# Church of the Holy Family

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*Pastor* Rev. Msgr. Patrick E. Sweeney pastor@holyfamilychurch.org

> *Pastor Emeritus* Rev. Francis X. McKee

*Sunday Visitor* Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director and Permanent Deacon Deacon James Browne

> *Music Director* Joseph O/Brien

Child Care & Summer Camp Ages: Infant (6 wks.)-PreK (4) Hours: 6:00am-6:00pm (year-round care) Phone: 610-952-9186 Email: childcare@holyfamilychurch.org

Holy Hour: Second Sunday of each month after the 11:00am Mass Miraculous Medal Novena: every Friday after 8:00am Mass Altar Servers: Bernadette Welsh Cantors: Joseph O'Brien Extraordinary Ministers: Marie Jennings Lectors: Kathy Duffy RCIA: Wednesday at 7:00pm PREP: Sundays from 9:30-10:45am Pre-Cana Team: Program for engaged couples – John and Beth Delaney



# CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass: 4:00pm Sunday Mass: 9:00am, 11:00am Weekday Mass: 8:00am Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm Holy Day Mass: 8:00am

# BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday 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 or any time upon request.

# MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements 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 & ELDERLY

Visit those unable to attend Mass due to sickness or age on the first Monday of each month from 11:00am to 12:30pm

AJAX Committee: Cleans sanctuary & church two times/month – Rosemary Fuges *Finance Committee*: Meets six times/year to advise the Pastor

*Liturgy Committee:* Plans religious services – Jim Browne

Parish Pastoral Council: meets first Monday of the month to confer on Pastoral planning *Women's Club*: Meets six times/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.

# 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.

#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### SATURDAY, JULY 31<sup>st</sup> - 4:00pm

**Special Intention** 

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup> - 9:00am (live-streamed)

No Intention

11:00am

**Our Parishioners** 

MONDAY, AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9:00am

Aloysius P.J. O'Harra

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3rd - 8:00am

Vincent Kelly

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4th - 8:00am

Patricia Kay Segletes, requested by Bill and Betty McGahey

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5th - 8:00am

**No Intention** 

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6th - 8:00am

**Special Intention** 

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7th - 4:00pm

**No Intention** 

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8th - 9:00am

(live-streamed)

**Our Parishioners** 

#### 11:00am

Larry Kern, requested by John Groom



Please remember your Church Weekly Offering during this time. You can either mail it in or do it by **Electronic Giving.** 

The second collection this weekend will be for the Parish

Mission Cooperation Collection will be taken up on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sunday (88)	\$ 2,568.50
2nd Collection	\$ 130.50
TOTAL	\$ 2,698.50

TOTAL

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, Ashley Brown, 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, Robert Price, John Ray, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, 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 and especially during the pandemic.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, A1C Matt Dandrea, Nicholas DiCicco, SPEC Michael D'Intino, SPEC Chase Dixon, PFC Tyler Manigly, RTC Dominic Remolde, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



SATURDAY - JULY 31st - 4:00pm

Grace Welsh - Jocelyn Welsh

#### SUNDAY -AUGUST 1st

<u>9:00am</u>

Michael Torna

<u>11:00am</u> Charlotte Welsh - Joseph Arturo



SATURDAY - JULY 31st - 4:00pm

Debbie O'Donnell

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 1st

<u>9:00am</u> Jay Feinschil <u>11:00am</u> John Delaney



SATURDAY, JULY 31st - 4:00pm

Kathy Duffy

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1st

<u>9:00am</u>

Lolita Bennett

#### <u>11:00am</u>

John Delaney



As we slowly get back to normal, we are looking to increase our Lector pool. If you are currently a Lector who was waiting for the Pandemic situation to improve or have never been a Lector, but would like to become one, we would like to hear from you. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Duffy at (215) 518-2041 or <u>Kathleen.duffy.kd@gmail.com</u>. We would love to have you.



