

PASTOR'S NOTES

Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas! I pray your Christmas is filled with God's choicest blessings. I hope that you are surrounded by family members and loved ones as you celebrate God's love for you!

If you want to give yourself a gift this Christmas, please join us for one of our Christmas Masses. **On Monday, December 24 our Christmas Eve Mass Schedule is, 4 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, and 12 Midnight. On Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day, our Mass Schedule is, 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:30 AM.** There will be seven Christmas Masses altogether. Since there will be many visitors and guests, please welcome people to our parish and allow them to experience the fact that we are a loving family.

Please note on Christmas Eve that the Church will not be open until 3 PM. Also, on Christmas Eve for the 4 PM Mass we will broadcast the Mass simultaneously in the parish hall. You are more than welcome to go to the hall to watch the Mass as it will serve as a way of having overflow seating. Oftentimes, people are crammed into the gathering space and other places and we wanted to do everything we could to make people comfortable. By the way, we are able to broadcast the Mass in the parish hall due to the installation of some very new technology which includes, a new sound system in the hall that is connected to the church system and the installation of a permanent camera in the church to record our Mass. In the future this technology can be used to record homilies, Masses, live streaming, and so much more. As you know and can imagine, new technology can be costly. I am proud to say that due to your goodness in the annual Hope Appeal, we are using some of our overage to provide these necessary items for our church.

On behalf of our priests, deacons, religious sisters, seminarians, parish staff, school staff, and lay leadership, I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and may you experience God's peace at Christmas and always!

Blessings,
Father Manno

Merry
Christmas

**Our Christmas Prayer**

Loving God,
Thank you for loving us so much
and showing us this love by
coming among us as a newborn baby –
our Savior.

Help us to know that Christmas
is not all about receiving presents;
it really is about being present to others
as Christ is present to us.

As we decorate our homes,
gather with family and friends,
share a meal, open gifts,
and go to Christmas Mass,
fill our hearts with gratitude for
knowing that you came among us
to show us we are loved,
that we are never alone,
and that you want to be with us forever.

AMEN.

Note: This prayer was written by our sixth grade class at Holy Family School! Our kids understand the true meaning of Christmas!

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Holy Family School registration for Nursery (3 year old), PreK (4 year old) and Kindergarten through Grade 6 will begin the week of January 7, 2019. New registrants will need a birth certificate, Baptismal certificate, if not from Holy Family Parish, updated immunization records and \$50 registration fee.

Thank you for the support of the recent Poinsettia and Wreath & lottery calendar sales.

MASS SCHEDULE

Rosary @ 8:35AM Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Everyday @ 3:00PM ~ MPR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE

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

6:00 PM Daniel R. Valerino/Family

8:00 PM (Living) Peggy Mandolfo/
Patti & Judy

12 MIDNIGHT Robert (Betty) & Ida (Gussie)
Gleason/Tom & Janet Rose

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30 AM Joan Grace & Phil Epp/Catherine Grace

9:30 AM Blasé Sr. & Gertrude Lauri/
Nicholas Lore Jr.

11:30 AM Miriam & Walter Domres/Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

6:45 AM Peter Silvaggio/Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

9:00 AM Eleanor McCarthy/Husband

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

9:00 AM Tom Liggett/The Liggett Children

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:00 AM ANN Gloria Anson/Husband & Family

5:00 PM ANN: Carolyn Ulrich MaHarry/
The Ulrich Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

7:30 AM Carmela I. DiCerbo/
Michele & Ken Lynch & Family

8:45 AM Lena Heifferon/Helen, Theresa & Rob

10:30AM Aurelia Gruzlewski/Jean Sardino

12:15 PM Matt & Catherine Kerwin/Family

4:00 PM Cornelia Sardua/ Erlinda Lalone

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Divine Mercy Chaplet – 3PM Daily

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day Masses – 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

RELAX!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

7:00 PM Daughters in Adoration – Chapel

8:00 PM Women’s Lectio Divina – HFPC #2

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

TGIF

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:00 AM Men’s Prayer Group – MPR

3:30 PM Confessions – Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:45 AM Children’s Liturgy of the Word –
Church Hall

5:00 PM Life Teen – Church Hall

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WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

December 15 & 16 \$22,311.86

Last Year \$23,034.56

*Your generosity to our parish is tremendous ~
Please consider making a lasting gift through:*

*Your Will or Trust, Retirement Assets
or Life Insurance*

*Please remember Holy Family at Christmas and in
your year end giving!*



"The Elizabeth Ministry wishes you a most blessed, joy filled Christmas and New Year to come!"

