

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020

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THIS WEEK

All Meetings held via "Zoom" unless noted

MONDAY 16 NOV / *Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 18:35-43*

- SIGN UP FOR Nov 21/22 Public Masses
- **6:30 AM - St. Stephen Parish**
- 7 PM - "Blind Spots & Their Consequences", Church/Live-Stream
- 7:30 PM - Point Catholic Women Bible Study

TUESDAY 17 NOV / *Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-5/Lk 19:1-10*

- SIGN UP FOR Nov 21/22 Public Masses
- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+Joseph Misiewicz) Live Stream FSB
- 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting/Prayer
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry
- 6 PM - Alpha Gathering, Spirit Hall/Zoom

WEDNESDAY 18 NOV / *Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1-6/Lk 19:11-28*

- SIGN UP FOR NOV 21/22 Public Masses
- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+Sharon Krutza) Live Stream FTM
- 5 PM - Point Catholic Student Supper
- 6:30 PM - Faith Formation Gr 1-6 Advent Preparation
- 6:30 PM - Confirmation Yr. 1-2 & Faith Formation Gr. 7-8
- **8PM - LATE NIGHT MASS**, Church FSB

THURSDAY 19 NOV / *Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 19:41-44*

- SIGN UP FOR NOV 21/22 Public Masses
- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+John & Edna Kohl) Live Stream FSB
- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration - 3 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 4 PM - Point Catholic Rosary, Ministry Center
- 6 PM - Pastoral Council Meeting
- 7:30 PM - Point Catholic Men's Bible Study

FRIDAY 20 NOV / *Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48*

- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+ Kluck & Kirschling families) Live Stream FSB

SATURDAY 21 NOV / *Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1-2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40*

- 9-10 AM - Reconciliation, Ministry Center/Library
- **5 PM - Public MASS** (+Edmund Kruzicki) FSB

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time / NOV 21/22

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/I Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

- **8 AM Live Feed/Video MASS** (+Howie Weinfurter) FSB
- **10 AM - Public MASS** (+Florian Klasinski) FSB
- **6 PM - Public MASS** (+for the people of Holy Spirit Parish) FSB

Blind Spots and Their Consequences

Dr. Lindsay Bernhagen, Director of the Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning at UWSP, will join us in church on Monday, Nov. 16th at 7 p.m. Dr. Bernhagen will provide an opportunity for learning and conversation about how our identities inadvertently lead us to have blind spots that ultimately reinforce social injustice. The reservation period for in person attendance has expired however, the session will live stream on the parish website homepage. This event is sponsored by the Holy Spirit Parish ad hoc committee on rac-



ON SALE NOW DAILY PRAYER 2021

offers scripture, psalms and intercessions for every day of the upcoming Church year, beginning Nov. 29th. This book is available in the Ministry Center Gathering Space. The cost is \$10.

The "Green" Corner Environmental Stewardship Updates

Holy Spirit's Environmental Stewardship Committee is designing a short survey to gauge parishioners' interest in building awareness of our environmental challenges and ways in which we can better care for our Common Home.

During their October Faith Formation study of Who God Is and God's Good World, some of our parish families shared the steps they are already taking to be good stewards of the earth:

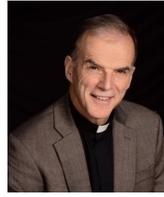
- * Regular recycling of paper/plastic/metals/computer-based devices
- * Reduction of plastic use (permanent grocery bags, straws, lunch containers, etc.)
- * Water use reduction in watering and washing of dishes, clothes, teeth, bodies
- * Increased purchase of chem free and organic groceries and products
- * Vegetable gardening as well as gardening to increase butterfly and bee habitats

Look for our on-line survey in the weeks ahead, and please respond! Thank you!



Dear Holy Spirit Parish:

“Since you were faithful in small matters,
I will give you great responsibilities.
Come share your master’s joy.”
(Matthew 25: 21)



The master found joy in bearing great responsibility. And the master’s joy was doubled when his servant also experienced the joy of impacting people’s lives for the good. How foolish those who think happiness is the absence of having work to do. How blessed those who have work in which they truly believe and find great satisfaction.

