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Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM - Cantor & Organ Sunday: 7:30 AM - Unaccompanied 9:00 AM - Youth Choir & Organ 10:30 AM - Choir & Organ 12:00 Noon - Cantor & Organ 6:00 PM - Contemporary Ensemble

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 and 9:00 AM Saturday: 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:00 PM Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 AM and 8:30 AM Saturdays at 3:30 PM (all sessions—until line ends)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sundays at 1:15 PM Baptismal preparation class is held the second Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Diocesan regulations require that you contact one of the Holy Spirit clergy at least six months before the wedding to begin preparations.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOME VISITATION

By request. If you or another parishioner you know are unable to attend Mass, please call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive the Eucharist at home.

Behold,

I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you. Matthew 11:10

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HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

Parish Calendar available at www.holyspiritchurch.us

Sunday, December 15th, Third Sunday of Advent

Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 & 6:00 PM 2^{nd} Collection for the Maintenance Fund

Donut Social, School, after the 9:00 & 10:30 AM Masses

Tuesday, December 17th

Walking with Purpose, Meeting Rooms 1 & 2, 8:30 AM Walking with Purpose, Parish Center, 9:45 AM Legion of Mary, Parish Center Small Room, 10:30 AM Senior "BINGO", Parish Center Large Room, 11:30 AM KofC Meeting, The Quinn Room, 7:30 PM

Wednesday, December 18th

RCIA, Parish Center, 7:00 PM

Contemporary Ensemble rehearsal, Church, 7:30-9:30 PM Father O'Donohue's Bible Study, Parish Center, 8:30 PM

Thursday, December 19th

St. Cecilia Youth Choir rehearsal, Church, 5:00-6:30 PM St. Gregory Choir rehearsal, Church, 7:00-9:00 PM Walking with Purpose, Meeting Rooms 1 & 2, 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society, Parish Center, 7:00 PM Adult Volleyball, School Gym, 9:00-10:30 PM

Friday, December 20th

Eucharistic Adoration immediately following the 6:30 AM Mass continuously until Saturday morning 9:00 AM Holy Hour, Church, 7:00 PM

Saturday, December 21st, Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses at 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Sunday, December 22nd, Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 & 6:00 PM

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:00 PM; Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 & 8:30 AM; Saturday at 3:30 PM

SNOW ANGELS

Snow Removal

Boy Scouts and Parish teens provide snow removal for parishioners who have *no other resources or options* on those snowy days. Please check with neighbors, friends and family before calling so we may serve as many as possible. Call Mark Greer to get on the list: 703 323-9033.

Snow Removal Help Needed

Calling all Parish teens and anyone else with a strong back willing to help to provide a much-needed service to our Parish community. Please email Mark Greer at mfgreer@verizon.net if you are able to help.





THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Monday, December 16th

Tuesday, December 17th

Joe Yohe ₽ 6:30 AM

Wednesday, December 18th

Tuyet Tran 6:30 AM

Francis Amanna 약 9:00 AM

Thursday, December 19th

Bob Tolle dr 6:30 AM

Francis Amanna 한 9:00 AM

Friday, December 20th

Dwight S. Reyburn 한 6:30 AM Mary Louise Deom 한 9:00 AM

Saturday, December 21st

Sunday, December 22nd

Ted Kurpiewski 한 7:30 AM Joseph & Mary Serovich and son 한 9:00 AM Joseph Potosnak 한 10:30 AM Holy Spirit Parish 12:00 PM Laura Verdisco 한 6:00 PM

WHAT IS #JOY?

How can you experience more JOY this Advent and Christmas? Our #JustOneYes movement encourages all in the diocese to increase their connection to God. How can you join the movement? Commit to a daily Rosary, daily Mass, your favorite prayer, or an extra holy hour a week, something that brings you closer to Christ. Register your JustOneYes at arlingtondiocese.org/JustOneYes. Text JustOneYes to (833) 602-8554 to receive weekly encouragement during the Advent Season to complete your "yes"!

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

"Do you rejoice in the Lord?" Is He asking you to consider a vocation as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at 703 841-2514 or michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.



CHRISTMAS MASSES Nativity of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th

Confessions: 9:30-11:30 AM Vigil of Christmas Masses: 5:00 & 7:30 PM

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25th

Midnight Christmas Mass: 12:00 AM Christmas Masses: 8:00 & 10:00 AM, 12:00 noon

NEW YEAR'S MASSES
Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God
(Holy Day of Obligation)

New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31st Vigil of Solemnity Masses: 5:30 & 11:30 PM

New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1st Solemnity Masses: 8:00 & 10:00 AM, 12:00 noon

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On this third Sunday of Advent, we hear Isaiah proclaim: "Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!"

Because of your generosity, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide several families with food for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will also be able to assist families to celebrate Christmas, and continue to help those who are afraid, lonely and unable to meet the basic needs of their families. Thank you for your continuing donations and support!

