

First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2015

*"I will raise up for David a just shoot;*

*he shall do what is right and just in the land." Jeremiah 33:15*

<http://www.holyspirit-catholic.com>

## Liturgy Ministry Schedule

### PLEASE REMEMBER:

You are to arrive at least 20 to 30 minutes before mass is to begin. This is very important to prepare and be ready.

**Saturday, December 5 – 6:00 pm**

**Greeter:** Paula Busler/Maureen Finley

**Usher:** Chris Sodd/Jean Adams

**Server:** Don Greer

**Lector:** Lori Stephens/Charlie Young

**Gift Bearer:** Doyle Family

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Danny & Cindy Thomas/Stacy

**Sunday, December 6 – 10:30 am**

**Greeter:** Margaret Wilder/Beth Shilling

**Usher:** Harry Tarsi/Alan Gho/Dennis Johnson/Lee Smith

**Server:** Adam Henning/Katie Henning/Haley Carter

**Lector:** Jessica Smith/MaryAnn Nix

**Gift Bearer:** Felicia Hill Family

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathy Beach/Kathy Fink/Felicia Hill/  
Amanda Ready/Diane Cannon/Katherine Carroll/Jimmy Terry

**REMINDER:** *If you are unable to fulfill your ministry obligation, it is your responsibility to find someone that can serve in your place. Thank you.*

### PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Weekly for Budget.....	\$5,153.85
Last Week's Offering .....	\$6,502.10
Needed Weekly for Note Payment .....	\$1,626.23
Debt Reduction Last Wk.....	\$1,436.00
Community Services.....	\$ 45.00

## Gifted and Called – I say “yes,” Lord

**BULLETIN INFORMATION** All material for the bulletin must be submitted to MaryAnn Nix, 662 429-7851 or [holyspirtchurch@shsm.org](mailto:holyspirtchurch@shsm.org) by NOON TUESDAYS for inclusion in Sunday's bulletin.

There should be no eating,  
drinking or gum in the Church.  
If a child must have nourishment,  
please do so in the cry room.



### CHRISTMAS CONCERT ---

Mark your calendar for December 6<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 pm for the Advent/Christmas Concert at Christ the King. The concert will be followed by a Spaghetti Dinner. Everyone

is invited!

Volunteers needed to serve at the weekend liturgies.  
Be praying about where God is calling you to serve.

**HOLY SPIRIT RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE** is available for business Monday through Friday from 9 am to 3 pm.

### CALENDAR OF MASSES/EVENTS

**Sunday, November 29, 2015**

**First Sunday of Advent**

NO am PRE Classes – Thanksgiving Break

NO am **Adult Catechism Class**

10:30 am Liturgy **For the Parish Community**

11:45 am Coffee

**Monday, November 30, 2015**

8:00 am Liturgy +**Faithful Departed #3**

**Tuesday, December 1, 2015**

8:00 am Liturgy +**Karl Lowe**

**Wednesday, December 2, 2015**

8:00 am Liturgy +**Fran Albersman** by: Holy Spirit

6:30 pm PRE 6-12<sup>th</sup> grades

**Thursday, December 3, 2015**

8:00 am Liturgy +**Fr. Tony Kelly** by: Don & Chris Greer

9:00 am **Bible Study** with Sara Rauch

7:00 pm Choir

8:00 pm AA & Al-Anon

**Friday, December 4, 2015**

8:00 am Liturgy +**Jeanne Hamelrath** by: Holy Spirit

**Saturday, December 5, 2015**

5:30 pm Confessions

Confessions available by appointment also 662-342-1073

6:00 pm Liturgy **Intentions of Chris Greer**

by: the Morning Crew

**Sunday, December 6, 2015**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am PRE Classes – PreK – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

9:00 am **Adult Catechism Class** with Chris Greer

10:30 am Liturgy **For the Parish Community**

11:45 am Pageant Practice/Manger Blessing/Brunch

4:00 pm Christmas Concert at CTK

**Priest Contact Numbers:**

**SERIOUS SACRAMENT EMERGENCY ONLY 901-351-6591**

All other needs 662-342-1073

### RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE

November 29 – Thanksgiving Weekend

December 6 – Rose Powell/Maria Mitchell

### CHILDREN'S HOMILY

November 29 – Thanksgiving Weekend

December 6 – Mindy Williamson

### ALTAR LINENS MINISTRY

November – Rose Powell

December – Cindy Thomas

**Our Holy Spirit web address is:**

It is open on Saturday evenings before Mass and on Sunday mornings after Mass. Take time to stop in and check it out. **Lots of Christmas items & gifts!**

