

Church of the Holy Spirit

18218 W. Highway 54
Goddard, KS 67052
(316) 794-3496 Church
(316) 794-8139 School
Website: www.holyspiritwichita.com

MASS TIMES

Saturday, 5:00 pm
Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Tuesday – Friday, 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:00 – 4:45 pm
Tuesday – Friday, 7:30 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
8:00 am – 3:45 pm
Summer Hours: 8:30 am – 12:00 pm
Closed Holy Days and Holidays

BULLETIN DEADLINE

12:00 pm, Wednesdays
Send to bulletin@holyspiritwichita.com

MISSION STATEMENT

“Inspired by the Holy Spirit and centered in the Eucharist,
we are a Catholic Family living as disciples of Jesus Christ through Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, and Service.”

PASTOR

Father Joe Eckberg

STAFF

Mr. Brandon RelphPrincipal
Mrs. Vallin AkersBusiness Manager
Mrs. Kimberly PritchettAdministrative Assistant
Mrs. Madeline BlaschkeOffice Assistant
Mr. Tristan Holtry..... Maintenance Coordinator

History of the Parish

Church of the Holy Spirit was established on August 2, 1998 by Bishop Eugene Gerber. Shortly after the parish was established, leadership teams were formed and various organizations and ministries were established.

The parish utilized the existing farmhouse on the property for office space. The bedrooms were converted into offices and meeting rooms. The living room was used for a daily Mass chapel. Sunday Masses were celebrated at the Goddard High School Auditorium. As organizations developed we used other public spaces for meetings and events.

On March 25, 2001, we broke ground on the first phase of our Master Plan for the facility. It was completed and blessed on December 1st by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted. Included in this first phase is a church and school that will be modified back to its original plan as future phases take place. The church portion of the building is actually the gathering space of the future church. The school portion consisted of an office and nine classrooms. In the corridor area of the first phase is a sacristy, reconciliation room, hospitality area, two social hall rooms, a bride's room and a Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

In August 2009, we opened up Preschool for ages 3-5. This has been very successful, and we feel blessed to have the space to accommodate these children.

Church of the Holy Spirit added the St. Rita Education Center in 2016. It consists of much needed space for a breakroom, conference room, an office for the Principal, a nursing station and receptionist area. The library and music room are located in Charity Hall, the safe room for emergencies. Just completed in June 2017 is our new Art and Activity Center, consisting of an Auditorium for sports and social events.

Pastors:Father H. Setter1998-2007
.....Father Joseph Gile2007-2008
.....Father Michael Nolan2008-2017
.....Father Matthew Marney2017-2022
.....Father Joe Eckberg. 2022-Present

Time and Talent Ministry Contact List

Adoration	Deb Stockman.....	650-3102
Altar Society/Church Cleaning	Jeanette Dalrymple.....	200-6218
Baptismal Prep Facilitators	Kimberly Pritchett.....	794-3496
Called & Gifted.....	Barbara Leonard.....	706-9897
Catholic Youth Ministry Volunteer	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Children's Adoration	Anna Koontz.....	794-3496
Children's Liturgy	Anna Koontz.....	794-3496
Eucharistic Minister (Commissioned)	Kimberly Pritchett.....	794-3496
Eucharistic Minister (Information)	Kimberly Howe.....	641-0018
Grounds Maintenance & Mowing	Tristan Holtry.....	794-3496
Greeter	Eddie and Jana Andreo.....	794-3319
Harvest House	Gloria Bartnick.....	519-1465
Hospitality (Coffee & Donuts).....	Keith & Ann Carlin.....	558-0508
Knights of Columbus	Clayton Applegate.....	708-4828
Lector/Proclaimer	Stephanie Espinoza ..	620-482-4427
Little Flowers.....	Coordinator Needed.....	794-3496
The Lord's Diner	Scott Weber.....	347-0904
Marriage Ministry & Natural Family Planning ..	Ellen Goodwin.....	706-2029
Make a Meal.....	Lisa Coyne.....	640-7856
Music Ministry	Connie Arnold.....	794-8400
Parish Auction Team.....	Mary Woodburn.....	516-8898
Prayer Line	Mary Kaba.....	729-9229
O.C.I.A. Candidate.....	Fr. Joe Eckberg.....	794-3496
O.C.I.A Sponsor.....	Fr. Joe Eckberg.....	794-3496
Respect Life Committee	Justin Parks.....	516-0990
Sacristan (Commissioned)	Katy Wiebe.....	737-9377
School Volunteer	Brandon Relph.....	794-8139
Small Group Discipleship	Chris Barnard.....	794-3496
St. Vincent De Paul	Tauni Nank.....	200-7102
Usher	Shaun McGovern.....	620-491-3227
Weekly Collection Counters.....	Vallin Akers.....	794-3496
Visit the Homebound	Coordinator Needed.....	794-3496

