



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

A CARING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

DECEMBER 9, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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EMMANUEL

A free concert featuring

Holy Family Adult Choir, Bell Choir and Youth Choir

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 7:30pm

in the Church of the Holy Family

Grand Blanc, Michigan

Mass Times

Holy Family - Grand Blanc
Saturday Vigil 4 pm
Sunday 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 5 pm

Weekday
Monday - Saturday 8 am
Wednesday 6:30 pm

St. Mark's - Goodrich
Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday 9:30 am

Weekday
Tuesday 6:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am

Parish Directory

Parish Office..... 694-4891 (fax 694-1583)

Hours..... M-F 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. / 1 - 5 p.m.
(closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. for lunch)

Email: holyfamily@hfgb.org / Website: hfgb.org

Pastor, **Fr. Joseph Krupp**

Parochial Vicars, **Fr. Peter Lawrence** and **Fr. Bill Wegher**

Deacon, **Dennis Pennell**

Deacon, **Larry Blondin**

Music Director, **Dr. B. Simon Lee**

Associate Music Director, **Dr. Sia Lee**

Liturgy Coordinator, **Lorri O'Dea**

Business Manager, **Brian Kita**

Director of Evangelization, **Erin Cummings**

Accountant, **Aimee Wolven**

Program Director, **Kristin Smith**

Parish Secretary, **Theresa Dyer**

Bulletin Editor, **Linda Doyle**

Special Projects / Communications, **Nicole Urbanik**

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.;

Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m. & 5 p.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (no summer) - during

10 a.m. Mass - *For children four years old - 2nd grade*

**St. Mark - Goodrich - Sat (Vigil) 5:30 p.m. / Sun 9:30 am*

Weekday: Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. / Wed 6:30 p.m.

**St. Mark - Goodrich - Tue 6:30 p.m. / Fri 8:30 a.m.*

Holy Day: As announced in bulletin.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Sat. 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Sun. 9:30 - 10 a.m.
and 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., and by appt.

Wed. 8:30 - 9 am and 6 - 6:30 pm

St. Mark - Goodrich Saturday 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Baptism: Please make arrangements in advance.

Marriage: Please make arrangements with Parish
Priest at least nine months in advance.

Prayers & Devotions

Rosary: 7:15 am MWTF / 5:30 pm Wed / 8:30 am Sat

Eucharistic Adoration: Wed..... 8:30 a.m. - 6:15 p.m.

**St. Mark - Goodrich - First Fridays 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.*

Our Mother of Perpetual Help DevotionWed 7p.m.

Fatima Prayer Cell Tues 4 p.m.

Ministry to the Ill & Bereaved

Linda Waggoner, Nancy Reputan 694-4891

Social Outreach Ministry.....771-7279

Hours M-F 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. / **Brian Holyfield**

Holy Family School..... 694-9072

School Day 7:40 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Principal, **Theresa Purcell**

Assistant Principal, **Michael Brown**

Administrative Assistant, **Lisa Harvey**

Secretary, **Chasity Campbell**

School Receptionist, **Shelley Corcoran**

Dir. of Adv./Alumni Relations, **Ann Yochim Tabereaux**

Religious Education.....694-9072

Religious Education Classes (Pre-school - Adult)

Children's Liturgy of the Word... during Sun. 10 am Mass

Grades K-6 Sun 11:30 am - 12:45 pm

Grades 7-8 Sun. 6 - 8 pm in St. Joseph Center

Special Education Contact the RE office

Director, **Janet Gravel** ext. 151

RCIA/Baptism Director, **Maddie White**.....ext. 154

Youth Ministry 694-9072

Jan Gravel (Middle School), ext. 151

Erin Cummings (IMPACT High School), ext. 204

All meeting Sundays 6 - 8 pm in the St. Joseph Center
during the school year

Event/Facility Coordinator 694-9013

Carrie Pilarski

Meeting and Event Facilities: Father Bush Parish Center,
St. Joseph Center, and all other venues

Pastoral Council

Chairperson, **Matthew Williams**

Vice Chairperson, **Jordan Mitchell**

At-Large Members:

Rel. Ed./Youth - **Tiffany Minder**

Athletic Boosters - **Jayson Richert**

School/PTO - **Tim Willis**

Communications/Events - **Carrie Pilarski**

Worship Representative, Sr. **Sharon Hektor**

Evangelization Representative, **Deb Hawley**

Christian Service Representative

Parish Life Representative, **Carrie Pilarski**

Finance Representative, **Jayson Richert**

Commissions:

Christian Service Commission

Facilitator, **Susan Hasselbach**

Evangelization Commission

Facilitator, **Randy Petrides**

Finance Commission

Facilitator, **Jim Distelrath**

Parish Life Commission

Facilitator, **Connie Lesley**

To contact any Facilitators, please call parish office

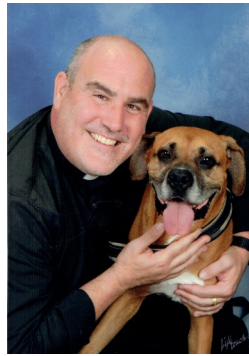
Bulletin Deadline: The deadline for each Sunday
is the previous **Monday by noon**. Watch the bulletin for
holiday early deadlines. Submit to: ldoyle@hfgb.org



A Cup of Joe

Greetings in Christ, all!

