## Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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### Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2023

### **Pastor**

Rev. Eli St. Fort

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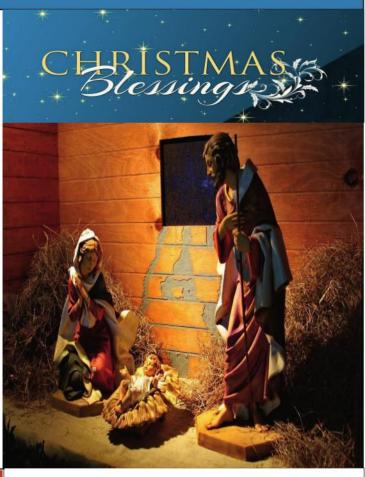
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### HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are called to embrace faith in the Son of God as Lord and Savior. In our Roman Catholic tradition, through the cleansing waters of Baptism, we die to self and rise as children of the Father.

Confirmed, empowered and guided by His Spirit, we become the church when we gather in His name, are taught with His living Word, and are nourished with His living presence.

So that, we might be sent to witness the Good News of the Paschal Mystery in loving service to the human family; and be united with Him and His Saints in Heaven forever.



### Masses

Monday - Friday

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil

4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. Polish Mass 7:30, 9:00,10:30 a.m. and Noon

Sunday

2:00 p.m. Latin Mass 4:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

### Confessions in Church

Saturday 2:30 p.m.

Members of the Parish Council Dr. Thomas Ermolovich, *Chairman*, Nancy Jutba, *Secretary*, Ruth Ann McVeigh, James Kintz, Daniel Monahan and William Bond

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Due to the early submission of our parish bulletin, we are unable to include the collection from last week. However, we will be including them in next Sunday's bulletin.

Thank you for your understanding.

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### Mass Schedule

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Saturday, Dec. 23, 2023						
	George Joseph by his Family					
4:00p.m.	†William F. Fitzgerald by his Wife					
	†Tom Carelli by his Family					
Sunday D	†Souls In Purgatory by Mimose Romulus					
7:30a.m.	ec. 24, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
7.50 <b>u</b> .m.	†Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family					
	†Elizabeth "Betty" Donnelly by Leonita					
9:00a.m.	Fr. Eli St. Fort - Birthday by Ann Marie Natale					
	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
10:30a.m.	†Albert Castonguay his his wife, Carol Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
10.50a.iii.	†Erasmo & Prescilla Calica by Fe Edjan					
	Ritchie Jorda - Birthday by his Family					
12:00N	People of the Parish					
2:00p.m.	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	†Lewis Dunson Thompson					
	†Dorothy Benson by her Family <i>Christmas Vigil</i>					
4:00p.m.	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
1	†Hugh McCaffrey by the McCaffrey Family					
10.00	†Dean Walter by Suzanne Falcone					
10:00p.m.	†Margaret Walton by Lonnie Keyloun					
	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles †Paulina Chiriboga by her Family					
Monday, I	Dec. 25, 2023-Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord					
,	(Christmas)					
7:30a.m.	Christmas Novena					
	Fr. Eli St. Fort - Birthday by the Ceballo Family					
9:00a.m.	†Joan & Allan Bennett Thanksgiving by the Wong Family					
7.00a.m.	Fr. Eli St. Fort - Birthday by Fe Edjan					
	†Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family					
10:30a.m.	†Celia Cicalese by her husband, Michael					
	Fernandes Family by Marie Fernandes					
12.00N	†Souls In Purgatory by Nancy Bramante					
12:00N	†David Althouse by The Althouse Family †Frank Cicalese by his son, Michael					
	†Anna Cicalese by her son, Michael					
2:00p.m.	Fr. Eli St. Fort - Intentions by Lonnie Keyloun					
	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
Tuesday I	Alex Christensen - Intentions by Doreen Benson					
7:30a.m	<b>Dec. 26, 2023</b> - <i>St. Stephen, The First Martyr</i> Christmas Novena					
9:00a.m.	†Albert Castonguay by Carole Castonguay					
	y, Dec. 27, 2023 - St. John, Apostle & Evangelist					
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Eli St. Fort - Birthday by the Ceballo Family					
9:00 a.m.	Christmas Novena					
7:30 a.m.	Dec. 28, 2023 - The Holy Innocents					
9:00a.m.	Christmas Novena †George & Mildred Twible by Katherine Slama					
	ec. 29, 2023 – St. Thomas Becket					
7:30 a.m.	†Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family					
9:00 a.m.	Christmas Novena					
9:00a.m.	Dec. 30, 2023 Christmas Novena					
9.00a.iii.	†Ricardo Jorda by his Family					
4:00p.m.	People of the Parish					
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	ec. 31, 2023 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph					
7:30a.m.	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	Thanksgiving by Missoule Pierre-Gilles †Souls In Purgatory by the Charles Family					
9:00a.m.	Christmas Novena					
	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	Thanksgiving for Mimose Romulus by Marie Berreth					
10:30a.m.	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	†Abelardo & Paquita Rodriguez by their daughter, Gina †Alice White by Noreen					
12:00N	†Anicia & Cedieu Petine by their Family					
	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	Thanksgiving for Katherine Alfano by Marie Berreth					
2:00p.m.	Thanksgiving by Elsie Pierre-Gilles					
	†Souls In Purgatory by Irma Rosales †Ernesto & Consuelo Rosales by Irma Rosales					

