

Be Ready



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PRAYER

adapted from St. Maria Faustina Kowalska

O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our power we cannot ascend to you, we implore you, increase your grace in us and your mercy upon us, that we may faithfully do your holy will all through our life and at death's hour. Let the omnipotence of your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as your children, await your final coming – that day known to you alone. We expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: through his merciful heart as through an open gate we pass through to Heaven.
Amen.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday-Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Day Schedule
8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 7:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Sundays at 1:00 pm. Call 973-377-1817 for details and information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE—Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to make arrangements for a wedding.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Religious instruction for grades 1-8. Confirmation preparation for junior high school students. For information, call Anne Giedlinski at 973-377-3101, or email hfeducation@gmail.com.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL - An environment for growth in faith, values and knowledge. Tiny Tots (2 1/2 yrs. old), Pre K 3 & Pre K 4, Bridge to Kindergarten & K. For information, call @ 973-377-4181, or www.holy-family-school.org.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES *Ministry to the Homebound (brings Communion and Prayer Shawls to those in need):* Rectory at 973-377-1817.

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CENTERING PRAYER meets at 7:30 p.m. on Monday nights in the Knights Hall.

ROSARY is prayed each day at 7:50 a.m. (before the 8:15 Mass), the **Rosary Fellowship** prays on the Second Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the church hall. **The Knights of Columbus** pray the Rosary on the Second Thursday of each month in the knight's hall at 7:00pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA is prayed on Mondays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for veneration on the First Friday, after the 8:15 mass until 9:15 a.m., and every Thursday after the 8:15 mass until 9:00am.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Dr. McDowell Council - For information, call Edward Kopec at 973-534-9684, email edkmb@aol.com.

Tithing: This week's collection was \$4,309.00
The Online giving was \$3,430.00
Thank you for your continued support and generosity to Holy Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 11, 2025 8:15 - Special Intention	St. Clare, Virgin
Tuesday, August 12, 2025 8:15 -	Weekday
Wednesday, August 13, 2025 8:15 - Aida B. Covelli 1 st Anniversary - James K. Walsh, Jr. - Edna Walters	Weekday
Thursday August 14, 2025 8:15 - Jacob Tagorda, Jr. - Walter Majowicz	St. Maximillian Kobe, Priest and Martyr
Friday, August 15, 2025 8:15 - John Carr, Jr. - Assunta Caivano - Special Intention 12:00 - Special Intention 7:30 - Susanna Bruno	The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday, August 16, 2025 8:15 - Bob Schumacher 5 th Anniversary 5:30 - Special Intention	Weekday
Sunday, August 17, 2025 7:30 - Edward Siara - Diane Lopez - Bill & Helen Rogers 10:00 - Marilyn Russillo - Shirley Sochaski - Edward Siara - Susanna Bruno 12:00 - Silvana DiRenzo - Bill Kenney - Danilo Faraon - Walter Majowicz	Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

THE MARIAN CANDLE WILL BURN IN MEMORY FOR

Richard Dressel

Pray for the Sick: Jack Hughes, Steven Pilla, Madeline Schmidt, Paul D'Apolito, Nancy Aaron, Angela Kirsch, Salvatore Piccolo, Megan Miele, Tarin Schwarzenbach, Nick DiRienzo, Joann Ritz, John Massarano, Donna Aprea, Victoria Leong, Ted Trautman, Rohit Mull, Sienna DeCoursey, Sofia Campagnuolo, Jerry Salvato, Natalie Powell, Jayden Polinsky, Marie LePore, Janine Glass.

If there is anyone on this prayer list or someone you know who can use a Prayer Shawl to comfort them during their time of healing please contact the Rectory.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass, please email Bruce Danishek at bdanishek@aol.com or rectory@holyfamilyfp.org.
Thank you

CCD Catechists Needed

We are looking for a few catechists to teach in our CCD program for the 2025/26 school year. We have opportunities for you to share your faith with the children of our parish on Sunday mornings from 9 to 9:50 am and on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:20 pm. We have 12 classes between September and March, so not a huge commitment of your time.

