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Holy Spirit & St. Philip Church
First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2022



Saturday, November 26 – Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent

4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Woody McGonigle
 (Doug & Karen Brandel)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Anthony Iacobone
 (Gery Fazio)

Sunday, November 27 – The First Sunday of Advent

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

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – For the People of
 St. Philip & Holy Spirit Parishes**

11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Carmen Angelo
 (Plank & Kelley Families)

Monday, November 28

Readings: 175: Is 4:2-6 / Ps 122:1-9 / Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29 –

Reading: 176: Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Lk 10:21-24

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Joe Gornick
 (Charlie & Marcia Keck)

Wednesday, November 30 – St. Andrew

Readings: 684: Rom 10:9-18 / Ps 19:8-11 / Mt 4:18-22

9:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Lucia & Tony Canini
 (Family)

Thursday, December 1

Readings: 178: Is 26:1-6 / Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a /
 Mt 7:21, 24-27

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Evelyn Bailey
 (Tom & Mary Kitsmiller)

Friday, December 2

Readings: 179: Is 29:17-24 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 / Mt 9:27-31

8:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – All-School Liturgy
Melva Lee Cotyk-Abrams
 (Parish Gift Mass)

Saturday, December 3 – Vigil of the Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Greta Emmenegger
 (Angie Carfagna)

**5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Deceased Members
 of the Henne & Slevin Families**
 (Rick & Ryan Henne)

Sunday, December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

Readings: 4: Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Rom 15:4-9 /
 Mt 3:1-12

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Patti Grove
 (Maggie Grove)

**11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – For the People of
 Holy Spirit & St. Philip Parishes**

From the Pastor's Desk...

The spiritual dimension of Advent can certainly get lost and drop from sight. The culture surrounding Christmas has become smothering and overwhelming, partly for reasons of appealing warmth and sparkle, partly due to the irresistible drive of commercialism and shopping. Added to that, I believe, is a pervasive sense of impatience among people in general, perfectly described by fast food, microwaves, instant messaging, and all forms of fast (yet friendly) delivery.

Advent really does not seem to stand a chance. A spiritual season that stresses waiting, watchfulness, and unrushed preparation cannot seem to compete. The latest victim in the mad dash to Christmas is Thanksgiving Day itself. Once reserved for a grand meal of thanks in the company of family, always preceded by televised parades, and followed by football and naps, has been swallowed up. Seasonal encroachment has been fully embraced by business interests, eager to rechristen the holiday in the name of shopping, terrific bargains, and the opening gun at the starting line (front door) of Walmart, Macy's and Target stores everywhere.

I come back to the lost spiritual voice of Advent. It is precisely this tidal wave-like rush and crush of a stampeding commercial season that the Gospel speaks to today. The coming day of the Lord is so transformative of all prevailing conditions that everyone and everything is caught off guard. People will be eating and drinking, shopping and traveling, celebrating and singing. We become totally absorbed in the goings-on around us. Then, suddenly, the Lord appears. It is His appearance we hope and pray for during the Advent Season. Will we be prepared or caught off guard? Advent has begun! We await the coming of our Savior.

Have a Good Week!

Fr. Bill Arnold



First Sunday of Advent

*Grant Your faithful, we pray, Almighty God,
 the resolve to run forth to meet Your Christ
 with righteous deeds at Him coming,
 so that, gathered at His right hand,
 they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
 who lives and reigns with You in the unity of
 the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

Information for Holy Spirit Parish

Parish Offertory Summary: November 19/20

Offertory Envelopes (59)	\$ 2,890.00
Loose	\$ 146.10
St. Vincent de Paul (5)	\$ 165.00
Military Service Support (1)	\$ 40.00
All Saints Day (2)	\$ 20.00
Solemnity of Mary (2)	\$ 26.00
Thanksgiving (7)	\$ 130.00
Christmas (2)	\$ 27.00
Christmas Flowers (4)	\$ 65.00
Immaculate Conception (1)	\$ 6.00
Catholic Charities (1)	\$ 5.00
Human Development (6)	\$ 240.00
Capital Improvement (8)	\$ 320.00
Total	\$ 4,080.10

Thank You for Your Faithful Support! As we give thanks at this time for all that we have received from God, I express my appreciation to all Holy Spirit parishioners for your generous support of your parish in the weekly collection. May God reward your generosity.

