

A Franciscan Parish for 157 years! December 31, 2023 Feast of the Holy Family



Holy Family

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Fr. Carl's Thoughts and Reflections

Feast of the Holy Family, December 31, 2023

This Sunday's feast is the Patronal Feast of our Holy Family Parish, so we can especially enjoy this special celebration this year, which fell on Friday, December 30, last year. Mon, January 1, 2024, is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. So we have 2 very special feasts 2 days in a row. Since this Feast of the Holy Family which is also the Octave Day of the Nativity falls on Monday, it is not a Holyday of Obligation this year. We will still have a Vigil Mass on Sunday evening at 7 PM (New Year's Eve) and one Feastday Mass at 8 AM on Monday morning, January 1, 2024.



The Scriptures for this Feast of the Holy Family speak to us about the importance of family life and the responsibilities of children and parents. Our first reading from the Book of Sirach celebrates loving fathers and mothers and the blessings their children receive. It also reminds us of the responsibilities of children toward their parents as they age, and the benefits the parents will receive from good care. In our second reading St. Paul writes to the Colossians, sharing the many good attitudes and practices that promote genuine family life and bring peace and joy to the family. Everything is to be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Wives and husbands are to love, support, and care for each other, and model this love for their children. Thus harmony will thrive in the home.



St. Luke's Gospel describes the ceremony of Presentation and Purification for new parents. Joseph and Mary carried out this ritual in the Jerusalem temple. Simeon, a righteous and devout man, praised God for allowing him to see and bless baby Jesus when He was presented in the temple. Simeon also prophesized that Jesus would be a sign for the Israelites, and that Mary's heart would be broken during her life. The prophetess Anna also gave thanks to God for the child, and spoke about Him to all who were awaiting the Messiah. The Holy Family returned to Nazareth, and the Child grew in wisdom, age, and grace. Are our families marked by these same attitudes and actions as we grow together, imitating the love and care that marked the Holy Family? How is God calling our families today to practice these virtues and attitudes and care?

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family of Rita Struewing whose funeral was celebrated on December 19, 2023. May she rest in peace and may her loved ones be consoled!



Thanks to all our parishioners and friends for your support of our Holy Family Parish, its staff and programs and celebrations and activities during 2023. All of us working together makes it possible for us to grow in God's love and holiness, especially in & through our families. May God bless us during this New Year of 2024!

A Blessed Feast of the Holy Family and New Year's Day to all! Fr. Carl

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday at 5:30 pm
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am

Weekdays in Main Church

Monday-Friday at 8:00 am

Holy Day

Please check the bulletin.

VIRTUAL MASS SCHEDULE

LIVE on Saturdays at 5:30pm

on our Facebook page

Available on our Website shortly after Saturday Mass

ADORATION

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm
St. Anne's Chapel located by the East side entrance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact **Beth Geis** to arrange a Baptism
holymfamilybeth@gmail.com/
812-934-3013 (ext. 125)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 4:30pm - 5pm

Rummage Sale Collection
/Sorting Date

JANUARY Collection Dates:

January 2, 2024
January 16, 2024
January 30, 2024

FEBRUARY Collection Dates:

February 13, 2024
February 27, 2024

Collection times are 6pm-7:30pm

Please use **FRONT** entrance of school.
Must bring items to sorting rooms **INSIDE** building.



Welcome to God's Family,
Opal Mae Smith,
daughter of Trevor
& Samantha
(Kirschner) Smith
Baptized at Holy Family
Church on Dec 17, 2023



Daughters of Isabella MEETING will be TUES.,
January 2nd at the Hall of the
Knights of Columbus at 7pm.



OLDENBURG ACADEMY
JUNIOR HIGH Night

JANUARY 5, 2024

All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade junior high students are welcome to join us for the Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball home games on January 9th against Shawe Memorial!