Don't forget that, in our Advent Season, the Church invites us to be sure to get to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We've got three priests working the confessionals and we've expanded the times to come. Make sure to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to receive God's loving mercy.



Between our Two Parish Families, we've got a pretty aggressive Christmas Eve and Christmas Schedule: I'm very excited about this! Make sure to invite those who do not usually come to Church to join you at Mass for one of these times. Pray that we priests pray and preach in such a way as to compel people who traditionally do not practice to come back to the Faith...we are so very blessed to be Catholic, we want everyone to know that joy.

Things are pretty intense in the month of December and I appreciate everyone's mercy and understanding as I navigate these waters for the first time. This is my third assignment where I have to introduce God's People to the idea of sharing their priest with another community and it can be hard on everyone as we adjust our expectations and grow in patience. Since I've moved here, I've struggled with the email and phone situation: it's so many of each, I often don't even know how to start. I know I've missed a lot of calls and emails and I ask your forgiveness. I assure you I'm doing my best.

I do feel like I'm settling in, learning the rhythms of both parishes and, having Fr. Bill move in has certainly made a wonderful impact. What I'll ask is that you allow me to start again on the emails. If you wrote me and wanted to hear back but haven't, please be sure to resend that email.

I want to encourage you all to make sure to take the Restore the Temple Campaign handout from our bulletin this week, see that we've got some times scheduled for any who want to come, and get information on our Campaign and see how to help. I'm so blessed by your response: pray for this campaign, we can do it!

May God bless you in this Advent Season as we await His coming!

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Posada and Bless the Baby Jesus

All are invited to join us on **Sunday, December 16th**, for this special event! Our afternoon will begin with noon Mass followed by the Posada and Blessing of the Baby Jesus. A Posada is a simple re-enactment of the events leading up to the birth of Christ. For those who cannot attend the noon Mass, please join us in the church at 1:00 p.m. Bring the baby Jesus from your nativity set to be blessed, along with your family. We hope this event will become an annual family event as you prepare for the Christmas season.



A Mexican dinner will follow in the Fr. Bush Parish Center hosted by the Knights of Columbus for all to enjoy! The dinner is free, but the Knights will be accepting donations for the persecuted Christians in the Middle East.

Please Note: All Religious Education students and their families are encouraged to attend. This will take place of class for those in grades K-8.

To ensure that there is enough food, please RSVP to the Religious Ed. office at 810-694-9072, ext. 101, **by December 13th**.

Christmas Flowers

A nice way to remember or honor someone at Christmas and help make our church beautiful, in honor of Jesus' birthday, is with a donation to the Christmas altar flowers. Flower memorial envelopes are located in the church pews. Please fill out the front of the envelope and put it in the collection (or bring it in to the parish office) along with your donation **by Thursday, December 13th**, to be listed in the Christmas bulletin. If the memorial is to honor a living person, please write "living" after their name. Please clearly print names.



Stewardship & Worship

Receive God's gifts gratefully - Cherish & tend to them responsibly -
Share them in justice & love - Return them to God

Soup Kitchen Reminder Help Needed

Holy Family has a wonderful group of individuals who rotate their time to volunteer each month at the North End Soup Kitchen. Just a reminder that **Thursday, December 13th**, is our day for Team C. If anyone else is interested or has any questions, please contact the parish office at (810) 694-4891.



Advent Reconciliation

Saturday, December 15

8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Our normal Reconciliation time will be extended to noon and all three of our priests will be available to hear confessions.

We will also have an additional Reconciliation time on **Tuesday, December 18th**, from 4 - 5:30 p.m. with all three priests.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime. Perhaps there was a Sister Clare in your life. Perhaps a special woman or man religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all that you could become. Maybe you knew more than one. Today those sisters, brothers, and religious order priests may be elderly, and their religious communities may struggle to meet retirement needs. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious supports necessities - such as medications and nursing care - and helps ensure the next generation of Sister Clares can continue in ministry. Please give generously. An envelope may be found in your packet or you may choose to give online.

