



# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



**DECEMBER 31, 2023 | THE HOLY FAMILY**

## Staff

### **Pastor**

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### **Parochial Vicar**

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### **Custodian**

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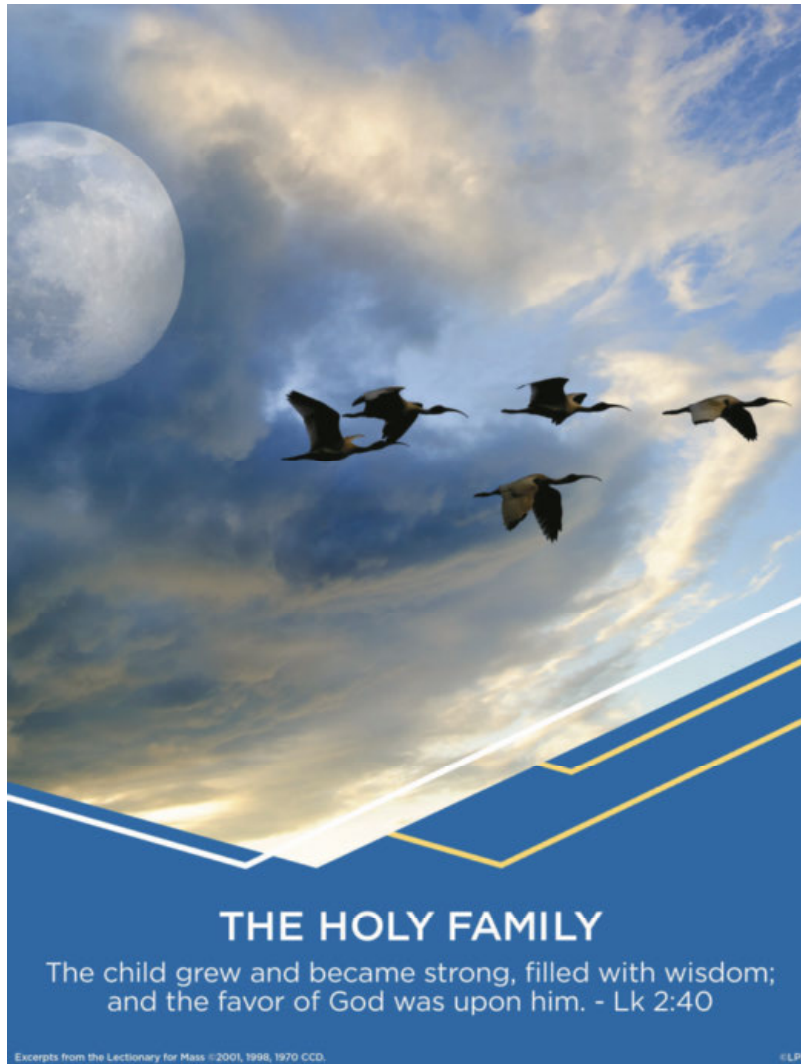
Contact the parish office to arrange.

### **MARRIAGES**

Contact the office at least six months in advance of the wedding date.

### **RECONCILIATION**

See schedule inside or anytime by appointment.



**NEW PARISHIONERS**  
Contact the parish office.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION**  
Contact the office for more information.

### **HOSPITAL VISITATION**

Notify the Parish of anyone being admitted to a hospital or nursing home.

### **PRAYER LINE**

Please call Cindy at 330.877.0093 to request a prayer intention.

## Mass Schedule

### **Saturday**

5:00 PM

### **Sunday**

9:30 AM

### **Daily**

Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 AM

### **Holy Day**

9:30 AM and 7:00 PM

Holy Spirit Parish is called to be a family, finding its center in Christ and His Body, the parish and in turn, reflecting that Love of Christ to the community and beyond.

## Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 30</b>
5:00 pm	Jon Sample (John Capp)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 31</b>
9:30 am	Rich Piccin (Mike & Gretchen Ferncez)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 1</b>
9:30 am	Meredith Johnson (L) (Catherine Gullia)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 2</b>
9:00 am	Phyllis Montgomery (Jim & Carol Howard)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 3</b>
	NO MASS
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 4</b>
9:00 am	Christine Torgersen (Tony & Connie Torgersen)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 5</b>
	NO MASS
9:00 am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 6</b>
5:00 pm	Elizabeth Gray (Sandra & John Kishton)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 7</b>
9:30 am	The Herman Family (Mike & Dianne Capitena)



<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 31</b>
	• <b>NO PSR &amp; Youth Ministry</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 6</b>
	• <i>Confessions</i> , following 5:00 pm Mass
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 7</b>
	• <i>PSR &amp; Youth Ministry</i> , 10:30-11:45 am
	• <i>First Reconciliation Parent Meeting</i> , 10:30-11:45am Social Hall

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION SERVICE



The next Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service is **January 5th** at 9:00 am. One of our lay leaders of prayer or our deacons will lead the service. Following the service, we will pray the rosary.



#### FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING



The next meeting for parents of students preparing for First Reconciliation is next Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> during PSR. Please meet in the social hall after accompanying your child to his/her classroom.

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**  
God's timing is not always our timing. Sometimes, we have to wait years for the answer to our prayer. Never despair. Remember that God keeps His word.

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**VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA**  
El tiempo de Dios no siempre es nuestro tiempo. A veces, tenemos que esperar años por la respuesta a nuestra oración. Nunca te desespere. Recuerda que Dios cumple Su palabra.

