



# HOLY GHOST PARISH

Roman Catholic Church of the Tridentine Rite

Sunday, December 15, 2024 A.D.



## PASTOR

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## CONFESSION

Confessions are heard beginning 30 minutes before all Masses.

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## RECTORY HOURS

Open by Appointment

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## DIOCESAN CONTACTS

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### Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

8:30AM  
10:30AM

### Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM

### Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM

### Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM

### Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM

### Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

8:00AM

### Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

8:00AM

### Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30AM  
10:30AM

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (*Gaudete*)

†Repose of the soul of Karen Corley  
Pro Populo

### St. Eusebius, Bishop and Martyr

Intentions of the St. Monica Association

### Major Feria of Advent

Andrew Pheasant

### Ember Wednesday of Advent

Dominic Poloni

### Major Feria of Advent

Blaise McGonagle

### Ember Friday of Advent

Holy Souls in Purgatory

### St. Thomas, Apostle

Brandon & Sierra Horetsky

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Pro Populo  
The Allaband Family

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We will go caroling** in the neighborhood around **St. Stephen's** on **Friday evening at 6PM** followed by games and snacks in the hall. Please bring a game and a snack to share.

This **Wednesday**, December 18th, the **Pro-Life Holy Hour begins at 6PM** followed by the meeting at 7PM at St. Stephen's

On **Saturday**, December 21st, the **Women's Rosary & Altar Society** will meet after the 8AM Mass and the **Girls' Youth Group** will meet from 3-4:30PM.

Also on **Saturday**, there will be a **Trivia Night** at St. Stephen's from 5:30-9PM.

Holy Ghost Parish will have a bus going to the **National March for Life in Washington DC** on **Friday, January 24th 2025**. Mass will be at 6AM at St. Stephen's that morning. The bus will depart at 7AM and return around 8:30PM. Cost is \$30/person. Email [schedule40dfl@gmail.com](mailto:schedule40dfl@gmail.com) to reserve seats or sponsor a rider.

**Each week on Sundays** there is a **coffee social after the 8:30AM Mass** and a **potluck and catechism after the 10:30AM Mass in the church hall** downstairs. Please bring food and drinks to share. Visitors are invited to join us.

A beautiful devotion for Advent is the recitation of the “**O Antiphons.**” Part of the liturgical tradition since the early Church, the O Antiphons are prayers that come from the Breviary's Vespers during the Octave before Christmas, from December 17-23, a time which is called the Golden Nights. Each Antiphon begins with “O” and addresses Jesus with a specific title, which is taken from the prophecies of Isaiah. Just as all of Advent is characterized by the longing for the arrival of Christ's birth, the O Antiphons echo this desire and bring an ever greater anticipation for Christmas. Each Antiphon ends with a plea to the Messiah to come.

The titles of Christ found within the O Antiphons in the traditional Latin are: **Sapientia (Wisdom), Adonai (Lord of Israel), Radix Jesse (Root of Jesse), Clavis David (Key of David), Oriens (Radiant Dawn), Rex Gentium (King of all Nations), and Emmanuel (God with us).** It is believed that in the Middle Ages the Benedictine Monks who prayed the O Antiphons arranged the titles in a definite way. If, beginning with the last title, the first letter of each name is taken, the Latin words “**Ero Cras**” are formed, which means “**Tomorrow I come.**” Thus the O Antiphons are a meaningful conclusion to Advent preparations.

To pray the O Antiphons as they are prayed in the Divine Office, recite the Antiphon, then pray the Magnificat, and then repeat the Antiphon. Following the prayers, sing the corresponding verse of “O Come, Emmanuel” with the refrain, a song which originates from the O Antiphons.

\*\*\*Please notice the correct order of the verses of "O Come, Emmanuel," to sing them with the corresponding O Antiphon, is different than generally printed. Noted at the end of each day's prayers is the verse that should be sung with the refrain.

