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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Masses

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 8:15 a.m.

Holy Day Masses 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 p.m.

ADORATION

First Friday of the Month 9:30 a.m.

Parish Office.....614-861-1521
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**Holy Spirit Church
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 21, 2024**



Saturday, January 20 –

Vigil of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Mass – Thomas Sapp (Mary Lang)

Sunday, January 21 – *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: 68: Jon 3:1-5, 10 / Ps 25: 4-9 / 1 Cor 7: 29-31 /
Mk 1:14-20

9:00 a.m. Mass – For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

**11:00 a.m. Mass – Sharon Heinberger
(Lori Dininni & Children)**

Monday, January 22 –

Readings: 317: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 / Ps 89:20-22, 25-26 / Mk 3:22-30

**9:00 a.m. Mass – Deanne Stellmack-Oehlert
(Parish Gift Mass)**

Tuesday, January 23 – *St. Vincent, Martyr*

Readings: 318: 2 Sm 6: 12b-15, 17-19 / Ps 24:7-10 / Mk 3: 31-35

Wednesday, January 24 – *St. Francis de Sales*

Readings: 319: 2 Sm 7:4-17 / Ps 89:4-5, 27-30 / Mk 4:1-20

**8:15 a.m. Mass – School Liturgy – Beverly Gellings
(Mary Fenneken)**

Thursday, January 25 – *Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle*

Readings: 519: Acts 22:3-16 / Ps 117:1-2 / Mk 16:15-18

9:00 a.m. Mass – Thomas Sapp (Tony Wilbur)

Friday, January 26 – *St. Timothy and St. Titus*

Readings: 520: 2 Tm 1:1-8 / Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10 / Mk 4:26-34

9:00 a.m. Mass – Mary Talerico (Parish Gift Mass)

Saturday, January 27 –

Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**4:00 p.m. Mass – Herb & Geri Torr
(Stephen & Nancy Miller)**

Sunday, January 28 – *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: 71: Dt 18:15-20 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 / 1 Cor 7:32-35 /
Mk 1:21-28

9:00 a.m. Mass – Patrick Wilkinson (Tom Wilkinson)

11:00 a.m. Mass – For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

From the Pastor's Desk...

Jonah, the main character in the Old Testament book which bears his name, was never happy or satisfied with what God did. He did not want to go to Nineveh to preach repentance. He spends three days in the fish's belly after being thrown overboard by the sailors in the storm. If this treatment by God was not enough, he successfully preaches "repent" to the citizens of Nineveh. When they repented, God relents and decides not to punish the Ninevites.

Jonah tried to flee God's directive to go to Nineveh and he gets punished by God. The Ninevites experience God's wrath, and this, of course, angers Jonah, who had hoped that Israel's enemies in the ancient city would be severely punished. Interesting (and funny) how so many of us become disappointed, if not angry, when other people are not sufficiently punished for their wrongdoing. For ourselves, however, we prefer "getting off easy."

Today's Gospel offers a different perspective on sin and penance, and a contrast on the past versus the future. In announcing that the time of fulfillment – the Kingdom of God – is at hand, the word "repent" emphasizes a change of heart, a change of attitude, a new plan going forward for one's life. The disciples leave their old life behind and immediately follow Jesus. They change completely and seek after a new way of life.

I hope you understand this shift of emphasis. Yes, penance for sin requires us to make up for the wrong we have done. Justice means giving God and neighbor what is owed to them. But the word "repent" means **CHANGE**. God is interested not so much in "crime and punishment," but a changed, different future going forward. For interested disciples, change means looking to the future and a new way and a new vision of life and living. When we adopt a new vision, we begin to live for the Kingdom of God – in the here and now – and going forward.

Have a wonderful week!

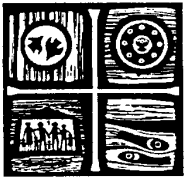
Fr. Veevin Richard



Home Blessings: Father Richard has started blessing homes! He wants to meet all parishioners and bless your home, whether it is an apartment, trailer, house, or room. Please call the office to set up a time with Father. Make room for Jesus to come and bless your home for the new year!

Third Week in Ordinary Time

*Almighty ever-living God, direct
our actions according to Your good pleasure,
that in the name of Your beloved Son
we may abound in good works.
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.*



What is Ordinary Time? After we celebrated the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the Church returned to Ordinary Time. This period will extend until Tuesday, February 13th, the day before Ash Wednesday. It will begin again on Monday,

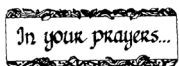
May 20th, the day after the celebration of Pentecost, and extend all the way until the Saturday before the first Sunday of Advent, Saturday, November 30, 2024.

Keep in mind that every Sunday is intended to be a “little Easter.” Sunday, the first day of the week, witnessed Jesus Christ rising from the dead. Our weekly Church liturgy centers around this central mystery of belief of Christian faith – the Resurrection.

