



# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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*We are a community of believers,  
Led by the Holy Spirit,  
To make present the Kingdom of God,  
Through prayer, study and action.*

## *Third Sunday of Lent*

### MASS TIMES



**Holy Ghost Church**  
2921 Central Ave  
Sat., 4:15pm; Sun., 9:30am  
Daily Mass: Mon., & Thur., 7:30am



**Holy Trinity Church**  
1701 Rhomberg Ave  
Sun., 8:00am  
Daily Mass: Tue., 7:30am



**Sacred Heart Church**  
2215 Windsor Ave  
Sat., 4:00pm; Sun., 11:00am  
Daily Mass: Wed. & Fri., 7:30am

### RECONCILIATION

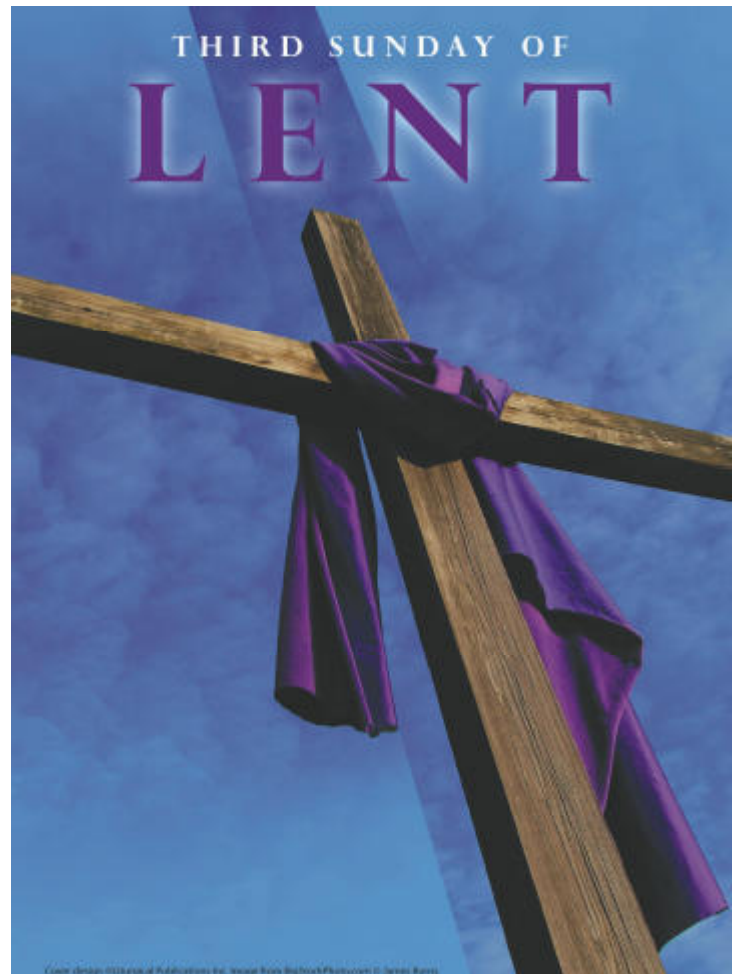
Holy Ghost: Sat., 3:00-4:00pm  
Sacred Heart: Sat., 3:15-3:45pm  
Friday after 7:30am Mass  
Holy Trinity: Sun., 7:15-7:45am

### BAPTISMS

The second and fourth weekends of each month. We request that parents attend the baptism class. Classes are held in March, June, September and December. Call the parish office to register.

### WEDDINGS

Contact the parish office at time of engagement.



**SICK, HOMEBOUND, NURSING HOMES**  
Contact the parish office for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion, and home visits.

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to become a member of Holy Spirit Parish, please call the parish office.