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#### ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for our Saturday and Sunday Masses, the 2024 Flower Chart is now available on the bulletin board. Just place your name & phone number on the chart next to the date that has special meaning for you. Please take a reminder card which are hanging on the bulletin board and let the

Parish office know the special intention for the flowers. A week before your floral arrangement is due, you will receive a reminder call. For many parishioners it is a wonderful way to commemorate Wedding Anniversaries, Birthdays, Loved Ones (living and deceased), etc. Your name and special intention will be noted in the bulletin to thank you for your thoughtfulness in adding beauty to the Holy Spirit environment.



#### PSR CANCELLATION NOTIFICATIONS

Notifications for PSR cancellations due to weather or other emergencies will be sent directly to parents, catechists and PSR volunteers via text &/or email.

#### RESERVING SPACE AT THE CHURCH

Because we have received more requests for the use of our facility, we are now using a form to reserve rooms at the church. This will help us keep track of which spaces are being used and when and avoid overbooking them. If you would like to reserve a room at the church for your committee meeting or church activity, please stop by the parish office to complete the form or call the parish office to do so.



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Luca Howard, Son of James  
Howard & Keng Nei Wu  
(Grandson of Jim & Carol Howard)



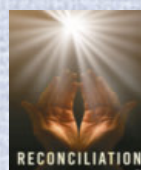
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

—2 Cor 5:17 (ESV)



May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.

#### CONFESSION SCHEDULE



- \*January 6th—after 5:00pm Mass
- \*January 13th—after 5:00pm Mass
- \*January 21st—after 9:30am Mass
- \*January 28th—after 9:30am Mass





### CATHOLIC ECHO PODCAST

The NEW Catholic Echo Podcast will inform and entertain the faithful of the Diocese of Youngstown by discussing various topics that are relevant in the church today. Bishop David J. Bonnar begins the podcast with your host Fr. Jim Korda on the topic of the day. Various guests will continue to inform us on the same topic. You can listen to the Catholic Echo Podcast at any time on the Catholic Echo website by going to <https://www.catholicecho.org/podcast/> or on Youngstown radio stations WHOT-FM 101, WYFM-FM 102.9, WQXK-FM 105.1 Sundays at 6:30 a.m. The Catholic Echo Podcast is produced by the Communications

Department of the Diocese of Youngstown.



### COMING IN 2024

- Holy Spirit's 45th Anniversary  
⇒ Watch the bulletin for special events throughout the year.



- A new Pictorial Directory—May 16, 17 & 18  
⇒ Mark your calendars for this wonderful opportunity to have your photo taken.
- New Hymnals  
⇒ Commemorate a loved one by dedicating a new hymnal in their honor. Details coming in January.
- Eucharistic Revival  
⇒ Several events will be held throughout the year.



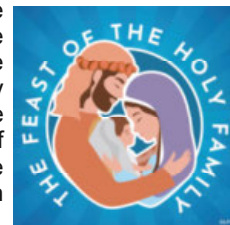
### DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS COLLECTION – JANUARY 6 & 7, 2024

You may ask yourself, "Why should I give to the Communications Collection?" And the answer is simple: Because the Communications Department exists to serve you. Their various programs—Wineskins and The Catholic Echo podcast, televised Masses, the Catholic Echo magazine and website, diocesan social media and even many of the announcements you see in this bulletin—are geared toward inspiring, informing and engaging you. To support these initiatives (or future ones), please give to the Communications Collection on January 6 & 7. Visit <https://www.doy.org/Communications-collection/> for more information or to give.



### HOLY FAMILY

On the Sunday after Christmas, the Catholic community gathers at church to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. If Christmas falls on a Sunday, the feast is transferred to Friday, December 30, because the following Sunday is January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Prior to the Second Vatican Council, the feast of the Holy Family fell on Sunday during the week after January 6. The revised calendar has moved the observance closer to the commemoration of the birth of Christ and therefore to the "birth" of his family. The Scripture readings may change from year to year, but the Gospels tell episodes from the early days of Jesus' family life: the flight into Egypt to escape the forces of Herod, the Presentation of the infant Jesus in the Temple, and the finding of the twelve-year-old Jesus in the Temple. All these events are human and hopeful. The other readings provide stories, psalms, and reflections on the beauty of family life. For families reunited to celebrate Christmas, this feast provides a fitting opportunity to gather again in God's house. The Book of Blessings and the Catholic Household Book of Blessings and Prayers both contain blessings for families. These can be offered by a priest or a deacon, or by any layperson at home. This feast would be an appropriate day for any family to seek the blessings that come from God, who became like us by living with human parents. The Collect for the Mass prays that we may imitate the Holy Family by practicing the virtues of family life and by the bonds of charity. In this way, we who share a house on earth may enter the household of God in heaven.



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### JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Mark your calendars for our annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, **January 21**. More details will be coming.



### JANUARY 1, MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

We encourage you to begin the New Year with us at mass on Monday, January 1 at 9:30 am for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. As the solemnity falls on a Monday, it is not a holy day of obligation this year.

### ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? BE SURE TO REGISTER!

If you are new to the parish, don't forget to register! See Anne Weeks after Mass for more information.

*Welcome*  
THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

## Readings Week

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

**Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40  
**Monday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21  
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38  
**Next Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
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## LORD'S DAY OFFERING

12/17/2023 Sunday ..... \$4,086.00  
 12/17/2023 Immaculate Conception..... \$20.00  
 Retirement Fund for Religious..... \$4,412.00  
 Christmas Flowers..... \$1,122.00



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 Oct. 31, 2020

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