The great liturgical seasons of Advent-Christmas and Lent-Easter are expansive celebrations of the Church’s belief in Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son of God, who in the great act of redemption, became flesh, was crucified, and rose from the dead. These two seasons are given added emphasis since they recall the central events of Salvation History.

But no Sunday is “ordinary.” It is the day of the Lord, and at the same time, the goal of every week and the beginning of the next. Sundays are the “fabric” of Christian living – we offer our thanks to God in the celebration of the Eucharist. We hear the Gospel proclaimed and are fed with the Bread of Life, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ himself.

Let’s just say this: Ordinary Time refers to the prayers and worship of the Church outside of the Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter celebrations. The color used for the Sunday Mass is green, as well as for weekdays, whose liturgy celebrates no particular saint or feast.



Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, or recovering in our parish, especially Ned Braun, Carole Brill, Judy Dick, Carol Eisenhart, Rose Hawn, Hilary Hatchett, Joann Huffman, Isaiah A Jackson, Steve & Nancy Sagle, and Ron Scherer.

Please Note: If you find an item that is left in church, please put it on the round table in the Welcome Center at the back of the church, or turn it in to the Parish Office during regular hours, so we can return it to the rightful owner.

Parish Offertory Summary: January 6/7

Offertory Envelopes (89)	\$ 3,994.00
Loose	\$ 443.20
St. Vincent de Paul (2)	\$ 55.00
Solemnity of Mary (3)	\$ 196.00
Capital Improvement (3)	\$ 75.00
Christmas (2)	\$ 15.00
Catholic Charities (1)	\$ 5.00
Propagation of Faith (1)	\$ 5.00
Christmas Flowers (1)	\$ 5.00
Tuition (6)	\$ 310.00
Immaculate Conception (1)	\$ 5.00
Religious Retirement Fund (1)	\$ 6.00
Total	\$ 5,114.20

Thank You

Your support of Holy Spirit Parish is very important and much appreciated. I am fully aware that your contributions to your church are voluntary. It is my hope that you believe in the importance of your Catholic Faith and the importance of Holy Spirit Parish in the Whitehall Community. Thank you for all that you do for the parish.



Altar Servers: We will have a **mandatory** meeting on Thursday, January 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the church. The meeting will review things we do for Mass.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Mass Intention Requests: We have many openings in the Mass intention schedule for 2024. If you would like to request a Mass Intention, please submit it in writing with the suggested stipend (\$10.00 per Mass) to the parish office. There are intention forms in the back of church to send in for your requests. You may also put your request in the collection basket. Requests will not be taken by phone.



Holy Spirit School will soon be celebrating Catholic Schools Week (Sunday, January 28th through Friday, February 2nd). To kick off the week, we are having a performance from Columbus’ own Jazz Arts Group called, The Jazz Academy, on Friday, January 26th for the entire student body to attend!

Also, if you are interested in finding out more about Holy Spirit School and what it has to offer your student, please come to our Information Night on Monday, February 5th at 6:30 p.m. For more information about this night or our fall enrollment process, please call the school office at 614-861-0475.

– Miss Kathy Costello, Principal



Catholic Schools Week, January 28-February 2, 2024: Next week, we recognize and honor the value of Catholic Schools across the United States. Here at Holy Spirit, our school is our most prominent and essential ministry. Every day, our teachers instruct around 275 students, Pre-K through 8th grade.

Our Holy Spirit School has three important mission goals: 1) to promote and live Catholic and Gospel values in the school setting; 2) to offer a strong academic program and promote love of learning; 3) to instill good discipline and responsibility in the young people entrusted to our care. These three goals are the benchmarks of a good, solid Catholic education.

Many of us here at Holy Spirit are the product of Catholic schools and education earlier in our lives. Holy Spirit School is an important asset on the east side of Columbus and in the Whitehall community. Our neighborhood would be radically different without the presence of this valuable religious and educational asset.

As pastor, I ask that each one of you would keep our parish school – its teaching faculty, its parents, and families, as well as its students – in your prayers. We are a humble, yet proud community which exists to keep alive in the hearts of all who attend here, the values of Catholic faith and Christian family life.

Fr. Veevin Richard

Director of Religious Education: Holy Spirit Catholic Church is currently looking for a Director of Religious Education. Holy Spirit is a parish community serving Whitehall and the Eastside of Columbus, Ohio. We are a multicultural parish and have a vibrant ministry of outreach in the area. It proclaims the gospel of Jesus and supports the needs of its diverse community through an array of ministries, liturgies and programs, including Holy Spirit Elementary School.

The DRE is responsible for developing and maintaining a parish-based ministry of evangelization and catechesis for children, youth, and adults. The DRE reaches out to families and individuals in the community, provides formal instruction and empowers parishioners to serve one another. The DRE fosters close communication and collaboration with other community organizations and parish ministries, especially Holy Spirit Elementary School. This position is an at-will position and may be terminated by the pastor.

