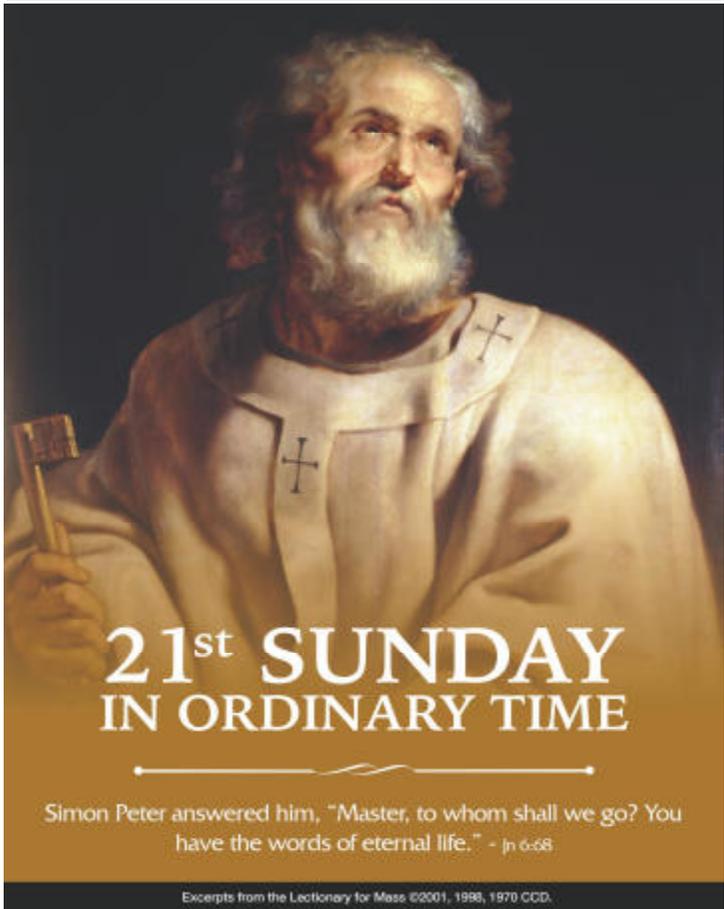


**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 22, 2021**



*“What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the Spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe.”*

*John 6: 62-64*

**Mass Schedule**

*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:

I will not be here for the next two weekends. I have had a vacation scheduled for many, many months (and it had already been rescheduled twice because of Covid). It seems this is fairly common among those of us who get re-assigned, that we have some plans already solidified long before we actually realize we are getting a new assignment!

When I first arrived here, I knew that this was on my calendar in less than eight weeks. What I didn't know was how quickly these eight weeks would fly. I feel like I am still catching my breath from my move. I have been blessed more than most priests, with a stability such that I have only had to move three times so far in my 26+ years of priesthood. Of course, the drawback is that this makes me not-so-great at moving!

While I am gone, we have a group of priests that will be covering masses. Over the next two weeks you will get to hear and celebrate with both of the priests who minister at Arrupe, two of the priests from Regis University, and Father Marty will be back to celebrate several of the masses. I know it will be great for many of you to get to see him!

I am one of those people that loves to see different places and meet different people. Of course, as with so many of us, this isn't really the same as "loving to travel." I always stress a little over getting everything packed, getting to airports on time, navigating transfers and all of the other concerns that travel can bring. However, this time I have to admit there is an extra layer of exhaustion at even contemplating packing again after having moved this summer.

Maybe one of the most constant and important lessons I have ever gotten in life is that even leisure takes some effort. In our spiritual lives I find that all growth takes this same kind of effort. It doesn't have to be huge, and most often isn't, but it needs to be often, constant effort made toward becoming the people we know we are called to be. *My yoke is easy and my burden is light.*"

So much of keeping our lives on track seems to depend on small, more constant habits: Communication in a marriage and in a family; scheduling time with friends; daily prayer with God (even short moments); exercise, diet and checking in with doctors for health. We are always forming habits whether they are good or bad, intentional or unnoticed. As we get closer to the end of another season, it's always good to ask, "What habits have I formed this year and where are they leading me?"

God Bless,  
Fr. Pat

## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Don't you wonder about those disciples who "returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied" Jesus? They had heard about Jesus, had followed him even. But when he said that his Body was Real Food, and his Blood was Real Drink, that's when they decided they were out.

They couldn't understand it, and they certainly couldn't believe it, so they had to leave the company of Jesus and the Twelve. I suspect that they must have been quite sad, maybe even devastated, that the man they had followed and loved had turned out to be a lunatic, just another shyster in an occupied territory where Messiahs were a dime a dozen.

I suspect they followed the rest of his life from afar. They may have heard about that business with the woman caught in adultery and nodded sadly. *Yes, that mercy is what drew us to him.* And when he cured the man born blind, and then raised Lazarus from the dead, their hearts may have stirred within them. *Yes! That's the Jesus we love! That's the Jesus for whom we were willing to give our lives!*

On that terrible Friday, they may have stayed far away, thankful they got out when they could, before the Romans could connect them with Jesus. But on that glorious Easter morning, with Mary Magdalene's shouts of "I have seen the Lord!" ringing in the air, they must have asked themselves again:

*Why did we lose heart? Oh, right. It was that crazy business about him being the Bread of Life. That's craziness, right? Right?*

Wrong. In fact, it was so true that Jesus was willing to let them walk away rather than soften it. *What truths about the faith have you held close, even as others walked away?* Kathy McGovern ©2021 [www.thestoryandyou.com](http://www.thestoryandyou.com)



### BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

God of all wisdom,  
You formed humankind in your own likeness  
and gave us an intellect to help us to know you,  
our Creator, and the world you made.  
As we begin this new academic year,  
enlighten the minds of students  
with the inquisitiveness that seeks  
ever greater knowledge and understanding.  
Give teachers and professors the wisdom needed  
to guide the intellectual endeavors of those  
entrusted to them.  
Help all who fund and support education  
to recognize the value of discovering more  
about the world you have created and  
draw ever closer to you, our Maker. Amen.

