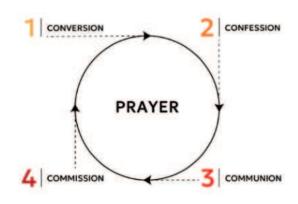




HOW DO WE MAKE DISCIPLES?

As Bishop Hicks has shared, the process of discipleship is deeply personal and unique to each one of us. And yet, our common bond is the person of Jesus Christ. Because of this, we all share a common pathway to this transformative experience. *Learn more by exploring each step of the journey.* Watch the bulletin each month for more steps!



Resources for Personal Growth

- Complete an examination of conscience regularly (daily, weekly, or monthly) to see how you may need to convert certain parts of your life
- Make a daily examen
- Meet with a Spiritual Director or Mentor
- Look for local opportunities at the parish for catechesis, such as a Bible Study, a formation series, or an upcoming talk
- Use resources from apostolates such as Be Formed, Word on Fire, Formed.org, Heroic Men, Exodus 90, and Ascension
- Go on a retreat, such as an upcoming Cursillo
- Go to a conference or event, such as with Men of Christ
- Find opportunities for healing, such as a parish bereavement group
- Experience healing and transformation through the local Unbound ministry

CONVERSION- Step one

For many of us, taking the first step to follow Jesus can be the most difficult. Nevertheless, if taken, it marks the beginning of a process of coming to know and love the Lord. We call it **conversion**, the moment when you receive an invitation from Jesus to enter into a personal, loving relationship with Him.



St. Francis of Assisi (c. 1181–1226) was born into wealth and privilege but experienced deep restlessness that led him to seek a more meaningful life. After a humiliating military defeat and a personal crisis, he encountered

Jesus in prayer before the crucifix at San Damiano, where he felt called to "rebuild my Church." This moment marked his profound conversion—a complete turning away from worldly ambitions toward a life of poverty, humility, and trust in God. Embracing the Gospel with radical devotion, Francis inspired others to follow his example, and within a few years, his community of "Little Brothers" grew into a worldwide religious order. His transformation from knowing about Jesus to personally experiencing His love made Francis one of the Church's greatest models of discipleship and spiritual renewal.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 1

4:30 pm + Peter Gavras

Sunday, November 2- The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

8:00 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church 9:30 am + Richard and Geraldine Lobsinger

11:00 am + Richard Lobsinger

Monday, November 3- St. Martin de Porres

9:00 am + Jonathan Trevino

Tuesday, November 4- St. Charles Borromeo

9:00 am + Ann Deignan and + Franco Patino

Wednesday, November 5

9:00 am + Ronald Johnson

Thursday, November 6

9:00 am + Francis Lazarus

Please keep all our military in your prayers, especially those within our Parish family.





2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

	As of 10/26/2025	Final 2024
Goal	\$98,200	\$99,000
Amount Pledged	\$142,271	\$141,589
Amount Paid	\$136,126	\$140,928
Balance Due	\$6,145	\$661
Donor Count	378	334
Rebate to HSCC	\$26,548	\$29,350

November – The Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory



During the entire month of November, prayers will be offered for our dearly departed at all Masses. If you would like to include your loved ones, please use the envelopes available in the Narthex. They were also sent in the offering envelope packets to homes. Donations will be used to continue our work on beautifying the parish grounds.

This year there will be a "Book of the Deceased" in the sanctuary. The names of all parishioners who have had their funeral Mass celebrated at Holy Spirit, have been inscribed.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



Cleaning out your house?
We are always in need of yarn to create prayer shawls and chemo caps. Donations of yarn can be brought to the front desk of the Parish Office. Thank you!



COMING UP AT HOLY SPIRIT

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, November 3

6:00pm K of C Officers' Mtg., Multipurpose Room

Tuesday, November 4

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Gathering Place 1:00pm Seasons of Hope, Multipurpose Room

Wednesday, November 5

9:30am Bible Study, Gathering Place

Thursday, November 6

9:45am Gathered in Prayer, Multipurpose Room

Friday, November 7

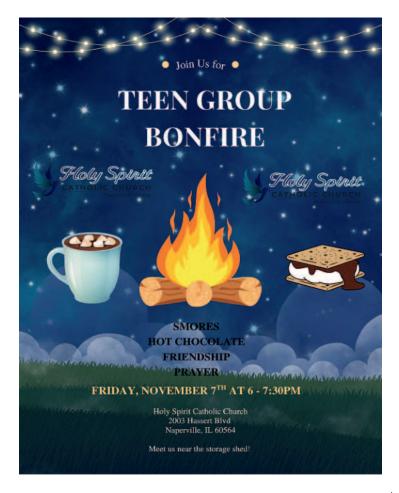
6:00pm Teen Group Bonfire

Saturday, November 8

7:00am
7:00am
9:00pm
Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Room
That Man Is You, Gathering Place
Ministry Summit, Gathering Place

Sunday, November 9

11:00am Veterans' Day Mass, Church





Gdansk, Warsaw, Czestochowa, Krakow – The Treasures of Poland

September 22 to October 3, 2026

Hosted by Fr. Richard Smith and Fr. John Sponder

Gdansk ... Malbork ... Torun ... Warsaw ... Czestochowa ... Krakow ... Wieliczka ... Auschwitz ... Zakopane

We are planning a pilgrimage of faith and journey of discovery to all the pearls of Poland. In the footsteps of St. Kinga, Our Lady of Czestochowa, St. Faustina and St. John Paul II, we will witness the development of Polish Christianity through the ages. From gothic Gdansk to its Solidarity Centre, from Warsaw's royal palaces to its memorials of the Ghetto and Warsaw Uprisings, from Krakow's breathtaking beauty to the atrocity of Auschwitz, we will explore the history, heritage, culture and art of Poland.

