

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

Rev. William L. Arnold, Pastor

February 14, 2010

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 13:

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Vigil of the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Happy 57th Wedding Anniversary
Jerry & Norma Laliberte

Sunday, February 14: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For the People

11:00 a.m. Thomas Augustine
(Valeria Augustine & Family)

Monday, February 15: Presidents' Day

9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Tuesday, February 16:

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Sergio
Family (Family)

Wednesday, February 17: Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Msgr. Charles J. Foeller

7:00 p.m. Ed Layton (Rita Ralston)

Thursday, February 18:

8:00 a.m. Sara Rettemnier (Bobbie Romayak)

Friday, February 19:

8:00 a.m. William Rogers
(Jeanne Federer & Family)

Saturday, February 20:

9:00 a.m. Patricia Winterol

Vigil of the First Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. Jane & Bob Knoblauch
(The Heslin Family)

Sunday, February 21: First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. For the People

11:00 a.m. Dave Ducey (Mrs. Lucille Burns)



Please Remember in Prayer: Ellen Grubbs, age 49, Holy Spirit parishioner who died Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at Mt. Carmel East. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. here at Holy Spirit.

You are asked to keep Ellen, her husband Russ and family in your prayers. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please also pray for our parish family and friends who are hospitalized and/or ill including Grace Evelyn Holstberry, Joe Gillilan, LaVerne McNerny-Miller, Patrick Woodruff, Barb Wheatley, and Marvada Marzluf; and those who are homebound or in convalescent homes.



Ash Wednesday Collection to Benefit

JOIN: The Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs operates under the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Columbus and provides emergency assistance along with referrals to other service providers to the poor and vulnerable of Franklin and surrounding counties.



Black and Indian Missions Special Collection:

Your financial contributions next Sunday will help support Catholic communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. Your donations fund evangelization programs to strengthen the faith, continue the legacy and share the mission with children and adults here in the United States. For more information, go to www.blackandindianmission.org.



From the Pastor's Desk

In ancient religious tradition, extreme and dire poverty was seen as an evil, never as a blessing. The Gospel of Luke is full of references to the desperately poor and needy, including poor man Lazarus outside the rich man's gate and the poor widow who placed two coins in the temple treasury. Why does Jesus call "blessed" those who are desperately poor?

Certainly, Jesus did not want His disciples to join the ranks of these desperately poor. But His disciples are the individuals who more often than not have the means to attend to the needs of the poor. In order to share the "blessedness of being poor," the followers of Jesus must embrace an attitude of generosity and sacrifice. That is the only way we can come close to God, who is all the poor really have. The poor have only God to rely on. It begs the question: What do we who are not poor rely on in this world?

Lent starts this Wednesday. Become poor in spirit, at least for a time of penance and prayer, which is Lent. Fast and abstinence are ways of denying ourselves all our appetites can handle as a means of sharing the surplus funds with those in need. Do extra things during Lent: come to the Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evening, attend Mass on a weekday morning, make it your plan to attend the services of Holy Week, especially the Mass on Holy Thursday Evening. Experience Lent – become poor in spirit – live simply so that others might simply live!



Come to Mass Ash Wednesday!
Fr. Bill Arnold

World Marriage Day. Today, February 14, is World Marriage Day. Our special prayer intention is for all married couples to know and live the grace of the Sacrament they have received. Let us also pray for all young people considering marriage. May they understand the seriousness of their commitment to one another and seek God's direction every day in remaining dedicated to their marriage and family.



Congratulations to Jerry and Norma Laliberte on the occasion of their 57th wedding anniversary, February 13, 2010! May God bless them and their family as they celebrate this special occasion!

Parish Offertory Summary

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	February 6 & 7
Parish Contribution Envelopes (210) (525 people attending Mass)	\$8,764.00
Cash offerings	\$ 240.56
Candles	\$ 73.15
Black and Indian Missions	\$ 111.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 97.00
Holy Spirit School Endowment Fund	\$ 113.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 5.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 5.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 5.00
<i>Catholic Times</i>	\$ 255.00
Total Contributions	\$9,668.71

Your contributions to Holy Spirit Parish keep the ministries and the operations of the Parish in good financial standing. Your financial sacrifice will be used wisely.

Thank You – God will reward your generosity.

This Week at Holy Spirit Parish

Bingo Games are held each Monday and Friday in the Church Hall. The doors open at 6:00 p.m. The games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 14:

Hospitality Sunday after the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Mass in the Church Hall

9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library

9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.C. – Parish Office

* Confirmation Class Begins at 11:00 a.m. Mass in Church

2:00-6:00 p.m. – Echoes of Faith – School Classroom

* 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Adult Religious Education – Parish Office

Monday, February 15: Presidents' Day

No School – Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, February 16:

4:00 p.m. – Youth Choir – School Music Room

6:30 p.m. – Technology Committee – School Computer Lab

Wednesday, February 17:

* 1:00 p.m. – Reflective Prayer – Day Chapel

7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir – Church Loft

Thursday, February 18:

7:00 p.m. – Parish Council – Parish Office

Friday, February 19:

Morning Prayer after 8:00 a.m. Mass in Day Chapel

Saturday, February 20:

* High School Service project meets at 9:00 a.m. Mass in Chapel

10:00 a.m. – First Reconciliation – Church

Sunday, February 21:

9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library

9:15-10:45 a.m. – PSR (Parish School of Religion) – Enter at Yearling Road – Preschool Entrance

10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. – Preschool and Kindergarten – Enter at Yearling Road – Preschool Entrance

1:00-2:30 p.m. – People of God – Parish Hall and Church

1:30 p.m. – Adult Bible Study – Parish Office

1:00-5:00 p.m. – Echoes of Faith – School Classroom

Submit items for the February 21st Bulletin by Tuesday, February 16th, at 5:00 p.m. E-mail bulletin@holyspiritcolumbus.org or Fax# 861-3746.