We could also use some substitutes for both days. If you are able to be called on occasionally to help, let me know. Sign up with your spouse or talk to a friend and sign up to team teach. It is a blessing to both you and the children in your class. There are openings in several grades, so let me know what grades you might prefer.

Please contact Anne Giedlinski, CCD Director, at hfreducation@gmail.com to volunteer or to ask any questions about the program.
Thanks, Anne

Jubilee of Seminarians, which will be celebrated on Friday, August 15 with a 12 PM Mass at Notre Dame of Mount Carmel in Cedar Knolls. All parishioners of the diocese are invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop Kevin Sweeney and our seminarians, where we will pray for our seminarians as they prepare for their upcoming year in seminary. We will pray the rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass with the special intention for an increase in vocations.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

The O.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons, those baptized into another faith and baptized Catholics who have not completed their sacraments to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of O.C.I.A., please call 973-377-1817 or email rectory@holyfamilyfp.org.

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 1:00 pm, to schedule a baptism please email rectory@holyfamilyfp.org or call 973 377-1817.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to make arrangements for a wedding

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH HOLY FAMILY?
Why it's important to be registered with our parish.

1. If you are new to our parish we want to welcome you!
2. Keep you informed by text or email with what's happening at Holy Family.
3. **If you should be asked to be a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation.** Please contact the Rectory or visit our website at www.holyfamilyfp.org.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

*Sgt. Chad Jennings, USA,
PFC Patrick Montuore, USMC,
Col. Timothy Renahan, USA,
CPO Brian Schramm, USN,
Captain Nicholas Markferding, USMC,
2nd Lieutenant Adam H. Corbett, USMC,
2nd Lieutenant Michael F. Corbett, USMC,
Captain Michael S. Flanagan, USA,
LCDR Mark J. Van Orden, Jr. USN.*

Gathering Song: Praise To The Lord

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation! Come, all who hear: Now to his altar draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

2. Praise to the Lord, who shall prosper our work and defend us; Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love will befriend us.

The Gloria: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading**Wisdom 18-6-9**

The night of the passover was known beforehand to our fathers, that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their faith, they might have courage. Your people awaited the salvation of the just and the destruction of their foes. For when you punished our adversaries, in this you glorified us whom you had summoned. For in secret the holy children of the good were offering sacrifice and putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.

Responsorial Psalm Refrain: Blessed are the people the Lord has chosen, chosen to be his own.

Second Reading**Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19**

Brothers and sisters: Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Because of it the ancients were well attested. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the promised land as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs of the same promise; for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age—and Sarah herself was sterile—for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore. All these died in faith. They did not receive what had been promised but saw it and greeted it from afar and acknowledged themselves to be strangers and aliens on earth, for those who speak thus show that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land from which they had come, they would have had opportunity to return. But now they desire a better homeland, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, “Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name.” He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

Gospel**Luke 12-32-48**

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not be afraid any longer, little

flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. “Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” Then Peter said, “Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?” And the Lord replied, “Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds doing so. Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant in charge of all his property. But if that servant says to himself, ‘My master is delayed in coming,’ and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants, to eat and drink and get drunk, then that servant’s master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish the servant severely and assign him a place with the unfaithful. That servant who knew his master’s will but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will shall be beaten severely; and the servant who was ignorant of his master’s will but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating shall be beaten only lightly. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.”

The Nicene Creed: I believe in God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven: *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, death, and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song During The Preparation Rite: Center Of My Life

Refrain O Lord, you are the center of my life: I will always praise you; I will always serve you; I will always keep you in my sight.

1. Keep me safe, O God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord, “You are my God. My happiness lies in you alone; my happiness lies in you alone.”