Junior high students will receive

FREE ADMISSION and enjoy a **FREE SLICE OF PIZZA!**

Girls Varsity Basketball
6:00 PM

Boys Varsity Basketball
7:30 PM



FRANCISCAN FRIARS
Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe

*With praise and thanksgiving to God,
we joyfully announce and invite you to attend the*

Ordination of
Bro. John Robert Barker, OFM

to the
Sacred Order of Deacon
*through the imposition of hands
and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by*

The Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson, DD, JCL
Archbishop of Indianapolis

Saturday, January 20th, 2024
10:00 AM

Holy Family Church
3027 Pearl Street Oldenburg, Indiana, 47036

Luncheon to follow

RSVP by January 10th to jbarker@friars.us
Livestream: Holy Family Oldenburg Facebook

All parishioners are invited to celebrate the ordination of Br. John Barker. **Please RSVP by JANUARY 10th** to jbarker@friars.us or to Cheryl Borgman at holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com

The Confraternity of St. Maximilian Kolbe Presents:

The Blessed Virgin Mary and Her Role in our Lives



Presented by Fr. John Hollowell



St. Teresa's Mens Ministry invite men of the parish, county, and beyond to join us on **January 13th, at 7 pm at St. Teresa's PCC** for Fellowship & a talk by Father Hollowell. Food & fellowship starts at 7pm, talk begins at 7:30pm.

FOOD PROVIDED BY:



Knights of St. Teresa's
Columbus* Council 14862

Questions? Please contact:

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812-212-6818,
derrickbatta12@gmail.com

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812-891-1024,
davidohlhaut@gmail.com

TriForce Mission Trip Rummage Sale

The TriForce Mission Trip is having their Rummage Sale again this year @ St. Anthony's Church in Morris, IN!



Donation Drop Off Days:

January 12th: 4pm – 8pm
January 13th: 11am – 3pm
January 14th: 11am – 3pm
@ St. Anthony Parking Lot

Rummage Sale Days:

January 18th: 9am – 6pm
January 19th: 9am – 6pm
January 20th: 8am – 6pm

(1/2 price day ALL day & \$2 bag day 1pm-6pm)

The TriForce Mission Team wants to thank you for your donations & purchases.

HOLY FAMILY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES CONTACTS: **CATECHIST:** Beth Geis: at 812-932-3045/

holyfamilybeth@gmail.com **TURTLE SOUP:** Dorothy Ziegler @ 812-212-0414 - **MASS MINISTRIES:** Toni Cummings @ 812-932-3046 tdcummings96@gmail.com - **RUMMAGE SALE:** Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015/holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com - **FESTIVAL:** Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015/holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com - **CARING COMMITTEE:** Carol Dobson @ 812-212-3582 - **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE:** Marcia Bischoff @ 812-871-4872 & **LINEN SERVICES:** Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015/holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 30

5:30 pm † William & Veronica Kuntz

Sunday, December 31

8:00 am † Helen Enneking

10:00 am Members of the Parish

7:00 pm † Cindy Young

Monday, January 1

8:00 am † Gordon Giesting

Tuesday, January 2

8:00 am † Gary Meyer

Wed, January 3

8:00 am † Joe & Leona Scheele

Thurs, January 4

8:00 am † Linda Edwards Ross

Friday, January 5

8:00 am † Paul & Cathy White

Saturday, January 6

5:30 pm † Francis Flaspohler

Sunday, January 7

8:00 am Members of the Parish

10:00 am † Dolores Enneking

Mass Intention Requests

Is there

someone in your life that has passed on & you would like a mass intended for them? We at Holy Family are blessed with several friars that would be able to hold them in their intentions during Mass. Please contact Toni Cummings at 812-934-3013 ext. 4 Or tdcummings96@gmail.com for intention requests. Mass intentions are \$10/Mass.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Layla Mulcahy,
Rick Flodder,
Wilfrid Scheele,
Cam Wahman,
Aaron Davis,
Connie,
Donn Salladay,
Shane Neal,,
Tony Gorbail,
Todd Leising,
Jeanne Phillips,
Sandy Meyer,

Becky Horstman,
Bill Pierce,
Benjamin Mattingly,
Steve Suding,
Terry Duncan,
Tom Wilson,
Marvin Gehring,
Leah Schornick,
Paul Messerschmidt,
Bobby Patterson,
Tami Peters,
Dick Hirt,
Beth Fasbinder,
Lisa Haessig,
Jean Ham,
Scott Cooper,

