

THE PARTNER PARISHES OF HOLY FAMILY & SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST





SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29TH 2024 | FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF **JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

Reverend E. George Saletrik, **Pastor** Reverend John M. Foriska, Senior Priest Active Reverend Mr. Michael Orange, Deacon

Sunday Mass Schedule Holy Family

Saturday Vigil | 4:30 p.m. Sunday Morning | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. (Children's Liturgy @ 10:30) Latin Mass | 3:00 p.m. Sunday Evening | 6:00 p.m.

Saint John

Saturday Vigil | 5:00 p.m. Sunday Morning | 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Holy Family

Monday - Friday | 8:00 a.m.

Saint John

Monday & Friday | 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays | 3:00 pm @ Holy Family Saturdays | 4:15 p.m. @ Saint John or by appointment

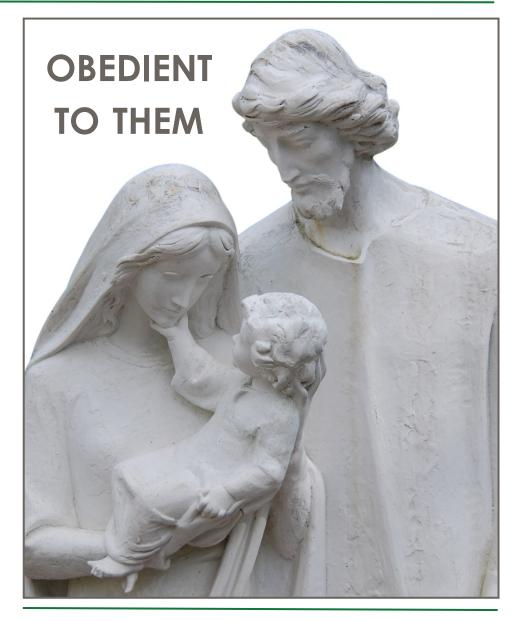
Eucharistic Adoration

(Holy Family Eucharistic Chapel)

Sunday, Noon- 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 11 a.m.- 10 p.m.; Wednesday, 3 p.m.-10 p.m.; & Thursday, 11a.m.-10 p.m. Contact: Carol @ 724-858-7333

Faith Formation @ Holy Family (Sept-May) Sundays, 9-10:15 a.m.

Confirmation Prep @ Holy Family (Sept-May) 2nd Thursday of the Month, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



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PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG



Monday, December 30th

8:00 a.m. Dolores Kosisko (requested by Staff)

Tuesday, December 31st

8:00 a.m. Marc Holnaider

(requested by Diana Holnaider & Family)

5:00 p.m. Virginia Hauser

(requested by Richard & Bernadette Lesko)

Wednesday, January 1st: Solemnity of Mary

10:00 a.m. For All Members of the Holy Family

& Saint John Parish Families

Thursday, January 2nd

8:00 a.m. Geno Carinci

(requested by John & Dottie Redinger)

Friday, January 3rd

8:00 a.m. Gregory Sutton

(requested by Sandra Woitkowiak)

Saturday, January 4th

4:30 p.m. Roxanne Cobrando

(requested by Frank Porembka)

Sunday, January 5th

8:00 a.m. Edward Hilpert & Barbara Hilpert-

Barlett (requested by Ed & Nikki)

10:30 a.m. George Schirf Sr. & Helen Schirf

(requested by Martha Schirf)

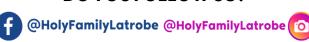
3:00 p.m. Latin Mass Geno Carinci

(requested by John & Dottie Redinger)

6:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Gasdek

& Novosat Families (requested by Carol & Ron)

DOYOUFOLLOWUS?





Sunday, December 29th

NO Faith Formation

NO OCIA

3:00 p.m. Jubilee Year Opening Mass

Monday, December 30th

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Tuesday, December 31st

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

12:00 p.m. Holy Family Parish Office Closes Early

5:00 p.m. Solemnity of Mary Holy Day Vigil Mass at HF

5:30 p.m. Solemnity of Mary Holy Day Vigil Mass at SJ

Wednesday, January 1st: Solemnity of Mary

No 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

All Day Holy Family Parish Office Closed

10:00 a.m. Solemnity of Mary Holy Day Mass at HF

Thursday, January 2nd

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Friday, January 3rd

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

9:00 a.m. Mom's Ministry at Holy Family

Saturday, January 4th

8:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship

3:00 p.m. Confession at Holy Family

Sunday, January 5th

9:15 a.m. Faith Formation at Holy Family

11:45 a.m. OCIA at Holy Family

7:00 p.m. Youth Group at Holy Family

Holy Family Parish Office Schedule Changes!

