



Holy Family Parish St. Joseph Church

Together in Faith

Weekly Bulletin

February
25
2024

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 4 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday 12 p.m.
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 8 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.
Friday 9 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

12 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

ADORATION

Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3 - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday 4:45 - 5:20 p.m.
First Friday 8 - 8:50 a.m.
First Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Sunday 8 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

Vigil 5:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

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

ROSARY

Rosary is recited 1/2 hour before Mass at both churches, and Thursdays at 8:45 a.m. after exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Family.

“

OPEN YOUR
HEART AND
RUN TO MEET
THE SUN OF
ETERNAL LIGHT
THAT ILLUMINATES
ALL MEN.

”

- ST. AMBROSE OF MILAN

DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, COMPOSER



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Welcome to Mass! We are called to...

Mass Intentions

HOLY FAMILY

Saturday - February 24 - 4 p.m.

- † Josephine McCumber - Lori, Brian, Chris & Grace
- † Joan Canorro - Grant & Palma Moore
- † Ernest & Mary Petkovsek - Jeff, Lynn, Jay & Louise Ferraro
- † Elsie Arduini - Grant & Palma Moore
- † Bob Terzi - Cindy Campione
- † Angie Romano - Family

ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, February 25 - 8 a.m.

- † Eugene Lewandowski - Jo Anne Lewandowski
- † Walter & Margaret Bilinski - Nephew, Matthew Foley

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, February 25 - 10 a.m.

- † Ann Billings - Mark Cushman
- † Jim Scanlon - Peter & Peggy Romano
- † Joanne Tucci - Mark & Janice Gorinshek
- † Steven Jones (L) - Grant & Palma Moore
- † Nigerian Seminarians (L) - Judith Zarin

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, February 25 - 12 p.m.

- † Pro Populo

HOLY FAMILY

Tuesday, February 27 - 5:30 p.m.

- † Souls in Purgatory

HOLY FAMILY

Wednesday, February 28 - 8 a.m.

- † Marguerite Nolan - Janine Fazioli

HOLY FAMILY

Thursday, February 29 - 8 a.m.

- † Deceased Members of Holy Family Parish

HOLY FAMILY

First Friday, March 1 - 9 a.m.

- † Pietro & Catherine Lamanna

HOLY FAMILY

First Saturday - March 2 - 12 p.m.

Saturday - March 2 - 4 p.m.

- † For the Intentions of the People of Holy Family Parish

ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, March 3 - 8 a.m.

- † Brian Nichols - Jablonski Family
- † Eugene Lewandowski - Jo Anne Lewandowski
- † Peter Messineo - Joe & Ann Jablonski

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, March 3 - 10 a.m.

- † Joan Canorro - Steve & Lisa
- † Burrell & Donna Gardinier - Family
- † Mary Lou Pietropaoli - Bill & Ann Marie Kuehnle
- † Jim Scanlon - Janet Johnson

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, March 3 - 12 p.m.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Are placed on Blessed Virgin Mary's Altar in memory of
Angie Romano requested by Family



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join together with us at Holy Family Parish for Stations of the Cross:

- Friday, March 1 - 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 8 - 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 15 - 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 22 - 5:30 p.m.
- Good Friday, March 29 - 2:30 p.m.

Sacrificial Giving

Holy Family - February 18	Collection - \$3,842.00
Native American & Latin Mission	\$446.00
Ash Wednesday	\$1,170.00

St. Joseph - February 18 Collection - \$821.00



***"Every Holy Hour
we make so pleases the
Heart of Jesus that it is
recorded in Heaven and
retold for all eternity!"***

—St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



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know, love, and serve as Jesus did.

News & Events

Little Falls Food Pantry

Oatmeal, cereal, and granola/protein bars. Money donations—make check out to Little Falls Food Pantry.

St. Joseph Feast Day Novena & Mass



Join Holy Family Parish and St. Joseph Church in reciting a nine-day novena on March 11th through March 19th. You will find a pamphlet with the Novena in the back of each church or join us at Holy Family's Facebook page.

Many people pray to St. Joseph, a great intercessor to God, who never forgets to answer our prayers! Praying a novena to St. Joseph shows our trust and fidelity in him, he who is the example of fidelity.

Helping Hands Open to the Community

Helping Hands is a free program offering clothing, shoes, etc., for anyone. It's a great way to recycle those still useful items! Open Thursdays, 1-4 at St Joseph Church.

Contact Lynne with any questions 315-868-7896. Thank you for the continuing support of this valuable community program.

Join Our Study Group About Prayer in April

Holy Family Parish is planning a study group about prayer: "When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God," to be held on Wednesdays, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., from April 10th through May 22. Additional details and sign-up information will follow. All are welcome!

You know prayer is important, yet you still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or may you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.

Save the Date for Holy Family Pie Sale

Order your favorite Smith's Delicious Pies during April 14th through 28th. \$17 per pie with many selections. Pick up Sunday, May 19th, Parish Gym. Just in time for Memorial Day! More details and an order form to come!

