



# Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; & 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

### WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

As indicated in the weekly calendar.

### RECONCILIATION

As indicated in the weekly calendar, with a communal celebration in Lent, and at other times by appointment.

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after mass. See parish website for further information.

### MARRIAGE

Please make an appointment with the pastor as soon as a decision is made to marry. A minimum of nine months notice is required. Please make no other arrangements until a date is confirmed with the parish. A marriage preparation course, offered in our pastoral region, is required.

### CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Kim Baudouin 613-884-8475

### PASTORAL CARE

A Pastoral Care Team visits sick or elderly members of the parish in their homes or in hospital. To arrange for Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or a visit, please contact the Pastor.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Claire Moore, President 613-612-1659

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph Carbonetto, Grand Knight 613-831-0411

### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Alex Golob, Chair 613-410-1896

### OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Guardian Angels Elementary 613-836-7423  
Holy Spirit Elementary 613-831-1853  
St. Stephen Elementary 613-831-8844  
Sacred Heart High 613-831-6643



**PARISH REGISTRATION:** If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### Dec 10 – Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40.1-5,9-11  
2 Peter 3.8-14  
Mark 1.1-8

### Dec 17 – Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61.1-2a,10-11  
1 Thessalonians 5.16-24  
John 1.6-8,19-28

#### Parish Calendar

#### Mon, Dec 11

9:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

#### Tue, Dec 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Finance Council

#### Wed, Dec 13

St. Lucy

9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

5 & 6:30 pm

Guardian Angels School Concert

#### Thu, Dec 14

St. John of the Cross

9:00 am Mass

9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests

6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5

#### Fri, Dec 15

9:00 am Mass

9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group

9:30 – 10:30 am Adoration

7:00 pm Youth Night Grades 9-12

#### Sat, Dec 16

4:00-4:25 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm Mass

#### Sun, Dec 17 Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Mass

10:30 am Mass

\*Catholic Women's League hospitality & coffee after the 9:00 & 10:30am Masses. Everyone welcome!

**To all parishes' generous faithful** Thank you to all who donate to the ongoing operation of the parish. For e-Transfer please send it to [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) and use the password: Holyspirit (*all one word with a capital H*). We currently have a significant number of parishioners who contribute via bank auto debit. If you would like more information about the program or wish to participate, please contact the parish office at 613-836-8881 or email [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca).

Weekly contribution **envelopes for 2024** have arrived! Please pick up your box of envelopes early. If you do not have an envelope number and you would like one, envelopes are available. Call the Parish Office for assistance. Please do not use your 2024 envelopes until January 2024!

#### The Catholic Women's League of Canada means: UNITY

The core purpose of the Catholic Women's League is to unite Catholic women to grow in faith, and to promote social justice through service to the church, Canada, and the world. Did you know members celebrated the 100-year anniversary in 2020? We are a nation of unified women – one voice, one heart, one mission, and there is always room for you!

Please join us on Sunday, December 17 after the 10:30am Mass to decorate the church for Christmas.

#### Mass Intentions

#### Sat, Dec 9 – 5:00 pm

†Helena Golob by Ginette Dagenais

†Jacob Lommen by Family

#### Sun, Dec 10 – 9:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

#### Sun, Dec 10 – 10:30 am

†John Yutronkie by Lori, Mark, Ashton & Ashleigh Hoare

#### Mon, Dec 11 – 9:00 am

†Lucile McKinnon by Dan O'Connor & Family

#### Tue, Dec 12 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Grant MacDonald by Keyworth Family

#### Thu, Dec 14 – 9:00 am

Intentions of Doreen Lebano by Pauline Foley

Intentions of Michael & Amanda & Families by Marie

#### Fri, Dec 15 – 9:00 am

†Sister Patricia Orban by Jacques & Jeannie Marcil

Intentions of Colin Bahen by Dolores & Warren Bahen

#### Sat, Dec 16 – 5:00 pm

Intentions of Kera & Kevin

†Helena Golob by Patricia Wood

#### Sun, Dec 17 – 9:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

#### Sun, Dec 17 – 10:30 am

Intentions of living & deceased members of Dalrymple Family

†Phil Bernier by Family

†Gerry Burchat by Lori, Mark, Ashton & Ashleigh Hoare

**Please pray for those who are sick:** Bruce, Marlene, Ron,

Patrick, Gerald, John, Nancy, Miriam, Muriel, Hugh, Ben, Mona

**Please pray for those who have died:** †Stanley Pecoskie, uncle of Lori Hoare

†Indicates Deceased

#### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23 at 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 24 at 9:00 & 10:30 am

**Christmas Masses** - First Come-First Seated. Parishioners will be seated by ushers. Please, No seat saving. Doors open one hour before Mass.

