

July 24, 2011

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

*537 North Highway 16
Denver, NC 28037*

Pastor: Rev. Father Carmen Malacari

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am
Sunday 9:30 am
Sunday 11:00 am

Holy Days 9 am & 7 pm

Monday 9:00 am
Wednesday 7:00 pm
Thursday 9:00 am
Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

Office Hours

Parish Office :
Mon - Thurs 9 am - 3 pm
Faith Formation:
Mon 9 am - noon
or by appointment.

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Website: www.holyspiritnc.org

Rosary Recitation: before 5 pm and 8 am masses
Reconciliation: Sat 4 :00 - 4:45 pm (or by appt.)
Holy Hour Adoration and Novena: Wed 6:00 - 7:00 pm
First Friday Adoration: 7:00 - 11:00 pm
Anointing of the Sick masses:
Wed 7 pm: 9/7, 12/7

Nursery care for infants to 4 year olds: Sun 11 am mass

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Holy Spirit Mission Statement

We, the parish community of Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Denver, North Carolina, continue our traditions of providing spiritual nourishment, Christian hospitality and community outreach, through liturgy, praise, faith formation and ministerial support. We are committed to service of others in the name of Jesus Christ, especially those in surrounding counties. We continuously strive to provide a loving and caring atmosphere in an ever growing faith-filled parish community.

REGISTRATION: Welcome to all new families/individuals. Membership is a condition for the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage. Registration is also required before the parish can issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors. You must be a registered, contributing member for at least 3 months before a certification will be given or MACS voucher will be possibly approved. Registration Forms and a Welcome Packet are available in the Parish Office or in the church entrance. Adult children over 21 yrs. of age should register independently of their

Sacramental Information



Baptism— Should be a registered member. Class is held every 2nd Monday of the month @ 7:00 PM. Baptisms will take place the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Parents must attend a class before the child is baptized.



First Communion - contact Kate D'Amato (704) 483-6448. Communicants receive in the 2nd grade after two years (1st & 2nd Grade) of active participation in Faith Formation.



Confirmation- contact Kate D'Amato (704) 483-6448. Candidates are confirmed in their 8th grade year after two years of active participation (7th & 8th Grade) in Faith Formation..

COUNSELING NEEDS

— Personal, marital, chemical dependency, family. Please call Chris Gazdik, LCSW, ATOD at (704) 461-8253 or Joanne Sobolewski at (704) 344-3227.

Annulment Process and/or Marriage Blessing—If you have been previously married and divorced and are contemplating marriage again, please phone Mike & Bev Mills (704) 483-7315 or Deacon Jim Atkinson (704) 664-5196 about obtaining an annulment. If you were married civilly and would like your marriage blessed, please contact Fr. Carmen.



MARRIAGE— Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Should be registered parishioner.



ANOINTING & VISITING THE SICK— Contact Fr. Carmen. Hospitals **do not** notify the church that you are there except at your direct request. Emergency calls are answered ASAP, when possible. To schedule, call the office.



ADULT INSTRUCTION—Contact Mike or Bev Mills (704) 483-7315 or rcia@holyspiritnc.org for those interested in becoming Catholic and/or those desiring to learn more about their faith.

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday, July 23, 2011

St. Bridget of Sweden

9:00 AM + Troy Domiter

5:00 PM + Theresia Brunner

Sunday, July 24, 2011

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8:00 AM + Anthony Ciotti

9:30 AM + Patricia Colichio

11:00 AM For the people of the parish

Monday, July 25, 2011

St. James

9:00 AM + Michael Johns

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

St. Joachim & St. Anne

NO MASS

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

7:00 PM + Alfonso D'Addio

Thursday, July 28, 2011

9:00 AM + Shirley Dohmann

Friday, July 29, 2011

St. Martha

9:00 AM + Eva Mistretta

Saturday, July 30, 2011

St. Peter Chrysologus

9:00 AM + Angela Sansone

5:00 PM + Tom Grabinski

Sunday, July 31, 2011

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM + Charles Muth

9:30 AM John Haymore (healing)

11:00 AM + Troy Domiter

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28;
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
Mt 14:13-21

Welcome to our new parishioners:

Josh & Charlotte Houser; Mrs. Robyn DeRosa and family; Mrs. Beatrice Merwin; Gary & Melissa Hammond and family; Michael & Allyssa McCarthy and family; Jason & Leisa Stewart and family.

PARISH UPDATES


Pray for

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Parishioners: Bob & Connie Andretta; Paulette Edwards; Jackie Richmond; Maureen Reiner; Laura Lyon; Dolores Green; Jo & Tom Keene; Mike Grays; Michelle Day; Chuck Mann; Ann Nelson; Genita Raeker; Rose Reed; John Spevak; Deeley Curry Parnell; Beth Walton.

