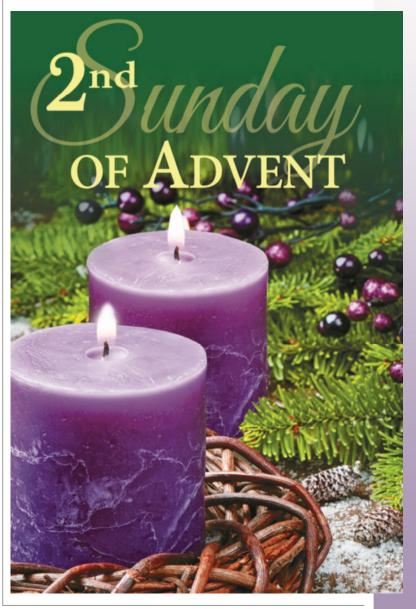


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# **Welcome to Holy Family Parish!**

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# AROUND THE ALTAR

#### Monday — Dec 6 St. Nicholas

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

#### Tuesday — Dec 7 St. Ambrose

Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/ Mt 18:12-14

\*8:15 am

\*7:00 pm

Holmes Family by Monica Holmes

\*n memory of Philip & Marion Behling
by Phil & Liz Behling

#### Wednesday — Dec 8 Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

\*8:15 am †Margaret Gannon by Kate Meyer

\*7:00pm People of Holy Family

#### Thursday — Dec 9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

#### Friday — Dec 10 Our Lady of Loreto

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19 \*7:00 am †Harvey Heinen by Family

#### Saturday — Dec 11 St. Damasus I

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

4:30 pm People of Holy Family

#### Sunday — Dec 12 Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a/ls12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18 8:00 am †Margaret Gannon by Kate Meyer 10:30 am Healing of Richard Pozorski by Gloria Pozorski

Weekday Masses are offered four days a week at both Holy Family and St. Robert
Masses at Holy Family are at 8:15 am on Tuesday & Wednesday, 7:00 am on Thursday & Friday in the church
Masses at St. Robert are at 7:00 am on Tuesday & Wednesday, 8:15 am on Thursday & Friday in the church
The weekend Mass schedule at St. Robert is Saturday at 4:30 pm; Sunday at 8:30 am, 11:00 am and 5:30 pm

# PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

#### A message from your Stewardship Committee

If you have not yet returned your time, talent, and treasure envelope, please bring it to Mass this weekend and put it in the collection basket. Thank you for your continued commitment to Holy Family!

#### **Holy Family Stewardship Committee**

Pat Koppa (chair) Dane Kasper Penny Kelsey Kelly Sics

#### **High School Religious Ed**

Our <u>next class</u> and small groups for both Confirmation Preparation and Confirmation Year students is <u>Sunday</u>, December 5th, 7 - 8:30pm at St. Robert. See you then!

Please note, the following HS RE gathering on Sunday, December 19th will be from \*6:30 - 8pm\* at St. Robert. We are combining our class with Family Faith Nights.

Confirmation Year students and families: The Saint Name form and Sponsor forms are due at the 12/5 class. Copies can be found on our website. Also, details on our Confirmation Retreat (Feb. 4-6, 2022) were shared as a flyer and in the weekly mailer. Let us know by Dec. 19th if you cannot attend, and we will work on finding a suitable alternate arrangement. Thank you!

#### **Thanks to Trader Joe's**

Our local Trader Joe's store donated \$100 worth of flowers that adorned the sanctuary, making the celebration of Christ the King and the installation of Fr. Enrique as our pastor so lovely. When you shop there, be sure say thanks as well.

# The Used Book Sale is Back! Donations needed!

We are happy to announce that the Used Book Sale will take place on January 8th and 9th, 2022. Please consider donating gently used books. We accept all types of books as long as they are in good condition. Please, no



magazines, encyclopedias, textbooks, DVDs or CDs. Collection bins are in the church vestibule and school lobby. Thank you!

