Welcome

Holy Spirit Parish
IN LAWRENCE COUNTY

November 24, 2019

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, “He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God.” - Lk 23:35

Parish Pastoral Team
Father Joseph McCaffrey, Pastor
Father Anthony Sciarappa, Parochial Vicar
Father Brendan Dawson, Parochial Vicar
Father Victor Molk, Jr., Parish Chaplain
Father Nicholas Spirko, In Residence

Deacon John Carran
Deacon S. Daniel Kielar
Sr. Annie Bremmer, OSF, Pastoral Associate
Sr. Barbara Ann Johnston, CSJ, Pastoral Care Minister

Welcome
This week, our nation celebrates the great holiday of Thanksgiving. For us, as Catholics, we celebrate Eucharist or Thanksgiving every day, and especially every weekend. We give thanks to almighty God for the gift of life, of family, of friendship, and especially the gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who suffered, died and rose again that we might have the forgiveness of sins and eternal life!

It is a lonely holiday for an agnostic or atheist! To whom do they give thanks? For those of us who believe, it is a wonderful day to praise and thank God. It is also an appropriate time to thank one another. Please join me in thanking our wonderful pastoral staff, both religious and lay, who serve us tirelessly every day of the year. We are so blessed to have such faithful, conscientious and generous employees and volunteers in this parish of Holy Spirit.

There are many wonderful things occurring here, for which we need to be grateful. My prayer for all of you is that, as you and your families gather on this special holiday, you will find in your hearts the great joy of recognizing God’s goodness in your life and this community. Please take the time to stop and recognize your own personal blessings. There is nothing that pleases the giver of a gift more than for the recipient to rejoice in the gift given. Our Lord and God bestows countless blessings upon all of us daily. If we were but conscious of 10% of these blessings, what a difference it would make in our attitude, and perhaps, our relationship with God and one another. For when we recognize God’s blessings in our life, we can’t help but also acknowledge how greatly we are loved.

May you know the warmth, joy and serenity of God’s infinite love for you and your loved ones, not only this Thanksgiving holiday, but every day of this precious life he had given us!

A huge thank you to all of you who participated in helping others know that they are loved and cared for this Thanksgiving. We collected food for distribution to the needy, our youth ministry participated by bagging that food, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Holy Spirit will be delivering Thanksgiving dinners including pies donated by our parishioners.

As I said earlier, we, as Catholics, celebrate Thanksgiving or Eucharist every day, and in so doing, we also care for the needs of others every day in Christ’s name. The work of recognizing the Lord in one another and loving and serving him in that person is part of our vocation and part of our thanksgiving to God.

My sincere gratitude to all of you as I count you as part of the many blessings God bestows upon me as pastor of Holy Spirit Parish. Please never doubt my deep appreciation and gratitude for you and your love of Christ and neighbor.

God love you,
Saturday, November 23rd—Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
4:00 pm  St. Camillus—Sciarappa—Ann & Andy Patrick (Family)
4:00 pm  St. Vitus—McCaffrey—Marie Kraus & Joann Montini (Montini & Kraus Family)
5:00 pm  St. Vincent de Paul—Molka—Joyce Falatko (Bob & Ginny McLaughlin)
7:00 pm  Westminster College Chapel—Sciarappa

Sunday, November 24th—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
7:00 am  St. Vitus—Molka—Sam Medure (Betty & Joe Cini)
8:00 am  St. Mary—McCaffrey—Pheobe Flynn (Ardie Mrozek)
8:45 am  St. James the Apostle—Sciarappa—Jim Goodge (Ray G. & Linda K. Goodge)
9:00 am  St. Vitus—Cleary—Antonietta May (May & Barnhart Families)
9:30 am  St. Vitus—Cleary—Antonette Luton (Sam Angelo)
10:00 am  St. Vincent de Paul—Spirko—Helen Nastal (Judy & Ed Balmer)
10:45 am  St. Anthony—Sciarappa—Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
11:00 am  St. Camillus—McCaffrey—Ron Benedict (Family)
11:30 am  St. Mary—Cleary—Emanuel Morrone, Jr. (Joe & Elmira DiNardo)

