



December 13, 2020
Third Sunday of Advent

<u>Our Lady of the Holy Spirit</u>	<u>Mass Intention</u>
Monday, Dec. 14 8:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, Dec. 16 5:30 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Clement Fowler
Thursday, Dec. 17 8:00 am	Clara Hilquist
Friday, Dec. 18 8:00 am	Special Intention
Sunday, Dec. 20 10:30 am 5:30 pm	Ron Cole Oscar & Ruby Dietz
<u>St. Isidore</u>	<u>Mass Intention</u>
Tuesday, Dec. 15 8:00 am	Avis Smith
Saturday, Dec. 19 8:00 am	Special Intention
Sunday, Dec. 20 8:00 am	All Parishioners

<u>Offerings</u>		
Our Lady of the Holy Spirit 12/06/2020		
	<u>10:30</u>	<u>5:30</u>
General collections	\$4,326.	\$254.
Christmas Flowers/Offerings	190.	25.
Preschool	<u>1,312.</u>	\$279.
	\$5,828.	
Diocesan Collections	\$130.	
Capital Campaign	\$475.	
<u>Attendance</u>		
10:30 am	97	
5:30 pm	42	

St. Isidore		
General collections	\$ 834.	
Christmas Flowers	<u>25.</u>	
	859.	
<u>Attendance</u>		
8:00 am	39	
Thank you for your dedication to our parishes		



Parish Connections and Suggestions
Mobile App: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit
Website: www.mtzolhs.org
Facebook: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church and St. Isidore Catholic Church – Bethany
Email: pastor@mtzolhs.org secretary@mtzolhs.org
faithformation@mtzolhs.org youthministry@mtzolhs.org

ONLINE GIVING Go to www.mtzolhs.org and set up online giving. Or go to OLGapp.com and click on the app store for your device. There is a video that walks you through how to set up one-time or recurring online giving. The link address is: <https://youtu.be/kW1s4AvfMo4>
FORMED.org The Catholic Faith on Demand. Go to www.mtzolhs.formed.org

Are you new and need to fill out parishioner forms? Call the office at 864-3467.
Life threatening emergencies please call 217-264-2868.
Make your church an “extra child” in your will.
Parish Council A parish council is a consultative body that serves to advise the parish about pastoral/parish issues. Call the office to reach a member of parish council.

A locked dropbox is located by the parish office door for 24/7 drop off of paperwork, registrations, collection envelopes, etc.

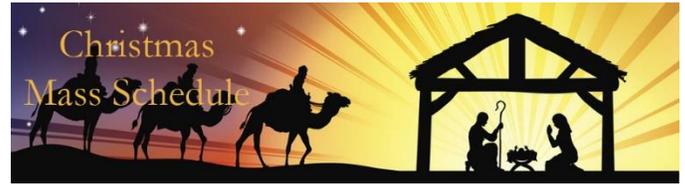


Please pray for the sick: Shannon Barker, Edie Cox, Sandy Nicholson, Carol Jacoby. Please call the office at 864-3467 to add or remove names. Or email to secretary@mtzolhs.org

Thinking ahead to year end contributions? Consider a year end donation to Our Lady of the Holy Spirit, St. Isidore or Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Capital Campaign. Year-end donations need to be in the collection by December 27th

Miss seeing someone at Mass? Contact them and invite them back, let's keep growing.

Now is the time to continue to support your parish. Thank you all for your dedication. Mail in or drop off your envelopes.



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Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11. Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54. 1
Thessalonians 5:16-24. John 1:6-8, 19-28.

Who Am I? As we long for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, let our Advent be perfectly holy. To help us, Saint Paul reminds us of these basic Christian attitudes: (1) rejoice always, (2) pray without ceasing, and (3) always give thanks. In whom or in what will I rejoice this week? How will I pray every day this week? For whom and for what am I thankful? What will I do because of this thanksgiving?

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit:

Christmas Eve 4:00 pm

(Sign up on Facebook or call the office 864-3467)

Christmas Day 9:00 am (Sign up on Facebook or call the office)

St. Isidore: Christmas Eve Midnight Mass or Christmas Day 7:00 am Latin. Call the office to sign up 864-3467.

 *The Pastor's Corner*

Christmas Novena

If you will be praying a novena in preparation for Christmas, the day to begin is Wednesday, December 16. The first novena was prayed by Our Blessed Lady and the Apostles between the Ascension and Pentecost. (Acts 1:14) It is not necessary to use a specific form; just pray for nine straight days. Here is the Christmas Novena from the "Pink Sisters" in St. Louis. It's undated, but to judge by the typesetting, I'd say it is no later than 1960.

The Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters, affectionately known as the Pink Sisters from their rose and white habits, have a convent in north St. Louis where they have perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Their chapel is open to the public during approximately daylight hours. It is just off I-70, about a block or two west of the Adelaide Ave. exit.

Prayer to the Divine Infant

Most dear Lord Jesus Christ, who being made an infant for us, wast willing to be born in a cave, to free us from the darkness of sin, to draw us to Thyself and to inflame us with Thy holy love; we adore Thee as our Creator and Redeemer, we accept and choose Thee for our King and Lord, and for tribute we offer Thee all the affections of our poor hearts.

Dear Jesus, our Lord and God, deign to accept this offering, and that it may be worthy of Thine acceptance, pardon us our faults, enlighten us, and inflame us with that holy fire which Thou camest to bring into the world and enkindle in men's hearts. May our souls thus become a perpetual sacrifice in Thy honor. Grant that we may ever seek Thy greater glory here on earth, so that we may one day come to rejoice in Thy infinite loveliness in heaven. Amen.

Prayer

O dearest Jesus, tenderly loving us, Thy greatest joy is to dwell among men and to bestow Thy blessing upon us.

Though I am not worthy that Thou shouldst behold me with love, I feel myself drawn to Thee, O dear Infant Jesus, because Thou dost gladly pardon me and exercise Thy almighty power over me.

So many who turned with confidence to Thee have received graces and had their petitions granted. Behold I kneel before Thee, and lay open my heart to Thee, with its prayers, petitions and hopes. I especially enclose in Thy loving Heart . . . (*mention your petition*). Govern me and do with me and mine according to Thy holy Will, for I know that in Thy Divine wisdom and love Thou wilt ordain everything for the best. Almighty, gracious Infant Jesus, do not withdraw Thy hand from me, but protect and bless me forever.

I pray Thee, sweetest Infant, in the name of Thy Blessed Mother Mary who cared for Thee with such tenderness, and by the great reverence with which St. Joseph carried The in his arms, comfort me and make me happy that I may bless and thank Thee forever from all my heart. Amen.