

October 6, 2024

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

Mark 10:14

## Mass Intentions



**Saturday, October 5**  
4:30pm + Dorothy Sitko

**Sunday, October 6**  
8:00 am + John Wallin  
9:30 am + Jesus Vasquez  
11:00 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church

**Monday, October 7**  
9:00 am + James Vanek

**Tuesday, October 8**  
9:00 am + Jean Cebak

**Wednesday, October 9**  
9:00 am + Mary Rorke

## Mass Schedule

**Monday - Wednesday...9:00 am**  
**Saturday...4:30 pm**  
**Sunday...8:00 am, 9:30am, and 11:00 am**

## Adoration

Tuesdays following the 9:00 am Mass until 12 noon.

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30pm -4:00pm



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## Parish Stewardship

	# of Donors	Sep-24
<b>Monthly Offering</b>		
WeShare Online Giving	137	\$11,985
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	161	\$17,623
Envelopes & Loose Cash	192	\$52,677
<b>Total September Collection</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>\$82,285</b>
<b>Special Collections - September 2024</b>		
Mortgage Donations		\$6,615

<b>Fiscal Year: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025</b>		
YTD Budget		\$248,534
YTD Sunday Collection		\$240,986
Surplus/(Deficit)		<b>(\$7,548)</b>
<b>Holy Spirit Mortgage</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Original Mortgage Loan	1/1/2005	\$3,590,755
<b>Current Loan Balance</b>	<b>9/30/2024</b>	<b>\$78,988</b>

### Consider Electronic Giving

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



*It is with grateful hearts that we thank you for your continued support of the parish!*

### Stewardship Forever

*"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." (GENESIS 2:19)*

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

Join Us

# MEN'S MINISTRY

**Meetings**  
Every Saturday  
7:00am to 8:30am.  
General Purpose Room

You are welcome to participate when you can

**What does this ministry/group do?**

- United in growing in their faith through informal study of mass readings and related scripture.
- Supports the church as needed in other activities

**Who is invited to participate?**

All adult men who are seeking to expand and grow in their faith and seek a better understanding of scripture in a very informal setting. I

**What volunteer opportunities are there?**

We support many other church ministries as needed. Some specific to this group include Samaritan Network, Mission Trips, Hesed House, and more.

Contact

LUPE ALVAREZ  
eldirector@yahoo.com  
630-674-7690

## Hesed House- October 9-10, 2024



HSCC will be serving dinner at Hesed House on Wednesday, October 9 and breakfast Thursday morning, October 10, plus providing bag lunches. **We are in need of volunteers to provide and/or deliver food or**

**serve meals.** Please scan the QR Code below or visit [www.signupgenius.com/go/HesedHouseOct24](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/HesedHouseOct24) to volunteer or donate.



Please bring in food donations through the rear door marked 2003 by 4pm Monday, October 7.

For more information see the parish website, [www.hsc.us](http://www.hsc.us), or contact Danielle Plotke: (preferred) text 630-877-7951 or email [dplotke@gmail.com](mailto:dplotke@gmail.com)

## A Grief Support Group

**TUESDAYS**  
Starting October 29th  
At 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
RSVP by October 18th

seasons of hope

### THE 7 INTENTIONS OF MOURNING

A Guided Pathway to Healing and Hope

- P**RAYER the soul of the Christian life
- R**EMEMBERING & HONORING treasuring the gifts they left us
- A**CCCEPTANCE coming to terms with what has happened
- Y**IELD TO THE PAIN facing our suffering
- E**NDURING CONNECTION: death ends a life, not a relationship
- R**EBUILD & REDEFINE building a new relationship with the world
- S**UPPORT receiving and giving

Any parishioner who is mourning the loss of a loved one is encouraged to attend and invited to bring a guest.

**MEETING DATES**  
Oct. 29  
Nov. 5  
Nov. 12  
Nov. 19  
Nov. 26  
Dec. 3  
Dec. 10

**Contact**  
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630-922-0081 x7



## Visit National Shrine of St. Therese

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Discover the rich heritage and inspiring legacy of one of the Catholic Church's most beloved saints.

Tuesday  
October 29, 2024  
10:00 a.m.

Join Faithful Explorers for a day of peace, reflection, and spiritual growth.

