

Church of the Holy Family

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Rev. Msgr. Patrick E. Sweeney

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Francis X. McKee

Sunday Visitor

Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director and

Permanent Deacon

Deacon James Browne

Child Care & Summer Camp

Ages: Infant (6 wks.) -PreK (4)

Hours: 6:00am to 6:00pm

(year-round care)

Director: Cyndi Manley

215-483-7740

Director's Cellphone: 215-298-4971

Email: childcare@holymfamilychurch.org



Welcome

*We welcome all who join us for
worship, and we invite you to
become part of our parish family.
You may register as a parishioner
in the rectory on any Sunday
morning after the Masses or any
time online.*

Holy Hour: second Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena: every Friday after 8:00am Mass

***Altar Servers:** are needed – Bernadette Welsh

***Cantors:** volunteers are needed

***Extraordinary Ministers:** bring Holy Communion to the
sick - Marie Jennings

***Lectors:** read at Mass each Sunday – Kathy Duffy

RCIA: prepares and instructs converts to enter the church and for
Catholics not yet Confirmed; Wednesday at 7:00pm

PREP: teaches students' not attending Catholic school;
Sundays from 9:30 to 10:45am

CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 9:00am

Weekday Mass: 8:00am

Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm Holy

Day Mass: 8:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the third
Sunday of each month after the
11:00am Mass. Please contact the
rectory for details about the Pre-
Jordan program which is held on the
first Sunday of the month at 12:00pm
in the rectory.

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm

After Stations on Wednesday
evenings during Lent and any time
upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements
with one of the priests at Holy
Family at least 6 months prior to the
wedding. Call the rectory at 215-482
-0450 for an appointment.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

We visit the homes of those unable
to attend Mass due to sickness or age
on the first Monday of each month
from 11:00am to 12:30pm and every
Sunday after the 9:00am Mass.

***Pre-Cana Team:** Program for engaged couples –
John and Beth Delaney

***Ajax Committee:** cleans sanctuary and church
twice each month – Rosemary Fuges

Finance Committee: meets six times per year to
advise the Pastor

Liturgy Committee: plan religious services – Jim Browne
***Parish Pastoral Council:** meets first Monday of the month
to confer on Pastoral planning – Monsignor

Women's Club: meets six times per year and
sponsors social activities

***Please note:** if you are interested in participating any of these
activities, please contact the rectory at 215-482-0450.

JANUARY 10, 2021
BAPTISM OF THE LORD



**MASS
 SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9th - 4:00pm

Mary Firth, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10th - 9:00am
 (live-streamed)

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Tom and Mary McAndrews

MONDAY, JANUARY 11th - 8:00am

Susan DeSimone. Requested by Mary and Corie Zeisloft

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12th - 8:00am

William O'Harra

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13th - 8:00am

Joseph Bucci, requested by Sister Mary Jo Larking

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14th - 8:00am

Josephine Hudy, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15th - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16th - 4:00pm

Catherine Mullen, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17^h - 9:00am
 (live-streamed)

John Mancuso, Sr., requested by Louise and John Mancuso

11:00am

Our Parishioners

Please remember your Church Weekly Offering during this time. You can either mail it in or do it by Electronic Giving. Please remember to send us your Sunday offering.

The second collection next week will be for the Catholic Relief Services.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, December 20 (67)	\$ 2,059.50
2 nd Collection	\$ 538.00
Christmas (5)	\$ 375.00
Recovery Collection (1)	\$ 300.00
Immaculate Conception (4)	\$ 43.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,315.50

Sunday, (68)	\$ 2,805.50
Christmas (18)	\$ 1,125.00
Recovery (5)	\$ 900.00
2 nd Collection	\$ 474.00
Immaculate Conception (8)	\$ 85.00
Solemnity of Mary (1)	\$ 10.00
All Saints (1)	\$ 5.00
All Souls (1)	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,409.50

Christmas (38)	\$ 3,911.00
Sunday (6)	\$ 180.00
2 nd Collection	\$ 301.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,397.00

Sunday, December 27 th (116)	\$ 2,809;50
Christmas (25)	\$ 1,945.00
Recovery (6)	\$ 1,500.00
2 nd Collection	\$ 248.00
Solemnity of Mary (3)	\$ 80.00
Immaculate Conception (4)	\$ 52.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,634.50



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Anna Marie Barry, Theresa Barthold, Linda Brown, Christopher Browne, Margaret Davidson, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Anne Marie Kearns, Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Candida Leodora, Lisa Long, Rocky Long, Erin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Conchetta Miller, Helen Nagle, Robert Price, Ronald Rigler, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Frances Sprenkle, Joe Szewczak, Fran Thomas, Mary Lou and Robert Tucker and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr..



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed especially, Helen Nagel and Agnes Romano.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, A1C Matt Dandrea, Nicholas DiCicco, SPEC Michael D'Intino, SPEC Chase Dixon, PFC Tyler Manigly, Sr. Master Sergeant Jason Otto, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist

Our Eucharistic Adoration will be on the second Sunday of every month after the 11:00am Mass until 1:00pm. Please make every effort to attend.



ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY – JANUARY 9th – 4:00pm

Grace Welsh – Jocelyn Welsh

SUNDAY – JANUARY 10th

9:00am

Charlotte Welsh

11:00am

Michael Torna – Joseph Arturo



SATURDAY, JANUARY 9th – 4:00pm

Debbie O'Donnell

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th

9:00am

Jay Feinschil

11:00am

Thomas Siegharter



SATURDAY, JANUARY 9th – 4:00pm

Kathy Duffy

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10th

9:00am

Mary Reed

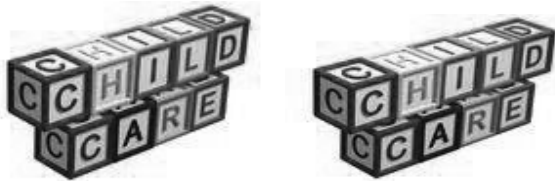
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Lolita Bennett



WEBSITE UPDATE

This year has made technology a more useful tool than ever before. By streaming Masses and communicating with parishioners through email and Facebook, we realize how important it is for you to hear from us when it is impossible to attend Mass in person. We had our church and child care website redesigned so that information can be more easily accessed by current and future parishioners. Our church website is complete but our child care website will be completed soon. Please visit our redesigned website at www.HolyFamilyChurch.org



CHILD CARE

The Holy Family Childcare Center celebrated Christmas in a very small way this year. Covid didn't allow us to have the usual big parties or the Christmas Nativity Show, but it did allow us to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. We celebrated Jesus' birth with the children and we identified the gifts that He gives us every day! The pandemic has been hard on everyone, staff are working hard to try to maintain normalcy for the children and families while still making school as fun as they can, which is no easy feat! Families are working hard balancing children and working from home (also no easy feat). Yet, 2020 has also offered us a chance to reflect and focus on the truly important aspects of our lives. For us at The Holy Family Childcare Center that means focusing on the children we care for, and striving to ensure their well-being, mentally, physically and spiritually. We wish all the parishioners of Holy Family Church a Wonderful, Safe and Healthy New Year!

If you are interested in Holy Family and would like to take a virtual tour, contact the Director at 215-298-4971 or email the center at cmanley@holyfamilychurch.org



PRAYER DURING A PANDEMIC

Lord Jesus,

Hear our pleas, our good shepherd and divine physician. We implore your mercy in the wake of an outbreak of serious illness and disease.

Guide our efforts to prevent contagion and make preparations to care for those most vulnerable. Assist all professionals and volunteers who work to eradicate the epidemic now spreading. May our actions be marked by your steadfast love and selfless service and never by panic or fear.

Bestow your comfort and healing to the sick, sustain and strengthen them by your grace. May they know your closeness as they carry the cross of illness.

And may all you have called from this life come to worship you eternally with all the saints as you grant consolation and peace to their mourners. Amen.

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us.
St. Joseph, Hope of the Sick, pray for us.
St. Rocco, protector against epidemics, pray for us.

RETROUVAILLE:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 12 - 14, 2021 in person at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



PHILADELPHIA MARCH FOR LIFE

Please join us at the Philadelphia March For Life, Saturday, January 23, 2021 sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Life and Family, the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia and many other organizations.

The event will include a 9 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Perez, followed by a march to the Philadelphia Women's Center at 777 Appletree St. and a closing rally at Independence Mall from 12 to 1 p.m. This commemorates the 47th anniversary of Roe v. Wade Supreme Court ruling that has resulted in over 60 million deaths, thousands of injured women and 500,000 deaths in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Facemasks and social distancing are required at all times, and there is free and paid parking at the Cathedral and paid parking in the vicinity of Independence Mall. See prolifeunion.org for details.

POPE FRANCIS PROCLAMS "YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH"

With the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from today, 8 December 2020, to 8 December 2021.

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris corde* ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.

The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021.

The Holy Father wrote *Patris corde* against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

WELCOMING THE WILL OF GOD

At the same time, Joseph is "an accepting Father," because he "accepted Mary unconditionally" — an important gesture even today, says Pope Francis, "in our world where psychological, verbal and physical violence towards women is so evident." But the Bridegroom of Mary is also the one who, trusting in the Lord, accepts in his life even the events that he does not understand, "setting aside his own ideas" and reconciling himself with his own history.

Joseph's spiritual path "is not one that *explains*, but accepts" — which does not mean that he is "resigned." Instead, he is "courageously and firmly proactive," because with "Holy Spirit's gift of fortitude," and full of hope, he is able "to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments." In practice, through St. Joseph, it is as if God were to repeat to us: "Do not be afraid!" because "faith gives meaning to every event, however happy or sad," and makes us aware that "God can make flowers spring up from stony ground." Joseph "did not look for shortcuts but confronted reality with open eyes and accepted personal responsibility for it." For this reason, "he encourages us to accept and welcome others as they are, without exception, and to show special concern for the weak"

A DAILY PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

In his letter, Pope Francis notes how, "Every day, for over forty years, following Lauds [Morning Prayer]" he has "recited a prayer to Saint Joseph taken from a nineteenth-century French prayer book of the Congregation of the Sisters of Jesus and Mary." This prayer, he says, expresses devotion and trust, and even poses a certain challenge to Saint Joseph," on account of its closing words: "**My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power.**"

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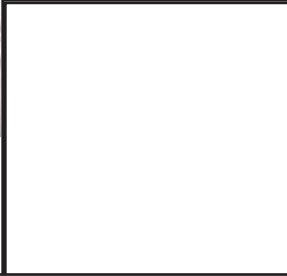


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