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Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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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
Elementary School K-8..... 614-861-0475
Preschool 3-5 years 614-861-4559
www.holy-spirit-school.com

**Holy Spirit Church
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2024**



**Masses of
the Week**

Saturday, February 3 –

Vigil of the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm Mass – Silvo Fina, Sr. (Lana Fina)

Sunday, February 4 –

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 74: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 / Ps 147:1-6 /

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 / Mk 1:29-39

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

11:00 a.m. Mass – Antonia Latella (Clara Iulianelli)

Monday, February 5 –

St. Agatha

Readings: 329:1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 / Ps 132:6-10 / Mk 6:53-56

9:00 a.m. Mass – Thomas Sapp – Parish Gift Mass

Tuesday, February 6 –

St. Paul Miki

Readings: 330:1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 /

Ps 84:3-5, 10-11 / Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 7 –

Readings: 331: 1 Kgs 10:1-10 / Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 /

Mk 7:14-23

**8:15 a.m. Mass – School Liturgy – Herbert Utz
(Elizabeth Klein)**

Thursday, February 8 –

St. Jerome Emiliani, St. Josephine

Readings: 332: 1 Kgs 11:4-13 /

Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40 / Mk 7:24-30

9:00 a.m. Mass – Valerio Canini (Mary Jo & Greg Smith)

**10:30 a.m. Mass at the Woodlands –
Vivian Williams (Parish Gift Mass)**

Friday, February 9 –

Readings: 333: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 / Ps 81:10-15 / Mk 7:31-37

9:00 a.m. Mass – Heather Vincenc (Andrea Landin)

Saturday, February 10 –

Vigil of the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**4:00 p.m. Mass – Angelo & Rose Vitale –
(Angie Carfagna)**

Sunday, February 11 –

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 335: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 / Ps 32:1-11 /

1 Cor 10:31-11:1 / Mk 1:40-45

9:00 a.m. Mass – Peggy Sams (Maria Misch)

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

From the Pastor's Desk...

From the very beginning of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus' mission was countering the forces of evil in the world: sin, sickness, and death. In last week's Gospel, He healed the Demoniac who screamed out in the synagogue. In today's Gospel, He cures the fever of Simon Peter's mother-in-law. Next week, He makes whole the decaying flesh of the leper. He performs all these works as a sign of the presence of the Kingdom of God. Now is the time, He announced to His listeners, to decide for the Kingdom and work for its fullness in our time and history.

Jesus was clear about His mission. He pursued it with a sense of urgency, telling the disciples today that "for this purpose I have come." Jesus, Mark says, travels about and reaches out to individuals and towns. He goes to them; He doesn't expect people to take the first step and come to Him. In meeting people "where they are," He has perhaps given the Church of today a possible new model of operation.

Pope Francis began his pontificate eight years ago with his call for the Church to be a "field hospital." These centers for urgent medical care are set up on battlefields or behind the lines, to provide for emergency medical needs. Imagine our Church – not our building, but its members, going out to people who are damaged and injured by life. This concept of the Church, says Pope Francis, focuses the ministry of the Church not on itself, but on those in dire need. Those emergency-need situations can take on many forms: poverty and neglect, violence and abuse, isolation, and fear. All of these things damage, destroy, and cripple human life.

Every Catholic, I believe, ought to respond to Francis' call. Think about what Francis has asked of us!

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!

Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Keep Your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by Your protection.

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.

Holy Spirit School

Our Power of the Pen writing team will be competing in its first writing competition of the year on Saturday, February 10th at Gahanna Middle School South. Please keep all of these students in your prayers as they test their

skills! Also, our students recently held a mini-food drive to send some food items over to our community neighbor, the Whitehall branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library which held a recent mobile food giveaway event.

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



Special Request

Are you being called to Parish Ministry?

If you are looking for a way to be involved here at Holy Spirit,

please consider the following ministries. We are in immediate need of Lectors and/or Eucharistic Ministers. If either is of interest, please come to the meeting on Monday, February 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the church. (Refer to the announcement following this one.)

Are you interested in music?

How about joining our choir or the bell choir, or being a Cantor at Mass. We are also in need of PSR teachers for the fall and instructors for those interested in becoming Catholic. Perhaps you would like to assist those in need by joining our St. Vincent de Paul Society. We could also use more ushers/greeters for all Masses. If you are interested in any of these ministries, please leave your name and contact information with the parish office.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors:

All current and new volunteers are asked to come to a review/training session on Monday, February 5th at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Following this brief meeting, there will be light refreshments served in the social hall. Fr. Richard would like to meet all the ministers and it is also a chance for you to meet each other, which makes it easier and more comfortable if you need to find a substitute. Please plan on attending.

Parish Offertory Summary: January 27/28

Offertory Envelopes (76)	\$ 15,952.00
Loose	\$ 750.40
St. Vincent de Paul (11)	\$ 229.00
Solemnity of Mary (1)	\$ 100.00
Capital Improvement (1)	\$ 1,200.00
Tuition (1)	\$ 20.00
Catholic Times (2)	\$ 34.00
Total	\$ 18,285.40



Ash Wednesday is February 14, 2024.

The beginning of Lent is fast approaching.

In fact, it is a week from this coming Wednesday. The schedule for Masses and distribution of ashes for that day is as follows:

Holy Spirit (with school students)	8:15 a.m.
Holy Spirit	7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is a day of abstinence from meat and fasting for those between the ages of 18-59. The offertory collection on that day is a voluntary offering to support the J.O.I.N. Office, the outreach center of the Church for the needy, in downtown Columbus.