Monday, November 25th—Weekday
Noon  St. Mary—Dawson—Carl Balascio (Daughters, Dennis & Gina)
1:30 pm  St. James the Apostle—Dawson—Neil & Mary Benchak
6:00 pm  St. Joseph the Worker—McCaffrey—In Honor of Ford Bartle (David, Liz & Mark Farone)

Tuesday, November 26th—Weekday
8:30 am  St. Camillus—McCaffrey—Antonette Luton (Sam Angelo)
Noon  St. Mary—Dawson—Louise Marino
2:00 pm  Lawrence County Geri-Care—Molka

Wednesday, November 27th—Weekday
8:30 am  St. Camillus—McCaffrey—Antonette Luton (Sam Angelo)
Noon  St. Mary—Dawson—Pat Mastrangelo (Family)
2:00 pm  Lawrence County Geri-Care—Molka

Thursday, November 28th—Thanksgiving
8:30 am  St. Camillus—Molka—Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Friday, November 29th—Weekday
8:30 am  St. Camillus—Sciarappa—Hazel Ludwiczak (Husband, Ray)
Noon  St. Mary—Dawson—Pat Mastrangelo (Family)
1:30 pm  St. James the Apostle—Dawson—Jim Goodge (St. James Men’s Club)
4:00 pm  St. Vitus—Molka—Francis Augustine (Family)
5:00 pm  St. Vincent de Paul—McCaffrey—Leonard Lidak (Wife, Children, Grandchildren)

Saturday, November 30th—Vigil: First Sunday of Advent
4:00 pm  St. Camillus—Sciarappa—Christopher Mangan (Joe & Nancy Champ)
4:00 pm  St. Vitus—Molka—Francis Augustine (Family)
5:00 pm  St. Vincent de Paul—McCaffrey—Leonard Lidak (Wife, Children, Grandchildren)

Sunday, December 1st—First Sunday of Advent
7:00 am  St. Vitus—Molka—Floyd Mastern, Sr. (Anthony & Anita Scarnati)
8:00 am  St. Mary—McCaffrey—William Francis Maher (Marcia Geremakis)
8:45 am  St. James the Apostle—Dawson—Jim Goodge (St. James Men’s Club)
9:00 am  St. Vitus—Spirko—Mario Dell’Estate (Gemma & Family)
9:30 am  St. Joseph the Worker—McCaffrey—Luca Laurenza Sr. & Jr. & Nicola Ucci (Family)
10:00 am  St. Vincent de Paul—Sciarappa—Albert Burick (Helen, Al & Deb)
10:45 am  St. Anthony—Dawson—Thelma Gregg (Children, Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren)
11:00 am  St. Camillus—Molka—Gina & Paul Doran (Doran Family)
11:30 am  St. Mary—Sciarappa—Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
Readings for the week of November 24, 2019

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 / Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43
Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/ Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/ Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/ Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS
ROSARY CENACLE GROUP
Please Join Us! All Are Welcome!
Sundays at 4:00 pm (sharp) until 4:30 pm
at the Adoration Chapel.

Eucharistic
Adoration

The Adoration Chapel on North Beaver Street (across from St. Mary’s Church) is open for adoration and prayer. Anyone wishing to visit may come between dawn and dusk.

Adoration Chapel Hours:
Open Sundays at 1:00 pm until Saturdays at 2:00 pm
Closed Saturdays at 2:00 pm until Sundays at 1:00 pm

Those interested in becoming Adorers may do so by calling Vickie at 724-652-5538 x 8.