Keith Milligan,
Pat Schrank,
Carlos Luken,
Wesley Neil
Thompson,
Jane Fussner,
Terri Jo Thompson,
Tina Cohill,
Carolyn Scheele,
Gary Lewis,
Dennis Harmeyer,
Beth Lamping,
Eugene Laker,
Dan Wagner,
Sylva Havens,
Jen Tucker,

Doty Amberger,
Rita Litzinger,
Clare Ronnebaum,
Jerry Lamping,
Anna Mae Raver,
Dave Amberger,
Gary Payne,
Mattie Wagner,
Julianne Raver,
Alma Simmermeyer,
Dale Kuntz,
Ruth Ronnebaum,
and all our nursing
home & homebound
parishioners.

December 31, 2023

READINGS FOR THE DECEMBER 31, 2023

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40

Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-6/Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-5/Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



2023 Capital Improvement Projects

Project	Approx Cost
Website Revamp	\$ (4,435.00)
Roof above ramp replace	\$ (3,198.84)
Slate Roof Steeple fix	\$ (9,730.00)
Boiler Work & Replacement	\$ (61,632.00)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (78,995.84)
TOTAL INCOME RAISED	\$ 60,395.05
TOTAL DIFFERENCE NEEDED	\$ (18,600.79)

OFFERING AN ACT OF WORSHIP

December 17th Sunday Collection

Envelope Collection.....	\$5,476.75
Loose.....	\$1,417.25
Total.....	\$6,894.00
Budget.....	\$7,455.84
UNDER Budget.....	-\$561.84

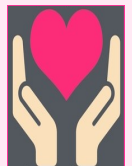
Special Parish **DECEMBER** Collection:

Choir/Music Liturgy

Caring Committee

Holy Family Caring Committee is looking for individuals who would like a visit; help running errands; use some meals....etc. **If you know of anyone, please contact Carol Dobson at 812-212-3582.** We would love to help in **any way** we are able! PLEASE reach out! **AT THIS TIME...we are unable to transport anyone around.**

Holy Family Church Caring Committee NEXT MEETING is January 30th at 6:30pm in the Rudolph Room. For any questions please call Carol Dobson @ 812-212-3582.



WOW! What a wonderful year we had this year for Families Helping Families & the Giving Tree! We are truly blessed with such a generous parish. Words cannot express how thankful & appreciative we are with everything you have donated to make this year extra special.
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year - The Giving Tree Committee



BATESVILLE
PREGNANCY HOTLINE

DID YOU KNOW... Legalizing abortion has done nothing to reduce unwed births, child abuse, or crime. In fact, all have significantly increased. For example, The National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect has demonstrated that child abuse and neglect have increased over 1000% since Roe. Unwed births for black children have skyrocketed to 73%. Source: Steven A. Christie, M.D., J.D. Batesville's pregnancy hotline mission is to help mothers in difficult situations. If you need help or know a mother needing help, please call 812-934-5116, go to www.batesvillecph.org, or search for Batesville Pregnancy Hotline on Facebook. The hotline can also be reached at FB Messenger.

Mass Ministry Schedule

December 30th & December 31st***

Servers:

5:30pm Annabelle Eckstein & Kenzi Froehling
8:00am Leo Spreckelson & Henry Spreckelson
10:00am Abe Trossman & Maggie Jelinek

Lector:

5:30pm Diane Raver
8:00am Dennis Moeller
10:00am Julia Heidlage

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Tom Meyer, Jay Pfeiffer, Connie Chaffee, Lisa Oldham & Karen Patterson
8:00am Carla Enzinger, Karen Trenkamp, Dorothy Ziegler, Cathy Kaiser & Deanna Raver
10:00am Dave Rieman, Teri Rieman, Melissa Jacobs, Carol Dobson & Tina Duncan

Music:

5:30pm Parish Choir
8:00am Matt Trossman
10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman

*****IF UNABLE TO FULFILL THE WEEKEND MINISTRIES** as scheduled above, please try to find a sub or reach contact Toni Cummings ASAP!***

January 6th & January 7th

Servers:

