

*From the
Pastor's
Desk*



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Dear Friends,

Happy Thanksgiving! I hope your day was spent with loved ones and friends thanking God for the many blessings He gives. While our nation dedicates one day to giving thanks, let's be sure that we make that a part of our daily spiritual routine. It is so important that we continue to offer up our prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord!

Happy Advent! It is hard to believe that we are already in Advent. It seems as if time is moving so quickly. They say when you get older, it seems as if time moves faster. Regardless, here we are in the most beautiful season. Advent is a time of prayer and preparation as we await the coming of our Lord. It is good that we have this season that reminds us to stay focused on what we will be celebrating - the birth of our Lord! Someone asked me the other day when we put the Christmas trees up in church. When I told them, "Just before Christmas" they looked at me quizzically and they responded, "why so late?" The world around us jumps from Halloween to Christmas. As people of faith, the Advent time really does give us time to pray, reflect, and prepare our hearts to celebrate our Lord's birth. Let's not rush through this holy season and then get to Christmas and say to ourselves, "I'm glad that's over." Let's use this time wisely and use it to acknowledge and give witness to the reality that we have a God that loves us so much that He sent us His only begotten son!

Blessings Always,
Father Manno

A Prayer of Thanksgiving – Composed by our Sixth Grade Class at Holy Family School and Fr. Manno:

Dear God,

I am so thankful for you, the source of all blessings. I am thankful for my family, friends, good health, my pets, and my freedom. I am grateful for the many ways You provide for me – for the roof over my head, food to eat, clothes to wear, a bed to sleep in, and so much more. Thank you for the gift of my education and the ability to grow intellectually. I am so thankful for the gift of my faith that helps me to

know you are always at my side, especially when life can be challenging. Thank you for the gift of your son, Jesus Christ, who shows us the way to You. I cannot thank you enough for all the little blessings and the great big ones too.

Thank you for surrounding me in your love and thank you for placing people in my life that surround me in love. Help me to show my gratitude for you each day by allowing your love to flow through me and touch the hearts of others.

AMEN.



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL LOTTERY CALENDARS

**Support our school for \$25 and have 90
chances to win between \$50 - \$200!**

Follows the NYS Midday Lotto numbers each day.
From January 2022 – March 2022

Contact Colleen Wills at
holyfamilyhomeandschool@gmail.com or call the
office at 315-487-8515 for more info!

MAKES A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT!

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS

A speaker from Hope for the Bereaved will present suggestions of ways to deal with grief and depression that comes with the holidays.

DECEMBER 7, 2021

6:30PM

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH



Mass Schedule

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:45AM James Uva/Ed & Angela Bernat

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00AM Armand Ineich/Niece

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

6:45AM Mass for the People of Holy Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

9:00AM (LIVING) Nora Farrell/D.S.M.P.'s

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00AM Michael Ponza/Nancy Clemente

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00AM FIRST SATURDAY MASS LEAGUE

4:00PM Fr. Jeffrey Keefe OFM CNV.

Joseph Albino

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

7:30AM Stanley Keller/Frank & Will Szczech

9:00AM Judith LaDuc/Debra Kiser

10:30AM Maureen Sheedy/John & Betty Morrell

Catherine & Matthew Kerwin/Family

4:00PM Mary Barba/Frank & Arlene



MUSICAL NOTES

Rob Morey, Director of Music

315-487-1737

music@holysyr.org

THIS WEEKEND

Saturday

4:00PM Kerryanna Kershner, Rob Morey,
Gina Giufre

Sunday

9:00AM Gabriella Giacovelli, Rob Morey,
Gina Giufre

10:30AM Gabriella Giacovelli, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro, The Trinity Singers

4:00PM Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday

4:00PM Rob Morey, Gina Giufre

Sunday

9:00AM Gabriella, Giacovelli, Rob Morey,
Tony Alvaro

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Tony Alvaro

4:00PM Holy Family Praise & Worship Band

CHILDREN'S Liturgy



Our Children's Liturgy services have started again!