Adorers Are Needed for the following times:
Thursdays: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm
Fridays: 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
Thursday, November 28th—8:30 am
St. Camillus Church

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED:
Thursday, November 28th & Friday, November 29th

ADORATION CHAPEL CLOSED:
Wednesday, November 27th at 2:00 pm for the Thanksgiving Holiday
Adoration will resume on Sunday, December 1st at 1:00 pm

HOLY SPIRIT CHOIR SCHEDULE
December 1, 2019:
Choir A: St. Mary 11:30 am
Choir B: St. Anthony 10:45 am

Welcome Our Newly Baptized
Declan Charles Callan
Son of James & Christina (Colucci) Callan
(St. Mary)

REST IN PEACE
Wayne E. Hanna
Henry Otlowski
Rita R. Winter

Please hold in Prayer those who are ill, recovering or homebound; our Priests, Deacons and Religious; our Military and our First Responders and those who reside in Nursing Homes or Assisted Living Facilities.

SCHEDULE OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Saturdays:
St. Camillus: 11:00 am—Noon
St. Vitus: 11:30 am—12:30 pm
St. Vincent de Paul: 4:00 pm—4:30 pm

Mondays:
St. Joseph the Worker: 5:15 pm—5:45 pm
It is hard to believe Thanksgiving is this Thursday, and before we realize it Christmas and New Year’s will be upon us. With these upcoming holidays our bulletin deadlines will be significantly moved up, beginning with this week’s bulletin. Given these advanced deadlines our financial reporting will be delayed. My column for this week had to be submitted by November 14th. Since all bulletin items had to be submitted early our financial reporting will lag behind during this holiday season. Thus the reason for no financial reporting this week.

While I am on the subject of finances, I would like to touch upon where we stand with our Parish Share Program. I realize Parish Share is not the most popular subject to write about, and appreciate everyone’s varying opinions about Parish Share, but I would not be doing my job if I did not review it.

Parish Share. Our assessment for this year’s parish share was the combination of the previous seven parish’s operating income from Fiscal Year ending 2017-2018. Our total combined assessment is $424,989.00. We have collected a total amount of $215,394.10 as of November 10, 2019 (just over 50%) We have a balance owing of $209,594.90. This balance will be due by the end of February 2020.

You may not realize some of the areas Parish Share helps support. Parish Share dollars helps to subsidize our seminarians preparing for priesthood, such as our own Daniel Kushner and Deacon Matthew Hawkins; and Dr. Joseph Ross who is in formation for the Permanent Diaconate. Let us continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate and religious life.

Parish Share dollars also subsidize our retired priests, as well as our priests in active ministry by providing funding for continuing education. Parish Share also supports the Permanent Diaconate Program of our diocese. I can tell you as a participant of that program, I was most grateful for how Parish Share subsidized my formation for the Permanent Diaconate. Because of Parish Share I paid a reduced amount of tuition during my formation.

As I noted above, we still need to collect $209,594.90 for Parish Share. Given we have only 4 months left to go in this year’s program, we do have a challenge ahead of us. If you have already paid your pledge in full, we thank you. If you still owe on your pledge, we thank you in advance in paying it in full. If you have not made a pledge or contributed anything yet this year, we thank you for taking the time to reflect on doing so.

In contributing to Parish Share we come to recognize we are part of being something larger than ourselves. We are helping in the work of the Church on a diocesan level, especially in the areas noted above.

Also, please remember if you wish to honor or memorialize a loved one through a contribution with the Christmas Flower Envelope, due to the advanced bulletin deadlines we need to have the envelopes returned by December 1, 2019. If your envelope comes in after December 1st, we cannot guarantee it being published in the bulletin prior to Christmas. We thank you for your understanding.

Thanks for all you do in supporting our good parish through your gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure.

A Blessed Happy Thanksgiving to you!

God love you,

Deacon John
FORMED subscription renewed but you must sign up again

Last week our annual parish subscription to FORMED was renewed. It has been updated to reflect our Holy Spirit Parish details. Our previous subscription as the Catholic Churches of Lawrence County has been deleted so everyone will need to reregister for the site. Don’t panic! This is very easy to do and will take about 60 seconds to accomplish. Here are the instructions.

Go to formed.org and click the “Sign Up” box. If the big white sign up box at the bottom does not work, click on the SIGN UP words in the upper right hand corner of the screen. See the picture here to illustrate.

Next screen, click on the bottom box that states “I belong to a parish or organization.”

