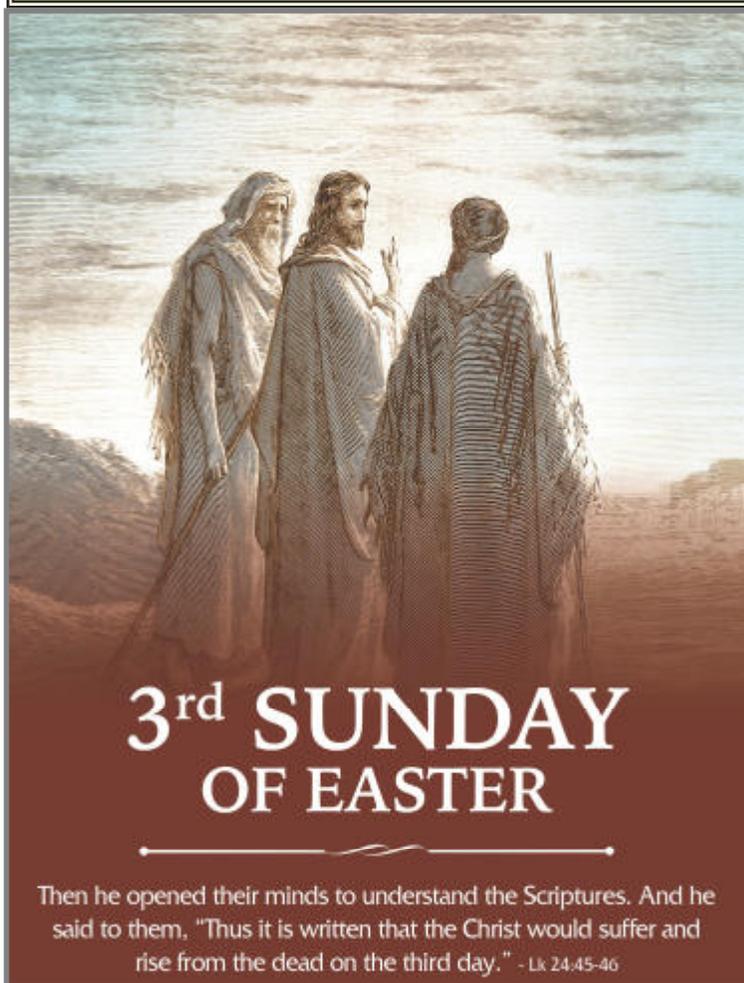


# Holy Family Catholic Church

[www.holyfamilydenver.com](http://www.holyfamilydenver.com)

Father Martin Lally, Pastor

**Third Sunday of Easter - April 18, 2021**



While they were still speaking He stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you," But they were startled and terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost. Then He said, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts?"



### *Weekday*

Monday—Friday (Church).....7:30 am

### *Sunday*

Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday.....8:00 am, 9:30 am

Sunday.....11:00 am (Bilingual)

### *Chapel is open for prayer:*

Tuesday & Thursday.....10:00 am – 4:00 pm

### *Confessions*

Saturday (Church).....3:00—3:45 pm

*Or by appointment*

### Please Note New Closure Policy

When it's announced on TV Channels 4, 7 or 9 that Arrupe High School is either closed or on remote learning status, there will be no Masses or other activities at Holy Family.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish is a community that builds on a long tradition of bringing people to a closer relationship with God through prayer, sacraments, celebrations, education, and service to those in need.



Dear Friends:

This is not quite the season of re-runs, but for those who might not have heard this information before, I want to do a re-run of some happenings in the parish.

Last weekend I made an announcement that is about a staff change that will be taking place in early July. After 43 years of pastoral ministry, 40 of which have been as a pastor, I decided that it is time for me to retire from full time parish ministry, and offer to “fill in” or be available when a priest or a parish needs help with liturgical and sacramental ministry. The Archbishop has granted me permission to retire.

This is a bittersweet reality: I do feel like this is time for me to make this change and I feel like it will benefit Holy Family because it will bring a new pastor with different energy and different pastoral gifts and talents. My years here at Holy Family have been a great blessing and I am profoundly grateful for my ministry here. The members of our parish have been such an inspiration to me—showing me an example of how to be so faithful to God, deeply connected to Jesus and his mission, and to “be” the Church in our human community through service, care and concern for others. I am deeply grateful for you in my life. While all the parishes that I have served are in my heart, Holy Family occupies a special place because it was in our church and, in this community that my vocation to the priesthood was born, and so Holy Family has always been and will always be “home.”