## 2015 Holy Spirit Young People's Christmas Program "Christmas at Grandma's"

Sunday*	December 6	11.45 am – 1:00 pm
Saturday (Dress Rehearsal)	December 12	9:00 am – 11:00 am

Only two rehearsals left before the big event!!!  
Lunch will be provided for the December 6 rehearsal. Please call Barbara Smith 901-413-8102 if you have questions.

### GIFTED AND CALLED I SAY 'YES' LORD

Performance: **Sunday, December 13 - 6:00 p.m.**  
For more information call Barbara Smith 901-413-8102

**HOLY SPIRIT LADIES ASSOCIATION**  
e-mail [holyspiritladies@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritladies@gmail.com).

**FAMILY ADVENT RECONCILIATION** is scheduled for the following days:

December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm St. Gregory.

December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm Good Shepherd.

December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Christ the King.

December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Holy Spirit.

December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm St. Joseph.

December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Queen of Peace.

December 19 at 9:00 am Christ the King followed by a breakfast in the Social Hall.

Most families come to Mass together as a family. Many families go out to eat after Mass or go home and have family time together. Lots of families go to basketball, soccer, football together, even grandma and grandpa! Make a plan now to come *as a family* to the FAMILY ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE. Many families are in need of forgiveness and mercy within their own family. You may or may not want to confess your sins at the service but it is good to pray *as a family* for peace and love and forgiveness (the elements of MERCY) for your family. If you miss the one in your parish, come to the big one at Christ the King on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, a Saturday morning, and eat pancakes afterward (thanks to the Knights!).

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS** "The Knights of Columbus will be launching their annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" campaign with a Christmas Card Sale after all Masses on weekend of November 27/28.



### FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLICS

For nationwide Mass times and locations: call 1-800-627-7846 or Internet [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org)

Yes, Holy Spirit is there!

### Seriously Sick & Hospitalized

### ☘ Please Pray For The Sick ☘

Your prayers are requested for the following who are seriously ill:

Carolyn Ann Hollahan (B. Kelly's sis), Ginny Fuentes (Cindy Thomas cousin), Don Smith (Marie's son), Carol Menne, Linda Buechele, Mike Shelby (Mary Ann's Bro), Art Cortesi, Ned Sabbatini, John Foti (Muzzi Bro), Dresten Gaboya, Stanley Chimahusky, Cynthia Williams (Betty Mize niece), Lilyana Hill (Felicia grand), Jane Cole (Infant), Elizabeth Thyer, Jeriel Caha (nix), Victoria Greer, Jennifer Smith (nix), David Snyder (Diane Dryja Bro), Lester Johnson (Bob's twin), Daniel Douglas (Jeffries bronlaw), Cathy Cuthbertson (Sheila Parr Aunt), Howard Snyder (D. Dryja dad), Harriet Lupo, Joy Smith, Joe Menne (Charlie's bro), Mary Griffin, Joseph Ingoglia, Birdie Lewis (Felicia grandma), Kim Craig (J. Davis sis n law), Nancy Rachal, June Vanlandingham, Farris Jenkins (N Rachal bronlaw), Chuck Dean (Fr. Greg), Carter Brooks, Meredith Hannah, Dan Chalk (N. French), Lucas Goeller (Newcamp), Dr. Robert Maddux, Myriam Suarez (M. Rexroade's mom), Sherry Vowell (Ken Hoover's sis), Josh Bixler (Bill/Liz Brown's nephew), Sara Hewitt (Marie Smith), Robert Tully (broinlaw), Kevin Nelson (Jeannine nephew), and Jared Smith (Liz Brown). Please notify the Pastor when serious illness occurs or when hospitalization is indicated: we would like to strengthen the ill with the Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing).

