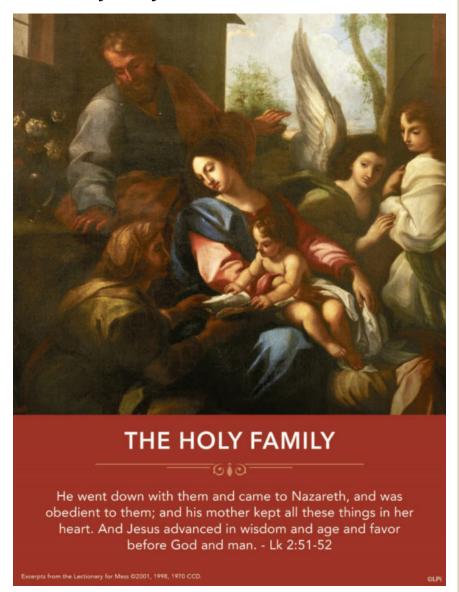
# The Catholic Communities of

# HOLY ROSARY, MEDFORD & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, WHITTLESEY

December 26, 2021

The Holy Family



#### Sacrament of Baptism:

Parents must attend a preparation class. Our next class will be on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 7:00pm.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays 6:00 to 7:00 pm and Saturdays 2:30 to 3:30 pm at Holy Rosary and Saturdays 6:00 pm at OLPH. Individual Reconciliation available by appointment.

## Sacrament of Matrimony:

Arrangements must be made at least six months before a tentative date is set. Contact the cluster office. Our next pre-marriage day will be on April 2, 2022.

#### Sacrament of the Sick:

Call the cluster office if you or a loved one is sick, in the hospital or homebound.

New Parishioners are welcome to register in our parish communities. Stop by the cluster office.

## OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

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### Mass Schedule

Tuesday — 5:15 pm Wednesday — 8:30 am Thursday — 8:30 am Saturday — 4:00 pm Sunday — 8:30 am & 10:30 am

#### Adoration & Confession

Tuesday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm Saturday from 2:30 - 3:30 pm

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## Mass Schedule

Friday — 8:30 am Saturday — 6:30 pm

#### Adoration

Friday for 1 hour after the 8:30 am Mass

#### Confession

Friday for 1 hour after the 8:30 am Mass Saturday at 6:00 pm

#### **Cluster Contact Information**

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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## Holy Rosary School Office

Principal, Theresa Easterly ext. 222 Secretary, Kelcie Weissmiller ext. 221

## Fr. Patrick

"Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord." I have always enjoyed my family's vacations. Taking time away to be with the people that I love in a new place has an opportunity to bring you together or to challenge you. We read in our Gospel today for the feast of the Holy Family that it was no different for Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

On their annual trip to Jerusalem for the celebrations, they found themselves challenged with the struggles of family. These struggles come down to a very simple fact, recognizing the gift of the ones that are in your midst.

Today in our world we are seeing a continual attack on the gift of family. There are new ways of defining family, there are new models of family, and the gift of family itself continues to be challenged. With this reality, it is providential that the last weekend of the year is marked by a reflection on the beauty and dignity of the family marked by a simple fact, Jesus is at the center.

As we face these challenges of the family the question we all should be asking is how do we remedy the taking over our families and the simplest and most effective solution is provided for us in our readings this weekend. "We should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us." (1Jn 2:23)

It was challenging even for Mary and Joseph to recognize this reality, that it is God who is necessary and Christ asks not only His parents but us all "Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" (Lk 2:50)

We are as a people still on a journey, still on "vacation" traveling in a foreign land and yet we are called to remember that "home is where the heart is." Our homes, the place where our family dwells must always be "the Father's house." Let us continue to ask how we are to make our home the Father's home? How do we continue to work on centering our families on Christ? And finally, let us thank God that the Lord Jesus Christ chose to make His home with us. He is Emmanuel, God with us, the one who has chosen to make His home with us!

This weekend marks the end of our current Mass schedule. We will begin our new Mass schedule starting January 1st. I encourage us all to make sure to read the schedule that we have provided in the bulletin. I also want to remind you that starting next weekend Fr. Kanna and myself will be alternating Mass schedules. Also, please note that all Masses of the cluster are available to our whole church family. As we begin this transition let us approach it as one family, united in Christ. I invite all our parish families to go to other churches for Mass. Get to know our other church families, and to spread the Love of the Father to our family in Christ. In this new year, I wish you all a Merry Christmas, and a blessed New Year where we begin a new journey together as the Holy Family did, with Christ as the center and source of our love.

