

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

To Live the Great Commandment: Love of God and Love of Neighbor  
Fr. John Gathenya



## Diocesan-wide census 2024

As you read in Bishop Matano's letter a few weeks ago in the Courier, the Diocese is embarking upon a diocesan wide census. Simply put, we need to update our records and know who the Catholics are in our diocese [April 1<sup>st</sup> Bishop's letter to all Parishioners in the Diocese] The purpose of this **Diocesan-wide census** is to gather accurate and up-to-date information about all our registered parishioners, as well as those Catholics not yet registered in our parishes. By conducting this comprehensive survey and obtaining accurate contact information, the Diocese and all parishes **aim to strengthen pastoral care, foster stewardship, and enhance communication** by having a reliable means of informing you about news, events, programs, ministries, and greater opportunities for spiritual growth locally and throughout the Diocese.

For Holy Family Catholic Community, we want to know the Catholics living within our boundaries. During this month of August/ September you'll have an opportunity to fill out a very simple form either digitally or on paper. We'll guide you through it. It is very simple and easy to do. I hope we will all participate. The census plan for each parish will be customized using parish data, including Mass attendance, number of households, the number of email addresses available for parishioners, the current state of parish records and the parish culture.

The Census plan, according to the diocesan officials, calls for each parish to begin the process using digital methods to gather as much information as possible. Pulpit announcements will alert parishioners to look for emails through which they will be able to complete the census online. A few weeks later, in-pew census cards will be made available for completion. Once all the in-pew cards have been processed, postcards will be mailed to parishioners who have not yet responded in the census. These postcards will contain QR codes that will enable recipients to access and complete the census electronically via their smartphones. These steps will take place over the course of eight to 12 weeks. Such additional activities as phone-a-thons, mailings, door-to-door canvassing, and digital advertising may be added to a parish's census plan depending on the parish's culture. Parishes also have the option of setting up information booths after weekend Masses to assist parishioners in completing the census online.

**As your Pastor, I ask this very important question: Why take this census and register with Holy Family Catholic Community?** First, it is a declaration of your desire to be part of our Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of the parish family. Second, it makes the process easier when it is time for infant baptism, school registration, weddings, budgeting, discerning the needs of the parish. Third, we have a growing list of talents and possible volunteers in the different ministries and outreach in the parish. Fourth, to better communicate with parishioners and volunteers. Sixth, to identify inactive parishioners and invite them to revitalize their faith. Seventh, to determine which parishioners are homebound and need special care, Eighth, to reduce the cost of sending mailings and envelopes to inaccurate addresses. Ninth, to correct outdated phone numbers and collect e-mail addresses. Tenth, in keeping our parish records current it is important for us to know if you have moved or added a family member. Eleventh, accuracy of parishioner numbers is also important report to the Diocesan Pastoral office for their records and assessments of the parish. All parishes are assessed by how many registered parishioners we have on our files. It is a huge job to keep our records straight, but we hope you can appreciate why it is so very important. If you are registered but not active in your financial contribution, then the burden is shouldered by a small percentage, yet your count is ever considered especially in the assessment on both the CMA and Catholic courier goal.

*Mass Intentions for the Week***Monday, July 29****9:00am St. Joseph**

+ **William and Oleta Yohonn**  
by Laura Lawrence

**Tuesday, July 30****8:15am St. Mary**

+ **Marilynn Middleton**  
by Brax Middleton

**Wednesday, July 31****9:00am St. Joseph**

+ **Walter & Bertha Recktenwald**  
by Mary Ann Didas

**Thursday, August 1****8:15am St. Mary**

+ **Tom & Mary Ellen Rauber**  
by Emery & Jeannie Jaeger

**Friday, August 2****8:15am St. Mary**

+ **Larry Mitchell**  
by Sharon Mitchell

*The Sanctuary Lamp will burn  
In Memory of...*

**Readings for July 28, 2024**

First Reading:

"For thus says the LORD,  
'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'"  
(2 Kgs 4:43)

Psalm:

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.  
(Ps 145)

Second Reading:

One body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one  
hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one  
God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

Gospel:

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed  
them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the  
fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)

*Weekend Mass Celebrations*

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph 4:17,  
20-24/Jn 6:24-35

**Saturday, August 3****St. Mary****4:00pm**+ **Jack Wilson**

by Family

*Lector**Kellee Hoag**Eucharistic Minister**Bonnie Olsen**Altar Server**Eli Hall**Greeter**Tom Fellion***Sunday, August 4****St. Joseph****7:30am**+ **Pro Populo***Lector**J.L. Ward**Eucharistic Minister**Donna Parks**Greeter**Mary Ann Cotter***Parish Picnic****11:00am**+ **Pro Populo***Lector**Jim McMahon**Eucharistic Minister**Volunteers**Greeter**Volunteers***REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

First Reading:

Trusting in the Lord, Elisha was able to feed a hundred  
people with just twenty barley loaves and fresh grain. Can  
you think of a time when you had to trust in the Lord?