ADVENT GIVING TREE

You can help pregnant women in need of maternity care, as well as post-abortive women, through the Advent Giving Tree in our Church Vestibule. Just take an ornament tag from the tree, and mail in your donation to

the diocesan office. One grateful mother wrote, "I have no idea how I would have gotten through this incredibly difficult and challenging period of my life without Gabriel Project's help. I now see God did not forget me, and is with me every step of the way." You can also donate online at arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife.



PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Janet Burgin Eui Soon (Clara) Kim Thomas Tarantino Rosella Trahan

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

William V. Arbacas, III
Edythe Bonato
Eileen Carroll-Boshier
Catherine Rose Chen
Anthony Girata
Jon R. Johnson
Donna MacCabe
Abraham Perez
Patricia Shimones
Bud Shumate
Doris Trunfio

Brian Vibert

Luis Arciniega
Allison Candelore
Mary Ann Crites
Walter Joe Coleman
Helen Hufschmitt
Wendy Kent
Alexandra Malone
The Rowsey Family
Catherine Shonka
Andrea Sturken
Bert van den Horn

WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY AND SUPPORT SERVICES OVERSEAS

"May the peace of God's presence and our concern for them give them strength"

Maj. Robert J. Bowen

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Brian Harper
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LCDR Mike Lee
SSG Greg Manning
LCDR Patrick Ronan
Maj. Rufus Shumate, III

1st Lt. Jake Conrad CPL John Gundling Capt. Sgt. Andrew J. Houston Capt. Michael Kopa, Jr. Spec. Jonathan Levine Lt. Cory Rank 1st Lt. James Shahayda





Thank you to the Holy Spirit students, parents and parishioners for your generous donations and support of Holy Spirit School's annual toy drive to benefit Santa's Ride. The toys, games & books will be presented to sick children in local hospitals. Santa's Ride is a program sponsored by the Fairfax County Police Department motorcycle squad, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office and other agencies. This year we surpassed our goal of 500 toys and collected **573** toys!

Holy Spirit School would like to wish the students, parents and parishioners a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Open House for 2020 prospective families will be held on Sunday, January 26th, from 1:00-2:30 PM, at the school.



Militia Immaculata, MI, December 16th, 3:15 PM All ages welcome! For information and to register visit holyspiritchurch.us/youth/middle-school/militia-immaculata.

Come Help Us Decorate for Christmas!

Many hands make light work and we need as many hands as we can get. Come help us make sure that our church is beautifully decorated for Christmas. Decorating will take place in the Church, from 3:30-5:30 PM, on December 18th. Service hours will be given in return for your help. Sign up online by clicking the volunteer button on the Parish homepage. Middle and High Schoolers are welcome.





HIGH SCHOOL NEW YEAR'S EVE HELPERS NEEDED!

Calling all High Schoolers! We need your help running the check-in/registration table for our New Year's Eve festivities. If you are attending the New Year's Eve Party on **December 31**st with your family and would like to earn some service hours; or if you would just like to come help us out then please sign-up. You will be needed from **5:30-7:30 PM.** Make sure your family remembers to reserve a seat for you at their table too. The sign-up can be found by going to the Holy Spirit Volunteer page and clicking on the New Year's Eve Sign-up and scrolling to the section for the guest check-in.

Sunday Night Meeting, December 15th, 7:00-9:00 PM, in the school. Come ready to decorate the Youth Room and watch a cozy Christmas movie. Please register to attend.

Fiat and Band of Brothers will meet on Wednesday, December 18th, 7:30-9:00 PM. For more information and to register visit holyspiritchurch.us/youth/high-school/.

WorkCamp 2020 Registration Deadline Friday, December 20th

If you are interested in attending WorkCamp in June 2020 check out our web page or email Leslie McClellan at youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us. Youth must have completed at least one year of high school by the start of WorkCamp in order to attend. Seniors who have graduated that spring may come.

High School Youth Group Annual Winter Retreat-Mount2000, February 7th-9th

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MIDDLE SCHOOL

Join us for our 8th Grade Lunch on Tuesday, December 17th. Come, hang out, and eat some fantastic food. This lunch will be held during the regular lunch period of 11:15 AM-12:00 PM, in the Youth Room. There is no cost. Homeschool and public school youth are invited. Please RSVP by email to msyouthministry@holyspiritchurch.us.

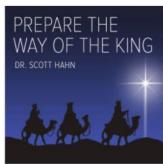




December 2019 Recommendations

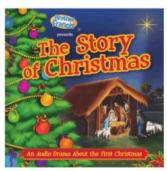
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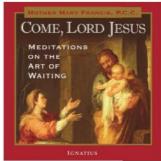














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NEW YEAR'S EVE EVENTS

6:30 - 8:00 PM IN THE SCHOOL CATERED FAMILY DINNER RESERVATION ONLY

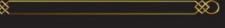
8:00 - 10:30 PM IN THE GYM DANCE AND FAMILY FUN NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, DEVOTIONAL EVENTS

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MASS

6:30 - 11:00 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

11:00 - 11:30 PM

BENEDICTION

11:30 PM - 12:30 AM

MIDNIGHT MASS







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