

MASS SCHEDULE*Rosary @ 8:35AM Tuesday, Thursday & Friday**Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Everyday @ 3:00PM ~ MPR***THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT****MONDAY, DECEMBER 18**

6:45 AM ANN: Lena Hefferon/

Helen, Theresa & Robert

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

9:00 AM ANN: Alfred Carducci/Elda & Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

6:45 AM The Schneider Family/Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

9:00 AM ANN: Barbara Lipari/Husband, Frank

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

9:00 AM ANN: John Graham/Nocturnal Adoration

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

8:00 AM ANN: James Pelligrini/Wife, Mary

5:00 PM Stan Kelller/The Purcells

7:00 PM Mike Steves/Larry & Carole James

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

7:30 AM Michael Greci/Ed & Betty Chamberland

8:45 AM Daniel J. Kay/Joe & Joan Giuseppetti

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

4:00 PM ANN: Rose Spillet/Son, John

6:00 PM Carole Nicorsia/Denice Neimeier

8:00 PM William & Gertrude Warriner/Family

MIDNIGHT: Eugenia Wiercioch/

Dr. & Mrs. Timothy Fallon

MONDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30 AM ANN Stephen Matro/Phyl & Family

9:30 AM Walter Copeland/Connie & Family

11:30AM ANN: Blasé Sr. & Gertrude Lauri/

Nicholas Love, Jr.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS**Week 12/9 & 10** **\$24,731.94****Last Year** **\$22,129.21****Your generosity to our parish is tremendous.****Please consider making a lasting gift! Please****consider our parish through:***Your Will or Trust, Retirement Assets
or Life Insurance Policies****Enjoy the convenience of Electronic Giving******Credit card and electronic donations are now possible
through the Holy Family website:******www.holyfamilysyr.org., click online giving.*****PASTOR'S NOTES**

Dear Friends,

I don't know about you, but it is hard to believe that Christmas is just one week away. I feel like it came up on us pretty quickly this year. As we approach Christmas, please recognize that Christmas weekend is also the Fourth Sunday of Advent (Saturday, December 23 and the morning of December 24 is the Fourth Sunday of Advent and then right into Christmas). In order to accommodate all of our Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve/Day, we had to make some adjustments to our schedule. Please see the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve/Day Schedule below. There are some changes in the schedule, so I ask that you pay close and special attention to the Mass times.

As we head into this special time of year, know of my prayers. I hope the Christmas season is a blessed one that allows you to know and experience God's love and presence in your life!

Blessings, Fr. Manno

Mass Schedule for 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve/Day

Since the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve, the Mass schedule will be somewhat different to accommodate all of our weekend Masses and Christmas Mass.

The Mass Schedule for the 4th Sunday of Advent is as follows:

Saturday, December 23 – Vigil Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent – 5 PM & 7 PM (please note there will be two vigil Masses)

Sunday, December 24th Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent – 7:30 & 8:45 (note there will only be two morning Masses)

Sunday, December 24th – Christmas Eve Masses – 4, 6, 8 PM and 12 Midnight

Monday, December 25th – Christmas Day Masses – 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 AM

Malachi Clark

As I announced last week, Malachi Clark, our seminarian doing his pastoral year at Holy Family, was diagnosed with cancer. He will begin treatments and stay with his family in Binghamton. I will keep you posted as to his progress and how things are going. If you would like to send him a note you can do so by sending them to the Pastoral Center – 127 Chapel Drive, Syracuse, NY 13219. Thank you for keeping him in your prayers and we hope he will be back with us in a few months!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*Divine Mercy Chaplet – 3PM Daily***MONDAY, DECEMBER 18**

4:00 PM "THE LIGHT IS ON"

Advent Penance Service - Church

6:15 PM EDGE, 7TH & 8TH Grade – Church Hall

6:15 PM K-1, 3-6 Grades Faith Formation – School

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:00 OM Holy Name Meeting – Knight's Room

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

1:00 PM Charismatic Prayer Group – MPR

6:30 PM Holy Family Bible Study –

Adult Faith Formation – Church Hall

7:00 PM RCIA – Pastoral Center #1

8:00 PM AA – Cafeteria

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

9:30 AM Holy Family AM Bible Study – Church Hall

7:00 PM Trinity Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

1:15 PM School Christmas Prayer Service - Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Group – MPR

