FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT- DECEMBER 3, 2023



WHY REGISTER IN A PARISH?

A Catholic parish is the single most important part of our Catholic Church. This is where we continue the mission of Jesus Christ. This is where we publicly express our faith, joining together with others to give witness of our communion with God and with one another.

There are many reasons to register:

It is an official way to join a parish community. I also gives you a sense of belonging and identity in a parish community.

Provides the parish community with a way to welcome you.

In times of joy and in times of struggle, it is comforting to have the support of a faith family.

It is a commitment to practice your faith.

Gives a chance for you and your family to be counted and heard in the parish.

Being included in the demographics of the parish helps in the planning for the needs of the parish.

Gives the parish a way to connect with you.

In order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, or Holy Matrimony you will need to be a registered member.

For religious education instruction and Sacramental preparation, the families of those attending must also be registered parishioners.

To aid in the registration to the Catholic schools.

A way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish

Also, if you use offertory envelopes or online giving, you will also receive a year-end statement of your donations for income tax purposes.

Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a particular church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

If you were previously a minor registered under you parents and have now become the age of majority it is your responsibility to register at your parish.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, December 5

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Wednesday, December 6

9 a.m. Intentions of Lucy Hugh-Chin req.by

Pearl Badali.

Thursday, December 7

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Maria Buchynzka

req. by Nunji Sawicki.

Friday, December 8

9 a.m. Intentions of the Immaculate Conception

of the Blessed Virgin Mary req. by Lulu.

Saturday, December 9

4:30 p.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

Sunday, December 10

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Patricia Anthony req.

by the Anthony family.

11 a.m. Repose of the soul of Joseph Lee Nam

Kwong req. by the Lee Nam Kwong family.

COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL



Wednesday, December 6, 2023 After the 9 a.m. Mass

After the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish Basement

Sunday, December 17, 2023 After the 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Mass in the Parish Basement

All parishioners welcome



Come pray the 10,000 Hail Mary

Date: Saturday, December 9

Time: 6 a.m.—2 p.m.

Place: Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE, 2023/2024 HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

Holy Spirit School Mass Thursday, December 7 at 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Thursday, December 21st

10 a.m. 12 noon 2 p.m. -4 p.m. 7 p.m. -8 p.m.

<u>CHRISTMAS MASSES</u> (Arrive 1/2 hr. before First come First Seated)

Sunday, December 24th Mass 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Mass 6 p.m. Mass 8 p.m.

Monday, December 25th

Mass 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Tuesday, December 26th No Mass

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Sunday, December 31st Mass 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Mass 6 p.m.

Monday, January 1st
Holy Day of Obligation
Mass 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Tuesday, January 2nd No Mass

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: The Parish Office will close Thursday, December 21st at 1 p.m. and will reopen Tuesday, January 2nd at 8:30 a.m.

Please keep this schedule and refer to it during the season of Christmas, thus cutting down on calls to the Parish Office.