**DAILY MASS DURING ADVENT** Mass will be offered Monday through Friday during the Advent Season at Holy Spirit at 8:00 am, at Queen of Peace at 9:00 am, and Christ the King at 9:00 am each weekday morning. It is a catholic tradition to attend daily Mass each day of Advent. The first weekday of Advent this year is Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.



### !!!! JUST ONE !!!! TABLE, THAT IS

We are asking your family to decorate a table for the annual Children's Christmas Program and Pot Luck Dinner. Make our Family Life Center more festive and fun, using your creativity and personality. You can come by during the week before the Dec. 13 program and decorate, or decorate on Saturday, Dec. 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., when the children will be there for dress rehearsal. If you would like to take part in this merry project, e-mail Jessica Smith at [jessicasmith@hotmail.com](mailto:jessicasmith@hotmail.com) (notice there is no "a" at the end of her first name), or call her at 901-486-9555.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER** be sure to let us know what you are bringing to our dinner and how many are attending on the signup sheet. The church is furnishing the ham and turkey and we want to make sure we have enough. Check the Holy Happenings for more info.



**MANGER BLESSING AND BRUNCH** immediately following Sunday Mass on December 6. We will have prayer and a ceremonial

blessing of our new outside Nativity. All are invited. Come as a family. If you have a nativity Scene, please bring a figure from your Nativity Scene to have it blessed.

**We have a beautiful church. We need your help to keep it picked up and cleaned after the masses. Take a few minutes after the Mass has ended to straighten the books and check the area for trash. This is our home and should always be clean and welcoming including our bathrooms! No food or drink inside!**

**RECYCLING** The Men's Association is now accepting aluminum cans. Bring your bags to the garage door or if you are in the Family Life Center, put them in the containers marked for cans. Proceeds are being split between Catholic Social Services, Interfaith Food Bank, and the Cindy Pretti Scholarship Fund. For further information, contact Lee Smith at 233-4833 or Sal Galtelli at 429-5071.



**A BIG THANK YOU**

Dear Holy Spirit Parish Family,  
 Thank you so much for your prayers, support, and gifts for my Confirmation. You are all very special and I am very thankful to be part of such a wonderful parish family.

In Christ,  
 Haley Carter

**“Building Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive”** is a program Knights of our families they are called encourage all the families from all of our parishes to gather together for an evening of fun, fellowship, prayer, and discussion.



sponsored by the Columbus to help better become what to be. We

**Sunday November 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**“It’s a Wonderful Life”**  
**Sunday December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**“The Muppet Christmas Carol”**

**5:00** Doors open at Christ the King Parish Hall  
**5:30** Potluck Dinner – bring your favorite dish to share-  
**6:00** Introduction  
**6:30** Movie –free popcorn, lemonade and coffee or tea-  
**“BE MERCIFUL AS YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER IS MERCIFUL”** Luke 6:36

Today is the first Sunday of a new church year, the beginning of Advent, and a very special year it is. Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year, a Holy Year to celebrate MERCY. On Dec. 8 (feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary) Pope Francis will begin the year with the celebration of ‘opening a door’.....not just any door but the door to the cathedral of St. Peter’s in Rome, which remains sealed except in jubilee years. ‘Celebrating a jubilee every 50 years was an ancient Hebrew custom. It was a year of rest and restoration....’ Pope Frances envisions a year when people will become more merciful in their own lives and bring God’s mercy to others. On Dec. 13, holy ‘Doors of Mercy’ will be opened all over the world. You may even want to ‘open a door’ of Mercy in your own house. A prayer service for this small ritual is by the bulletin board in the gathering space. ‘Opening the door’ is a great symbol of warmth, hospitality, welcoming, being ‘at home’ and forgiveness.....this is Mercy. Fr. Bob and Fr. David

**THE MEN'S ASSOCIATION** now have the New Look shirts, caps, and visors of polyester “Sta Dri” material. Order forms available after weekend masses.

