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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 (live streamed too) & 10:30 AM
12:00 & 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 9:00 AM (live streamed too)
Saturday: 9:00 AM

ADORATION

Friday, 7:00 PM - Saturday, 9:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7:00 PM

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.

V. And the Word
was made flesh.
R. And dwelt among us.
*Hail Mary, full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.*



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

Parish Calendar available at www.holyspiritchurch.us

Sunday, December 13th, Third Sunday of Advent

Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 & 6:00 PM

Second Collection for Catholic Charities

Monthly Diaper Collection

Baby Bottle Drive

KofC Christmas Card Sale, after Masses, outside of Church

Blessing of the Nativity, Church grounds, 5:15 PM

Monday, December 14th

Holy Spirit Holy Hour, Church, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, December 15th

Wednesday, December 16th

St. Joseph Holy Hour, Church, 7:00 PM

Bible Study with Fr. O'Donohue, Parish Center, 8:30 PM

Friday, December 18th

Divine Mercy Holy Hour, Church, 7:00 PM

Adoration starting at 7:00 PM, continuously through Saturday morning, ending at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on our website holyspiritchurch.us.

A Christmas Carol Reading, The Quinn Room, 7:30 PM

Saturday, December 19th, Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses: 9:00 AM (livestreaming too) & 5:30 PM

Second Collection for the Maintenance Fund

That Man Is You! The Quinn Room, 7:00 AM

Sunday, December 20th, Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 & 6:00 PM

Second Collection for the Maintenance Fund

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Sunday, December 13th

James Dansereau† 7:30 AM

Annmarie Rondeau† 9:00 AM

Joseph Fitzgerald USMC† 10:30 AM

Holy Spirit Parish 12:00 noon

Glen Looper† 6:00 PM

Monday, December 14th

Howard Cocklin† 6:30 AM

Tom Moynihan† 9:00 AM

Tuesday, December 15th

Frank J. Apel, Jr.† 6:30 AM

Sam Greene† 9:00 AM

Wednesday, December 16th

Frank Harrison† 6:30 AM

Matthew Kershes† 9:00 AM

Thursday, December 17th

Annmarie Rondeau† 6:30 AM

Mathew Kershes† 9:00 AM

Friday, December 18th

Smith/Kelly Family† 6:30 AM

Tim Connors† 9:00 AM

Saturday, December 19th

Wendy Kent† 9:00 AM

Wendy Kent† 5:30 PM



BLESSING OF NATIVITY SETS

The Knights of Columbus and Men's Club invite all parishioners to a Blessing of the Creche, **on Sunday, December 13th, at 5:15 PM**. Please gather in front of the Church near our parish creche and bring a piece or two of your manger scene to be blessed.



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY PRAYER CARDS

For the feast of the Holy Family, the Knights of Columbus are offering prayer cards **at all church exits, through Sunday, December 27th**, to consecrate your family to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. To prepare in the days leading up to the consecration, pray together as a family. **On the feast of the Holy Family, Sunday December 27th, pray the consecration prayer on the card with your family.**

MAINTENANCE FUND MONTHLY COLLECTION

December 19th-20th

The Maintenance Fund is a restricted charitable fund where contributions are solely used for the maintenance and repairs of all Holy Spirit Catholic Church buildings and grounds. Please prayerfully consider a monthly donation to this fund.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Total Amount Pledged to Date: \$ 2,521,734.72

Cash Amount Received to Date: \$ 2,331,884.73

Total # of Donors: 763



Holy Spirit
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Inspiring Minds
Igniting Hearts*



Spotlight on 8th Grade

Recently, the 8th grade class was discussing simple ways they could be of service to their peers and reflect the works of their advisory saint—St. Vincent de Paul. Here is the explanation of how they were going to reflect St. Vincent de Paul's message...“He is a Saint who exemplifies charity and service to others. Throughout his life on earth, he not only served the poor, but also taught the rich to do works of mercy.” In that same spirit of Saint Vincent de Paul, we respectfully request permission to be “doers” of the Word at Holy Spirit School. Each month, we would like to embark on small service projects, thereby setting the standard for charity work among our peers. This month, we would like to reach out to the 6th graders to offer our prayers, support, and a small gift as they begin middle school. Each member of our class intends to “adopt” a 6th grader as our spiritual prayer partner and/or pen pal. Another wonderful way Holy Spirit Middle School teachers and students *inspire minds and ignite hearts!*



The 2020/2021 academic year has brought challenges unlike we have seen in many years, if ever. We are honored to be in a position to be open this year for in-person instruction. In order to open our doors for the year, we certainly had to modify many of our operating procedures and expend dollars for safety and mitigation strategies, which had a direct impact on our ability to balance the school's budget for this academic year. **Therefore, we are hoping to engage our community and raise \$55,000.00 to assist in filling some of the holes in the budget.**

We ask that you prayerfully consider assisting us so that we may continue our mission of Inspiring Minds and Igniting Hearts for this year and years to come. **Visit our iGiveCatholic campaign page** for more information on how to donate and fundraise.