8:00 AM Saturday Morning Basketball – Gym

1:00 PM Baptisms - Church

3:30 PM Confessions – Church

5 & 7PM Vigil Masses for Fourth Sunday in Advent

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

7:30 & 8:45 AM Sunday Masses for

Fourth Sunday of Advent

4, 6, 8PM & 12 Midnight – Christmas Masses

Prayer Chain: Please call requests to Judy Shanley at 315-488-2487. For surgeries please contact two weeks in advance.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

If one gives an hour from their busy schedule, they will be surprised by how much more time they have for their other activities. Pope John Paul spent at least one hour a day before the Blessed Sacrament and made it known that this is where he got the energy to do the many things he did. Call Tom Colabufo at 487-8377.

MUSIC MINISTRY**Rob Morey – Director of Music - 315-487-1737****THIS WEEKEND:****5:00 PM** Gabrielle Giacobelli, Joyful Sound Ensemble, Gina Giufre**8:45 AM** Mikell DiGiorgio, Tony Alvaro**10:30 AM** Mikell DiGiorgio, Trinity Choir, Tony Alvaro**12:15 PM** Mikell DiGiorgio, Gina Giufre**4:00 PM** Holy Family Praise & Worship Band**NEXT WEEKEND:****5:00 PM** Gabrielle Giacobelli, Gina Giufre**8:45 AM** Rob Morey, Tony Alvaro**CHRISTMAS EVE:****4:00 PM** Holy Family Praise & Worship Band**6:00 PM** Kristy Morgan, Holy Family Christmas Choir, Joyce Bunce**8:00 PM** Mary Kate Krawczyk, Gina Guifre**12:00 AM** Kristy Morgan, Trinity Choir, Tony Alvaro**CHRISTMAS DAY:****9:30 AM** Gabrielle Giacobelli, Gina Guifre**11:30 AM** Megan Brody, Joshua Corcoran**TRINITY CHOIR****Next Rehearsal:** Thursday, December 21 @ 7PM**Next Mass:** Christmas Midnight Mass**JOYFUL SOUND****Next Rehearsal:** Tuesday, Dec. 19 @ 6:30PM**Next Mass:** December 24, Christmas Eve @ 6PM**Holy Family Christmas Choir is Coming!**

Are you one of those people who love to sing Christmas carols? Holy Family has just the ticket. All are invited to join our open informal Christmas Choir who will be singing at the 6PM Christmas Eve Mass. We will have one rehearsal on Tuesday, December 19 @ 6:30PM. Come celebrate Christmas in a fun way with friends and family by singing God's praise. No experience necessary. Contact Rob Morey for more info. Come join the fun!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: We will print the “Please Pray For List” on a month-to-month basis. If you would like your loved one on the list, please call the parish office. The name will stay on for one month. You must call each month to have the name put back on the list.

Dr. Joseph Thornton, Marie Wing, Sandy Dalton, Ed Campagna, Hank Smith, Howie Moore, George Riley, William “Bo” Bochicchio, Tatum Foster, Gabe, Allison McCauley, Cheryl Davis, Nicole Canavan, Christopher Piotrowski, Helen Ann Lynch, Carolyn Ulrich MaHarry, Cathy Hubert, Steve M., Lucille McCulley, John Gardner, Mike Nowakowski, Phil Catalino, Randy Javis, Tina Barry, Louis Melillo, Vanessa Motto, Chris Crandall, Carol Judge, Gretchen Lavonier, Ceil Pullano, Cheryl O’Connell, Gerry Grosso, David Cole, Nyk Pidhorodeckyj, Yvonne Cesta, Sylvia Matousek, Shirley McNamara, Christopher Moyer, M. Davis, Judy Lennox, Thomas McLaughlin, Bonnie D’Agostino, Nancy Gilligan, Kathy Staffa, Brooke Teachout, Joslyn Nelson, Jennifer Szczechowiak, Mary Karpenko, Mike Donofrio, Frank Cantello, Anna Paradise, Henry Kent, Matthew Panarisi, Debbie & Mary Raven, Mark L. Thornton, Anne Schrank, Carlo Basta, Nancy Evans, Karen Conte, Kollin Conte, Traci-Lynn Farley, Geraldine.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to HIPPA laws, hospitals are not allowed to give names of patients to us. Please notify the parish office if you have a loved one in the hospital or a nursing home who would like a visit from a priest or deacon.