Second Reading:

Paul urges the church in Ephesus to live in unity and  
holiness. What are some signs that a community is holy  
and united?

Gospel:

After Jesus fed the crowds with the multiplication of loaves  
and fish, he withdrew to the mountain alone. When do you  
find the need to be alone?

**PARISH OUTREACH FOR LOCAL NEEDS**

One way our parish helps local families is through the  
**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Week of July 15

1 family help with housing and food

1 family help with transportation

**Mission Appeal this weekend, July 27-28, 2024:**

Each year, the Mission Office of our diocese invites a missionary group to every parish to share about their mission work. This appeal will be this weekend, July 27-28. We will welcome the Foundation for Children in Need (FCN), a lay Catholic organization based in Arlington Heights, IL. FCN serves the poor in the interior villages of India. Dr. Geetha Yeruva, founder and president of FCN, will join us to talk about their work. FCN sponsors the education and daily needs of 2000 children and college students. They provide free medical check-ups and medicine to thousands of needy children. Over the past nine years, FCN has provided free corrective surgeries to more than 2000 children born with cleft lips and cleft palate. We welcome Dr. Geetha and encourage you to generously support their missionary endeavors. There will be a second collection taken up this weekend to support them. To learn more about FCN, please visit: [www.fcn-usa.org](http://www.fcn-usa.org).



As you review this report and invitation, pray with me that this census helps us to deepen our individual and parish commitment to build up the Kingdom in our parish and in our homes. One who is an active (registered) participating member of Holy Family Catholic Community: attends Sunday Mass regularly to be nourished by the Word and Eucharist; takes advantage of the opportunity to receive the healing and sustaining grace available from our Lord through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession); participates in parish life by attending religious and social programs whenever possible; assumes responsibility for the parish life by becoming involved and serving according to one's abilities; supports the parish to provide for the continuance of ministries within the parish and outreach to the surrounding community.

God bless and I love you all! Fr. John

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CHECK OUT: USCCB.RespectLife.org for prayer guides, daily readings, podcasts, videos.

JOIN US: Pray The Rosary for Life every Monday before the 9 am Mass at St. Joseph's Church

JOIN US: Attend The Respect Life Ministry Meeting, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month after 9 am Mass at St. Joseph's Church

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

"Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" Jesus asks Philip, testing him. And so, too, he asks us: "Where do you go when you are hungry? Afraid? Dejected? Confused?" Let us always answer: "Jesus. Jesus is where we can find what we need."

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**St. Vincent de Paul, in conjunction with C.A.N.N.,** is asking for donations of adult clothing and shoes. Bins will be placed in back of each church starting July 21st and be checked each Sunday until the end of August.

**Please donate adult clothing only.**

Thank you for your help with this need.

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION IS CANCELLED FOR AUGUST**

Due to circumstances, First Friday Nocturnal Adoration will be cancelled for the month of August. The usual monthly Adoration **will resume** on September 6th.



**PARISH PICNIC** - The parish picnic is next weekend, August 4th, at Babcock Park. It begins at 11am with Mass, followed by a picnic lunch with hamburgers and hotdogs, and a delicious selection of dishes provided by parishioners.

Help is still needed in these areas:

- \* Help transporting picnic items to Babcock Park.
- \* Help accepting dish to pass items as they arrive and to uncover just before meal begins.
- \* Help to sell summer raffle tickets should any extra be needed.
- \* Help moving music stands from Sacred Heart Church to Babcock Park, then back to Sacred Heart Church.
- \* Help to clean up afterwards.

**Please note: We don't have utensils to cut up or mix any items. Please prepare those items at home.**

Any items that need refrigeration will be put in the coolers and all will be put out just before lunch is served.

Please put your name on any dishes that you bring.

Thank you for any help you can provide.

Connie

**Fr. John Gathenya**

**Fr. Michael Twardzik - Senior Priest**

**Deacon Paul Clement**

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**Fr. John's Phone** (\*for emergency only) 315-224-5090

**On the web @** www.hfccwny.org

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

**Baptism:** Call the office to set up an appointment with a priest at least 4 weeks ahead.

Please contact the priest if special arrangements need to be made.

**Marriage:** Call the office, to set up an appointment with a Priest, at least 6 months ahead, and to reserve the church and date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the office or the Rectory.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 3:00 - 3:45pm at St. Mary Church or by appointment with a priest.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to our parish. We would like to get to know you and invite you to register. Registration forms are available in the Parish office and in each of the Churches.

**Faith Formation & Youth Ministry:** Pre-kindergarten through Adult Formation. For more information call the Parish Office

**Parish outreach to those in need** - St. Vincent de Paul Society, 728-5192

**HOLY FAMILY STAFF and Email Contact Information**

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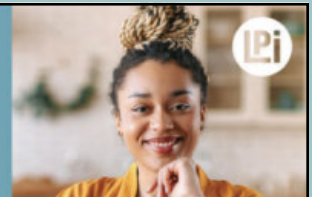
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