Hospitality Sunday

All are welcome to come to the Church Hall after the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses to share in light refreshments and fellowship.



Adult Religious Education: The Holy Longing, the search for Christian Spirituality, will be presented by De Bukowski this Sunday evening, February 14, 2009, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Office. For questions or a need for childcare, please call De.

Reflective Prayer Experience: As we begin this Lenten Season, come and join us for a special prayer time: a time to experience God's love in our daily lives through Scripture reading, quiet reflection, and group sharing. This week we will be reflecting on a passage from the Book of Joel. We will gather in the Day Chapel at 1:00 p.m. this Wednesday, February 17. Questions? Please call Sister Joan in the Parish Office.

High School Youth Lenten Service Project.

Fifteen spots are available for high school youth to help in a service project this Saturday, February 20th beginning with 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Holy Spirit Day Chapel. We will then go to the United Methodist Church Free Store and work from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Please bring a light snack. Reserve your spot by contacting Kate Allwein at 239-7236 or e-mail youthholyspirit@yahoo.com.

Attention, all High School Youth! Please join us as we represent Holy Spirit Parish at the Diocesan Youth Rally on March 6th-7th. Cost is \$60.00. Rally will include keynote speaker Chris Padgett, praise and worship music, workshops about social justice and service, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Sunday Mass. Registration forms must be turned in to the Parish Office no later than Monday, February 15th. E-mail or call Kate Allwein at youthholyspirit@yahoo.com or 239-7236.

The Experience of Lent Begins this Week at Holy Spirit Parish



- Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010
Mass: 8:00 a.m. (in Church)
7:00 p.m. (in Church)
- Stations of the Cross: Friday, February 19, 1:30 p.m.
- First Reconciliation: Saturday, February 20, 10:00 a.m. (in Church)
- Confessions: Saturday, February 20, 4:00 p.m.

This Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Fasting means modifying food consumption; the two minor meals of the day equaling the main meal, when no meat is consumed. No snacks between meals. The money spent on meat (or expensive fish items) to be donated to the poor.

Abstinence means not purchasing expensive meat for meals, eating more simply and giving the money spent on expensive items to the poor. All Catholics are obligated to abstain on the Fridays of Lent (including Good Friday) and Ash Wednesday.

* * * * *

Spiritual Enrichment Opportunity: Mark your calendars! On Monday, March 8, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Day Chapel, Sr. Joan Popovits will facilitate a presentation with the theme of "Our Journey as Seniors/A Lenten Reflection." As we journey toward God, our relationship with God continues to deepen as we mature in age. The Lenten Season is a wonderful time to renew our commitment in developing this relationship through Prayer.

For a Catholic perspective, the *Catholic Times* weekly newspaper features insightful and informative news from around our diocese, our country, and the world. Sign up TODAY for, or continue receiving the *Catholic Times* for another year, by placing your *Catholic Times* envelope with only \$17.00 (parish rate) into the regular Mass collection. Checks should be made payable to Holy Spirit Parish. As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages every Catholic family to receive the *Catholic Times*.

What's Happening Around Town

A St. Valentine's Day Singles Dance will be held on Saturday, February 20, 2010, from 8:30-11:30 p.m., at St. Michael Church, 5750 N. High Street, in Worthington. The dance is sponsored by the Columbus Catholic Alumni Club. \$6.00 admission includes music, soda, and snacks. Deejay. BYO alcohol. Call Peggy Schano at 614-575-0518 for more information.

Come see *The Government Inspector*, adaption by Jeffrey Hatcher, as presented by the St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department on **February 25, 26 and 27** at 8:00 p.m. and **Sunday, February 28** at 3:00 p.m. Adult tickets are \$10.00, students, \$5.00. For reservations, call the Main Office at 252-6714.

Cemetery Spring Cleanup – Beginning March 1, St. Joseph, Resurrection, Holy Cross, and Mt. Calvary cemeteries will begin cleaning off wintertime decorations. Families are advised to remove any personal keepsakes they wish to retain before March 1.

Bishop Hartley Style Show and Luncheon will be presented Saturday, March 6, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 10:30 a.m.) at the Columbus Country Club (4831 E. Broad Street, 43213). Your \$30.00 ticket includes lunch and a style show. Enjoy a chance at a door prize (or two) and gift basket raffles. RSVP by Monday, February 22 by calling 855-0683. Invitations are also available on the BHHS web site at www.bishop-hartley.org (Scroll down and click on Style Show).