

Church of the Holy Family

PARISH RECTORY

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Sunday Visitor

Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director and Permanent Deacon

Deacon James Browne

Music Director

Joseph O'Brien

Child Care 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:

Jeanine Censi-Lamont

Lectors: Kathy Duffly

RCIA: Wednesday at 7:00pm

PREP: Sundays from 10:00-11:00am



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: 9:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every third 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 Thursday each week from 11:00am to 12:30pm

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

Liturgy Committee: Plans religious services – Jim Browne

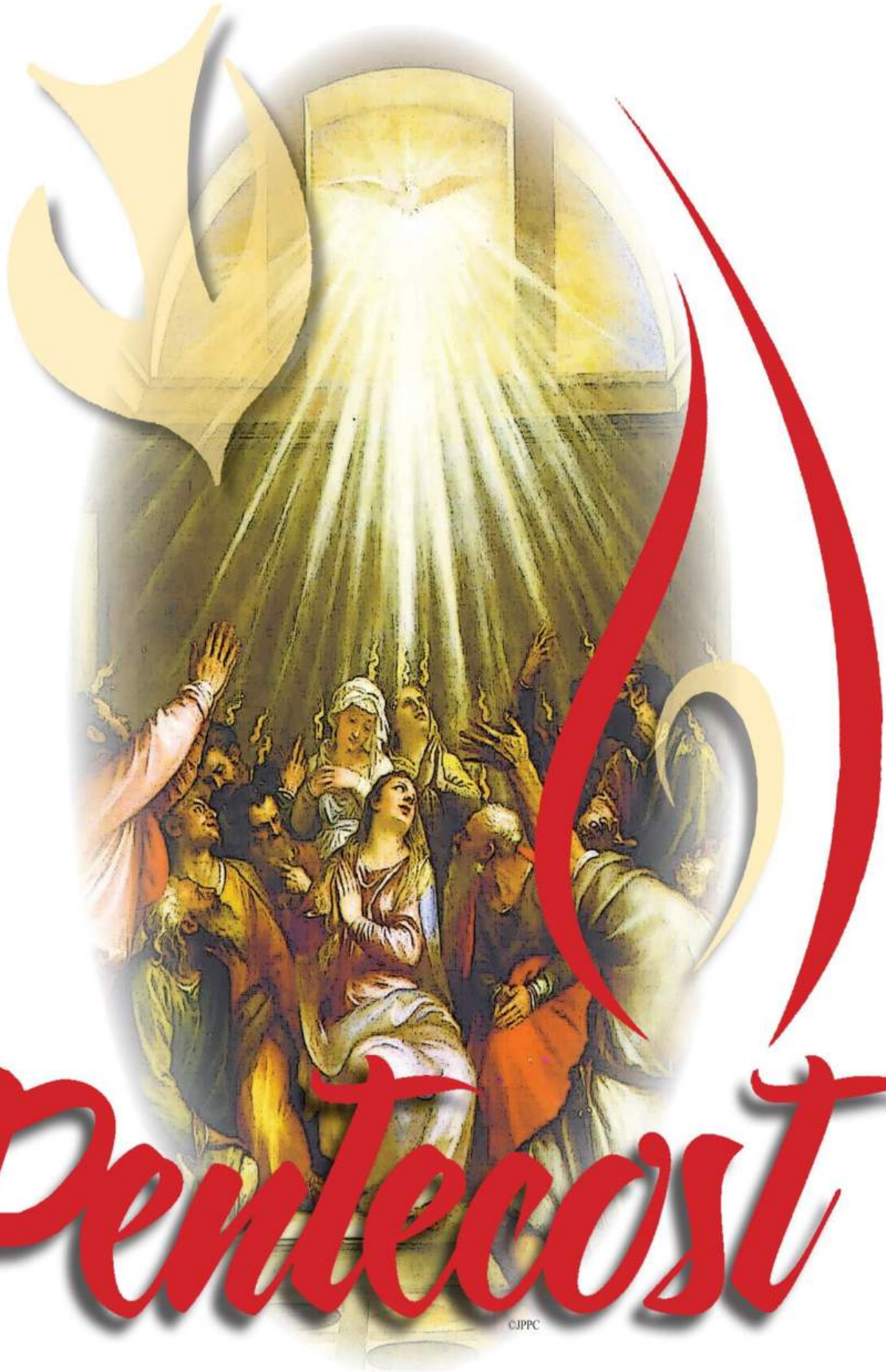
Parish Pastoral Council: meets first Monday of the month to confer on Pastoral planning

