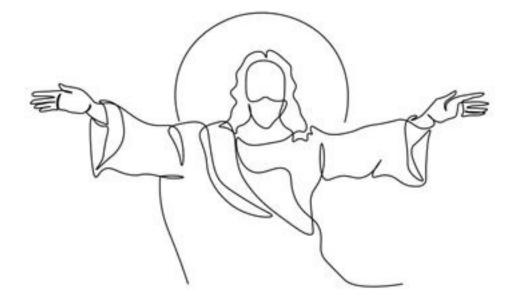
April 16, 2023





# HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

# MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Holy Family Parishioners and Friends,

This weekend, I want to welcome Fr. Charles Vavonese to Holy Family Church. He will be preaching at all of our Masses. Fr. Vavonese will be speaking about the importance of naming a health care proxy and providing the proxy with an understanding of Catholic end-of-life teachings so as to allow them to make health care decisions if we are not able to make them. As Fr. Vavonese says, "This is an issue that should be of great importance to all as it allows each individual to think through his/her own health care decisions, so others do not have to make the decisions in a less informed way." Father Charles Vavonese is the Director of Project COMPASSION, a project whose focus is to develop materials for palliative patients and their families.

This is an issue that any of us go through. My mother and my father did not have any advance directives regarding end of life issues. Fortunately, God took them home before any decisions had to be made. As many of you know, this is not always the case. I have had many ask me about end-of-life issues, sometimes when big decisions need to be made.

I am grateful for Fr. Vavonese for coming to us this weekend to share this important issue. There is more information available on our website at holyfamilysyr.org.

Peace and all good things, Father Manno

# **MASS SCHEDULE**

## **Daily Mass**

Monday/Wednesday: 6:45 a.m. Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30a.m., 4:00 p.m.

#### **Confessions**

Monday: 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

For any of our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass and are at home – if you would like a friendly, prayerful visit and receive Holy Communion from one of our volunteer ministers, call Kris McGuire at the Pastoral Center: 315-488-3139.

4:00 p.m. Vigil Masses, 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses are livestreamed on our Facebook page or at **holyfamilysyr.org/live**.

# PRAYER CHAIN

Prayer chain requests may be made to Mary and John Milligan at jrmk2007@aol.com or 315-468-1029. Please have requests in by noon on Saturdays. In the case of elective surgeries, please send requests two weeks in advance. Emergency requests may be made at any time.

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

## Monday, April 17

6:45 a.m. Daniela Paniagua/Paul & Maria Leo

## Tuesday, April 18

9:00 a.m. John DeJohn/Daughter

## Wednesday, April 19

6:45 a.m. John Berreca/Alexie Korrie

## Thursday, April 20

9:00 a.m. Giovanna DeBiase/Carmela Spicciati

## Friday, April 21

9:00 a.m. Elwin "Howie" Moore/Biagio & Pina Ponza

## Saturday, April 22

8:00 a.m. Alan Flaherty/Wife - Christine 4:00 p.m. John Eagan/Wife & Children

## Sunday, April 23

7:30 a.m. Bronislawa Surmiak/Eligia 9:00 a.m. Edward Zimba Family/Barbara 10:30 a.m. Jim Waters/Helen, Theresa & Rob 4:00 p.m. Mary Dixon/Maureen Gallivan

# **BEREAVEMENT**

Whatever wars rage in your life, lay them at the foot of the cross and ask Jesus to give you His peace.

## May he rest in peace.

Paul Wicker

# PRAY FOR US

Dr. Joseph Thornton, Marie Wing, Ed Campagna, Hank Smith, Gabe, Tatum Foster, Kenneth Wood, Joseph Mandolfo, Neal & Rosemary Devine, Mike Kelly, Tom Kehoskie, Bill Scheutzow, Richard & Patricia Reschke, Dana Paradise-Knowlton, Geraldine Riley, Susan McGough, Karen Crisafi, Ginny Barrett, Mary Rose Kishman, Dr. Jim Mosey, Deb and Bob Somerville, Chris Malys, Marylyn Dardeno, Luke Michael Boskovski, Dan Gallagher, Patricia Kaiser, Tom Hackett

We print the "Pray for List" on a month-to-month basis. If you would like your loved one on the list, please call the parish office.