# Welcome to Holy Spirit Parish

## From the Pastor

The *First Scrutiny* takes place this weekend for RCIA participants in the Church. In solidarity and prayer for these catechumens, we reflect a bit on our *Cycle A* readings whereby we recall the story of Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well. During this encounter, the woman talks about the Messiah only to discover that she is actually speaking with the Messiah. "I am He, the one speaking with you" Jesus tells her. How does this woman, this non-disciple and non-Jew, this perfect stranger earn the right to such a direct revelation? Why does Jesus choose her?

Obviously, he chose this woman for the same reason he chooses each one of us—out of love. The Samaritan woman at the well did not earn her place at the side of Jesus. She did nothing to merit this life changing encounter. In fact, the reading implies that she was a sinful woman. Yet Jesus approached her first. He asked her for a drink, and looked for the opportunity to offer her the "living water" that would quench her deepest thirst.

This is what Jesus has done for us. As St. Paul says in his letter to the Romans, "God proves His love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8). He offers us the gift of salvation, the "spring of water welling up to eternal life." We don't earn this gift; Jesus paid for it on the cross. In other words, we get to drink without having to dig the well. As Jesus tells His disciples, "others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work."

Of course we must be willing to "drink" by accepting the gift Christ offers, orienting our life around it. Like the Samaritan woman at the well who "left her water jar and went into town" to testify, we are called to leave behind our old life of sin and selfishness once we accept our new life in Christ. Indeed, Lent is the season that prepares us for such a dramatic rebirth. We pray and fast and give alms, not to earn the joy of Easter, but to be ready to drink it in.

I wish everyone a blessed week!

Fr. Steve



**Easter Flowers:** If you would like to make a donation towards decorations for our church's for Easter, please put your donation in an envelope and list the names of your loved one(s) you would like to be remembered.

**Through the waters of baptism, we welcome into our parish community:**

Charlotte Josephine Blume, daughter of Austin & Channah

## Religious Education

**Religious Education:** We have our regular class this Wednesday, March 10th at Holy Ghost. Students will be taken to Confession one class at a time instead of communal Reconciliation as we have done in past years. Please drop students off at Holy Ghost School that evening. First grade will have regular class in school the whole evening. We will NOT have class on March 17th due to spring break.

**First Eucharist Information:** We are going through chapter 5 of the workbooks this week. If you haven't already done so, let Cassie know which Mass you're planning on attending for First Eucharist along with the number of people who will be with you so we can reserve pews. If you have any questions please contact Cassie at [dbq059ff@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq059ff@dbqarch.org).

**Confirmation Information:** Our next meeting is next Sunday, Mar. 14th at 10:30am in the Holy Ghost church basement. Please remember to email the letter for your pastor to Cassie prior to our class. If you have any questions please contact her at [dbq059ff@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq059ff@dbqarch.org).

## Readings

Mar. 8: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30

Mar. 9: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35

Mar. 10: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20]/Mt 5:17-19

Mar. 11: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23

Mar. 12: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34

Mar. 13: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14

Mar. 14: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

## Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, Mar. 8 St. John of God, Religious**

7:30 AM HG Gerald Chapman

**TUESDAY, Mar. 9 St. Frances of Rome, Religious**

7:30 AM HT Joleen Marie Stork

**WEDNESDAY, Mar. 10**

7:30 AM SH Alice Muenster

**THURSDAY, Mar. 11**

7:30 AM HG Karl & Bernice Frommelt

**FRIDAY, Mar. 12**

7:30 AM SH John & Irene Theobald

**SATURDAY, Mar. 13**

4:00 PM SH Don McGeough

4:15 PM HG Don Kruse

**SUNDAY, Mar. 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:00 AM HT Jerome Roling

9:30 AM HG Merlin, Pearl & Jim Klein

11:00 AM SH People of Holy Spirit Parish

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Adult budget.....	\$11,956.36
Offertory.....	\$180.50
Total.....	\$12,136.86
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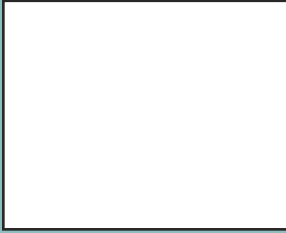


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