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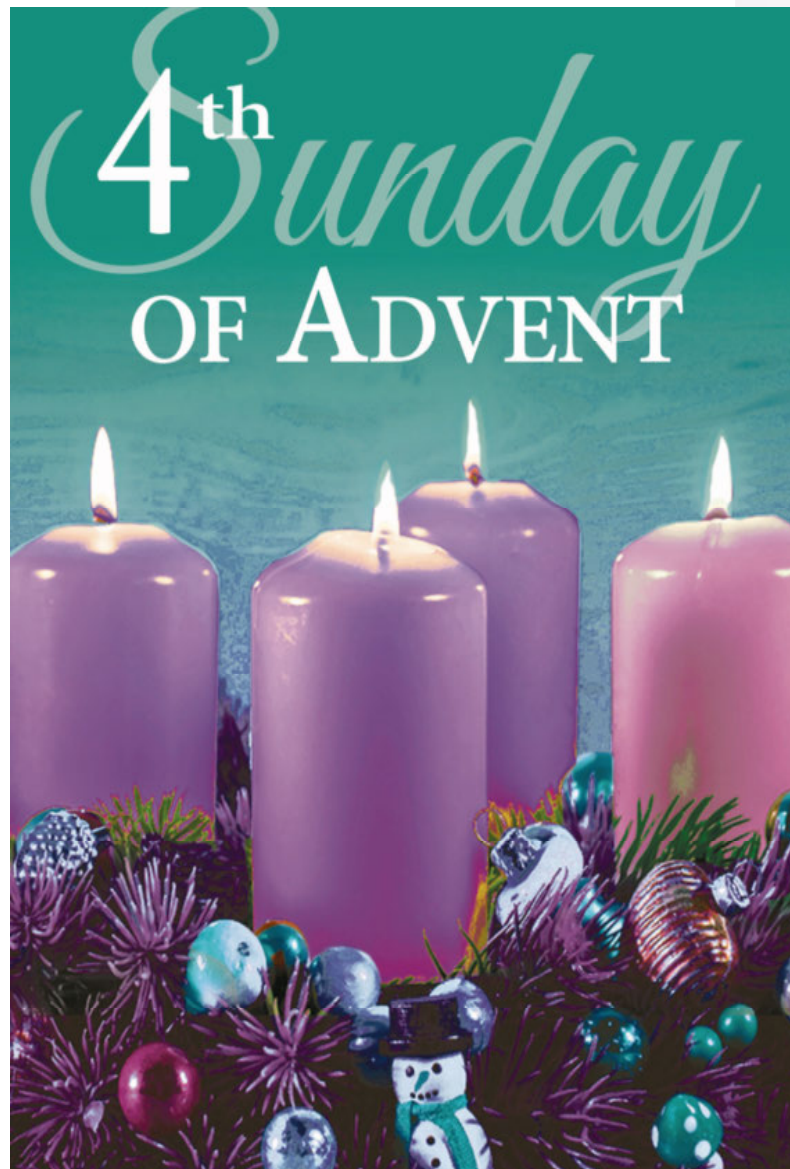
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## Welcome to Holy Family Parish!

*You are a stranger but once; you are a child of God, redeemed by our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. We bid you welcome in His name. Through our loving and praying family may you find friendship, peace and serenity in His house.*

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December 19, 2021 • Fourth Sunday of Advent

# AROUND THE ALTAR

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**Monday – Dec 20 Late Advent Weekday**  
Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday – Dec 21 St. Peter Canisius**  
Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/  
Lk 1:39-45  
8:15 am †Marie Barrock by Anita Fleisch

**Wednesday – Dec 22 Late Advent Weekday**  
1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56  
8:15 am Oates Family

**Thursday – Dec 23 St. John of Kanty**  
Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/  
Lk 1:57-66  
7:00 am Health of Michael Lovell  
by Cathy Breitenbucher

**Friday – Dec 24 Christmas Eve**  
4:30 pm †James R. Fox  
by Maurice & Susan Fox and Family  
9:00 pm †Thomas & Mercedes Volkmann

**Saturday – Dec 25 Christmas Day**  
8:00 am †Ambrose Murphy  
by JoAnn & Tom Murphy  
10:30 am People of Holy Family  
4:30 pm People of Holy Family

**Sunday – Dec 26 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**  
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12  
-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10  
[cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52  
8:00 am Living & deceased members of the  
Petrykowski & Kolanko Families  
10:30 am †Jim Hagner by Joan Hagner

Regular 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 regular 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