The link is on the Parish and School websites.



HAPPY GAUDETE SUNDAY!

Gift Wrappers Needed!! Come help us wrap the parish Christmas gifts to be handed out after all Christmas Masses this year. **Gift Wrapping will take place in the Quinn Room, from 3:15-6:00 PM, on December 16th and 17th.** Service hours will be given in return for your help. Sign up online by clicking the volunteer button on the Parish homepage. Middle & High Schoolers welcome!



Come Help us Decorate for Christmas! Many hands make light work and we need your hands. Come help us make sure that our church and gym are beautifully decorated for Christmas. **Decorating will take place in the Church and the School Gym, from 12:00-2:30 PM, on December 18th.** Service hours will be given in return for your help. Slots for decorating are limited so sign-up now on our website and click the volunteer button. Middle Schoolers & High Schoolers are welcome.

HIGH SCHOOL

Our next Sunday Night Meeting is December 13th, 7:00-9:00 PM, and we are having a Special Advent Holy Hour with Fr. O'Donohue. Join us for some fun games and S'mores and then a wonderful Holy Hour to help us prepare for the Christmas season. **You must be fully registered to attend and you must sign-up on Sign-Up Genius to attend each meeting at <https://holyspiritchurch.us/category/youth/>.**

YOUTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COAT DRIVE

The Holy Spirit High School Youth Group is collecting useable outerwear garments including winter jackets, sweaters, hooded sweatshirts, gloves, hats, scarves, etc., to donate to Annandale Christian Community for Action (ACCA) **through January 10th.** For your convenience, there is a drop-off box located just inside the vestibule in the church. In addition, the High School youth will gladly accept your donations **before and after all Masses on January 9th-10th.** Please help keep our community warm. Thank you.





THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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During Advent we attempt to "make straight the way of the Lord," by preparing our hearts for His coming at Christmas. One way we can do this is by helping our neighbors in need. Thank you for the donations which have enabled us to give gift cards to twenty-eight families for Christmas. Can we count on you to help meet the \$1,000 challenge grant which a generous donor has offered, so that we can continue to help those who call our Helpline in need? Please use a blue, pre-addressed envelope (found in the church or parish office) to send your gift today; place it in the collection; or drop it off at the parish office. Thank you!

GIVE THE GIFT OF ADVENT THIS SEASON!

Use the Advent Giving Tree in the church vestibule to help pregnant women in need this Advent. Just take an ornament tag from the tree, and mail in your donation. See the ornament tag for details about how your money will be used to benefit those in need in our diocese. You can also donate online at www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife.



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"

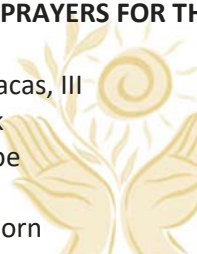
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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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Donna MacCabe
Kelly McGarey
Bert van den Horn

Katherine Beutner
Michael Lim
Robert McCormick
Catherine Shonka
Brian Vibert



PRAYERS FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Bob Mannion

PRAY DAILY FOR A FUTURE PRIEST OR SISTER

The St. Therese Vocation Society is a group of men and women who pray daily for vocations and for the individuals in formation as priests and religious in our diocese. These men and women who have responded to God's call rely on these prayers from hundreds of their brothers and sisters in Christ. Members of the society receive a calendar in the mail quarterly that lists someone in formation to pray for each day. There are no dues or meetings; only the promise of your prayers and an annual Morning of Reflection to strengthen you as a prayer warrior. Sign-up at <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/pray/st-therese-society/>.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SEMINARIANS AND THOSE IN RELIGIOUS FORMATION FROM OUR PARISH

Ted Devlin
Robert Renner
James Smith
Sister John Frances LeFever, FSE
Sister Anna Joy Tipton, OP
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Holy Spirit FIRE

young adult group



THE HOLY SPIRIT YOUNG ADULT GROUP is going strong! Are you a young adult between the ages of 21-39 or a college graduate? Come join us for our upcoming "social-distant-approved" events. Our events include, online zoom calls, a holy hour, outdoor activities, great friends, great discussion and more! Pique your interest? Would you like to meet a great group of friends? Visit the young adult page on the parish website at <https://holyspiritchurch.us/youngadultsfire/> and sign up for weekly emails with upcoming event details.