Sunday, December 24 at 4:30 pm & 7:00 pm

Monday, December 25 at 10:30 am

#### Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday, December 30 at 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 31 at 9:00 & 10:30 am

#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sunday, December 31 at 5:00 pm

Monday, January 1 at 10:30 am



*Word from the Pastor*

From today’s Gospel reading: St. Mark 1.1-8 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” John the Baptist announces that the promises God made through the prophets are being fulfilled. It is, Baptist tells us, “the beginning of the Good News.” Jesus is coming to baptize with the Holy Spirit and a new way of life is being offered to people stuck in their sin and old patterns of living. While the gospel has a beginning, it has no ending, for it continues to be good news in each generation, offering those who hear it a new way of living, empowered by Jesus’ gift of the Holy Spirit to us.

\$244.12 raised from sale of Christmas cards for Holy Spirit Youth Ministry.

December donations of personal care items for the needy at the Shepherds of Good Hope sponsored by Kelly Funeral Home, Kanata, can be placed in the bin at the church entrance.

Become a blessing to others. A legacy of faith remains for all as you choose to remember Holy Spirit Parish in your will. For more information contact the Parish Office.

*Monsignor Joseph Muldoon*

**Do you like to sing and do you love Christmas music?**

Calling any singing parishioners: You are invited to come out to sing with the 9am Music Ministry over the Christmas Season. We have Tuesday evening choir rehearsals where we will prepare, sing and have fun! All talent levels are welcome! Contact Divina (divina.hogan@gmail.com) for more information.

**Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Campaign** Please email [knightsofcolumbusstittsville@gmail.com](mailto:knightsofcolumbusstittsville@gmail.com) or call 613-831-0411 for more info and to reserve your tree. Trees are \$60 each. Limited supply - reserve yours early!

**CHRISTMAS ALTAR DECOR**

If you would like to donate toward the decor in celebration of a loved one’s birthday, anniversary, in memorial or in thanksgiving, please complete this form and put it, along with your cheque made payable to Holy Spirit Parish, in an envelope marked *Christmas Altar Decor* and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office. All names will be printed in our bulletin in the new year.

**(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**

Name of person(s) or intention: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person making the donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. (613) \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope No. \_\_\_\_\_

Amount (circle one): \$25 \$50 \$100 or \_\_\_\_\_

**The Lighthouse Youth and Sacraments Youth Nights** continue: this week Grades 3-5, and Grades 9-12. Check Parish Calendar above. Our ministry is still looking for volunteers, if you feel called to help in any way, please contact Alex for next steps! [youth@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:youth@holyspiritparish.ca)

**2023 Stittsville Food Bank Christmas Campaign**

Please consider purchasing gift cards for children ages 1-17 for the Stittsville Food Bank. These cards will be included in the Christmas hampers distributed this December. Your donations can be dropped off to the parish office during office hours or slipped under the office door on weekends no later than Fri, Dec 15. Thank you for the ongoing support received by those in our community who need our help.



**Guardian Angels School Christmas Concert** All are invited to join us for an Advent Lessons and Carols style evening on December 13 at 5pm and 6:30pm. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank, or a personal care item for Shepherds of Good Hope.

Save the date: Sun, Dec 17, from 11:30 am-2:00 pm, there will be a **Child/Youth Christmas Sing-along** in the Parish Hall. All the parish youth from the choir, sacramental preparation and the altar servers are invited to join in a Christmas sing-along with refreshments, snacks, and games. Special thanks to Divina Hogan for the gift of her music and time. Parents, this is a great time to catch up on preparing for Christmas. Email Alex to sign up [youth@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:youth@holyspiritparish.ca)

**Moving?? Help us keep our records up to date. Notify the Office with your old and new contact information including your complete mailing address, and current email address.** [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) 613-836-8881

**The Compassionate Life Cake** - a perfect Thanksgiving “cake” for God.

Ingredients

- 4 lb. of compassionate love
- 1 lb. of mercy
- 1 lb. of tenderness
- 1 lb. of humbleness
- ½ lb. of justice
- ½ lb. of grace
- ¼ lb. of forgiveness
- ¼ lb. of good humor
- 1 pint of laughter
- 1 cup of common sense
- 2 tsp. of adversity
- 1 oz. of spirit
- ...and a sprinkle of beauty

Put your compassionate love, mercy and tenderness into action together. Combine humbleness, justice and grace and mix well with forgiveness and good humor. Don’t forget the laughter! Be sure to include common sense and season with a touch of adversity and a dose of spirit. Combine all the ingredients and sprinkle with the beauty of wisdom. Take a lifetime to perfect your creation.

May you eat the fruit of your handiwork as you live your life with passion and purpose.

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