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

Communion Processional There Is A Longing

Refrain There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal

yourself to us. There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

1. For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief: be near, hear our prayer, O God
2. For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer. In weakness, in fear: be near, hear our prayer, O God.
3. For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death: be near, hear our prayer, O God.
4. Lord save us, take pity, light in our darkness. We call you, we wait: be near, hear our prayer, O God.

Song As We Go Forth How Can I Keep From Singing

1. My life flows on in endless song Above earth's lamentation. I hear the real though far-off hymn That hails a new creation.
Refrain No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? How can I keep from singing?
5. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, A fountain ever springing. All things are mine since I am his; How can I keep from singing?



Gospel Questions to Mediate On

1. What has God entrusted to you?
2. What do you think God expects you to do with what's been entrusted to you?

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Addressing a jubilant crowd of over 500,000 people packed into St. Peter's Square, Pope Pius XII solemnly defined in *Munificentissimus Deus* on November 1, 1950 that "the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." Although the solemn definition may have been at the midpoint of the twentieth century, the belief in the Assumption of our Blessed Mother exemplifies the dynamism of revelation and the Church's ongoing understanding of it as guided by the Holy Spirit.

Granted, the word *Assumption* does not appear in Sacred Scripture. For this reason, many fundamentalists who literally interpret the Bible would have a difficulty with this belief. Nevertheless, we must first pause and reflect on the role of our Blessed Mother in the mystery of salvation, for this provides the foundation for the belief in the Assumption. We firmly believe that from the first moment of her conception, Mary was free of all sin including Original Sin by a special favor of Almighty God. The Archangel Gabriel recognized her as "full of grace," "blessed among women," and "one with the Lord." Mary had been chosen to be the Mother of our Savior. By the power of the Holy Spirit, she conceived our Lord, Jesus Christ, and through her, true God became also true man: "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us." During her lifetime, although the Gospel citations are limited, Mary always presented our Lord to others: to Elizabeth and her son, John the Baptist, who leapt for joy in the womb at the presence of the Lord still in His own mother's womb; to the simple shepherds as well as the wise Magi; and to the people at Cana when our Lord acquiesced to His mother's wish and performed the first miracle. Moreover, Mary stood at the foot of the cross with her Son, supporting Him and sharing in His suffering through her love as only a mother could do. Finally, she was with the Apostles at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended and the Church was born. Therefore, each of us can step back and see Mary as the faithful servant of God who shared intimately in the birth, life, death, and resurrection of our Lord.

For these reasons, we believe that the promises our Lord has given to each of us of sharing eternal life, including a resurrection of the body, were fulfilled in Mary. Since Mary was free of Original Sin and its effects (one of which is corruption of the body at death), since she shared intimately in the life of the Lord and in His passion, death, and resurrection, and since she was 9.5 sermons concerning the Assumption: "For Christ took His immaculate flesh from the immaculate flesh of Mary, and if He had prepared a place in heaven for the Apostles, how much more for His mother; if Enoch had been translated and Elijah had gone to heaven, how much more Mary, who like the moon in the midst of the stars shines forth and excels among the Prophets and Apostles? For even though her God-bearing body tasted death, it did not undergo corruption, but was preserved incorrupt and undefiled and taken up into heaven with its pure and spotless soul."

St. John Damascene also recorded an interesting story concerning the Assumption: "St. Juvenal, Bishop of Jerusalem, at the Council of Chalcedon (451), made known to the Emperor Marcian and Pulcheria, who wished to possess the body of the Mother of God, that Mary died in the presence of all the Apostles, but that her tomb, when opened, upon the request of St. Thomas, was found empty; wherefrom the Apostles concluded that the body was taken up to heaven" (*Second Homily on the Dormition of Mary*). In all, the Patristic Fathers defended the Assumption on two counts: Since Mary was sinless and a perpetual virgin, she could not suffer bodily deterioration, the result of original sin, after her death. Also, if Mary bore Christ and played an intimate role as His mother in the redemption of man, then she must likewise share body and soul in His resurrection and glorification.

