

Holy Family

of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph Parish



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him. "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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Masses

Saint Joseph Church

Mother Church of the Italian Community

Saturday evening......4:00 p.m. Sunday morning....8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Weekday (Monday - Saturday) 8:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Joseph Church

Saturday...... 3:00—3:40 p.m.

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Novena Schedule

Novena to St. Padre Pio

Tuesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's site.

Novena to St. Peregrine

Wednesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's site.

Novena to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Thursdays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Mt. Carmel site.

Rosary For Life

Fridays at 8:15 a.m. at Mt. Carmel Site.



{MC} = Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church site **SJ**} = St. Joseph Church site

Saturday, January 15

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Richard F. Marasco Sr. (Birth Remb) by Son Bob Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. **(SJ)** Elaine Catanese by Terry & Bonnie Brown 4:00 p.m. (MC) Anna Klizek (Anniv Remb) by Family

Sunday, January 16 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Antonella Tallarico by Family

10:30 a.m. {MC} Joseph Ligammare (Birth Remb) by Family 11:00 a.m. {SJ} General Colin Powell by Elaine Abersold

Monday, January 17 ~ St. Anthony

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Domenico D'Angelo by Wife Filippa & Children 9:00 a.m. {MC} All Souls by Dolores Laurrie

Tuesday, January 18

8:00a.m. {SJ} Albert & John DeMunda by Family 9:00 a.m. {MC} Dorothy Cancemi Frost by Family

Wednesday, January 19

08:00 a.m. {SJ} Casimro & Mary Riccelli by Family 9:00 a.m. {MC} Dilia Silvestri by Caroline Washburn Thursday, January 20 ~ St. Fabian & St. Sebastian

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Louis Rescigno (Birth Remb) by Family

9:00 a.m. {MĆ} Angeline Guarno (Anniv Remb) by David & Yolanda Jakubowski

Friday, January 21 ~ St. Agnes

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Antoinette Ciavatta LeBlanc (Birth Remb) by Sister Marie & Family

9:00 a.m. {MC} Anna Bellittiere by Fr. Duane

Saturday, January 22 ~ Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 a.m. {SJ} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. {SJ} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

4:00 p.m. {MC} For the Sanctity of All Human Life from Conception to Natural Death

Sunday, January 22 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. {SJ} Rev. John Graden, OSFS (Anniv Remb) by Ob-

10:30 a.m. {MC} Josephine Finley Vaccarella (Birth Remb) by Family

11:00 a.m. {SJ} Genevieve (Gene) Bak by Nieces Pat & Patty Gibbons

MASS READINGS

Is 62:1-5, Ps 96:1-3, 7-10, 1Cor 12:4-11, Jn 2:1-11 At Cana in Galilee, Jesus performed the first of his signs, revealing his glory to his disciples and later to the nations. He has revealed as well the manifestation of the Spirit who distributes different gifts as he chooses

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are blessed to have you join us this weekend! If you are visiting and looking for a church home, please consider joining our Catholic Community. To register in the parish or if you regularly attend Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, but have never registered, please call the rectory office at 282-1379 for more information.

FR. STEW'S NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

I have been writing about our tradition of celebrating the Sabbath day. As time went on other traditions came along that enhanced the daily life of the Christian community. Let me pause here for a moment. I want to emphasize that these are Christian traditions, not just Catholic traditions. Some, not all, Christian traditions were dropped during the Protestant Reformation which began in 1517 AD. All Christian traditions have a Sabbath worship service. Some main line churches like the Episcopalians, Lutherans and Methodist even use a similar Scripture cycle of reading like in our tradition. They may have a weekly, monthly or quarterly Communion service. When people say 'that's Catholic' I ask them do you mean Christian? Hell and purgatory, for example, were part of Christian theology not just Catholic theology.

As the Christian community developed so did the prayer life of the church. Daily prayer and then daily Mass were celebrated when possible. The daily prayer service was usually in the morning and evening. The morning prayer was called Lauds and the evening prayer was called Vesper. These services usually entailed the reading of some Psalms from the Old Testament. Later on the monks added other formal times of prayer. This came together in the form of what we call the Divine Office.