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**December 17**--O Wisdom that comest out of the mouth of the Most High, that reachest from one end to another, and orderest all things mightily and sweetly, come to teach us the way of prudence! (Sing verse 2 of “O Come, Emmanuel” with the refrain.)

**December 18**--O Adonai, and Ruler of the house of Israel, Who didst appear unto Moses in the burning bush, and gavest him the law in Sinai, come to redeem us with an outstretched arm! (Sing verse 3 with the refrain.)

**December 19**--O Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at Whom the kings shall shut their mouths, Whom the Gentiles shall seek, come to deliver us, do not tarry. (Sing verse 4 with the refrain.)

**December 20**--O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel, that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth, come to liberate the prisoner from the prison, and them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death. (Sing verse 5 with the refrain.)

**December 21**--O Dayspring, Brightness of the everlasting light, Son of justice, come to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death! (Sing verse 6 with the refrain.)

**December 22**--O King of the Gentiles, yea, and desire thereof! O Cornerstone, that makest of two one, come to save man, whom Thou hast made out of the dust of the earth! (Sing verse 7 with the refrain.)

**December 23**--O Emmanuel, our King and our Law-giver, Longing of the Gentiles, yea, and salvation thereof, come to save us, O Lord our God! (Sing verse 1 with the refrain.)

1. Veni, veni, Emmanuel  
captivum solve Israel,  
qui gemit in exsilio,  
privatus Dei Filio.  
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

4. Veni, O Jesse virgula,  
ex hostis tuos ungula,  
de spectu tuos tartari  
educ et antro barathri.  
Gaude, gaude Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

6. Veni, veni O Oriens,  
solare nos adveniens,  
noctis depelle nebulas,  
dirasque mortis tenebras.  
Gaude, gaude Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te Israel.

2. Veni, O Sapientia,  
quae hic disponis omnia,  
veni, viam prudentiae  
ut doceas et gloriae.  
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

5. Veni, Clavis Davidica,  
regna reclude caelica,  
fac iter tutum superum,  
et claude vias inferum.  
Gaude, gaude Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te Israel.

7. Veni, veni, Rex Gentium,  
veni, Redemptor omnium,  
ut salvas tuos famulos  
peccati sibi conscios.  
Gaude, gaude Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te Israel.

3. Veni, veni, Adonai,  
qui populo in Sinai  
legem dedisti vertice  
in majestate gloriae.  
Gaude, gaude Emmanuel  
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

# Proprium Missae Dominicalis (Proper of the Sunday Mass)

## **Introit (Philippians 4 : 4 – 6)**

Gaudéte in Dómino semper: íterum dico, gaudéte. Modéstia vestra nota sit ómnibus homínibus: Dóminus enim prope est. Nihil sollíciti sitis: sed in omni oratióne petitiónes vestræ innotéscant apud Deum.

**Ps.** Benedixísti, Dómine, terram tuam: avertísti captivitátem Jacob.

Ÿ. Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spirítui Sancto. Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen – Gaudéte in Dómino semper..

## **Collect**

Aurem tuam, quæsumus, Dómine, précibus nostris accómmoda: et mentis nostræ ténebras grátia tuæ visitatiónis illústra: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus: per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

## **Epistle (Philippians 4 : 4 – 7)**

Fratres: Gaudéte in Dómino semper: íterum dico, gaudéte. Modéstia vestra nota sit ómnibus homínibus: Dóminus prope est. Nihil sollíciti sitis: sed in omni oratióne et obsecratióne, cum gratiárum actiÓne, petitiÓnes vestræ innotéscant apud Deum. Et pax Dei, quæ exsúperat omnem sensum, custódiat corda vestra et intelligéntias vestras, in Christo Jesu Dómino nostro.

## **Gradual (Psalm 79 : 2, 3, 6)**

Qui sedes, Dómine, super Chérubim, éxcita poténtiam tuam et veni.

Ÿ. Qui regis Israël, inténde: qui dedúcis velut ovem Joseph.

