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**Please Refer to Website for Ministry Schedule**

**Bulletin Deadline**

Deadline for Bulletin Announcements is 4:00 PM on Tuesday.

**Holy Spirit CCLI License #1714502  
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**Meetings and Activities for the Week**

**Sunday, December 24—Christmas Eve**

**4:00 pm (Church), 4:15pm, PLC Gym (Children's Mass),  
 5:30 pm (Church), 7:30 pm (Church),  
 Midnight (Church)-Carols, 11:30 pm**

**Monday, December 25—Christmas Day**

**9:30 am in the Church**

**Tuesday, December 26**

Church Offices are Closed

7:00 pm 5:30 pm Music Group Worship Space

**Wednesday, December 27**

7:00 pm Choir Worship Space

7:00-8:00 pm Young Adult Small Group YM Wing

10:00 pm Adult Basketball Open Gym PLC Gym

**Thursday, December 28**

5:45 pm AA Open Meeting Room #15

6:30 pm Shawl Ministry PLC #52

7:00 pm 11:00 am Music Group Worship Space

**Friday, December 29**

Church Offices Close at Noon

**Saturday, December 30**

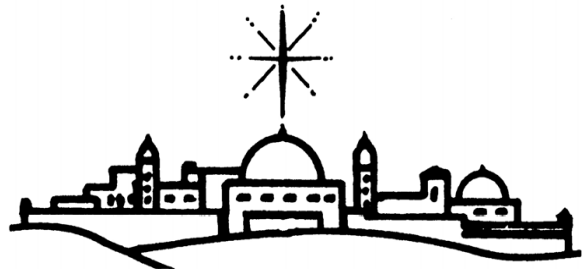
6:30-8:00 am Adult Basketball Open Gym PLC Gym

**Sunday, December 31**

**Regular Sunday Mass Schedule**

11:00 am Mass Breaking Open the Word Parish Library

7:00 pm 5:00 Music Group Worship Space



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

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**God's Promise**

The lengthy passage from Samuel is a wonderful exposition of God's promise to the house of David: that his throne would forever be gloriously occupied by his descendants. Hidden in the mystery of the prophecy is the promise of the Savior, the Messiah, Son of God and Son of David. The prophet Nathan, speaking in God's name, poetically turns around David's plan to build a house for God, and announces God's plan to build a "house," that is, a dynasty for David. From this house of David will come the Messiah, the Christ, not in kingly splendor as David ruled, but as a humble man, destined to rule forever and over all. When God gives a gift, it's amazing what we are given—so different from what we ever could have imagined. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## From the Desk of Fr. Dan

During 2018 I am planning on offering a couple of more adult formation opportunities. In January and February Bishop Barron's new series, **King David** will be offered on Wednesday nights at 7:00. The dates are January 10, 17, 24, 31 and February 14 (Ash Wednesday), and 21. We will not meet on February 2. I will have all the Scripture and Catechism references for you. Should you want the book you can order it through **Word on Fire** or other resources. I would encourage those who are going to participate to read from the Old Testament Samuel 1 and 2. This will give you a great framework from which to study King David. We will meet in PLC 51/53.

In April, I will be leading a book study on Sr. Joyce Rupp's book, **Prayer**. We will meet on April 5, 12, 19, 26 and May 3 at 3:00 and 7:00. You can pick the time and switch whenever needed. I am very excited about this book, I read it last month when I was on vacation. We will meet in PLC 55.



**2017**

### Christmas Mass Schedule

#### Christmas Eve Masses Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

**4:00 pm** Mass in the Church

**4:15 pm** Children's Mass in the PLC Gym

(The Children's Choir performs in the PLC Gym prior to Mass.)

**5:30 pm** Mass in the Church

**7:30 pm** Mass in the Church

**Midnight** Mass in the Church

#### Christmas Day Mass Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

**9:30 am** Mass in the Church

No other Masses on December 25<sup>th</sup>

### Holiday Office Hours

**Closed December 25<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Closed at Noon on Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Closed Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

### On December 24 we will have the normal Sunday Mass Schedule with a Vigil on Saturday at 5:30 pm

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

8:00 am, 9:30 am, and 11:00 am Sunday Masses

Following the Morning Masses, we will get the Church ready for the Christmas Masses.