On the next screen, find our parish. When you begin to type in Holy Spirit Parish, there will be many Holy Spirit Parishes listed, so make sure you find the one that includes our main office address: 910 S Mercer St. New Castle, PA. Click “Next”.

Enter your name and email address. Click “Sign Up”.

That’s all you have to do. You now have Catholic programs, movies, books, audio dramas, and much more at your fingertips – 24/7. FORMED is a free gift to all Holy Spirit parishioners. Please take advantage of it. There is something for everyone in this site. If you have questions, contact Janet S. Crespi at 724-333-5080.

News from HSP Music Ministry

We have many old hymnals to donate

Since we are all now using the same blue Gather hymnal, there are old hymnals that we need to do something about. The old Glory and Praise hymnals are in boxes in the gym at St. Camillus. If you would like to have one as a remembrance, please feel free to take one.

Also, at St. Anthony, there are Ritual Song books and blue Glory & Praise books in the cry room. If you want one (or more) of these books, please take them by December 4th. After that, they will be disposed of, unless anyone has an idea as to where they can be donated.

Veterans Day Musicians!

If you missed the Veterans Day Service at St. Anthony, you missed a very meaningful time of remembrance. Here is a photo of the musicians who shared their talents there and I must say that the music was so beautiful and uplifting! There were songs, poems, prayers, reflections, taps and bagpipes to end. Put it on your calendar for next year!

Thanks! Brenda Kostial, Music Director
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Parents

December 4 — Parent Session 6:30—7:30, St. Camillus, In the atrium.

December 8 — All Pre-K through 5 Parents are invited during Faith Formation hours for the Stations of the Crib in St. Camillus Church. All parents, please meet Miss Vicki and the CGS group inside the Church for Faith Formation that day! 9:30-10:45 am

December 22 — Open House for parents of the atrium. Please come with your child into the atrium and allow them to show you around. Stay for our Christmas presentation, and take home your child’s folders!

CGS Catechists, Aides, Parents and All Parishioners

December 14 & 15 - Level I Formation Class, St. Camillus, Room 7 & the atrium. Saturday 9:00 am—5: pm and Sunday 1:00—5:00 pm. Parents are also welcome. Call 724-498-0904

December 11 & 18 — ¡Wonder! Adult Bible Study, the CGS way! Experience the wonder of Advent with your inner child! St. Camillus 6:30—7:30 in the atrium, Rel. Ed. Building

Kindergarten—5th grade

FIRST RECONCILIATION FOR 2ND GRADE

First Reconciliation for our 2nd graders is December 7th St. Vitus Church 10:00 am
Children must be accompanied by a parent ♥

All Pre-K through 5 Parents are invited during Faith Formation hours: December 8 for Stations of the Crib

Parent Homeschool meeting December 10 at St. Camillus, McGurk Hall, 6:30—8:30 pm.

Mitten Tree donations begin this week through the month of December! Bring in mittens, gloves, and scarves in your child’s size to keep area children warm.

3 & 4 Year Old Children

PRE K/ CGS IS ONLY AT ST. CAMILLUS

9:30—10:45 AM Sessions
November 24
December 8, 15, 22

Parents (and parishioners) are welcome to join us for parent sessions so that you can reinforce at home what is happening in the atrium:
Join us Wednesday, Dec. 4,
Also coming:
Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 4, Apr. 1
6:30—7:30 pm in the Religious Education Building at St. Camillus, atrium

K—5 Faith Formation

Sundays’ Faith Formation Sites

St. Camillus
Faith Formation
CGS (Pre K) through 5
9:30—10:45 am

St. Vitus
Faith Formation
(K—5) no PreK
10:15—11:30 am

Sessions
November 24, December 8, 15, 22

Cathy Frank 724-654-9371, #1
Kathy Gabriel 724-654-9371, #3

Holy Spirit Parish Faith Formation Office
915 S. Jefferson St., New Castle, PA 16101
Middle School  Grades 6-8

