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

January 10, 2021

Baptism of the Lord

Last year, January 5-19, 2020, Holy Family participated in SHALOM With Carole & David Schul coordinating our efforts for the eighth straight year, 21 people served as overnight hosts, 24 different groups prepared and served the dinner meal, and many other parishioners baked desserts and donated snacks, basic personal care items, brand new socks, crocheted hats, and



winter coats and gloves. Because of the COVID pandemic, SHALOM is closed for the 2020/21 season, but those in need are still out there, and their need for shelter, food, and compassion is still very real.

PRAYER FOR THE HOMELESS

Hear our prayer today for all women and men, boys and girls who are homeless this day. For those sleeping under bridges, on park benches, in doorways or bus stations, For those who can only find shelter for the night but must wander in the daytime, For families broken because they could not afford to pay the rent, For those who have no relatives or friends who can take them in, For those who have no place to keep possessions that remind them who they are, For those who have no place to keep possessions that remind them who they are, For those who have been betrayed by our social safety net, For all these people, we pray that you will provide shelter, security, and hope. We pray for those of us with warm houses and comfortable beds – that we not be lulled into complacency and forgetfulness. Jesus, help us to see your face in the eyes of every homeless person we meet. Empower us to work for justice and peace through words and deeds. Give us open hearts to greet and meet the homeless people in our neighborhoods. In your name, we pray, Amen.

HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - January 9 and 10 4:30 PM Mass SJ Dennis Krause 9:00 AM Mass HT Emma Humanic - Anniversary Rem. 9:00 AM Mass live streamed and available on the website anytime. 10:30 AM Mass SJ **Ray Kaylor**

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, January 11

6:00 PM Mass HT Jeannine Pfeffer

Tuesday, January 12

8:15 AM Mass SJ23 Desmond Dineen — students / staff only!

12:10 PM Mass HT Jack Alderton

Wednesday, January 13

12:10 PM Mass HT Marjorie Root

Thursday, January 14

12:10 PM Mass HT Tom Byrne

Friday, January 15

8:00 AM Mass HT **Robert Wise - Birthday Remembrance**

Saturday, January 16

4:30 PM Mass SJ Carl Amatulli

Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mass HT Nick Vitori - Birthday Remembrance

10:30 AM Mass SJ Tom Trent

Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, January 3rd \$25,584

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

Next Baptismal Preparation Class This Wednesday, January 13th 7 PM St. John Undercroft



If you are expecting your first baby or want

your first child baptized we ask that you attend a baptismal preparation class, held quarterly throughout the year. The next class is this Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the St. John Undercroft. Please call the parish office 422-0602 to register. Social distancing and other guidelines will be followed.

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: Heb 1:1-6 / Mk 1:14-20 Tues: Heb 2:5-12 / Mk 1:21-28 Wed: Heb 2:14-18 / Mk 1:29-39 Thurs: Heb 3:7-14 / Mk 1:40-45 Fri: Heb 4:1-5,11 / Mk 2:1-12 Sat: Heb 4:12-16 / Mk 2:13-17 Sun: 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19 / 1 Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20 Jn 1:35-42

Our Prayers and Sympathy are Extended

to the family and friends of Norma Adams, who died December 30th, Julia Scearce, who died December 31th, and Glenn Kleinhenn, who died January 3^{rd.}

Our prayers and sympathy are also extended to Judy Dixon in the death of her twin brother, Tom Ryan, who died January 3rd, to Marilyn Abbott in the death of her brother-in-law, Ed Leukhardt, who died January 1st, and to Mike Clarey, in the death of his brother, Richard Clarey, who died January 3rd.

Free Poinsettias This Weekend - While They Last!

It's time to put away the Christmas decorations and take down the



wreaths, trees, and candles and YOU can help! While they last, you are invited to take home a poinsettia following the 9AM and 10:30 AM

Masses this Sunday. And a BIG THANK YOU to many parishioners who made Christmas celebrations possible this COVID year!



- SVDP Members who prepared Thanksgiving & Christmas Baskets and collected and distributed Giving Tree Gift Cards.
- Parishioners who decorated and prepared the churches for both Advent and Christmas.
- Neighborhood Reps and Extra Volunteers who delivered the Calendar PLUS bags.
- Sacristans, lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers and special Christmas Mass Greeters.
- Musicians and soloists who made sure we had great music for all 7 Christmas Masses.
- YOU! Parishioners who cooperated with all of the extraordinary COVID measures.



RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

January 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st January 10th - The Meaning of Mass What We Do at Mass - Part 1

11:30 AM St. John Undercroft

If you're interested in becoming Catholic, or you know someone who may be interested, please call the parish office 422-0602.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thanks to everyone for your continued support and contributions, with which



SVDP volunteers were able to help our friends in need again this past month. Here is the December data:

SVDP Pantry Food Donations

68 Households 195 people 60 senior citizens 95 adults 40 children **SVDP Pantry Christmas Baskets** 56 Households 200 people

SVDP Help Line Utility Bill Assistance

16 households - Duke 31 households - Water **NEW SVDP Help Line Rent Assistance**

We have set aside some funds to help the community with rent during this difficult time. 7 direct pay to landlord

1 worked with another agency to pay

SVDP Outreach Ministry

4 home visits to assess needs

5 deliveries of bedding or vouchers

SVDP Prison Ministry

This Ministry suspended due to COVID.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT! 5TH SUNDAY SVDP COLLECTIONS OCCUR FOUR TIMES A YEAR. OUR NEXT ONE IS LATER THIS MONTH JANUARY 31ST!

For your convenience, we've included a special "SVDP 5th Sunday" envelope

in the January pack. You can place your donation in the collection baskets at the front of church, drop you envelope through the parish office front door mail slot, or send it via the USPS to the parish office. Thank you!

New Phone Number? **Dropping Your Land Line?**



Please call the parish office 422-0602 so we can update your information. Thank you! Introductions to Sunday Readings

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor First Reading - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7



This section of the Book of Isaiah contains the words of a prophet who spoke to God's people exiled in Babylon. Four different times, the prophet speaks about a mysterious servant who will one day deliver the Israelites and make them great again. Christians have traditionally identified Jesus as this servant.

Second Reading - 1 John 5:1-9

In this passage, the author of the first letter of John emphasizes belief in Jesus Christ as Son of God. He uses phrases and symbols which describe Christ's baptism, death and resurrection. The Spirit, present at these events, testifies to Christ as Son of God. Such testimony is far superior to any human witness.

Now and at the Hour of Our Death **Catholic EOL Medical & Funeral Planning**

FREE Virtual Workshops Wednesday, February 3 1:30 - 3 PM Thursday, February 4 7 - 8:30 PM



It's never too late to begin thinking about our own funeral, end-of-life care, and who will be making those big decisions. Join us to learn about how to get started on planning a Catholic Funeral and what the Church teaches on key end-of-life issues. Topics include preplanning the three stages of the Catholic funeral, what the Church really teaches about cremation, how to approach difficult end-of-life decisions with your loved ones from a Catholic perspective (life support, medical power of attorney, etc.), and more. Registration is free! Call the Office for Divine Worship and Sacraments 513-263-6609 or check out www.catholiccincinnati.org.

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checking or savings account, or with debit cards or major credit cards. Find out more by clicking on the WeShare link at www.holyfamilymiddletown.com. *Note: If you are currently giving electronically, please* call the parish office 422-0602 before setting up a WeShare account! Thank you! Other WeShare Online Giving Options In addition to the General Collection, you can make online payments for Mass Stipends, Memorial Donations, Wedding Fees, etc. Check it out!

Readings for Saturday and Sunday

First Reading - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Thus says the Lord: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. A bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching. I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading - 1 John 5:1-9

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one who testifies, and the Spirit is truth. So there are three that testify, the Spirit, the water, and the blood, and the three are of one accord. If we accept human testimony, the testimony of God is surely greater. Now the testimony of God is this, that he has testified on behalf of his Son.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel - Mark 1:7-11

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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!

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

Thanks be to God.



Mass Prayers and Responses

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

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.

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.

Amen.

Hymns for Saturday and Sunday

Entrance

Morning Has Broken

- Morning has broken
 Like the first morning,
 Blackbird has spoken
 Like the first bird.
 Praise for the singing;
 Praise for the morning;
 Praise for them, springing
 Fresh from the word.
- Sweet the rain's new fall Sunlight from heaven, Like the first dewfall On the first grass.
 Praise for the sweetness Of the wet garden, Sprung in completeness Where God has passed.

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Closing

How Can I Keep from Singing

 My life flows on in endless song; Above earth's lamentation, I hear the real though far-off hymn That hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm While to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

2. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.It sounds and echoes in my soul; How can I keep from singing?

Pauline T., New York Observer, New York, 1863 / Vs. 3: Doris Plenn, 1909-1994 Robert Lowry 1826-1899, alt; GIA Publications, A702646

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Communion

Christ, Be Our Light

 Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, Light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

- Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice.
- Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, Shared until all are fed.
- Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, Walls made of living stone.
- Many the gifts, many the people, Many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, Making your kingdom come.

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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 www.holyfamilymiddletown.com. 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 monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com 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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