Friends and Family: Raymond Carmichael; Stephanie Hemmerich; Francy Beine; Lynn Marie Sajdak; Holly Reinhardt; Dorothy Laird; Justin; Infants Logan and Jamison Morgan; Morey Herendeen; Leona Straniero; Amber Morris; Baby Lilianna Biscione; Baby Lily Gaydos; Raymond Lee Jones; Pamela Millerlile; Brody Kogelmann; Matthew Rease; Gabby Villarreal; Nancy Lee; Joe & Vera Ficcaro; Josephine Ritter; Anne Marie Freed; Diana Kriss; Infant Noah Fike; Fr. William Dillard; June Kraus; Ann Key.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joyce Vitali, mother of Debbie Corcoran.

Reminder: Names that have been on the list for at least one month will be removed after a month unless we have been advised otherwise.

A Prayer, For Those Who are Ailing:

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole, and free downcast spirits. May all members of our Holy Spirit family and their loved ones find lasting health and deliverance, and join together in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



Please pray for our soldiers, especially for members of our parish: 1st Lt. Kevin Kachilo; Capt. Chip Wilmer; SSG Eddie Torres; Sgt. Daniel R. Anderson; A1C Karl Peterson.

Almighty God, we stand before you in supplication, asking Your Divine mercy and protection, to envelop with Your invincible armor, our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical, and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen.

Persons with Disabilities...

...are invited to sit in the front pews if they wish to receive Holy Communion without leaving the pew.

HEARING ASSISTANCE UNITS ARE AVAILABLE AT EVERY MASS. PLEASE OBTAIN THEM FROM THE SACRISTY.

PARISH & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Monthly



Events

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PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

The parish is now accepting scheduling requests for all upcoming functions for the 2011-2012 year. **All** ministries, groups and individuals requiring scheduled time in the PAC or main church building must submit a completed *Application for Use of Facilities* form. This form is available in the parish office or on the parish website at www.holyspiritnc.org.

We will do our utmost to accommodate your requests; however, please keep in mind that first priority will always be Faith Formation and religious functions.

Until a written or verbal confirmation is received, no event is final!

We appreciate your patience and cooperation in these matters.

Sponsorship Letters:

In order for anyone to receive a letter of Sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation, and/or if you desire to enroll your child in Catholic School you must be a registered and contributing member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

If you do not use your envelopes, there is no way for us to track your participation at our parish.

— Fr. Carmen

Hometown Nazareth photos are now available for viewing on our parish website:

www.holyspiritnc.org

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

July 16th & 17th Offertory:

Collection: \$6,686.31

Attendance: 814

DSA Collection Update:

(as of 7/11/11)

Assessment: \$43,222.00

Donors: 280

Pledge Bal. Due: \$11,785.00

2011 Diocese Second Collection Schedule

9/11 Priests' Retirement & Benefits

10/16 Internat'l/National Combined

Collection

11/20 Catholic Campaign for

Human Development

12/11 Religious Retirement



*Congratulations to our
newly baptized:*

*Rylee McCarthy
July 14, 2011*



"Give and it shall be given to you. Good measure pressed down, shaken together, running over, will they pour into the fold of your garment. For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you." (Luke 6:38)

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BOOK BAG COLLECTION

It's time again for the annual Book Bag Collection which supports the East Lincoln Christian Ministry Back-To-School program. Please place the following items in the RCIA Room or leave at the church office: large book bags, 2" binders, spiral notebooks, wide-ruled paper, printing tables (K1-2), index cards, pens, colored pencils and markers, highlighters, erasers, 12" rulers, glue sticks, zippered pencil pouches, and pencil cases.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

WARM WEATHER DRESS

As warm weather sets in, I ask that we all please reflect upon how we dress for the celebration of the Mass.

It is true that God looks at our hearts rather than what we wear. However, wearing ripped jeans, flip flops, heavy metal T-shirts or overly revealing clothing may be appropriate for concerts or other outdoor activities but not for church.

The Bible tells priests how to dress, therefore, how everyone comes dressed to God's house is important.

Altar servers, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, lectors, and singers serve a special role in the Mass. I ask you especially to set an example and dress respectfully and appropriately when serving.

Please contact me if you need financial assistance for clothing or shoes. I will gladly help.

Thank you for your cooperation.