Do you have a calling to work with children in grades 6-8?
All skill levels welcome for subbing.
Must have Safe Environment clearances and a love for children!
Please contact Brian Burick at 724-654-9371, ext. 2

MIDDLE SCHOOL
FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY SESSIONS

St. Vitus
9:00 am Mass followed by Faith Formation 10:15—11:30 am

St. Camillus
Faith Formation 9:30—10:45 am followed by Mass at 11:00 am

Regular Sessions:
November 24
December 8, 15, 22
January 5, 12, 26
February 2, 9, 23
March 1, 8, 22, 29
April 5, 19

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

LOOK AHEAD

Date  Topic
12/1  Thanksgiving Break
12/8  Disrupted – Why we celebrate Advent
12/15 White Elephant Christmas Party
12/22 Christmas Break
12/29 Christmas Break
1/5  Christmas Break
1/12 Semester Kickoff

SUNDAYS
St. Camillus 12-2pm

STEUBENVILLE
YOUTH CONFERENCE

Steubenville is a summer retreat at Franciscan University IN June. A life-changing weekend for teens to encounter God. More information to follow.
Cost is $218

CONTACT
pneve@hsplc.org
ITHIRST will be on Tuesday, November 26th at the Crane room from 6pm-8pm.

Ilana Ialongo from HSP and Rachel Kustra from Butler will give their take on what it means to be a "Thankful Pilgrim." If you have any interest in pilgrimages, this is your chance to visually and verbally walk with them through their experience along the way of the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James) in Spain.

ALL are welcome! There is NO age limit! Bring an appetite!

SAVE THE DATE!!!
Monday, Dec. 2nd with Fr. Brendan! 6-8pm at the Crane Room

To Jesus Through Mary: Sulpician Spirituality and the Journey Through Advent

Advent provides us with a time to prepare for the three comings of Christ: His birth in Bethlehem, His Second Coming at the end of time, and the birth of Jesus in the heart of His followers. The French School or Sulpician Spirituality with its emphasis on Mary and the Incarnation of Christ can help us get ready for the Savior. At a time when the Church in France was faltering, this school of spirituality helped re-ignite the faith and devotion of French Catholics. In our world dimmed by sin a re-focus on the Incarnation and its impact on the human condition can help us re-ignite the wonder and awe of Christmas in each of us.

St. Vitus School

MATH SPONSOR NEEDED

St. Vitus School is embarking on an in-depth strategic plan to improve Math Scores. We are modifying the schedule to allow for more instructional time and greater opportunity for intervention. We are focusing on teacher training and providing more opportunities for collaboration within as well as from outside sources.

One very important component to the plan is the purchase of a Digital Math Program. DreamBox Learning Math is an adaptive, online K-8 math program designed to complement classroom instruction.

It assesses and meets students’ skills and abilities where they are and adapts instruction to students’ actions to meet them at the right level.

This supplemental program will help us close math gaps, promote student growth, and provide a deeper conceptual understanding. The game-like environment motivates students to persist, progress, and achieve success. This program will make math relevant for students resulting in better engagement.

A twelve month license for DreamBox Learning Math is $2,650. We are reaching out to the Holy Spirit Parishioners in search of a sponsor for this worthy cause. As our parish prayer says, “we treasure our children, and we ask for the courage to sacrifice, to love and to build in His Name.”

If you feel God calling you to support this program, expect He will give success to the work of your hands and keep you in His peace.

For more information call Ed Sharbaugh at (724) 944-4702
To be in Service to Christ Call:

Bereavement/Funeral Home/Prayers: Sr. Annie Bremmer
724-652-3422 x 2205

Candle Bearers: Sr. Barbara Ann Johnston
724-652-3422 ext. 2712

Follow up Calls to Bereaved: Edna Hill
724-654-5620

Journeying Through Grief: Mary Ann Isaac
724-971-8539

Cards for Nursing Homes: Paula St. Clair
724-714-1567

Confirmation Blankets: Susan Kearns
724-651-1992

Rosary-Craft: Barbara Strittmatter
724-656-0942

Seven Sisters: Monica Leihy
620-877-7351

Nursing Home Masses: Madalaine Nuzzo
724-614-3453

Stitching Angels: Sara Kalata
724-944-7104

All women and men of the parish are invited to participate in these ministries.

