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WELCOME



*I am the living bread that
came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will
live forever; and the bread
that I will give is my flesh
for the life of the world.*

John 6:51



MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday
4:30pm

Sunday
8:00am, 9:30am,
11:00am

WEEKDAY

Monday-Thursday
9:00am

CONFESSION

Saturday
3:30-4:00pm

ADORATION

Tuesdays
9:30am-10:30am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M- Thurs 8:00am-4:30pm
Friday 8:00am-1:00pm

JUNE 7, 2026

**THE MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

OUR MISSION

Holy Spirit Catholic Church exists to bring people into a heartfelt relationship with Jesus Christ.



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, June 6

4:30 pm + Peter and Eileen Bodigor

Sunday, June 7– The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:00 am + Norbert and Judith Balsewicz

9:30 am People of Holy Spirit Catholic Church

11:00 am + George and Edith Kestel

Monday, June 8

9:00 am + Irene Ayers

Tuesday, June 9– St. Ephrem

9:00 am + Mary Lou Sciackitano and + Drew Plotke

Wednesday, June 10

9:00 am + Ron Caviness

Thursday, June 11– St. Barnabas

9:00 am Intentions of Janet N. Oludaoluwadamisi



Father's Day Masses

A Novena of Masses for fathers and special men in our lives will be offered June 21-28.

If you would like to include your loved one, please use the envelopes available in the Narthex or in your offering envelope packet.



On the Occasion of the U.S. Bishops Consecrating the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus– June 11, 2026

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

You know the longings of our hearts, and you desire that we enjoy friendship with you.

From your pierced side, you have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against you and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask you to bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!




 **Pray for Our Six New Priests**

 **Fr. Samuel Bergmann**

 **Fr. Andrew Bogusz**


 **Fr. Jonathan Hernandez**

 **Fr. Abel Luviano Santamaria**

 **Fr. Christopher Oyoo Otieno**

 **Fr. Joshua Allen White**

DO YOU WANT TO BE A Godparent?



To be a godparent is not only a personal honor, but to be a witness to your own relationship with Jesus and the Catholic Church. Your role as a godparent is to assist the parents in raising their child in the Catholic faith. A godparent should be an actively practicing Catholic who attends Mass regularly, and is willing to share the faith and be a spiritual support to one's godchild over the years.

Requirements to be a godparent:

- **Confirmed Catholic**
- **Actively practicing the Catholic faith**
- **16 years of age or older**

If you are not confirmed and would like to be a godparent in the future, contact Roberta Balsewicz, Director of Evangelization, at 630-922-0081 x 7 or rbalsewicz@hsc.us for information on joining the Adult Confirmation program.

Receiving Christ in the Eucharist is a Great Gift

Our Mass Coordinators will bring the Eucharist to those with mobility concerns. The body of the Church is large and is on an incline, making it difficult for some. Simply let a greeter know when you arrive for Mass, and the Eucharist will be brought to you.

It is our honor to deepen your relationship with Christ through the reception of Communion.





COMING UP AT HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday, June 7

Corpus Christi Procession after 11:00am Mass
12:00pm Seasoned Spirits, Gathering Place

Tuesday, June 9

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Gathering Place

Thursday, June 11

9:45am Gathered in Prayer, Multipurpose Room

Friday, June 12

7:00pm Young Adult Group

Saturday, June 13

7:00am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Room

Friday, June 19

7:00pm Young Adult Group

Saturday, June 20

7:00am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Room
5:30pm Farewell Reception for Fr. John & Fr. Smith

Saturday, June 21

Farewell Reception for Fr. John & Fr. Smith after All Masses

Monday, June 22

5:30pm K of C Mtg., Gathering Place

Tuesday, June 23

12:00pm Seasons of Hope Picnic, Courtyard
12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Gathering Place

Thursday, June 25

9:45am Gathered in Prayer, Multipurpose Room

Friday, June 26

7:00pm Young Adult Group

Saturday, June 27

7:00am Men's Ministry, Multipurpose Room
9:00am Hooked on the Spirit, Gathering Place

Sunday, June 28

12:00pm Rosary, Church

Tuesday, June 30

12:30pm Parish Leadership Team, Gathering Place



June 7th: Mass at 11:00 am for Corpus Christi with Procession and Brunch after at Maple Butter Cafe

June 12th: Saint Spotlight at 7:00 pm

June 19th: Bible Study at 7:00pm

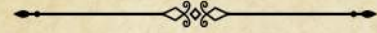
June 26th: Fun with FIAT at 7:00 pm

Young Adults 18-35, please join us!

FAREWELL RECEPTION

for

Fr. John Sponder and Fr. Richard Smith



**Saturday, June 20 and Sunday, June 21
After all Masses**



Please join us to thank Fr. John and Fr. Smith for their service at Holy Spirit and to wish them well in their new assignment!

Donuts to be provided by the Knights of Columbus.

*Gather Around our Table
as Companions on our Journey.*

**Seasons of Hope
Bereavement Support
Group Celebration**

**Holy Spirit Catholic Church
Courtyard**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2026
12:00-1:30 p.m.**

Hosted by Bernie Beyer and Kathy Hohnstedt

RSVP by June 15th to
Kathy Hohnstedt
spedtcher1@comcast.net

Sandwiches and beverages provided

Please bring a dish to pass.