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

December 29 & 30:

- 5:00 PM Richard, Peg & Katie Bailey,
Anne Eagan, Susan LaFex,
Mary Lou Lake, Deb Troiano,
Andrea & Donna Marshall,
Susan Weigel, Kathleen Wheeler
- 7:30 AM Frank Bellso, Maureen Malay,
Joanne & John Brusa Jr.,
Kathy Rudy, Jeanne Taylor-Huss,
Sharon Williams
- 8:45 AM Carole Bastien, Cathy Bonacci,
Jim Brown, Patty Costello, Dolores Grace,
Kris McGuire, Paul Morrell,
Barb Parkes, Mary Pouliot,
Jennifer Scott, Kathy Spencer
- 10:30AM Lucille Adorante, David Callahan,
Mary Harkola, Julie Martin-Barfield,
Sr. Theresa Nagel, Carol Pietraszek,
Fran & Pam Stepien, Donald Thome,
Kathy Voorhees, Kate Ojo
- 12:15PM Joseph Antonio, Andrew Bowman,
Mary Fangio, James Pirro, Jamie Rae,
Lisa Procanick, Nancy Scheutzow
- 4:00 PM Peter Assaf, Jessica Caputo,
Lorraine Dardani, Olivia Doner,
Bridget Downey, Jim Kearns,
Joe Ranieri, Jr., Christopher Spilka,
Rick Suarez, Ed & Shelly Terzolo

LECTORS – DECEMBER 29 & 30:

- 5:00 PM Kathy Kendrick, Linda Vishnesky
7:30 AM Janice Bader, Paula Meseroll
8:45 AM Patrick Brusa, Dick Ferguson
10:30AM James Barfield, Tom Maier
12:15PM Vickie Hopkins, Pamela Tobin
4:00PM Bill Strott, Madelynn Tibbetts

ALTAR SERVERS – DECEMBER 29 & 30:

- 5:00 PM Tim, Pete & Joe Dunham,
Bridget Bailey
- 7:30 AM Roberto, Mia & Antonio Scutari,
Tori English
- 8:45 AM Cade & DJ Caloia,
Gary McLane, Alex Shuron
- 10:30AM Thomas, Christopher, Stephen &
Benedict Maier
- 12:15PM Meghan Ascioti, Jacob Murray,
Anthony Orendorf, Mary Papini
- 4:00 PM Grace Abert, Parker Brown,
Rick Guy, Mary Sullivan

LOSE WEIGHT - Eat smart, move more and pray!
Join Pray It Off as we begin our 12th year. It's a
FREE, one of a kind, Catholic Weight Loss Group.
The next session begins on January 3rd and goes
through June 2018. The group meets every
Thursday from 6-7pm. You must commit to
attending weekly meetings, \$5 materials fee. Must
call Ellen M. McCauley 315-468-4233 before
December 28, 2018 to join or with questions.

GREENBACK WINNERS

#1078 – Gerard Doeing - \$100
#1834 – NOT SOLD
\$400 JACKPOT NEXT WEEK

BEREAVEMENT

*Fear not, for I am with you. Do not be dismayed. I
am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I
will uphold you with My victorious right hand.*

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

John Capolongo, George Riley, Francis Flood

Become a Part of our Mission at Joseph's House!

Joseph House, a safe home for pregnant homeless women and their children, is hiring. We are hiring Part-Time Resident Advisors for weekend and weeknight shifts. Resident Advisors supervise our residents with day to day life skills and must be responsible, dependable, and willing to work with women and children from all backgrounds as well as uphold the mission and values of Joseph's House. Contact Karen at kfruscello@jhfw.org or visit www.jhfw.org for more information.