Prayer Support for Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: November 22-24, 2019

Pray for those suffering the effects of abortion—women, men, parents, grandparents:
The link listed below will direct you to a SignUpGenius web page where you can choose time / times that you will specifically choose to pray during the retreat weekend.

Here is the link to sign up:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a044aaeaf2dabf85-prayer1

There is more information on that page that will explain the prayer process. You will simply choose your time of prayer, and then you will be directed to list your name (you can choose to identify just your first name if you'd prefer) and your email (which will enable you to later receive reminders about your committed time of prayer).

Feel free to share this link to anyone who might also want to pray for the retreat!

Thanksgiving is a time when we give thanks to our good and loving God for the blessings of family, food and friends!
Yet, so many people will not have the means to celebrate a meal this year.

We, the people of Holy Spirit Parish, want to make a difference. Please consider providing a full meal for a family. Perhaps when you do shopping for your own meal, you could buy enough for another family.

Suggestions: Canned Yams, Stuffing Mix, Canned Gravy, Evaporated Milk, Pie Crust Mix, Pie Filling (Pumpkin or Fruit), Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables and Fruit, Frozen 10 – 12 lb. Turkeys

These meals will go to the City Rescue Mission and St. Vincent De Paul Society.

Boxes/bags of the Thanksgiving meals may be dropped off at the St. Camillus site kitchen on Saturday, November 23rd, from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm (before Mass); and November 24th, from noon to 1:00 pm (after Mass). Please call Barb Strittmatter at 724-656-0942 if you will be dropping off donations. Thank you for your help.

Pies are Needed for the St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Dinner to be delivered to home bound individuals, individuals living alone, seniors, and disabled individuals in our parish and community. Pies, especially pumpkin and apple, can be brought to the Social Hall at St. Vincent de Paul site after 3:00 pm on Wednesday, November 27. They will be appreciated and any pies left over will be taken to the City Rescue Mission and The Crisis Shelter. Thank you!
Holy Spirit Angel Trees

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE ANGEL TREES ARE UP!

PLEASE TAKE A TAG!

ALL GIFTS are to be returned to the church where you got the tag

BEFORE or AFTER Masses on the Weekends.

ALL GIFTS are to be returned by Sunday December 8th
Distribution to agencies will occur the week of December 9th—13th
Please do NOT wrap the gifts for Children.

WHERE DO YOUR GIFTS GO?

♦ St. Anthony—working collaboratively with the churches in the Mohawk School District, gifts are coordinated through Project Hope.
♦ St. Mary—gifts are given to those in Nursing Homes as well as Shut-Ins; individuals/families identified by the St. Vincent De Paul Society
♦ St. Camillus—gifts are for Head Start, LCCAP, People in Need, Catholic Charities and Children’s Advocacy Program
♦ St. James—Human Services—Children; Shut-Ins, Parishioners in Need
♦ St. Joseph—Catholic Charities
♦ St. Vincent De Paul—Human Services—Children; Shut-Ins, Parishioners in Need
♦ St. Vitus—working with the St. Vincent De Paul Society, gifts are given to Seniors in Nursing Homes as well as Shut-Ins

Cash donations are greatly appreciated.
Please Clearly Mark that the donation is for ANGEL TREES
**NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ONLY:**
Saturday, November 30th, St. Mary site
Marian Room 9:00 am—11:00 am
RSVP to Jean Pascale at jpascale@hsplc.org or call 330-770-1635

**THE FIRST CHRISTMAS:**
A Children’s Christmas Pageant
by Louise Egan
Friday, December 6th
at 7:00 pm
in St. Vincent de Paul Church