The Byzantine Emperor Mauritius (582-602) established the celebration of the Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15 for the Eastern Church. (Some historians speculate that the celebration was already widespread before the Council of Ephesus in 431.) By the end of the sixth century, the West likewise celebrated the Feast of the Assumption. While the Church first emphasized the death of Mary, gradual shifts in both title and content occurred, so that by the end of the eighth century, the Gregorian Sacramentary had prayers for Assumption Day.

The Feast of the Assumption gives each of us great hope as we contemplate this one facet of the beautiful woman of faith, our Blessed Mother. Mary moves us by example and prayer to grow in God's grace, to be receptive to His will, to convert our lives through sacrifice and penance, and seek that everlasting union in the Heavenly Kingdom. In 1973, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in their letter *Behold Your Mother* stated, "Christ has risen from the dead; we need no further assurance of our faith. Mary assumed into heaven serves rather as a gracious reminder to the Church that our Lord wishes all whom the Father has given Him to be raised with Him. In Mary taken to glory, to union with Christ, the Church sees herself answering the invitation of the heavenly Bridegroom."

August/September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10 No 7:30pm Mass	11	12 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30-11:30am	13	14 Eucharistic Adoration 8:45- 9:00am	15 The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary 8:15am, 12noon & 7:30pm	16 1st Saturday Immaculate Heart of Mary Confession 4:30- 5:15pm
17 No 7:30pm Mass	18	19 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30-11:30am	20	21 Eucharistic Adoration 8:45- 9:00am	22	23 Confession 4:30- 5:15pm
24 No 7:30pm Mass	25	26 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30-11:30am	27	28 Eucharistic Adoration 8:45- 9:00am	29	30 Confession 4:30- 5:15pm
31 No 7:30pm Mass	1 Labor Day Office Closed	2 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30-11:30am	3	4 Eucharistic Adoration 8:45- 9:00am RSVP if you plan to join us at the Fish & Chips Picnic	5	6 Confession 4:30- 5:15pm
7 Fish & Chips Picnic 1:00 – 3:00pm No 7:30pm Mass	8	9 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30-11:30am	10	11 Eucharistic Adoration 8:45- 9:00am	12	13 Confession 4:30- 5:15pm

HOLY FAMILY'S COMPLIMENTARY FISH & CHIPS PICNIC! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 1:00 - 3:00PM



AFTER THE 12NOON MASS OUTSIDE ON THE RECTORY LAWN OR
IF IT RAINS IN THE SCHOOL GYM.

FRESH COD FISH, (CHICKEN OPTIONAL) FRENCH FRIES,
COLESLAW. SODA & BOTTLE WATER.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE...

Bring your friends for a fun meal

LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN MAKE IT. SITE

"The Family Rosary Box"

The saying, "A family that prays together stays together," is very true. To honor our Blessed Mother, the Rosary Fellowship would like to share Mary's powerful prayer of the Rosary to our parish families through our new project, "The Family Rosary Box."

This box will be presented to a parish family at the end of the 10:00 am Sunday Mass by our Celebrant. It includes Rosary Beads, kid-friendly activities on how to pray the Rosary, and a statue of Mary. We invite the family to designate a place in their home to display the statue and set time aside to pray the Rosary together during the week. Please email a picture of your family praying the Rosary along with a few sentences reflecting on the experience to

rectory@holvfamilyp.org and with your permission, it will be included in our parish bulletin. The box will then be passed on to another family at the next 10:00 am Sunday Mass. There are several ways to sign up: Please use the following link :

<https://forms.gle/hZ6viBtFTEPX3gG4A>

or scan the QR code email

Anne Ippolito anneippolito28@gmail.com or
Jen Gamba jengamba8@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing how the Blessed Mother has touched your lives and brought you closer to her Son, Jesus!