People who could not read would pray private devotions that could be memorized like the Rosary. Other prayers developed like the Litanies or Novena's. Recently the Divine Mercy Chaplet has been encouraged in many parishes. There are also times of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Statues and murals of the saints or biblical stories were added in church for the people to meditate on when they could not understand the Latin that the priest was using for prayer. We are a people who use3 our senses of sound in sacred music, murals and statues for our eyes, incense for our smell and Holy Communion for our taste. We are not just a brain. Religion is more than just believing but it uses all our senses.

Fr. Stew





SANCTUARY LIGHT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

The Sanctuary Light will burn this week to the honor of God and in loving memory of Antoinette Ciavatta Le-Blanc (Birth Remb) by Sister Marie & Family.

OUR SYMPATHY

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Parish wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to the families of Josephine Santangelo and JoAnn Vitagliano. May they rest in peace!

Parish Clergy

Parish Website: www.holyfamilyrcchurch.org

Parish Office & St. Joseph Church site 1413 Pine Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York 14301 (716) 282-1379 Fax: (716) 285-3704

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church site

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CEMETERY NOTICE

St. Joseph Cemetery gates are open:

April 15 thru Sept. 30: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

October 1 thru April 14: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mausoleum hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES OUOTE:

"Never be hurried in anything. Do all things calmly and in a spirit of repose. Do not lose your inward peace even if everything seems to be going wrong. What is anything in life compared to peace of soul?"



CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS

We are looking for retired teachers from the parish to sub at our school. If interested, please contact Johanna Richards, Vice-Principal at 716-238-1455 ext. 202.

ST. JOSEPH OUTREACH CENTER

The Outreach Center is open to provide Food for those in need within our district area. The Center is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at 1402 Pine Avenue.

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

Padre Pio Prayer Ministry

Are you in need of prayers for yourself, a loved one or friend? The Padre Pio Prayer Ministry offers prayers for anyone's needs. Please call 297-6382, or 285-7141 to have your intentions added to the prayer chain.

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THE POWER OF PRAYER

The Holy Family parish Prayer Line is an important prayer chain that helps those with special personal needs/concerns by providing powerful intercession by presenting needs to our Heavenly Father. If you are interested in serving as part of this Prayer Chain, please contact Jeanne at 297-8705. Add your prayers to those in need by joining our chain; help our fellow parishioners with their prayerful requests for intercession.

MEMORIAL GIFTS AND BEQUESTS

Gift opportunities to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Parish exist in many ways. Below are some examples in which an individual or a family can give to our Parish:

Memorial gifts: can be made to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Parish in a loved one's name when funeral arrangements are being made. Please speak to the funeral director for assistance.

Bequests: Gifts provided through wills and personal trusts have aided our parish with much needed financial support. Such gifts enable donors to make significant contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. Please consider making a charitable bequest to Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Parish in your will or personal trust. Thank you for your continued support and may God bless you.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE January 22 & 23

Lectors

4:00 p.m. {MC} P. Skotnicki 4:00 p.m. {SJ B. Robinson 8:00 a.m. {SJ} T. Zacher 10:30 a.m. {MC} T./M. Marino 11:00 a.m. {SJ} J. D'Aloise

Eucharist Ministers

4:00 p.m. **{MC**} L. Burge

4:00 p.m. {SJ} MR Archie, MB DeMunda, C. Granto

8:00 a.m. {SJ} D. Catanese, R. Catanese,

T. D'Andreamatteo

10:30 a.m. **{MC**} C. Washbunr

11:00 a.m. {SJ} J. Sardina, N. Sardina, A. Moran

YEAR END TAX CONTRIBUTIONS

Anyone wishing to receive a statement of their donations to the church for 2021, needs to call the rectory, even if you received one last year (282-1379) during office hours (8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.), and one will be mailed to you.

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, the rectory office will be closed on Monday, January 17 and will reopen on Tuesday, January 18.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY NEWS

New Members:

Holy Family St. Vincent de Paul is looking for new members ages 17 to 107. If you are interested, please call Joe Kurek at 716 -327-0467 with questions. Our meetings are held the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Our lady of Mt. Carmel Rectory meeting room across the alley for the church. This is a great opportunity to not only help others, but to be involved in your church family. Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Chapter needs:

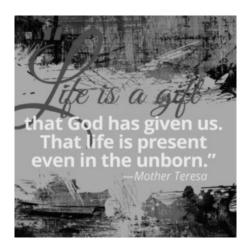
We are currently looking for a garage to rent. If you have an empty garage available, Please contact Caroline Washburn at 716-297-0006.