5:30pm Sam Patterson & Annie Patterson
8:00am Wilbur Giesting & Henry Giesting
10:00am Henry Jelinek & George Jelinek

Lector:

5:30pm Paul Brockman
8:00am Teresa Merkel
10:00am Jaculin Wilhelm

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Will Patterson, Michael Irvin, Diane Raver, Dan Eckstein & Carla Enzinger
8:00am Jon Spreckelson, Connie Chaffee, Kris Baumer, Isaac Trossman & Angie Harmeyer
10:00am Wendy Havens, Julia Heidlage, Jenny Ilderton, Melissa Jacobs & Kay Pulskamp

Music:

5:30pm Parish Choir
8:00am Matt Trossman
10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman

January 13th & January 14th

Servers:

5:30pm Aubrey Kruthaupt & Makynze Borgman
8:00am Blaise Mullens & Regan Flaspohler
10:00am Grant Wanstrath & Nolan Wanstrath

Lector:

5:30pm Mary Gehring
8:00am Kyle Laker
10:00am Gus Robben

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30pm Eddie Obermeyer, Maureen Grote, Elaine Hawkes, Tom Meyer & Doug Nobbe
8:00am Theresa Boyce, Jeff Paul, Teresa Merkel, Deann Kaiser & Eric Heppner
10:00am Allen Raab, Brandy Starost, Jacob Starost, Ryan Tekulve & Beth Geis

Music:

5:30pm Leon Enneking, Tim Volz, Carol Roell & Kim Brockman
8:00am Jayne Enneking
10:00am Bryce & Shannon Mullins



USHERS for JANUARY

5:30pm: Rick Obermeyer, Jay Pfeiffer & Ed Scheele - **8:00am:** Eric Heppner, Rick Hoff & Bill Hoff - **10:00am:** Richard Rahe, Mike Schwegman & Paul Waechter



SIGN UP: Mary, Mother of God Vigil - 7pm Mass NEEDS 2 Servers, Kris Schneider, Karen Trenkamp, Maureen Grote & Elaine Hawkes **& Ushers**

Mary, Mother of God Day - 8am Mass NEEDS - 2 Servers, 3 Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers & 1 Sacristan



Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Family encourage all parishioners to join them Monday – Friday anytime from

9am-9pm in the St. Anne's Chapel.

Bring a friend or someone you know and bask in the Lord and grow in His Love for us! Come for the time that works for you. Sit in His Presence with the scheduled adorers.

SEEKING ADORERS for THREE HOURS....Tuesdays at 8pm, Thursdays at 5pm & Fridays at 2pm.

If you are interested, please contact Dustin Walke at 317-691-5209 or walkedustin@gmail.com Even if unable to cover an hour on a regular basis, we ask that you just join us when you can to adore the Lord in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

9TH ANNUAL

Put on the Armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil -Ephesians 6.11

E6 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



8:00am to 3:30pm

EAST CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

35 minutes NW of Cincinnati and one hour South of Indy at 1 Trojan Rd A St Leon, IN 47012



Tim Staples
Lead Apologist of Catholic Answers

Fr. John Hollowell
Pastor in Solidum, All Saints Parish

Nathan Crankfield
Catholic speaker & founder of the Seeking Excellence podcast



Sean Casey "The Mayor"
Cincinnati Reds Hall of Famer 3x MLB All Star



Saturday • February 17 • 2024

WWW.E6CATHOLICMENSCONFERENCE.COM

NEED A HALL FOR FAMILY GATHERINGS? WE CAN HELP. LOCATIONS & DATES AVAILABLE

Holy Family Cafeteria &/or Gym Call Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3013 Opt.2

OR St. Mary of the Rock Hall & Shelter Call Brad Lecher@ 812-212-2908

Religious Education/Youth Ministry Page

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Beth Geis!
E-mail: holyfamilybeth@gmail.com or call: 812-934-3013 (ext. 3)



The next Religious Education Classes are Wed., Jan. 10th. Have a Happy New Year & have Safe Travels!

Preschool Kindergarten Class resumes Sun., Jan. 7th in the Fr. Rudolf Room from 9:45am-11am.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We need some extra subs for Religion Education on Wednesday evenings! If you might be interested in this, please contact Beth Geis!



