



HOLY GHOST PARISH

Roman Catholic Church of the Tridentine Rite

Sunday, December 22, 2024 A.D.



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CONFESSION

Confessions are heard beginning 30 minutes before all Masses.

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DIOCESAN CONTACTS

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Sunday, December 22nd

8:30AM
10:30AM

Monday, December 23rd

8:00AM

Tuesday, December 24th

8:00AM

Wednesday, December 25th

12:00AM
*7:00AM
8:30AM
10:30AM

Thursday, December 26th

8:00AM

Friday, December 27th

8:00AM

Saturday, December 28th

8:00AM

Sunday, December 29th

8:30AM
10:30AM

**Offered at St. Stephen of Hungary Oratory*

4th Sunday of Advent

Pro Populo
The Allaband Family

Major Feria of Advent

Walter Conrad

Vigil of the Nativity

Tess McGonagle

The Nativity of Our Lord

St. Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr

†Repose of the souls of William & Rose
Dresen

St. John the Evangelist, Apostle

Asher McGonagle

Holy Innocents, Martyrs

†Repose of the souls of Lawrence & Mary
Fish

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas

†Repose of the soul of Rosemary Schadle
Pro Populo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On **Christmas** this Wednesday, December 25th, **Mass** will be offered at Midnight, 8:30AM, and 10:30AM at Holy Ghost and at 7AM at St. Stephen's.

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 to reserve seats or sponsor a rider.

The **Helpers of God's Precious Infants** will meet **Wednesdays, February 19th, and March 19th 2025** at **St. Stephen's** for Mass, the Rosary, and fellowship. RSVP by email to Hogpi@proton.me.

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.

The prayer below is penned by St. Gertrude the Great and is a beautiful greeting to our Infant Jesus. May He bless each of us abundantly with virtue and grace! May our Blessed Mother keep us safe beneath her mantle and close to her Immaculate Heart! Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, most holy family of Nazareth, save souls.

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Greetings to the Child Jesus

Hail, most loving little Jesus, sweetest love, far above all created love!
I greet Thee, and in the desires of all Christendom I embrace Thee.
Hail, most charming little Jesus, noble Child of Nazareth,
full rose of Jericho, blooming flower from Heaven!
Draw our hearts to Thyself and refresh them with Thy sweetness.

Hail, most lovable little Jesus, living Bread of Bethlehem, innocent Lamb of Jerusalem,
newly-born King of Judea! Receive us into the number of Thy chosen servants.
Hail, most beautiful little Jesus, watchful Shepherd of the heavenly sheep,
beloved fellow-Brother of all the children of men, delicate flower planted by the Holy Ghost
in the virgin heart of Mary, bright daybreak rising out of the dark night to the joy of the whole earth!
Drive away from us the darkness of sin.

Glory and praise be to Thee, tender, sweet little Jesus!
From the depths of my heart I pray and adore Thee because for the love of me and of all mankind
Thou wert willing to lie in the manger and to suffer such great poverty and misery.
I thank and adore Thy tender limbs and Thy tender hands and feet, and I praise the inexpressible love
which didst draw Thou forth from the bosom of the Heavenly Father, down to a poor and miserable stable.

Glory and praise be to Thee, noble little Jesus! I greet and praise Thee with the same fervent love
with which Thy mother loved and praised Thee so intensely.
Glory and praise be to Thee, most beloved little Jesus, sweet delight of eternal bliss.
I greet and praise Thee with the same love which madest Thou leave Heaven and become a poor Child.
Glory and praise be to Thee, most precious little Jesus, joy and honor of Thy Heavenly Father!

I thank Thee through Thine Own sweet Heart which Thou hast revealed to the whole world through Thy birth.
I greet Thee over and over again, most beautiful little Jesus, sweetest delight of the Father's Heart,
refreshment of sick souls. I offer to Thee my own heart for Thine eternal glory and service.

Jesus, crown, love, joy, bliss of virgins! Thy love madest
Thou the Son of a Virgin. May Thou be glorified and praised forever. Amen.

-St. Gertrude the Great

Proprium Missae Dominicalis (Proper of the Sunday Mass)

Introit (Isaias 45 : 8)

Roráte cœli désuper, et nubes pluant justum: aperiátur terra, et gérmínet Salvatórem.

Ps. Cœli enarrant glóriam Dei: et opera mánuum ejus annúntiat firmaméntum.

Ÿ. Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spirítui Sancto. Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen – Roráte cœli désuper...

