

Holy Family Catholic Church



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SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

APRIL 25 2021

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5 pm
Sunday: 8am, 10:30am, 6pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 6:00pm
Wednesday-Saturday: 8am

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 5:30-5:50pm
Saturday: 8:30-9am
4-4:45pm
Sunday: 5-5:45pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thur: 8:30am-12:30pm

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Mass Intentions

April 26	Monday, Easter Weekday
April 27	Tuesday, Easter Weekday
6pm	Edward Hoffman
April 27	Wednesday, Easter Weekday
8am	Aline & Howard Smith
April 29	Thursday, St. Catherine of Siena
8am	Marino Torres
April 30	Friday, St. Pius V
8am	Mary Briscoe
May 1	Saturday, St. Joseph the Worker
8am	Keith Henderson
5pm	Parishioners of Holy Family Parish
May 2	4th Sunday of Easter
8am	George Kaiser
10:30am	Jean Caeser
6pm	Fred & John Thomas Williams

Parish Information

To Schedule a Mass Intention: Please contact the parish office to request an intention. The suggested stipend for a Mass intention is \$10. We will schedule on or as close as possible to the date(s) you request.

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.

Anointing of the Sick or Hospital Ministry: Celebrated upon request at home or in the hospital. In an emergency call Fr. Jeremy Gries at (812) 944-8283x1. If you or someone you assist is in the hospital and would like Fr. Gries to visit, please call the parish office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: This is the process for those who wish to enter the Catholic Church. Meetings take place weekly from late August to a few weeks after Easter Sunday as you learn about the Catholic faith and discern if you are being called to join the Roman Catholic Church.
Contact: Fr. Gries

Infant Baptism: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the Baptism of their first child or if it has been more than three years since you last attended this class. *Contact: Theresa Shaw*

First Communion, First Reconciliation & Confirmation: Preparation begins in August each year. For First Communion and Reconciliation, contact Theresa Shaw. For Confirmation, contact Abbi Hamm.

Attendance Report for April 17-18

Saturday, 5:00 pm	118
Sunday, 8:00 am	103
Sunday, 10:30 am	127
Sunday, 6:00 pm	144
Total	492
6 month average	374

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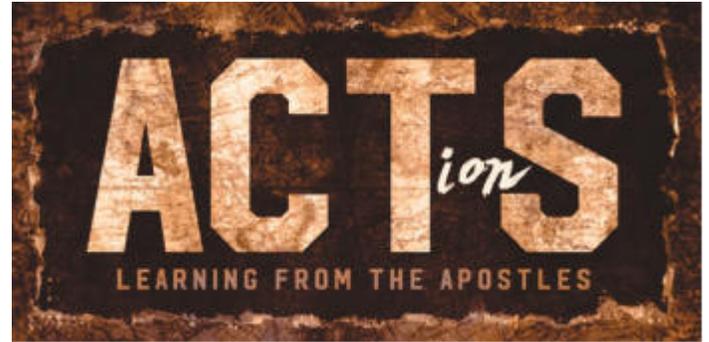
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SICUT DIXIT, ALLELUIA!!!***

