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Holy Spirit & St. Philip Church Third Sunday of Advent December 11, 2022



Saturday, December 10 – Vigil of the Third Sunday of Advent 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Evelyn Bailey

(Gray & Scarberry Families)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Antonio Pellecchia (Family)

Sunday, December 11 – The Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: 7: Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Ps 146:6-10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11

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 – Patricia Morris (Fr. William Arnold)

Monday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

Readings: 690A: Zec 2:14-17 / (Ps) Jdt 13:18bc, 19 / Lk 1:26-38

1:15 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – All-School Liturgy – Anita Siefert (Mindy Mays & Daughters)

Tuesday, December 13 – St. Lucy

Readings: 188: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23 / Mt 21:28-32

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Mary Kastle (Andy Kastle)

Wednesday, December 14 – St. John of the Cross

Readings: 189: Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25 / Ps 85:9-14 / Lk 7:18b-23

9:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Joseph Mascari (Parish Gift Mass)

Thursday, December 15

Readings: 190: Is 54:1-10 / Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 / Lk 7:24-30

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Deceased Members of the Sergio Family (Sergio Family)

Friday, December 16

Readings: 191: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 / Jn 5:33-36

8:15 a.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Richard Lumpe (Fr. Michael Lumpe)

Saturday, December 17 – Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Advent 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Philip – Greta Emmenegger

(Jeanine Lee)

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit – Deceased Members of the Tata, Fiorini & Scali Families (Gina Tata)

Sunday, December 11 – The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: 10: Is 7:10-14 / Ps 24:1-6 / Rm 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Philip – Matilda Hofacker (St. Philip Parish)

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

From the Pastor's Desk...

Last Sunday's Gospel from Matthew introduced the call of John the Baptist to repent and turn away from sin. Repentance, or a change of heart, is the preparation for the coming of God's reign, which John described as "the coming wrath." Certainly, John's preaching speaks of a vengeful God, coming to punish the wicked and set the world order aright. John's expected Messiah would come with powerful wrath and judgement.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist sits in prison. He has been arrested by King Herod, and confined there as punishment by Herod, whose illicit marriage John had criticized. Matthew the evangelist seems to imply that he notices a difference between what he (John) had been preaching the message of Jesus, concerning the end of time. John had emphasized God's anger and judgement, while the preaching of Jesus had centered around healing, mercy, and forgiveness. John sent his own disciples to ask Jesus if he was in fact the Messiah.

Matthew then quotes the Old Testament scriptures, citing passages in Isaiah that envision the future end time as a moment of healing, mercy, and re-creation of all things. Jesus then asks John not to be offended at what He (Jesus) is saying. False Jewish expectations of the Messiah should not color or change God's saving action for all humanity on behalf of the sick, the poor, and the wounded of the world.

Jesus then tells the crowd what he sees in John and what he believed John to be - a prophet. Remember: a prophet is not a "predictor" or "fortune teller." The job of the prophet was to look at his society, and to call out the Hebrew people and rulers for how they had forgotten God. Their neglect of God's love and commands could always be seen in their neglect of the poor, the widow, the stranger, the lost and forgotten. How do we measure up to the message of a "genuine prophet"?

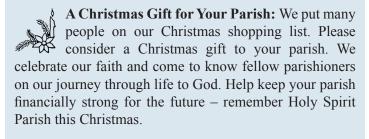
Have a Good Week! Fr. Bill Arnold



Information for Holy Spirit Parish

Parish Offertory Summary: December 3/4

Offertory Envelopes (81)	\$ 5,166.00
Loose	\$ 225.00
St. Vincent de Paul (7)	\$ 600.00
Religious Retirement (1)	\$ 10.00
All Saints Day (1)	\$ 5.00
Thanksgiving (3)	\$ 85.00
Christmas (2)	\$ 35.00
Christmas Flowers (13)	\$ 425.00
Immaculate Conception (8)	\$ 203.00
Catholic Charities (1)	\$ 10.00
Capital Improvement (2)	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 6,794.00





We welcome this newly baptized member to our Holy Spirit Parish family:

Hunter Nguyen, son of Tu Nguyen and Amanda (Chanthavisay) Nguyen, Baptized on December 4, 2022.



From Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP): During the past 6 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!

Please Help Decorate Your Church! We need your help to decorate the church for Christmas. On Thursday, December 22nd, at 4:00 p.m. we will begin decorating for Christmas. We appreciate any help you can give on that dav.

Information for St. Philip the Apostle Parish

Parish Offertory Summary: December 3/4

Contributions (48)	\$ 4,268.40
Holy Days (10)	\$ 375.00
Capital Improvement (3)	\$ 205.00
Food Pantry (5)	\$ 385.00
Christmas Flowers (9)	\$ 255.00
Diocesan Charities (1)	\$ 25.00
Religious Retirement (2)	\$ 120.00
Total	\$ 5,633.40

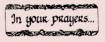


A Christmas Gift for Your Parish: Tis the season of giving. As we spread our joy and good cheer, consider adding St. Philip Church to your gift list.

Wishing you a Happy and Holy Christmas season as we await the birth of our Savior.



St. Philip Food Pantry: Thank you to everyone who helped with the November food collection. The St. Philip Food Pantry appreciates your generosity and willingness to assist those in need. We will have a bucket collection the weekend of December 17/18. Thank you again for your contributions.