The position of DRE is a full-time, 12 months a year position. The DRE must be a practicing Catholic and in good standing with the Church, a knowledgeable person of the faith and doctrines of the Catholic Church. The ideal candidate should have a bachelor's degree in education, catechesis, theology or a related field. A master's degree is preferred. Experience in this field is a plus. Fluency in Spanish would be an advantage.

Interested and qualified applicants may inquire via email to info@holyspiritcolumbus.org. Please include a cover letter of interest and a curriculum, vitae including references.

Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, January 20, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Debi Matthews

Servers: Camila Serrano, Heidy Rangel-Rivas

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Udeck, Bob & Kathy Zimmerman

Sunday, January 21, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Tim Heinmiller

Servers: Amy Gonzalez, Emiliano Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Geno Hoffman, Mark Heinmiller, Carolynn Heinmiller

Sunday, January 21, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Jim Cotrill

Servers: Isabelle Hertzelt, Lohan Dossou-Koko

Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Makowski, Moné Hertzelt, Dan Gumbish



Holy Land Olive Wood Carvings:

Fr. Richard and the church staff extend a warm welcome to Bethlehem Wood Carving NEXT weekend, January 27 & 28. The mission of this sake of olive wood religious items from the Holy Land is to help and support the Catholic Christians in that area.

There are a lot of reasons to support this mission, such as helping them to provide for and remain in their homes. Your help ensures that the churches and holy sites remain places of Christian worship. Without the indigenous Catholic presence in the Holy Land, these places would turn into museums.

They are our brothers and sisters in Christ, and they are suffering. Living conditions in the Holy Land are dire, as a result of the border closures that restrict freedom of movement. May we ask you to support this mission? For more information, please visit www.stmichaelolivewood.com

Around the Diocese

Join Our Lady of Peace Parish in praying for a different priest or seminarian in the Diocese each day of the month.

JANUARY:

21st: Fr. Stephen Krile, St. John (Logan)

22nd: Fr. Stephen Metzger

23rd: Fr. Stephen Ondrey, St. Nicholas & St. Thomas (Zanesville)

24th: Fr. Stephen Smith, Church of the Ascension (Johnstown)

25th: Fr. Steven Beseau, Pontifical College Josephinum

26th: Fr. Sudhakar Reddy Thrumalareddy, Our Lady of Victory

27th: Fr. Theodore Machnik, St. Joseph (Circleville)



ODU to Host St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture on January 25
Ohio Dominican University will host its Annual St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture on Thursday, January 25, as theologian and scholar Fr. Justin Brophy, OP, Ph.D. presents, “Thomas Aquinas: What is Truth in the Modern World.” The free lecture will take place at 11:00 a.m. in the Matesich Theatre, located inside Erskine Hall on ODU’s main campus, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, 43219. Fr. Brophy currently serves as an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Providence College in Providence, Rhode Island. More information is available at ohiodominican.edu.

St. Charles will host its Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, February 4, from 1:00-6:30 p.m., in the school’s Walter Student Commons. Dinner will be prepared by the Susi Family and their staff from Berwick Manor. Entertainment will be provided by the SC Concert & Jazz Band, which will perform at 2:15 and 4:00 p.m. Guests will enjoy a bountiful meal of spaghetti with meatball, salad, rolls, ice cream, and a beverage. \$14.00 for Adults; \$10.00 for Senior Citizens; \$7.00 for Children 4-12 (3 and under are free). There is also a \$55.00 Family rate (dine-in, up to six immediate family members). Carry-out orders will be available.

“Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve.”

– St. Ignatius Loyola

On the Ninth Day of Christmas, the Dominican Sisters of Peace helped a Columbus adult earn their GED.

The Dominican Learning Center in Columbus, OH, has recently moved to a new location in the historic St. Mary’s German Village Church. This expanded space will help the staff and volunteers at the Center better serve the 700+ learners who take advantage of ESL, Adult Basic **Education**, English and Spanish GED and Citizenship Preparation classes presented at the center, virtually through a video call, and at one of seven parish partners around the Diocese. Your gift of \$1,400.00 will pay rent on our space for one month. For more information, please visit <https://oppeace.org/9015-2/>.



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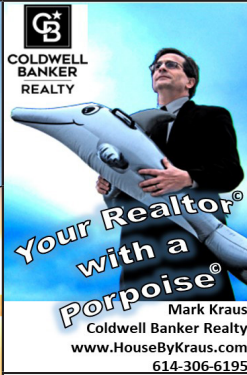
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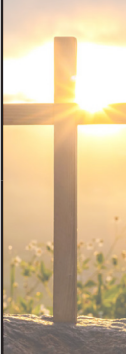
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