# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

**ST. JOHN CHURCH** 1405 FIRST AVENUE SATURDAY 4:30 PM SUNDAY 10:30 AM

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 201 CLARK STREET SUNDAY 9:00 AM This Mass Live Streamed

#### ADORATION POSTPONED

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ST. JOHN CHURCH SATURDAY 3:30 PM

# March 14, 2021

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Rite of Enrollment for Second Graders - Sacrament of Eucharist Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM St. John Church



Receiving Jesus in the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time is one of the greatest blessings of our lives. So the journey toward First Communion is very important. We will recognize this journey with a Rite of Enrollment where the children and their parents / guardians will commit to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist. Fr. Civille will conduct this Ceremony at St. John Church at 6:30 PM on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. **Parishioners are asked to keep the Second Graders and their families in their prayers.** 



# Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fridays



5 to 8 PM Fridays in Lent

HOSTED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

\$12 Adult / \$6 Kids under 12 Fried Cod (Regular or Spicy Cajun) *or* Baked Tilapia Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, & Choice of Bread Popcorn Shrimp \$3 extra

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## Eagle's Lodge

one block west of St. John Church Corner of First Avenue & Clinton

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# Stations of the Cross & Benediction

Fridays in Lent 7 PM Holy Trinity Church



#### You're Invited to the

2021 HOLY FAMILY

EASTER EGG HUNT

Holy Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> Holy Trinity Grounds



11 AM - Arrive early! It's over in minutes!

Presented by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights Council 1610

Three Age Groups: 3 & under 4 to 7 8 to 10

All participants should bring their own basket and must be accompanied by an adult!

Thank you in advance for wearing face masks and practicing social distancing at this event!

## HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - March 13 and 14 4:30 PM Mass SJ Mary Mikula - Birthday Remembrance 9:00 AM Mass HT Derry Derivan - Birthday Remembrance 9:00 AM Mass live streamed and available on the website anytime. 10:30 AM Mass SJ **Kiesewetter & Meister Family** 

The Catholic faithful who reside in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati continue to be dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass / Holy Day Mass. - ARCHBISHOP DENNIS SCHNURR

Monday, March 15

6:00 PM Mass HT Ron Loop

Tuesday, March 16

8:15 AM Mass SJ23 Ann Slezak — students / staff only!

12:10 PM Mass HT Frances Hamilton - Birthday Rem.

#### Wednesday, March 17

12:10 PM Mass HT Vivian McConnell

#### Thursday, March 18

12:10 PM Mass HT **Rita Gough - Birthday Remembrance** 

#### Friday, March 19

8:00 AM Mass HT Joe Stugmyer

#### Saturday, March 20

4:30 PM Mass SJ Walter & Mary Jane Diver

Sunday, March 21 Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM Mass HT Irene Uleman

10:30 AM Mass SJ Oscar & Betty Koeppel - Wed. Anniv. Rem.

## Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> \$34,479

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

## Wanted: Tutor for 8th Grade Student

I am in need of a tutor for an 8th grade student at St. John XXIII Catholic School. Subjects to tutor are Math, Social Studies and Science. Location, time, and salary are all negotiable. Please call 513-727-1839.



Pray the Rosary inside the St. John Center Wednesday Nights at 7:00 PM



During the colder months you're invited to pray the Rosary INSIDE the St. John Center with other parishioners and friends! "The Rosary is spiritual medicine." POPE FRANCIS

## **Daily Scripture Readings**

Mon: Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54 Tues: Ez 47:1-9,12 / Jn 5:1-16 Wed: Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30 Thurs: Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47



Fri: 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 / Mt 1:16,18-21 Sat: Jer 11:18-20 / Jn 7:40-53 Sun: Jer 31:31-34 / Heb 5:7-9 / Jn 12:20-33

#### **In Your Prayers Please Remember**

Jason Umberg at Sycamore, Greg Dearth at Atrium, Jack Fishbaugh in rehab at Mt. Pleasant and Linda Weaver at St. Leonard's this week.

See the Bulletin in COLOR! www.holyfamilymiddletown.com!