ADULT FORMATION - Adult Formation will rejoin again on January 10th! If you are interesting in joining, come on Wednesday evenings or contact Beth Geis at holyfamilybeth@gmail.com or Brother John Barker at jbarker@friars.us

CHASTITY TALK WITH JASON EVERT - The Batesville Deanery



is blessed to have Jason Evert, one of the most renowned Catholic speakers in the US, coming to the Batesville Deanery on Wed., Feb. 21st from

6pm-9:30pm. During the 2nd week of Lent, we can bring our 7th - 12th graders to hear him speak to their hearts about

an incredibly important message: Chastity. **For more information, please go to chastity.com/purified. If you have any questions concerning this, please contact Beth Geis!**



SAINTS IN THE MAKING (Jr. High)

YOUTH GROUP: Our next Youth Group is Fri., Jan. 5th from 3 - 5 pm @ St. Louis Youth Center.

JR. HIGH BIBLE STUDY: Our first Bible Study is Mon., Jan. 8th from 3 - 5 pm @ St. Louis Youth Center. If you need help with getting a ride to the Center for either Bible Study or Youth Group, please let Beth Geis know!

TEAM JESUS HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

The next Team Jesus High School Youth Group is **SUNDAY, Jan 7th from 6:30pm-8:30pm!** More details to come in the future!

TRIFORCE MISSION TRIP MEETING:

The next Mission Trip Meeting is **THIS SUNDAY, Jan 21st @ 4:30 PM** at the Youth Center.



BAPTISM: If you are preparing to have your child baptized or need to receive a Baptismal Certificate, please contact Beth Geis. **If this is your first child,** you will need to schedule a

Baptism Class with Beth Geis. If this is not your first child & have attended a class already, we will need proof. **Phone #:** (812)-934-3013 ext 3 or **E-mail:** holyfamilybeth@gmail.com



Remember to SAVE those Aluminum Cans! **Aluminum Cans ONLY** Please. Please deposit them in the **Wire Bins** located on the South side of the Church Parking lot. Thank you! **PLEASE PLACE CANS IN A BAG BEFORE DEPOSITING THEM IN THE BIN!**

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Drawing Close to God Journey through Advent with the whole family!



Join art teacher Ms. Kim as she teaches children to draw different scenes from the Christmas story, including the Annunciation, the shepherd's visit, the Nativity scene, and more. With compelling storytelling, Ms. Kim points out key details from Scripture and Catholic tradition. As kids follow along and learn new art skills, they also learn to see the connections between the big picture of God's story and their place within it.

In search of home care nurses for Wesley Thompson

- ◆ Wesley (20 months old) is the son of parishioners, Adam & Cynthia (Geisen) Thompson.
- ◆ Wesley's family is in need of **TWO** nurses who are willing to care for Wesley 1-2 Sundays per month (6-12 hour shifts).
 - ◆ The nurse must be willing to accompany the family to mass, in order to care for Wesley during mass, in addition to home care duties. His family lives in Batesville & attends mass at Holy Family, in Oldenburg.
 - ◆ **MUST** be an RN or LPN. If not yet licensed in the state of Indiana, must be willing to apply for multistate licensure.
 - ◆ Trach/G tube/pediatric experience preferred. Wesley has a tracheotomy, a gtube, and is oxygen dependent.
 - ◆ Absolutely no smoking on patient property or during shifts.
 - ◆ Must pass a comprehensive background screen.
 - ◆ Rate of pay: RN-\$34/hour LPN \$26/hour.
- ◆ Benefits are not available for part time employees. Benefits are offered only to full time employees, this role could potentially lead into a full time position.
- ◆ Please contact Sam Schneider at Team Select Home Care 812-565-9131 if you have administrative/HR questions.



Our Maintenance Man, Doug Nobbe will be retiring April 2024. We are seeking replacement soon. Electric, plumbing, bobcat/excavator operation, as well as being able to fix about anything is all part of the required skills for this job. If you are interested in this position please submit a resume to Cheryl Borgman in the Parish Office at holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com.