Fr. Joe's well-known *Faith Magazine* column, "In the Know with Fr. Joe" has gone LIVE (the second Thursday of each month). This month's is **December 13th** at

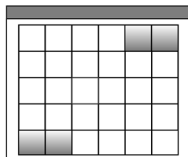
7:00 p.m. at St.

Mark's. Join us at either Holy Family or St. Mark's for an evening of faith and fun! (St. Mark's dates are December 13 and April 1.)



Catholic Calendars for 2019

Again this year the Mission Auxiliary has a beautiful Catholic calendar for your family. Please feel free to take one from the box near the door as you leave church. This calendar sale raises funds for the struggling missions in America and around the world. An envelope is enclosed with the calendar and you can put it in the collection any Sunday. Whatever you are able to give will be greatly appreciated! Thank you!



Got Milk?

Dr. Saha's 5th grade Religious Education class learned that families did not receive milk with their Christmas food baskets. They wanted to do something about this and we are asking for your help! If you would like to help, we ask you to "sponsor" a family by donating \$2 for a gallon of milk. We will do the work of purchasing and picking up the milk.



The "Got Milk?" jug will be in the school lobby **until Monday, December 10th**. In advance, we thank you for blessing the needy.

Would you Like to Light a Candle on the Advent Wreath?

It's that time of year again. We invite you to come light the advent candles. We will need one lighter per Mass, per weekend for the four weekends of Advent. What a

wonderful thing to do as a family! Of course, the Sunday morning Masses will fill quickly, so don't hesitate to give me a call or drop me an e-mail. The first weekend is December 2nd (and also the 9th, 16th and 23rd). Call or email Lorri O'Dea at 810-694-4891, ext. 214 or lodea@hfgb.org.



Stewardship of Treasure December 1st & 2nd

Registered Families	1903
Envelopes received this week	496
Online givers this week	153
Amount offered from envelopes	\$ 24,343.00
Amount offered from online giving	\$ 14,536.83
Amount offered from visitors	\$ 2,268.17
Total weekly offerings	\$ 41,148.00

Restore the Temple

The vision will not disappoint Heb 2:3

Fr. Joe is happy so many parishioners are attending the campaign town hall meetings. Your comments and suggestions are very helpful. We have heard of the need to have meetings later in the day. So we have shuffled the schedule around and have two afternoon and two evening town hall meetings.

December 12th	Wednesday	3:30 p.m.	FBPC— Small Hall
December 13th	Thursday	4:00 p.m.	FBPC— Small Hall
December 16th	Sunday	6:30 p.m.	FBPC— Small Hall
December 19th	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	FBPC— Small Hall

We need to raise \$2,000,000 in this campaign so that we can combine it with the \$2.7 we'll receive from the *Witness to Hope* Campaign that the diocese ran. Our goal is ambitious and at first glance, it can be pretty intimidating, but let me throw some numbers at you and show you how we can do it:

We have 963 parish families who did not pledge to *Witness to Hope* and have not currently pledged to the Restore the Temple campaign. If half of those families pledged \$20 a week to the campaign for the next three years, that group alone would raise \$1,500,720...wow! We also have 250 new parish families that were not here for the first campaign: if those families pledge \$20 a week for the next three years, that raises \$780,000. Beyond this, we have many families who pledged to the first campaign or gave one-time gifts and some of them have shared their willingness to give again, either as one-time gifts or with pledges to this new campaign.

So far, we raised \$2.7 million for our Parish in the *Witness to Hope* Campaign. We are right at the beginning of our Restore the Temple campaign and already, 43 of our Parish Families have pledged \$108,458...praise God!

This campaign is going to run through Advent right until the last day of December this year: please give what you can and help us Restore the Temple! Just cut out the pledge sheet below and drop it in the basket or bring it to the office. You can also set up your pledge online: the instructions are on the cut out.

YES, I WANT TO HELP RESTORE THE TEMPLE!

- I pledge to give \$ _____ One time Monthly Quarterly Yearly
- My commitment is for 1 year 2 years 3 years
- I commit to praying for *Restoring the Temple*.
- Please contact me about including *Restoring the Temple* Campaign in my estate planning.
- Enclosed is a check (payable to Restoring the Temple).
- I will set up my pledge and payment online at:
www.osvonlinegiving.com/1417

Pledges express a faith commitment, but are not legally binding.

Pledge Level Examples

Pledge Level	# of Years	Per Year	Per Month
\$20,000	3	\$6,667	\$555
\$15,000	3	\$5,000	\$416
\$9,000	3	\$3,000	\$250
\$3,000	3	\$1,000	\$83
\$1,500	3	\$500	\$42

Thank you and may God bless your faithful generosity!