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per person

- INCLUDES**
- Guided Tour of Museum
  - Mass
  - Prayer Gardens
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**Register by October 25th**

Submit \$15 payment by cash or check to:  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
Attn: Faithful Explorers/ St. Therese Visit  
CONTACT: [Rbalsewicz@hsc.us](mailto:Rbalsewicz@hsc.us)

Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face is the youngest of all the "Doctors of the Church"



\*Please bring your picnic lunch. We will dine together on the grounds.

Holy Spirit Catholic Church Ministries

# SEASONED SPIRITS

*"And so let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love, and once we begin to love each other naturally we want to do something."*  
-Mother Teresa

## What We Do

Promote friendship camaraderie among parishioners ages 55 and over.  
Share activities including shows, dinners, bingo, and game days

## We Are Active

Many members are involved with other ministries: Hesus House, Knight of Columbus, Greeters, SVDP Society, Eucharistic Ministers

## When We Meet

First Sunday of each month following the 11:00 Mass

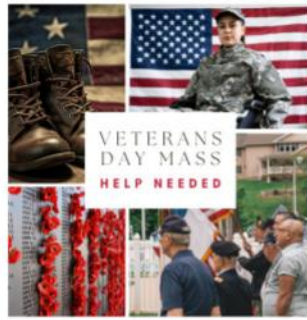
## Contact

Donna Czajka [donnaczajka@me.com](mailto:donnaczajka@me.com)

*"Count your age by friends, not years. Count your life by smiles, not tears."*  
-John Lennon







As we come upon this very special occasion to recognize and honor our heroes in this historic moment, we all know that it takes a village to make it happen.

We are looking for a few veterans to help, plan and organize the 7:00pm Mass on November 11. After all, who knows how to celebrate Veterans Day better than we do? So let's get together and make it happen. Thank you for your service.

Please contact Msg. Franklin Newson, Retired at 630-901-5278 or [fptopnewson@gmail.com](mailto:fptopnewson@gmail.com)

## Book Study – Fall 2024

# JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST




**CHRIST FULFILLS THE RITES OF THE OLD COVENANT.**

Reviewed by Scott Hahn - author and renowned scholar - "In the Mass - Christ fulfills the rites of the old covenant.

This beautiful book by Dr. Brant Pitre shows us that fulfillment in loving detail.

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Registration online [hsc.us](http://hsc.us) or submit forms to Roberta Balsewicz [rbalsewicz@hsc.us](mailto:rbalsewicz@hsc.us)

**\$20** for book and study guide


As the weather cools, the leaves turn colors, bundle up in a blanket and read Brant Pitre's book.

Let's gather and discuss the connection between the old and new testaments.

Learn to appreciate the gift that the mass that truly is, each and every time you worship.


Who doesn't love discussing a good book with a cup of hot chocolate or cup of coffee in hand on a cold mornin,





# THINK YOUTH, THINK TANK

## Your ideas matter!



All Teens Grades 9-12 are invited to help shape the future of Catholic youth ministry! Join us in brainstorming ways to make our faith even more alive and relevant for you today.

This is a chance to share your voice, your passions, and your vision for what youth ministry at Holy Spirit could be.

We can't wait to see what God has in store through your creativity and heart for our faith!

Please RSVP to Mrs. Keslin at 219-545-3436 or [fkeslin@keslininc.com](mailto:fkeslin@keslininc.com) or Mrs. Balsewicz at 630-922-0081 or [rbalsewicz@hsc.us](mailto:rbalsewicz@hsc.us)

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 | 6:30 PM**

**HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH**

[www.holy-spirit.org](http://www.holy-spirit.org)

# TRUNK OR TREAT

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

FROM 4PM-6PM AT HOLY SPIRIT!  
WEATHER PERMITTING- WE WILL BE OUTSIDE, INDOORS IF IT RAINS.



SCAN THIS  
QR CODE TO  
REGISTER TO  
ATTEND.



## DO YOU WANT TO HOST A TRUNK?

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

FROM 4PM-6PM AT HOLY SPIRIT!  
WEATHER PERMITTING- WE WILL BE OUTSIDE, INDOORS IF IT RAINS.

YOU WILL BE ASSIGNED A PARKING SPOT FOR THE EVENT,  
AND WE WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN THE EVENT GETS  
CLOSER HOW MUCH CANDY YOU WILL NEED. LOOK FOR A  
DETAILED EMAIL AS THE EVENT GETS CLOSER.