## First Time at a Catholic Mass? Find Out More about Jesus!

Holy Spirit is so happy you could join us for Christmas! We hope your experience has been welcoming and joyful as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

As Catholic Christians we believe that Jesus is God in the flesh and that he wants everyone to have a life filled with purpose, joy, and hope. If you are seeking something more for your life, we'd love for you to join us at one of our **Inquiry sessions on Monday evenings at 7 pm in the Parish Life Center**. It's a place to ask questions, learn more about who Jesus is, and to discover our particular Catholic community.

For more information, contact Shannon Schmidt at 317-585-1257 x 102 or [shannon@hspgeist.org](mailto:shannon@hspgeist.org).



### Upcoming RCIA sessions (7 pm in the Parish Life Center)

December 25 – **CHRISTMAS DAY** – No RCIA/Inquiry

January 1 – **MARY, MOTHER OF GOD** – No RCIA/Inquiry

January 8 – Salvation with Fr. Phil Bowers

## S.O.U.L KITCHEN

A ministry dedicated to helping the homeless.

**You can help in many ways:**

- **Serve Monday night dinner downtown**  
Sign-up on the Holy Spirit website or call Joyce McMullen at 317-409-3191. You must be at least 15 years old to serve the meal.
- **Prepare food /sort clothing in PLC on Mondays 12:30-3:00**  
For more info, contact Kathryn Witcher at 317-682-7166.
- **Donate items/drop off in Social Hall under coat rack outside kitchen**
  - Men's and women's clothing, esp. JEANS & sweatshirts
  - WINTER COATS, gloves and hats
  - Shoes and work boots
  - Bath and Bed linens
  - Razors/ deodorant
  - Feminine products
  - Underwear(men & women)
- **PLEASE NOTE: Our SOUL schedule will be adjusted throughout the remainder of December and beginning of January**
- **Monday, December 18-SOUL**
- **December 25-No SOUL-Merry Christmas**
- **January 1-No SOUL-Happy New Year!**
- **TUESDAY, January 2-SOUL**
- **Monday, Jan. 8 -SOUL**

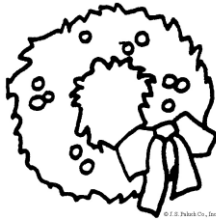
**reCRHP - Love Never Fails**

Saturday, January 20, 2018 from 8:15am Mass-12 noon.

For men & women who previously attended a *Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP)* weekend, you are invited to join us on Saturday, January 20 to *Renew – Refresh – reCRHP!*

We start with 8:15 am Mass and then go directly to the Social Hall for **reCRHP**.

Details and a [link to sign up](#) are on website. Deadline to sign up is **January 12**.



**Have a blessed and peaceful Christmas!**

~Stephen Ministry~

**Adoration**

There is Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

**Confessions**

Monday – 5:30-6:15 pm  
Saturday – 8:45 am or by appointment

**Daily Rosary**

There will be a Rosary said daily after the 8:15 am Mass in the Chapel.

**Athletic Corner****Lil Champs Basketball**

Signup is online at [www.hsgathletics.org](http://www.hsgathletics.org) for Lil Champs Basketball. This popular intramural program is open to boys and girls in grades K through 3. It's broken into a division for K-1 and one for 2-3. Format is a 20 minute practice followed by a game each Saturday, February 16 through March 23. See the web site for more information and to sign up. Registration is limited to 250 players so sign up soon.

**Athletic Extravaganza**

The yearly Athletic Extravaganza is scheduled for Saturday, January 27 at 6:00pm. Another great night is being planned for our annual sports fundraiser where all proceeds from the event go directly back into the sports programs at Holy Spirit. Dinner, beverages and a ton of fun is included. Cost is \$60 per person plus an additional \$10 at the door to participate in the reverse raffle. Registration and payment are online at [www.hsgathletics.org](http://www.hsgathletics.org).

**NO Life Teen – December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 14<sup>th</sup>****Deanery Senior Retreat – Jan. 12-15<sup>th</sup>**

All seniors in high school are invited to join us on a special retreat experience at St. Joseph's retreat center in Tipton. Forms DUE Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. See YM website for more info.

**Bible Study**

Special Christmas Break Bible Study dates: Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> & Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7 pm (at Starbucks – 8958 E. 96<sup>th</sup> St.)

**Confirmation**

5<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Session: Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 2:45 pm  
(Sacraments)

Next Outreach Day: Elizabeth/Coleman – Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am-12:30 pm (RSVP online)

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]  
During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14  
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20  
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40] Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

**ROCK**

**January 6 at 6:30-8:00 pm in the HSG Social Hall**  
ROCK has their next meeting of the year on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Social Hall. Friends are welcome!! If you want to be on our eVite email distribution list send your name & email to [rockhsg@outlook.com](mailto:rockhsg@outlook.com).