Faith Formation

Register today!! Forms are available online.

GRADES K, 1, 3-6 FAITH FORMATION

CLASSES HELD IN HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

12/23-1/7: NO CLASSES

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

1/13: 10-11:15AM

1/14: 6:15 – 7:30PM

1/20 & 21: NO CLASSES

Attention Faith Formation

Parents/Grandparents/Guardians: We are excited to introduce a new addition to our Faith Formation year. After dropping your child off to class, please join us in the library on the first floor for **Adult Ed Faith Formation**. Joel Leite will be teaching through out the year on a variety of topics such as the Bible, Creation, and the Sacraments, among others. So instead of dropping your child off and leaving, please stay for your own continuing **Adult Ed Faith Formation**. **Next Session: 1/13: 10:05AM – 11:10AM AND 1/14: 6:20 – 7:25PM**

We are also once again offering **Parent Day/Parent Night** where you can come and be catechized with your child. This year we are offering rosary making, Catholic bingo and trivia and sandwich making for the local shelters, among other things - **So plan on coming to class on 1/27 and/or 1/28**. Check your emails and the remind app for more information. Please note: There will be no Adult Ed Classes on these evenings.

FIRST RECONCILIATION CLASSES – SCHOOL CAFETERIA

PARENT REMINDER: WE WILL NOT HAVE MONDAY CLASSES IN JANUARY. ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY CLASSES IN JANUARY. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY. THANK YOU!

1/13: 10 – 11:15AM

1/27: 10 – 11:15AM

EDGE – 7TH & 8TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

MONDAY NIGHTS, 6:15-7:30PM IN THE CHURCH HALL (BASEMENT)

12/24, 12/30, 1/7: NO CLASSES

1/14: Edge Night

1/21: NO EDGE CLASSES

CONFIRMATION CLASSES HELD IN CHURCH HALL (BASEMENT)

Confirmation: Please note if you have not already handed in your child's Baptismal and First Communion certificates, please send in with your student.

12/16-1/6/19: NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES

MERRY CHISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

1/13: CI CLASSES, 10-11:30AM

1/13: C2 CLASSES, 11:45AM – 1:15PM



Leading teens closer to Christ

Welcoming all students in grades 9-12, Sundays, Mass at 4pm, Life Night 5-7 pm, Church Hall.

March For Life Trip (January 17-18, 2019): Not only does this trip give teens the luxury of skipping school but it also gives them a beautiful exposure to the importance of human life! This trip always fills up quickly. Registration is \$75 and you can also get registered at Holyfamilysyr.org!

A gigantic thank you from all of us here at Life Teen for your support of the "12 Days Of Christmas" fundraiser. We had over 60 contributors that helped us raise just over \$2,500! Thank you for your willingness to help our teens grow closer to Christ! Your contributions will go towards funding our March For Life trip this January. Thank you once again and we hope you have a very Merry Christmas!

12/23: No Life Teen (Christmas)

12/30: No Life Teen (New Years)

1/6: Parents Night- Parents are invited to come check out our Life Teen program and see what we're all about! Come hungry!

1/13: Life Is Very Good Night- Life is good that's for sure! During this night we will celebrate the amazing gift of life from conception until natural death.



PUTTING OUR FAITH INTO ACTION THROUGH SERVICE TO OUR PARISH AND OUR COMMUNITY

Last week I gave you a very brief overview of the statistics for our Christmas food and gift distribution program. Here is the actual demographic and geographic breakdown; the number may surprise some of you!

FAMILIES SERVED 108

ADULTS	148
CHILDREN	116
SENIORS	20

MEALS PROVIDED 4544

ZIP CODES

13219	55 FAMILIES
13031	42 FAMILIES
13209	6 FAMILIES
13215	5 FAMILIES

Your generosity provided gifts for our 108 families, and for the following:

- Assumption Church/Northside Ministry
- Brady Faith Center
- Butternut Commons
- Catholic Charities Men's Shelter
- Child Protective Services
- Parkside Commons
- Sarah House
- St. Vincent DePaul
- Stonehedge Elementary School
- White Branch Library Refugee Program
- Winds of Agape

It takes a community to put on a program this large, so we want to say thank you to everyone who helped us help so many people

Our Outreach Team: Sue, Dianne, Mary, Terri, Marge, Karen, Ginny, Jodi, Jim, Kevin, John, Chris, Joe. Over the past 4 weeks they have worked many long hours on many projects. When we ask them to

come in, they show up with a smile, they work hard, and they have some fun. We are thankful, grateful and blessed to have them on our team!

