

Mass Intentions

(+Deceased, L-Living)



January 28—February 3, 2024

Sunday, January 28

8 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church
9:30 am + Jack Hill
11 am + Carol Speich

Monday, January 29

9 am + Carol Speich

Tuesday, January 30

9 am + Melvin Newson
+ George Newson

Wednesday, January 31

9 am + Eugene Bradley

Saturday, February 3

4:30 pm + David Wehrli

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, following the 9am Mass until 12 noon

Monthly Holy Hour & Adoration

First Sunday of the month, 12:15pm-1:15pm



Join us on February 4 for Adoration, a short talk and other prayer experiences .

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst... All that the father gives me will come to me; and him who comes to me I will not cast out." (Jn 6:35, 37)

Please Pray For

All those who are in our hearts facing illness.

We ask our Lord Jesus Christ to bring healing, comfort, and peace to them. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of His love. Amen

All those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

O Lord, may they find light, happiness and peace in Your presence. Amen.

Our Parishioners who serve our country with pride and valor.

All first responders and law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line to keep us safe at home.



Vocations (Prayer for Vocations by Pope Francis)

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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75 Years of
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Evangelization
and Service

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75th Anniversary Prayer

All-knowing and loving God,
we give you thanks for your blessings upon
the Diocese of Joliet.
For 75 years, we have been
**founded in faith,
called to witness, and
sent forth to serve.**

In thanksgiving
for your abiding presence among us,
and with gratitude for the life and service
of those who have gone before us,
we recommit ourselves
to carrying out this mission entrusted
to them, to us, and to future generations.

Relying on the intercession of our patron,
St. Francis Xavier,
may our diocese continue to be a source of hope
for the Church and all peoples,
now and in the years to come.

We pray this in the name
of Jesus, your Son
by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen



January 28, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20 | 1 Cor 7:32-35 | Mk 1:21-28

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Oh, to not be anxious! What would that be like – to not have to worry about how we'll pay the bills or whether our kids are safe or if our health will fail? While anxiety is a very human emotion, we can take comfort in knowing that our God is more powerful than anything that may worry us. It is also important to note that in today's reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, what he means by "anxious" is not a modern psychological concept with only a negative connotation. The connotation is more "to be concerned with," or "caring about" something, and can refer to things that are very good – including spouses and families! But when we care for many things, including our relationship with God, it is only natural for us to be anxious at times. But Jesus Christ gives us the assurance that the troubles of this world are temporary, and the peace of God eternal. Paul is encouraging the Corinthians, and us, to understand the importance of an undivided devotion to God, to care for him above all things – no matter if we are married or single – so that our whole life is devoted to holiness.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I am always thankful when something good that has been anticipated, or predicted, comes to pass: The sunshine and mild weather holds true for that outdoor event I hosted; or the generous gift that a longtime friend mailed arrives unscathed. There is some anxiety in the waiting for, but relief in the fulfillment of, these beneficent promises. And while these are somewhat superficial examples, they do point us in the same direction of hope and gratitude that the divine gifts of God elicit in us. In today's first reading, Moses promises the people that the Lord will raise up for them, from among their own kin, a prophet who will speak God's own words and to whom the people will listen. And the Lord did provide numerous prophets, and kings, and judges, and eventually his only begotten Son, to call his people back to himself, and to save them from the wages of sin and death. The hope and anticipation God's chosen people had was fulfilled in Jesus' life, death and resurrection. We share in that gift of hope and of gratitude for our salvation.

PRAY Today's psalm (Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9) is a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement. It helps us steer our minds from those things which may make us anxious. Spend time in the morning or evening each day of the coming week, praying and reflecting on the words.



DuPage County Treasurer

Seniors Invited to Defer Property Taxes

Qualified senior citizens, aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program. The program allows participants to defer property tax payment until the property is sold. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues 3 percent simple interest until paid. To qualify, the applicant's household income cannot exceed \$65,000. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for residential purposes.