#### **Knights of Columbus Selling Magnets**

The Knights of Columbus Immaculate Conception Council 4706 will be selling <u>Keep Christ in Christmas</u> magnets after Masses at both St. Robert and Holy Family this weekend and again next weekend. The cost is \$5.00.

<sup>\*</sup> These weekday Masses are in the Church

We have entered fully now into the season of Advent. Part of the spirit of Advent is found in the gospels themselves, where we imagine Joseph and Mary traveling to find a place to give birth to their child. They ended up in a stable of sorts, placing Jesus in a manger, really a feeding trough. It was in this humble place where Jesus rested his head for the first time. In our contemporary world there are lots of places which no longer have "room" for Jesus to reside. Perhaps in schools and universities, Jesus cannot reside. Perhaps in our workplace it is considered insensitive to display a crucifix at your desk. I remember being a counselor at a YMCA camp in college and drawing pictures of Jesus on the sidewalk with the children and being asked by the camp director to hose off the images because they were not inclusive.

It may be the case that the only place left for the infant child to find shelter is in our hearts and the hearts of our families. So we must prepare the room of our hearts. It may look like a bit of a "manger" or a "trough" - that is, it may be a bit messy, but that's OK, he will rest wherever space is offered. Here are some ways you can offer the Lord shelter this Advent at our parishes and elsewhere.

- Friday, December 10 at 6:30 PM- Attend our communal penance service at Holy Family. After a time of communal prayer, you are invited to the Sacrament of Confession. There will be priests from other parishes available along with Fr. Enrique and myself to hear confessions. Remember, a practicing Catholic goes to confession at least once a year.
- ♦ Saturday, December 18 at 7:00 PM A night of Advent Music and Adoration at St. Robert.
- ◆ Purchase Fr. John Burns new Advent Reflection Book and Journal called Adore: A Guided Advent Journal for Prayer and Meditation on Amazon.
- Watch a video series each day like "Advent Made Simple" on youtube <a href="https://bit.ly/3cYE3x4">https://bit.ly/3cYE3x4</a>
- ♦ Listen to Advent music, or religious Christmas Music as best you can! A great album to listen to is called "Advent at Ephesus" by the Benedictine Sisters of Mary, Queen of Apostles.
- Fast from meat or some other earthly good on Fridays.
- On Sundays, light an Advent wreath and read the Sunday Gospels, either by yourself or with friends or family.
- Plan now where you want to go to Christmas Mass! Christmas falls on a Saturday this year, and it might be a bit confusing we are asked to attend Mass for Christmas as well as Sunday as a part of our Catholic obligation to attend Mass on Solemnities and Sundays. Because of this, some of our Mass times will change this Christmas weekend. Check the bulletins and websites to find the times that work for you. If anyone says, "do we have to go?" you can respond, "you don't have to, you have the privilege of worshipping God twice this week!"

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Andrew





#### **Holy Day Mass Schedule**

This Wednesday, December 8th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation. Masses at Holy Family will be at 7 pm on Tuesday, December 7th, and at 8:15 am (School Mass) and 7 pm on Wednesday. On this day we commemorate Mary, the mother of Jesus, who Pope Pius IX declared was free from original sin from the

moment of her conception. Please join us!

#### **Early Bulletin Deadlines**

The upcoming holiday season means early printing deadlines for many of the Sunday bulletins through January 2nd. Please note:

- Articles for the December 19 bulletin, usually due by noon on Monday, December 13, are now due by noon on Friday, December 10
- Articles for the December 26 bulletin, usually due by noon on Monday, December 20, are now due by noon on Thursday, December 16.
- Articles for the January 2 bulletin, usually due by noon on Monday, December 27, are now due by noon on Wednesday, December 22.

