

# Holy Spirit Church

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2013



**Saturday, November 23, Vigil Mass of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

5:30 p.m. Gregory Wengerter  
(Barb and Ed Wengerter)

**Sunday, November 24, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

Readings: 162: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/  
Lk 23:35-43

11:00 a.m. Esther Boruszewski (Bert Boruszewski)

**Monday, November 25, St. Catherine of Alexandria**

Readings: 503: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/(Ps) Dn 3:52-56/  
Lk 21:1-4

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip

**Monday, November 25 – Day Chapel of Holy Spirit**

7:00 p.m. Memorial Mass for Deceased of Knights  
of Columbus – Chapter 3864:

**Tuesday, November 26**

Readings: 504: Dn 2:31-45/(Ps) Dn 3:57-61/Lk 21:5-11

1:15 p.m. William Widmyer (Elaine Trouten)

**Wednesday, November 27**

Readings: 505: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/  
(Ps) Dn 3:62-67/Lk 21:12-19

9:00 a.m. A Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Philip

**Thursday, November 28, Thanksgiving Day**

Readings: 684A: Sir 50:22-24/Ps 138:1-5/1 Cor 1:3-9  
Lk 17:11-19

9:00 a.m. James Barlow (Betsy Isett)

**Friday, November 29**

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**Saturday, November 30,**

**Vigil Mass of the First Sunday of Advent**

5:30 p.m. Joe Rath (the Rath Family)

**Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent**

Readings: 1: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-9/Rom 13:11-14  
Mt 24:37-44

11:00 a.m. Antonio & Rose Battaglia & Family  
(Iulianelli Family)

**Please Note:** A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. Philip Church on Wednesday, November 27th at 9:00 a.m.



**Holy Spirit Parish Mass on Thanksgiving Day** will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. in the main Church. Please come and give thanks

to God for all that He has given our families, our parish, and our country. **The Parish Office will be closed** Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 29th. It will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, December 2, 2013.

**Remember in your prayers** those who have been hospitalized or are ill, especially Edward Chamberlain and Mimi Moore.

**Volunteers Needed.** The Advent Wreath will be blessed and the candles lit at the end of the Prayers of the Faithful during each one of our weekend liturgies during Advent. At each Mass, we need families or a group of individuals to assist in this part of the Mass. Instructions will be given on this procedure. Please look for the sign-up sheet in the welcome center.

**From the Pastor's Desk....**

During the past liturgical year, we have heard the Gospel of Luke proclaimed at the Sunday liturgies. On most Sundays, I pointed out that in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus is making His way to Jerusalem, the city where He will fulfill His ministry and mission – death on the cross and resurrection to new life. Along the way, He instructs His disciples and willing listeners in the duties, burdens and challenges of discipleship.

On the last Sunday of the Church year, the feast of Christ the King, all that now comes to an end. Jesus is hanging on the cross. All levels of authority and power – the rulers, the Roman soldiers, even one of the criminals – mock and jeer at Jesus, belittling Him while they call Him “the Christ (anointed one) of God,” “the King of the Jews” and once again “the Christ.” Jesus’ mission and call to discipleship includes rejection and humiliation. These bystanders ironically hurl epithets at Jesus, which give witness to His true identity.

Finally, on the cross comes from Jesus the utterance of true power and authority. The good thief, Dismas by tradition, pleads to Jesus in the moment of his death and suffering. This thief asks for forgiveness and to be with Jesus when He comes into His Kingdom. It is the prayer of a dying man and the prayer all of us hope to give voice to in the moment of our own death. In this moment of humility and contrition, he receives from Jesus a promise of forgiveness and acceptance. With this pronouncement, the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem is complete and His mission is fulfilled. The power of the King on the cross has been revealed as the power of forgiveness.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!  
Fr. Bill Arnold

**Today is the Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

**Collection:** This collection provides funds for groups that make lasting changes and uplift the poor in the United States. Help us to defend human dignity and take poverty off the map. Envelopes are in your packets. Be as generous as possible.

**Memorial Book of our Beloved Dead:** In the back of the church, on a table, rests the Book of the Deceased. During the month of November, we especially remember and pray for our faithful departed. **This is the last Sunday that all parishioners are invited to inscribe the names of their deceased loved ones in the book.**



**K of C Memorial Mass:** The deceased members of the Knights of Columbus Marian Council 3864 will be remembered at a special Memorial Mass on Monday evening, November 25, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., in the Day Chapel of Holy Spirit Church at 4383 E. Broad Street. Members and friends are invited back to the K of C Hall after the Mass for social time. You are cordially invited – please plan to attend.

**Sacrament of Penance before Christmas:** Advent seems to come and go quickly. Look ahead in your calendar and prepare to receive the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) in preparation for Christmas. This is an excellent way to heed the message of John the Baptist: “Prepare the way of the Lord.” Listed here are a few scheduled opportunities to receive the Sacrament before Christmas:

**Monday, December 9** – Penance Service at St. Pius in Reynoldsburg at 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 15** – Penance Service at Holy Spirit at 2:00 p.m.