## **Alleluia (Psalm 121 : 1)**

Allelúia. Allelúia. Ÿ. Excita, Dómine, poténtiam tuam, et veni, ut salvos fácias nos. Allelúia.

## **Gospel (John 1 : 19 –28)**

In illo témpore: Misérunt Judæi ab Jerosólymis sacerdótes et levítas ad Joánnem, ut interrogárent eum: Tu quis es? Et conféssus est, et non negávit: et conféssus est: Quia non sum ego Christus. Et interrogavérunt eum: Quid ergo? Elías es tu? Et dixit: Non sum. Prophéta es tu? Et respóndit: Non. Dixérunt ergo ei: Quis es, ut respónsum demus his, qui misérunt nos? quid dicis de teípso? Ait: Ego vox clamántis in desérto: Dirígite viam Dómini, sicut dixit Isaías prophéta. Et qui missi fúerant, erant ex

Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men: for the Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing by prayer let your petitions be made known to God.

**Ps.** Lord, Thou hast blessed Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Ÿ. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. — Rejoice in the Lord always...

Incline Thine ear, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to our petitions: and, by the grace of Thy visitation, enlighten the darkness of our minds: Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always: again, I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men. The Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasseth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thou, O Lord, That sittest upon the Cherubim, stir up Thy might and come.

Ÿ. Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

Alleluia. Allelúia. Ÿ. Stir up, O Lord, Thy might, and come to save us. Alleluia.

At that time the Jews sent from Jerusalem Priests and Levites to John, to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed, and did not deny; and he confessed: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What then? Art thou Elias? And he said: I am not. Art thou the Prophet? And he answered: No. They said therefore unto him: Who art thou, that we may give an answer to them that sent us? What sayest thou of thyself? He said: I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the Prophet Isaias. And they that were sent

Pharisæis. Et interrogavérunt eum, et dixerunt ei: Quid ergo baptizas, si tu non es Christus, neque Elías, neque Prophéta? Respóndit eis Joánnes, dicens: Ego baptizo in aqua: médius autem vestrum stetit quem vos nescítis. Ipse est, qui post me ventúrus est, qui ante me factus est: cujus ego non sum dignus ut solvam ejus corrígiam calceaménti. Hæc in Bethánia facta sunt trans Jordánem, ubi erat Joánnes baptizans.

**Offertory (Psalm 84 : 2, 3)**

Benedixísti, Dómine, terram tuam: avertísti captivitátem Jacob: remisísti iniquitátem plebis tuæ.

**Postcommunion**

Devotiónis nostræ tibi, quæsumus, Dómine, hóstia júgiter immolétur: quæ et sacri péragat institúta mystérii, et salutáre tuum in nobis mirabíliter operétur. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

**Communion (Isaias 35 : 4)**

Dícite: pusillánimes confortámini, et nolíte timére: ecce Deus noster véniet, et salvábit nos.

**Postcommunion**

Implorámus, Dómine, cleméntiam tuam: ut hæc divína subsidia, a vítiis expiátos, ad festa ventára nos præparent. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said to him: Why then dost thou baptize, if thou be not Christ, nor Elias, nor the Prophet? John answered them, saying: I baptize with water: but there hath stood one in the midst of you, whom you know not. The same is He that shall come after me, who is preferred before me: the latchet of whose shoe I am not worthy to loose. These things were done in Bethania, beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Lord, Thou hast blessed Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of Thy people.

May the Sacrifice of our devotion, we beseech Thee, O Lord, be continually offered up to Thee: may it both complete the institution of the holy Mysteries, and wondrously accomplish in us Thy salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Say: Ye fainthearted, take courage and fear not: behold our God will come, and will save us.