**CHRIST HAS RISEN,
AS HE SAID HE WOULD,
ALLELUIA!!!**

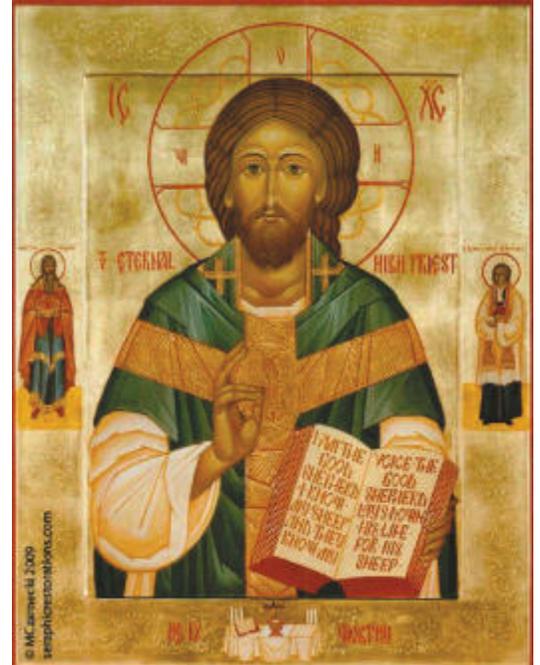


Each Sunday of the Easter Season until Pentecost, the first reading will be from the *Acts of the Apostles*. This is the only time of the year when the first reading on Sundays is not from the Old Testament. The Church intentionally places *Acts* before us during this season of Resurrection and new Life because we are to bear fruit in the world just as the early Christians did upon experience Jesus' Resurrection. If Lent is about Christians attending to their inward relationship with God, then Easter is about Christians attending to their outward relationship with the World in need of the Gospel. Hearing the *Acts of the Apostles* tells us what we modern day disciples should be busy about now. Each Sunday of Easter, my homily dives into these deep and important lessons for who we are as Church and how the Church acts. It will be a little exercise in Scriptural Ecclesiology – the study of the Church taken specifically from the Scriptures. The last two weekends, we reflected on how the “**Church Unites**” and how the “**Church Instructs**”. If you want to go deeper into what faithful Christian Discipleship looks like, there are few places better than the *Acts of the Apostles*. **The Gospel lives today by our Acts & Actions!**

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Today is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**, we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, especially in places where priests are most needed. We pray for an increase in vocations to religious life, that prayer and apostolic work may be fervent in and for the Church. We pray for an increase in sacramental marriages that holy vocations and Christian disciples can be fostered and sustained. Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Pray for religious sisters who taught you in school, both living and dead.
- Pray for your parish priest(s) & Archbishop Thompson this week
- Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. What does God want you to do?
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our archdiocese to respond to God's call of service and sanctification.
- Offer Prayers for our own Kelli Reutman as she prepares to make the transition to religious life.



Holy vocations must come from right here at *Our Holy Family Parish*, or they won't come at all.

Holy Family, the first to live the Christian Vocation, Pray for us.

~ Fr Jeremy M. Gries

NEWS & UPDATES

3rd Sunday of Easter

This Week at a Glance

MONDAY, APRIL 26

Middle School Small Group _____ 7pm
JMJ

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

Legion of Mary Meeting _____ 9am
Day Activities Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

HFS - No School

MS Youth Ministry: Bounce Night _____ 6-9pm
Xtremenasium, Clarksville

MONDAY, MAY 3

Catholic Book Club _____ 6:45-8pm
DAC

PLEASE CONTINUE TO WEAR MASKS! Even though the statewide mask mandate has been lifted by Governor Holcomb, Archbishop Thompson and Fr. Gries are asking that parishioners continue to wear masks during our liturgies. We will continue this until all those desiring a vaccine have had a chance to be fully vaccinated. Thank you for your cooperation!

CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS! Knights of Columbus (809 E Main St.) will be serving chicken and dumplings and green beans on Tuesday, April 27 from 4 to 6:30pm (or we run out). Carry out or eat in from the downstairs bar. Proceeds to benefit the 2021 Columbian Building Fund. (812) 944-0891 for delivery assistance in the parking lot.



JOB OPPORTUNITY: Coordinator of Family & Youth Evangelization - Both Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Augustine Catholic Churches in Jeffersonville, IN are seeking a Coordinator of Family & Youth Evangelization. For the full job description and application, visit jeffersonvillecatholic.org.

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Director of Communications & Advancement

For job description and application, visit holyfamilynewalbany.org

Holy Family Catholic Parish & School is seeking a **Communications & Advancement Director** to build connections and community through dynamic multimedia messaging. Applicant should possess a desire to spread the Good News of Christ and the Church with parishioners, students, parents, staff, patrons, and the unchurched. The ideal candidate will collaborate closely with school and parish administration to develop marketing strategies and plans that advance Holy Family School & Preschool. For the full job description and to apply, please visit holyfamilynewalbany.org.

