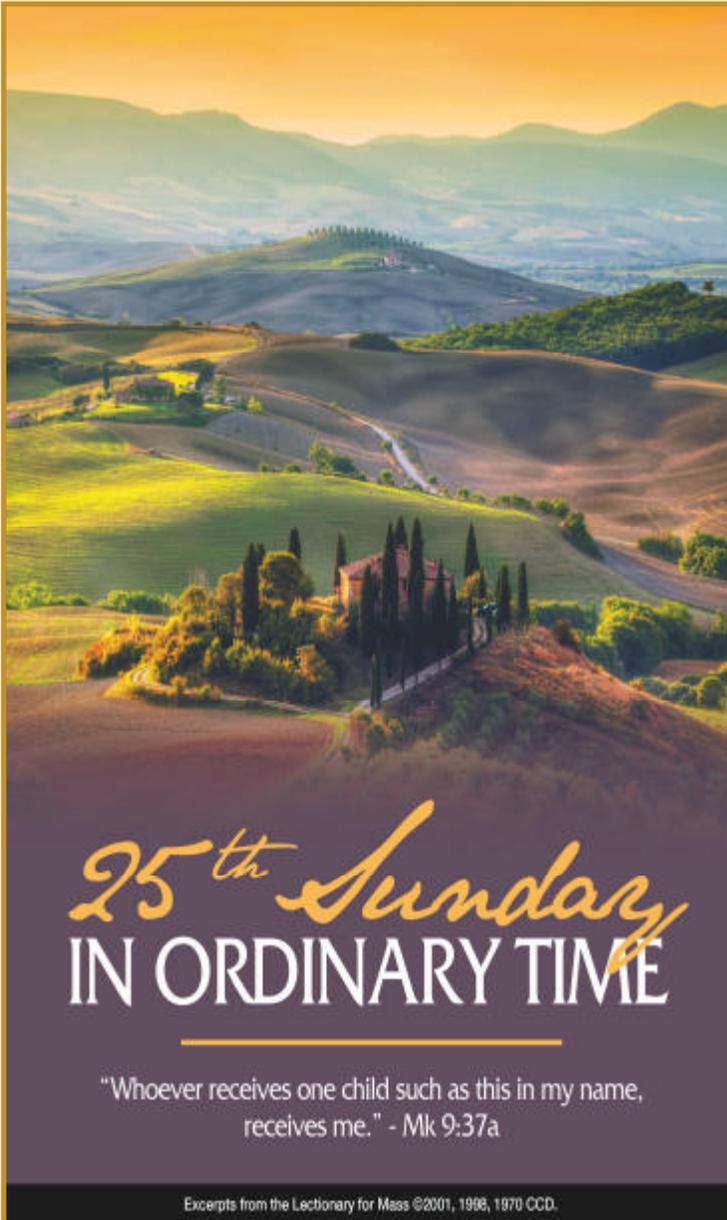




# Holy Family Catholic Church

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 19, 2021**



## 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*

### *Parish Office Hours*

Tue., Wed., Thur., Fri. 9 am - 5 pm

Closed on Mondays

### 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.**

## A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. PATRICK DOLAN

*Dear Friends:*



The leaves are beginning to change colors. At least this is what I was taught growing up. But years later I began to realize that, while certainly a defensible statement, it might not actually reflect the deeper truth of what was happening every year during these months. It turns out that as many trees let go of their wealth of chlorophyll, the underlying color of their leaves (already present) is revealed. Certainly the color we see is changed. But only because the lush layer of green-supplying chemical is slowly decreasing and the under-layer is revealed.

Maybe this is why autumn is my favorite time of year. If it weren't for the fact that I'm very aware that it's leading into winter (my least favorite) I would consider it the perfect season! Spiritually I've always loved the season as well. While throughout the summer most of the trees maintain similar cloaked in their green shades of abundance, it is during this season that the broader variations on color reveal more easily the uniqueness of each tree.

Similarly, as our own lives go through season after season, we find that while well-being looks very similar for so many people, the unique inner strengths of each of us become more apparent in times of adversity. And so I have adopted a "spirituality of autumn" in my bag of life-practices. Any of us, when faced with the loss of life, the loss of health, the loss of friends, the loss of security or the loss of almost anything, have an opportunity to allow who we are underneath to come to the surface.

When we allow our struggles to be seen in the world as readily as we do our strengths, there are depths at which we are actually seen for the first time. The past 18 months have been a societal autumn, leading some into winter and even death. But it has also allowed many of us to see one another struggle, and while this does not allow us to look "our most competent," perhaps it does allow us to look our best.