Holy Family Parish Scholarship

We thank you for the generous donations that have been given throughout the year to Holy Family School through the blue church offering envelopes labeled "School Support." Along with tuition and other funds, these donations are directly deposited into our general fund to pay for the basic needs of our school. Should you choose to donate through the blue "School Support" envelope in the month of December, your donation will directly benefit the Holy Family Parish Scholarship.

This scholarship will be awarded each year and is open to all students K-8th grade. The Holy Family Parish Scholarship is for a student from K-8th grade who exhibits outstanding leadership and whose greatest talents are to inspire and motivate through faith and Christian values. This scholarship is supported by our Holy Family Parish. To nominate a student for this scholarship, please pick up a form in the school office or download online from our website www.hfsgb.org. The Holy Family Parish Scholarship Recipient for 2018-2019 school year is seventh grader, Carmella. Congratulations, Carmella! It is with ongoing support of our parishioners, HFS families, staff and friends that it is possible to continue our tradition of Faith Formation and Academic Excellence! Thank you for your continued support and prayers!



Congratulations, HFS Quiz Bowl



Congratulations, Quiz Bowl Team! Members of our Quiz Bowl team worked for six weeks preparing for their online tournament. They answered questions ranging from literature to math to geography to sports to grammar and trivia. Can you correctly name Ichabod Crane's rival in *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*? This is just one of many questions they faced. The team placed 17th out of 59 teams. Congratulations Ben, David, Franklin, and Tim! We are so proud of you!



Be a part of our Holy FAMILY!

Contact Lisa Harvey at 810-694-9072, ext. 0
or lharvey@hfsgb.org
www.hfsgb.org



What's Happening Here

Volunteer - Christmas Baskets

Christmas baskets will again be picked up by the requesting families on **Saturday, December 15th**, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. We are in need of volunteers to help with unloading of food boxes on **Friday, December 14th**, and with distribution on Saturday. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Brian Holyfield at Outreach (810-771-7279). We would sure appreciate hand trucks being available for this task if you have one to bring/lend.

Outreach Thank You

Outreach would like to thank the teachers of Kindergarten Prep and Preschool 4's for bringing the children over to check out the workings of Outreach. We enjoyed showing them around and their eagerness to learn. Thank you for making this opportunity available to them and us!



Advent by Campfire

Men of Holy Family: You're invited to enjoy an evening with Fr. Joe and Friends

Tuesday, December 11th / 7 - 9:00 p.m.
Fr. Bush Parish Center

Dinner at 7:00 p.m. followed by an evening of storytelling, fellowship and shared faith
Free-will donation for dinner and drinks

To reserve a table or sign up individually

Email lblondin@hfgb.org or call (810) 694-4891, ext. 254

55 & Over Club

I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year.

Charles Dickens



This is our last lunch for 2018. Join us for our Christmas lunch this Tuesday 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. Share all your Christmas memories with us. See you all next year, 2019!

Join the Youth Choir

Join the Youth Choir to sing for **Christmas Prelude and 4 p.m. Vigil Mass** in the church. Rehearsal times are as follows:

Monday, Dec. 17 - 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 18 - 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 19 - 4 - 5:15 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 23 - 3 - 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 24 - 3 p.m. Call /

3:30 p.m. Prelude / 4 p.m. Vigil Mass

Please contact Dr. Simon Lee with any questions 694-4891, ext. 205, or musicdirector@hfgb.org.

Our Lady of the Rosary Guild

Our Lady of the Rosary Guild will gather for a Christmas party at Little Joe's on **Thursday, December 13th**, at noon. Any questions, please contact Pat Gaines 429-3982 or Dina Cunningham 397-2154.

St. Rita's Guild

Our December meeting is **Wednesday, December 12th**, at 6 pm at The Captains Club (10200 Woodfield Dr.) in Grand Blanc. We will be ordering from the menu. See you then.

Unbound Conference

Get unbound and live free! At the Live Free Genesee conference (**January 11- 12**), you will receive teaching on each of the "five keys to freedom" developed by Neal Lozano from Heart of the Father Ministries.

Unbound Michigan presents a two-day conference at St. John in Fenton on **Friday, January 11th**, and Holy Family in Grand Blanc on **Saturday, January 12th**, that will bring you closer to Christ and break the shackles of darkness in your life through the "five keys to freedom."

Friday night is a free night of praise in preparation for the full conference day on Saturday where John and Michelle Kazanjian will be presenting. There will be prayer ministry available at points throughout the day as well as opportunities for praise.