Adoration at Holy Family Parish



Holy Family hosts Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. We need volunteers. Please sign up! It is necessary to do so because the Blessed Sacrament can never be left unattended. Signing up is easy! No computer? Please call the office at (315) 823-3410, scan the QR code, or just type in the link below and fill in the information required. It takes approximately one minute to do. February 2024 sign-up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/FEBADORE2024>

NOTE: Sign-ups are in ½ hr. increments. If you need to change/cancel, go back to your confirmation email. Click on "change my signup." DO NOT DELETE your confirmation email until after the month is over. You will receive an automatic reminder one (1) day prior. If the schedule is full, please still come! Questions: contact Michele at Michele.HFP@gmail.com.

Want More Info. on the June 1st Festival



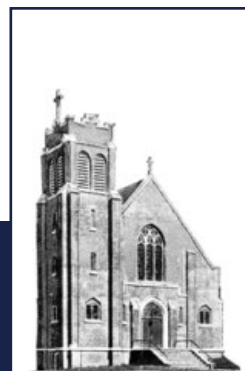
Save the date! For more information on the Festival & 5K run and to keep current on info., please like our Festival page at Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HFPFestival>.

We will soon have signups for volunteers. We cannot host this fundraiser without the assistance of our Parish family! Questions, contact Michele at michele.hfp@gmail.com.

Hurting from an Abortion?

Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 3-5, 2024 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna, NY. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion.

The cost is \$195. Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register contact: Katie Bolibaugh or e-mail: rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com. For a complete listing of retreat dates visit the Rachel's Vineyard website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.



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their responses are harsh, as when Peter scolded Christ. Far from being quiet, the Apostles are immersed in the noise of the world.

Often at just such moments, Christ quietly comes up behind them. He is silent because he bears within himself a twofold vision, embracing both heaven and the cross. Even in the human traits of his nature, he habitually portrays a serene silence because he is already carrying his cross, which cannot be seen.

Thus, we should not believe that his Passion began on the night before his death. In truth, the cross that he carried on his shoulders as he made his way to his crucifixion on Calvary rested on him from his first day in this world.

Père Jacques de Jésus*
Retreat for the Carmel de Pontoise
Conference 8, Silence
Thursday evening, 9 September 1943

**During the Holocaust, relatively few people rescued Jews in German-occupied Europe. Indifference, antisemitism, and fear all deterred rescue efforts.*

But among those risking imprisonment and even death to save Jews were individual Christian clergy, who hid thousands of Jewish children in religious institutions or with willing families.

No less celebrated are the acts of Father Jacques de Jésus (born Lucien Bunel in 1900), a Carmelite friar and headmaster of the Petit Collège Sainte-Thérèse de l'Enfant-Jésus. Angered at Nazi policies, Father Jacques made the boys' school in Avon, France, a refuge for young men seeking to avoid conscription for forced labor in Germany and for Jews. In January 1943, he enrolled three Jewish boys—Hans-Helmut Michel, Jacques-France Halpern, and Maurice Schlosser—as students under false names. He hid a fourth Jewish boy, Maurice Bas, as a worker at the school. He also sheltered Schlosser's father with a local villager, and placed the noted Jewish botanist, Lucien Weil, on the school's faculty.

Informed of the Carmelite friar's activities, the Gestapo seized Father Jacques and the three Jewish students on January 15, 1944. Weil, his mother, and sister were arrested at their home that same day. On February 3, 1944, German authorities deported the boys and the Weil family to Auschwitz, where they perished. Father Jacques was imprisoned in several Nazi camps before being liberated by American troops at Mauthausen in early May 1945. Suffering from tuberculosis and weighing only 75 pounds, he died several weeks later.

In 1985 the Israeli Holocaust remembrance center, Yad Vashem, posthumously honored Father Jacques as one of the Righteous Among the Nations. Two years later, French filmmaker Louis Malle paid tribute to his former headmaster in the film, "Au revoir les enfants."



St. Veronica with the Holy Kerchief

Artist: Mattia Preti

When we meditate on the Scriptures and strive to follow Christ closely, we take careful note of what the Gospels tell us about him. We listen to those who knew him and who regularly saw, heard, and served him.

From these accounts, we seek to visualize the radiant face of Christ as it was imprinted on Veronica's veil. When we thus contemplate Christ, we are struck by one of his most characteristic features, his serenity.

Christ is not the type of person whose goal on earth is to enjoy life. Every aspect of Christ's life bears the imprint of his dignified serenity. He is likewise marked by discreet silence. I would like us to meditate together tonight on Christ's silence.

Christ is characteristically serene and silent. In sharp contrast, we see the Apostles as shallow types, bantering among themselves and vying for the foremost places in the kingdom, which they mistakenly conceive in material rather than spiritual terms.

If we examine the conversations of the Apostles, we discover how they posed their questions to Christ and we hear their reactions. Occasionally,

— *continued other side*

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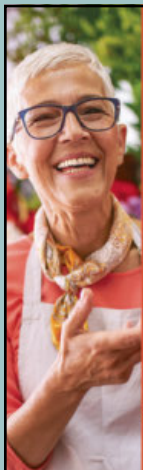
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