APRIL 30 | 6-9PM | \$15

BOUNCE NIGHT

Join us for a night of food, service, and bouncing at Xtremenasium in Clarksville. Transportation provided, pickup at Xtremenasium.

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 Community of Jeffersonville



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TOTUS TUUS - Please consider supporting us as we host this program by providing snacks for the week, hosting the team of missionaries for a meal, providing lunch for the team of missionaries at the parish, making a financial donation to offset the program cost, or opening your home for 2 men or 2 women to stay with you for the week while they minister to our youth. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Theresa Shaw by Saturday, May 15: tshaw@hollyfamilynewalbany.org or 812-944-8283x5.

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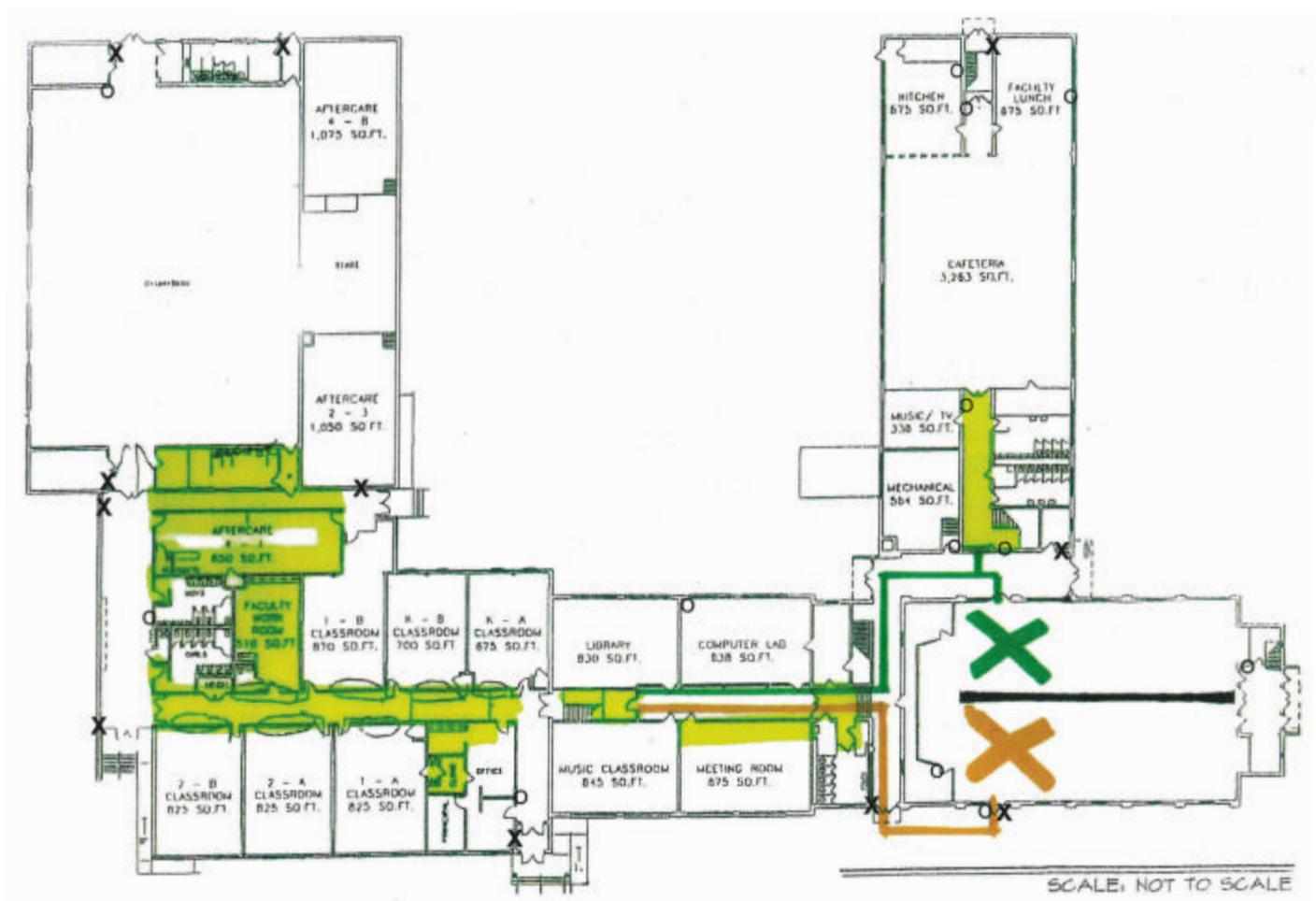
Purpose: To provide a safe and organized response to a severe weather event that would require evacuation to an area of refuge during church services and after school activities.