Calling All Alumni

Please fill out the form below & return it to: Holy Family School, 130 Chapel Dr., Syracuse, NY 13219/ drop it in the collection basket or email your information to kbrotton@syrdiocese.org

Name:

Address:

Email:

Class Of/Years Attended:

Helping Hands Club

Helping Hands Club went to the Catholic Charities Men’s Shelter on Monday, December 11, 2017 to decorate for Christmas and left gift bags for the men. Each person received a warm pair of socks, some sweets and a coupon for Burger King. It was heart-warming to see how happy the men were with these few items.

Lullaby League

Holy Family School’s Nursery and Pre-K classes will be collecting items for newborn babies during the month of December with Catholic Charities to help needy families that are expecting a baby. If you’d like to help, please bring in a baby item such as Newborn Diapers, Sleep Sacks, outfits & onesies, baby wash, lotion & wipes, bibs, bottles, pacifiers & rattles. There will be a wrapped box in the main hallway at school next to the Christmas tree. Students will receive a tag for their participation to place on the giving tree near the office. An out-of-uniform day will be Friday, December 22nd for all students who participated.

Christmas Prayer Service

We will hold a Christmas Prayer Service on Friday, December 22, 2017 at 1:15 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome to attend and pray with us.

**BAPTISM CLASS
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018
7 – 8:30PM**

We strongly recommend that couples attend this class before the baby is born! Baptisms are on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month.
Contact Sr. Caryn Haas @ 488-3139 to register.





Visit us at www.holyfamilysyr.org

Director: Denise Pedercini - denise@holysfamilysyr.org

First Sacrament Coordinator: Lisa Vignogna -

lisa@holysfamilysyr.org

Edge Directors: Vince & Patty D'Angelo

edge@holysfamilysyr.org

Confirmation Coordinator: Chris Spilka -

chris@holysfamilysyr.org

Assistant: Elizabeth Garn - elizabeth@holysfamilysyr.org

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

12/17: Gr. K-1, 3-6 - 10-11:15AM - School

12/18: Gr. K-1, 3-6 - 6:15-7:30PM, School

12/24-1/1: NO CLASSES

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES - SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Mass sign in - Church Gathering Space

1/21:: SUNDAY A - Students & Parents 10-11:15AM

1/22: MONDAY A - Students & parents 6:15-7:30PM

1/28: SUNDAY B - Students & Parents 10-11:15AM

1/29: MONDAY B - STUDENTS & PARENTS 6:15 - 7:30PM



EDGE - Youth Group & Faith Formation

Welcoming our 7th & 8th Grade Students

Monday nights 6:15 - 7:30 PM - Church Hall

Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but be an example for the believers in your speech, your conduct, your love, faith, and purity. - 1 Timothy 4:12

1218: EDGE Christmas Party

12/25-1/1: No EDGE classes:

Would you like to provide a snack at Edge? Please

contact Vince and Patty D'Angelo at

edge@holysfamilysyr.org or through the Faith

Formation Office if you are interested, 488-5884.

CONFIRMATION - CHURCH HALL

12/17: CONFIRMATION 1 Class, 10-11:30AM

12/17: CONFIRMATION 2 Class, 11:45AM-1:15PM

12/24-12/1: NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES



Life Teen Youth Group: Leading teens closer to Christ

Welcoming all students in grades 9-12,

Sundays, Mass at 4pm, Life Night 5-7 pm, Church Hall.

Youth Minister - Chris Spilka -

chris@holysfamilysyr.org or call 382-7883

Assistant - Elizabeth Garn -

elizabeth@holysfamilysyr.org or call 488-5884

***Text @mrspilka to 81010 to receive updates and reminders of what is going on with our Life Teen youth program.

12/17: Christmas Caroling and Games at

St. Camillus - Permission slips needed.

12/24 & 12/31: NO LIFE TEEN

Would you like to cook a meal for Life Teen?