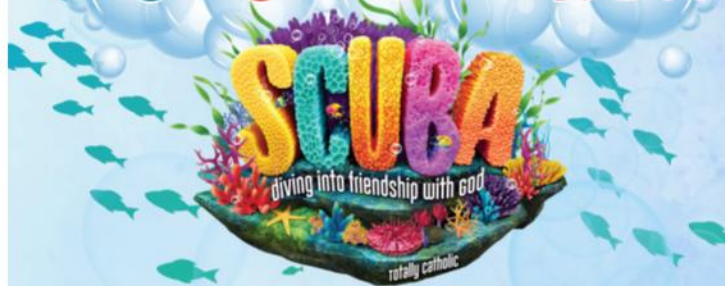
The application period closes March 1, 2024. For more information, contact the DuPage County Treasurer's Office at 630-407-5900 or www.dupageco.org/treasurer. Gwen Henry, Treasurer.



HSCC 2023 Contribution Statements

To receive a 2023 Contribution Statement, please email your request to Kathy Mackowiak at KMackowiak@hsc.us. Your statement will be emailed to you, or you may pick it up at the parish office during regular office hours.

VBS IS COMING!!



Holy Spirit is excited to welcome back VBS this summer! We need your help to put on an amazing VBS. Volunteers needed in all areas!

~Leaders ~Decorations ~Prep Work~
~Music ~Crafts ~Behind the Scenes~

Adult Volunteer Introduction Meeting
Monday February 26, at 6:30pm at HSCC.
Please RSVP to Jennifer Catalfio, VBS Coordinator
at jennifer.catalfio@gmail.com.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

GRANT APPLICATION OPEN

The 2024 Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant through the Diocese of Joliet is now open for 2024 applications. Applicants must reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Joliet and complete the CCHD application available on the DOJ website (*see left*), including all supporting documents requested. Only completed applications will be considered. CCHD is looking for organizations that seek to engage in one of the Works of Mercy: Feed the Hungry, Clothe the Poor, Visit the Imprisoned, Visit the Sick, Shelter the Homeless, Bury the Dead, and Give Drink to the Thirsty.

QUESTIONS? Please contact Tanya Singh at cchd@dioceseofjoliet.org. Applications will be accepted from January 15 through March 1, 2024. *Thank you!*

For more info and to apply, visit
catechesis.diojoliet.org/cchd



Ministries of Mercy | Department of Catechesis and Evangelization

Please join us for Holy Spirit's 1st Annual

Mardi Gras Dinner & Palm Burning

Tuesday, February 13

Dinner served anytime from 4:30pm-6:30pm



Register by scanning the QR Code

\$15 per family or \$5 per individual donation will include:
 Mac n' Cheese Bar with toppings including meatballs and sausage
 Delicious Desserts
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JOLIET YOUTH DAY
 June 1, 2024
SAVE THE DATE!

JOIN US!

Holy Spirit teens and over 1,000 others from around the Diocese will gather for an unforgettable day dedicated to transforming the lives of incoming 8th-12th graders. Fun, fellowship and faith packed into a one day event at Lewis University!



Scan the QR Code to register!


The peace of the holiday season is the perfect time to examine one's spiritual journey and explore our faith.

If you answered yes to any of these questions, I am interested in hearing your faith story.
Roberta

Are you curious about the Catholic faith?
 Have you been baptized in another faith and are interested in becoming a Catholic?
 Are you seeking baptism?
 Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic?
 Were you baptized a Catholic and would like to receive Eucharist and Confirmation?

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Let's do hot chocolate!



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 Naperville, Illinois

Need Prayers?

If you are in need of prayers, please let us know. Our At-Home Prayer Team and Gathered in Prayer Group are standing by ready to pray!

