

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish Community

50 Lovewell St., Gardner, MA

Serving Hubbardston & South Gardner

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday – Friday 12:30 – 4:00 PM

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Weekend Masses:

SAT: Vigil 4:00 PM

SUN: 9:00 AM

Baptism: Contact the Rectory

Weddings: Contact 1 Year Ahead

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15 PM

Church or by appointment

Third Sunday of Advent – December 10/11, 2011

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK:

- SAT [10] 4:00 PM R.S. Grace & Charles Shaw *int. Alice Holy Spirit*
5:30 PM R.S. Edward O'Brien Sr. *int. Ed & Kathy O'Brien* (St. Joseph)
- SUN [11] 7:00 AM Parishioners (St. Joseph)
9:00 AM R.S. Ryan Jones *int. parents Holy Spirit*
10:30 AM R.S. Hendryka Kapaczewski *int. Wanda Renes* (St. Joseph)
- MON [12] 7:30 AM R.S. Jennie Kulczyk *int. M/M Rudy Szoc* (St. Joseph)
- TUE [13] 7:30 AM Parishioners Holy Spirit
- WED [14] 7:30 AM Special Intention Holy Spirit
- THU [15] 7:30 AM R.S. Eleanor Carlson *int. husband* (St. Joseph)
- FRI [16] 7:30 AM R.S. Mary Krymowski *int. David Krymowski* (St. Joseph)
- SAT [17] 7:30 AM All Souls Remembrance Day (St. Joseph)
4:00 PM R.S. Michael Nicholson *int. family Holy Spirit*
5:30 PM R.S. Rudy Gronowicz *int. Ed Jeleniewski* (St. Joseph)
- SUN [18] 7:00 AM R.S. Alice LeBlanc *int. Rollie, Dee & John LeBlanc* (St. Joseph)
9:00 AM R.S. Pauline Demers *int. husband Ed Holy Spirit*
10:30 AM R.S. Corinne Jankowski (2nd Anniev.) *int. Cindy & Roger Boucher* (St. Joseph)

EVENTS IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK:

- SUN [11] Coffee & donuts after the 9:00 AM Mass
CCD - All students will attend the 9 AM Mass – Classes 10 -11:30 AM for grades 1 – 8
Confirmation Class & sponsors 10:00 AM
- MON [12] 7:00 PM Prayer Gathering / Parish Center / All are welcome!
- TUE [13] 6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting / Parish Center
- WED [14] 7:00 PM Christmas Choir Rehearsal / Holy Spirit
- THU [15] 8:00 PM AA Meeting / Church Hall
- SUN [18] CCD Classes 10 -11:30 AM grades 1 - 8 – Penance Service Grades 3 – 10 at 12:30 PM

Collection last weeks was - \$ 1,768.00 – Thank You.

Please pray for the sick of our parish community, our shut-ins, those in hospitals & nursing homes. Also, pray for all our men and women in the Armed Forces that God keep them safe.

Altar Servers – Greeters – Lectors – Eucharistic Ministers – List for January / February Ministry Schedule is in the sacristy. Please let us know any weekend you cannot serve.

**Sign-up sheets in the sacristy for the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
and for the 9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass**

GOOD NEWS: This third Sunday of Advent, we are told by St. Peter to “Rejoice”. Always rejoice in the Lord. People questioned John if he was the Christ. He told them, “I am baptizing with water, one after me will baptize with the Holy Spirit”. Let us continue to prepare for Christ’s coming.

ATTENTION ALL SINGERS!

We will have a joint Choir for the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass at Holy Spirit Church. Rehearsals will be this Wednesday, December 14 at 7:00 PM at Holy Spirit Church. We hope many of you will join us. It is fun, easy and uplifting to all! Please join us for this special Christmas Choir and celebrate Jesus’ birthday!

GIVING TREES: All Stocking gifts have to be returned no later than December 13th. No need to wrap them. Please tape the tag to the gift. We have to deliver them to the CAC by December 14th for distribution.

PLANTS FOR OUR SHUT-INS: All plants will be delivered to our shut-ins as soon as we receive them so they can enjoy them throughout the Christmas Season. If you are giving communion to any shut-in, please bring them a plant. There is a list by the plants in the reconciliation room. Please cross off the name of the person you are bringing a plant to.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: All donations for CHRISTMAS FLOWERS must be received no later then the weekend of Dec. 17/18 if you want the name of your loved one(s) listed on our Christmas bulletin.

Parish Council meeting this Tue., Dec 13th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. All members are asked to attend

Next Sunday, Dec. 18th, a Penance Service will be held at Holy Spirit Church at 1:00 PM for confessions. Everyone is invited to attend. Don’t wait for the last minute.

Holy Saints this week:

**Monday, December 12th - Our Lady of Guadalupe - Tuesday, December 13th - St. Lucy
Wednesday, December 14th - St. John of the Cross**

Are you a registered parishioner? Please do not take for granted that you are registered in the parish just because you attend Mass here. It could be quite embarrassing to us, to you, and to your family when someone wants to make wedding plans, have a baby baptized, or if you are asked to be a Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation requiring a note of Catholicity from us. Registration forms are available in the parish office.