

April 21, 2024

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Silence and Transcendence

Dear Holy Family Parishioners and Friends,

Recently, I was reading an article that talked about the reality that people today, when it comes to their experience of Church, are looking for more silence and a sense of transcendence. This caught my attention because I grew up in a large, noisy household where my parents repeatedly said they desired, “peace and quiet.” All kidding aside, our world has more noise and distractions than ever before and, I believe, lacks a sense of transcendence. So, I can understand why this is a desire of people coming to Church.

Silence. This is an easy one. Our world has so much noise. Think about it...we have televisions, iPads, laptops, cell phones, computers, social media, and the list goes on and on. Someone was sharing with me that they watch television, play games on their iPad, and text and scroll through social media all at the same time. We are inundated with noise. So much so that we don't even recognize it until it becomes quiet. Have you ever noticed how uncomfortable silence has become. Whenever there are moments of silence, there is a need almost to fill it with noise. It comes as no surprise that people desire silence when it comes to Church. In fact, some of the great saints and spiritual writers have said that God can be encountered in a powerful way in the silence. It gives us a chance to put all of the distractions aside and simply be in God's presence or to simply listen to God. It can be very moving and powerful. For many, Church is the only place where they can come for silence as life bombards us with so much noise.

Transcendence. This is the sense of being pulled out of this world and having an experience of the divine and the sacred. Again, our world can be very good at pulling us into our routines and getting caught up in the mundane of this world. This is not always a bad thing, but there are those times when we need something more. There are those times when we need to be lifted up from this world and experience that divine presence and to have a true experience of the sacred. Church is supposed to do that for us...to lift us from this world and give us that experience of the heavenly or the divine or the sacred. These are powerful moments for us when they happen, and these encounters leave us wanting more.

We will be looking at how we can create a reverence for silence and transcendence at Holy Family. I am not saying we have to become monks, not speak, and profess a vow of silence, but I do think we have to be aware that many people come into God's house here seeking that silence and transcendence. Last week, a young adult was sitting alone in church when I came in to set up for Mass. The young person approached me and shared that they needed to come in and just be in the quiet. The person had been here for nearly an hour before I came in and just spent time in prayer – no cell phone, no distractions. The world around this young person – work, social media, emails, texting, calls, you name it – became a bit overwhelming and being quiet for an hour was what this person was craving. Let's pray that we can continue to provide that peace, quiet, and transcendence to all who come through our doors.

Easter peace to all,
Father John 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: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m.

Confessions

Mondays 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Holy Hour & Adoration

2nd & 4th Tuesdays: 7 p.m. in the Church

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 lay 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](https://www.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 22

6:45 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

9:00 AM Mary Flanagan, Dora Theibault & Adrienne Stack/The Flanagan Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

6:45 AM Joseph Hubert/Divine Mercy Group

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 AM Mass for the People of Holy Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

9:00 AM Darwin Fesler/Ann

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

8:00 AM John Gleason/Robert Ryan

4:00 PM Sue & Joe Bono & Laurie Bono Siniscarco/Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

7:30 AM Matthew & Edward Flavin/The Wheeler Family

9:00 AM Margaret & Juan Gago/The Losurdo & Landry Families

10:30 AM Joseph Mitchell/Maria Pia Kelly

4:00 PM Patricia Amodio/Family

BEREAVEMENT

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

May they rest in peace.

Richard Joseph Nash III

Chester C. Bond

Joanne Sabatino

PRAY FOR US

Marie Wing, Ed Campagna, Gabe, Kenneth Wood, Joseph Mandolfo, Neil & Rose Marie Devine, Mike Kelly, Patricia Reschke, Dana Paradise-Knowlton, Geraldine Riley, Ginny Barrett, Mary Rose Kishman, Edward Zebrowski, Tim Donigan, Rita Connor, Pauline Baird, Yvonne Cesta, Mary Perry, Esther Wood, Ruth Bliss, Tom Hackett, Ann Schattner, Laurie S, Bill & Jan Valletta, Deborah & Bob Somerville, Richard Quinn, Lisa Duffy, Joanne Sabatino, Theresa McGarry, Keon Kellogg, Kayleigh Modugo, Kyle Dorosz, Stephanie Modugno, Tisha Sweeney, Lori DeCola, Melinda J., Ellen Hart, Sr. Noel Hart, Marie McCarthy, Ursula Gilmore, Pat Sheridan, Millie McHardy, Kristen Fludder, Dan Gallagher, Kathy Hart, Debbie Clare.

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 13 & 14: \$18,941.22

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

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NEWS & UPDATES

BANNS OF ORDINATION

Mr. Joseph Assaf will be ordained a permanent deacon on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Family Church rejoices with Joe and affirms his call. If anyone knows any reason why he should not be ordained a deacon, please make it known in writing to Fr. Manno at 127 Chapel Drive, Syracuse, New York 13219, or to the Office of Deacon Formation, 240 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, New York 13202.