Bulletin articles should be sent to holyfam@hfparish.org

### **Advent Collection for School-Age Children**

Please donate clothing for school-age children this Advent. All clothing that is appropriate for school including jeans, khakis, polos, winter coats, hats and mittens, will gladly be accepted. New items only for this collection, please. The items most quickly depleted include jeans, long sleeved tops, gloves, and

hats for boys and girls sizes 4 through adult. The clothing center is particularly challenged to supply items that are appealing and age appropriate to the children and teens who wear adult sizes. All donations go to the Ladies of Charity Clothing Center at



4th and Brown, near St. Francis Church. They have already served 400 children and, with your help, will be on target to serve 1000. Your donation can be placed in the wooden donation box on the landing of the steps leading to McCormick Hall. Many thanks!

#### Save the Date:

## Holy Family Auction - Back to the 80s February 12, 2022 at Ozaukee Country Club

Please visit <u>www.hfparishschool.org</u> and click on the auction tab to find all the information you'll need. If you'd like an invitation to the event, please fill out the link on the website. Invitations will be mailed in January.

Questions? Please contact Kris at <u>brienzak@hfparishschool.org</u>. We hope you can join us!



#### PARISH INFORMATION

#### Worship

#### **Weekend Liturgies:**

Saturday at 4:30 pm & Sunday at 8 am & 10:30 am.

#### Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday & Wednesday at 8:15 am in the church Thursday & Friday at 7:00 am in the church (Check the bulletin for schedule changes.)

#### **Baptism**

Holy Family Parish takes its sacramental life most seriously. Parents and godparents who wish to celebrate the sacrament of Baptism are required to attend a one -session preparation program. Classes at Holy Family are usually on the third Saturday of the odd-numbered months at 10:30 am in the Kerstein Center. Please contact the parish office to register. Sessions last about two hours.

#### Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available on Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:00 pm. Please arrive promptly. The Sacrament may also be celebrated by appointment. Seasonal communal celebrations of Reconciliation are observed in collaboration with all the North Shore parishes.

#### **Matrimony**

At least six months preparation is required. Please contact the parish office for more information.

#### **Parish Membership**

All interested Catholics are invited to register as active members in our parish. Registration usually occurs in McCormick Hall the 1st weekend of the month after all Masses, but until things return to normal you can call the parish office to register by phone. Non-Catholics are invited to call for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

#### **Parish School Registration**

Families interested in our Parish School, grades K4-8, please contact the School Office. Half day and full day options are available for K3, K4 and K5. Please call the school office at 332-8175 for more information.

# Parish Office – Kerstein Center Phone: 414-332-9220

Please email us at holyfam@hfparish.org or call call 414-332-9220

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

Noon on Monday prior to publication, but subject to change due to holiday printing schedules. Send articles to holyfam@hfparish.org. Submission of an article does not guarantee it will appear in the bulletin.

#### **Pastoral Council Information**

As a parishioner you have a vital role to play in the life of your parish. If you would like to make a suggestion regarding an important aspect of Holy Family Parish please contact one of the parish trustees listed on the front of the bulletin. Thank you and may God bless you.



#### **Open Door Café Desserts**

The December deadline to drop off desserts is Noon on Friday, December 10th at 4961 N. Woodruff Ave. Open Door Café remains unable to



accept home baked goods at this time. Please donate any of the following boxes of individually packaged: Granola Bars, Little Debbie or Hostess Snack Cakes. Single Serve Bags of Chips/Crackers/ Cookies. Thank you to our many volunteers for the blessings toward this ministry.

#### **Donate Warm Socks**

We will be collecting warm socks for homeless men at the Guest House for Christmas. If you would like to contribute, please leave your sock donations in the box by the side door at 4964 N. Marlborough. Thank you!

#### **New Trustee**

Katie Kasper was nominated by Fr. Enrique to serve as our new parish trustee, replacing Bob Kowalsky who recently completed six years of service in the position. Since no parishioners came forward to run against Katie, she has automatically become the trustee and no election will be necessary. We thank Katie for her willingness to serve Holy Family. Many thanks also to Bob Kowalsky for his faithful, dedicated service to our parish.



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