Services:

Holy Family St. Vincent de Paul can help with many things. If you or someone you know is in need of help with a furniture item, help with utilities or clothing, please call Joe Kurek at 716-327-0467 or Caroline Washburn at 716-297-0006 to see if we can provide assistance. The person does not have to be a parishioner, however they must reside in the 14301 area of the city.

SPRING BIBLE STUDY

"We will begin a new Bible Class on the Epistle of St. James beginning Tuesday January 17, 2022. 'It is a collection of teachings on how to meet the challenges in life with your Christian faith.' We will be meeting at the Mt. Carmel Church site. Class will start at 6:30 p.m. The session will last one hour and 15 minutes. The course goes for 11 weeks. Register through the parish office. The cost will be \$35.00 if registered by January 3, 2022. After that date it will cost \$45 due to shipping costs.



COVID-19 UPDATE: MASK MANDATE REINSTATED FOR ALL COUNTIES DECEMBER 13, 2021

On December 10, 2021, New York State announced a mask mandate for all indoor venues effective December 13, 2021 which will be reviewed January 15, 2022.

Mask Mandate:

At this time, masks are mandated for all participants in liturgies held in Catholic churches and worship spaces located in the Diocese of Buffalo regardless of vaccination status.

Parishes in the diocese are not authorized to screen fro vaccinations, and so this mandate will apply to all who enter our worship spaces.

As in the past, the only exception given to this will be for clergy and other liturgical ministers when they are fulfilling a significant speaking role. (They should maintain at least six feet of physical distance from others during these limited occasions.)

This guidance will be revisited as the stat reviews its policy on or about January 15, 2022 or if subsequent directives are issued by the diocese.

RAFFLE WINNING NUMBERS

Date	Winners	Before	After
Christmas Eve	689	688	690
Christmas Day	279	278	280
1/1 Saturday	157	156	158
1/2 Sunday	529	528	530
1/3Monday	232	231	233
1/4 Tuesday	248	247	249
1/5 Wednesday	493	492	494
1/6 Thursday	946	945	947
1/7 Friday	159	158	160
1/8 Saturday	456	455	457
1/9 Sunday	661	660	662





It is better to light just one little candle

Than to stumble in the dark.

Better by far that you light just one little candle,

All you need is a tiny spark.

If we'd all say a prayer that the world would be free,

A wonderful dawn of a new day we'd see...

And if everyone lit just one little candle,

What a bright world this would be.



ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY 22, LIGHT A CANDLE FOR LIFE

Everyone is encouraged to place a candle in the front window of their homes at sundown Saturday, January 22. The candle serves as a reminder of the millions of unborn and almost born babies who have been aborted since the heinous Supreme Court decision of Roe v Wade.



BE OUR LIGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR

Come, Holy Spirit,
Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.
Be our light, our Guide and our Comforter.
Be our Strength, our Courage, and our Sanctifier.
May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,
A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,
A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,
A time for growing in virtue and goodness.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Be with us today and always.

CANDLEMAS DAY+ BLESSING OF THROATS

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Wednesday, February 2 is celebrated as the Feast of the presentation of the Lord in the Temple, Candlemas Day. It is also a traditional day of blessing candles and showing respect for blessed candles, symbolic of the Light of Christ. Blessed candles for home use will be available in the church sacristy and rectory office for a \$3.00 offering for a box of two.



Thursday, February 3 is the Feast of St. Blasé, bishop and martyr. It is traditionally a day for the Blessing of Throats which will be offered at the two morning Masses 8:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Church site and 9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church site. Devotion to Saint Blasé was very popular during the Middle Ages and continues to this day. We all want relief and protection from physical troubles and ailments of the throat. There are also spiritual diseases of the throat more often harmful than physical. We ask protection from these as well when we ask for deliverance, "from the evil of the unkind speech, curses, lies and cancerous rumors of gossip." As we receive the blessing, we ask through St. Blase's intercession to be delivered from physical and spiritual evil of the throat and tongue and for the Grace to make a good confession.

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