We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers as things slowly return to normal. If you are a Eucharistic Minister looking to return or have an interest in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Jeanine Censi-Lamont at the rectory 215-482-0450 or teethfiller1@aol.com

# **CHILDCARE**

This week's theme for the childcare was under the sea. The infant rooms had their photo taken with Ollie the Octopus. The older children made octopus out of coffee filters and construction paper, starfish using cereal and the toddlers did a sensory activity using "goldfish". They used the water tables, small pools and sprinklers to beat the heat and humidity. The childcare parking lot is again available to our families, they can access it by coming up Fountain Street from Umbria. We are all looking forward to the street construction around the childcare and church being completed.

This week the childcare welcomed Ms. Cassandra Fernandes as the principal, together with the Director, Ms. April Moore, they are working on increasing the enrollment of the childcare.

If you are looking for childcare and would like information on our childcare, contact us at 610-952-9186 or visit the website at <u>www.HolyFamilyChildcare.org</u>

## PARKING LOT

We regret the fact that construction has made getting to our church property difficult for many drivers. The City has control of the construction. We do not have an ending date. We ask your indulgence in the meantime.

THE CHURH PARKING LOT MAY NOT BE OPEN. FOWLER STREET IS OPEN IN ONE DIRECTION. PLEASE USE DAYCARE LOT FOR YOUR PARKING OR HERMITAGE STREET. THE FRONT STEPS MAY BE THE SAFEST WAY.

#### STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP NELSON J. PEREZ REGARDING REINSTATING THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS

"We have all felt the impact of COVID-19 in as individuals and families. It has been a time of acute hardship and struggle, of separation and isolation. It has also had an impact on our lives of faith. Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has been with us throughout this challenging period and is most especially near to us when we encounter him in the Eucharist. The Eucharist offers us His healing and peace, His mercy and reconciliation. It is now time for everyone to return to the Eucharist with renewed faith and joy.

As many aspects of life are now returning to normalcy, each Catholic Bishop in Pennsylvania will reinstate the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and Holy Days beginning on Sunday, August 15, 2021, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Bishops previously jointly decided to dispense the faithful from this obligation in March of 2020 in order to provide for the common good given concerns over the developing pandemic. Now, with the impact of the pandemic considerably reduced, it is again possible for the faithful to assemble for the Eucharist. It is time to lift the dispensation from the obligation.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days comes from our Baptism as Christians. Baptism compels Christians to unite themselves with Christ at the altar in his saving Sacrifice of the Cross. Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2182). This is the foundation for the law of the Church that binds Catholics to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days (*Code of Canon Law*, canon 1247) and the Christian way fully to observe the Third Commandment, to keep holy the Lord's Day (Deuteronomy 5: 12; Exodus 31: 15; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 2180-2181).

This obligation, as is always the case, does not apply to those who are seriously ill, have a serious health risk, as well as those who have serious anxiety about being a part of large groups at this time. Likewise, the obligation does not apply to those who care for those who cannot attend Mass in person (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2181). Those who are legitimately excused from Mass on Sundays and

Holy Days are encouraged to spend time in prayer, meditating on the Death and Resurrection of the Lord, reading the Sacred Scriptures, and uniting themselves to Christ in his worship of the Father of us all. Those who are legitimately excused are also encouraged to view a broadcast of the Mass which is intended for those who cannot participate in person. As Bishops, we welcome this moment of the reinstatement of the obligation for all Catholics in Pennsylvania. This is a moment to thank God anew for the great gift of the Mass and the Real Presence of Jesus to us in his Holy Body and Blood as well as the joy of gathering together as people of faith."

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez Archbishop of Philadelphia