He didn’t say he heard the Lord talking to him directly, but Deacon Rick had a quiet joy about him when he expressed his desire to hand on the role of chairing our Social Justice Committee so he could devote himself more fully to our mission in Haiti. Deacon Rick has become a very significant person in the lives of those in our Twinning Parish there. Even before Covid, the need for clean water had grown intense. That in addition to our very significant commitment to provide half of their school teacher’s salaries all year, every year, is becoming a “great responsibility.” As much as he has enjoyed taking our Social Justice Committee from zero to eighty miles an hour in just two years, the Haiti mission has really captured his heart.

The long history of Holy Spirit Parish supporting St. Joseph’s parish in Lomas is proof that there are many others too who find our master’s joy in having a life giving impact on people in need. As happy as I am to be on the Alpha retreat this weekend, I am sorry to miss Deacon Rick’s update on the well project and the status of the schools during the pandemic. I am certain you will hear our Lord speaking through him: “Come share your master’s joy.”

Karen Clifford and Carol Steltenpohl are stepping into the role Deacon Rick leaves behind on the Social Justice Committee. Neither felt they could do it alone, but together they were excited to take it on. And it showed at the first meeting they co-chaired on Nov. 5th. Both have been involved in social justice work in our community for years and so have the trust and admiration of the rest of the Committee members. How exciting to see more and more people taking on “greater responsibilities” to support growing ministries.

This Gospel sheds new light on tomorrow’s presentation by Professor Lindsey Bernhagen. Is there any greater work needing to be done now than healing the divisions between fellow Americans? There is so much good prevented from being done by our inability to work together. What would bring greater joy, than to participate in this greatest of work? You can participate by going to the parish website and watching the live stream beginning at 7pm.

That will be a full day for me. You may remember my older sister Bobbi was moved into memory care in August. Just a few weeks ago she was diagnosed with a form of blood cancer. And last week died. At 71, she was still young. But we are grateful she was spared the long, long battle with Alzheimer’s our mother went through. Tomorrow morning, we are having a simple cemetery committal service for her. In the spring we will go out to Oregon, which she counted as home, for a Celebration of Life.

Next Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, I will be sharing the homily time with John Clifford our Finance Council Co-Chair. John will help us sort out all of the requests for help before us between now and Christmas. We realize everyone can’t contribute to all of these causes and so want to clarify our actual needs and our priorities as a parish. Still, we want to extend our master’s invitation to share greater responsibility and so greater joy.

Fr. Steven J. Brice

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sent to serve.*

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FINANCE COUNCIL

Chairs: John Clifford, Vern Schroth

Keep in touch

We will continue to use email and Flocknote to be in touch with you. Facebook provides not only a way to be in touch but also to take part in daily and Sunday Mass through a Live Video Feed. Log into the parish Facebook page, **Holy Spirit Parish**, at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday through Friday and 8 a.m. on Sunday to watch the Mass live. You can always watch these videos at any time, again, through our Facebook page.

BEING GOOD STEWARDS

Of time, talent and treasure

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Week Ending

Parish Envelopes.....\$10,143

ACH Giving.....\$7,010

Offertory.....\$239

Total: \$17,392

HAITI MISSION- HELP EDUCATE THESE CHILDREN PLEDGE FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____



Please make checks payable to **Holy Spirit Parish**. Write **Haiti - Education Fund** in the memo line of your check. Place in the collection basket, or mail or bring to the parish office.

Electronic Funds Transfer is available: Please contact Becky Jirous for details at becky@holyspiritstevenspoint.org or 715-344-9117.



The 2020-21 school year is our seventh year of raising funds to help support the teachers of our **TWINNING PARISH PROGRAM**.

Through your generous contribution you can help support 52 staff members in the upcoming school year. Your contributions help to break the ongoing cycle of severe poverty in Haiti by providing teachers a stable monthly income, and by helping ensure the near 2,000 students of Lalomas, Haiti receive the education they deserve.

PLEDGE OPTIONS

Option 1: One-Time Pledge in the Amount of (enter amount) \$ _____

Option 2: Monthly Pledge - 12 months (check off pledge amount below)

- \$10
- \$15
- \$20
- \$50
- \$60
- \$100
- \$120

Option 3:

I can support a teacher for 6 months:

\$720.00 (\$60 per month for 12 months)

I can support a teacher for 1 year:

\$1,440.00 (\$120 per month for 12 months)