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Fr. Dijo Thomas, Pastor

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 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.

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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

In this week’s Gospel, we witness Jesus’ first miracle at the wedding in Cana. When the wine runs out, Mary intercedes, setting in motion a powerful display of Jesus’ divine power. He transforms ordinary water into the finest wine, saving the wedding celebration from embarrassment.

This miracle is more than just a party trick. It’s a sign of God’s abundant love and provision. Just as Jesus provided for the wedding guests, He provides for us in our times of need. When we feel like we’ve run out of hope, joy, or strength, Jesus is there to offer us a new wine, a new beginning.

Like Mary, we can turn to Jesus with our needs and trust in His power to provide. And like the servants at the wedding, we should be obedient to His instructions, for it is in following His way that we experience His blessings.

My dear brothers and sisters, this week, let us reflect on the ways Jesus has provided for us in the past and trust in His continued provision for our future.

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 Reminder!

This weekend is food collection week for Caring Cupboard. Thank you for your support!

TITHING: GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Sunday Offering 1/12/2025	\$ 14,176
Eastern Europe	\$ 1,284
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 315
Initial Envelope	\$ 421



HOLY SPIRIT OFFERS ONLINE GIVING!

Use your credit card or checking account to make your Sunday donations. Visit HolySpiritPalmyra.com and click on [Online Giving](#).

CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn for the living intentions of Janet Parks (From Maura Nizioł)

The **Chapel Candle** will burn for the living intentions of my Prayer Group (From Janet)

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22

Office Closed

9:00am Mass

MLK, Jr. DAY

† Samuel Regi

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28

3:15pm Cenacle

7:00pm Folk Group; KofC Assembly

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6

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

7:00pm RCIA

† Buzz Coomer

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

Heb 7:25—8:6; Mk 3:7-12

9:00am Mass

10:30am Londonderry Village Mass

4:00pm Shine Fitness

7:00pm Sunday Choir; Knights of Columbus

† Rudi Jungfer

† Joseph Spear

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19

7:00am Mass

12noon March for Life Rally

† George Bory

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18

4:00pm Mass

5:00pm Confessions

† Mary Buckley

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

Neh 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

8:30am Mass

For the People of the Parish

9:30am CGS—6th Grade PREP

11:00am CGS/5th Grade Children’s Mass

† Larry

Warner (Husband of Marcie Warner)

1:00pm Free Throw Challenge

6:00pm 7th & 8th Grade PREP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO PREP CLASSES TODAY, JANUARY 19

**5TH GRADE & CGS CHILDREN'S MASS NEXT
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, AT 11AM**

Grief Support Group

Losing a loved one can be one of the most difficult experiences we face in life. Holy Spirit Parish is starting their fifth grief support group for individuals suffering from the loss of a spouse, an adult child, or a parent. It will start the week of March 3 and run for 10 weeks. The group will not exceed 10 people and will meet at Holy Spirit Church once a week. Time and day are to be determined by attendees. To join or for more information, please email griefsupport@hspalmyra.com.

Fish Fry 2025

Come join us for our annual Lenten Fish Fry. 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/60B0C4EADA629A3FA749225444-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.

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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Job Opening—Ministry Liaison/PREP Secretary

We are looking for someone with strong organizational skills to work in the church office part-time. This position works closely with the leads of the parish ministries, as well as with the PREP coordinators. Other duties include office secretarial work and handling new parishioner registrations. If interested, please email Holly at outreach@hspalmyra.com and Father Dijo at pastor@hspalmyra.com.

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.

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 SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Voting is only one aspect of Catholic civic responsibility. It's important to contact elected representatives to express your concerns about upcoming legislation. A website: <https://www.usccb.org/take-action>, contains links for contacting your elected officials on issues related to Catholic social teaching. Don't let elected officials assume you agree with all the policies. Contact them when they propose policies/legislation that goes against Catholic teaching. This includes caring for God's creation and a preferential option for the most vulnerable, (<https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-and-peace/catholic-social-teaching>). **PRAYER:** Lord, help me be a better steward of creation and more sensitive to the needs of the poor and most vulnerable.

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