Please join us at the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy. Children are invited to participate in an engaging short lesson and craft or activity during the Liturgy of the Word in the Multi-Purpose Room with Olivia Colabufo.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

November 20 & 21 \$18,999.21

Please consider making a lasting gift through:
Your Will or Trust, Retirement Assets
or life insurance.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Dr. Joseph Thornton, Marie Wing, Ed Campagna, Hank Smith, Gabe, Tatum Foster, Cathy Hubert, Kenneth Wood, Joseph Mandolfo, Mary Barrett LaPoint, Camryn Scott, Maureen Connelly, Neal & Rosemary Devine, Joan Mastry, Mike Kelly, Art Grady, Tom Kehoskie, John Farrington, Richard Reschke, Stefania Dziergas, Frank Smolen, Amy Purdy Godleski, Karen Hamm, Pauline & Doug Baird, Michelle Albin, Jack Salinetti, Kara Horvath, Eileen Smith, Tony Sardino.

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.

Liturgical



Ministers

DECEMBER 4 & 5

LECTORS:

Saturday

4:00PM – Marty Breen

Sunday

7:30AM – Shelly Terzolo

9:00AM – Joe Assaf

10:30AM – Christian Huddleston

4:00PM – Deb Troiano

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Saturday

4:00PM – David Callahan, Kathy Kendrick

Sunday

7:30AM – Daryl Hall, Ken Theurer

9:00AM – Kevin Didio, Louise Mercurio

10:30AM – Peter Petrone, Beth Polge

4:00PM – Elizabeth Garn, Jennifer Kolakowski

ALTAR SERVERS:

Saturday

4:00PM – Liam Harty

Sunday

7:30AM – AJ Brusa

9:00AM – Lauren Leite

10:30AM – Isaiah, Justyna & Isabella Apps

4:00PM – Eva & Manny Sandoval

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors:

Please arrive 15 minutes before Mass. A sign-in sheet will now be set up in the Gathering Space. Please sign in when you arrive. Thank You!

Holy Family ALL Vocations Ministry

First Sunday of Advent – November 28, 2021

“To You, O Lord, I lift my soul.” Advent is a time of preparation, a time when we prepare our hearts and souls for the coming of Christ. Where is Christ calling you? Call

Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or write:

vocations@syrdio.org.



Save-the Date for Advent Lessons and Carols

Sunday December 19th at 2pm at the

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Ticket proceeds will go directly to the St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary Education Fund. Tickets may be purchased on this link

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/syracuse-seminarians-advent-lessons-carols-tickets-194514356677>

Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation - Diocese of Syracuse

Come join other engaged couples in a wonderful opportunity to learn more about your future spouse, your faith, and married life. Includes lunch. To learn more about our program, or to find a link to all available Marriage Preparation session dates, visit:

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

The Third Option

“Two Great Secrets of Happily Married Couples”

Come learn how! A Program to build better marriages. **Meeting is online, December 5, 7:15-9:00pm.** For more information or to join, please contact Stephanie Stewart at sstewart@syrdio.org or (315)472-6728.

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 on a monthly basis via Zoom for fellowship, prayer, and discussion centered on discernment. Please contact the Vocations Office at Vocations@syrdio.org

If you are interested in assisting Holy Family Church in promoting vocations contact Laurie Theurer 315-488-8010

Like and Follow our “Holy Family Vocation Ministry” Facebook Page!

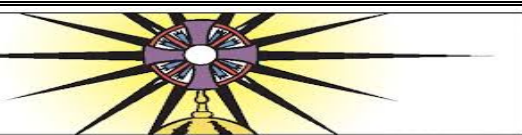
GREENBACK WINNERS

#3245 – Marty O’Neill - \$100

#1165 – NOT SOLD

\$800 JACKPOT NEXT WEEK

Holy Hour



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**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
EVERY 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH
7 -8PM**



Faith Formation Office: 315-488-5884

Holy Family Faith Formation Christmas Open House!! Thursday, December 16 from 6-8pm in the Church Hall.

All are welcome to join us for a family social gathering! There will be crafts, games, and stories. Stop in anytime during our event for some fun holiday cheer! We look forward to seeing you!