The Church doors will be open daily (Sunday thru Saturday) from 7:00am to 7:00pm.

Ma	ass Intentions for the Week	<b>S</b>
Saturday, I	December 25, 2021 — Christmas Day Masses	6
	† Marcella Dums by Dave & Jayne Haenel	OLPH
10:30 am	† Jason Zirngibl by the Family	HR
1 '	December 25, 2021	
	HR & OLPH Parish Families	HR
6:30 pm	† Floyd & Mary Emmerich by Jackie Zielke	OLPH
, ,	ecember 26, 2021	
	† Melva Klinger by Patti Nelson	HR
	† Norbert Pernsteiner by Agnes and Family	HR
, .	December 28, 2021	
5:15 pm	Communion Service	HR
	y, December 29, 2021	
8:30 am	† Eugene Heindl by Kathy	HR
Thursday,	December 30, 2021	
8:30 am	† Michael Brehm by Jim & Jane Pehlke	HR
Friday, De	cember 31, 2021 — New Year's Eve Mass	
12:00 am	HR & OLPH Parish Families	HR
Saturday, J	January 1, 2022 — New Year's Day Masses	
	† Raymond Brandner by Mary Lamberty	OLPH
10:30 am	† Les Buehler by Ben & Jean Egle	HR
Saturday, J	January 1, 2022	
5:00 pm	† June Butkus by Lyle & Linda Peterson	HR
	nuary 2, 2022	
	† Gale Niggemann by Mary & George	OLPH
	† Thomas Carroll by Mike & Peggy	HR
10:30 am	† Julee Klemm by Sam & Melanie Erspamer	HR
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## Daily Bible Readings for the Week of December 26

Sunday: 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 Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 1 [n 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18 Tuesday: 1 [n 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Jlla]/Lk 2:36-40 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18 Friday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/ Saturday: Lk 2:16-21 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



# What's Happening at Holy Rosary

## Tuesday, December 28, 2021

5:15 pm Communion Service

## Wednesday, December 29, 2021

NO School

8:30 am Mass

#### Thursday, December 30, 2021

NO School

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Adoration & Confessions until 10:00 am

#### Friday, December 31, 2021

Parish Office Closed

11:00 pm Adoration

12:00 am New Year's Eve Midnight Mass

#### Saturday, January 1, 2022

12:00 pm New Year's Day Mass

**5:00 pm** Mass

### Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:30 am Mass 10:30 am Mass

## Holy Rosary School Pizza Fundraiser



Order forms are available in the parish and school office or you can purchase your pizzas from a Holy Rosary student. Order forms and money are due back to school on Friday, January 7, 2022.

Pizza pickup will take place on January 27, 2022 from 5:00pm - 8:00pm. All funds raised go directly towards the school and teachers for items needed. Your support for our pizza sale is greatly appreciated. Thank you.



# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Upcoming Events

Saturday, January 1, 2022

8:30 am New Year's Day Mass

Sunday, January 2, 2022

7:30 am Mass

#### Wednesday, January 5, 2022

6:00 pm Grades K-5 RE Classes 7:15 pm Grades 6-12 RE Classes

#### Friday, January 7, 2022

8:30 am Mass followed by Adoration & Confession for 1-hour

## Holy Rosary School News

Holy Rosary Catholic School was established in 1890 to educate, prepare, and inspire our students to achieve their full potential as lifelong learners while developing a spiritual faith formation.

Our mission calls us to minister to Medford and the surrounding communities, by supporting the spiritual, cognitive, physical, and social development of each individual child enrolled from three-year-old preschool through sixth grade.

We challenge and encourage our students to attain the highest level of academic achievement and to live out the social justice teachings of the Catholic Church values with one another, our families, and the extended community.

We believe that a strong faith formation supports the natural curiosity and imagination of our students and prepares them to take their place as leaders in our society.

## Living out the Mission

Holy Rosary School children and staff want to wish you a very Blessed Christmas. We look forward to an amazing New Year. I would also like to thank you for your continued support and prayers.

The message of Christmas is that where there is hope, love, light and life, the plan and purpose of God will reach.

We pray for joy in our hearts, hope in our God, love to forgive, and peace upon the earth. Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with your love and power. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Wishing you a Christmas that is Merry and Bright with the light of God's love.