## Masses for the Week

### Sunday, December 24

8:00 am	Parishioners
9:30 am	Anna M. Hutt ☩ requested by Carol Cahill
11:00 am	Paul Marchand ☩ requested by Carol Cahill
4:00 pm	Cathy Eacret ☩ requested by Lucky & Susan Sample
4:15 pm	Elizabeth Ann Lucas ☩ requested by Chuck & Sandy Cotten
5:30 pm	Jeri Cotton ☩ requested by family
7:30 pm	Patrick O'Meara ☩ requested by his family
Midnight	Michael Moran ☩ requested by Ted & Nedra Moran

### Monday, December 25—Christmas

9:30 am	George Woebkenberg ☩ requested by Beth Woebkenberg
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### Tuesday, December 26

8:15 am	Joseph Sbrocco ☩, brother of Jane DeSanto, requested by Mary & Warren Oeff
Noon	<b>NO MASS</b>

### Wednesday, December 27

8:15 am	Patrick O'Meara ☩ requested by his family
Noon	<b>NO MASS</b>

### Thursday, December 28

8:15 am	Jim Fischer ☩, husband of Connie, requested by Mary & Warren Oeff (Hearth) <b>NO MASS</b>
2:00 pm	<b>NO MASS</b>

### Friday, December 29

8:15 am	Ron Roesch ☩, husband of Martha, requested by Mary & Warren Oeff
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### Saturday, December 30

8:15 am	Mary Williamson ☩ requested by Joe & Bobbie Kiener
5:30 pm	Mark Westrick ☩ requested by John & Mary Jo Moyer

### Sunday, December 31

8:00 am	Parishioners
9:30 am	James Pulfer ☩ requested by the Faith Community of Holy Spirit
11:00 am	Patrick O'Meara ☩ requested by his family
5:00 pm	Kassie Braun ☩ requested by the Faith Community of Holy Spirit

STEPHEN MINISTRY



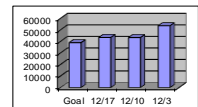
**Going to the Hospital?** Would you like a visit from a Hospital Visitation Minister? While many hospital stays are short term, you may want to have a visit from a trained Stephen Minister to let you know that your parish is concerned about you. Call the Church Office at 849-9245 in advance to make arrangements.

## Treasures from our Tradition

Children of the parish are somewhat focused on Santa Claus these days, who is keeping an eye on who's naughty and who's nice. Santa Claus, with his heavenly patron Saint Nicholas, has been more or less in charge of gift-giving to American children for a hundred years or so. In other places, perhaps more attentive to our Christian tradition, there are different gift-bearers. In Greece, Saint Basil delivers the presents on his feast day, December 31, and makes sure everyone is sprinkled with holy water. The Baby Jesus is in charge elsewhere, called the *Christkind* in Austria and Belgium, *El Niño Jesús* in Columbia, and *Le Petit Jesus* in France, where he shares his duties with *Père Noël*. In the Czech Republic almost everyone is atheist, but *Ježíšek*, the infant Jesus, brings gifts to one and all. In Poland the "Star Man" is said to bring the gifts, although often he turns out to be the village priest in disguise. Saint Nicholas, not his Americanized cousin, is the giver in Holland, where he wears a bishop's miter, and in Russia, where he wears a bishop's crown. Soviet Russia tried to dethrone Saint Nicholas and promote Grandfather Frost, but no one was much fooled by this attempt to squeeze religion out of Christ's birth. One country has a saintly woman in charge of the gifts, Saint Lucy, honored in Sweden on December 13, when children serve their parents breakfast in bed, and others awake to news that they have been nominated for a Nobel Prize. Some children have a second round of gifts on Epiphany, when the *magi* assume the gift-giving duties. In general, the gifts of Christmas are simple pleasures, not great heaps of treasures. Once upon a time, a new pair of socks or an orange was enough for us. No matter what gifts we receive, all of them are to point us to the true gift, and the true giver. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## Stewardship

Weekly Goal = \$39,000  
December 17 = \$43,504



## Fifty-Fifty Club Winner

Congratulations to Rick & Sally Lamping (#4303), the winner in the 50/50 club drawing for the week of December 17. The Lampings and Holy Spirit will split \$3,525. Registered parishioners may enter the weekly drawing by putting \$5.00 in the 50/50 envelope from your monthly packet. **All proceeds from 50/50 go to fund our outreach programs.**

## Attention 50/50 Players

Did you know that you can pay for the entire year at one time? Just use your January 1 envelope and include a payment of \$260. (52 Sundays in 2018 x \$5) and you will be entered into every weekly offering for the year. You may also play on a monthly basis. Just use the first envelope of the month and include payment for the number of Sundays that month. **GOOD LUCK!!**

## Needed: Furniture & Appliances

If you have large furniture items or appliances in good condition that you wish to donate, please call the Parish office at 849-9245 to arrange for pickup.