# WEEKLY GIVING UPDATE

**April 8 & 9:** \$ 23,301.95 **Easter Collection:** \$16,425.00

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our Parish. Please consider making a lasting gift through your will or trust, retirement assets, or life insurance.



Give online by scanning the QR code above or by visiting **holyfamilysyr.org/donate**. Call the Parish Office at 315-488-3139 if you have any problems accessing our online giving.

Questions about giving? Contact our business manager, **Dave Callahan** at 315-488-3139 x 103 or by email at dave@holyfamilysyr.org.

# **CONTACT**

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**Questions?** Contact our office manager, Donna Alvaro, or administrative assistant, Patti Brigati

Office Hours: M-Th, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

315-488-3139 holyfamily@holyfamilysyr.org

## **Parish Clergy**

Rev. John D. Manno, Pastor Rev. Malachi F. Clark, Parochial Vicar Rev. William Muench, In Residence Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel, Senior Priest Deacon Robert Fangio Deacon Scott Harris Deacon Edward Terzolo Deacon Mark Kay

## **Holy Family School**

130 Chapel Drive Syracuse, NY 13219

Office: 315-487-8515 Fax: 315-488-4437

#### **School Staff**

Daryl Hall, Principal Anne Colon, Business Administrator

# **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL**

Join our online community and stay up-to-date with the latest information by following along on social media **@holyfamilysyr**.







# **NEWS & UPDATES**

# SAFE ENVIRONMENT Initial Training Session: Tuesday, May 23, 6-8 p.m. Church Hall Re-Certification Training Session: Wednesday, June 7, 6-8 p.m. Church Hall

The diocesan Child and Youth Protection policy requires completing the initial Safe Environment training session upon the assumption of duties, employment, or volunteering whose ministry or role places them in regular contact with children, young people, or vulnerable adults. Re-certification every five years is required if you remain active in your ministry.

Register at the Safe Environment webpage: https://syracusediocese.org/safeenvironment/ or call the Safe Environment Office at 315-470-1421.

#### HOLY FAMILY GOLF LEAGUE

The Holy Family Men's Golf League will soon embark on its 51st season. We play at West Hill Golf Course on Mondays from May 1st to August 28th. The intended format for this season is 2-man best ball net. League tee times range from 3:15-4:30 p.m. Cost is \$335 which includes golf, skins, and prizes. Interested in joining the league? This is a great league for players new to the game as well as seasoned veterans. Call Kristin at West Hill (315-672-8677) for more information or visit the West Hill web site (Westhillgolfcourse.com).

# THREE-NIGHT MISSION April 17-19, beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m.

Allareinvited to St. Joseph & St. Patrick Church, 702 Columbia Street, Utica with Padre Amedeo Guida. Topics include the healing power of forgiveness, our baptismal call to evangelize, and the Eucharist.

## SIX WEEK DISCERNMENT RETREAT Thursdays, April 20-May 25, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

This six-week retreat will help you to grow in your capacity to discern the presence of God in your life. Using the discernment of spirits method of St. Ignatius of Loyola, and the wisdom of scripture, you will learn to pay attention to daily experiences and your interior moods. Presented by Rev. Gerry McKeon, SJ at the Spiritual Renewal Center, 1342 Lancaster Ave, Syracuse. Virtual option available. \$75 fee. Call 315-472-6546.

#### **VOCATIONS**

Jesus proclaims, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Have you ever considered that Christ might want to send you to share the Good News of the Gospel and minister to his people as a priest or religious? Call Father Jason Hage at (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Come join other engaged couples for Marriage Preparation, sponsored by the Diocese of Syracuse. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn more about your future spouse, your faith, and married life. To learn more or to find a link to all available session dates, visit:

https://www.syracusediocese.org/offices/familyrespect-life/marriage-preparation/

# FISHERMAN'S CLUB Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m.

All are welcome to attend the Fisherman's Club meeting at Christ the King Retreat House. "FC" aims to build fraternity among young adult Catholic men as well as provide these men with tools for mature discernment of their vocation. For more information, please contact Fr. Nathan Brooks, at NBrooks@syrdio.org.