<https://www.hsc.us/gathered-in-prayer> Or scan the QR code



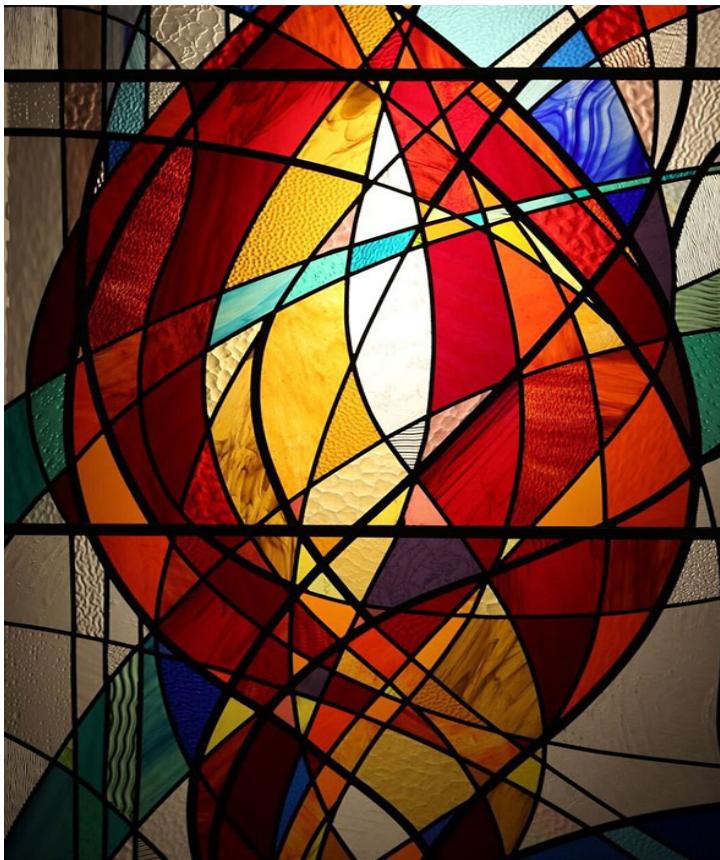

Gathered In Prayer

Drop in any Thursday morning at 10 a.m. in the Chapel, to pray for your fellow parishioners.



Prayer Blankets

Bless someone you know who is very ill or hospitalized, with a Prayer Blanket.
 Requests taken at the front desk.



This Week's Meetings

January 28—February 3, 2024

Sunday, January 28

12:00 pm Rosary, Church

Monday, January 29

2 pm Bible Study-Core Team, Gathering Place

Tuesday, January 30

7 pm Adult Choir, Church

Wednesday, January 31

9:30 am Bible Study-AM, Gathering Place

5pm Youth Choir, Church

Thursday, February 1

10 am Gathered in Prayer, Chapel

Saturday, February 3

6:30 am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Rm

7 am TMIY, Gathering Place

9am Men of Christ, Gathering Place

See the parish website for all upcoming event information; www.hssc.us



Diocese of Joliet

Catholic Ministries

Annual Appeal

Holy Spirit Catholic Community
Naperville, Illinois

	<u>Jan 22, 2024</u>
2023 Goal	\$ 94,300
Amount Pledged	\$ 135,028
Amount Paid	\$ 132,798
Balance Due	\$ 2,230
Donor Count	350
2023 Rebate	\$ 26,949

The 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is *For the Glory of God*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own, but together through the appeal we can do so much more.

Our parish's goal for the 2024 CMAA is \$99,000 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!



Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Weekdays:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday... 9am

Weekend:

Saturday...4:30pm

Sunday...8am, 9:30am, and 11am

Adoration

Tuesdays, following the 9am mass until 12 noon.

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30pm -4:00pm

Baptisms

12:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of each month unless otherwise noted

Weddings

Please contact the parish office

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8am to 4:30pm

(closed 12noon-1pm)

Friday 8am to 1pm

Parish Priests

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Consider Electronic Giving

Interested in moving to electronic donation versus envelopes, and don't know where to start?

For information and to select the option that works best for you, go to the parish website, www.hssc.us/donation.



- Automatic Debit or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- WeShare OnLine Giving
- Donating Stock
- QR Code (one time or reoccurring offering)



It is with grateful hearts, we thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Parish Stewardship

Monthly Offering	# of Donors	Dec 2023
WeShare Online Giving	118	\$16,707
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	156	\$17,803
Envelopes & Loose Cash	209	\$60,455
Total December Collection	483	\$94,965
Special Collections - Dec 2023		
Christmas Offerings		\$47,519
Christmas Flowers		\$2,378
Retirement Fund for Religious		\$3,585
Mortgage Donations		\$1,575
HSCC Mortgage	Date	Balance
Original Mortgage Loan	1/1/2005	\$3,590,755
Current Loan Balance	12/31/2023	\$303,335

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