This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone at any point in their faith journey. Registration fee: \$40. <https://livefreegenesee.eventbrite.com>. If cost is prohibitive, please contact us for financial assistance

Mass Intentions December 10 - 16

Monday, December 10

8:00 AM Sue Snyder by *Aileen Jarema*

Tuesday, December 11

8:00 AM Otto Wendt by *Michael Montpas*

Wednesday, December 12

8:00 AM Albert Perrin by *Bonnie Perrin*

10:30 AM (at Abbey Park) - Mathew Marzluff by *Holy Family Parish Staff*

6:30 PM Sue Daunt by *Conrad and Connie Nowak*

Thursday, December 13

8:00 AM Sue Snyder by *Aileen Jarema*

Friday, December 14

8:00 AM Betty Wright by *Bernice Murphy*

Saturday, December 15

8:00 AM Mario Simoni by *Margherita Simoni Family*

4:00 PM Glenda Rowley by *Janet Waters*

Sunday, December 16

8:00 AM George Yancho by *Cathy Lane*

10:00 AM All Holy Family Parishioners

12:00 PM James & Evelyn Londrigan by *Paul & Desiree Londrigan*

5:00 PM Mathew Marzluff by *Mark and Theresa Dyer*

Holy Family Happenings

Sunday, December 9

9 AM - 2 PM Coffee & Donuts (FBPC)

9 AM - 12 PM KofC Breakfast Buffet (FBPC)

11:30 - 12:45 PM Religious Ed classes (HFS)

6 - 8 PM Religious Ed classes (SJC)

6:30 - 8 PM RCIA for Adults (FBPC)

Monday, December 10

9 AM - 12:30 PM St. Joseph Guild (FBPC)

10 - 11 AM Prayer Quilt Ministry (FBPC)

Tuesday, December 11

11 AM - 2 PM Senior Luncheon (FBPC)

6:30 - 7:30 PM Bell choir rehearsal (Dr. Lee's office)

7 - 9 PM Advent by Fire (FBPC)

8 - 9:30 PM Athletic Boosters meeting (FBPC)

Wednesday, December 12

8:30 AM - 6:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration (CH)

9 - 11 AM Walking with Purpose (SJC)

3:30 PM *Restore the Temple* reception (FBPC)

6:15 - 7 PM Parish Youth Choir (Dr. Lee's office)

NO Cantor/Adult Choir rehearsal (CH)

7:30 PM Concert "Emmanuel" (CH)

Thursday, December 13

4 PM *Restore the Temple* reception (FBPC)

6 - 7:30 PM Walking with Purpose (SJC)

7 PM In the Know with Fr. Joe (St. Mark's)

Friday, December 14

3 - 4 PM Help Put God Back in America (CH)

Saturday, December 15 - *Outreach Christmas Baskets*



Liturgical Ministry December 15 - 16 Third Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM Saturday - Fr. Peter Lawrence

Lectors: Lorri O'Dea, Lou Lobsinger

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD Kourtney Lobsinger Randy Swiantek

Lori Drzewiecki Sandy Sprague Bethany Zloto

Mike Drzewiecki Kathy Swiantek Doug Zloto

Servers: Marin Custack, Luke Parr, Aidan Lobsinger

8:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Joe Krupp

Lectors: Cathy Lane, Neal Fatheree

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD Joan Costigan Yvonne Cesal

Megan Vicari Pat Costigan Traci Snyder

J.J. Vicari Dan Charboneau Karen Horton

Servers: Madysen Haus, Halle Purcell, Olivia Snyder

10:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Joe Krupp

Lectors: Richard Engel, David Gennaro

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD Gary Campbell Deborah Jansen van Galen

Mary Andrews Richard Cross Cathy Kelly

Betty Ardahl Jim Garland Patrick Kelly

Colleen Argus Karen Garland

Doug Benchley Earl Hagen

Servers: Brody / Trent / Sara Campbell

12:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Peter Lawrence

Lectors: Chris Harris, Bill Harris

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD Mark Dyer Donald Leavy

Karen Allen Scott Heron Connie Lesley

Gavin Beach Cynthia Leavy Adam Martin

Servers: Carson Zelle, John Zelle, Emilie Martin

5:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Bill Wegher

Lectors: Lucinda Peterman, Kathy Stewart

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

TBD Marie Psenski Jim Ridley

Kristin Koglin Paula Rainey Al Schmit

Sharon Peasel Nancy Repuyan **(Help needed)**

Servers: D. Koglin, E. Woycehoski, **(Help needed)**

Weekly Readings December 9 - 16

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6 / **Monday:** Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26 / **Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14 / **Wednesday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 / **Thursday:** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15 / **Friday:** Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19 / **Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 / **Next Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Youth News and more

High School Youth Ministry

Mission Statement: We, the youth of Holy Family, as disciples of Jesus Christ, seek to deepen our relationship with the Lord and welcome others into that relationship through prayer, fellowship and service.