# **NEWS & UPDATES**

# THE CYRENIAN WAY - DAY RETREAT Saturday, April 22,

Join The Cyrenian Way author, Fr. Jason Hage for a day of reflection on the five pillars of spiritual poverty and the art of accompaniment.

Praise and Worship with Jeremy Bobak. Offering: \$40 (includes a delicious lunch)

#### MEMORIAL DAY ESSAY CONTEST

Holy Family Parish welcomes all 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students to submit a short essay on "What Memorial Day Means to Me." A winner from each grade will receive a \$100 Wal-Mart Gift Card and will read their essay at the end of the Memorial Day 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday May 27. All entries should be submitted by May 15 to the Parish Office: Attention Ellen McCauley. Please include your telephone number.

## MEMORIAL DAY MASS Saturday, May 27, 4:00 p.m.

Please join us in honoring those who have given their all for our country. U.S. veterans and currently enlisted personnel are invited to process into the church in memory of their fallen comrades. Military uniform is optional. The Central New York Gold Star Mothers and their families will also be honored. A free hot dog cookout sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be held in the church parking lot after Mass. All are welcome. Please contact Ellen M. McCauley (315-468-4233/315-447-4676) by May 26th in order to reserve pews.

#### HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL SUPER RAFFLE

The Holy Family School Super Raffle tickets are ON SALE NOW! The Super Raffle prizes include: grand prize of \$25,000, 2nd-place prize of \$10,000, 3rd-place prize of \$5,000, 4th-place prize of \$4,000 and six additional prizes of \$1,000 each.

The tickets for the Super Raffle are \$50 each and ONLY 2,000 tickets will be sold. So, your chance of winning is even greater.

Tickets will be available at the Holy Family School Office during regular business hours. The drawing for the Super Raffle will be Tuesday, June 20, at 9 AM in the school parking lot. You are welcome to attend the drawing, but you need not be present to win.

#### **BULLETIN UPDATES**

Thank you for staying updated on the latest news and updates at Holy Family.

If you have something you'd like to submit for consideration for the bulletin you can do so by completing our online form found on our website's "Bulletin" page:

www.holyfamilysyr.org/bulletin





Did you know that this is only our second year running a family-based faith formation program? While initially our hand was pushed to move to this approach because of Covid protocols, we have learned that this type of programming is superior to our previous traditional models in many ways. The more research we do and conversations we have with other parishes, it becomes increasingly clear that family-based faith formation is the way of the future for our church.

Our Families of Faith program is an evolving work in progress that engages families with children in grades K-4 (and any family members older or younger who wish to be a part of our community). We are so thankful for the families that have stuck with us and were willing to take a leap into something new for all of us. We have enjoyed every minute spent with our families and are already thinking ahead to the 2023-24 sessions.

In Christ, Nick, Patty, Vince

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# Vince D'Angelo

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## **Nick Longo**

Adult Evangelization & Youth Ministry (High School, Confirmation) nick@holyfamilysyr.org

#### **FAMILIES OF FAITH**

(Grades K-4)

Sundays 10:15am & Wednesdays at 5:45pm in Church Hall

Wednesday 4/26: A special night with Dc Scott

#### **FAITH DISCOVERY**

(Grades **5**&6)

Mondays 6:30-8pm in School Cafeteria

**4/17:** Fruits of the Spirit **4/24:** A Night of Reflection

#### **EDGE**

(Grades 7&8)

Mondays 6:30-8pm in Church Hall

**4/17:** Scars: The Resurrection of Jesus **4/24:** What's Ahead: Life Teen

## FIRST SACRAMENTS

(Grade 2)

Sundays 10:15am & 11:15am in Church Hall

4/23: Your First Communion

# CONFIRMATION (Grades 9&10)

**C2:** Rehearsal is on Thursday, April 27th at 6:30 pm - Teens and sponsors should be in attendance. Confirmation Mass is on Thursday, May 4th at 7 pm. Candidates and sponsors should arrive no later than 6 pm.

# LIFE TEEN

(Grades 9 - 12)

Sundays: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall

4/16: We Are An Easter People

**4/23:** Recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread

# **SCHOOL UPDATES**



Holy Family School is back from our Easter Celebration and Spring Break. Our focus will be on preparation for the New York State English Language Arts Tests. This can be a stressful time for students and staff alike, so we ask you to keep us in your prayers for peaceful days during the test period.