Additional Opportunities for High School Youth (Freshmen-Seniors)

Catholic Youth Ministry	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Christ's Light in All Youth Retreat (Grades 9-10).....	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Grounds Maintenance.....	Tristan Holtry.....	794-3496
Altar Server		794-3496
Music (Cantor, Instrument, Choir).....	Connie Arnold.....	794-8400
Prayer and Action.....	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Teens Encounter Christ Retreat (Grades 11-12).....	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Totus Tuus Volunteer	Barbara Leonard.....	706-9897

Additional Opportunities for Youth (Young Children-8th Grade)

Adoration with Family/Children's Adoration.....	Anna Koontz.....	794-3496
Altar Server (5th Grade and Up).....		794-3496
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Serena Barnard.....	794-3496
Children's Liturgy.....	Anna Koontz.....	794-3496
Middle School CYM.....	Craig Bay.....	794-3496
Parish School Religion (PSR).....	Lisa Coyne.....	640-7856
Youth Choir.....	Craig Bay.....	794-3496

SOCIAL ACTION-Diocesan

American Red Cross		265-6601
Anthony Family Shelter		264-7233
Center of Hope		267-0222
Guadalupe Clinic		264-8974
Harbor House		263-6000

Councils

PASTORAL & STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council is an advisory group to assist the pastor in shaping the vision of the parish. Meeting once a quarter, or as often as needed in special circumstances, this organization shapes immediate needs of the parish as well as long range planning for the future. Membership on this Council is by a process of nominations from parish organizations and appointment by the pastor.

The Stewardship Council provides opportunities for parishioners to experience and live the Stewardship Way of Life by being good stewards of their time, talent, and treasure to God. The council plans events such as parish dinners and the annual Parish Picnic, and it facilitates our yearly stewardship renewal.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The Parish Finance Council serves as an advisory body to the pastor and the parish pastoral council in the administration of stewardship of parish finances, budget, facilities, and long range financial development. Mandated by cannon law, parish finance councils, like parish pastoral councils, are consultative bodies. Members of the finance council are appointed by the pastor based on their expertise and spiritual lives for a three year term.

Prayer & Liturgy

ADORATION

Dedicate one hour a week to spend in the Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and experience the many blessings He has in store for you. Our current hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 10 pm.

ALTAR SERVER

The Altar Server ministry is for boys and girls in 5th grade and up. In addition to serving at Masses, Altar Servers assist Father in preparing for Mass and resetting the church afterwards. Altar Servers should arrive 10-15 minutes prior to the start of Mass and sign in on the Ministry sign-in board.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

The Pastor will invite parishioners as needed to assist in distributing Holy Communion at Mass. Contact the parish office if you are interested in serving the parish in this capacity.

LECTOR/PROCLAIMER

The Lector ministry involves proclaiming the Word of God at weekend and/or weekday Masses.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Instrumentalists and vocalists are needed to enhance the celebration of Mass. Vocalists can serve as cantors or take part in the choir.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Members of the parish are welcome to take part in the Mass by bringing the gifts of bread and wine to the altar during our celebrations of the Eucharist. Each week a different family or group of volunteers takes part in this ministry.

PRAYER LINE

Members of the Prayer Line ministry are given the opportunity to pray for those in need. Individual and/or parish requests are communicated to members of the group by telephone or e-mail.