Ash Wednesday Collection: Proceeds of the Ash Wednesday collection will be contributed to the Joint Organization for Inner-city Needs (JOIN). JOIN operates under Catholic Charities of the Columbus Diocese. JOIN provides emergency assistance to the poor and vulnerable throughout the Diocese. This assistance may be in the form of food, life-saving medication, utilities, infant needs, birth certificates, transportation, eyeglasses, burial assistance, senior needs, referrals, personal care/household items and more.



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.

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

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, February 10, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Sharon Woods

Servers: Emma Kitsmiller, Rocio Isabell & Victoria Pardo

Eucharistic Ministers: Carolyn Jurkowitz,

Angie Carfagna, De Ann Bukowski

Sunday, February 11, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Bill Heinmiller

Server: Yami Ortega

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne Heinmiller, Geno Hoffman,

Maureen Dodd

Sunday, February 11, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

Lectors: Bob/Dee Dadik

Servers: Daisy Gonzalez, Kevin Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Zimmermann,

Hank Miller, Dan Gumbish

CATHOLIC
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Catholic Times: February is the month when annual subscription renewals traditionally begin for the print edition of *The Catholic*

Times, the information source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals were collected through the parish, but an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit *The Catholic Times* website, catholictimescolumbus.org, and access the subscribe tab at the top of the home page to sign up for a new subscription, a renewal or a gift. Current subscribers also will receive a paper statement in the mail that can be returned to *The Catholic Times*, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay Street with a check for \$26 or paid online at the website. Or, if necessary, drop an envelope marked Catholic Times in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address and payment. Please consider supporting Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, especially during these changing times.



Holy Spirit Parish will once again participate in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection during the Season of Lent. CRS is a reliable, and cost-effective means to support

the efforts of the Catholic Church overseas where wars, natural disasters and famine are present. Rice Bowls will be available at the back of Church on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and on the First Sunday of Lent, Sunday, February 18. Please plan to participate by saving your coins/dollar bills for the Rice Bowl collection.



The next Baptism Class is Sunday, February 18th at 10:00 a.m. for anyone wanting to baptize a child age 0-7 years old. We will hold classes every month on the third Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the parish offices. Class will end just before the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Office at 614-861-1521 or email info@holyspiritcolumbus.org to register for Baptism classes.

Around the Diocese

Spend Time Together

Outside in God's Beautiful Creation.

Presidents' Day Drop-In Fun! February 19, 2024, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Come walk the trails and enjoy a nature scavenger hunt with your family at Shepherd's Corner Ecological Center, 987 Waggoner Road, in Blacklick. This is a free event and is a Founded Ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace.



Inviting All Women... to the 2024 Columbus Catholic Women's Conference, *This Wondrous Gift* at the Ohio Expo Center: Saturday, February 17th, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Come rest with Jesus and join your

sisters in Christ for Holy Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, inspiring speakers, food, shopping, and be lifted up in faith and fellowship together. This is an opportunity for women to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, to grow in the realization of their dignity as Catholic women, and to strengthen their commitment to be a disciple of Christ. If you have any questions, please go to www.ColumbusCatholicWomen.com, or call our office at 614-398-2292.



Calling All Men... to the 2024 Columbus Catholic Men's Conference, *Called to Be Saints!* The 27th Annual Catholic Men's Conference returns to Kasich Hall at the Ohio Expo Center on Saturday, February 24, 2024, from

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Hear amazing speakers, celebrate brotherhood, and further your journey toward sainthood. The day-long event will feature Adoration, Reconciliation, and Mass with Bishop Earl Fernandes. If you have any questions, go to www.catholicmensministry.com, or call 614-920-3776. As in previous years, anyone unable to bear the registration cost only need ask for assistance from the parish.

What Do You Want of Me, Lord? If you have ever pondered this question and whether God is calling you to become a Sister, we encourage you to join us for a Come and See Retreat, March 15-17, 2024. You can join us either in-person at the Dominican Sisters of Peace Motherhouse in Akron, OH, or via Zoom.

We invite you to give yourself the gift of some time to PRAY with our Sisters, to share with other women of FAITH who are discerning God's call, to discover God's PURPOSE for your life, to enjoy a behind the scenes experience of COMMUNITY LIFE, and to explore RELIGIOUS LIFE lived out as a Dominican Sister of Peace.

For more information, visit our website at www.oppeace.org and to register for this event. Or, send me an email at june.fitzgerald@oppeace.org, or call or text me at 570-336-3991 to let me know that you are interested, and I'll get back to you with more details about this great retreat opportunity!

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

FEBRUARY:

- 4th Fr. Timothy Haynes**
St. Edward
- 5th Fr. Timothy Lynch**
St. Brigid of Kildare
- 6th Fr. Todd Lehigh**
Perry County Consortium
- 7th Fr. Tomas Carvajal**
C.R.
- 8th Deacon Tyler Carter**
Seminarian
- 9th Fr. Tyron Tomson**
St. Bernadette & St. Mary
(Bremen & Lancaster)
- 10th Fr. Victor Moratin, CPM**
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GOD IS STILL CALLING

Serra Club of North Columbus meetings include the Rosary, lunch, and a speaker at 11:30 a.m. on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Jessing Center at the Josephinum. Downtown Serra Club meetings include lunch and a speaker at noon on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Cavello Center at St. Charles Preparatory School.

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