Every Sunday evening our Life Teen students and core team share a meal together after the 4PM Mass as part of Life Night. It is an

important part of their fellowship. Is there something special you enjoy preparing? If you would like to share your gift and talent of cooking, please contact Bill Strott at 315-374-1008.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Here at Holy Family we are blessed to have two Youth Ministry Programs, **Edge**, which reaches out to serve our 7th & 8th grade students, and **Life Teen**, which serves our high school students in grades 9-12. Both of these programs have incredible "Core" members who assist our Youth Ministers. Our #1 goal is helping these young souls grow closer to our Lord and our Catholic Faith in a fun, safe and loving environment. They are our future!

DONATE YOUR EMPTY BOTTLES AND CANS

To help support our Youth Ministry Programs, please donate your bottles and cans. They can be dropped off at Central City Bottle Redemption Center, 224 Chapel Dr., Syracuse. Please mention Holy Family Youth Group donation when dropping off. Thank you to those who have donated in the past!



The only thing that we need this week is lots of prayers for Malachi Clark. Guidance for his health care team, strength for him and his family, and a good treatment outcome.

God Bless us all, everyone!

Bill & Anne

INVITATION FROM THE DAUGHTERS IN ADORATION

With the opening of the parish offices, Daughters In Adoration will return to our weekly adoration time every Thursday, 7:00-8:00PM, in the adoration chapel. In this Year of the Family, we would love for you to come join us as we pray the rosary for our families, our church family and world family. We also spend time in quiet adoration and listen to a meditation on the upcoming Sunday readings. Our group began 20 years ago and we have been blessed by so many women. If you joined us in the past or are looking for something this Advent to draw closer to the Holy Family, please come pray with us!

GREENBACK WINNERS

#1460 – Patricia Huddleston - \$100

#5173- NOT SOLD

\$700 Jackpot Next Week!

CYO Basketball Home Games

Sunday 12/17/17 6:30PM

Jr. High Boys – Sacred Heart @ Holy Family II

Thurs. 12/21/17 6:30PM

JV/V Boys Holy Cross @ Holy Family

No Men's open gym 12/22

Starts 12/29 Fri. - 8pm to 10

A home game is only an advantage with a home crowd! Come out and show your support.

LOSE WEIGHT - Eat smart, move more and pray! Join **Pray It Off** as we begin our 11th year. It's a FREE, one of a kind, Catholic Weight Loss Group. The next session begins on January 4th and goes through June 2018. The group meets every Thursday from 6-7 pm. You must commit to attending weekly meetings. \$5.00 Materials Fee. Call Ellen M. McCauley 315-468-4233 before January 1, 2018 to join, or with questions.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU!

**CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

**MONDAY DECEMBER 18, 4-7PM
ALL PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE**

By participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, whether your first time in days, weeks, months or years, we are experiencing God's individual and unwavering love for us, and one of the true graces made available to us by our Catholic faith. *God loves us just the way we are, but he loves us too much to leave us that way.* When we return to the Church for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus rejoices like the father in the Parable of the Prodigal Son. It is never "too late" to return to Jesus and ask for forgiveness. Imagine how joyful you will feel upon confessing your sins, big or small!

2018-2019

Le Moyne College CYO Scholarship

For many years Le Moyne College and the Catholic Youth Organizations have worked together to offer eight \$4,000 scholarships (\$1,000/year).

The C.Y.O. Scholarships will be conferred again this year to eight deserving students in the geographical Diocese of Syracuse who have demonstrated leadership abilities and have performed outstanding service to their school, community and parish.

Completed applications must be returned to the Regional Chairperson, NOT Le Moyne College, no later than January 1st, 2018. Applications are available in the Pastoral Center. If you have any questions or concerns call 315-445-4300 or 800-333-4733.

HOSPITALITY NEWS

Welcome to the *Year of the Family!* How appropriate for our wonderful Holy Family parish!

So....let's eat!

Join us on **December 30** as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family with a Pot Luck Dinner! The party will be held in the Parish Hall following the 5:00 Mass.

If your last name begins with letters **A—D** please bring appetizers; **E—J** please bring salads; **K— N** please bring bread or rolls; **O—S** please bring side dishes; and **T—Z** please bring desserts. Hospitality ministers will be in the Parish Hall before the 5:00 Mass to set up your dish.

Celebrate with your Family!