Tuesday, December 31st: Closing at Noon Wednesday, January 1st: Closed Thursday, January 9th: Closing at Noon PAGE 3



Monday, December 30th

9:00 a.m. John Dickson (requested by Beth Hivasa)

Tuesday, December 31st

5:30 p.m. For All Members of the Holy Family & Saint John Parish Families

Friday, January 3rd

9:00 a.m. Patricia Onifer (requested by Anna Glouses)

Saturday, January 4th

5:00 p.m. Joseph M LaBuda III (requested by Mom)

Sunday, January 5th

8:30 a.m. For All Members of the Holy Family & Saint John Parish Families



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns
For Annie and Ray DeCesaris
Requested by Charlotte Grejtak



Ed McCallen would like to say "THANK YOU" to everyone who reached out during his accident recovery. He greatly

appreciates all the prayers and cards he received from his St John family.

Saint John Parish Office Schedule Changes!

Tuesday, December 31st: Closing at Noon Wednesday, January 1st: Closed Thursday, January 2, 2025: Closing 11:45 AM Thursday, January 9, 2025: Closing at Noon Monday January 20, 2025: Closed



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NO OCIA

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Wednesday, January 1st

All Day Saint John Parish Office Closed

Thursday, January 2nd

11:45 a.m. St. John Parish Office Closes Early

Friday, January 3rd

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Saturday, January 4th

4:15 p.m. Confession at Saint John

Sunday, January 5th

9:15 a.m. Faith Formation at Holy Family

11:45 a.m. OCIA at Holy Family

1:00 p.m. Saint John RACM Epiphany Party

7:00 p.m. Youth Group at Holy Family



PRAYER & WORSHIP AT HOLY FAMILY & SAINT JOHN

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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God January 1st 2025 Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule
Tuesday, December 31st (Vigil)
5:00 p.m. Holy Family
5:30 p.m. Saint John
Wednesday, January 1st (Holy Day)
10:00 a.m. Holy Family

Join Us For OCIA!

Every Sunday from 11:45 AM- 1PM (unless otherwise announced) at Holy Family Church

<u>Daily Readings</u> December 30th-January 3rd

Monday, December 30th

Reading 1, First John 2:12-17 Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 96:7-8, 8-9, 10 Gospel, Luke 2:36-40

Tuesday, December 31st

Reading 1, First John 2:18-21 Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 Gospel, John 1:1-18

Wednesday, January 1st

Reading 1, Isaiah 58:9-14
Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Gospel, Luke 2:16-21
Reading 2, Galatians 4:4-7

Thursday, January 2nd

Reading 1, First John 2:22-28 Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 Gospel, John 1:19-28

Friday, January 3rd

Reading 1, First John 2:29-3:6 Responsorial Psalm, Psalms 98:1, 3-4, 5-6 Gospel, John 1:29-34

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR HOLY FAMILY

COMMUNITY JoAnne Akins, Stan Akins, Louis Brasile, Louis Molinaro, Diane Borsari Bertsch, Bill Borsari, Darlene DeAngelo, Joanne DelSordo, Jim Hauser, Patricia Kollar, Michael Long, Bob Murray, Marian Myers, Fran Myers, Charles & Mary Anne Odendahl, Michael Paviolo Rick Piper, Sr., Julie Ray, Kaylee Ridilla, Ron Roble, Mary Ann Seeman, Darla Schmidt, Linda Snow, Joyce Patricia Stouffer, Joy Taylor, Mary Ann Urban, Rachel Wiggins, Faryn Wolff and all who need prayers for healing.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR SAINT JOHN

COMMUNITY Anita Palacki, James Copelli Janet Franks, Anna Prew, Gerry Miller, Sally Venzin Clair Jones, Ed McCallen, Chris Namechek, Jimmy & Sandy Panichella, Al Steinmetz, Tamara Hobaugh, Craig Constantine, Julie T., Richard Snively, Yvonne Kosker, John Palacki, Janet W., Edward Quinn, Don Gergen, Regina Myers, Fr. Bill, Mary Ann Jones, and all who need prayers for healing.

OCIA The Introductory Rites of the Mass prepare us to meet God in the readings and in the Eucharist. As we begin, we are blessed by the priest and called to examine our consciences, begging God's mercy upon us.

THE CLERGY CORNER

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A New Year Striving for Peace, Hope, & Love

As we stand on the precipice of a new year, our Catholic reflection carries the weight of the world's challenges, particularly the shadows cast by ongoing conflicts and wars. In the context of this troubled reality, the transition to a new year becomes not only a personal contemplation but a collective call to strive for a world marked by peace, justice, and the teachings of Jesus.

