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DECEMBER 6, 2020

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Prepare the way of the Lord." - Mk 1:3

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 6:00pm
Wednesday-Saturday: 8am
Sat. Evening Anticipated Mass: 5pm
Sunday: 8:00am | 10:30am | 6pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 5:30-5:50pm
Saturday: after 8am Mass to 9am;
4-4:45pm
Sunday: 5-5:45pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-12:30pm

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

Mass Intentions | Sacraments | Ministry Schedule

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Dec 7 - St. Ambrose

Tuesday, Dec 8 - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

8:00 am Parishioners of Holy Family Parish & Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese
6:00 pm Past & Present Members of the Legion of Mary

Wednesday, Dec 9 - Advent Weekday

8:00 am Margaret Crone Carnes

Thursday, Dec 10 - Advent Weekday

8:00 am Bonnie Jenkins

Friday, Dec 11 - Advent Weekday

8:00 am Peter Latino

Saturday, Dec 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 am Margaret Read
5:00 pm Norma Meiners

Sunday, Dec 13 - Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Parishioners of Holy Family Parish
10:30 am Jack Krininger
6:00 pm Special Intention

SACRAMENT INFORMATION



Sacrament of Baptism

Infant Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the Baptism of their first child or if it has been more than 3 years since you last attended this class. Contact Theresa Shaw at (812) 944-8283x5 to schedule.



Sacrament of Confirmation

For adult Confirmation preparation (R.C.I.A.), contact the parish office (812) 944-8283.



Sacrament of Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Adults is done through the R.C.I.A. program. Preparation for children, contact Theresa Shaw at (812) 944-8283x5.



Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Tuesdays 5:30-5:50 p.m., Saturdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass until 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 - 4:45 p.m., Sundays 5:00-5:50 p.m. or by request and appointment. For children's preparation, contact Theresa Shaw at (812) 944-8283x5.



Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Offered 6 times per year after the 8 a.m. Mass is celebrated upon request at home or in the hospital. In an emergency call Fr. Jeremy Gries at (812) 944-8283x1.



Sacrament of Matrimony

All Catholics, even if marrying a non-Catholic, are required to have their marriage witnessed by a priest or deacon unless dispensed. Please contact Fr. Jeremy Gries at (812) 944-8283x1.



Sacrament of Holy Orders

Men who feel called to priesthood or permanent diaconate may contact Fr. Jeremy Gries at (812) 944-8283x1 or Fr. Eric Augenstein, Vocation Director, at 1-800-382-9836, or visit heargodscall.com.

For more information on sacraments, please visit our website: www.holyfamilynewalbany.org/sacraments

MASS INTENTIONS: Each celebration of the Mass is the Church's union with Christ's prayer and the offering of himself to the Father as he did on Calvary. Therefore Holy Mass is the perfect prayer and of infinite benefit. At each Mass the priest offers this great prayer and sacrifice for a particular intention, inviting the other faithful present to offer theirs.

To schedule a Mass intention: Please mail the parish office or drop off the dates you would like request intention. The stole offering for a Mass intention is \$10.00. We will schedule on or as close as possible to the date(s) you request. You will receive a written form of the dates selected.

IN THE HOSPITAL? If you or someone you are assisting is admitted to Baptist Health Floyd, please inform a nurse or hospital chaplain that you are a Catholic and would like Communion brought to you. You will be visited by those who distribute daily Holy Communion. Please call the parish office if you need/want Father Jeremy Gries to visit.

PRAYERS: Please write in the Book of Intercessory Prayers located at the east entrance to the church, sitting below the statue of the Holy Family.

Bulletin Deadline is 10 days prior to the Sunday of publication.

Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe for the Protection from Coronavirus

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!