— Fr. Carmen

If you are a parishioner who has a **new address**, **new phone number**, or **e-mail address** or have other needs, please fill out this form and place in the collection basket or mail to Church Office at 537 N. Highway 16, Denver, NC 28037.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

New Address _____

New Phone Nbr. _____

Send Envelopes _____

_____ I'm going to be in the hospital (date) _____. Please call me. _____

_____ Moving out of the Parish (date) _____. Remove my name from the Parish Roster.

_____ Other Needs _____

Minister Schedule: Posted in hallway & sacristy; copies in RCIA Room

TO ALL COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, MINISTRIES, AND FAITH FORMATION..

Please refrain from setting up tables, etc., or moving any furniture or items in the reception area of the PAC. This will eliminate the possibility of safety hazards, blocking of fire escape routes, and additional wear and tear of our furnishings. Thank you for your cooperation.

All are welcome to use church and PAC facilities; however, items, tables, and chairs must be returned to their original location after use.

MERCY ASSOCIATES

Mercy Associates are women and men who hear and respond to a call from God, an invitation to Gospel holiness lived through sharing in the mission of Mercy. They desire to walk with and care for those who are poor, sick, and uneducated. Associates, while maintaining individual lifestyles, seek to embody the spirit of Mercy in partnership with the Community of the Sisters of Mercy through a mutual covenant. As identified by the foundress, Catherine McAuley, the mission of Mercy is central for Associates who share in prayer, community, ministry, and friendship. Associates make a commitment to Mercy through a formal covenant. Associates participate in service to the poor, sick and uneducated. Associates share mutual opportunities for friendship, prayer, hospitality and celebration with the Sisters of Mercy. They also nurture the Associate community by sharing time, talent, treasure and presence with each other. If you have an interest in becoming a part of this ministry, please contact Sister Patricia Pepitone at (704) 999-6432.

RESPECT LIFE

Governor Purdue Vetoes "Woman's Right to Know Act"

Despite being passed by both the Senate and House, Gov. Purdue vetoed this crucial pro-life bill on 6/27/11. The bill would give pregnant women information about fetal development (including viewing an ultrasound of their unborn child) and abortion alternatives, thus giving these mothers adequate information and time (24-hr. waiting period) to make an informed decision. One sponsor of the bill stated that the Governor "made no attempt to work with us in this effort to make abortion safer and rarer." To override the governor's veto, one vote in each chamber is needed.

Pro-Life State Legislation:

NC Unborn Victims of Violence Act (Ethen's Law)—recognizes the unborn as a 2nd victim when a crime is committed and the unborn child is injured or dies. Ratified on 4/20/11 and signed by Governor Purdue.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

Enrollment for the 2011/2012 Faith Formation year is not at the normal projected level. We have at least 100 children **NOT** registered yet! PLEASE send in your forms ASAP so that we may organize classes and teachers. The forms are available on our website. Teachers and Assistants are needed for each session. Remember—the Registration fee is waived for all teachers and assistants! Please email Kate D'Amato at faithformation@holyspiritnc.org if you are considering volunteering. God Bless.



Catechists and Assistants

Previous Experience: You were once a child. Received the following sacraments: Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Training Required: Protecting God's Children (Diocesan Safety Program)

Necessary Skills: Desire to share the Catholic faith with children. Organizational ability and sense of humor a plus.

Time Commitment: 1 hr. 15 min. class per week (approx. 26 classes per year). Prep time varies.

Pay: Your eternal reward will be received in heaven.



MORNING CROCHET GROUP

The Morning Crochet Group meets on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday from 10:00-11:30 AM** in the Linus Room in the church. New and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome to come and share ideas and fellowship with others who enjoy this pastime. Bring hooks, yarn, needles and stories to share. For more info, call Margaret Carpenter at 704-827-8642 for all the details. Hope to see some new faces as well as some who attend the night sessions.



Holy Matrimony

Congratulations to the happy couple:

Justin Handy and Julie Stafford

July 16, 2011

Would you like prayers for someone special? Please fill out the form below and place it in the offertory collection basket or send it by mail. Person to be placed on list:

Are they a parishioner? _____ (Y/N) Living? _____ (Y/N)

Friend or relative? _____

EUCCHARISTIC REVERENCE



As we celebrate the Body and Blood of Christ, it is fitting that we pause and reflect upon the ways in which we show respect for the Eucharist. Here are some frequently asked questions:

What do Catholics believe about the bread and wine which has been consecrated at a Mass?

Catholics believe that the bread and wine that are brought forward at the Presentation of the Gifts become the Body and Blood of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. Those who come forward to receive communion profess a faith in the real presence of Christ in the elements as well as unity with the Mystical Body of Christ.

Who may receive the Body and Blood of Christ?