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY/ DEACON FORMATION MEETING

Sunday, April 21st @ 1-3:30 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul/Blessed Sacrament Vestal

Is God calling you to learn more about your faith and serve the Church? FFM can help you learn how to answer God's call to serve the Church as a lay ecclesial minister. Formation for Ministry is a prerequisite for becoming a deacon. Register at formationforministrysyr.org. Questions? Call (315)-470-1479.

HOLY HOURS FOR VOCATIONS

We invite everyone to participate in the Holy Hours being offered this week to pray for Vocations. They are taking place on two days. The first is Sunday, April 21st, at 2:30 PM, at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception, with Bishop Lucia. The second is Tuesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 PM, at Holy Family Church, with the Rosary Confraternity and Dc. Harris. Please come!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT RECERTIFICATION SESSION

Tuesday, May 14, 6-7:30 p.m., Church Hall

Registration is required. No walk-ins. Register at the Safe Environment webpage: <https://syracusediocese.org/safeenvironment/> or call the Safe Environment Office at 315-470-1421..

TO THOSE WHO BRING HOLY COMMUNION TO A FAMILY MEMBER OR NEIGHBOR

It is most important to always protect the sacredness of the consecrated host. The sacred host should be securely contained in a pyx and carried reverently, ideally in a burse. A burse is a small fabric case with a string to be worn around the neck. The pyx is placed into it to securely keep Jesus near your heart as you travel to your destination. A few burses are available to borrow in the Sacristy. Burses can also be found at the Catholic Shop or ordered online.

Remember to go directly after Mass to distribute the host(s). Errands or other activities should not take place while you're carrying the Blessed Sacrament or kept in your home for any length of time.

Holy Family provides a ministry to our folks who can't get to Mass. Lay ministers are available to make regular visits with Holy Communion. Contact the parish office if you would like more information.

NEWS & UPDATES

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We are looking for someone to coordinate our Prayer Shawl Ministry. These shawls are given to parishioners who need a hug from Holy Family during grief, sadness, or ill health. If interested, call the Pastoral Center at 315-488-3139.

MEMORIAL DAY ESSAY CONTEST

Holy Family Parish welcomes all 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Students to submit a short (2-3 minute) Essay on “What Memorial Day Means to Me.” There will be a winner from each grade who will receive a \$100 Target Gift Card and will read their essay at the end of the Memorial Day 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday May 25. All entries should be submitted by May 13 to the Parish Office: Attention Ellen McCauley (315-447-4676.) Please include your telephone number.

U.S. VETERANS NEEDED

Saturday, May 25th, 4 pm MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Holy Family Parish needs your help to honor those who have given their all for our country. Please join us at the Memorial Day Mass on May 25th at 4:00 pm? We are asking all U.S. Veterans, and current military, to process into the Church, in memory of their fallen comrades. Local Gold Star Families will be honored. The Knights of Columbus will hold a free Hot Dog Cookout, after Mass. Please contact Ellen M. McCauley (315-447-4676) by May 24th, so she can reserve the pews.

THE THIRD OPTION

Sunday, April 21st, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., at St. Michael/St. Peter Parish Center

“Rebuilding Trust in Marriage: It Can Be Done” Come learn how! A Program to build better marriages. Come build your marriage in the comfort of your own home or in-person at the Church of St. Michael/St. Peter Parish Center, 4780 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse. All are welcome. Next meeting is April 21st, 6:30-8:30pm, Hybrid meeting. All are welcome! For more information or to join, please contact Stephanie Stewart at sstewart@syradio.org or (315)472-6728.

WHO IS ROWING YOUR HEALTHCARE BOAT

Thursday, April 18th, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. @ CTK Retreat House

Join us at Christ the King Retreat House on Thursday, April 18th, 10 am - 3 pm as Nancy Light and Kristin Barrett-Anderson present an information session on : Using Your Personal Values to Inform Difficult Healthcare Decisions.Offering: \$35 includes lunch .

CALENDAR



To view the calendar of events online, visit holyfamilysyr.org/calendar or scan the QR code.



Dear Families,

Congratulations to our parish's 45 teens who prepared and received their Sacrament of Confirmation this year! We are so overjoyed to have another year in the books of forming disciples for Jesus Christ. The young church is alive and thriving at Holy Family and it is indeed an exciting thing to see each year. Please continue to pray for our youth as we move towards the Spring and Summer months.

We are excitedly anticipating the celebration of our first communicants who will be receiving their first Holy Communion next month! Please continue for our children as they prepare to receive Christ in their first Holy Communion.

God bless!