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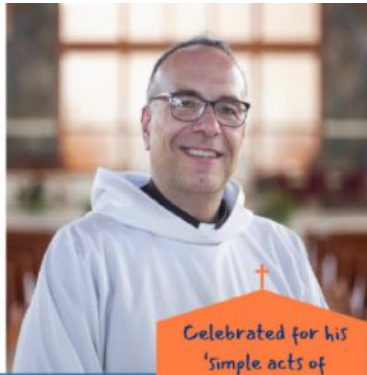


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3 Unique Discussions

Sunday, October 20th  
Monday, October 21st  
Tuesday, October 22nd

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Roberta @rbalsewicz@hsc.us

### Experience

- Practical tips for living a better life
- A deeper understanding of your purpose
- Skills to better discern Divine Providence at work

# DONUT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13!

Please join the Knights of Columbus for coffee and donuts after all Masses on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.



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FAITH



FAMILY



COMMUNITY



LIFE



Knights of Columbus

Membership Weekend at Holy Spirit:

October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>  
at all Masses

Be Courageous. Become a Knight.

The world needs men like you to say, "Yes" to living a life of faith and virtue. Will you join us in pointing the world to Jesus Christ?

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

The Fall Campaign for 40 DAYS FOR LIFE is taking place through November 3. During this time, Christians from around the world will join together for the most powerful PRO-LIFE effort the world has experienced.

Vigils will be from 8 AM to 5 PM Monday through Saturday at Waterleaf Woman's Center at 3055 E. New York St. Aurora, IL, directly across from Aurora Planned Parenthood.

Please join in prayer at Waterleaf anytime between 8 AM and 5 PM. To sign up, please go to [40daysforlife.com/Aurora](http://40daysforlife.com/Aurora). If you are unable to attend, please offer a ROSARY FOR LIFE to save a baby at risk of abortion. You can show your love and commitment through prayer and fasting.

## Coats for Kids

### Holy Spirit Annual Coat Drive

Monetary donations are collected to purchase new coats for those in need. Informed shoppers purchase the coats appropriate for the list of recipients.

Coats will be donated to Hesed House, St. Ethelreda's and to additional community children in need.

October 5th - 6th  
IN THE NARTHEX

Donate online thru Oct. 13 by using the QR code

## This Week's Meetings

### Tuesday, October 8

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team (PLT),  
Multipurpose Room  
7:00pm Adult Choir, Church

### Wednesday, October 9

9:30am Bible Study, Gathering Place

### Thursday, October 10

10:00am Gathered in Prayer, Chapel

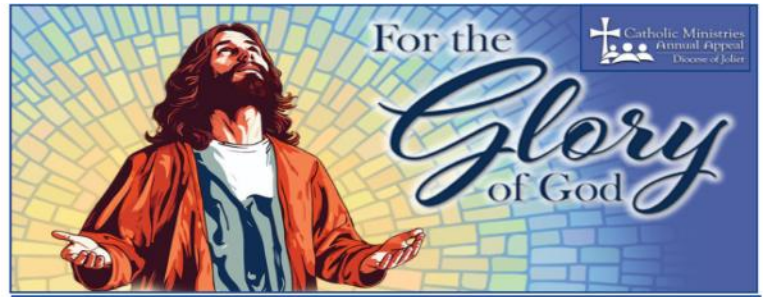
### Saturday, October 12

7:00am That Man Is You, Gathering Place  
K of C Membership Drive After Mass

### Sunday, October 13

K of C Membership Drive After All Masses  
Donut Sunday After All Masses

*See the parish website for all upcoming event information;  
[www.hsccl.us](http://www.hsccl.us)*



## 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

	As of 9/29/2024	Final 2023
Goal	\$99,000	\$94,300
Amount Pledged	\$133,423	\$135,028
Amount Paid	\$128,761	\$132,798
Balance Due	\$4,663	\$2,230
Donor Count	317	350
2024 Rebate	\$20,832	\$26,949



## Parish Information

### Pastor

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### Parish Administrative Assistant

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### Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00 am to 4:30 pm  
(closed 12noon-1pm)  
**Friday** 8am to 1pm

### Sacraments

#### **Reconciliation**

Saturday, 3:30pm -4:00pm

#### **Baptisms**

12:30pm on the 1st and 2nd  
Sunday of each month.  
For more information, please  
visit [hsccl.us/infant-baptism](http://hsccl.us/infant-baptism).

#### **Weddings**

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