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### Scripture Readings & Saints & Special Observances For the Week of December 24, 2023

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38 Monday The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25 Mass During the night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Mass at Dawn: Is 62: 11-12; Ps 97: 1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3: 4-7; Lk 2: 15-20 Mass during the Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14 **Tuesday** Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc & 17; Mt 10:17-22 Wednesday Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20: 1a & 2-8 Thursday Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18 Friday Memorial of Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35 Saturday 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40 Sunday Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8,

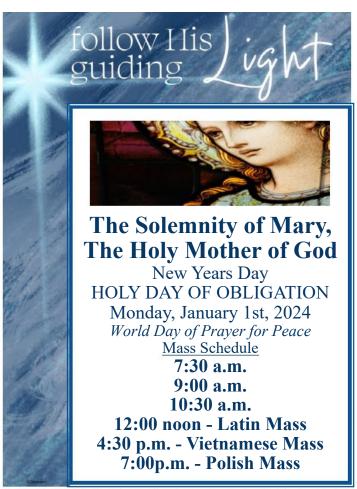
### Christmas Message

11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

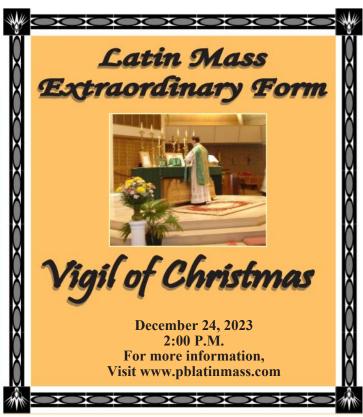


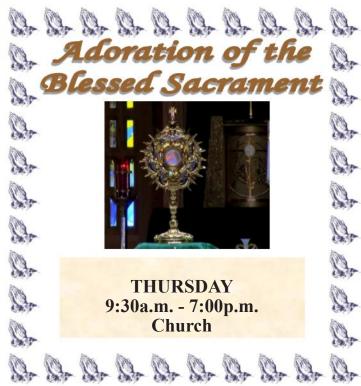
The Christ-child lay on Mary's lap, His hair was like a light (O weary, weary were the world. But here is all aright.) The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast His hair was like a star. O stern and cunning are the kings, But here the true hearts are) The Christ-child lay on Mary's Heart. His hair was like a fire (O weary, weary is the world.

But here the world's desire) The Christ-child stood on Mary's knee. His hair was like a crown, And all the flowers looked up at Him. And all the stars looked down. *GK Chesterton* 











### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Our parish mailing address is the same as our address, 1000 W. Lantana Road, Lantana, FL 33462. The P.O. Box is CLOSED.



# Christmas Schedule

Sunday, December 24th - (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

7:30a.m. 9:00a.m. 10:30a.m. 12:00noon 2:00p.m. (Latin Mass) 4:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass (Parish Hall)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Vigil Mass for Christmas - 4:00p.m.

Christmas Caroling (Presented by Holy Spirit Choir) - 9:00p.m.

Mass During the Night - 10:00p.m.

12:00a.m. (Midnight) - Polish Mass

**Monday, December 25th** 

Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord

Christmas

7:30a.m. 9:00a.m. 10:30a.m. 12:00noon 2:00p.m. (Latin Mass) 4:30 p.m. - Vietnamese Mass 7:00 p.m. - Polish Mass

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# Congratulation, Mosgr. Sabriel Shanoun Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood





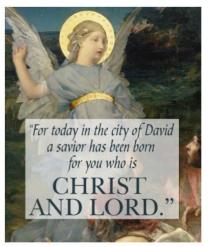


On December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, our beloved Fr. Gabriel celebrated his Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood in our parish. The special day was celebrated with the presence of the Mariachi Band during the Mass. Our sincere appreciated to our pastor, Fr. Eli for planning the celebration in style. Thank you to the following: Maria Leon for providing the Mariachi Band. Lonnie Keyloun for the photos and Beautiful flowers were donated by Lois Pope.



# Charismatic Prayer Group





Let us prepare to receive the greatest gift we could ever receive: Christ Jesus Himself!

Advent is a time for reflection, spiritual growth, and embracing the hope and promise of Christ's arrival. The central message remains universal: to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of the Savior.