SACRISTAN

Sacristans assist in preparing for Mass and resetting the altar after Mass. Sacristans work closely with the Pastor to ensure that Liturgy may flow without interruptions.

USHER

Ushers are responsible for seating parishioners, passing collection baskets, handing out bulletins, replacing and straightening hymnals, checking seat rows after Mass to pick up any items left behind, and securing the offertory collection.

Hospitality

GREETER

Greeters are present at the entrance to welcome people as they arrive for weekend Masses. Greeters may offer a warm hand shake or a friendly greeting to fellow parishioners and visitors to Holy Spirit.

HARVEST HOUSE

Harvest House is a group for parishioners ages 55+ that meets once a month for fun and friendship. Join them on the third Wednesday of the month for a brief presentation, snacks, and fellowship.

HOSPITALITY (COFFEE & DONUTS)

Hospitality ministers help set-up and clean up for Coffee & Donuts after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday Masses.

MAKE A MEAL

The Make a Meal ministry provides meals for parishioners in need of support.

Formation

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION FACILITATORS

Baptismal Preparation Facilitators conduct a one-hour course for new parents seeking baptism for their children. Baptismal Preparation Classes are offered once a month on the second Sunday of the month.

BIBLE STUDY/BOOK STUDY

Periodically throughout the year, groups will get together to take part in a Bible or book study to deepen their understanding of the faith and build community. Keep an eye on the bulletin to see what studies are starting up and how to join.

CALLED & GIFTED

Called & Gifted is a program founded by the Catherine of Siena Institute to help Christians discern the presence of charisms in their lives. Holy Spirit has a team of Called & Gifted coordinators who facilitate this process for parishioners by offering the 3 steps laid out by the Catherine of Siena Institute: hosting workshops, conducting interviews, and leading small group discernment meetings.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a ministry for children ages 3-6 to encounter God through a unique environment that inspires reverence for the sacred and a deeper relationship with our Creator.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER

Adult volunteers help model the faith, build community, and chaperone events for parish youth from 5th – 12th grades. Our Catholic Youth Ministry groups meet weekly (high school program) or twice a month (middle school program) on Sundays for food, fun, and fellowship.

CHILDREN'S ADORATION VOLUNTEER

Adult volunteers lead the Holy Spirit school children in Eucharistic Adoration on the First Fridays of every month during the school year. This is such a rewarding ministry for the children and the adult leaders!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEER

Adults volunteers help instruct children ages 4-7 in the Liturgy of the Word on Sundays during the 10:00 am Mass. The children are dismissed to discuss the Gospel, on their own terms, during the homily.

LITTLE FLOWERS

Little Flowers is a ministry for girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade to share their faith with one another by building community and doing fun, inspiring activities. The name “Little Flowers” comes from the nickname of St. Therese of Lisieux, and her humble spirituality, called “the Little Way,” is the emphasis for these young girls.

MARRIAGE MINISTRY & NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Volunteers assist married couples through the joys and trials of married life. They teach couples about Natural Family Planning as a means to achieve or avoid pregnancy in a way which cooperates with their own natural fertility process. Learn more at www.nfpwichita.org.

PARISH SCHOOL RELIGION (PSR) VOLUNTEER

Volunteers for our Religious Education program may help teach or aide in the classroom, baby-sit catechist’s children, or substitute. Volunteer assistance is especially needed with sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (O.C.I.A.) CANDIDATE

The Order of Christian Initiation is designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the Living God and enter the way of life and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts. By God’s help, they will be strengthened spiritually during their preparation and at the proper time will receive the sacraments fruitfully.

OCIA SPONSOR

OCIA Sponsors journey with the candidates and catechumens in their movement towards conversion. Sponsors must be at least 16 years old, must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation, and must be in good standing with the Church.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

It is the mission of the Respect Life Committee to respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life. The Respect Life Committee achieves this by regularly meeting to plan and provide opportunities in our parish that educate, inform, support and promote the respect of all human life.

