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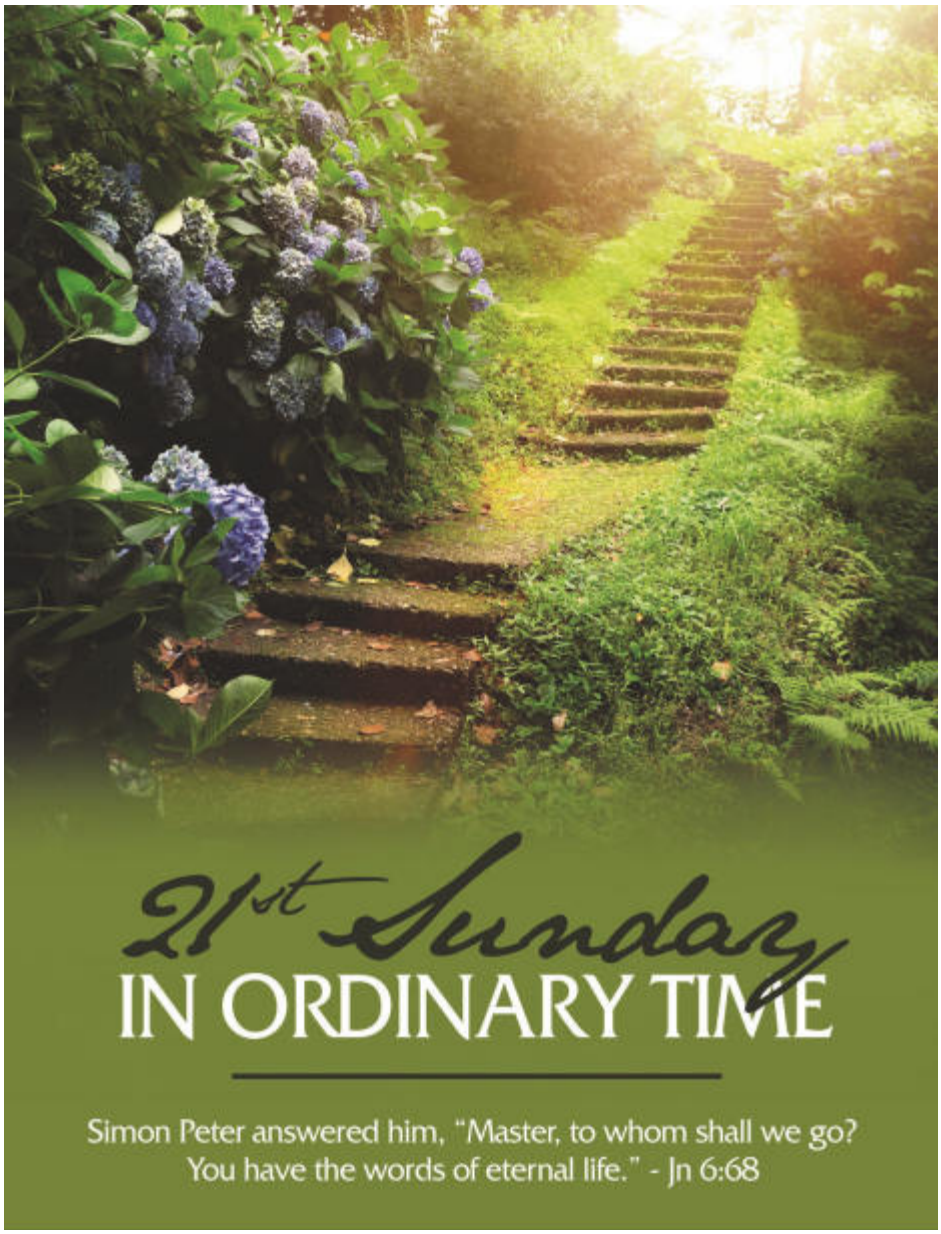

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**"We are
The Church
of the Holy Spirit,
a center of Catholic life
rooted in Sacred Tradition
and nourished
by the Sacraments.**

**We are people of faith,
challenged by
the Holy Spirit
to celebrate joyfully,
serve generously,
evangelize respectfully,
and be an accepting
and vital parish.**

**Energized by God's Word
and the Eucharist,
we strive to become
true followers of Christ."**

August 22nd, 2021 | Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK AT HOLY SPIRIT

Aug. 23rd	4:00pm	Respect Life Rosary
Aug. 24th	8:00am	Parent meeting grades 4&5
	6:30pm	Parent meeting grades 4&5
Aug. 25th	1:00pm	RCIA
Aug. 26th	8:00am	Parent meeting grades 6-8
	8:45am	Anointing of the Sick
	6:30pm	Parent meeting grades 6-8

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69
Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.

