

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Fr. Dijo Thomas, Pastor

Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

Mass Schedule

(Also live streamed on YouTube at Holy Spirit Palmyra)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 8:30am inside & 11:00am

Daily Mass:

Monday, Thursday: 9:00am

Wednesday: 6:00pm (Rosary 5:30pm)

Friday: 7:00am

Confessions: Sat 5—5:30pm; Wed 6:40—7:10pm

Adoration Chapel:

Monday: 10am—5pm

Tuesday: 6am—10pm

Wed & Fri: 12noon—5pm

Thursday: 10am—9pm

Saturday: 2am—9am & 7pm—9pm

Sunday: 12 noon—1pm & 6pm—10pm

For more information call 717-838-3369 x 111 or email adorers@hspalmyra.com.

Baptism: To schedule a baptism, contact our Parish office at 717-838-3369 or email church@hspalmyra.com.

Sponsor Forms: Certificates to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation can only be given to those who are registered and practicing members of the Parish.

Bulletin Deadline: Three weeks prior to publication. Please use the forms on our website for bulletin inserts, blurbs, or facility requests.

Benevolence: For financial assistance, please call 717-838-3369, x 112, and leave a message to set up an interview.

Staff

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Gr 7-8: Logan Zugay, confirmation@hspalmyra.com

Parish Council: parishcouncil@hspalmyra.com

Office Hours:

Monday: 9:30am—4pm

Tuesday: remote only for phone calls & emails

Wednesday: 12noon—6pm

Thursday: 8:30am—3:30pm

Friday: closed

OUR MISSION

To seek to know the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ; to celebrate together as a Catholic family of faith; and to share our gifts and talents in loving service to others.

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

A Big Thanks to Janet

Janet Parks has been a tremendous asset to our parish family for the past eleven years in her role as Office Manager. She has been dedicated to supporting our parish activities and the welfare of our parishioners. Her knowledge of the job has been exceptional. Our parish will deeply miss such a committed individual in this position. As Janet prepares for surgery and recovery, let us assure her of our prayers and gratitude. January 20 will be her last day working in the office. On behalf of the Holy Spirit Parish, I extend a heartfelt thank you to Janet. Her contributions will always be remembered and appreciated. May the Lord bless Janet and her family. We are currently seeking a new Office Manager. If any parishioners are interested, please submit your resume to the office. I kindly ask everyone to pray for our parish during this transition. May God bless our parish community.

Tax Statement 2024

All parishioners who donated to Holy Spirit in 2024 will receive their statement via email by January 31, 2025. Those who do not have an email will receive their statement via US mail.

Caring Cupboard

Please pick up a canvas bag for CARING CUPBOARD and return your filled bag next weekend. Their wish list this month is **personal care items**: shampoo, body soap, hand soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toilet paper, & laundry detergent (small size).

TITHING: GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Sunday Offering 12/29/2024 \$ 11,625
 Christmas \$ 14,481



Sunday Offering 1/5/2025 \$ 12,621
 Christmas \$ 505
 Eastern Europe \$ 105
 Solemnity of Mary \$ 1,691
 Initial Env \$ 246

CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn in loving memory of Fred Bauer (From Josette)

The **Chapel Candle** will burn for the living intentions of Deacon Jorge & Nilda Reyes (From Janet)



Please pray for the soul of MaryAnn R. Zimmerman, who recently passed

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20
 9:00am Mass

† Michael Muscarella

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28
 3:15pm Cenacle
 7:00pm Folk Group

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39
 9:30am Word Among Bible Study
 4:30pm Legion of Mary
 5:30pm Rosary
 6:00pm Mass
 6:40pm Confessions
 6:45pm Women at the Well

† Linda Morrow

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45
 9:00am Mass
 7:00pm Sunday Choir

† Joe Spear

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12
 7:00am Mass

† Norman Cake

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17
 8:00am Men’s Ministry
 4:00pm Mass
 5:00pm Confessions