Of course, this announcement creates a big question. Who is our new pastor? Well, I am pleased to tell you that the new pastor is one of the best and most successful pastors in the Archdiocese. His name is Father Patrick Dolan, and he is currently the pastor of Most Precious Blood Parish in southeast Denver. Fr. Pat has brought growth, vitality and a strong sense of community to MPB, and to other parishes where he has served. He possesses very different gifts than I do, and they will be a rich resource to the Holy Family Community. He is a very good friend of mine, and I am pleased for Holy Family that you are receiving such a good pastor, but I’m also pleased for him that he gets to minister to such a wonderful community.

In other news: As you also may know, there will be no Bazaar again this year. We would be allowed to have the bazaar, but the restrictions on sanitation, food preparation service, spacing of activities and persons are too difficult for us to do. We will have our annual raffles! We will have two raffles—a cash raffle for \$10,000 and prize raffles that will be listed in the bulletin in the coming weeks. Tickets may be purchased online ([www.holyfamilydenver.com](http://www.holyfamilydenver.com)), at the rectory, and in the next few weeks, in front of church. Let’s make it a great year for raffle ticket sales!!!

Peace,  
Fr. Marty



### Third Sunday of Easter

The Lebanese-American writer Kahlil Gibran had it right, I think, when he spoke of grief. He described death as an incense bead which doesn’t break open until a loved one’s death. Then its perfume fills the room. “Death is the revealer of life,” he said. It’s only at death that the fullness of someone’s life breaks open. All of a sudden we see them more clearly, and with so much more love (and longing) than we even did in life.

I suspect that happened for the disciples of Jesus. After his horrible death, the fullness of his life, and the meaning of his death, broke open. Now they had the rest of their lives to regret not loving him better, not staying and praying with him in the Garden, not fleeing from the Cross but, instead, staying and dying with him.

Maybe that’s what they were all saying, through their heart-break and tears, that Easter evening. They may have been remembering, over and over, the precious moments they shared with him in his life, and accusing themselves of the grossest ignorance in not understanding who he was, and to what he had called them.

And then. Two disciples from Emmaus came running into that Upper Room with the most astonishing news. *He’s alive! And we recognized him in the Breaking of the Bread!* And no sooner had they announced this glorious news than Jesus Himself stood among them. And suddenly, nothing was ever the same again.

Are you longing for a deceased loved one? Imagine them just entering into your room right now. Oh, what endless joy! They are alive. Trust this vision. Trust Jesus. They are alive.

*How do you experience the presence of your deceased loved ones?* Kathy McGovern © 2021 [www.thestoryandyou.com](http://www.thestoryandyou.com)

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### **HOLY FAMILY CASH RAFFLE & PRIZE RAFFLE TICKETS**

Tickets are now available online at [holyfamilydenver.com](http://holyfamilydenver.com), or at the Parish Office. Cash Raffle Tickets are \$100 each.

\*1st PRIZE is \$10,000, \*2nd Prize \$2,500, \*3rd Prize \$1,000  
500 tickets will be sold. Prize Raffle Tickets are \$5 each with a chance to win one of 12 great prizes! Support Holy Family and win big!



## CHURCH NEWS AND UPDATES



Archbishop Aquila is inviting all of the faithful of the Archdiocese of Denver to Encounter the Risen Jesus this Easter season. How will we do that together? Join us as we pray weekly with seven foundational Scripture passages that focus on this encounter with Christ, and also capture key themes for how we are being called to build a culture of apostolic mission in the Archdiocese of Denver. Each week's Scripture is accompanied by written and video reflections. Go to [archden.org/easter2021](http://archden.org/easter2021). Check out the flyers in the vestibule for *Encounter the Risen Jesus*. The flyers are in Spanish and English.

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### ARCHBISHOP CATHOLIC APPEAL NEWS

Due to First Communion and Confirmations, the Commitment Weekend for the Archbishop Catholic Appeal has been moved to April 24-25. Envelopes will be available in the pews. Your generosity is appreciated.

### Ministry for Adult Children of Divorce

Ministry resources designed to help adults heal from the trauma of their parents' divorce or separation.

**Life-Giving Wounds Retreat May 7-9, Price: \$155**

**When:** May 7-9, 2021

**Where:** [Annunciation Heights](#), Estes Park, CO

**Contact:** 303.722.4687 Family Life Ministries or [archden.org/acod](http://archden.org/acod). There is a flyer posted in the vestibule.