Collect

Excíta, quæsumus, Dómine, poténtiam tuam, et veni: et magna nobis virtúte succúrre; et per auxiliúm grátiae tuæ, quod nostra peccáta præpédiunt, indulgéntia tuæ propitiatiónis accéleret: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus: per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Epistle (I Corinthians 4 : 1 – 5)

Fratres: Sic nos exístimet homo ut minístros Christi, et dispensatóres mysteriórum Dei. Hic jam quæritur inter dispensatóres, ut fidélis quis inveniátur. Mihi autem pro mínimo est, ut a vobis júdicer aut ab humáno die: sed neque meípsum júdico. Nihil enim mihi cóncius sum: sed non in hoc justificátus sum: qui autem júdicat me, Dóminus est. Itaque nolíte ante tempus judicáre, quoadúsque véniat Dóminus: qui et illuminábit abscondita tenebrárum, et manifestábit consília córdium: et tunc laus erit unicuíque a Deo.

Gradual (Psalm 144 : 18, 21)

Prope est Dóminus ómnibus invocántibus eum: ómnibus qui invocant eum in veritáte.

Ÿ. Laudem Dómini loquétur os meum: et benedícat omnis caro nomen sanctum ejus.

Alleluia

Allelúia. Allelúia. Ÿ. Veni, Dómine, et noli tardáre: reláxa facínora plebis tuæ Israel. Allelúia.

Gospel (Luke 3 : 1 – 6)

Anno quinto décimo impérii Tibérii Caésaris, procuránte Póntio Piláto Judæam, tetrárcha autem Galilææ Heróde, Philíppo autem fratre ejus tetrárcha Iturææ et Trachonítidis regiónis, et Lysánia Abilínæ tetrárcha, sub princípibus sacerdotum Anna et Cáipha: factum est verbum ómini super Joánnem, Zachariæ filíum, in desérto. Et venit in omnem regiónem Jordánis, prædicans

Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the Just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior.

Ps. The heavens show forth the glory of God: and the firmament declareth the work of His hands.

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. — Drop down dew, ye heavens...

O Lord, we beseech Thee, stir up Thy power, and come, and with great might succour us: that by the help of Thy grace that which is hindered by our sins may be hastened by Thy merciful forgiveness: Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Brethren, let a man so account of us as of the ministers of Christ and the dispensers of the mysteries of God. Here now it is required among the dispensers that a man be found faithful. But to me it is a very small thing to be judged by you or by man's day: but neither do I judge my own self. For I am not conscious to myself of anything: yet am I not hereby justified, but He that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge not before the time, until the Lord come; who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise from God.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: to all that call upon Him in truth.

Ÿ. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless His holy Name.

Alleluia. Allelúia. Ÿ. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: forgive the sins of Thy people Israel. Alleluia.

Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and Philip his brother tetrarch of Iturea and the country of Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilina, under the high priests Annas and Caiphas: the word of the Lord was made unto John, the son of Zachary, in the desert. And he came into all the country about the

baptismum pœnitentiæ in remissionem peccatorum, sicut scriptum est in libro sermónum Isaïæ prophætæ: Vox clamantis in deserto: Parate viam Dómini: rectas facite sémitas ejus: omnis vallis implébitur: et omnis mons et collis humiliábitur: et erunt prava in dirécta, et àspera in vias planas: et vidébit omnis caro salutáre Dei.

Offertory (Luke 1 : 28, 42)

Ave María, grátia plena: Dóminus tecum: benedicta tu in muliéribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui.

Secret

Sacrificiis præsentibus quæsumus, Dómine, placátus inténde: ut et devotióni nostræ proficiant et salúti. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Communion (Isaias 7 : 14)

Ecce virgo concípíet et páriet filium: et vocábitur nomen ejus Emmánuel.

Postcommunion

Sumptis munéribus, quæsumus, Dómine: ut cum frequentatióne mystérii, crescat nostræ salútis efféctus. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Jordan, preaching the baptism of penance for the remission of sins, as it was written in the book of the sayings of Isaias the prophet: A voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straight His paths: every valley shall be filled: and every mountain and hill shall be brought low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways plain: and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Hail Mary, full of grace: the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, look down favorably upon these present sacrifices: that they may profit us unto both devotion and 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.

Behold a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son: and His Name shall be called Emmanuel.

Having received Thy gifts, we beseech Thee, O Lord: that as we frequent this Mystery, so the work of our salvation may advance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

✠ **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 soul of John Repasch

Beatae Mariae Virginis Altar: Laura Derkowski

Madonna della Pietà Altar:

St. Joseph Altar:

Sacred Heart Altar:

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

San Giovanni Eremita:

St. Therese of Lisieux:

Our Lady of Pompeii:

Infant of Prague:

Parish Groups/Activities

Altar Server Guild

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

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 2nd Saturday of each month.

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.

Women's Rosary and Altar Society

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

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.

Holy Ghost Choir

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

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

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 2nd Wednesday of each month for Eucharistic Adoration, a talk on virtue by Father, and fellowship.

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.

Pro-Life Apostolate

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

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

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

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.

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

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.