No regular Youth Group this Sunday because we are taking a field trip to another Youth Group's swing dance. On **Sunday, December 16th**, we will be having our Christmas party. Please wear a Christmas sweater and bring a gift under \$10 for our white elephant gift exchange. Any questions, please email Erin Cummings at ecummings@hfgb.org.

Religious Education

Reminder

There will no Religious Education classes for grades K-8 on December 16th. Instead we are asking that all families join us at the Posada and Bless the Baby Jesus. It is a great way to start the Christmas season. Details on page 3.

Mission Makeover

Calling all Mission Makeover participants: On **Thursday, January 3rd**, from 1 - 4 p.m. we will gather in the Fr. Bush Parish Center to make various art projects for the upcoming art show which will be used as a fundraiser for this year's Mission Makeover. Call Jan to register (810) 694-9072, ext. 151.

Welcome to our newest members who joined us through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Baptized on November 25, 2018

Bryan Connor Girardot, son of Jessica Girardot. Bryan was born on November 20, 2015.

Matthew Lane Girardot, son of Jessica Girardot. Matthew was born on February 13, 2013.

Michael James Girardot, son of Jessica Girardot. Michael was born on April 28, 2011.

Cameron Lynn Koch, daughter of John and Jenifer (Johnson) Koch. Cameron was born on November 25, 2016.

Allison Rose Koch, daughter of John and Jenifer (Johnson) Koch. Allison was born on October 20, 2014.

Lexi Mavis Stroud, daughter of Daniel and Kristina (Amundson) Stroud. Lexi was born on January 4, 2018.

Mia Quinn Stroud, daughter of Daniel and Kristina (Amundson) Stroud. Mia was born on January 4, 2018.

Baptized on December 1, 2018

Noah Augustine Craft, son of Kyle and Kristine (Kowalski) Craft. Noah was born on October 31, 2018.

Eucharistic Adoration "Adorers" Needed



Every Wednesday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass we expose the Blessed Sacrament for time of Eucharistic Adoration. This is a wonderful time for private prayer and personal communion with the Lord.

*"The Eucharist is not consecrated to be adored, but because it is consecrated, it is adored."
In the Presence, The Spirituality of Eucharistic Adoration,
Sr. Joan Ridley, OSB*

It is necessary that when the Lord is exposed on the altar during adoration, individuals are present for prayer and adoration, either communally or individually. We lovingly refer to those volunteers who dedicate this time to our Lord, Adorers. We invite and welcome all to come and spent time with the Lord, but we need some to commit to a time so we know our Lord is not left alone.

Our Adoration ministry is in need of more adorers to commit to one (1) hour on Wednesdays to spend with our Lord.

If you would like to volunteer for this wonderful ministry, please contact Lorri O'Dea at the parish office at 694-4891. This will be the best hour of your day. Let Him transform you.

*"We become like that which we gaze upon. Looking into a sunset the face takes on a golden glow. Looking at the Eucharistic Lord for an hour transforms the heart in a mysterious way."
-Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.*

Parish Prayers and more

A funeral Mass was celebrated at Holy Family on December 4 for



Rest in Peace

Jordan Garcia. Jordan, age 27, died on Saturday, November 24, 2018. He was born in Flint February 16, 1991. Surviving are his parents, Lori Garcia, Roel (Deanna) Garcia, and his brothers Ryan and Dylan, as well as his grandpa, aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by three grandparents.

Lord, we remember in our prayers Jordan Garcia, whom you have called to be with you. May the calming peace of your love be with his family. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

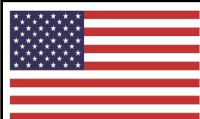
Addresses

In case you would like them for the holidays, here are Bishop Vincke, Fr. Dan and Fr. Gary's addresses:

Bishop Jerry Vincke; Catholic Diocese of Salina;
103 North Ninth St.; Salina, KS 67401-2503.

Fr. Dan Westermann; St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Parish; 700 E Columbia Drive; Durand, MI 49429

Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht
St. Thomas Aquinas Parish; 955 Alton Rd.; East Lansing, MI 48823



Please pray for these men and women in military service:

SFC Matthew Crimando—Army, Camp Shelby, MS
Sgt. Kyle Kaneris—Army
LT. Noël Koenig—Navy, Dallas, TX
Lcpl. Zachary Korte—Marines, Washington
Sgt. Adam Moreau—Army, North Carolina
A1C Daniel Przybysz— Air Force, Minot, ND
Sgt. Zachary Rogers - Army, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii
Cpl. Joshua Saha -- Army, Ft. Bragg, NC
A1C Patrick Sordyl—Air Force, Wright-Patterson, OH
Maj. Richard J. Valko—Marines, San Diego, CA
PV-2 Adam Vance—Army, Colorado

Please Pray for the Ill and Their Caregivers

Please remember in prayer those listed in the December 2 bulletin and those listed in the Parish Book of Intercessions at the back of the church.