MASS INTENTIONS

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED, PLEASE CALL THE MINISTRY CENTER

Monday, August 23rd, 2021	**8:15am**	**†Mr. & Mrs. John Cambron**
Tuesday, August 24th, 2021	**8:15am**	**†Norma Magee**
Wednesday, August 25th, 2021	**8:15am**	**†Allen & Evelyn Mattingly**
Thursday, August 26th, 2021	**8:15am**	**†Tom Shannon**
Friday, August 27th, 2021	**8:15am**	**†Carolyn Capizzi**
Saturday, August 28th, 2021	**5:00pm**	**†John Eckerle**
Sunday, August 29th, 2021	**8:00am**	**†Fr. Leo Craycroft**
	10:00am	**People of the Parish Community**

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

"But the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods. For it was the LORD, our God, who brought us and our ancestors up out of the land of Egypt….Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." Joshua 24:16-18

What gods do we worship – greed, selfishness, comfort, appearances, consumerism, pleasure? A steward is thankful to the God of generosity and does not become trapped in worshiping other false gods.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
JULY, 2021

Monthly

Actual	Budgeted	Variance
$69,402.50	$75,000.	($5,597.50)

Yearly

Actual	Budgeted	Variance
$69,402.50	$75,000.	($5,597.50)

Please remember Holy Spirit in your Will.

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IN SYMPATHY

Please remember in your prayers long time parishioner John Eckerle, beloved husband of Barbara, who passed away last week and was buried from Holy Spirit.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS & PARENTING POINTERS

Marriage Moments: Whether or not you've been able to take a vacation this past summer, you can still dream. If money were not an issue and you had the time, where would each of you love to go? You don't have to agree right now. This is just fantasy time.

Parenting Pointers: Children like stuff - a new bike or doll, perhaps the latest video game. If you consider their request an extravagance, can you help them "earn" it? Are there extra jobs around the house you can pay them for like raking the leaves or washing the car? (adapted from *Family Minute*)

CAN YOU HELP?

Michael Gonzalez, Holy Spirit grade school class of 2004, was in a terrible motorcycle accident and is currently paralyzed from the waist down. He is at Frazier Rehab. Michael is a young father of 6 children.
Texas Roadhouse, along with the Michael Feger Paralysis Foundation, are sponsoring a fundraiser for Michael on Wednesday, September 1st, from 4:00-9:00pm, at 5005 Shelbyville Road restaurant. Mention that you are there to support this fundraiser and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your food order to this cause.

FOR THE FAMILY

Reflecting on the Word: Some of Jesus' followers had a hard time with some of Jesus' teachings and decided to leave him and return to their former way of life. We wonder: how can they walk away from Jesus? We know that sometimes it's hard, scary, exhausting, and challenging to follow Jesus and accept his gifts to us. We are all called to build up the Kingdom of God. When discipleship becomes frustrating and discouraging, when it's hard to have faith, when those we know might be leaving the church, or when we feel unwanted, God is still calling us. We can choose to walk away, or we can choose to remain in relationship with him. It is a daily choice, one that we must recommit to on a regular basis.

On the Way Home from Mass: If Jesus asked you, "Do you also want to leave?" what would you say?

Living the Word: Why do you believe in Jesus? Together write all the reasons why your family believes in God. Ask the children for their answers. Then display the list in your prayer space or somewhere all may be reminded why you believe and trust in God, especially in moment of doubt, confusion, or difficulty.

PRAYERS

Please pray for all the sick, shut-ins, those in nursing homes, hospitalized, or recently discharged and recuperating. *Specifically pray for the following who are suffering with a serious illness or undergoing treatment*: Noah Barone, Elizabeth Campbell Moir, Matt Buechler, Deacon Anthony Brown, Carol O'Bryan, Linda Lindsey, Wayne Clark, Adley & Tenley Ward, Tom & Jane Elpers, Chuck Collins, Kenny Vance, Sawyer Hartley, Joe & Cissy Raibert, Angie Wagner Furlan, Ray Glenn, Michael Gonzalez

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS:
Cheri Hall …….. 409-5386 (24/7 on call)
Barbara Barry ……897-6374 (9:00am-8:00pm)

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SCHOOL

Catch the Spirit! Applications are now being accepted for in-person preschool 4's and Kindergarten through 8 grade. Register at **hspirit.org/school** or schedule a tour by calling the school office at 502-893-7700.