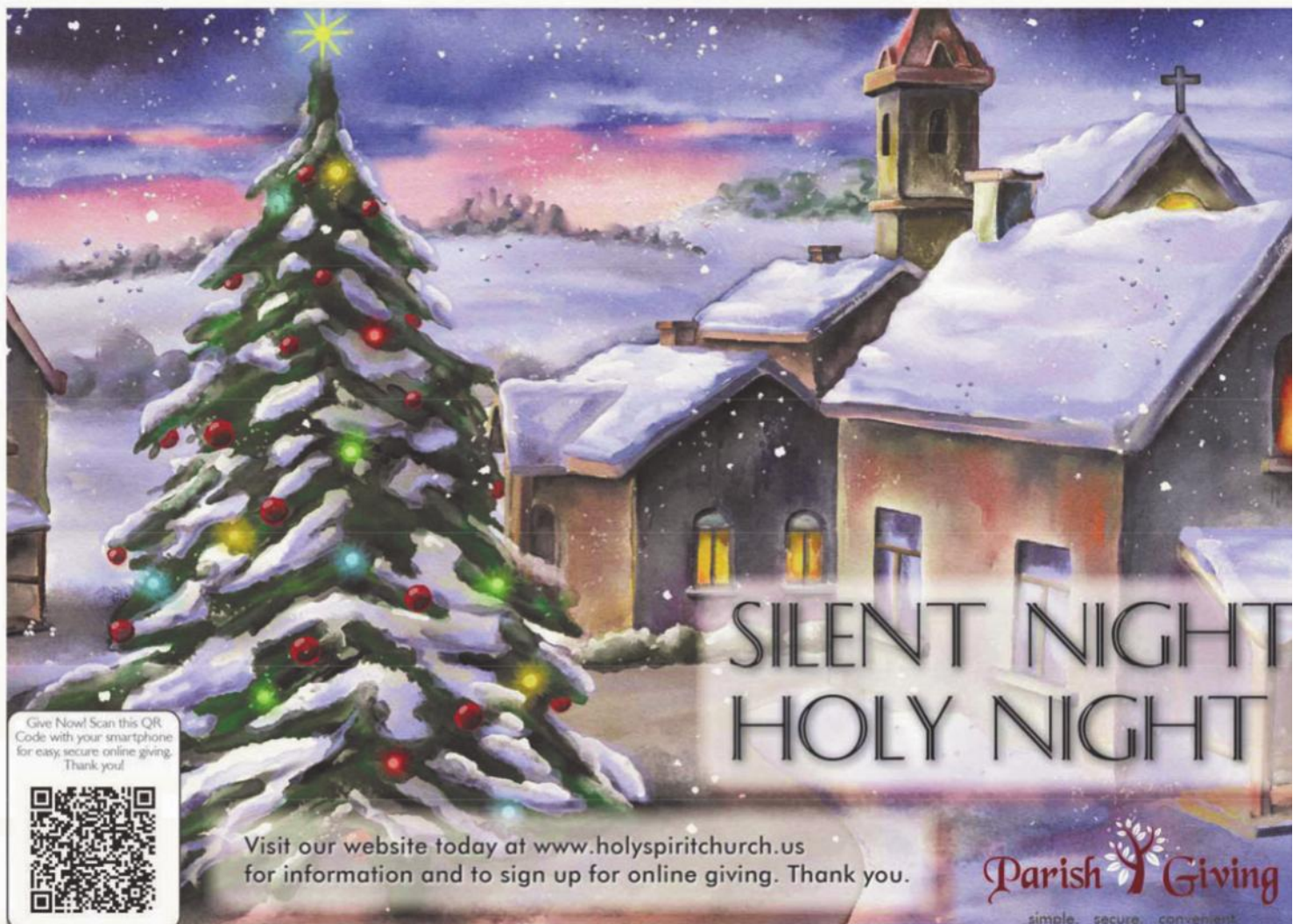
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www.holyspiritchurch.us

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

FRIDAY 12.18.20 | 7-8:30PM | QUINN ROOM



Give Now! Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online giving. Thank you!



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High School Youth Group **Christmas Coat Drive!**

Dropoff Starts Dec. 13 After Mass

**Drop off in one of the metal bins outside the
vestibule marked coat drive**

**Main Collection:
January 9-10th**

Items Needed:

- Gloves**
- Winter Jackets**
- Sweaters**
- Wool Hats**
- Hooded Sweatshirts**
- Scarves**

**All donations go to Annandale Christian Community for Action (ACCA).
Questions? Contact, youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us**

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