We are reminded that He will return in all His splendor and glory and that we need to be prepared to stand before the Son of Man.

How do we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ? With a Grateful Heart - offering thanksgiving for the mercy of the Lord upon us. Adore the Lord with all your heart.

With a Contrite Heart- As we await His second coming as the Judge, let us repent of our wrong doings and ask pardon and forgiveness.

Our Prayer: Lord Jesus, my Savior save me from my sins.

Please join us for Weekly Prayer gathering every Wednesday at 7pm EST in the Chapel. If you are unable to come physically, please join through Zoom.

Meeting ID: 869 5740 7048.

Feel free to send all prayer requests or intentions to afcmflorida@gmail.com. God Bless, AFCM Florida





# Christmas Mass

Monday, December 25th

Most Reverend Bishop M. Barbarito Main Celebrant

5a.m.-6:00a.m. WPTV5 10:30a.m.-11:30a.m. CW34 10:30a.m.-11:30a.m. WTVX

### Spirit 0f Christmas 2023

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! We are delighted that 45 families with 95 children will be celebrating Christmas this year with great joy and wishes fulfilled.



Our appreciation goes out to the incredible love and support from the generous parishioners here at Holy Spirit.

Once again, the Religious Education Department would like to say thanks to the many hearts and hands coming together for the purpose of bringing Christmas happiness and good cheer to fellow parishioner families.

Thank you to our parishioners for thinking of others this holiday season and to the many volunteers who worked tirelessly to make it all happen. A special acknowledgement goes to Jack the Bike Man, Inc. for donating bicycles as they have done for so many Christmases.

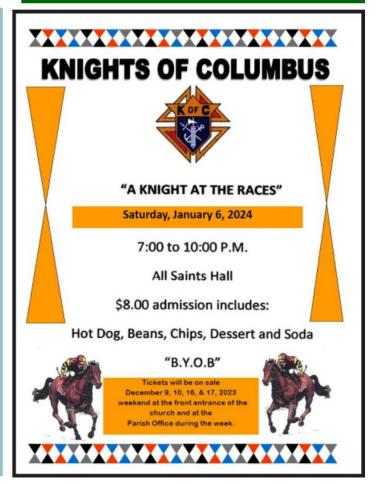
May all of us experience the true spirituality of Christmas this year as we celebrate the wonder of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you again for creating so much happiness for our children and their families.



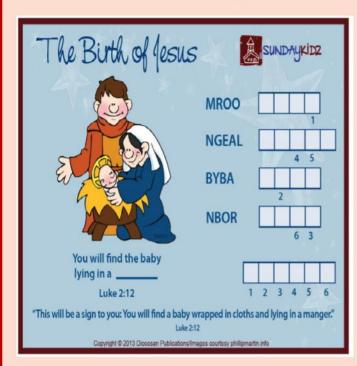


Our sincere appreciation to Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery for once again sponsoring our 2024 parish calendars. Thank you for your generosity.

We will be distributing the calendars next weekend.



# Kids Corner





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# From the Parish Nurse



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"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."

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Matthew 1:23

### Christmas in our Hearts Throughout the Year

On this eve of a very special day, the day we celebrate the birth of Christ, let us look at the feelings of hope for the year to come. When we have hope for a better tomorrow, for a better world of peace and harmony, it translates into how we feel about ourselves. We are optimistic about our future; we think positive thoughts and that is displayed by our personal health choices. We feel like getting out and taking that walk around the block, we decide not to have that extra piece of pie, and we find joy in sharing the season with family and friends.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you...yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand."

So be that person who takes the time to wish a stranger "Merry Christmas", who checks on an elderly homebound neighbor, or who offers comfort to someone

who has lost a loved one.

If you are having personal health struggles that would improve with different choices, remember the first step towards getting somewhere is to decide that you are not going to stay where you are. Work with your doctor on a plan for a nutritious diet and exercise that matches your physical capabilities. Make a decision that 2024 will be a better, healthier year by taking control of your life.

On this beautiful Christmas Eve Day, may you feel Christmas in your heart, not just today or tomorrow, but each day to come.



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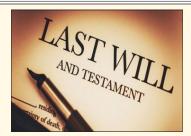
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On Thursdays, immediately after the 9:00a.m. Mass until 7:00p.m. in the church. Join us for the Angelus followed by the Rosary at 12:00noon, in the Church.

celebration of a Christian's life brings hope and consolation to the living. As we plan for our eternal life, it is always good to remember those that we love. Having a Will is good stewardship.



When there is a Will there is a way to be an angel for your parish. Please remember Holy Spirit Catholic Church in your Will.

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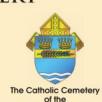
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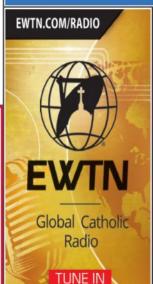
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