"The best thing for us is not what we consider best, but what the Lord wants for us." -St. Josephine Bakhita

The Barbara Tinari Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday 9:30-11:30am at the Florham Park Senior Center The members gather to knit/crochet shawls and lapghan's for those in need of comfort and solace. All are welcome. For more information call Kathy Memoli at 973-377-7611 or Pat Schwartz at 973-377-0156 with any questions. Thank you to all who have made this ministry a success with your support and monetary and in-kind donations.

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Volunteer Opportunity: Youth Group Leader

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of high school students? Our parish youth group is looking for a dedicated volunteer to assist in leading our vibrant and dynamic group. The purpose of the youth group is to build community among younger parishioners, enriching lives through social events, faith learning and acts of charity and meets monthly (usually the first Sunday of the month during the school year from 5 PM-7:30 PM).

We are seeking someone who is either currently attending college locally or has recently graduated and is eager to get involved with the high school youth group of our parish. The right person will have a strong Catholic faith and an ability to connect with the students. This role involves assisting with planning trips, organizing community service events, and coordinating group recruiting events, presentations, and fundraisers and requires about 30 volunteer hours over the course of the year. If you are enthusiastic, organized, and ready to inspire the next generation, or want to hear more, please contact Dona Verrico at dv0629@verizon.net or Pat Payton at Patricia Payton@yahoo.com

The Youth Group is looking for student parishioners who are enrolled in 8th grade or high school to join our group or drop into a meeting. The purpose of the youth group is to build community among younger parishioners, enriching lives through social events, faith learning and acts of charity. Meetings are generally held on the first Sunday of the month during the school year at 5:00 pm in the rectory basement. Come for a game of pool or to cheer on players! The meeting ends at 7:20 pm, in time to attend the 7:30 pm Mass. For questions please contact: Dona Verrico at dv0629@verizon.net or Pat Payton at Patricia Payton@yahoo.com

A Note from the Holy Family Food Pantry

The food pantry is not accepting donations from **June 15, 2025 thru September 7, 2025**. Please do not leave any items in the church hall. Call Anne Platoff at 973-822-0430, if you have any questions. Thank you



Holy Family Church Renovation Donation Option: Use this QR code or go to the Holy Family Parish website for quick and secure online giving.

Teaching Position Available

A Prek3 teaching position is available at Holy Family School in Florham Park.

We are looking for a Catholic professional who loves guiding, teaching and nurturing children. It is a part-time position, 8:15am- 1:15pm, 20 - 25 hours a week.

For further information contact us at 973-377-4181 or email

holyfamilyoffice@holy-family-school.org



ORATORY PREP SCHOOL: We invite you to our OPEN HOUSE EVENTS on **Sunday, September 28, 2025** from 1-3 p.m., and on **Thursday, October 23, 2025** from 6-8 p.m. Oratory Prep is located at 425 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ. We ask that you register to attend on our website under the Admissions tab. For further information, call 908-273-1084, ext. 1 or visit us at www.oratoryprep.org.

Religious Education Registration

Registration forms for Holy Family's Religious Education Program have been sent to every family who was registered last year in grades 1 through 7. Look for a **green envelope!!** If you did not receive one, please let Anne know (hfreducation@gmail.com.)

If you have a child starting 1st grade next September or you have moved into our parish community recently and have children who will be in 1st through 8th grade in September, please email **Anne Giedlinski** at hfreducation@gmail.com and provide your name and address so we can mail you some information and a registration form for next year.

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We celebrate First Reconciliation and First Communion in 2nd grade and Confirmation in 8th grade. Except for extraordinary circumstances, these sacraments require a minimum of 2 years of preparation.

The registration deadline is September 16, 2025.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10, 2025

Monday Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday Dt 31:1-8 Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday Dt 34:1-12 Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 Mt 18:15-20
Thursday Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17 Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Saturday Jos 24:14-29 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 Mt 19:13-15
Sunday Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53