Nick, Patty, Vince

YOUTH GROUP: LIFE TEEN, EDGE, & FAITH DISCOVERY

(Grades 5 - 12)

Mondays 6:30-8pm

- School Cafeteria for Grades 5 & 6

- Church Hall for Grades 7 - 12

CONFIRMATION

(Grades 9&10)

Wednesdays 7:00pm in Church Hall

- 9th Grade First Wednesday of Month

- 10th Grade Second Wednesday of Month

FAMILIES OF FAITH

(Grades K- 4)

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

FIRST SACRAMENTS

(Grade 2)

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

4/14 - First Sacraments

First Communion Rehearsal May 1st

First Communion Mass May 4th

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SCHOOL UPDATES

This past week was an important week for our students. Midweek we began two days of English Language Arts testing. Our students took the ELA tests on the computer this year as they did last year. We are very proud of how the students worked during this test time and know they did their personal best.

The other important event was our Pre-K Grandparents Day. We have 7 Pre-K classes this year. We held 3 sessions in the Parish Hall over the school day. Every session was a full house of proud Grandparents. Each Pre-K group sang songs and gave special thank you gifts to their Grandparents and then enjoyed special snacks together. It was a wonderful turn out! We thank our Pre-K Teachers for all their hard work so far this year. And we also thank the members of our Home School Association for the decorations, table settings and delicious snacks for everyone to enjoy. We were so happy that so many Grandparents were able to attend.

This is a reminder that Holy Family School is selling Super Raffle tickets at school and at every weekend Mass. Please stop by and purchase tickets to support our tuition assistance program and maybe be the top prize winner this year!

OUTREACH & FOOD PANTRY

We had the opportunity to visit with our Fairmount clients to assist them with the necessary paperwork that is completed once a year. Many of the clients who live there do not speak English. We were fortunate enough to have an interpreter who could help explain to them about food choices.

We pack for every client by client choice. This means they get to select the foods they prefer in each category. We thank Fairmount Gardens for their hospitality and assistance.

OUTREACH CONTACTS

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

John 10: 11 - 18

It may not seem like a compliment to be a “sheep”, but one of the most beloved images of Jesus is that of the Good Shepherd.

On Palm Sunday, we began Holy Week by greeting Christ as the Son of David. David was the greatest king of Israel, but as a boy, he had been a humble shepherd. Throughout the Old Testament, the metaphor appears, and in Ezekiel 34, the Lord himself says “I myself will shepherd them”. Several centuries later, the Jewish people were still suffering under bad leaders like Herod Antipas.

In this context, Jesus makes one of his “I AM” statements from John’s Gospel: I am the Good Shepherd.” I will show them the way into life and truth. Unlike the Pharisees and others, he is not lacking in affirmation. He has the love of the Father, so he is free to give his life out of love for us. He emphasizes that “no one takes it from me”. The Roman and religious authorities did not know what they were doing, but Christ could lay down his life.

For me as a priest, this image presents a challenging but comforting model for ministry. In 1994, Pope John Paul II wrote on the priesthood “I Will Give You Shepherds”. I am grateful to many inspirations, from my pastor Fr. Howard in Mooers Forks, to Benedict XVI. Amid the wolves, we still can follow the Good Shepherd. I like to read books, but where I really learn is from the lives of my people, bringing me hope in anxiety and temptation. We don’t know the future God has for us, and as I have been saying for these past few months, I hope to remain and share our lives together.

Fr. Bernie

MUSICAL NOTES

THIS WEEKEND

April 20-21

Saturday

4:00 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey
Chrissy Camuglia

Sunday

9:00 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro
10:30 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro, Trinity Choir
4:00 HF Praise & Worship Band

NEXT WEEKEND

April 27-28

Saturday

4:00 Gabriella Giacobelli, Rob Morey
Christine Camuglia

Sunday

9:00 Camryn Cortez, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro
10:30 Camryn Cortez, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro, Trinity Choir
4:00 HF Praise & Worship Band

TRINITY CHOIR:

Next Rehearsal: Weds., Apr. 24 @ 6:30pm

Next Mass: Sunday, Apr. 28 @ 10:30am

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

April 27 - 28

LECTORS

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Kathleen Alpha

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Ken Theurer
9:00 a.m. Carol Graham
10:30 a.m. Marty Breen
4:00 p.m. Shelly Terzolo

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Lori Alexander, Kathy Kendrick, Deb Troiano, Sharon Wells

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Ellen McCauley, Bob McCauley, Ed McLaughlin, Linda Vishnesky
9:00 a.m. Joseph Antonio, Karen Riedl
10:30 a.m. David Abert, Peter Petrone, Carol Pietraszek, Kate Ojo
4:00 p.m. Elizabeth Garn, Eileen Mack

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Khloe Dowdell, Noah Vetter

Sunday

7:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m. Ricky Guy, Rose Marcinkowski
10:30 a.m. Jamie Goldthwait, Owen Kertesz
4:00 p.m.

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