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION (Grades K-6) MONTHLY after the Sunday, 9am Mass.

12/5: Register for our December session on Google Classroom using code **sp3uwtd** and make sure to check it out for some awesome videos!

EDGE: (Grades 7 & 8) Monday: 6:30-7:30pm in Church Hall Google Classroom using code: **oqxswj4**

11/29: NO EDGE

12/6: Black Widow: An EDGE Night on What Do I Do When it is Hard to Do the Right Thing: We close out our study on the four cardinal virtues by talking about fortitude and how we can stay consistent in our efforts to do the right thing even when it is difficult.

Questions: Contact Vince D'Angelo:
edge@holyfamilysyr.org

First Sacraments: Church Hall

*Please remember to check the Google Classroom for home assignments using code: **x3cqyjg***

12/12: Your First Reconciliation - This week we will talk about how Reconciliation is a lifelong blessing. No matter how far we may wander from God, he will never stop searching for us and he will never stop encouraging us to become the-best-version-of-ourselves.

Questions: Contact Patty D'Angelo:
pdangelo@holyfamilysyr.org

Confirmation: Grade 10: Tuesday 7pm

Google Classroom code: **mqqg2s6**

12/14: Join us in the Church Hall!

Questions: Contact John Buttner:
confirmation@holyfamilysyr.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DIVINE MERCY DAILY @ 3PM IN CHURCH

MONDAY 11/29

5:00PM Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration –
TUESDAY 11/30

Have a great day!

WEDNESDAY –12/1

6:30PM Timeline Bible Study –
Lower Conf. Room

7:00PM RCIA - HFPC

8:00PM AA – Church Hall

THURSDAY- 12/2

5:00PM Pray it Off – Church Hall

FRIDAY- 12/3

TGIF

SATURDAY – 12/4

7:00AM Men's Prayer Group – Church

SUNDAY – 12/5

10:00AM Family Faith Formation –
Church Hall

10:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word –
Multipurpose Room

5:00PM Life Teen – Church Hall

CULTURE OF LIFE

“Laws allowing for the killing and dismemberment of innocent babies in the womb send a powerful anti-life message that threatens everyone. Think about it if the fragile life of an innocent baby in the womb of his/her mother – which nature protects as the safest place anywhere – can be terminated, who is secure?”

Cardinal Dolan

Cardinal Dolan urges “all men and women, with faith, or without, to speak up for the “defenseless” unborn babies and to denounce the “right” to abortion as “inhumane, violent, and contrary to human rights”.

BEREAVEMENT

There are purposes that you cannot perceive or comprehend. You may never understand – at least not in this life – but you must never let go of your faith.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Mary Jane Train

Jeanne Huss

Zane McFadden

Margaret Digney



Again, thank you to all who made our Thanksgiving one to be thankful for. The donations at the Thanksgiving Mass will help replenish our shelves for Christmas.

We are now preparing for the Christmas Program. Gift cards are still needed – if you have not yet considered this as way of making someone’s Christmas joyful, there is still time to do so.

God Bless!
Liz and Margo

LIFE TEEN

Last week’s trip to Lights on the Lake was a huge success for our youth ministry here at Holy Family! We had over 30 people join us for the bus trip through the lights! It was a joy!

Life Teen will be taking a break this weekend for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will be back for more Life Night meetings on December 5th, 12th, and 19th!

You won’t want to miss out on these Life Nights - we will be enjoying Christmas Cookie decorating, caroling, and an ugly sweater contest for prizes! And be on the lookout for an announcement for an upcoming trip to Clinton Square for ice skating!

The next few weeks has a lot of fun in store for our Life Teen Program! Join us and invite a friend!

NEW YEAR/NEW YOU – Eat smart, move more and pray! **If your New Year’s Resolution is to lose weight and KEEP IT OFF, we invite you to join Pray it Off!** It’s a FREE, one-of-a-kind, Catholic weight loss group. The next session begins on January 6 and goes until June 23. The group meets every Thursday from 6-7 pm. \$5.00 Materials Fee. **Must call** Ellen M. McCauley 315-468-4233 before January 3, 2022 to join, or with questions.