In Loving Memory

Please pray for the following Holy Family parishioners who died on these dates:

December 9

Nonnita Durant, Dorothy R. Benson, Jean Wrocklage

December 10

Jonathon M. Sullivan, Julia Evinski, Darryl Jaye Mason

December 11

Harvetta Furden, Pauline Gainey, Carol Sue Morris

December 12

Martin E. Schroeder, Neva E. Foy, Joyce Lane McVey, Vincent E. Narde, Edward J. Oset, Albert Perrin

December 13

Mary D. Kehn, Richard Matsko

December 14

Isabella Kunding, Helen Kropiewnicki, Clara Jakust, Edward A. Tovey, Gemma McKerney, Joanne C. Emmendorfer

December 15

Joseph Dicaire, Vernon F. Reed, Larry Saxe

Help Put God Back in America

If you are concerned about the direction our country is going, please join us in church at **3:00 p.m. every Friday** and help with prayer to "Put God Back in America." The more voices, the more powerful the prayer. For more information, call Joe Dunn at 694-9223 or Marje Mercier at 694-2276.

Fatima Apostolate Prayer Cell

Fatima Apostolate Prayer Cell is a weekly time in the church (**Tuesdays 4:00 p.m.**) for prayer to honor the Trinity within the Eucharist, a time to pray for our family and for those whose faith is being challenged and for the sins of the world. Today this is so important when you look around the world. We also pray a rosary.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for December

Evangelization: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith - That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

What's Happening Here

Girl Scout Thank You

Girl Scout Troop 74011 would like to thank Holy Family Parish for participating in our Human Trafficking Awareness event. We were able to make 25 care packages for women at Safehouse. Special thanks to Genesee Health System and YWCA for providing speakers, and to Holy Family for arranging space for this project!

WWP Connect Coffee Talk: Your Heart —You are Captivating

In this world of noise and busyness, it is hard for women to find the time to give ourselves a little attention. Please join us for a talk and discussion to remind us of how precious we are to God and that His love is unconditional. He is captivated by each one of us - not because of what we do or what others think of us, but simply because we are His precious daughters. No experience necessary. Just come as you are for some coffee and a chance to see what Walking with Purpose is all about!



Wednesday, December 19th, from 9-11 a.m. or
Thursday, December 20th, from 7-8:30 p.m.
in the St. Joseph Center

*"Above all, guard your heart,
for it is the wellspring of life."* (Proverbs 4:23)

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study held on Wednesdays from 9 - 11 a.m. and Thursdays from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph Center. Personal study and small group discussions each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Vikki Lasota 248-459-3590 or Gail Hamelink 810-730-2576.

Box Tops for Education

Our school needs your Box Tops For Education that you clip from products you buy and use in your home. Just look for the logo and clip the small coupon. Drop them off in the collection box located in the lobby of the Saginaw Street entrance to the church. Thank you very much for helping our school.



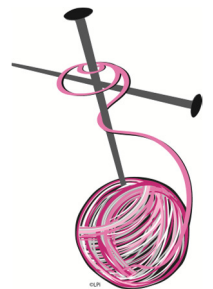
Religious Education Projects



Students in Dr. Saha's 5th grade Religious Education class hosted a bake sale with all proceeds going to our Outreach. They raised \$709.42. Thank you to all who participated in this event. They also were collecting money for milk to be purchased for the food baskets (so far they have collected \$321). And they helped pack and sort the gifts from the Toy and Blanket drive.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

All crafters are welcome to join the prayer quilt/shawl ministry whenever they are able. When finished with a shawl or for more information, please contact Geri Szydowski at (810) 603-1690 or email geraldineszydowski@yahoo.com. Or attend our next meeting which is **Monday, December 10th**, from 10 - 11:00 a.m. in the Fr. Bush Parish Center - small hall. (Meetings are typically the second Monday of each month.)



Please refer to www.shawlministry.com for some easy shawl patterns. A suggested size might be 24x36" wide and 5-6 feet long.

