



**HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**PARISH STAFF**

**Fr. Patrick Tuttle, OFM** — Pastor  
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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Thursday 8AM—2:30PM

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**WEBSITE:**

www.holyspiritmacon.org

**Parish Council**

**George Ireland,** President  
**Kevin Rowley,** Vice President

**Joanne Kerr,** Secretary

**ADORATION & ROSARY**

One hour before Masses

**RECONCILIATION**

Sat 4-4:45 PM or by Appointment

**PARISH ADDRESS**

4074 Chambers Road,  
Macon, GA 31206

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

MONDAY-THURSDAY	9 A.M.
FIRST FRIDAY	9 A.M.
SATURDAY VIGIL	5 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS	10 A.M.
HOLY DAY	9 A.M. & 7 P.M.

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**



**“NOW, SON OF MAN,  
I AM MAKING YOU  
A WATCHMAN FOR  
THE PEOPLE .....”  
(EZEKIEL 33:7 NLT)**

Owe no one anything except

*to love one another,*

for he who loves another  
has fulfilled the law.

-Romans 13:8



**FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE  
ARE GATHERED IN  
MY NAME,  
THERE AM I AMONG THEM.  
-MATTHEW 18:20**



**Provincial Office**

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Holy Name Province**  
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August 31, 2023

Dear Good and Faithful People of Holy Spirit Church and St. Peter Claver Church,

As I reported in February, the Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province commenced an independent investigation into an allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Patrick Tuttle, OFM, when he was stationed in North Carolina. Fr. Patrick was fully cooperative and remained suspended from all public ministry during the investigation.

This lengthy and comprehensive investigation concluded in June, at which time the independent investigator determined that the alleged claim against Fr. Patrick could not be substantiated. The recommendation was made to restore Fr. Patrick to active ministry at this time. As a result, he will return to Holy Spirit Church to serve in his previous position as pastor of the parish.

The Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province recognize that our pastoral ministry is not a right, but rather a precious gift entrusted to us. We are humbled by this graced privilege of serving you, the faithful congregants of Holy Spirit Church and St. Peter Claver Church.

If you or someone you know has information about alleged sexual abuse against a minor or vulnerable adult by a friar of Holy Name Province, contact our Survivor/Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-770-8013.

Please join us in prayer for all those involved in this matter, and for survivors of clergy abuse. Also, pray that all Franciscan friars will continue to strive to be examples of the goodness and gentleness of our seraphic father Francis and our loving Savior, Jesus Christ. The friars always keep you and your loved ones in our prayers.

May God love you and the Spirit keep you,

Fr. Kevin Mullen, OFM  
Provincial Minister



September 3, 2023  
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends in Christ,

I would like to affirm along with Fr. Mullen that allegations of abuse are taken seriously by the Church. I thank the Franciscan Friars of the Holy Name Province for the thoroughness of their investigation. To you, the parishioners of Holy Spirit and St. Peter Claver, I offer my sincere gratitude for your patience and especially your prayers during this time. Please know that you have been and will continue to be in mine.

I ask that you join me in thanking Fr. Casey Cole, O.F.M. for his service these past months and also in welcoming Fr. Tuttle back to active ministry. May St. Francis of Assisi and St. Peter Claver intercede for us and may the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, fill you with peace and joy.

We will meet each day in our prayers.

In Christ,

Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes  
Bishop of Savannah