Please Remember in Your Prayers: Ruth Grannan, age 94, a long-time member of Holy Spirit Parish, who died at home on November 20, 2022. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for her here at Holy Spirit at 10:30 a.m., on Monday, November 28th. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery in Columbus. Calling hours are Sunday, November 27th, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Egan Ryan Funeral Home. Please keep Ruth and her family in your prayers. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

We welcome these new members to our Holy Spirit Parish family, who were baptized on November 20, 2022:

Mariajose Flores and Bernardo Flores, children of **Jose Flores Martinez and Angelica Santos Ramos**

Whitehall Community Kids Christmas: All gifts need to be returned by this Sunday, November 27, 2022. If you did not bring your gift back yet, please bring it to the office on Monday. Please be sure to attach the tag from the tree to the unwrapped gift.

Ministry Schedule: Saturday, December 3, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Tim Heinmiller

Servers: Emiliano Gonzalez, Amy Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy & Bob Zimmerman

Ministry Schedule: Sunday, December 4, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Ian Ruiz

Servers: Zoe Ruiz, Blake Wyatt

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Gumbish, Maureen Dodd

Information for St. Philip the Apostle Parish

Parish Offertory Summary: November 19/20

Contributions (33)	\$ 4,917.75
Capital Improvement (1)	\$ 10.00
Food Pantry (7)	\$ 225.00
Christmas Flowers (4)	\$ 165.00
Human Development Campaign (13)	\$ 542.05
Total	\$ 5,859.80

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Announcement is made of the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage for Edwin Bonham, Jr. and Alaina White on December 3, 2022.

Please keep this couple in your prayers as they prepare for their Wedding Day.

Food Pantry Fall Project: We did not have a bucket collection in November. It will be replaced by a food drive for the entire month of November. We are still asking for canned and nonperishable foods such as fruits, vegetables, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, and boxed dinners like Hamburger Helper. We ask that the items be no bigger than 16 ounces. Cash donations will also be accepted. The volunteers at the pantry appreciate your generosity each and every month. Thank you ahead of time for this special project.



Please remember in your prayers Nora Filiatrault, Trudi Rieser, and David Spencer, our organist, and all the sick, homebound or recovering in our parish. Pray for those in our parish coping with physical and mental health conditions.

Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, December 3, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Steve Miller

Ministry Schedule:

Sunday, December 4, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Geoff Albrecht

Shared Parish Information



Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated Thursday, December 8th. Mary is the patroness of this country under the title of the Immaculate Conception. Mass for the Holy Day will be as follows:

9:00 a.m. – at St. Philip the Apostle

1:15 p.m. – at Holy Spirit

7:00 p.m. – at Holy Spirit

Additional Holy Spirit Information

From Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP): During the past six months, our SVDP members have received unprecedented calls for rental assistance, utilities, and visits to our food pantry. With your generous support, we have been able to provide assistance in these challenging times.

With the Christmas season approaching, we want to provide our neighbors with some extra assistance (in the form of gift cards and some other household necessities) to bring them a bit of cheer and good will. We have been blessed to receive a generous donation to aid in this endeavor, and we are inviting you, our parishioners, to contribute as well.

You will find envelopes are in the pews for you to contribute if you wish. Your generosity and support of our efforts is never taken for granted. Please know how much you are appreciated by our neighbors AND our members of St. Vincent de Paul!



Holy Spirit School News: The season of Advent is upon us! Holy Spirit School students will be preparing in many ways for the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! December will be a busy month for all of us. Our Kindergarten, First, and Second grade students will be preparing for their Christmas concert on December 15th in the church. As we are busy and have many activities and things to get done, we will take time to reflect in prayer and thanksgiving for all that we have, especially each other and our faith. Thank you for your continuous prayers and support.