#### **MISSION COOPERATION**

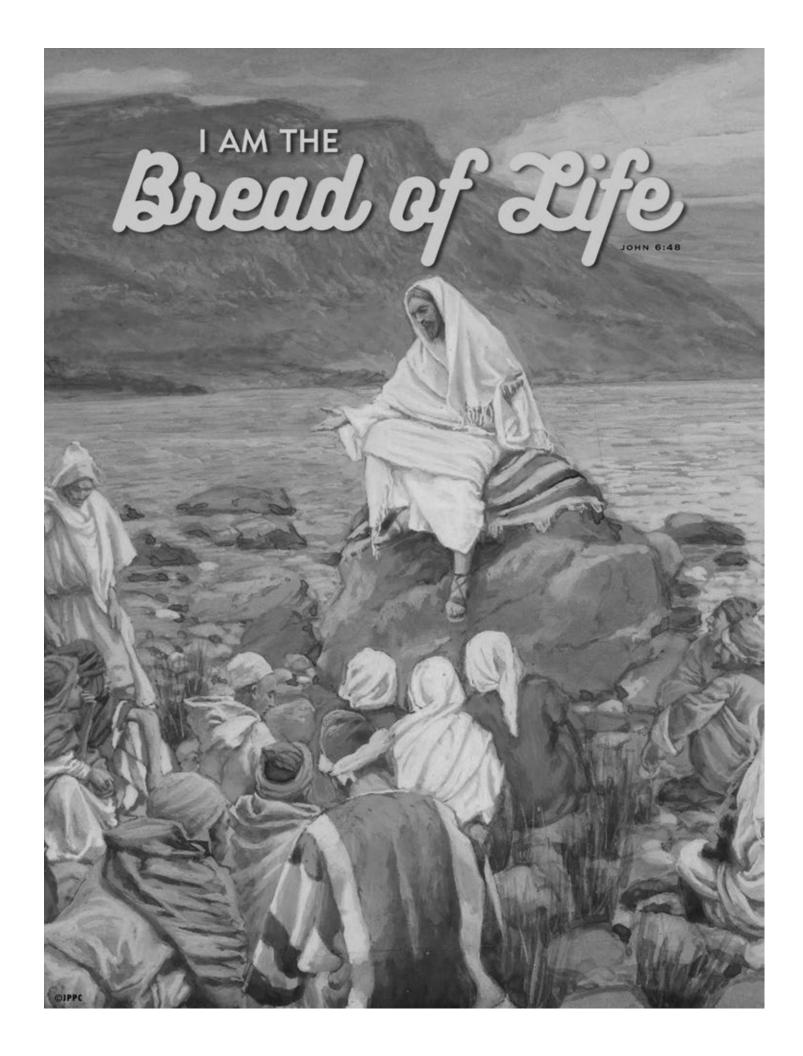
The Mission Cooperation Plan for Holy Family Parish, father John Kyere will be here on the weekend of August 8<sup>th</sup> to take a collection up for his diocese.

The Catholic Diocese of Konongo-Mampong, Ghana, West Africa was created on March 3, 1995 by His Holiness Pope John Paul II, with the Most Reverend Joseph Osei-Bonsu as the Bishop. It was carved out of two other dioceses, namely the Diocese of Kumasi and the Diocese of Sunyani. About 90% of the territory of the new diocese of Konongo-Mampong belonged to the diocese of Kumasi, which was created in 1950. Konongo is the oldest church in the diocese, with its origins going back to 1917. The diocese is now proud of 54 parishes, 126 priests (106 diocesan, 20 religious), 155 lay religious (105 brothers, 50 sisters), 59 seminarians. The diocese has over 79,000 Catholics and runs 10 health facilities, eighty-nine kindergartens, one hundred and eight primary schools, thirty-one junior high schools, six senior high schools and a university, the Spiritian University College at Ejisu.

The Catholic Diocese of Konongo-Mampong, in response to the call of Christ and in union with the universal Church, is committed to working with all people, especially the poor, in the attainment of their social, health, economic and religious needs. It is the mission of the diocese to restore their human dignity to them, to liberate them from abject poverty, diseases, ignorance, superstition, injustice, menta slavery and despair so that they may bear witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. In response to Christ's invitation, the diocese takes up the challenge to work towards the promotion of Christian values among all the people. Through the administration of the sacraments, the diocese strives to nurture and strengthen both the physical and the spiritual needs of the people of God entrusted to its care.

Thank you!

Thank you to all our parishioners who have shared in their faithfulness and dedication to the future of our parish. Generosity like yours allows our church, ministries, and school to continue offering a safe place to learn and worship for many years to come.





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