The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 26, 2021





News & Happenings

Solemnity of Mary Mass Schedule

Friday, December 31st @ 4:00 p.m. Saturday, January 1st @ 9:30 a.m.

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, celebrates Mary's faith and trust in God alone. May we always strive to imitate her faith.



Wedding Anniversary Blessing: Celebrating their diamond wedding anniversary this weekend, we congratulate Paul and Carole Perona on 60 years of marriage and wish them many more years of love and good health together.

Calendars: Complimentary 2022 calendars are available by all doors of the church. Special thanks to Mueller Funeral Home for providing them.

In Memoriam: Pray for the repose of the soul of Richard "Dick" Foltynewicz who passed away December 6th. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Volunteers for Parish Ministries: As we come close to the end of the year, consider volunteering some of your time/talent to our parish. We can always use more ushers, readers, and Eucharistic ministers. Call Jennifer for more information.

Mass Intention Requests: Our 2022 book of intentions is quickly filling up. We do have a handful of <u>weekday</u> Masses open for scheduling. Call the parish office to setup.

2021 ADA - All in the name of Jesus: "Whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of Jesus" (Colossians 3:17). Your support of the annual appeal helps make necessary programs and ministries throughout the diocese possible...a feat not possible by one single parish, but a mission for us all! If you haven't given to the appeal yet, we humbly ask for your participation. Help us reach and surpass our goal of \$35,995. Every dollar raised over our goal will come back to Holy Family Parish. Pledge cards can be found by all exits. We encourage you to make checks payable directly to Holy Family Church.

Bulletin Advertisement: We are grateful for the continued support of businesses advertising in our weekly bulletins and monthly newsletter. We ask that you consider patronizing these local establishments. For any business not listed on the back that is interested in becoming a bulletin provider, please contact the parish office.

Upcoming Conference: Fr. Carlson will be attending a conference on homiletics from January 3rd to 10th. We are appreciative of the priests from LaSalle who will be covering our weekend Masses. Daily Masses during this time will be offered privately by Fr. Carlson. If you have an intention during this time, you may call the parish if you would like it rescheduled.

Football Mania - Week 14 Winners

\$400 - Susie Nelson	\$100 - Bob Suarez
\$50 - Jamie Weitl	\$50 - Kim Croissant
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Charles Teague
\$25 - Caitie Finnell	\$25 - Jennifer Martyn
\$25 - Lisa Leininger	\$25 - Joseph Callan
\$25 - Luke/Charissa Ferrari	\$25 - Keith/Rita Gehm
\$25 - HFS	\$25 - Paula Ficek
\$25 - Justin Rubley	\$25 _ HFS

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\$25 - Mike/Sue Jereb \$25 - Jason Grubich

Religious Education: We hope everyone has been enjoying their Christmas break. CCD classes will resume on Wednesday, January 5th.

Christmas Memorials: In addition to the Memorial listing included in this weekend's bulletin, you may watch a short video from our parish Facebook page.

Contribution Statements: There is no need to contact the parish office for your year end donation statement. They will be mailed out to all families of the parish.

In Gratitude: Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers that helped decorate the church in radiant splendor. What beauty befits our newborn King! Thank you to: Kim and Terry Olszewski, Margie and Dave Zebron, Gerri Lynn Pearse, Lana Peterlin, Laura Weiden, Lori Kostellic, Frances Crew, and Joyce Sell and everyone who lent a hand.

Respect Life: The Knights of Columbus Council 2090 will be sponsoring a prayer event:

Date: Saturday, January 8, 2022

Where: St. Patrick's Church (725 4th St., LaSalle)

Time: 10:00 a.m.—Noon

There will be a prolife speaker, beads for life rosary, Mass celebrated and recitation of the divine mercy chaplet.



Oglesby Council 7801 Fish Fry

Make plans to enjoy a great seafood dinner. The local Knights of Columbus will host their first fish fry of the New Year on Friday, January 14th. Serving will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. (Carryout dinners only). Choose between fried cod, fried shrimp, or a combination plate. All dinners are served with french fries, coleslaw and bread. To place a carryout order, call the Hall that day, beginning at 1:00 p.m.... (815) 883-3181.

Homemade Tortellini & Sauce: Holy Family is definitely blessed with some kind and talented volunteers. We are thankful for all those that come to make homemade tortellini each week! We are currently sold out, but more are coming in the New Year! And to complete your meal, we also stock Dalla Campanella three meat sauce made by the LaSalle Catholic Parishes. The traditional recipe from Northern Italy was perfected in Holy Rosary Shrine's kitchen following World War II.

Gospel Meditation - December 26th

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are



usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

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Office Hours

Mondays & Fridays: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Confession - In the church Saturday Afternoon 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Sunday Morning 7:30-7:45 a.m.

Mass Schedule

12/26, 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday - Feast of the Holy Family Ron Sharpe, Joe, Sophie, and Ermie Castagna + Frank and Rena Ingegnoli by Carol Schmidt
12/28, 7:30 a.m.	Tuesday - The Holy Innocents + Roger Hamilton
12/29, 7:30 a.m.	Wednesday - St. Thomas Becket Living and Deceased Members of the Grubar Family
12/30, 7:30 a.m.	Thursday + John Biolchini
12/31, 4:00 p.m.	Friday - Solemnity of Mary (Vigil) + Frank Rossi
1/1, 9:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Saturday - Solemnity of Mary + Louise "Lulu" Kozikowski by The Altar & Rosary Society + Jimmy Wojciechowski by Joey and JoJo Mioni
1/2, 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday - Epiphany of the Lord For the Parish + Donald and Dolores Baima

Minister Schedule

December 26th @ 8:00 a.m.	January 1st @ 4:00 p.m.
Reader: Colette Spears	Reader: Deena Pavinato
EMHC: John Crew	EMHC: Shelly Breidenbach
Ushers: Jim Clinard	Ushers: Mark Van De Wyngaerde
Mike Liebhart	Joe Vittone
December 26th @ 11:00 a.m.	January 2nd @ 8:00 a.m.
Reader: Stan Wolf	Reader: Mark Duttlinger
EMHC: Amie Walker	EMHC: Christina Elnicki
Altar Server: Lenee McCoy	Ushers: Drew Jessen
Ushers: Jake Newman	Joel Gerdovich
Noah Sherman	January 2nd @ 11:00 a.m.
December 31st @ 4:00 p.m.	Reader: Brian Sherman
Reader: Sue Van De Wyngaerde	EMHC: Brian Sherman
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Ushers: Lowell Beenenga	Ushers: Jonah Sherman
January 1st @ 9:30 a.m.	Cathy Granata
Reader: Amie Walker	
EMHC: Amie Walker	

Reminder: There will not be a 4:00 p.m. Mass offered on Saturday, December 25th.

Ushers: Jake Newman

Finance Corner

Due to an early transmission deadline for our bulletin, there are no weekly totals available. Information will be printed in the next bulletin.



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