The Gospel message, ever relevant, urges us to be peacemakers in a world plagued by violence. As we enter the new year, the cries of war echo in our hearts, prompting us to reflect on our role in fostering harmony and understanding. Like the Magi who sought the

Prince of Peace in Bethlehem, we are summoned to seek and work towards a world where the scourge of war is replaced by the light of Christ's love.

The liturgical calendar, with its rich tapestry of seasons and feasts, serves as a guide for our reflection. It reminds us that our journey toward a more peaceful world is not a solitary endeavor but a communal pilgrimage, rooted in the timeless teachings of Christ. In this new year, we are called to extend our prayers beyond personal aspirations, lifting up the victims of war and those caught in its relentless grip.

Amidst the chaos of conflict, the Catholic tradition calls for acts of mercy and justice. It challenges us to be agents of change, working towards a world where the dignity of every human person is upheld. As we formulate resolutions for the coming year, let them be imbued with a commitment to speak out against injustice, to support initiatives that promote peace, and to engage in dialogues that bridge divides. In our quest for a better world, the sacraments become wellsprings of grace and strength. The Eucharist, in particular, is a source of unity and empowerment, nurturing within us the virtues needed to confront the harsh realities of war. As we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, we are reminded of our shared humanity and our responsibility to be instruments of reconciliation.

The struggles for peace and justice are not without challenges, but the teachings of Jesus inspire us to persevere. Our resolutions for the new year become a pledge to strive for a world where the weapons of war are replaced by the tools of dialogue, understanding, and cooperation. Just as the Magi returned home by a different route to avoid further harm, we are called to chart a new course towards a world free from the ravages of war.

As we enter the new year, let us be guided by the star of hope, shining brightly in the midst of darkness. May our collective efforts, inspired by the teachings of Jesus, bring us closer to a world where the echoes of war are replaced by the harmonious chorus of peace. In the face of adversity, may our faith be a beacon, and our actions be a testament to the transformative power of God's love in building a better world. Happy New Year!

Blessings, Deacon Mike



Bishop Kulick to celebrate Solemn Opening Mass of the Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope Bishop Kulick invites the faithful of the

Diocese to join him on Sun. Dec. 29, at 3pm at Blessed Sacrament

Cathedral. Opening celebration will begin at the lower level of the

Westmoreland Museum of American Art with the blessing of the

Diocesan Cross specially created for this Jubilee Year and the

reading of the Papal Bull. Bishop Kulick will then lead a procession

to the doors of the cathedral for the official opening Mass of the

Jubilee. Parking will be available at Aquinas Academy, the cathedral and Greensburg Salem Middle School.

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION & OTHER NEWS

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Holy Family & St. John Faith Formation & Confirmation Preparation

Sunday, December 29th: Regular FF Sunday, January 5th: Regular FF

Thursday, January 9th: Confirmation Prep 7-8:30 PM

SECOND GRADE STUDENTS MADE
THEIR FIRST RECONCILIATION ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH.
CONGRATULATIONS, CHILDREN!
MAY THE EXCITEMENT AND JOY THE
CHILDREN RECEIVED FROM GOD'S
FORGIVENESS AND LOVE REMAIN
WITH THEM EACH TIME THEY
RECEIVE THIS BEAUTIFUL
SACRAMENT. GOD BLESS THEM AND
THEIR FAMILIES!

















MOM'S MINISTRY

Mom's Ministry is dedicated to fellowship and mutual support for mothers, from expectant to experienced moms. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Mom's Ministry will meet this Friday, January 4th @ 10 AM in the Divine Artworks Center for "Pray & Play"



We are fortunate to have online giving at Holy Family! Giving online is a safe and secure way to contribute to our Sunday offertory! Follow the QR code to be taken to our giving site! Thank you for your financial contribution!



THE SECULAR CARMELITE COMMUNITY IN LATROBE IS OPEN TO POTENTIAL CANDIDATES. Meetings, held the second Sunday of each month at the community in Latrobe, are open to anyone who feels they may be called to live a life of Carmelite spirituality. For more info, email ocdspa07@gmail.com.

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ST. JOHN RACM EPIPHANY PARTY

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Sunday, January 5, 2025. 1:00 PM DeNunzio's Restaurant, Latrobe Members and guests are welcome!

RSVP by January 2, 2025 -Signup sheet in the Gathering Area. We are prepaying so please provide cash or check made payable to R.A.C.M. BEFORE January 5th. Thank you!

For more information call Mary at 724-537-7183

Dinner Options

All Dinners Come with a salad. Price includes tax, tip, and non-alcoholic beverages.

- 1. Cavatelli with tomato vodka cream sauce: \$29.58
- 2. Chicken Romano in lemon butter sauce with potatoes and vegetable: \$30.18
- 3. Broiled Cod in lemon butter sauce with potatoes and vegetable: \$31.30





"Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways" —Psalm 128

Our 2024 Saint Nicholas Brunch was wonderful! The children were full of Christmas spirit and the food was delicious, as always! Thank you to all who work hard to make this a fun tradition for our parish!