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
(no Monday morning Mass)

Masses: 4 p.m. in the Church and the Hall
Christmas prelude begins at 3:30 p.m. in the church
6 p.m. Mass in the Church
Midnight Mass in the Church
Christmas prelude begins at 11:30 p.m.
(Incense at all Christmas Masses except 4 p.m. in hall)

Masses at St. Mark at 4 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day
8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Mass
(No incense at 8 a.m. Mass)

Mass at St. Mark at 10:30 a.m.

Octave of Christmas Mass Schedule

Wed., Dec. 26

8:00 a.m. Mass
No Eucharistic Adoration / No Reconciliation
No Evening Mass

Thursday, Dec. 27 & Friday, Dec. 28
8 a.m. Mass

Saturday Morning, Dec. 29
8 a.m. Mass & 8:30 Reconciliation

December 29 / 30 - Feast of the Holy Family
Regular weekend Masses

**Mon., Dec. 31 - Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of God - Vigil**
(No Monday morning Mass)
5:30 p.m. Mass

Mass at St. Mark at 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 1 - Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of God**
8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Mass
(No incense at 8 a.m. Mass)

Mass at St. Mark at 10:30 a.m.

Baby Jesus Nursery Coming!

The Baby Jesus Nursery is coming! Before we can begin tending children during Masses, the following items are needed:

- Swings
- Jumper
- Saucer
- Activity gym
- Rocking chairs
- Changing Tables
- Play rug
- Little table and chairs
- Play kitchen
- Ride-on bikes
- Toys



Please help us.... help them. Items may be dropped off at the parish office. Any questions, please contact Dcn. Denny Pennell (810) 964-9034 or Bethany Barcey (810) 965-7304 or email bewittful@att.net.

Whatever you do for the least... you do for me. Jesus.

Family Paint & Pray

Thursday, January 3 / 1:00 p.m.

Looking for something to do as a family over the holiday break? Sign up for Family Paint & Pray. \$25 per family. Bring your snacks and drinks and create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Please note that this is a family event. **Children must be accompanied by an adult.** Reservations are a must so we have the needed materials. The afternoon will be led by Dana George. Contact Jan Gravel to sign up at 694-9072, ext. 151 or jgravel@hfgb.org.



Around the Diocese

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

Members of all parishes are welcome to join in a county-wide pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration.

Monday, Dec. 3, at 8:30 a.m. Holy Rosary

Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 10:00 a.m. St. John - Davison

Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 6:30 p.m. Holy Family - GB

Thursday, Dec. 6, 8:30 a.m. St. Mary's, Mt. Morris

Friday, Dec. 7, at 5:30 p.m. St. John Vianney

Saturday, Dec. 8, at 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe

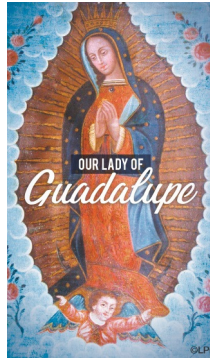
Sunday, Dec. 9, at 9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday, Dec. 10, at 8:15 a.m. at St. Pius X

Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 12:10 p.m. at St. Matthew

At the end of Mass there will be a couple of Marian songs and an Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena prayer.

Wednesday, Dec 12, Mass at 6:00 p.m.
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
2316 W. Coldwater Rd.
Reception following in
San Juan Diego Hall
For more information,
please call (810) 787-5701.



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Brother Francis: O Holy Night

Celebrate the Birth of Jesus

Recall the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation that will remind you Who we celebrate during the Christmas season!



"Awesome for the kids big and small."

—Toby J., Toledo, OH

Watch on formed.org

A Classy, Brassy Christmas

Members of Holy Family Adult Choir participated in A Classy, Brassy Christmas recently and were recorded in concert. The first air date is **Saturday, December 8th**, 7 - 8:00 p.m. on NBC25. The broadcast will be repeated several times during Christmas week on NBC25, FOX66 and CW46.

Save the Date

The Man Event

February 23, 2019

at Our Lady of Fatima

(313 Napoleon Rd., Michigan Center, MI 49254)

Featuring Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers

Mass with Bishop Boyea and Brian Flynn

www.TheManEvent.org

Register online

Adults \$40 / Students \$30

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PLEDGE TO
HEAL



If you, or anyone you know, has been harmed by anyone representing the Church, contact appropriate law enforcement. You may also contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Cheryl Williams-Hecksel, LMSW, by phone at 888-308-6252, or via e-mail to: cwilliamshecksel@dioceseoflansing.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Jesus was and is the world's most perfect gift. Experience that gift anew in your marriage and grow close than ever before on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. Upcoming weekends will be held **Jan. 25-27** at Holiday Inn-Troy and **March 15-17** at St. Francis Retreat Center-DeWitt. Apply online at wwme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 731-531-9191.