† John Donohoe

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11
 8:30am Mass
 11:00am Mass

† Joe Spear
For the People of the Parish

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO PREP CLASSES NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Fish Fry 2025

Come join us for our annual Lenten Fish Fry. For 2025, Dine-in, to go, and online curbside to go is available. Fridays: March 7, 14, 21, & 28 and April 4 & 11 from 3pm—7pm. Featuring N. Atlantic Haddock (Baked or Fried), crab cakes, shrimp, clam strips, pierogi, soup, & mac-n-cheese. To volunteer, please sign-up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4EADA629A3FA7-49225444-fish>, or send an email to fishfry@hspalmyra.com. We will need soda and water donations. Please drop off any donations at the Church.

Job Opening—Manager Position at HS

We are seeking to employ a Parish Manager. You will be assisting the pastor in the overall administration of the parish with respect to all matters pertaining to personnel, finance, buildings and grounds, parish committees and organizations, and scheduling. A Bachelor's degree in accounting or business administration is required. If interested, or would like to know more details, please email and send your resume to pastor@hspalmyra.com and manager@hspalmyra.com.

Awaken Word Among Us Study

The Awaken Study group will be using the *Word Among Us* to discuss daily Mass readings including prayer and reflections. This study will be on Wednesday mornings: January 15, 22, 29 and February 5 & 12 from 9:30am—10:30am in the third grade classroom. For more information or questions, please contact Kathryn Gentry at 717-838-6521, or email her at kgentry920@verizon.net.

Ministry Fair

A Ministry fair will be held in Agape Hall following all Masses on the weekend of February 1 & 2. At that time, representatives from the Ministries will be available to provide information and answer questions you may have regarding a particular Ministry. The purpose is not only to provide information, but to seek new members for the Ministries. For those who are not able to attend the in-person fair, an online Ministry fair with information will be available for 2 weeks commencing on February 3.

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March for Life Rally

The March for Life Rally and inspiring speeches from Pro-Life leaders will be livestreamed from D.C. and available for viewing in Agape Hall at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Friday, January 24, at 12noon. Doors open at 11:30am. After the livestreamed event, participants will begin a One-Mile March to the square in Palmyra at 1:30pm for prayer. Refreshments will be provided back at the church. If you have additional questions, please contact Art Bond at 717-383-8583, or email him at abond702@comcast.net.

Aid to the Catholic Church Abroad

Today we take up a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Latin America, and Africa. Funds for this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your contribution supports the Church and builds the future in these regions.

Free Throw Challenge

All boys and girls ages 9 - 14 are invited to participate in the annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shooting Championship. The competition will be held on Sunday, January 26, at 1pm in the Palmyra Area High School Gym. Parental consent is required. Contact Tom Szeltner at tsszeltner@gmail.com for details.

Super Bowl Soup Volunteers

We are in need of soup makers for the Super Bowl Sale. Proceeds benefit the Shelters operated by Catholic Charities for homeless families, unwed mothers, and those recovering from addictions. We are seeking volunteers to make homemade soup that will be sold on February 8 & 9 after Masses. Quart containers will be provided. Contact Mark Totaro at 717-574-1695, or email him at cooch20@aol.com for more details.

FROM OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Jesus knew the value of quiet time. He would often retreat to a quiet place to pray and to get away from the turmoil of His hectic life. We live today in a world filled with many distractions. We are inundated with interruptions and disturbances from everyone and everything due to the technology of today. We, like Jesus, need to get away to a quiet place to pray and get away from those interruptions. Where better to go than to our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. Not only is it a quiet place, but you are now in the Presence of Jesus. He is there fully Present in Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity and waiting for you visit. He can give you the strength to revitalize your faith and discover what's really meaningful in your life. Visit Jesus often in our Adoration Chapel and consider becoming a regular Adorer. Contact Bart Kaminski at 717-838-3369 x 111.

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