Shirts \$20.00 Caps/Visors \$10.00  
 Slip over windbreaker \$25.00  
 Ladies & Men’s sizes available



*Holy Spirit Parish Family offers their deepest condolences to Bill & Nancy Marking on the recent death of her sister +Carol Krug May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace*

**A HEARTFELT THANK YOU** too everyone who donated food for the Interfaith Thanksgiving Basket program for the elderly needy in our community. Your contributions made it possible for us to provide the items needed for a delicious Thanksgiving dinner to 89



families experiencing financial hardship throughout our community. Simply put, if it wasn't for your support, it would not be possible. Also, special thank you to all of those who volunteered their time Sunday evening to help us put together these baskets. We had 19 of our youth plus 53 youth from the 15 other churches. And Monday's distribution went so well it was wonderful!! May God richly bless you and your family this holiday season!

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** –This year the Holiday of obligation is on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a collection at all the Masses. There are nine masses scheduled as follows:

**VIGIL** : December 7<sup>th</sup>  
 7 pm at Holy Spirit, Hernando.  
 7 pm at St. Joseph, Holly Springs.  
 7 pm at Christ the King, Southaven.

**FEAST DAY** : December 8<sup>th</sup>  
 8 am at Holy Spirit, Hernando.  
 9 am at Christ the King, Southaven.  
 9 am at Queen of Peace, Olive Branch.  
 7 pm at Good Shepherd, Robinsonville.  
 7 pm at St. Gregory, Senatobia.  
 7 pm at Queen of Peace, Olive Branch.



**THANK YOU**

Dear Holy Spirit Family,  
 Thank you so much for all the visits, prayers, and concerns. I never felt alone. You are an amazing group of people. I am so glad to know you.  
 Thank you again for your love and kindness.  
 Love,  
 Nancy Potts

**REGISTRATION FOR RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS .....AND CHILDREN AGES 7 AND UP) IS OPEN NOW.** Adult classes have begun. Call Sr. Emily for an appointment to register.

**NO CELL PHONE ZONE** We remind all to please turn off all cell phones and electronic communication devices when entering the church buildings. The signals, even from a silenced phone, interfere with the wireless microphones of the church.



**COLLEGE STUDENTS** The Northwest Mississippi Community College Catholic Student Association is open to students at any Northwest campus. Our meetings are held the last Monday of each month during each semester at 5:30 p.m. in the McLendon Union, Room 130 on the Senatobia campus. Come join us for fellowship and fun, and learn a little more about your faith while you are there! Our meeting this month is Monday, November 30! This will be our last meeting for 2015. We will begin again January

2016. For more information, contact LaJuan Tallo at 662-816-1129.



**MISSING BABY BOTTLES** Thanks to everyone who returned their baby bottles. There are still 15 missing bottles. If you have not returned your bottle, please do so today. The donations help defray the cost of ultra sounds and other expenses incurred at the **Pregnancy Care Center in Southaven**. The bottles are given to others to fill.

**During his visit** to the United States Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, implored all of us Americans to remember the Golden Rule and *help* refugees rather than view them as a problem.  
*“Our world is facing a refugee crisis of a magnitude not seen since the Second World War. This presents us with great challenges and many hard decisions. ... We must not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation. To respond in a way which is always humane, just and fraternal. We need to avoid a common temptation nowadays: to discard whatever proves troublesome. Let us remember the Golden Rule: “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you” (Mt 7:12). (Speech to U.S. Congress, 9/24/15)*



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH, FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE:** Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of all the Americas: North America (United States & Mexico), Central America, and South America. This image is the only known image depicting Mary pregnant with the Christ Child. This is why the image of Guadalupe is universally used for our prayer and for our Pro Life position as Catholics. Our Lady of Guadalupe is appropriately celebrated during the Advent Season as she is the dominant figure who bears the Christ Child within her.

**FREE!!!** Celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy with a great new app from Our Sunday Visitor! *365 Days to Mercy* is designed to accompany you on your spiritual journey during the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The app includes daily reflections on mercy, everyday Scripture reflections, Pope Francis' tweets, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena, and lots more. Go to your app store and search “*365 Days to Mercy*” and install it today! Go to OSV.com/YOM to learn more.



**CONGRATULATIONS**

**AND  
BEST WISHES**

**To Donny and Lisa Smith  
on the birth of their son,  
Seeley Stanford Smith  
born on September 30, 2015  
he weighed 5 lbs 13 oz and 19 ½" long**