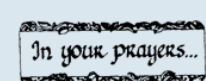
– Kathy Costello, Principal

Regarding “Late Delivery” Church Envelopes:

Some parishioners have contacted the office concerning non-delivery of church envelopes. Even my envelopes (meaning Fr. Arnold’s) came late this month. Be assured, the company mailed all packets. It is a problem of delivery by the U.S. Postal Service. In the meantime, use a simple plain envelope with your name on it and you will be given credit.



Memorial Book of the Dead: In the front of the church, there is a table upon which rests the Book of the Deceased. During the month of November, when we especially remember and pray for our faithful departed, all parishioners are invited to inscribe the names of deceased Holy Spirit Parishioners or names of family members and friends who have died.



Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, or recovering in our parish, especially Ned Braun, Bernie Comer, Lu & Bob Cudak, Carl Jura, Steve & Nancy Sagle, Maria Stevenson, and Geri Torr.

Covid-19 Status for December 2022: You are asked to read and consider the following points as we head into the Advent and Christmas Season:

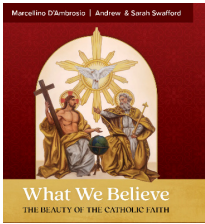
- Covid spread currently in Ohio is moderate to low. Infection remains a distant possibility for all of us, however.
- The third booster against the Omicron variant, the current virus, has been available for some time. Consider getting the vaccine, especially if you are elderly with any health conditions or simply wish to protect yourself and loved ones. Ages five and up are eligible.
- Masks remain optional while in Church. Please know you are welcome and encouraged to wear one. All our Eucharistic Ministers have been and will be wearing one for the distribution of Holy Communion.
- Spread may well increase because of the Thanksgiving holiday and contact with family members. The available medications, especially Plaxovid, are effective in suppressing the virus within five days of symptoms. (Fr. Arnold used Plaxovid in May/June and found it very effective.) Contact your doctor or pharmacy for details.

The Gospel of Matthew, Cycle A: The new Church calendar year begins with this season of Advent, reintroducing us to the Gospel according to Matthew.

Most are familiar with Matthew, the tax collector, who was a disciple of Jesus. While it remains possible that “this” Matthew could have been the author of this Gospel, Scripture scholars are not at all certain. What they do believe is that the author of this Gospel was most likely a Jewish convert to the Christian faith, and perhaps even a rabbi.

His familiarity with Jewish Scriptures is much in evidence. The author of this Gospel often quotes the prophets throughout his text, especially Isaiah. But he also references other Old Testament sources broadly, especially texts supporting the central theme of his Gospel: Jesus Christ is the one who fulfills and completes the Jewish longing for a new relationship of the people with their God.

Matthew’s Gospel, however, also emphasizes the all-embracing, universalistic theme of Salvation which includes the Gentiles, just not the Jewish tribes of Israel. Matthew presents a Jewish Messiah, whose mission embraces “the others,” the Gentiles. He presents a Gospel to be proclaimed and preached to all nations, a distinct departure from traditional Jewish thinking. In Matthew’s infancy narrative, this is most clearly illustrated by the visit of the Magi, foreigners and Gentiles who come to give homage to the newborn “King of the Jews.”