Each Student Matters,
Every Moment Counts, Christ in the Center

Diocese of Superior Men's Retreat - Feb. 5-6, 2022

Redeeming Masculinity: Christ's Urgent Call to Authentic Manliness

8:00am Saturday to 12:00pm Sunday Heartwood - Trego, WI

What To Expect — Dynamic and engaging talks / Times for personal prayer and reflection / Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration / Spiritual Direction with Priests / Fellowship with other Catholic men from around the diocese



Speaker Peter Andrastek — Peter has worked in adult formation in the Church since 2003. He holds a Masters Degree in Pastoral Theology from Ave Maria University. His experience includes preaching retreats, teaching theology and adult catechesis courses, being a guest lecturer at seminaries, and giving presentations

and trainings for numerous parishes, dioceses, movements, and institutions in the Church. He also has articles published in Notre Dame's Church Life Journal. Peter currently advises a team that serves over 110 ministries around the world, including dioceses, parishes, and military bases. He lives in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin with his wife and 8 children.

Register Online at <a href="https://catholicdos.org/mens-ministry">https://catholicdos.org/mens-ministry</a>. Cost: \$100 for dual occupancy room.

## NEW YEAR PRAYER:

Thank You Lord for giving me
The brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should
As each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom
That I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage
So a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty,
Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy
And happiness it brings.
Amen.



## Volunteer Christmas Party

The annual <u>Adult Only</u> Volunteer Christmas Party sponsored by the Finance and Parish Councils of Holy

Rosary and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parishes will be held on Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:30pm in the Holy Rosary Social Hall. All adult volunteers who serve the parish or school in any way are invited to attend. There will be food and refreshments served. **Please RSVP if you will be attending by December 20<sup>th</sup>** by calling the office at 715-748-3336 x247 or by sending an email to bulletin@hrmedford.org.

The Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women would like to thank everyone for the tremendous response for our annual Christmas Bake Sale.

Thanks to: • the chairladies — for the great job in calling the monthly lists for donations • all who made the many wonderful knit items • all who donated other items and baked goods to our sale as well as monetary donations • Mary and our great group of ladies that produce the delicious "Stollen" — we couldn't do it without all of you • all who purchased items • all who helped in any way.

Net proceeds from this sale will be used by our organization for various projects throughout the year. This generosity was over and above our expectations and is greatly appreciated. ~ Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women, Shirley Pleus & Donna Doriot, Bake Sale Coordinators

## Religious Education Schedule

December 29th

NO Religious Education Classes

January 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

 Classes for grades 1 - 4
 4:00 to 5:00 pm

 Classes for grades 5 - 8
 6:00 to 7:00 pm

 Classes for grades 9 & 10
 7:15 to 8:15 pm

 Class for grade 11
 7:15 to 8:45 pm

## Religious Education "News You Need to Know"

Merry Christmas!! And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. Luke 2:8-11

I want to wish everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas. During this wonderful season of Christmas, I think about the many reasons I have to be Thankful. For my family, my health and my friends. I'm thankful for all the people in our parish, you help make our parish come alive. The ladies and men who do the funeral lunches, the KC's, CCW and the school staff. Thank you to the people who help at the many events, in our parish and who serve on various committees. Thanks to all the people who many people do not see that do so much behind the scenes, to those who decorate our church, set up for Mass, etc. To the volunteers that help with the Religious Education program and the people who support our students (during our fundraising efforts) as we help them on their faith journey. Each of you are making a difference in the lives of our students and our parish.

I hope during this special time of the year everyone has time to stop and reflect on the Joy in our lives. Please remember in your thoughts and prayers those who are away from home. Merry Christmas!

Reminder NO Religious Education classes on December 29<sup>th</sup> due to Christmas and New Year's. We will resume classes for all grades on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.

**RCIA** — Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) class will begin on Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> in the Fireplace Lounge after the 10:30am Mass. For more information or to sign up for the RCIA program please contact Mike or Amy at the parish office at 715-748-3336.

If you have any questions or comments contact me via email at <a href="mailto:mbub@hrmedford.org">mbub@hrmedford.org</a> or call me at 715-748-3336 x248.

Thank you, Michael Bub

Catholic Herald Subscription — If you would like to get a subscription of the Catholic Herald sent to your home contact the parish office at 715-748-3336. All subscribers receive 26 issues per year. The suggested cost of the subscription is \$20.