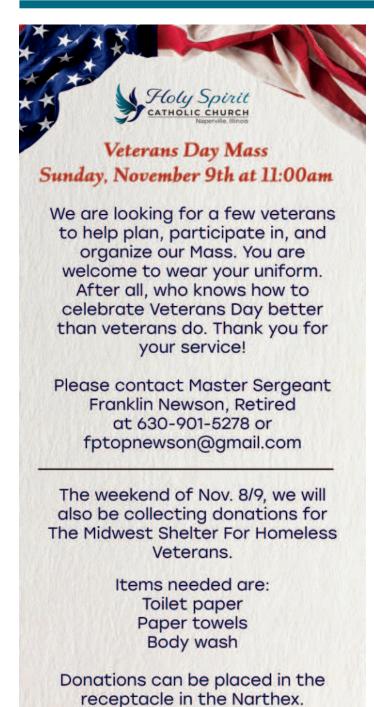
There will be an informational meeting with Fr. Smith, Fr. Sponder and Laurie deVillers from Trans World Travel on Monday, November 10th at 7:00 PM at Holy Spirit Church, 2003 Hassert Blvd, Naperville.

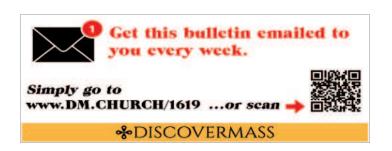
Brochures are available from Holy Spirit Church, but you do not need to wait for the meeting to register for the trip! You can send your reservation form and deposit check to Trans World Travel.

For additional information and online brochure, please contact: Trans World Travel Inc. at 847-432-2400.



COMING UP AT HOLY SPIRIT











Let's make a joyful noise! We would love to have your young musician(s) ages 1st - 12th grade join the Christmas Eve edition of the Youth Choir of Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Our first Christmas rehearsal is Wednesday, November 12, from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room. Please come check us out!

Here is the schedule if you are interested in having your children sing for Christmas Eve. All rehearsals will take place at Holy Spirit:

- Wednesday, November 12, 5:30 6:30 pm in the multipurpose room
- Wednesday, November 19, 5:30 6:30 pm in the church
- Wednesday, December 3, 5:30 6:30 pm in the church
- Wednesday, December 10, 5:00 6:30 pm in the church (note earlier start time)
- Wednesday, December 17, <u>5:00</u> 6:30 pm in the church (*note earlier start time*)
- Tuesday, December 24, 1:45 pm in the church before 3pm Mass

<u>BUT WAIT! THERE'S MORE!</u> We had success with this last year, so we are doing it again! We are encouraging parents and older siblings to sing with your children on Christmas Eve as part of a <u>Family Christmas Choir!</u> The "Family Choir" will <u>not</u> attend any extra rehearsals. We only ask that you attend the 1:45 pm rehearsal before the Christmas Eve Mass begins. The Youth Choir will have featured songs that they will sing on their own. And the Family Choir will be there to support your singer and sing along with familiar Christmas carols!

Please complete the form found at <u>hscc.us/ministries-choir</u> to indicate your interest in the Christmas Youth Choir and Family Christmas Choir.

If you have any questions, please contact Youth Choir Director Sadie Wynne at swynne@hscc.us.



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This year, we aim to raise \$1 million to keep Catholic education vibrant for generations to come. Join us! Visit <u>CEFJoliet.org</u> to learn more or give today.

Celebrating the Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

St. Patrick Parish in Yorkville has been chosen to be a Jubilee Site in the Diocese of Joliet. By visiting St. Patrick Parish or another designated Jubilee site, you can gain a plenary indulgence. The purpose of indulgences is, through prayer and acts of charity, to obtain remission of the temporal punishment due to sins that have already been forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. Indulgences may be applied to the individual or to a soul in Purgatory.

A Jubilee Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick at 8:00 AM every month on the First Friday of the month. You can receive the Sacrament of Confession after the Mass. Eucharistic Adoration is open all day. For more information, visit diojoliet.org/jubilee.



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First Saturday & Sunday before and after each Mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday 9:00am (No Mass on Friday)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays following the 9:00am Mass until 10:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:30-4:00pm

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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

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Monthly Offering	#of Donors	August 2025	
WeShare Online Giving	143	\$12,898	
Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)	160	\$17,233	
Envelopes & Loose Cash	175	\$55,855	
Total August Collection	478	\$85,986	
Year-to-Date July 1, 2025 - August 31, 2025			
Sunday Offering Thru 8/31/2	\$167,352		
Fiscal Yea <mark>r</mark> Budget Thru 8/31/25		\$185,400	
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$18,048)		
Special Offerings - August 2025			
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