**Private Confession Times will be listed next week**

Ministry Sign-up Sheets for Thanksgiving Day are in the Welcome Center.



**Advent Bible Study:** The Advent season is a time of preparation, to direct our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. Our Advent Bible Study will focus on the infancy narratives of

Matthew and Luke and explore the many connections these two Gospels make with the Old Testament. The three-week series will take place from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on December 2nd, 9th, and 16th. All three sessions will be held in the Holy Spirit Parish Office. For more information, contact Mark Butler at 614-861-1521.



- ❖ **Sunday, November 24** - St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving food drive in the church at 1:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Wednesday, November 27** - Choir practice - Men's Sectional at 7:00 p.m.



**Whitehall Community Kids' Christmas:** The "Giving Tree" is now up and adorned with many ornaments. The ornaments on the tree represent the children in Whitehall who Holy Spirit Parish

has adopted to help make the Giving Season of Christmas possible. Holy Spirit has joined with other faith communities in Whitehall and adopted 25 out of 225 children. These gifts consist primarily of necessities such as clothing and shoes, but also a few toys as well. Please consider taking an ornament (or two) from the "Giving Tree" and purchase these items. Please do not wrap any of the gifts, but securely attach the ornament onto the gift before placing it back under the tree no later than December 10. Your generosity will be rewarded. If you have any questions, call Mrs. Kathie Rath at 861-1521.

**Happy Spirits and Silver Stars** will be holding their Christmas gathering on Thursday, December 5, at 1:30 p.m., in Holy Spirit's Church Hall. Ham and scalloped potatoes will be furnished, please bring a dish to share! All are welcome!

**Parish Offertory Summary: November 16 & 17**

Offertory Envelopes (158)	\$ 6,525.35
Loose Offerings	\$ 279.85
St. Vincent de Paul (7)	\$ 108.00
Capital Improvement/Maintenance (8)	\$ 2,375.00
All Saints (1)	\$ 1.00
Military Service Envelope (8)	\$ 250.00
Military Service -Loose Cash	\$ 66.25
Christmas Flowers (1)	\$ 10.00
Candles	\$ 79.11
Second Collection - Relief for Philippines	\$ 1,586.27
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$11,280.83</b>

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Your generosity is very much appreciated.  
Your contributions help keep our finances strong.  
May God reward your generosity.

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**Holy Spirit School News:**



- **Tuesday, November 26** - All-School Liturgy at 1:15 p.m.
- **Tuesday, November 26** - Preschool parent/teacher conferences
- **Tuesday, November 26** - Parent/teacher conferences for kindergarten through eighth grade at 3:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday, November 27 through Sunday, December 1** - No School - Thanksgiving Break! School resumes December 2nd.

**Youth Encountering Life and Liturgy Upcoming Events**



- **November 24** - Middle School meeting from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Gym for Movie Night! Don't miss the Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Celebration! Discussion Topic "Learn how and what to be thankful for!" Come and enjoy a "Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Meal."
- **December 4** - Theology of the Body for High School students. Please meet in the school gym from 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- **December 10** - Visit the Nativity Scene at the State Auto Building (more details to come)



**Winter Carnival!** Holy Spirit Mothers' Club invites you to the annual Winter Carnival on Sunday, December 8, 2013, in the school from 12:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Come and enjoy lunch provided by O'Charleys (dine in or take away), the Book Fair,

the baskets raffle, Mothers' Club pantry and bake sale, games and prizes for the children, entertainment, a Secret Santa preview and more!

**Bakers Needed!** The Mothers' Club needs home-baked goods to fill their pantry for the Winter Carnival! Drop your goodies off in the school gym on Saturday, December 7, between 12:00-2:00 p.m. All types of baked goods are need, including sugar-free and gluten-free goodies! Winter Carnival, which is Mothers' Club's biggest fund raiser, is Sunday, December 8, from 12:30 until 4:00 p.m. throughout the school.

**Coat Drive:** Joseph's Coat, an entirely volunteer run, non-profit organization that provides clothing, household items and personal care items to individuals and families, is in need of coats for the individuals whom they serve. If you are able to donate a coat, please drop it off in the box in the Welcome Center or contact the parish office. Joseph's Coat is also looking for volunteers in order to extend their hours. For more information, call 614-367-9698.

**Christmas Flower Memorials:** Christmas flowers are placed in the sanctuary each year in memory of deceased family and friends. A **minimum contribution of \$15.00** is asked for up to three names. Envelopes are included in your packets or you may use the form below. Place your contribution in the weekly collection by December 9, 2013. A list of names and donors will be published in the Christmas bulletin.

<b>Christmas Flower Memorial</b>	
(Please print information below)	
In Memory of _____	
_____	
Offered by _____	
Donation Amount \$ _____	