

December 31, 2023

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH



MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR Happy Feast Day!

Dear Holy Family Parishioners and Friends,

Today we celebrate our parish feast day, The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph! We are blessed to have our parish named in honor of the Holy Family as it serves to remind us that our individual families and our church family follow the example of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. We follow their example of faith, trust in God's providence, obedience to God's will, humility, love, and holiness. While we know our families are not perfect, the Holy Family gives us a model to follow. Let's run to the Holy Family of Nazareth and ask them to pray for us and our families daily! Happy Feast Day!

In the peace of our newborn King,
Father Manno

HAPPY NEW YEAR – 2024!

As we move into the New Year, please keep this prayer readily available. It leads us to holiness and grounds us in our relationship with God and others.

St. Theresa of Calcutta – Prayer “Anyway”

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway. If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway. You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and your God; It was never between you and them anyway.

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God – Monday, January 1, 2024

Since January 1, 2024, is on a Monday – This is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses for the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God are:

Monday, January 1, 2024, at 6:45 AM and 9 AM

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.

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 [holysyr.org/live](https://www.holyfamilysyr.org/live).

GREENBACK WINNERS

#4536 - Fran Duggan - \$100

#3056 - Not Sold

\$600 JACKPOT NEXT WEEK

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, JANUARY 1 / SOLEMNITY OF MARY

6:45 a.m. Mary Beth Maher/The Herscha Family

9:00 a.m. Thomas Anderson/Filomena Vona

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

9:00 a.m. Hanah Hanagan/Joan & Ann

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

6:45 a.m. Mass for the People of Holy Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Betts/Louis Murray

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00 a.m. (Living) Nathan Ryan & Anna Jones & Baby/Bethany Ryan

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

8:00 a.m. First Saturday Mass League

4:00 p.m. Cynthia D. Williams/Pat & Ben Davis

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

7:30 a.m. Michael Dooley/Theresa & Michael Hess

9:00 a.m. Nancy Osta/Joan Nowicki

10:30 a.m. William Scheutzow & Family/Family

4:00 p.m. Carmen & Jane Romano/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.

Ralph Courchaine

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, Joe Hubert, 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, Kaleigh Modugno, Kyle Dorosz, Carmella Spicciati

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

December 23 & 24: \$28,179.95

Christmas Day: \$39,243.26

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](https://www.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

Holy Family Church

127 Chapel Drive
Syracuse, NY 13219

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.

The Pastoral Center will be closed to the public from Monday, 12/25 - Thursday, 12/28 and Monday, January 1st. The phones will be available if you have an emergency. Have a blessed Christmas!

315-488-3139
holyfamilysyr.org

Parish Clergy

Rev. John D. Manno, Pastor
Rev. William Muench, In Residence
Msgr. J. Robert Yeazel, Senior Priest
Deacon Robert Fangio
Deacon Scott Harris
Deacon Edward Terzolo

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NEWS & UPDATES

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH IS HIRING

Holy Family Church is seeking a part-time administrative assistant/receptionist for the Parish Offices. Training in all Office Procedures will be provided for the first few weeks of employment followed by a more permanent schedule.

The ideal candidate must have excellent communication and organizational skills as well as proficient skills & enthusiasm for learning modern technologies to help promote the Church through social media and maintain the systems in place for the safety of the parish. Previous knowledge of Google Apps and Office 365 is a plus. Empathy and patience in dealing with parishioners, sometimes through the most challenging times of their lives, is an absolute must.

Please send resumes to Dave Callahan, Parish Business Administrator, dave@holyfamilysyr.org or Donna Alvaro, Office Manager (donna@holyfamilysyr.org) or mail to the Holy Family Pastoral Center.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL IS IN SEARCH OF A MAINTENANCE PERSON

HFS is seeking someone to help clean the school Monday - Friday from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. A great for someone wanting to make a little extra after their day job or an after school job for a high schooler. Just pop in your ear buds and get it done! Please email holyfamily@holyfamilysyr.org if interested or call Steve Burns at 315-876-8547.

MONTHLY MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Join men from Holy Family and St. Joe's on the first Saturday of the month from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. The group meet in the crying room just off the main area for Mass.