Haiti Homes for Christmas Challenge:

As I talked about last week, I would love to see members of Holy Family to provide a new home for Christmas for a family in need in Haiti in cooperation with Cross Catholic International. To do so, **we would need to raise \$8,580. This would provide a new, clean, storm worthy home to a Haitian family.** When I pitched the idea of building a home to the Parish Council, their response was overwhelmingly supportive and unanimous that we should go for it. Here are a few of their thoughts on the outreach:



As a member of HF Pastoral Council, I would like to encourage the parish to participate in an Advent outreach project called Homes for Christmas. It is a project where we as a parish family can help the poor in Haiti who are in great need of proper housing. It is answering our Lord's call to help the least of our brothers and sisters. I hope you will consider giving to this worthy project. ~ Tom Andres

This year has brought us all many uncertainties and insecurities, from financial instability to social isolation, loss of jobs to loss of our neighbors due to the COVID19 pandemic. While this feeling of wariness is new for many Americans, to our brothers and sisters in other areas of the world this is a reality they live with on a daily basis and to an extreme still unfathomable to many people in our area. I believe participating in this project will put the hardships we have faced into perspective and allow some semblance of stability to those who need it most. ~ Tyler Hirsch

I am looking forward to this opportunity to give something that we so easily take for granted. As proclaimed in yesterday's Gospel, Jesus calls us to give to the least of our brothers and sisters to, in turn, give to Him. ~ Stephanie Andres

You can make your contribution to the **Haitian Home for Christmas on the Holy Family Faith Direct** – “One-Time Gift Now” or by sending a check to Holy Family with “Advent Haiti Home” in the memo line. More information can be found at: crosscatholic.org/advent. I've already made my contribution!

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Technology has been growing in importance for years, but since the pandemic, it has exploded. And this importance is especially true in the Church. Technology can be a great way to spread the Gospel and bring the Faith to those in need. Holy Family is looking for interested persons willing to serving on a Tech Team. Training will be provided. Time commitment would be an hour or two a month. If interested, please contact Fr Gries or Kelli Reutman at the parish office.

TECHTEAM

Happy Advent! Happy Feast of St Nicholas! May we truly prepare our hearts and our homes to receive the Messiah!

Holy Family, Traveling to Bethlehem, Pray for us.

~ Fr Jeremy M. Gries

LITURGY GUIDE

Second Sunday of Advent

Opening Song: Comfort, My People

Comfort, my people, and calm all your fear;
the day of salvation is quickly drawing near.
The One you long to see will soon set you free.
O come, Lord Jesus, come. O come, Lord Jesus, come.

Silence the thunder, silence sounds of war.
End all destruction and comfort those who mourn.
Your dream draws near; your vision is here.
O come, Lord Jesus, come. O come, Lord Jesus, come.

Be light in the darkness, be truth for our lives.
Be strength for the helpless, the poor and lost who cry.
O saving voice, O living choice,
O come, Lord Jesus, come. O come, Lord Jesus, come.

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her
that her service is at an end,
her guilt is expiated;
indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low;
the rugged land shall be made a plain,
the rough country, a broad valley.
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain,
Zion, herald of glad tidings;
cry out at the top of your voice,
Jerusalem, herald of good news!
Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah:
Here is your God!
Here comes with power the Lord GOD,
who rules by his strong arm;
here is his reward with him,
his recompense before him.

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock;
in his arms he gathers the lambs,
carrying them in his bosom,
and leading the ewes with care.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 85

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

V. I will hear what the Lord God speaks;
he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful.
His salvation is near for those who fear him,
and his glory will dwell in our land.

V. Merciful love and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have kissed.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth,
and justice look down from heaven.

V. Also the Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.
Justice will march before him,
and guide his steps on the way.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.

Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Christ

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.
As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.*

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: “One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(*bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true High Priest.
Thank you for giving us Your saving Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

All: Please raise up priests from Holy Family Parish to give us this gift always. Amen.

Recessional Song: A Voice Cries Out

Console my people, the ones dear to me:
speak to the heart of Jerusalem:
The time of your mourning is ended now,
the Lord of life will come.

(Refrain)

A voice cries out in the wilderness:
Prepare a way for the Lord.
A voice cries out in the wilderness:
Make straight a highway for God.

Every valley is made a plain, every mountain is leveled
The glory of God shall then be revealed,
and the nations will sing in praise.