In our Church's history, the age of martyrs gave rise to much richer theologies, spiritualities and mysticism than any "gospel of prosperity" ever could. So while we should never go looking for hardship, neither should we shy away from allowing others to see and know us when are in the midst of struggle.

As we enjoy the beauty of this season, I hope we allow others to see the beauty of our own autumn.

*Fr. Pat*

**Do you have a calling to serve as a Sacristan? If that sounds like something you would like to do, call the Parish Office at 303.455.1664.**

# SEPTEMBER

## HAPPENINGS AT HOLY FAMILY

### ◆ Faith Formation Sister Sharon Ford

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

### ◆ NAZARETH BEGINS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021

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We will welcome back the choir this weekend with new members. What a blessing for all of us!

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The new checker at our grocery store is WAY too cool for school. He works the night shift. The first (and last) time I went through his stand, he was chatting up the cute young lady ahead of me, and brazenly watching something on his phone while checking out customers.

Almost immediately he started adding up the groceries on the conveyor belt of the VERY NICE, twenty-something guy just behind me along with mine. We both stopped him at the same time.

"Oh," he said, "I thought she was your grandma or something." I glared at him. "You thought I was old enough to be HIS grandmother?" And the super nice guy jumped in and said, "I would LOVE for you to be my grandma." But even that undeserved kindness didn't stop me from stomping out. No matter. Super Cool Guy was back on his phone, my anger just a funny footnote to his boring night at work.

Now, here's the really stupid part. OF COURSE I'm old enough to be his grandmother. EASILY. But I'm sensitive about this because, up until a severe illness several years ago, I looked a bit younger than my age. And how ungrateful am I to be angry about looking my age, when I'm so, so lucky to be alive?

*Where do the conflicts and divisions among you originate?* Right there, in our unexamined and knee-jerk responses to perfectly normal conversation. By the time I got to my car I recognized where my VERY UNCHARACTERISTIC anger had come from, and I was ready to make peace.

Honest reflection, and repentance, can end conveyor belt conflicts, and wars, before they start. *What experience of unchecked anger have you been surprised by in yourself?* Kathy McGovern ©2021 [www.thestoryandyou.com](http://www.thestoryandyou.com)



## Join us ~

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### FUN & GREAT WAY TO DIRECTLY HELP HOLY FAMILY!!

Help represent Holy Family and be a part of a growing volunteer team from all over the Archdiocese of Denver! Please consider being

#### an Ambassador for our parish

and connect with other volunteers through meetings and communications with Catholic Charities.

Sharing your time as an Ambassador provides immediate connection with the ministries of Catholic Charities, and also helps make sure our happenings within the parish are shared far and wide.

Commitment is minimal and will introduce you to other great Ambassadors and parishes in the community! For more information for if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mark Hahn, Catholic Charities, [mhahn@ccdenver.org](mailto:mhahn@ccdenver.org) or 720-799-9297 (or put a contact person at the parish if you wish!)

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**Parish Picnic - Sept. 19, Berkeley Park Pavilion 12-4**

**Sack Lunches - Oct. 24, (Sacks out Oct. 17)** Take as many sacks as lunches you can make. In each lunch place 2 sandwiches, chips, a dessert (cookies, snack bar), and a fruit. You may add water or a drink. You could put a note of encouragement in the lunch. Thank you for your generosity. The lunches go to the Volunteers of America and then to the needy on the streets of Denver.

## IN PRAYER

*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 home-bound, sick, caregivers, and those in the book of the sick. Take a moment to read the "Book of the Sick" so that you may know who needs prayer. Be sure to add your prayer intentions so that we can hold each other up in prayer each day!*

*We pray for our men & women in uniform.  
Lord, Hear out Prayer!*

### THE HOLY MASS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Mass is the central liturgical rite in the Catholic Church, encompassing the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, where the bread and wine are consecrated and become the Body and Blood of Christ. As defined by the Church at the Council of Trent, in the Mass, "the same Christ who offered himself once in a bloody manner on the altar of the cross, is present and offered in an unbloody manner". The Church describes the Mass as the "source and summit of the Christian life". It teaches that the sacramental bread and wine, through consecration by an ordained priest, become the sacrificial body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ as the sacrifice on Calvary made truly present once again on the altar. The Catholic Church permits only baptized members in the state of grace to receive Christ in the Eucharist.