LOSE WEIGHT

Eat smart, move more, and pray! Men & women are invited to join the next session of Holy Family's successful weight loss group, Pray it Off! It's a FREE, one-of-a-kind, Catholic program that began in January of 2008 and is still going strong. The next session begins on January 4th and runs till the end of June. The group meets every Thursday from 6-7 pm in the Parish Hall. \$10.00 Materials Fee. Please call Ellen M. McCauley, 315-447-4676, before January 2, to join, or with questions.

NEW YORK STATE DISCERNMENT RETREAT

January 2-4

Have you felt the invitation to follow Jesus Christ as a Catholic priest? Come and see at Christ the King Retreat House. Gather with other young men from across New York State who are considering the call to the priesthood. Hear dynamic talks on the priesthood delivered by NYS Vocation Directors. Meet seminarians and hear their stories; take your life of discernment to the next level! Register by Thursday, December 28, 2023 by emailing vocations@syrdio.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LOTTERY FUNDRAISER

Council # 4114 is holding a lottery fundraiser and is asking for your support. All proceeds go to support local youth programs, Catholic school, seminarians, and other charitable activities. If you would like to participate and have not received our tickets in the mail please contact Tom Colabufo @ 315-2635582. Our lottery begins Jan. 1st.

NEWS & UPDATES

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND OR ITALY AND POLAND

Father Jozef Mucha, our former Polish Parochial Vicar here at Holy Family who has returned to Poland, is planning another possible pilgrimage to Poland or Italy and Poland in April 2024. For more information, contact Dolores Grace at dmgrace81680@yahoo.com

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP: FIAT

Are you a woman between the ages of 18 – 40 discerning a vocation, whether to marriage or consecrated life? Fiat is a group of ladies on any stage in their discernment journey who meet monthly via Zoom for fellowship, prayer, and discussion centered on discernment. We will be using the Endow study in our monthly meetings. Endow studies facilitate conversations about prayer and discernment for women. Please join us! Please contact the Vocations Office at Vocations@syriodio.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT WITH KATHY MEUS Friday, Jan 26-Saturday, January 27

“How Do You Walk Humbly with Your God?”

The prophet Micah tells us what is required: “To do the right, to love goodness, and to walk humbly with God.” Together we will explore this simple yet profound message and what it means to be humble as we journey through life. The retreat begins on Friday evening January 26th with dinner at 6:00 and ends on Saturday January 27th with dinner. Space is limited. Kathy Meus will be facilitating this retreat. Retreat begins with check-in on Friday, January 26 at 5 pm. Dinner is at 6 pm. Retreat ends after Dinner on Saturday.

Offering: \$150 and \$120 for commuter.

For reservations go to www.ckretreat.com or call 315-446-2680.

THE THIRD OPTION

January 7th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

“Appreciating Personality Differences: Yes, Appreciating”

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!

For more information or to join, please contact Stephanie Stewart at sstewart@syriodio.org or (315)472-6728.

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

CALENDAR



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



Our Youth Ministry & Faith Formation Team wishes everyone a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We hope you had a blessed Christmas holiday with family and friends and we pray that the upcoming year will be filled with many more blessings for you and your family!

We can't wait to kickoff the new year and make 2024 another faith filled time for our children and families!

Please know of our continued prayers, and please pray for us as we prepare for the new year ahead.

God bless!
Nick, Patty, Vince

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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

1/8 - Life Teen, EDGE, Faith Discovery

1/22 - Life Teen, EDGE, Faith Discovery

1/29 - Life Teen, EDGE, Faith Discovery

CONFIRMATION

(Grades 9&10)

Wednesdays 7:00pm in Church Hall

- 9th Grade First Wednesday of Month

- 10th Grade Second Wednesday of Month

1/3 - Confirmation Year 1

1/10 - Confirmation Year 2

2/7 - All Confirmation Students

FAMILIES OF FAITH

(Grades K- 4)

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

1/7 - Families of Faith

1/24 - Families of Faith

2/7 - Families of Faith

FIRST SACRAMENTS

(Grade 2)

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

1/21 - First Sacraments

1/28 - First Sacraments

SCHOOL UPDATES

Holy Family School Students had a wonderful week of activities before our Christmas break. Our last day was very special. We held a Prayer Service in the church where the gospel was enacted by students from each grade level. Parents and family members were invited to attend if possible.