Part time Cafeteria worker needed: We are looking for a part time worker, 10:30am to 1:30pm school days, who would serve food to the children and also act as back up cashier. If interested, please call the school office 502-893-7700 and ask for Lisa Hulsman or email her at lhulsman@hspiritschool.org.

Holy Spirit Class of 1971 alumni and spouses are invited to gather for our **50th Class Reunion**!
When: September 24, 5:00 pm **Where:** Captain Quarters, 5700 Captains Quarters Rd., Prospect, KY 40059
For more information or to learn about other alumni activities, please email jgiannone@hspiritschool.org

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Now Hiring Afterschool Care Teachers: Flexible scheduling. Would work 3 to 5 afternoons each week. If you are interested, please call Angie Hiland, 893-7700.

Can you help? We are looking for a gently used love seat, oversized chair, ottoman….anything comfortable…..for the ASC House. I'm hoping to create a comfy spot for the older kiddos who attend after care. If you have something that would work, please call Angie Hiland, 893-7700.

FEATURED ARTICLE

BY CAROLE MAGEE, DIRECTOR OF RELICIOUS EDUCATION

2022 Confirmation Candidates

Each year as the 8th graders begin the final leg of their journey toward Confirmation, I like to ask others to take time each day and pray for them. They will need all the prayers and encouragement they can receive as they make their way toward the end of the year, graduation, and high school.

As you leave the church today, stop at the table in the colonnade and choose a Confirmation candidate. Their names are on magnetized doves that you can place on your refrigerator as a reminder.

I would appreciate it very much if you would choose a candidate that you do not know. Most likely you are already praying for a child or grandchild.

Below is a prayer to recite for your candidate. I ask that you say this prayer each day until the candidate is confirmed on Saturday, February 5, 2022.

May God bless you as you take time each day to pray for a special young person.

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

**Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people,
so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent.
Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation
as they listen to Your voice;
look especially on the candidate for whom I pray.
Open their hearts to Your Spirit,
and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.
As we prepare these children for Confirmation,
make each of us an instrument of Your love.
Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others,
and to be patient with what we do not understand.
Deepen our faith in the Gospel
and help us to pass it on by your example.
We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

The Reverend Frederick W. Klotter
Pastor

SACRED LITURGY
Daily Mass: Monday - Friday 8:15am
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00 and 10:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

SACRAMENT PREPARATION
Contact the Ministry Center for information regarding Baptism, First Eucharist, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) and Marriage.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK
After the 8:15am Mass every Thursday

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH?
Contact Karen Bisig, Business Manager, at the Ministry Center, to find out how to become a member.

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OFFICE HOURS: M –F 8:30am—4:00pm

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AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Celebrate Calm: Strategies for Parents and Teachers: Immaculata Classical Academy welcomes all parents and teachers to a free workshop by Kirk Martin, founder of Celebrate Calm, on **Monday, August 30 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** This session will provide parents and teachers with a dozen strategies that will eliminate defiance, disrespect, yelling, bullying, sibling fights, and more that characterize homes and classrooms. Kirk Martin provides concrete, practical strategies that work with kids ages 2-22 in everyday situations. These strategies will assist you in getting your kids to listen the first time and in stopping defiance, yelling, whining, and tantrums, helping to create stress-free mornings, homework time, and bedtime. Arrive early for a special Q&A with Kirk beginning at 6:50 p.m. Immaculata is located on the campus of Saint Leonard Parish at 440 Zorn Avenue, Louisville, KY 40206.

Red Mass 2021: Please join the legal and judicial communities for the annual Red Mass, which invokes God's blessing and guidance on all those in the legal community, including attorneys, judges, paralegals, and clerks. Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz will celebrate this Mass on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, 12:15 p.m. the Cathedral of the Assumption, 433 S. Fifth Street. Persons of all faiths who serve in the legal profession are invited to attend.

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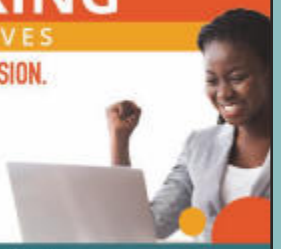
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