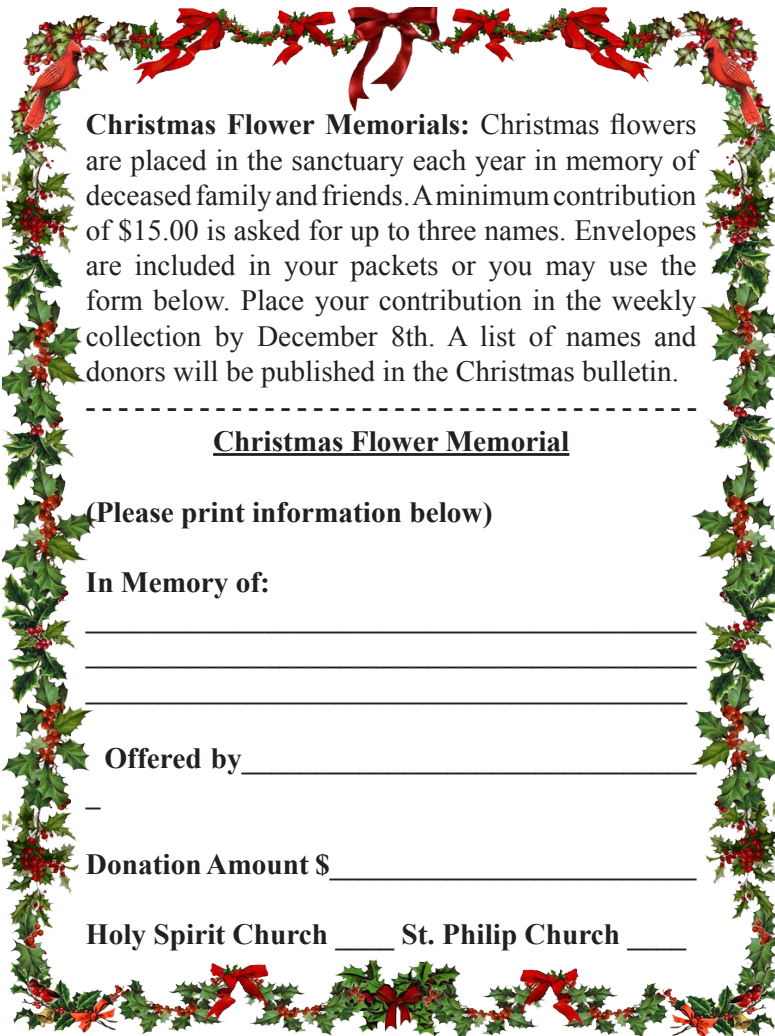


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the Catholic Faith**

The Catholic Church is extraordinary. In the Church, we encounter God in His Word, His sacraments, and His people. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the richness of the Catholic Church. Sessions take place in the Holy Spirit Parish Conference Room from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on the following evenings. Light refreshments will be provided. Contact Mark Butler (reled@holyspiritcolumbus.org) for more information and to register. Thank you!

- Monday, November 28 – Fasting: Becoming Christlike
- Monday, December 5 – Almsgiving: Our Mission of Mercy

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: This collection provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor of the United States. CCHD’s grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Envelopes are in your packets. Please be as generous as possible.



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 8th. A list of names and donors will be published in the Christmas bulletin.

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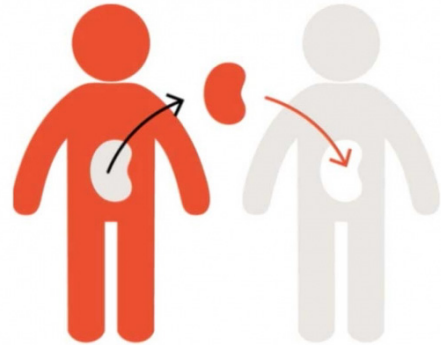
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St. Charles Holding Auditions: St. Charles School will hold women’s auditions for its winter production, *The Outsiders*. Auditions will be held Tuesday & Wednesday, November 29th & 30th at 4:00 p.m. at the St. Charles Campus Theater, 2010 E. Broad Street. Auditions are open to all high school-area women. Production dates are February 23-26, 2023. For more information, please email Doug Montgomery at dmontgomery@scprep.org.



Christmas Cookies! St. John Chrysostom Church is holding their 18th Annual Christmas Cookie Sale on Saturday, December 10, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at 5858 Cleveland Avenue, Columbus. Pirogi and rolls are in limited supply, so preordering is encouraged. Order on our website now until the sale, at www.byzantinecolumbus.com, or call 614-882-6103.



Our Church supports organ and tissue donation and recognizes the healing benefits it can provide for others. We encourage you to learn more about how you can become an organ and tissue donor. By registering to be a donor, you have the potential to save the lives of eight people through organ donation and to enhance the lives of dozens more through tissue donation. For more information about organ and tissue donation or to join the Ohio Donor Registry, please visit www.lifelineofohio.org, or call 614-291-5667.

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