A voice shouts: “Cry.” O what shall I cry?
All flesh is like grass and its flowers:
The grass may wither, the flower may fade,
but the Word of the Lord is forever.

Zion, shout from the mountain top,
lift up your voice O Jerusalem,
And say to the people of God’s own land,
“Behold, behold your God.”

The Lord will appear as a shepherd,
holding his lambs in his arms,
Keeping his flock so close to his heart
leading them all, old and young.

NEWS & UPDATES

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Attendance Report for Nov. 21/22

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	72
Sunday, 8:00 am.....	83
Sunday, 10:30 am.....	82
Sunday, 6:00 pm.....	63
Total.....	300

Mass Attendance Report for Nov. 28/29

Saturday, 5:00 pm.....	49
Sunday, 8:00 am.....	85
Sunday, 10:30 am.....	107
Sunday, 6:00 pm.....	105
Total.....	346

This Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, DEC 6

Lectio: Mark Advent Series	9am	DAC
Confirmation Class	7pm	Virtual
Deadline for Christmas Art Contest Entries		

MONDAY, DEC 7

Middle School Small Group	7-8pm	Virtual
Catholic Book Club	6:45-8pm	Virtual

TUESDAY, DEC 8

Immaculate Conception Mass	8am & 6pm	
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WEDNESDAY, DEC 9

RCIA	6pm	St. Guerin Room & Facebook Live
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FRIDAY, DEC 11

Friday Night Devotional: Divine Mercy	6pm	Facebook Live
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SATURDAY, DEC 12

CFF	9am-12pm	DAC
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SUNDAY, DEC 13

Lectio: Mark Advent Series	9am	DAC
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Immaculate Conception Mass

December 8, 2020
8AM & 6PM

6pm will also be livestreamed on Facebook.

 Holy Family Catholic Church

2020 HOLY FAMILY Holiday Raffle

HOLIDAY RAFFLE - Someone's going to win \$10,000... Is it going to be YOU? Holy Family Raffle tickets were mailed to parishioners recently. Only 600 tickets will be sold, so get yours in soon! Each ticket is \$50 and they need to be turned in by December 16. The live drawing will take place on December 17, 2020 at school dismissal in the Holy Family parking lot. You do not need to be present to win. Extra tickets are available in the parish office.

Holiday Shopping Tip:

EARN MONEY FOR HOLY FAMILY

AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!

AmazonSmile
Go to smile.amazon.com (or the Amazon Shopping app) and set up your charity as "Holy Family Catholic Church New Albany"

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Mention Holy Family at checkout.

More info: holyfamilynewalbany.org/giving



COVID-19 Note:

Bulletins are submitted several days before distribution. If there are changes or cancellations to our parish events, they will be shared on our website at holyfamilynewalbany.org/covid19.



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Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration

1st & 3rd Wednesdays
9am-9pm



Your Saint Vincent DePaul Society is again providing Angel Tree Christmas gift opportunities for parishioners and school families to help Floyd County families that will struggle to provide Christmas gifts for their own kids. To meet social distancing recommendations, there are several ways for you to obtain an Angel Tree gift tag:

- 1. Online:** Visit bit.ly/hfna-angel-tree and browse the gift options. The majority of tags will be available online only; please use this option if possible. Further instructions are available there.
- 2. After Mass:** A smaller portion of gift tags will be available at the exits of the church after Masses on November 28/29 and December 5/6 (or until all tags are claimed). Gift tags will be set out on a display table to browse. Please remember to social distance!
- 3. Call the office:** If you are not comfortable with option 1 or 2, call the Parish Office at 812-944-8283x0 and speak to or leave a message for Karen Schoenfelder. Karen will work with you to select an Angel Tree gift tag(s). Your selected tag will be left in the Parish Office Breezeway to pick up at your convenience.

The deadline to return the gifts is **Sunday, December 13**. We ask that you not place the items on the altar but instead place them in the confessional room near the east side entrance. Please have your gifts wrapped and the Angel Tree gift tag securely attached to your gift, so we can make sure the gifts get to the right children.



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