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.*



Pentecost

MAY 28TH 2023
PENTECOST SUNDAY



SATURDAY, MAY 27th – 4:00pm

Doris, Mary Ann, Eileen and Dave, requested by Betty Thummel

PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 28th -

9:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Albert Augustine and Frank Augustine, requested by Al and Rose Augustine.

MONDAY, MAY 29th – 9:00am

MEMORIAL DAY

TUESDAY, MAY 30th - 8:00am

Adeline O’Harra

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31st - 8:00am

Marie Sroka, requested by Joe and Mary Alice Missimer

THURSDAY, JUNE 1st - 9:00am

Dr. Marguerite Duane (Birthday), requested by Rose Castro

FRIDAY, JUNE 2nd - 8:00am

Special Intention

SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd - 4:00pm

Eleanor LaBrusciano, requested by Al and Rose Augustine

SUNDAY, JUNE 4th

9:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

John and Betty Volack, requested by Bertha Volack



Please remember your Church Weekly Offering. You can either mail it in or do it by [Electronic Giving@www.HolyFamilyChurch.org/Give](http://www.HolyFamilyChurch.org/Give)

Collection for 5/3	
Saturday/Sunday (56)	\$ 2,858.00
E-Giving (25)	\$ 1,040.00
Catholic Home Missions (40)	\$ 425.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,323.00
Sunday	\$ 72.00
Ascension Thursday (25)	\$ 358.00
TOTAL	\$ 430.00



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Josephine Barry, Ashley Brown, Christopher Browne, Megan Duffy, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Candida Leodora, Lisa Long, Maeve Mahon, Mary McCormick, Erin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Floss Payne, Anthony Pelle, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Frances Sprenkle, and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr.

PRAAYER LIST REQUEST

If you have someone or know someone who is sick and would like them listed under the PRAAYER REQUEST, please call Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, Sgt. Shane Carlson, Sgt. Tyler Manigly, RTC Dominic Remolde, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed especially, James Cranney.



SATURDAY, MAY 27th

4:00pm

Grace Welsh

SUNDAY, MAY 28th

9:00am

Joseph Arturo

11:00am

Jocelyn Welsh



SATURDAY, MAY 27th

4:00pm

Sister Mary Jo Larkin

SUNDAY, MAY 28th

9:00am

Jay Feinschil

11:00am

Tom Payne



SATURDAY, 27th

4:00 pm

Sister Mary Jo Larkin

SUNDAY, MAY, 28th

9:00am

Audrey Williams

11:00am

Dorothea Richardson



The Church Mass Book for 2024 is now opened. If you would like Masses said for next year contact Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.



Don't forget your May 50/50 Raffle envelopes for June. The winner of the April Raffle was Tom Payne.



At Holy Family Childcare Center or director and teachers are implementing a new, structured curriculum names Frog Street. Babies as young as 6 weeks will be learning as soon as they start at the Childcare Center. We have an open enrollment and our classes are growing!!! Call Ariel Presley, Director, 620-95209185 with any questions you may have.



In need of a job? Looking for work? The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is hiring for a variety of positions. Google: Archdiocese of Philadelphia jobs, the job openings will populate and you can search to see if any jobs are of interest to you.