Please remember in your prayers Trudi Rieser and David Spencer, 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 17, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Sharon Woods

Ministry Schedule:

Sunday, December 18, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Tom Kitsmiller

Parish Christmas Celebration! Please bring your family or a friend and join us for our parish Christmas celebration after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 18th at the school cafeteria. Enjoy breakfast treats and a hot beverage. Jolly Ol' St. Nicholas will be there with treats for all, and to pose





with your family for a photo in front of the Christmas tree. Kids of all ages are invited to visit our Secret Santa Shop to select and wrap gifts for their family... including siblings. Adults who wish to visit the shop can do so after all the kids have finished their wrapping. We look forward to

celebrating with you!!

Third Sunday of Advent

O God, who sees how Your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. 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.

Experience the Sacrament of God's Healing Grace.

Confession opportunities before Christmas are as follows:

- Wednesday, December 14 at Holy Spirit 1:00 p.m. –
 Holy Spirit School Penance Service
- Saturday, December 17 at St. Philip 3:00-3:45 p.m.
 (Fr. Bill Arnold)
- Saturday, December 17 at Holy Spirit 4:00-5:15 p.m.
 (Fr. Mike Nimocks)
- Monday, December 19 at Holy Spirit 4:00-6:30 p.m.
 (Two priests will be available for confession.)

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. The Church owes a great deal to members of religious orders who, for years, staffed our schools and parishes, and earned very little income for the task. They were selfless and dedicated. Now, in retirement, these religious orders face enormous costs for their retirement and medical expenses. Individual dioceses are not in the position to carry these expenses alone. Both of our parishes benefited from the work of the Sisters who staffed our schools and served as pastoral ministers. Please help "pay back" these dedicated people who built the Church in the United States. Envelopes are in your packets.



Pope Francis' 53rd Ordination Anniversary:

Our Holy Father Pope Francis will celebrate 53 years of priesthood on Tuesday, December 13th. Please keep Francis in your prayers as he leads the Church in our time, especially as he confronts the many problems and challenges

that confront the church worldwide.

"Father of mercy, we come before you with gratitude for the fifty years of priesthood of Pope Francis, whom you have made Peter's successor. Support him with the Spirit's gifts, so that he can continue to preach the Gospel with priestly zeal and lead the Church with wisdom and strength and courage. May his example of long and faithful service be an inspiration to your priests and to all your faithful. We ask this through Christ our Lord."

Additional Holy Spirit Information



Holy Spirit School begins the third week of Advent celebrating joy. On Monday, we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at Mass and on Wednesday, students in

grades three through eight will attend an Advent Penance Service during the afternoon. Our students in grades K-2 will perform their Christmas Concert on Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. We are filled with joy in our hearts preparing for and remembering what the birth of our Savior means for us. I am hopeful you have a *joyful* holiday season with your family!

- Kathy Costello, Principal

2022 Annual Campaign for Holy Spirit School:

Holy Spirit School is turning to its parents, friends, and supporters in the 2022 Gift to the Spirit Annual Campaign.



This year, our Parish School celebrates its 71st Anniversary in the Whitehall Community. We are proud of the education we provide. We must, however, always update and modernize our facilities.

Our project for the 2022-2023 academic year is to begin the process of upgrading security in our school building and surrounding property.

We know that you share our great concern for the safety of our students! We would appreciate your prayerful consideration. Envelopes are in the back of Church. Please help us in meeting the challenges ahead! Thank you.

Thank you



Whitehall Kids Christmas: Thank you for all you did to make the Giving Tree project for our Whitehall Kids Christmas a great success. Through the generosity of many, we were able to deliver all

the gifts requested! This year, many basic necessities were requested, and those will be opened on Christmas morning, as well as a few surprises! We cannot thank you enough for embracing this project for kids in need in our community. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity.

Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, December 17, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Iris Quezada

Servers: Rocio Isabel Pardo, Carol Reyes-Galvan Eucharistic Minister: Michael Biscuso, De Ann Bukowski

Ministry Schedule:

Sunday, December 18, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Maureen Dodd

Servers: Blake Wyatt, Anthony Mendez

Eucharistic Minister: Lois Baglione, Rick Makowski

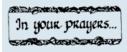


Covid-19 Status for December, 2022: You are asked to read and consider the following points as we head into the Advent and Christmas Season:

- 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 holidays 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.



Additional Holy Spirit Information



Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, or recovering in our parish, especially Ned Braun, Bernie Comer, Lu & Bob Cudak,

Edith J.B. Ingram, Carl Jura, Steve & Nancy Sagle, Maria Stevenson, and Geri Torr.



We have some helpful guidelines in preparing a family to have their child baptized.

- All parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class. The class is offered once a month after the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, in the parish office. The class will be advertised in the weekly bulletin. Pre-registration for this class is requested at least one week prior to the class.
- In order to register for the Baptism Preparation Class, the parents must be registered parishioners of Holy Spirit for at least 6 months. If you are not currently registered, we can assist you and register you for an upcoming class.
- Generally, Baptisms take place after 11:00 a.m. Mass on the first and last Sundays of the month. Please note that other children may be baptized on the same day as your child. We do not baptize during the season of Lent. We also do not schedule Baptisms on Sundays that take place near Holy Days or major holidays.
- The Sacrament may be celebrated in English or Spanish. Please understand that a Baptism may be scheduled in another language on the Sunday you desire. Your child's Baptism may need to be scheduled on another Sunday.
- For further details or scheduling information, call the parish office at Holy Spirit at 614-861-1521.

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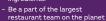
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