Please join us in preparing to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas!
Our children are sure to fill your hearts with joy as they sing and act out the story of our Savior’s birth.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**GIFT GIVING SUGGESTION:**
**HOLY SPIRIT WOMEN OF FAITH 2020 RAFFLE!**
Cost is $25.00 BASED ON PA LOTTERY
For More Information Please Call:
Carol Myers: 724-944-4929
Jean Mann: 724-535-8357
Bonnie Williams: 724-698-7453
Cindy Terrell: 724-546-6022
Maureen Kuhn: 724-730-6830

**NUT ROLL UPDATE!**

**NUT ROLL BAKING:**
Saturday, November 23rd 9:00 am
St. Vincent de Paul—church hall

**PICK-UP FOR ALL NUT ROLLS**
MONDAY, November 25th 9:00 am—4:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul—church hall

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**COMING EVENTS**

**November 23 & 24**
Giving Trees Go Up
All Holy Spirit Parish Churches

**November 24**
Joy To The World Celebration
Noon
St. Camillus site—McGurk Hall

**November 26**
iTHIRST
6:00 pm—8:00 pm
Crane Room Grille

**November 30**
Training for NEW Eucharistic Ministers
9:00 am—11:00 am
St. Mary site, Marian Room

**December 1**
Handel’s Messiah
3:00 pm
First Alliance Church

**December 1**
Villa Maria Nativity Display
Noon—5:00 pm
Villa Maria Conference Center

**December 6**
Children’s Christmas Pageant
7:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul Church

**December 8**
Breakfast Brunch
9:00 am—1:00 pm
St. James the Apostle Social Hall
CHRISTMAS DINNER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019
THE PARISH CENTER—ST. MARY site
Corner of North & Beaver Streets, Downtown New Castle

Doors Open at 2:00 pm
Dinner Served 3:00 pm—4:30 pm
Entertainment: Nunzio Burrelli  4:30 pm—5:30 pm

RSVP by November 20th to:
Madalaine Nuzzo at 724-614-3453
or Sandy Bullano at 724-657-0138
and give them your dinner choice: Stuffed Chicken Breast or Stuffed Pork Chop.

Guest Dinners: $ 25.00
Please bring a $ 10.00 Gift for the Gift Exchange and a non-perishable Food Item for the St. Joe’s Food Pantry

Christmas Wafers (Oplatki) will be available in the vestibules of all Holy Spirit Churches from November 24th until Christmas Day. These traditional wafers remind us that Christ is the “Bread of life.” They are shared with family and friends before the Christmas Eve supper and during Christmastide as a gesture of love, forgiveness and as a blessing.

Donations of $2.00 can be placed in the “poor boxes” located in each church vestibule. The donations benefit the Saint Vincent de Paul Society of the Parish.

The New Castle Music Club Chorus, under the direction of Harry Cunningham, will present Handel’s MESSIAH on December 1st at 3:00 pm at First Alliance Church, 111 Mission Meade Drive, New Castle, PA 16105. Admission and Parking are free. A Free-Will Offering will be collected to help defray production costs.

For more information including directions to First Alliance Church, please visit www.ncmusicclubchorus.org
#REFRESH EVENT

**Joy to the World**

**CELEBRATION**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th**

**NOON—2:30 pm**

**ST. CAMILLUS**

**McGURK HALL**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Families—Singles
Young Adults
Youth—Children

_Sponsored by #Refresh_

CHECK US OUT ON FACE-

Meet St. Nicholas!
Make an Advent Wreath! ($2.00 Fee)
St. Vitus School Choir!
Ugly Sweater Contest!
Photo Backdrop!
Minute to Win It Games!
(Kids & Adults)

PIZZA!
BEVERAGES!
Holy Spirit Parish in Lawrence County 2020 Mass Intention Request Form

Mass Intention $10.00   Lamps $25.00   Booking dates: Jan. 1, – Dec. 31, 2020

Name: ___________________________     Phone Number: ________________________

Weekend Mass Request

St. Anthony Site 10:45 a.m. ___   St. Mary Site 8:00 a.m. ___   11:30 a.m. ___
St. Camillus Site 4:00 p.m. ___   11:00 a.m. ___   St. James Site 8:45 a.m. ___
St. Joseph the Worker Site 9:30 a.m. ___   St. Vincent de Paul Site 5:00 p.m. ___ 10:00 a.m. ___
St. Vitus Site  4:00 p.m. ___   7:00 a.m. ___  9:00 a.m. ___