Last Chance!

Final Week for
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION!

We are so excited for another amazing year of faith, friendships, and growing closer to Jesus together! We can't wait to see your smiling faces back in RE!

Register Today!

Registration is quick and easy through our parish website:

<https://hsc.us/relioused-registration>

Faith
Friends
Fun
Jesus

We Need You!

We are still looking for amazing catechists for the upcoming year!

Sunday 3pm:	1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade
Sunday 5pm:	1st Grade, 2nd Grade
Sunday 7pm:	6th Grade, 8th Grade
Tuesday 5pm:	3rd Grade, 7th Grade

If you feel called to help share God's love with our kids, we would LOVE to talk with you!

If you have already completed your family's registration, there is no need to reply to this email.
Thank you so much for already being ahead of the game!

As always, please reach out with any questions about schedules, placement, sacramental prep, or volunteering. We are always happy to help!

Thank you for being part of our RE family!

With gratitude, **Kim & Lauren**
HOLY SPIRIT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The CHOSEN

Season 5

The Table is Set. The people of Israel welcome Jesus as king while His disciples anticipate His crowning. But—instead of confronting Rome—He turns the tables on the Jewish religious festival. Their power threatened, the country's religious and political leaders will go to any length to ensure this Passover meal is Jesus' last.

No Cost!

Holy Spirit Adult Faith Formation Summer 2026

Wednesdays
June 24
July 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
August 5 & 12

Video
9:30-10:30 am

Discussion
10:30-11:30am

Please RSVP to rbalsewicz@hsc.us or scan the QR code



Pallium Pilgrimage to Rome

On June 29, Pope Leo XIV will bestow the Sacred Pallium on Archbishop Ronald A. Hicks at St. Peter's Basilica. The pallium is a circular woolen band that represents Jesus the "Good Shepherd" carrying a lost lamb on his shoulders; it serves as an ancient symbol of the archbishop's role as a shepherd and his communion with the Pope caring for the flock. It is traditionally made of lamb's wool and decorated with six black crosses (as shown in the photo).



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What a special occasion for the people of greater Chicago and the Archdiocese of New York to soon observe Pope Leo XIV personally bestowing the pallium upon Archbishop Hicks (along with celebrating the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul and the 800-year commemoration of Saint Francis of Assisi)! Fr. John Sponder and Fr. Richard Smith are honored to attend this joyous event.



GET INVOLVED



Volunteers Needed

**Dinner,
Wednesday
June 10th**

through
**Breakfast,
Thursday
June 11th**

Please bring food donations to Holy Spirit by Noon on Tuesday, June 9th.

For Information:
Contact Danielle Plotke at dplotke@hsc.us

SIGN UP ONLINE AT
hsc.us/ministries-hesed-house



Seasons of Hope

A Bereavement Support Group

Any parishioner who is mourning the loss of a loved one is invited to join us and bring a friend.

Welcome Summer Gathering
June 23rd at Noon
Please register by June 15th

Welcome Fall Gathering
September 22nd at 1:00 pm
Please register by September 15th

Please RSVP to
Kathy Hohnstedt
spedtcher1@comcast.net

Please join us:
TUESDAYS
October 13 - December 1, 2026
In the Multi-Purpose Room
1:00 - 2:30 pm
Register by October 9th



Fall Series GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE 6 PART SERIES

- October 13 Companions on the Journey
- October 20 Bumps Along the Way
- October 27 Entering the Valley
- November 3 The Journey Through - Part 1
- November 10 The Journey Through - Part 2
- November 17 Seeking Healing and Consolation
- December 1 Coping with the Holidays

Facilitated by:
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Kathy Hohnstedt
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Holy Spirit Catholic Church Safety and Security Team

The Safety and Security Team is dedicated to fostering a **safe, secure, and welcoming environment** for everyone who enters our parish.



We are currently seeking to identify parishioners—**both retired and currently employed professionals**—who are willing to act as consultants (based on your level of comfort/involvement) with our Team to share their expertise in the following areas:

- Security
- Building Safety
- Law Enforcement
- Fire Prevention
- Medical Services
- Legal Services

Your knowledge and experience can make a meaningful difference in keeping our parish a safe and supportive community.

If you are interested in liasoning with our team or would like more information, please call John Juarez at 219-314-5106.



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PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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

Monthly Offering	#of Donors	Apr. 2026
WeShare Online Giving:	171	\$24,053
Electronic Funds Transfer:	154	\$17,105
Envelopes & Loose Cash:	194	\$37,857
Total April Collection:	519	\$79,015

Year-to-Date July 1, 2025 - April 30, 2026

Sunday Offering:	\$939,970
Fiscal Year Budget:	\$865,200
Surplus:	\$74,770

Special Offerings - April 2026

Building & Maintenance Fund:	\$1,108
Kankakee Special Collection:	\$3,899

Consider Electronic Giving!

For information and to select the option that works best for you, please visit www.hssc.us/donation

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



“BECAUSE THERE IS
ONE BREAD, WE, WHO
ARE MANY, ARE ONE
BODY, FOR WE ALL
PARTAKE OF THE ONE
BREAD.”

1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. We are called to be fed and to feed others. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

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