Implementation: Implementing an evacuation will take more than one keyboardist, usher and sacristan designated for that mass. Any parishioner trained is expected to assist in one of the areas. The areas of refuge are highlighted in **Yellow** on the building diagram.

If weather and time permits, everyone on the left side of church will exit through the doors to the left of the sanctuary, back into the school through the first set of doors into the hall behind church and proceed to the refuge areas near the school office. Everyone on the right side of church will exit through the cry room doors. People needing assistance and anyone else will go into the hall between the cry room and the cafeteria. Others will proceed left through the hall to the areas near the school office.

If weather or time prohibits going outside, everyone will use the cry room lobby doors. **If time or conditions do not allow an evacuation everyone should be instructed to seek refuge between the pews and protect their heads.**

During Church Services: An evacuation will be initiated by Father Gries or anyone trained in this procedure if there is a visiting priest. Confer with the visiting priest before proceeding. The evacuation will be carried out by predetermined assignments of Liturgical Ministers to direct occupants to the areas of refuge; school hallways, faculty work room, aftercare room....

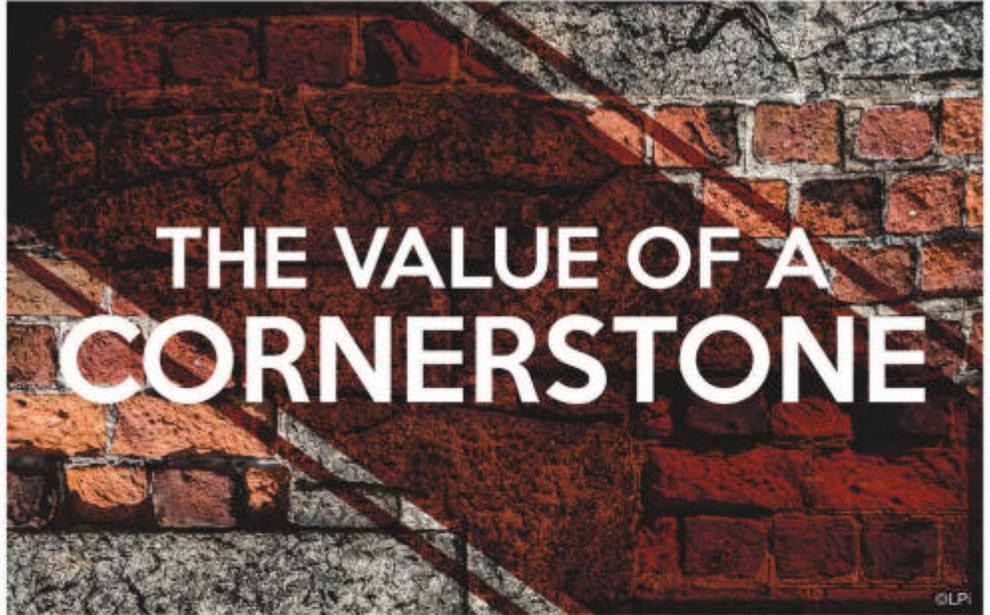


GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of



God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who

believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.

"I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again." - Jn 10:16-17

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