Our Drivers and Our Packers: So many of you showed up for Gift Sorting, Food Packing, and Saturday morning deliveries. You are always here when we need you!

Holy Family School: The teachers and the children collected food, collected hats and gloves, made the Christmas cards that were given to all 108 families. They did anything and everything they could, to ensure the success of our program.

Faith Formation: The coordinators and all the classes collected food, \$\$\$ and gifts. God Bless you.

Our Parish Family: Where would we be without you! You donated \$\$\$, and food and time to help us reach out to the needy of our community. The Outreach Ministry is part of Holy Family Parish, so you should be very proud of all that you accomplished!

Fairmount Library: They do a food collection for our pantry 12 months of the year. How wonderful is that!

The Gift Box: Jan and her staff collect food and monetary donations for us every Christmas holiday. And, they come and help us with the Food Packing. Wonderful business, wonderful people!

We also want to thank the schools, businesses and corporations who donated food and or money to our program. We are always overwhelmed and very grateful for their support. God Bless you all for all that you do.

Happy Holidays,
Bill & Anne

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Every child is EMMANUEL, reminding us "God is with us." Children are signs of God's continuing presence in our lives.

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. You must call each month to have the name put back on the list.

Dr. Joseph Thornton, Marie Wing, Ed Campagna, Hank Smith, Howie Moore, Tatum Foster, Gabe, Allison McCauley, Nicole Canavan, Christopher Piotrowski, Helen Ann Lynch, Cathy Hubert, John Gardner, Kathy Staffa, Karen Conte, Kollin Conte, Lucille McCulley, Mark Thornton, Kenneth Wood, Margaret Mazur, Mary Kehn, Frank Cantello, Cynthia Lang, Terry Burak, Roseanne Gray, Marlene Claps, Mary Raven, William "Bo" Bochicchio, Roger R., Carol Judge, Gretchen Lavonier, Sofia Evelich, Sheila Stack, Lori Tucker, Laura & Dillon, Eric Rupp, Louise Sira, Anthony Juliani, John Hunter, Peggy Mandolfo, Brooke Teachout, Kermit Tucker, Fred Monroe, Ezra Castro, John Neary, Bob Freeman, Rosalie Boulware, Elda Carducci, William Hess, Scott Becksted, Joseph Mandolfo, Irene Hungerford, Jerry Fessenden, Patrick Anderson, Kristin, Luna Gasowski, Marika, David Sill, Rose Marie Devine, Carolyn Sullivan, Anna Paradise, Nyk Pidhorodeckyj, Tom Corbett.

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 nursing home who would like a visit from a priest or deacon.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

This is an opportunity to thank the Lord for being with us. You cannot help but be blessed by the graces bestowed upon you when you come before the Blessed Sacrament. This is a powerful and effective way to love Jesus and make reparation for your sins. We may pray, meditate, read spiritual literature or just listen to His inspiration and thank Him. Please choose a dedicated hour and join our 24/7 ministry. Call Tom Colabufo at 487-8377.

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Merry Christmas from the Hospitality Ministry
Upcoming events with your Holy Family Parish to attend!

HOLY FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT — Saturday, December 29 after the 5:00 Mass to enjoy Pizza and watch the movie **ELF**. In true ELF spirit—cookies will also be served! Our last movie night was outside—however, due to the wintery weather—we will be in the Parish Hall (downstairs of the Church). All are welcome to attend—no cost to attend. Enjoy a family night with your Holy Family.

Holy Family Trivia Night—Sunday, January 20, 2019 in the Parish Hall following the 4:00 Mass! This is our third Trivia Night—the last 2 were fantastically fun nights! Mike Dendis is our trivia master and the questions are challenging!! Gather your team—come and have fun! Dinner will be served, please bring an appetizer to share!