*We remember our parish deceased  
and the Holy Souls in Purgatory.*

*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed  
Rest in Peace.*

*We pray for the homebound, sick, caregivers,  
and those in the book of the sick.  
We pray for our men & women in uniform.*



### 2021 The Year of St. Joseph

The infancy narratives of Matthew and Luke often mention Joseph as a "righteous man". He is seen to be a key-figure in the early years of Jesus' life. He comes from the lineage of the royal house of David, and has to go to Bethlehem with Mary his wife, who gives birth to the Son of God and places him in a manger. Joseph becomes an eloquent example of the "obedience of faith". In his silence he obeys God's messenger and accepts Mary as his wife. He gives the name Jesus to the new-born babe, and after fleeing to Egypt to escape Herod's hatred, he retires with the Holy Family to the town of Nazareth in Galilee.

The town of Nazareth is known for the sanctuary of the Annunciation, in which the Word was made flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary. Close by, the Franciscans officiate a sanctuary dedicated to Saint Joseph and the Holy Family. Although the modern basilica was built in 1914, the Franciscans have excavated the whole area and found the remains of the primitive village of



Nazareth of the time of Jesus. These excavations have not only proved the truth of the humble abode in which Mary inaugurated the mystery of the Incarnation by her obedience to Gabriel's message, but the Franciscans have also unearthed the remains of the house of Joseph, where Jesus spent his early years as a humble worker. The Judeo-Christian community of Nazareth used this house as a place of worship.



**April 17 - April 25, 2021**

**17 Saturday Easter Weekday**

4:00 †Margaret Brisnehan by Marlene Haberer

**18 Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 †Ray Heronema by dtrs. Cindy & Kathy

9:30 †Lynn Wray by Mark & Diane Potter

11:00 People of Holy Family

**19 Monday, Easter Weekday**

7:30 †Mary Hermosillo by Pino Family

**20 Tuesday, Easter Weekday**

7:30 †Ralph & †Gertrude Durbin by Durbin Family

**21 Wednesday, Easter Weekday, Anselm, Bp. & Dr.**

7:30 †Rosie DeBell by Family

**22 Thursday, Easter Weekday**

7:30 †Tom & †Joyce Waters by Tim & Helen Barbie

**23 Friday, Easter Weekday**

7:30 †Lucille Havermann by Family

**24 Saturday, Easter Weekday**

4:00 Johnson Family by Loretta Johnson

**25 Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 †Jack Roybal by Family

9:30 †Frank Lopez by Kristy Seidenstricker & Keri

11:00 People of Holy Family

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**Holy Family Lending Library**

Located at the south entrance of the Parish Hall, a HF Library was installed 4/12. Dave Havermann, our Plant Manager, fashioned it out of cedar from wood saved from his daughter Teresa's closet. The Library is placed in memory of †Teresa Havermann



Dowlen who died in June 2018. Bring a book, take a book. Keep the message of Easter renewed in word and let the Library be a source of inspiration to all.

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR:**

**WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, April 11, 2021**

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|----------------|------------------------|
| <b>MASSES</b>  | <b>\$3,159.42</b>      |
| <b>MAIL-IN</b> | <b>1,788.00</b>        |
| <b>ON-LINE</b> | <b><u>5,646.00</u></b> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$10,593.42</b>     |

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*The Parish Office is closed on Mondays*



## MEET OUR STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. Martin Lally

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Administrative Assistant..... Anni Fassel

Administrative Assistant..... Sabina Doane

Director of Faith Formation..... Sr. Sharon Ford

Music Ministry..... Patricia Doane

Sacristans.....Anna Velasquez, Mary Ellen Iten, Mark Potter

Parish Hall Manager.....Gerri Faes

Plant Manager.....Dave Havermann

### FROM THE BISHOPS OF COLORADO:

**“The Bishops of Colorado have announced that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days will be restored on Pentecost Sunday – May 23, 2021 – and all Catholics who are healthy and without significant risk factors or other serious reasons should resume normal Mass attendance in the coming weeks. Catholics are encouraged to use the Easter season to prayerfully contemplate why they are called to Mass every week, and if necessary, educate themselves on the Church’s teachings on the obligation, including acceptable reasons to still stay home. Those reasons include those who are sick, have been exposed to the virus, have serious health risks, or are prevented from attending because of capacity limits at their parish. Parishes will continue to take prudent steps to ensure public Masses are celebrated in a safe manner. For more information, a statement from the bishops and an FAQ is available on the Archdiocese of Denver website – archden.org.”**

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