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ST. ROBERT & HOLY FAMILY  
**Family Faith Nights**  
SUNDAY, DEC. 19TH • 6:30 - 8PM  
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An evening of Christmas joy and community.  
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*Our Family Faith Nights create time for families at  
St. Robert & Holy Family to join together in family ministry.  
These nights are open to all parish and school families.  
All are welcome!*

### Early Bulletin Deadlines

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

- ◆ The early deadline for the December 26 bulletin has passed
- ◆ 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](mailto:holyfam@hfparish.org)

### 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!



### Prospective K3 Informational Night

Please join us on Tuesday, January 4th at 6:30pm in the Holy Family K3 classroom. You are welcome to meet the K3 teacher, ask questions, and learn more about our program. Registration materials will be available. Visit [www.hfparishschool.org](http://www.hfparishschool.org) for more information or contact Kris Brienza at [brienzak@hfparishschool.org](mailto:brienzak@hfparishschool.org) with questions.



The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” From the Gospel of Luke

The Incarnation is a wonderful mystery in which we remember and celebrate when the word of God became flesh. First, it happened in the lowly virgin named Mary. This Incarnation took place through the Holy Spirit when she said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” In that moment, when the angel departed from her, the presence of God now physically began on Earth. Joseph in his own way, saying yes to the Angel’s word in his dream, allowed Jesus to become the son of his love. The wise men would pay Him homage and lay their best treasures before him. In doing so, they too gave witness that Jesus is the true light of the world. As Christians, we are called to hear the Good News and say “Yes” to God in the life of humble obedience, like the Holy Family. Our world is broken and needs more holy men and women; the world is dark and in need of Christians to give witness to the true light. One of my favorite quotes about the Incarnation comes from St. Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, he stated: “For the Son of God became man so that we might become like God.” It is a very humble statement. Knowing that through this mystery, when we say “Yes” to God, He can make his dwelling on earth in and through us.

As we will celebrate Christmas Masses, each one of you can be sure and certain that you are all remembered at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. All the readings for all the various Christmas liturgies proclaim the same mystery. God not only creates life and pours out grace in the midst of it, he chooses to join us in our lives by becoming one of us. He is Emmanuel, God with us! Whatever the circumstances of your life right now ~ grief or joy, struggle or success, faith or doubt ~ Jesus is right there with you. Choose life with Jesus! Let Him be born again in your heart. Allow Him to enter into your life and give you the life for which you were created.

This is my prayer for you and your families this Christmas: Father, help us to say “Yes” to you, like Mary, like Joseph, and allow your Son to find a home within our hearts. May your word be welcomed within our hearts, helping us to become Holy, as you are Holy. May we too be wise and give our best to you, revealing your presence in this world, first and foremost to our families and to those around us.

I wish a Holy and Blessed Christmas and Peaceful New Year to all my dear parishioners of Holy Family and Saint Robert of Newminster. May the Love, Joy and Peace of Jesus be in your hearts and your homes.

See you at Mass!

Feliz Navidad,

**Fr. J. Enrique Hernandez**

Pastor



**This week  
we’re praying for  
the Flannery  
family**

## High School Religious Ed.

This Sunday, December 19th is our next class gathering for both Confirmation Preparation and Confirmation Year students. **\*6:30 - 8pm\*** - please note this single time change - at St. Robert. We are combining our class with Family Faith Nights. Starting in the Church and then moving to Reilly Hall.

**Confirmation Year students and families:** The Saint Name form and Sponsor form were both due at our last class (12/05). Copies are available 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.

## 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!



## The Used Book Sale is Back! Donations needed!

We're happy to announce that the Used Book Sale will be held on January 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Please consider donating gently used books. We accept all types of books in good condition. Please, no magazines, encyclopedias, textbooks, DVDs or CDs. Collection bins are in the church vestibule and school lobby. Thank you!

## Choir Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 19  
7 pm in the church

Led by Music Director Larry Theiss, the Holy Family Choir performs a selection of Christmas songs & carols.

Please come and celebrate the season with us!

Admission is free. Donations gratefully accepted.

## Holy Family Back to the 80's Auction

Save the date: The Holy Family Auction is Saturday, February 12th at the Ozaukee Country Club. Please check out the Auction tab at [hfparishschool.org](http://hfparishschool.org) for up to date information.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.





**Christmas Mass Schedule for Holy Family**

**Christmas Eve: 4:30 pm and 9:00 pm**


**Christmas Day: 8:00 am and 10:30 am**

**Mass Schedule for St. Robert**

**Christmas Eve: 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm**

**Christmas Day: 12:00 am, 8:30 am and 11:00 am**

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