NEW YEAR'S DAY OF REFLECTION

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31
10AM-3PM**

How about spending the last day of the year with others to say goodbye to the Old and hello to the New? How do other cultures say goodbye and hello and celebrate a New Year of Grace and Wisdom? Mass will be celebrated at the end of our day.

Presented by Fr. John Rose

Offering - \$30 includes a special delicious lunch. For reservations call 315-446-2680, email at ctkretreat@syedio.org or register on our website at www.ctkretreat.com.

GIFT BEARERS

December 29 & 30

5:00 PM – Family
8:45 AM – Family

If you have an intention for a loved one coming up at a weekend Mass, and would like to bring up the gifts, call Esther @ 487-5466.

Pastoral Care News

Baptisms: The next Baptism Class is Tuesday, January 8 from 7-8:30PM. It is recommended that couples attend the Baptismal Class BEFORE the baby is born. To register or any questions call Sr. Theresa @ 315-488-3139, Ext. 107.



MUSICAL NOTES

Rob Morey – Director of Music - 315-487-1737

THIS WEEKEND:

- 5:00 PM Gabrielle Giacobelli, Gina Giufre
- 8:45 AM Mary Kate Krawczyk, Tony Alvaro
- 10:30AM Mary Kate Krawczyk, Trinity Choir, Tony Alvaro
- 12:15PM Mary Kate Krawczyk, Gina Giufre
- 4:00 PM Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

CHRISTMAS EVE:

- 4:00 AM Holy Family Praise & Worship Band
- 6:00 PM Kristy Morgan, Joyful Sound Ensemble, Joyce Bunce, Nick Cantello
- 8:00 PM Mary Kate Krawczyk, Gina Giufre
- 12:00AM Gabrielle Giacobelli, Trinity Choir, Tony Alvaro

CHRISTMAS DAY:

- 9:30 AM Cameryn Cortez, Gina Giufre
- 11:30 AM Gabrielle Giacobelli, Josh Corcoran, Courtnee Corcoran

NEXT WEEKEND:

- 5:00 PM Gabrielle Giacobelli, Gina Giufre
- 8:45 AM Mikell DiGiorgio, Tony Alvaro
- 10:30AM Mikell DiGiorgio, Trinity Choir, Tony Alvaro
- 12:15PM Mikell DiGiorgio, Gina Giufre
- 4:00 PM Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

TRINITY CHOIR

NOTE: No rehearsal on Wednesday, December 26

Next Mass: Sunday, December 30 @ 10:30 AM

JOYFUL SOUND

Next Rehearsal & Mass: Saturday, January 5 @ 4:15 & 5PM

A GIFT FROM JESUS CHRIST TO YOU!

OPEN YOUR GIFT BY COMING.

JESUS SAYS: "COME AND SEE!"

Most Holy Rosary will be hosting: ***DISCOVERING CHRIST***, a faith renewal process. It is **FREE** and begins Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 6-8:30PM for 7 consecutive Tuesdays & 1 Saturday retreat. Free baby-sitting. Everyone is welcome! Check it out on Facebook too: *ChristLife at Most Holy Rosary*. Testimonies say it is life-changing, exciting and the best.

Registration is open until Christmas Day, 2018. To register please email: bfeldman@syrdio.org or use this Registration Form. Return this Form to: Most Holy Rosary Church, 111 Roberts Ave., Syracuse, NY 13207, Attention: Bernie Feldman.

Name(s) _____

Email _____

Phone _____



Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses:

4, 6, 8PM & MIDNIGHT

Christmas Day:

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

CYO HF Basketball

St. Joseph's Christmas Tournament all games at St. Joes'

Friday, Dec 28

Junior High: 10:00 Holy Family II vs St Pat's
1:00 Holy Family vs St Joe's I

Varsity: 4:30 St. Pat's vs Holy Family

Saturday, Dec 29

Jr Varsity: St Pat's vs Holy Family

Men's open gym Fri, 8 PM to 10 PM

\$2.00