## Almsgiving Envelope in the **March Envelopes Pack**



In place of alms boxes this year, we've opted for a special Almsgiving Envelope. Donations will be sent to Sr. Sarah's clinic in

Guatemala. Pleases make your check payable to Holy Family Parish. Thank you!

#### Lenten Reflection The Gospels tell the story of Jesus



so that I can be part of that same story. The four Gospels weren't written to be just interesting stories of exemplary incidents in the life of someone else. They tell the story of Jesus so that I can be part of that same story. The events in Jesus' life are meant to be connected to the events in my life.

> SO I AM TO FORGIVE AS JESUS FORGAVE, HEAL AS JESUS HEALED, LOVE AS JESUS LOVED, PRAY AS JESUS PRAYED, **DEAL WITH SUFFERING** AS JESUS DEALT WITH SUFFERING, **ACCEPT THE FATHER'S WILL** AS JESUS ACCEPTED THE FATHER'S WILL, **RISE FROM THE DEAD** AS JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD.

Lent can help me deepen that connection with His Life.



www.littlebooks.org / Little Books of the Diocese of Saginaw, Inc. The Little Black Book - March 6, 2021

## Holy Family in the March Edition of The Catholic Telegraph Magazine

- in two separate sections:

#### A Family of Vocations

In the late 19th and early 20th Centuries,

one family was an astonishing example of the response to the call to serve in vocations. Patrick Hickey and Johanna Stanton, immigrants from Ireland, married on April 17, 1856 at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. Between 1857 and 1870, the couple had five boys and two girls. All seven of their children entered religious life. The sons were ordained priests between 1880 and 1892, and the daughters both entered religious life with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Having so many religious vocations brought fame and a place of honor to the Hickey family. Father Edward Hickey (1859-1921) A popular pastor in Middletown at the time of his death, Father Edward took an interest in the moral development of boys and young men and built a gymnasium and swimming pool [Holy Trinity Center] to keep young people in wholesome surroundings.



## Letters About Dad - Readers Share Stories About Their Own Fathers From Parishioner Anne Coyle Horn



## **Introductions to Sunday Readings**

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor



#### First Reading - 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 The second book of Chronicles is part of a series

which traces Jewish history from its beginning down to the end of the exile in Babylon, five centuries before Christ. Today's reading is the conclusion of the book. It summarizes the reason for the exile and tells how it ended after 70 years. Second Chronicles was placed last in the Jewish bible. When we hear the final words of this reading, we hear how the Jewish Scriptures conclude on a positive note.

#### Second Reading - Ephesians 2:4-10

Ephesus is located on the western coast of what is today Turkey. The author of this letter to the Christians in Ephesus writes about the saving power of God that is available to both Jews and non-Jews. Today's passage reminds us that salvation is God's gift alone. "Gift" is the root meaning of the word "grace."

## **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March 14<sup>th</sup> - Second Scrutiny Man Born Blind

#### 11:30 AM St. John Undercroft

If you're interested in becoming Catholic, please call the parish office 422-0602.

My father, **Thomas Joseph Coyle**, was born in 1921, the second of 11 children. He was a lifelong member of Holy Trinity / Holy Family Parish in Middletown. He was inducted as a private into the U.S. Army in 1942; 313 Battalion; 80th Artillery under General George Patton. He was promoted to sergeant in 1943. His unit received battle honors for fighting in the Battle of the Bulge. In addition, his unit liberated a concentration camp. He was honorably discharged in 1945. He worked as a metallurgist at Aeronca for 24 years and retired from Armco Steel in 1986. After retiring, he and my mother volunteered at Middletown Regional Hospital, delivering Meals on Wheels. My father worked hard to provide my sister, brother



Deacon Tom Coyle

and me with a solid Catholic education. He was a member of the parish council and volunteered at the Bishop Fenwick High School festival for many years. One of the things my father was most proud of was being a deacon. He was a graduate of the very first diaconate class of 1975. He served as a deacon at Holy Trinity / Holy Family parish for 30 years. The best lesson my father taught me was to be of service to others. He served his country, his community and, most importantly, God. This lesson has inspired me all of my life. My father entered eternal life in 2013. Three priests celebrated his funeral Mass and 11 fellow deacons were in attendance. I could hear God saying, "Well done good and faithful servant!"