A new memorial leaf was added to the Tree of Life the Week of November 22:
In Loving Memory of
Shirley Carolin



The Knights of Columbus, Council 4114, is once again asking for your generosity and support for our educational lottery fundraiser. Thank you for your past support. We are asking for your help via the mail. All proceeds go to support our local youth programs, catholic school education, seminarians, and other charitable activities.

If you would like to participate and have not received our tickets in the mail, please contact Tom Colabufo @ 315-487-8377. Our Lottery Fundraiser will begin December 1. God Bless!

**PASTORAL CARE
Volunteers needed**

Nursing Home Volunteers - Our next meeting will be Monday, December 6 at 7:00 PM. (please note that our meetings will generally be the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Pastoral Center). If you are interested in becoming a volunteer in this ministry please contact Deacon Ed Terzolo at (315) 403-1020 or simply leave a message at the Pastoral Center at (315) 488-3139.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound is a special way in which parishioners can bring the love that God has for each one of us into their homes. Parishioners who are unable to attend Mass and miss the physical presence of our Lord would appreciate a kind and prayerful visit with Holy Communion. If you would like to volunteer to visit our homebound please contact Kris McGuire kmcguire@holyfamilysyr.org or call the Pastoral Center at 315-488-3139.

If you have a family member or friend who is a parishioner who would benefit from these ministries Call the Pastoral Center at 315 488-3139.



**SUPPORT CHRIST THE KING
RETREAT HOUSE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
@ SYRACUSE STAGE**

Reception and basket raffle
Reception begins at 12:30PM
Production begins @ 2PM

For more information call 315-446-2680 or
email CTKretreat@syrдио.org

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

From the Office of Safe Environment:

The Diocese of Syracuse is acknowledging and thanking the thousands of people across the diocese who are committed to keeping our children, young people, and vulnerable adults safe in our parishes, schools, agencies, and the community at large. Students across the diocese, including our Catholic Schools and Faith Formation students, are invited to display their creativity by participating in our coloring contest: *#BeKind*

- Students in Grades Pre K – 12 may choose one of four coloring sheets and use their creativity with crayons, markers, colored pencils, or watercolors.
- There will be one winner per grade.
- Winners will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card.
- Submissions are due **by Friday, December 17, 2021.**
- Winning entries will be showcased in *The Catholic Sun* and on diocesan social media during National Child Abuse Prevention Month (April 2022).

The link to all documents is located on the diocesan website: <https://syracusediocese.org/safe-environment/safe-environment-week/>

**LeMoyne College CYO
Scholarship**

For many years LeMoyne College and the Catholic Youth Organization have worked together to offer eight \$4,000 scholarships (\$1,000/year). The CYO 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. Applications may be picked up at the Pastoral Center. The completed packets must be returned to the Regional Chairperson **NOT LeMoyne College**, no later than **January 1st, 2022**. If you have any questions or concerns call 315-445-4300.

ADVENT DAILY REFLECTION

Advent is a season of going together. Like Mary & Joseph traveling among the crowds to Bethlehem, we, too, are eagerly anticipating the coming of Christ.

Journey together with other Catholic Christians throughout the diocese as “We Wait in Joyful Hope” by receiving a daily inspirational message, right to your inbox. Hear the voices of many people who have experienced peace and strength, even when the waiting was long or difficult. Be encouraged by the stories of those who look to the future with joyful hope.

To register visit OurCatholicFaith.com

Jail Ministry Christmas Collection

Matthew 25...."I was in prison and you visited me".....

We are late! We apologize! Jail Ministry's plan for our annual Christmas event for the residents at the Justice Center this year have changed almost daily and it was only last week that they were finalized. We will not be present to sing and give out the gifts but we will be assembling the various donations and they will be handed out on Christmas. We know that Holy Family parishioners will be as kind as they have over many years to our cause and will send us the white socks and instant hot chocolate that are so enjoyed by the recipients. Your loyalty and good wishes are so much appreciated. The donation boxes will be at all entrances to the church from this Sunday until December 12. We wish you a holy and happy holiday.