Those who are of the age of reason, who are free from mortal sin and in communion with the Catholic Church may receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

Is there a Eucharistic fast?

Those who will receive are to fast from food, gum, and drink for one hour before receiving communion. It is always permissible to take water or medication at any time before receiving communion.

I've heard about Christ being present in many ways at the Mass. Can you explain?

Christ is present in the assembly gathered in his name and in the person of the priest; Christ is present in the Scriptures which are proclaimed and in the bread and wine which are broken and shared at communion. The whole action of the Mass deepens our awareness of the presence of Christ; therefore, it is more proper and appropriate to arrive before Mass begins and to stay until its conclusion.

As I come forward to receive communion, what should I do?

*As you come to receive the **Body of Christ**, approaching the Eucharistic minister, place one hand on top of the other, palms up. Look the Eucharistic minister in the eye. The minister will say "The Body of Christ" to which you respond "Amen." The Body of Christ will be placed in your hand. You should not grab the Body of Christ. You are to receive the Body of Christ. Once it is placed in your hand, you should take the body of Christ with your free hand and consume it immediately. You may also choose to receive on the tongue. When you approach the Eucharistic minister and have said "Amen," open your mouth widely and place your tongue on your lower lip. The Body of Christ will be placed on your tongue to consume. The communicant does not make the sign of the cross or genuflect. The communion sign of unity is the bow of the head and the response, "Amen."*

*As you come to receive the **Blood of Christ**, approaching the Eucharistic minister, look the minister in the eye. The communicant bows his head before receiving. The minister will say, "The Blood of Christ" to which you respond "Amen." The most secure way of receiving the cup is to place one hand at the bottom of the chalice and the other hand toward the top. Drink from the chalice. Return it to the Eucharistic minister, making sure she/he has received it securely from you. The communicant does not make the sign of the cross or genuflect. The communion sign of unity is the bow of the head and the response, "Amen."*

Hospitality at Mass: A Key to Good Stewardship



For many individuals and families alike, summer means travel. And summer travel may mean new visitors to our parish for weekend liturgies. How we greet and provide hospitality for our guests says a lot about our practice of good stewardship.

Providing hospitality to strangers is a hallmark of Christian stewardship. In the Gospel of Matthew good stewards were commended for their hospitality: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matt. 25:35). St. Benedict directed his followers to receive guests and travelers as if they were Christ. Extending hospitality is especially important when it comes to welcoming visitors who may be attending mass at our parish for the first time.

There is a lot of anecdotal evidence suggesting that the ability of a first-time visitor to have a meaningful experience of Christ in the liturgy is directly impacted by the warmth of the welcome extended by the local worshipping community. When people say hello, the worship experience is enhanced. A warm welcome is part of evangelization, work necessary in a church's mission to help people discover or renew faith in Christ.

HANDICAPPED PARKING

SPACES—Holy Spirit has many handicapped parking spaces located throughout the campus. These parking spaces are clearly designated with signs. Some spaces have large areas between them to allow for wheelchair access. **This area, clearly marked with white striping, is not for parking.** Please be courteous and respectful of those individuals using the spaces as needed.

IN NEED OF A SACRAMENT?

If you have a child that for various reasons fell behind in the schedule to receive First Holy Communion, Reconciliation, or Confirmation, please contact Kate D’Amato through the church office. We are currently putting together a class for children and teens to provide them with the necessary background and Faith Formation to receive the Sacraments.

PARISH ‘CLASSIFIEDS’

A ‘Parish Classified’ section will appear in the Bulletin periodically (space permitting). If you would like to sell an item, purchase an item, give something away, extend a service, request a service, etc., please email Linda Meuhlen at adminassistant@holyspiritnc.org.
NO COMPANY ADVERTISING PLEASE.

Per Fr. Carmen,

All lights, fans, equipment, etc., must be turned off after use in the church and the Parish Activity Center. Air conditioning must not be left on below 75° F. during summer months

JULY

- 7/26 Morning Crochet Grp, Linus Rm, 10:00 AM
- 7/27 Summer Bible Study, PAC1, 10:00 AM
- 7/28 Ladies Night Out, Davidson

SAVE THE DATE:

7th Annual Eucharistic Congress of the Diocese Of Charlotte

September 23 & 24, 2011

For more information logon to the Diocese of Charlotte Eucharistic Congress website at www.goeucharist.com for details about the speakers, schedule, the adult and youth tracks, directions, parking, hotels, and more!



A WHEELCHAIR RAMP AND HANDICAP PARKING SPACES ARE LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE CHURCH BUILDING FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS UNABLE TO USE THE STAIRS.