## Prayers For Our Military Personnel

Please pray for the following military personnel who are relatives of Holy Spirit parishioners and are serving our country overseas. If you have family members to add to this list, please call the Parish Office at 849-9245.

Army PFC Christopher Gough, relative of the Konal Family

Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> class Anthony Munsey and Chief Warrant Officer

Matthew Munsey, sons of Phil and Fay Munsey

Army PFC Aaron Ferris, brother of Danielle Thomas

Army Corp. Erich Hetke, Brother-in-Law of Michael & Beth George

USMC Lt. Col. John Jansen, son of Colleen & Joseph Jansen

Petty Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Ben Rogers

Army 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt David William Carr, friends of Tim & Karen Cover

Air Force Spec. Zachary Stevens, grandson of Dale Lareau

Army PFC John Ippolito, nephew of Mark & Marie Ippolito

Army Spec. Kyle Gwart, nephew-of Mike Nicholas

U.S Army Sgt. Andrew Reyling, brother of Heather & Jarrett Kahl

Christian Maturana

Lcpl. Brad Edgecomb, nephew of Dave & Kathy Vissing

E4 Matthew Riddle, grandson of Chuck & Mary Ann Callahan

CMSgt Jeffery Maier, USAF, husband of Mary Pat Moloy and son in law of Harry & Jackie Russell

Lt. Eric Musial, USN, brother of Jeff & Christine Franciski

Captain Mark Koval, USMC, brother in law of Jeff & Christine Franciski

Lt. Col. Jim Zieba, husband & father of Sherry & children

Army PFC James Spencer, son of Maria & Charles Spencer

Sgt. James Ruth, son of Alice Ruth

USN LCDR Chris Jones, son of David & Aileen Jones

USMC Pvt. Adam C. Yotter

USAR Maj. Wallace Weakley, nephew of Tony Elliott

US Army Lt. Robert Anthony Stovall, II, nephew of Sylvia Quesenberry

Corp. Christopher Tolmachoff, son of Mary Harris

USAF 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Matthew Pfarr, brother-in-law of Steve & Marie Bombei

Sgt. J. Maxwell Kennedy, USMC son of Joseph & Beth-Ann Kennedy

US Army Col. Thomas W. Seifert, son of Richard & Mary Seifert

Specialist Anthony Chastain, nephew-in-law of Tom & Robin Marks

Navy Airman Gabriel Wolf, son of Mike Wolf

USAR Cpt. Nathan Humbert, nephew of Ann & Brian Rohrer

USN Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Andrew Bray, son of Susan Wartenburg

USAF Airman Michael J. Wartenburg, son of John & Susan Wartenburg

Marine Pfc Joseph Myren, son of Mari & Steve Myren

Army Captain Douglas J. Ausenbaugh, nephew of Scott & Nancy Springer

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Steven Webster, son of Mark & Diane Webster

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Jack Vissing, son of David & Kathy Vissing,

## Young Adult Spirit Groups!

All young adults (18-35) are invited to participate in a Spirit group. Your Spirit group will meet regularly to break open the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, with great conversation and an opportunity to meet and grow with other parishioners. Groups meet on their own timeline. Sign up for a group now on our website [hspgeist.org](http://hspgeist.org).

## Shawl Ministry

We are so thankful for those that have heard the call to join our ministry! As a result, we have several shawls and cancer caps available for recipients. If you know someone who would be comforted by one of these handmade treasures, please contact Renae Weghorst at 317-903-9902. Or stop by the Parish Life Center any Thursday between 6:30-8:00 pm and pick out the shawl or cap that would be most fitting for your recipient.



## St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Over the last several years our parish has supported the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in Noblesville. There is a continuing need for donations of nonperishable food with less fortunate families who are unemployed and/or need assistance. Staples are always needed; such as, canned meats, canned fruits, soups, pancake mix & syrup, and peanut butter & jelly. Currently donations of baby formula would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for leaving food contributions in the gathering space. "Like 'St. Vincent de Paul-Noblesville, IN' on Facebook".