We implore, O Lord, Thy mercy: that these divine helps may expiate our sins, and prepare us for the approaching Feast. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

✠ **VOTIVE CANDLES** ✠

\$10 donation per week. More than one votive candle may be lit per statue or altar. Please call the rectory to have a candle placed.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** †Repose of the souls of William & Rose Dresen

**Beatae Mariae Virginis Altar:** †Repose of the soul of Mary McFadden

**Madonna della Pietà Altar:**

**St. Joseph Altar:** Nicholas Halliday

**Sacred Heart Altar:** Dominic Poloni

**St. Padre Pio:** †Repose of the souls of Mr. & Mrs. Ronald S. Narzisi

**San Giovanni Eremita:**

**St. Therese of Lisieux:**

**Our Lady of Pompeii:** †Repose of the soul of Karen Corley

**Infant of Prague:**

## **Parish Groups/Activities**

### **Altar Server Guild**

The Altar Server Guild meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month after the 8AM Mass. Please speak to one of the priests for more details.

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### **Friends of St. Dominic Savio**

Boys & Girls aged 5-10 meet for a talk by Father and fun activities after the 8AM Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month.

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### **Prime Time Seniors Group**

Holy Ghost Prime Time Seniors is open to anyone 55 years of age and older. Meetings are held in the church hall downstairs on the first and third Mondays each month starting at 1PM. Refreshments are served at each meeting. Call Carol Barron at 610-428-0617 for more information.

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### **Women's Rosary and Altar Society**

The Women's Rosary and Altar Society is for ladies 18+ and meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month after 8AM Mass. The society prays the Rosary after Mass, enjoys coffee and refreshments while Father gives a talk.

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### **Mary Immaculate Choir**

The Mary Immaculate Choir (MIC) is the mixed-voice ensemble that sings at the 10:30AM Mass each Sunday. Contact director Eric McWhirter for more information.

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### **Holy Ghost Choir**

The Holy Ghost Choir sings for the 8:30AM Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. Contact director Matthew Cavoto for more information.

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### **Parish Registration**

If you wish to become a parishioner of Holy Ghost Parish, you must fill out and submit a registration form. These can be obtained by emailing the parish at:  
hghostchurch@gmail.com

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### **Additional Parking Options**

There is a public parking garage located within walking distance of Holy Ghost for those looking for another parking option when attending Mass. The address is:

New Street Garage  
324 S. New St., Bethlehem, PA  
Rate: \$1/hr, Sundays are free.

## **Men's Group In Honor of the Chaste Heart of St. Joseph**

The Men's Group In Honor of the Chaste Heart of St. Joseph meets at 7PM the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month for Eucharistic Adoration, a talk on virtue by Father, and fellowship.

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### **Federation of North American Explorers**

A Uniformed Catholic Scouting Group for ages 6-17, girls and boys, meets on Tuesdays at 6:30PM at various locations. Contact ststephenofhungaryfne@gmail.com for more information.

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### **Pro-Life Apostolate**

The Pro-Life apostolate meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6PM for a Holy Hour followed by the meeting. Contact Mary at schedule40df@gmail.com for more information.

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### **Helping Hands**

Helping Hands organizes meals for families welcoming the birth of a new child and other needs. For more information contact helpinghandsholyghost@gmail.com

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### **Hospitality & Potluck**

The weekly potluck socials after Mass are organized by our parish hospitality apostolate. Please contact John & Joan Cavanagh to volunteer: holyghosthospitality@outlook.com

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### **St. Monica Society & Our Lady of Guadalupe Society**

The St. Monica Society (SMS) and Our Lady of Guadalupe Society (OLGS) have Masses offered monthly to pray for the return to the practice of the Catholic Faith (SMS) and conversion to it (OLGS) of loved ones. Contact Wanda for more information.

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### **Journeying With Mary**

Journeying With Mary is a mutual support group for mothers striving to care for their families and raise holy children that meets monthly. Contact Katie Martin or Miriam Martin for more information

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### **Catholic Mystic Study Group**

The group studies the lives of Catholic mystics and saints. Members research and present their findings. It's a great way to get to know and share the lives of these lovers of God. Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1PM. For more information, contact Marilyn Gomes at 610-462-0376.