# **Readings for Saturday and Sunday**

## First Reading - 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the Lord's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the Lord, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the Lord against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the Lord spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the Lord spoken by Jeremiah, the Lord inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the Lord, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### Second Reading - Ephesians 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

The word of the Lord.

## **Gospel - John 3:14-21**

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## And with your spirit. Glory to you, O Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## **Mass Prayers and Responses**

## **Profession of Faith**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow. and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate

of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

#### Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet!

The Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet is an interfaith group of local organizations and churches coming together to give families in need access to gently used, clean clothes and footwear. **St. Paul's United Church of Christ** 

114 South Broad Street Drop off clean clothes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. If you have any questions please call 513-422-4519.



The Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet is on Facebook! Find out more there including a link for those interested in **volunteering**. Social distancing protocols are enforced and facemasks required.

#### State Route #122 Clean Up Crew Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 8:30 - 10:30 AM Jacot Park



Join the gang picking up trash along SR #122 from Dixie Hwy to Breiel Blvd. This is the main entrance to our city and we want to keep it looking good! We meet at Jacot Park at 8:30 a.m. and finish up by 10:30 a.m. Mark your calendar for three more Saturdays: June 26<sup>th</sup> Aug 28<sup>th</sup> Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> Bring your kids and grandkids! This is a great chance for kids to perform - and for the important adults in their lives to model - community service!

Amen.

# Hymns for Saturday and Sunday

## Entrance

#### I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I want to walk as a child of the light.
 I want to follow Jesus.
 God set the stars to give light to the world.
 The star of my life is Jesus.

#### Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

 I want to see the brightness of God.
 I want to look at Jesus.
 Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, And show me the way to the Father.

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## Closing

#### The Glory of These Forty Days

- The glory of these forty days We celebrate with songs of praise; For Christ, through whom all things were made, Himself has fasted and has prayed.
- Alone and fasting, Moses saw The loving God who gave the Law; And to Elijah, fasting, came The steeds and chariots of flame.

Calrum decus jejunii, Attr. to Gregory the Great,© 540-604, Tr. by Maurice F. Bell, 1862-1947, alt. Psaumes octante trois de David, Geneva, 1551, Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, © 1510-1561

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Folfas (937) 886-5196 or jeannemarie42@hotmail.com.

## Communion

#### **Amazing Grace**

- Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!
   I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see!
- 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear, The hour I first believed!
- The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
- 4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
- When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

Vs. 1-4 John Newton, 1725-1807, alt. Vs. 5 Anon. Columbia Harmony, Cincinnati, 1829

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**OUR DOORS ARE OPEN:** No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your age, race, background, personal history, etc., no matter what your own self-image — you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at Holy Family Parish. Our doors are open!

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Baptism Preparation Class - These classes are held quarterly: March, June, September and December.The actual date, time and location will be announced in the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.Baptisms - Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

**Becoming a Member of Holy Family Parish** - Fill out a Census Form at the parish office or download it under FORMS at <u>www.holyfamilymiddletown.com</u>. Drop your completed form in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. **Becoming Catholic** - Please call the parish office to find out more about the RCIA process.

**Bulletin Deadline** - Submit announcements in hard copy or to <u>monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com</u> by noon Tuesday. **Hospitalization or Death in the Family** - Please notify the pastor as soon as possible by calling the parish office.

Marriages - Couples wishing to be married must set the date with the pastor at least six months in advance.

**Nursery** - Due to the coronavirus, the 10:30 AM Mass Nursery is temporarily closed.

**Parish Religious Education Program** - Due to the coronavirus, Sunday Preschool is canceled and Monday K-8th Grade have an in home program. Contact Dee Golembiewski, DRE, with questions.

St. John XXIII Catholic School - Parish school for Preschool - 8th Grade - www.stjohn23school.org.





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