CATHOLIC COUPLES FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Please join us for a monthly evening of retreat for all couples seeking to bring their relationship to the Lord in a special way. The evening consists of a special Holy Hour for blessing upon your relationships and during the Holy Hour we will pray Vespers, hear a brief talk, pray with some beautiful music, spend time in personal prayer and close with solemn benediction. We will conclude the evening of fellowship with coffee, tea and desserts. Couples of all ages are welcome! Our monthly fellowship will be second Thursday monthly from 7 – 8:15PM. Jan. 11, Feb. 8, Mar. 8, April 12 and June 21.

**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREE SALE**

WEEKENDS 8AM – 6PM

FREE FULL SERVICE & DELIVERY AVAILABLE

CALL (315-567-1103)

We are collecting donations to provide trees for parish families in need!

Visa/Mastercard/Checks, Cash accepted

NOTIFY THE PASTORAL CENTER

If a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, please inform the pastoral center of what hospital and their room number. The priests would like to make a pastoral visit, but that cannot happen without being notified by the families. Due to HIPPA laws, the hospitals cannot share that information with the parish. In addition, if a loved one is admitted to a nursing home or rehab facility, please notify the office. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS LEAGUE

YOUR LOVED ONE OR INTENTION WOULD BE REMEMBERED IN THE 8AM MASS ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR ONE YEAR FOR A MERE \$25. MEMBERSHIP IN THIS LEAGUE IS AVAILABLE AT THE PASTORAL CENTER.

ELIZABETH MINISTRY

A HEARTELT THANK YOU GOES TO ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED US DURING THE BAKE SHOPPE RAFFLE THIS YEAR!

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR DONATIONS OF BASKETS, BAKED GOODS AND FOR YOUR PURCHASES. IT WAS A TREMENDOUS AND SUCCESSFUL EVENT!

SINCERELY,
YOUR FRIENDS FOR THE
ELIZABETH MINISTRY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**DECEMBER 23 & 24:**

5:00 PM Richard, Peg & Katie Bailey,
Valerie James, Suzanne Kuppel,
Mary Lou Lake, Carol Latini,
Barb Mercurio, Robert Singer,
Barbara Snell, Sharon Wells

7:00 PM Check the Sign up sheets in the altar server's sacristy

7:30 AM Richard Brostek, Joanne Brusa,
John Brusa, Jr., Anne Ganey,
Marie McClusky, Dan McGuire,
Linda Vishnesky

8:45 AM Carole Bastien, Cathy Bonacci,
Patty Costello, Dolores Grace,
Phillip Grome, Paul Morrell,
Anne Milewski-Craner,
Mary Pouliot, Nancy Schmidt,
Kathy Spencer, Theresa Waters

LECTORS - DECEMBER 23 & 24:

5:00 PM Andrea & Donna Marshall

7:00 PM Check the sign up sheet in the altar server's sacristy

7:30 AM John & Teresa Brusa

8:45 AM Patrick Brusa, Carol Graham

ALTAR SERVERS - DECEMBER 23 & 24:

5:00 PM Bill Assaf, Bridget Bailey,
Spencer James, Mark Salanger

7:00 PM Check the sign up sheets in the altar server's sacristy

7:30 AM Andrew Brunger, Tori English,
Dan & Jack Ludington

8:45 AM Grace Abert, Chloe Hanousek,
Gary & Ryan McLane

**CHRISTMAS EVE VIGILS & CHRISTMAS DAY:
CHECK THE SIGN UP SHEETS IN THE ALTAR
SERVER'S SACRISTY.****HOPE & DAY OF HEALING**

Do you suffer from post-abortion regret? You are not alone. Our dedicated team will assist you and offer you a safe place to begin the healing process at our Day of Hope and healing on February 10th.

Call or email to register confidentially:

1-855-364-0076 or hopeandhealing@syradio.org.



The Advent story
of hope and mystery,
anticipation,
preparation,
a kingdom
of this world and the next,
and a king
appearing when we least expect.
Heaven touching earth,
the footsteps of the divine
walking dusty roads
as once they did in Eden,
and a people,
searching for a Savior,
and walking past
the stable.
Open eyes and hearts,
that this might be
an Advent of hope to the world.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel reports, "There is one among you whom you do not recognize." It is hard to believe Christ is present in a family with crazy schedules, suppers that start too late and end too early, cars that do not start, misunderstandings, frustrations, piles of laundry, unmatched socks and stretched food budgets. The list is endless. The words spoken at Mass, "The Lord is with you," are not a hope, but a fact.