The school year is going by so very quickly. We will be looking to fill some positions for the 2023-24 school year. If anyone is interested in joining the Holy Family School Faculty or Staff, please contact Daryl Hall at 315-487-8515; or darylhall@syrdiocese.org. Teaching children in a Catholic School environment binds both the love of teaching/learning and the love of Jesus into every day, and in so many ways. Say a prayer for all who make this choice.

# **OUTREACH & FOOD PANTRY**

We want to thank the Faith Discovery students for the beautiful Easter cards that were made for our Fairmount Garden clients. Each client received a beautiful "sun catcher" Easter egg card with a special message. Some of these individuals do not have families to spend the holidays alone. They really appreciate being remembered.

Blessings, Liz and Margo

## Items needed for the Pantry:

Soup Deoderant Bar soap

#### **OUTREACH CONTACTS**

Liz & Margo

Phone: 315-466-2885

Email: hfoutreach@holyfamilysyr.org

# **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

John 20:19-31

Between the years of 1931 and 1938, it is believed that Sister Maria Faustina received a number of appearances from the Risen Christ. The conversations that took place between them were eventually published in her book called Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul.

One of the many conversations she recounts in her book is a direct request from Christ that a Feast of Divine Mercy be established on the first Sunday after Easter, so that all people would take refuge in Christ's mercy.

It is surmised that this Sunday was chosen to celebrate Christ's universal mercy because the readings of this day always deal with mercy, especially the mercy of Christ. If we were to define the word mercy, we would say it is the forgiveness, pity, or benevolence shown toward one who has offended the person in the position to give mercy.

In our Gospel reading today, Christ appears to Thomas and all the disciples that were gathered in the Upper Room. He does not ask them to seek vengeance against those that persecuted him. He doesn't call for a "just war" on his oppressors. He doesn't ask them to go out and decide who is worthy and who is not. Rather, the Risen Christ sent the disciples forth from the Upper Room with the gift and graces of the Holy Spirit, and commands them to forgive others, just as he had done.

Pope Francis has pointed out that God never tires of forgiving us. Are we not called to do the same to others?

My prayers for a blessed Easter Season!

Deacon Bob

# **MUSICAL NOTES**

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### THIS WEEKEND

April 15-16

## **Saturday**

**4:00 p.m.** Gabriella Giacovelli, Rob Morey, Bill Verity

## **Sunday**

**9:00 a.m.** Kerryanna Elhage, Rob Morey, Bill Verity

**10:30 a.m.** Kerryanna Elhage, Rob Morey, Bill Verity

4:00 p.m. Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

#### **TRINITY CHOIR:**

Next Rehearsal: Wednesday, Apr. 19 @ 6:30pm Next Mass: Sunday, Apr. 23 @ 10:30am

#### **NEXT WEEKEND**

April 22-23

#### **Saturday**

**4:00 p.m.** Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey, Bill Verity

#### Sunday

**9:00 a.m.** Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro

**10:30 a.m.** Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro, Trinity Choir

4:00 p.m. Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

# **LECTORS**

**APRIL 22 & 23** 

**Saturday** 

4:00 p.m. Kathleen Alpha

## Sunday

**7:30 a.m.** Linda Vishnesky **9:00 a.m.** Carol Graham **10:30 a.m.** Janet Gleason-Rose **4:00 p.m.** Elizabeth Garn

## **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday** 

**4:00 p.m.** Kathy Kendrick Sharon Wells

#### Sunday

**7:30 a.m.** Ed McCaughlin, Paul Morrell **9:00 a.m.** Susan Cutri, Adelaide Silvia **10:30 a.m.** Kate Ojo, Peter Petrone **4:00 p.m.** Maryann Citti, Eileen Mack

#### **ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday** 

4:00 p.m. Khloe Dowdell

## Sunday

**7:30 a.m.** AJ Brusa **9:00 a.m.** Leah Boronczyk, Jack Young **10:30 a.m.** Andrew Bowman, Sam Eskandar **4:00 p.m.** Parker Brown, Ava Brown

**Note to Ministers:** Printed copies of the April-June schedule can be found in the Gathering Space and online.

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