#### The 2022 Mass Book

We will begin taking Mass requests for 2022 in October. If you wish to request a Mass for a deceased loved one or a special event, please contact or visit the parish office. These are the guidelines:

1. You may schedule a total of 10 masses for 2022.
2. No more than 4 weekend Masses per year may be scheduled.
3. The offering for a Mass is \$10.

Since this can be a delicate subject, we appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

**What a GIFT FOR A BIRTHDAY!! A MASS ON THE DAY OF THE BIRTHDAY FOR A LOVED ONE!!**



## MASS INTENTIONS

### September 18 – 26, 2021

#### 18 Saturday, Weekday

4:00 †Nick Evancich, Jr. by Wife, JoAn

#### 19 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †Lucille Havermann by Family

9:30 †John & Margie Conway by Conway Cousins

11:00 People of Holy Family

#### 20 Monday, St. Andrew Kim, Paul & Companions, Mtrs.

7:30 †Mary Tacito by Seferino Hurtado

#### 21 Tuesday, St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

7:30 †Nellie & †Art Neumann by Lorraine Neumann

#### 22 Wednesday, Weekday

7:30 †Jeanette Schott by Mark & Diane Potter

#### 23 Thursday, St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

7:30 †Frank Zito by Family

#### 24 Friday, Weekday

7:30 †Tom Sullivan by Phil & Bobbie Jordan

#### 25 Saturday, Weekday

4:00 †Eva Ebell, †Patricia Romero by Evelyn Ebell

#### 26 Twenty – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Francine 5th Birthday by Grandparents

9:30 †Mike Fassel by Anni & Charlie

11:00 People of Holy Family

### OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR:

#### WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, September 12, 2021

MASSES      \$2,755.74

MAIL-IN      \$ 265.00

ON-LINE      \$4,392.00

TOTAL        \$ 7,412.74

*Thank you for your generosity.*

### Marriage Retreat at All Souls Catholic Parish - October 16

All couples are invited to attend the Marriage Retreat  
at All Souls Catholic Parish in Englewood.

Saturday, October 16, 2021

Presenters: **Matt and Mindy Dalton from Marriage Missionaries.** For engaged, newly married or have been together for quite a while. **From 8:00am to 1:00pm at All Souls Parish.** Cost: \$35 a couple, and lunch is provided.

To register, please go to <https://>

[allsoulsatholicchurch.churchgiving.com/ws/opportunities/CouplesMarriageRetreat](https://allsoulsatholicchurch.churchgiving.com/ws/opportunities/CouplesMarriageRetreat).

For more information, contact Johnna Heasley at [jheasley@allsoulsatholic.org](mailto:jheasley@allsoulsatholic.org).

# PARISH OFFICE

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## MEET OUR STAFF

*The Parish Office is closed on Mondays*

Pastor.....Rev. Patrick Dolan

Pastoral Assistant .....Deacon Richard Vieira

Parish Business Manager..... Mike Brisnehan

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

Administrative Assistant.....Regina Bowman

Administrative Assistant..... Anni Fassel

Administrative Assistant..... Sabina Doane

Music Ministry..... Patricia Doane

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

Parish Hall Manager.....Gerri Faes

Plant Manager.....Dave Havermann

### **Assumption Catholic School**

*Celebrating 101 Years of Learning*

**September 25, 2021**

**Alumni Reunion**

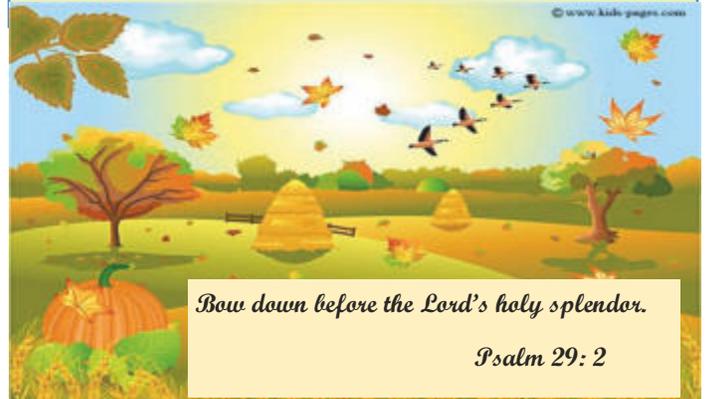
*Mass 12-1, Tour of School 1-2, Ice Cream Social 2-3*

**Annual Assumption Bazaar**

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*Bow down before the Lord's holy splendor.*

*Psalm 29: 2*

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