Intention: _________________________________________________ Office use only
Requested by: _____________________________________________ Cash ___ Check # ______

Date: 1st choice________________ 2nd choice________________ Scheduled Date________

Weekday Mass Request

St. Camillus Site  8:30 a.m. Wednesday ___ Thursday ___ Friday ___
St. Vitus Site  8:30 a.m. Tuesday ___
St. Mary Site  Noon – Monday ___ Wednesday ___ Friday ___
St. Joseph the Worker Site  6:00 p.m. Monday ___

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Requested by: _____________________________________________ Cash ___ Check # ______

Date: 1st choice________________ 2nd choice________________ Scheduled Date________

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Tabernacle Lamp @: __________________________________ (Name of Church Site)
Adoration Chapel Lamp ___  Mary & Joseph Lamp (St. Vitus Site Only)

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Please make checks payable to Holy Spirit Parish. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like confirmation/receipt.   ***Mail in or Collection Basket only – No phone calls***
HOLY SPIRIT SITES:

SAINT ANTHONY SITE
411 W. Poland Ave., Bessemer, PA 16112

SAINT CAMILLUS DE LELLIS SITE
314 W. Englewood Avenue, New Castle, PA 16105

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE SITE
4019 US 422, Pulaski, PA 16143
724-964-8276

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER SITE
1111 South Cascade Street, New Castle, PA 16101

ST. MARY SITE
124 North Beaver Street, New Castle, PA 16101

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SITE
1 Lucymont Drive, New Castle, PA 16102

SAINT VITUS SITE
910 South Mercer Street, New Castle, PA 16101

SAINT VITUS SCHOOL
915 South Jefferson Street, New Castle, PA 16101
724-654-9297

HOLY SPIRIT GIFT SHOP
12 Maitland Street
(Parking at the corner of Maitland & Jefferson Streets)

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!

Hours:
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 am—4:00 pm
Sundays 10:00 am—Noon
Other times by appointment:

Start the Oplatki Family Christmas Tradition:
Bethlehem, where Jesus was born, means “House of Bread.” Jesus is Himself the Bread of Life, given to us in the Holy Eucharist at Mass. The Polish word Oplatki comes from the Latin word Oblata, the Bread and Wine offered to the Lord during the Preparation of the Gifts. Oplatki wafers are large, rectangular unleavened wafers that are typically embossed with images of the baby Jesus, the Virgin Mary and the Nativity.

In 10th Century Poland, people began to share blessed Oplatki wafers at Christmas Eve as a sort of preparation for the solemn observance of Midnight Mass. This custom was later adopted by both Lithuanian and Slovak communities, and since then has spread to Christian households worldwide.

This tradition symbolizes the unity of the family in Christ, and everything the family holds dear. Dressed in their holiday best, the members gather around the dinner table as the first evening star appears in the night sky. A candle is lit and the leader (often the eldest member of the family), leads the prayer service.

HOLY SPIRIT E-MAIL CONTACTS

♦ Father McCaffrey: jmccaffrey@hsplc.org
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Please Direct ALL Parish Cemetery Inquiries to:

The Catholic Parish Cemeteries Association of the Diocese of Pittsburgh
North Regional Office
2636 Ellwood Road, New Castle, PA 16101
(724) 323-0033 cpca@cpca-pgh.org

Victim’s Assistance Hot-Line:
If you are a person who has been hurt by abuse from clergy or others associated with the Church, the Diocese of Pittsburgh offers assistance with counseling, spiritual direction and referrals to other supportive services.
We invite you to contact our Diocesan Assistance Coordinator toll free at 1-888-808-1235
To report abuse to Childline, please call (toll free) 1-800-932-0313
Call 911 if a child is in immediate danger.