**Saint Augustine's Feast - August 28**

A Christian at 33, a priest at 36, a bishop at 41: Many people are familiar with the biographical sketch of Augustine of Hippo, sinner turned saint. But to get to really know the man is a rewarding experience.

There quickly surfaces the intensity with which he lived his life, whether his path led away from or toward God. The tears of his mother, the instructions of Ambrose and, most of all, God himself speaking to him in the Scriptures, redirected Augustine's love of life to a life of love.

**Saint Monica Feast - August 27**

Perhaps *Saint Monica* is best known as the mother of Saint Augustine—a pretty noble label. 5 Things to know about St. Monica

- 1) St. Monica's example converted her husband and mother-in-law
- 2) She prayed for St. Augustine for 17 years before his conversion
- 3) She felt discouraged, but never gave up.
- 4) She knew her purpose in life. St. Monica wept, prayed and sacrificed for her son for many years. Her greatest desire in life was to see her son's conversion to Catholicism, and once this happened, she believed her purpose in life had been fulfilled. She died shortly thereafter.
- 5) She is the patron saint of wives, mothers, conversions, alcoholics and abuse victims



**Holy Family Lending Library**

Check out the HF Library, located at the south entrance of the Parish Hall. Bring a book, take a book, and let the Library be a source of inspiration and enjoyment to all.

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**Calendar of Events:**

The Mission Appeal this year will be the Charitan Missionaries from Cameroon in Central Africa. Their mission is schools, vocational training, and funding scholarships for poor children from rural villages. The Charitan Missionaries have developed orphanage centers to provide support for orphans and indigent children, and youth centers for providing moral, religious and catechetical instruction. Fr. Pat will speak about the Mission Appeal.

**Parish Picnic - Sept. 19, Berkeley Park**  
**Sack Lunches - Oct. 24, (Sacks out Oct. 17)**

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

†Peter Garcia

*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.  
Lord, Hear Our Prayer.*

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**Faith Formation Sister Sharon Ford**

**For Children:** You may register now at  
[www.holyfamilydenver.com](http://www.holyfamilydenver.com)

**For Adults: RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**  
Do you know someone who would like to become a Catholic?  
Invite them to RCIA. You may register online at the above web site.

**Sunday, September 12th at all Masses: Back to school children, bring your backpacks to be blessed by Fr. Pat Dolan.**

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**Minister of Music: Patty Doane**



**SING FOR YOUR LORD - JOIN THE CHOIR!**

Did you know that music refreshes the soul, enlivens the spirit and keeps you mentally attuned? It does that and so much more! The Holy Family Choir affords you an opportunity to sing God's praises, create lasting friendships and deepens spirituality.

This year's choir season will begin the day after Labor Day, Sept. 7. The men begin their practice at 5:15 pm and the women join them from 6-7 pm in the Parish Hall. The choir rotates throughout the year between the 4 pm, 8am, 9:30 am Masses. The season begins in September and continues through May.

If you enjoy singing, consider joining us to develop your talent and to give of yourself to God and to your fellow parishioners. Please see Patty at the organ after any of the Masses.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### August 21– 29, 2021

#### **21 Saturday, St. Pius X, Pope**

4:00 †John & Millie Rico by Family

#### **22 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 †Arnold Miller by Jack & Sharon Wolf

9:30 †John & Margie Conway by Conway Family

11:00 †Ramon Prado by Cindy Prado Gutierrez

#### **23 Monday, St. Rose of Lima, Virgin**

7:30 For Nina Clare by Grandmother

#### **24 Tuesday, St. Bartholomew, Apostle**

7:30 †Ralph Archuleta by Evan Gonzalez & Family

#### **25 Wednesday, Weekday**

7:30 †Celine Henderson by +George & Carolyn Lutito

#### **26 Thursday, Weekday**

7:30 †Phil Vigil by Virginia Auge

#### **27 Friday, St. Monica**

7:30 †Arnold Miller by Bernadette Billinger

#### **28 Saturday, Weekday**

4:00 Anniversary Eric/Corissa by Mom & Dad

#### **29 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 †Bob Nelson by Wife

9:30 †George Lutito by Paul Rizzo

11:00 People of Holy Family

### **OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR:**

#### **WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, August 15, 2021**

**MASSES \$ 3,868.00**

**MAIL-IN 1,135.00**

**ON-LINE 3,212.00**

**TOTAL \$ 8,215.00**

*Thank you for your generosity.*

### **COLLECTION FOR INFIRM & RETIRED PRIESTS**



Last weekend we took up a Collection for Retired and Infirm Priests. This collection will be used to directly support all retired priests' welfare, including assisted

living and memory care, medical costs and much more. If you were not able to make a donation last week and wish to do so, please make your gift at [archden.org/retiredpriest](http://archden.org/retiredpriest), or by calling **303.867.0614**. **Our priests give so much; now it is our turn to be there for them.**

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## MEET OUR STAFF

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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

### THIS WEEKEND

*Assumption Spaghetti Dinner*  
**August 22, 2021 12 - 5 pm**  
2341 E. 78th Ave/. Welby, Co 80229  
Adults: \$10 Child: \$5

**Includes: Bread, Salad, Spaghetti w/meatball & sausage, Beverage/Dessert Plus: Raffles/Italian Cookies**



### ST ROCCO'S ITALIAN FESTIVAL

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