopes (243)	\$ 6,969.10
(538 people attending Mass)	
Cash offerings	\$ 368.62
Candles	\$ 74.20
Catholic Relief Services (Haiti)	\$ 5,427.95
Holy Spirit School Endowment Fund	\$ 10.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 65.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 125.00
Total Contributions	\$ 13,059.87

Your contributions to Holy Spirit Parish keep the ministries and the operations of the Parish in good financial standing. Your financial sacrifice will be used wisely. Thank You – God will reward your generosity.

This Week at Holy Spirit Parish

Bingo Games are Held each Monday and Friday in the Church Hall. The doors open at 6:00 p.m., the games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 24:

Children's Liturgy of the Word during 11:00 a.m. Mass
9:15-10:45 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library
9:15-10:45 a.m. – R.C.I.C. – Parish Office
12:30 p.m. – Baptism Instruction Class – Parish Office
2:00-6:00 p.m. – Echoes of Faith – School Classroom

Monday, January 25:

7:00 p.m. – St. Vincent de Paul Society – Parish Office

Tuesday, January 26:

4:00 p.m. – Youth Choir – School Music Room
7:00 p.m. – Liturgy & Spiritual Life Committee – Parish Office

Wednesday, January 27:

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir – Church Loft

Thursday, January 28:

6:45 p.m. – Adult Bell Choir – Church

Sunday, January 31:

Catholic Schools Week Liturgy at 11:00 a.m. Mass
9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library
9:15 a.m. – PSR (Parish School of Religion) – School Building
10:45 a.m. – Preschool and Kindergarten – enter at Yearling Road – Preschool entrance
2:00-6:00 p.m. – Echoes of Faith – School Classroom

Submit items for the January 31st Bulletin by Tuesday, January 26th at 5:00 p.m. E-mail: bulletin@holyspiritcolumbus.org
Fax number is 861-3746.

2010 Family Life Calendars including monthly blessings, weekly Sunday readings with related discussion questions, Feast Days, Holy Days, suggested activities that encourage awareness of God's constant presence, as well as large spaces for families to record daily celebrations and commitments are available from the Family Life Office of Altoona-Johnstown Diocese for \$4.00 each (including postage) by calling 814-886-5551 or e-mailing familylife@dioceseaj.org. Inquire about quantity prices.

Looking for Science Fair Judges: Holy Spirit School is looking for adults to help judge their 7th grade students' Science Fair Projects on Wednesday evening, **February 3rd**, at 6:00 p.m. Judges can have no affiliation with the 7th grade students. Please contact the School Office at 861-0475 if interested.



Holy Spirit School Registration for 2010-2011 School Year

Holy Spirit School is accepting registrations for children in three- and four-year-old preschool and students in kindergarten through eighth grade. During the months of January and February, registrations will be accepted for parishioners' children and members of Catholic parishes that do not have their own school. Families of other faiths and members of other Catholic parishes that have their own school may register beginning March 1st.

Open House – Thursday, February 4, from 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Information Night – Wednesday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Please call the School Office at 861-0475 for further details.

Monte Carlo Night: Our next Monte Carlo night will be on Saturday, February 6th, 7:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Free admission – must be 21 to enter. Food available. Cash Door Prizes. 7-Card Stud Poker, Texas Hold'em, Blackjack, Games of Chance.

If you can help out as a dealer (Blackjack, Poker, Texas Hold'em), shuffler, game worker, or instant bingo sales, call Bill Heinmiller (475-3390). You must be at least 21 years old and a member of the parish or a school family. Working these events is a requirement of parents of Holy Spirit Parish student athletes – one per sport season. Your support is greatly appreciated!!!

The Knights of Columbus Steak Fry: Friday, February 12, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. 4217 East Main Street in Whitehall. Get your choice of steak or chicken for \$10.00. Carry-out also available. Call 235-2786.



Food Pantry Update

We currently need spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned or box dinners and cereal. Thank you for your continuing help.

Happy Spirits: Come as a Guest or come to Join – our Over 50 club on **Thursday, February 4th at 1:00 p.m.** in the Church Hall. We will be celebrating "Valentines," so please come dressed in RED and bring a covered dish with some RED flare to it. We will also be celebrating "Mardi Gra," so please wear some beads, and if ya gotta mask – we would love to see it. We will again have a "Kings Cake:" with a baby discreetly hidden within it. Lastly, the quartet "Just for Fun" will be singing some barbershop music for us! Please call Bob Udeck for more information (861-6568, polishbob@att.net).

What's Happening Around Town

Free Evening of Reflection at St. Brigid's in Dublin. Catholic Biblical Author and Scholar Steven J. Binz will speak Wednesday evening, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. in Hendricks Hall. The subject will be the ancient practice of Lectio Divina, or sacred reading and will show Bible readers how to experience the ongoing power of the Spirit within the inspired texts of the Bible.

Free Hearing Services: Franklin County Senior Options and Columbus Speech & Hearing Center are offering: Hearing screenings, hearing evaluations, hearing aid fittings, hearing aid maintenance and follow-up service at the Whitehall Family Health Center on **January 28, 2010, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** Seniors who need hearing aids may qualify for a free device. All services provided by a licensed and certified Audiologist. Seniors must be age 60 or older to participate in the program. Call 614-261-5452 to schedule an appointment.

Divorce Workshop: The next eight-week workshop will be held Thursday evenings, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., on the following dates: **January 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2010**, at the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus. The fee is \$40.00 and scholarships are available. For additional information, call the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or go to www.familylife.colstdioc.org and click on the *Hurting Families* link, to print a brochure and registration form.

St. Charles Holding Scholarship Test: Annual test to prospective students will be held **Saturday, January 30 at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.** The results are used to determine who will receive academically based scholarships and grants offered by the school to its students for the 2010-2011 school year. The test is open to all eighth grade boys who are currently enrolled at any of the public, parochial and private elementary or middle schools in Franklin or other surrounding counties that comprise Central Ohio. Applicants must register by calling Laurie Berndt at the School Office (614-252-6714).

Bishop Hartley High School Winter Open House will be held Thursday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. Eighth, seventh, and sixth graders and their families are invited to attend. The event will feature brief informational talks from Principal Winters and the Guidance Dept., Academic Dept.'s, Athletic Teams, and Extra-curricular Activities will have information tables and materials. Campus tours will be held and Faculty, Administration, Students, and current parents will be available to answer questions. Please contact the school with additional questions (237-5421).

Interactive Weekend Retreat for Men. February 12-14, 2010. Father John D. Corbett, O.P., will be the Retreat Director and the theme will be: "Our Friends and Our Enemies." For more information, please contact team captains Gary Hasson at (614) 216-4500 or Mark Hasson at (614) 734-0591.

Bishop Hartley Style Show and Luncheon: The 19th Annual Bishop Hartley Style Show and Luncheon will be held on **Saturday, March 6, 2010**, at the Columbus Country Club. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. and lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. Look for further details in upcoming bulletins. Mark your calendars!