SMALL GROUP DISCIPLESHIP

Holy Spirit has many small groups made up of parishioners who seek to share and assist each other in their faith journeys. Contact the parish office if you are interested in joining or starting a small group.

TOTUS TUUS VOLUNTEER

Volunteers for the weeklong summer Parish Totus Tuus program can help in a variety of ways, including hosting young adult Totus Tuus team members for the week, providing snacks or dinner, and assisting with chaperone responsibilities.

Service

ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society is a group of women who volunteer their time and talent to fill areas of need, including providing funeral dinners, organizing church cleaning, and assisting with or putting on various fundraising events. Through their fundraising, the Altar Society is able to make monetary donations to provide for needs within our parish and also give financial aid to outside charities. All women of the parish are invited to be members of Altar Society.

COUNCIL MEMBER

The Pastor will invite parishioners as needed to assist as advisors on the Parish & Stewardship or Finance Council.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE & MOWING

This voluntary group assists with various projects benefitting the parish grounds. Duties may include mowing, trimming, assisting with snow and ice removal from sidewalks and parking lots, etc. The following specialized volunteer talents may be needed on occasion: Painting, Carpentry, Plumbing and Electrical.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are a Catholic family organization that unselfishly supports the youth, family, Church, community and council of our parish. Membership is open to practicing Catholic men not less than 18 years of age.

THE LORD'S DINER VOLUNTEER

The Lord's Diner is located across the street from the Cathedral in downtown Wichita (520 N. Broadway). The mission of the Diner is to provide an evening meal to anyone who is hungry from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, 365 days a year. A current Food Handler's card is required.

PARISH AUCTION TEAM

Members of the Parish Auction Team work together to put on our annual Parish Auction, which benefits Holy Spirit Church and School. Many volunteers are needed to make the Auction successful! Tasks performed by the Auction Team include planning a theme, collecting donations for prizes and auction items, organizing a raffle, coordinating the silent and live auctions, preparing the facilities, etc.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEER

School volunteers may be asked for help with a variety of tasks around the school, including answering phones, checking in visitors, helping teachers with special projects, volunteering in the library, watching students on the playground, minor school maintenance, etc..

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent De Paul Society is a group of parishioners who serve and support those in need in our community. They give aid in the form of financial assistance for housing, food, gas, and essentials. Donations to the St. Vincent De Paul Society are welcome to help them continue their important work.

WEEKLY COLLECTION COUNTERS

Money Counters assist the parish by counting the weekend collections. Money counters meet in the office on Monday mornings, count the collection, and deposit the money to the bank.

VISIT THE HOMEBOUND

Volunteers visit the sick, infirm, and elderly in our parish so they may know Christ's love by the emotional and physical support and care of our Church community.

Community Opportunities

AMERICAN RED CROSS VOLUNTEER

American Red Cross has many opportunities for people to get involved with a local social program, including drivers to take elderly citizens to appointments, Bloodmobile helpers, and many other positions.

ANTHONY FAMILY SHELTER VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed for the Catholic Charities Anthony Family Shelter, a program for homeless families that provides room and board, life skills management, job development, literacy instructions and follow-up contact. Volunteers staff the shelter and do such things as help with meals, laundry, provide transportation, child care and house maintenance.

CENTER OF HOPE VOLUNTEER

This organization conducts a homelessness prevention program by which they help needy families with rent and utility bills. Visit www.centerofhopeinc.org for more information.

GUADALUPE CLINIC VOLUNTEER

Guadalupe Clinic provides health services for the uninsured, working poor, and those who are ineligible for medical cards or Medicare. For a volunteer Application Form, go to www.guadalupeclinic.com/images/volunteer.pdf

HARBOR HOUSE VOLUNTEER

Harbor House was established in 1992 as an agency of Catholic Charities, offering a safe shelter and support services for battered women and their children. Volunteers can help by working with the children, running errands, cooking meals, taking inventory of donated items, cleaning rooms, providing transportation, or just spending time with the women and listening to their stories. Donations of food, personal hygiene supplies, cleaning supplies, and monetary gifts are also welcome.