Beginning Christmas Eve and continuing thru the Christmas season and Ordinary Time, the Mass setting that will be sung is the Mass of the Good Shepherd. This Mass is not found in the Breaking Bread book; however, Assembly Books will be in the pews for use by the congregation.



1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parent Session Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the Fireplace Lounge

# Holy Rosary Financial Support

### December 7-13, 2021

Adult Envelopes	\$14,138.00
Loose Collection	\$1,792.44
School Support	\$616.00
Christmas	\$120.00
Aftercare	\$959.50
Tuition - School	\$18,095.00
Donations - Church	\$7,942.43
Grant - School	\$2,500.00
Other	\$1,638.78
Subtotal	\$47,802.15

#### October 1-31, 2021

Checking Balance: 10-1-21	\$463,722.91
Income	\$185,941.60
Expense	\$203,262.20
Ending Balance: 10-31-21	\$446,402.31

# Year-End Giving

If you are making a donation for the year 2021, the checks must be dated no later than 12-31-21. All checks dated after 12-31-21 will be entered on your statements for the year 2022. If you have any questions please call Rick at 715-748-3336 ext. 254.

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Financial Support

#### December 13, 2021

Adult Envelopes	.\$1,795.00
Loose Collection	\$125.00
Votives	\$22.00
Cemetery	\$35.00
Immaculate Conception	\$221.00
Total	.\$2,198.00

## Catholic Services Appeal Update

Total assessment	\$9,338.00
Total CSA Paid to date	\$4,305.00
Subtotal	\$5,033.00
Remaining pledges due	\$550.00
Remaining balance due	\$4,483.00

Total pledges \$4,855.00 — 27 Families

## October 1-31, 2021

Checking Balance: 10-1-21	\$22,220.60
Income	\$6,416.91
Expense	\$12,986.12
Ending Balance: 10-31-21	\$15,651.39

## Catholic Service Appeal Update (CSA) for 2021-2022

Total pledges \$37,948.00 — 126 Families

## Holy Rosary Maintenance Fund December 13, 2021

New Cash Contributed	\$65.00
Pledges received	\$0.00

If you have a prayer you would like passed on, please contact Jane Schiszik at 715-748-5240.

## New Year's Mass Times

Thursday, December 31: Friday, January 1:
11:00pm Adoration 8:30am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Midnight Mass at Holy Rosary 12:00pm at Holy Rosary

## Diocese of Superior Women's Retreat - February 19-20, 2022

## The Feminine Genius: Living Lives as Women of God

8:00am Saturday to 12:00pm Sunday Heartwood - Trego, WI

**Registration Opens Online December 1**st at <a href="https://catholicdos.org/womens-ministry">https://catholicdos.org/womens-ministry</a>. Cost: \$100 for dual occupancy room.

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Speaker Gina Loehr — Gina Loehr is the author of five books and the mother of six children. She taught theology for five years at Marian University in Wisconsin, where she lives on the Loehr family's 600-acre century dairy farm. An alumna of NET Ministries, Gina holds a master's degree in theology from Franciscan University and has worked as a high school teacher,

the director of a pro-life educational outreach program in Cincinnati, and an NFP instructor. She has also participated in seminars with the former Pontifical Councils for the Laity and the Family. Her books include The Church is Our Mother; Real Women, Real Saints; Choosing Beauty: A 30-Day Spiritual Makeover for Women; Saint Francis, Pope Francis: A Common Vision; and The Four Teresas.



Music Aly Aleigha — Aly Aleigha is an Indie-Folk Singer / Songwriter as well as a Catholic Speaker / Worship Leader from Duluth, MN. When she is not touring, she spends her days rock climbing cliffs that plunge into beautiful Lake Superior and enjoying the beauty of creation.

### New Mass Schedule as of January 1, 2022

Good Shepherd (GS), Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH), Holy Rosary (HR), Sacred Heart (SH)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OLPH 7:30 am		HR 5:15 pm	HR 8:30 am	GS 8:30 am	OLPH 8:30 am	SH 4:00 pm
HR 8:30 am		GS 6:00 pm	SH 8:30 am	HR 8:30 am	SH 8:30 am	HR 5:00 pm
GS 9:30 am						GS 6:30 pm
HR 10:30 am						
SH 5:30 pm						



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