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Contact: Peg Mulcahy mgtmulc@comcast.net 724-875-8691

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE!

Due to the way the Holidays fall this year, the Women's Scripture Sharing meetings are cancelled for December 25 and January 1. Wishing you Bountiful Christmas Blessings! BEGINNING IN JANUARY, our MORNING session only will MOVE to TUESDAYS at 10:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. The Evening session will stay at Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

THERE WILL BE NO ST. JOHN DONUT SOCIAL IN JANUARY!

OUR NEXT SOCIAL
WILL BE IN
FEBRUARY! CHECK
BACK SOON FOR
THE DATE!



Holy Family's Weekly Offertory December 15, 2024

Sunday Offertory: \$7,125 **Online:** \$1,443 **Loose:** \$1,624

Total Offertory: \$10,192

Due to early bulletin submissions for the holidays, our offertory will be announced on a delay.

<u>Saint John Weekly Offertory</u> Sunday, December 15, 2024

Attendance

Saturday: 82 Sunday: 56

Budget \$6,624 Collection: \$3,942 Online Giving: \$420 Total Offertory: \$4,362 Envelopes 105

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THIS ADVENT, ALL KIDS ARE INVITED TO JOIN IN & PLAY...

"Seek & Find Deacon Mike in Latrobe!"

BELOW IS THE FOURTH AND FINAL PICTURE OF DEACON MIKE!

Can you guess where he is? Grab an answer sheet in the back of each Church, fill it out and return it to the Holy Family or St. John office by Mon. Jan. 6th. If you can correctly guess each location, and turn in your answer sheet, you will win a prize! If you missed any of the previous week's pictures' check out our bulletin online!





Marriage at Holy Family & St. John: Contact the Pastor at least six months before your desired date.

Baptism at Holy Family & St. John: Parish registration & Parental Preparation Class required. Contact the Parish Office or Deacon Mike for more information.



Mass Schedule for Solemnity of Mary (December 31st & January 1st) & Weekend of January 4th & 5th

Solemnity of Mary Holy Day of Obligation Lectors

5:00 p.m. Sue Bainbridge 10:00 a.m. Lauren DePalma

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Jody Taylor, Toni Lupchinsky

10:00 a.m. Jennifer Oldenburg

Servers

5:00 p.m. Anna Trickett

10:00 a.m. Vincent DePalma, Thomas Oldenburg

Cantors

5:00 p.m. Peggy Bryan **10:00 a.m.** Eric Hauser

Weekend of January 4th & 5th

Lectors

4:30 p.m. Jackie Henry

8:00 a.m. Herb Nicholson

10:30 a.m. Elaine Voytek

6:00 p.m. Julie Razza

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30 p.m. Carolyn Macha, Beth Bosco (or Deacon

Mike) Jody Taylor

8:00 a.m. Brian O'Hara, Charlene Nicholson,

Maria Peluso (or Deacon Mike)

10:30 a.m. Toni Lupchinsky, Karen Foss

6:00 p.m. Mary Dutrow

Servers

4:30 p.m. Anna Trickett

8:00 a.m. Powell Family

10:30 a.m. Foss Family

6:00 p.m. Razza Family

Greeters

4:30 p.m. Jody Taylor

Cantors

4:30 p.m. Michael Ponterio

8:00 a.m. Peggy Bryan

10:30 a.m. Bill Palko

6:00 p.m. Eric Hauser

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Winklosky, Jody Taylor, Jim Kiesel

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Latin Mass, Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.

Holyfamilylatrobe.org/Latin-mass

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PARISH INFORMATION AT SAINT JOHN

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Mass Schedule for Solemnity of Mary (December 31st & January 1st) & Weekend of January 4th & 5th

Solemnity of Mary Holy Day of Obligation

Lectors

5:30 p.m. Paula Zidak

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 p.m. See Schedule

Servers

5:30 p.m. Julie Hunter

Cantors

5:30 p.m. Mary Repko

Weekend of January 4th & 5th

Lectors

5:00 p.m. See Schedule

8:30 a.m. See Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. See Schedule

8:30 a.m. See Schedule

Servers

5:00 p.m. See Schedule

8:30 a.m. See Schedule

Cantors

5:00 p.m. Dom Camarote

8:30 a.m. Mary Repko

The Saint John Pastoral Council will meet on Sunday, January 12, 2025 at 7 PM



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Would you like to receive a church bulletin by mail or email? Or would you like to become a member of St. John? Registration forms are on the bookshelf in the Gathering Area. One can be mailed as well. Call the office with questions!

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