We are in need of Altar Servers. Adults and children. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact the rectory at 215-482-0450 between 9:00am and 3:00pm during the week. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



Knights of Columbus will be here on Sunday, June 4, 2023 during the 9 am mass, seeking new members. If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please attend the mass or if you cannot attend in person, the mass will be live streamed.



Please remember to drop your Shoprite receipts in the silver container on your way out or in to mass! We receive \$5.00 for every \$1,000 we turn in. This month we turned in over \$7,000 in receipts and in turn we will receive \$35!



Baby Bottle Campaign

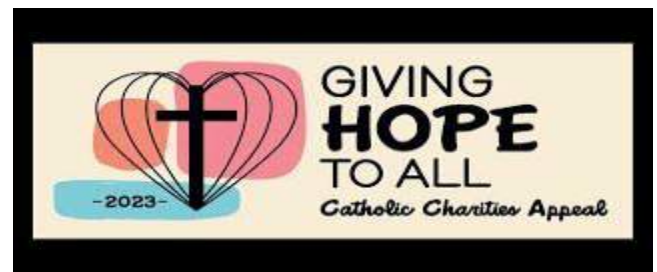
Holy Family Parish is helping Guiding Star Maternity House raise funds for the pregnant mothers and children when they are in crisis situations. They provide a safe place, private bedrooms, and counseling and parenting classes.



Registration for RCIA class is now open. Classes will begin on Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the rectory with Monsignor Sweeney. If you know of any person looking to join the catholic faith, please have them reach out to the rectory Monday through Friday 8am-3pm at 215-482-0450.



The Sacrament of Baptism occurs on the third Sunday of the Month. If you'd like to have your child baptized, please call the rectory, 215-482-0450, to set a date for this special occasion.



IN PEW CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

JUNE 4th and 5th

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The pope visits a distant outpost of the Church, far from the marbled halls of the Vatican. A female celebrity makes an appearance at an event wearing an overly revealing evening gown. A guerrilla fighter poses in the jungle holding aloft his powerful machine gun wearing a snarling face. These three are examples of how our actions make a statement.

In a certain way, the Pentecost event also “makes a statement.” It is clear, certain and captivating. God had done things like this before, as the Bible recounts. Recall the dramatic signs that accompanied the freed Israelites. The Red Sea parts in two, providing them an escape route from Pharaoh and his charioteer warriors. A daytime cloud later guides them, with a fiery pillar doing the same at night. A statement is made over and over.

In the New Testament, we read of a virgin birth, springing from the teen-aged Mary’s consent. God presents the world with its Savior nine months later. The baby is heralded by choirs of angels and a star that shines over the little town of Bethlehem. That Child grew to be a powerful but usually mild-mannered Messiah who worked miracles of healing and life-restoring. But He could turn justifiably angry when people chose to disrespect His Father’s house, or ignore the poor among them. His many healings made an unmistakable statement. Not to omit the several times He restored life to the already dead. At His resurrection, He *made* the greatest statement ever made, both about His Father’s power and promises.

The story continues today with the events of the first Pentecost. God the Holy Spirit comes among the prayerfully gathered Apostles, with Mary His Mother in the midst, with sound and fury to reassure the chosen Apostles before they left that room and walked outside to tell their life-changing story. Language barriers fell down in an amazing way. Later, the new community saw that day as the Birthday of the Church, which doesn’t just have a mission but is one, now and until the end of time.

Friends, here we are, some 21 centuries later, mere moments in God’s reckoning of time. We really are capable of “making a statement” of our own to the world about Christ. Somehow we know that the statement we make is the very “stuff” also of our final judgment. But it behooves us to become listeners of the Word first, in order to speak about it with authenticity. Here is the poet on that very subject:

*“His thoughts were slow,
His words were few and never formed to glisten.
But he was a joy to all his friends,
You should have heard him listen!”*

God love you and give you His Pentecost peace.

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