

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 14, 2025

Dates to Remember:

December 2025

- **Advent Quiet Morning:** Tues. Dec. 16, 9:00 – 11:30 am with Rev. Cathy George.
- **Advent Lessons & Carols, Parish Reception:** Wed. Dec. 17, 5:30 pm.
- **Christmas Eve:** Weds. Dec. 24 **Children's Pageant** 4:00 pm Holy Eucharist at 8:00 pm
- **Christmas Day:** Thurs. Dec. 25, Holy Eucharist 10:00 am
- **Sunday of the Epiphany:** Sunday, Jan 4 at 10:00 am. Three Kings pageant welcoming gifts for the Necessity Shop at Nauset High (See below). Parish brunch to follow.

The parishioners listed in the items below have contact information available in our parish directory. You may also reach them via a message through our church office (office@chsorleans.org)

ADVENT QUIET MORNING: Tuesday, Dec. 16 from 9:00 am to noon. "Advent, Love and Loss" will be oriented especially towards those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Our leader will be **Rev. Cathy George**, a priest in the diocese, former associate dean of the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale and the author of *You Are Already Praying: Stories of God at Work*. All welcome! **Registration is encouraged.** Call or email the church office to reserve a space with us!

"MAPLEWOOD MONDAY" EUCHARIST: Join Rev. **Liz Tunney** and residents of Maplewood Senior Living (820 Harwich Road, Brewster) for Eucharist. The service takes place on **Monday, Dec. 15** at 11:00 am. All welcome!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

ENVELOPES: The Christmas Flower Offering Envelopes are in the pews and at the entrances of the church. Please print clearly the names of those you wish to have remembered and your own name. Enclose your donation, made payable to The Church of the Holy Spirit. Place in the

offering plate or drop off at the office. **Deadline: Monday, Dec. 15.**

CHURCH SCHOOL: There will be No Church school or Nursery care on December 28.

SUNDAY'S GLIMPSE OF THE GOSPEL:

The Gospel speaks to us today personally and as a community. Join us **Sundays at 8:45 am** to delve into the Gospel and pray for one another. We meet in the Fireplace Room and via Zoom. Interested? Please contact **Tom Dewing**.

TUESDAY MORNING LECTIO DIVINA AND PRAYERS: 10:00 am via Zoom.

Lectio Divina is a monastic mode of prayer, contemplation, and Bible study and all are welcome to experience this with us. A Zoom Meeting invitation email is sent on Mondays.

THE FREE SHOP welcomes your help!

Please consider working **one Monday or Wednesday** per month from 10 to 1 with two other volunteers! Contact **Sharyn Laughton or Suzy Gray** or the CHS office. The Free Shop is gratefully accepting your **winter** clothing donations and brown paper shopping bags with handles. Your donations can be placed in bins on the first floor of the Parish Hall - by the elevator.

The FREE SHOP continues to stock/supply the Necessity Shop at Nauset High School with NEW necessities - water bottles, socks, underwear, deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes and Free Shop sweat shirts and sweat pants. All new items are purchased with monies offered by the parish during 2025 Epiphany Pageant service - Gifts to the Christ Child. The Necessity Shop would be happy to have travel size toiletries. Please mark these for Necessity Shop/Nauset High School and place in Free Shop bins. Thank You!

CHS GALLERY: The **Holiday Market Place** is in the CHS Gallery for the month of December and a little beyond. This show features the gifts, talents, arts and crafts of Ellen Adamson, Jean Collins, Dianne Fromm, Cris Harter, Anne Kilguss, Kimball Guild, Sharyn Laughton, Roger Lovejoy, Susan McDormand, Gail Binney Sterne, Norm Stubbendick, Donna Tavano. The gallery is open every Sunday after church service and Monday - Thursday, 10 to 3! **Sharyn Laughton & Gail Binney Sterne, Curators**

Calling all CHS artists, crafters, writers, etc. Choose a month in 2026 to exhibit/sell your work. Set up the first day of the month and take down the last day of your chosen month. Fun, easy, rewarding in so many ways. Help is always available! **Sharyn Laughton & Gail Binney Sterne**

GALLEY WEST: Winter Show October 20 thru December 21, Wednesday thru Saturday, 10am to 2pm, and Sundays, 11:15 to 2pm. Our show is in full swing and there's so much to see, from photography, monoprints and paintings to woodworking, ceramics, stained glass, metalsmithing and a beautiful selection of hand handmade items from the Kimball Guild! We look forward to seeing you soon!

PASTORAL CARE: Did you know our pastoral care ministry will coordinate an occasional meal delivery to those in need to make life a little easier? If you would like to learn about this ministry, contact Patrick or Michele Puzo. If you are unable to attend one of our Eucharist services and would like to receive communion at home, if you are in need of a pastoral visit, if you or a family member has been admitted to a medical facility, or you want to request prayers for you or a family member or friend. Please call the church office at (508)-255-0433 or email pastoralcare@chsorleans.org

PASTORAL FARE: For folks in need, sick or just not up to cooking, we have **FREE**, nutritious, single serve, frozen meals in our Parish Hall Kitchen freezer. Meals are provided by the Family Table Collaborative, whose mission is to provide healthy, prepared meals.

WHEN THE CHS PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED, please feel free to drop off any items or Pledges in the black mailbox outside of the office door in the courtyard. **The office is open Monday - Thursday 10 am - 2 pm.**

CHS WEB SITE: To live stream or watch recorded services later, please go to our website holyspiritoforleans.org and click on **"VIEW ONLINE"**. To download the Sunday Service Bulletin, click on the bulletin link.
To use CHS Wi-Fi when you are on campus: the network is: Church_Guest and the

password is: CHSOrleans. This is a case sensitive password.

CHS Schedule December 14 ~ December 21

Sunday: December 14

8:45 Glimpse of the Gospel (Fireplace)
9:45 Church School/Child Care (Nursery)
10:00 Holy Eucharist – Church/You Tube,
followed by Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
11:15 Book Discussion Group (Fireplace)

Monday: December 15

10:00 Free Shop (Parish Hall)
10:00 Kimball House Hammerers

Tuesday: December 16

9:00 Kimball House Hammerers
9:30 Advent Quiet Day (Church)
6:00 Vestry Meeting (Reception Room)

Wednesday: December 17

10:00 Free Shop (Gathering Room)
4:00 Choir Rehearsal (Church)
5:30 Advent Lessons and Carols (Church)
7:00 Al-Anon (Fireplace)

Thursday: December 18

11:00 Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing
(Church)
4:00 Centering Prayer (Reception Room)

Friday: December 19

9:30 Belladonnas Rehearsal (Church)

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