As the Nativity gospel was proclaimed students walked up to the altar and took their place as their characters were mentioned. We also were able to have the Prayer Service live-streamed. It can still be viewed on the Holy Family Church website under Livestream, School Play & Prayer Service.

It was a special way to end the week and share our joy for the many gifts God has given us. You can also view our school participating in the taping of the Dawn Christmas Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Lucia, Father Manno and Father Muench. That can be viewed on the Diocese of Syracuse website under YouTube. We hope you had a joyful Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

OUTREACH & FOOD PANTRY

As we end 2023, year, we are counting the blessings that we have been very fortunate to receive in the Outreach Ministry. We are most grateful for all the volunteers who donate their time and talents to help. Our amazing Outreach Team serves compassionately! During our holiday programs, we are blessed to have the assistance of families who load our clients' cars. Thank you Patty and Vince D'Angelo for organizing this effort.

The kindness and generosity received from our parishioners and so many others is truly a blessings. There are so many to thank and too numerous to mention.

We send our prayers and gratitude to all of you and wish all of you a very happy New Year!!

OUTREACH CONTACTS

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

Luke 2: 22 - 40

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Coming right from the Christmas holiday, it seems fitting to not only recognize the family of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus for what it is, but also pay mind to the blessing that family is in our own lives. There is nothing like the holidays to acutely remind us of all we have – and, at times, all that we might be missing.

In celebrating the Holy Family, we are reminded that the essence of family extends beyond biological ties. 'Family' is so much broader than the dictionary definition and the Holy Family's example can remind us to honor and appreciate the family we choose for being just as sacred and significant as the one we are born into.

I am blessed with friends who have been family for the last 30+ years. These people have gotten me through some of my darkest days and have been at my side celebrating my most joy-filled moments. As an adult I have continued to build friendships that feel more like family – individuals in my life who I know would take me in at a moment's notice if I needed them.

God has given us the gift of love. Loving the family we choose honors the greatness of the connections we make in the world. Love knows no boundaries. This gift of family allows us to nourish our souls and well-being, just as Mary, Joseph, and Jesus lived with love and devotion to one another and the family they chose to surround themselves with over the course of their lives.

Wishing you and all those you hold dear the very best this new year.

~ Patty D'Angelo

MUSICAL NOTES

THIS WEEKEND December 30-31

Saturday

4:00 Lily Young, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro

Sunday

9:00 Lily Young, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro

10:30 Lily Young, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro, Trinity Choir

4:00 Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

NEXT WEEKEND

January 6-7

Saturday

4:00 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro

Sunday

9:00 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro

10:30 Kristy Morgan, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro, Trinity Choir

4:00 Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

TRINITY CHOIR:

Next Rehearsal: Wednesday, Jan. 3 @
6:30pm

Next Mass: Sunday, Jan. 7 @ 10:30am

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

January 6 & 7

LECTORS

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Shelly Terzolo

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Ken Theurer

9:00 a.m. Raj Dewan

10:30 a.m. Mary Fangio

4:00 p.m. Janet Gleason-Rose

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Anne Ganey, Bill Ganey, Linda Szatanek, Linda Vishnesky

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Dan McGuire, Kris McGuire, Ed McLaughlin, Paul Morrell

9:00 a.m. Susan Cutri, Lori Tucker

10:30 a.m. Mary Curry, Kate Ojo, Susan Sedlack, Adelaide Silvia

4:00 p.m. Tammy Anthony, Elizabeth Garn

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday

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

Sunday

7:30 a.m. AJ Brusa

9:00 a.m. Ricky Guy, Louis Terrien

10:30 a.m. Owen Kertesz, Jamie Goldthwait

4:00 p.m. Sammy Eskandar, Noah Vetter

You can find the January-March schedule on our website and also a printed copy in the gathering space of church.

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