



# Holy Family Catholic Church

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## Diocese of Knoxville

### Office Contacts

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**Office Manager—Nancy Barbieri 865-573-1203**

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### Sacramental Ministry

#### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 11:00am

Mon, Tues, Thurs 8:30am & Wed 6:30pm

Holy Days: 7:00pm Vigil & 8:30am

1st Friday of the Month: Mass 8:30am followed by

Adoration 9:00am-4:00pm & Benediction 4:00pm

#### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:30 to 5:00pm (or by appointment)

**Anointing of the Sick**—Contact the office (865)573-1203

**Communion for the Sick and Home Bound—**

Contact the office (865)573-1203 or Claudia Burton (865)573-0056

**Baptism**—Contact Deacon Dean Burry (865)579-9196

one month in advance.

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion**—Contact Office (865)573-1203

**Confirmation**—Contact Office (865)573-1203

**RCIA**—Contact Deacon Gil Campos (865)805-9040

**Marriage**—Contact Fr. Gilbert (865)573-1203 or Deacon Dean

Burry (865)579-9196, four months in advance for preparation and scheduling \*\*registered parishioners only

**Annulments**—Contact Deacon Gil Campos (865)805-9040

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### Parish Contacts

#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Parish Chair**

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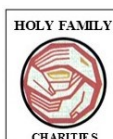
**Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 2:00pm**

**PHONE (865) 573-1203 FAX (865) 579-3645**

**Website: www.hollyfamilyseymour.org**



**MyParishApp: text APP to 88202, enter 37865**



### **Holy Family Charities**

**865-573-1203**

**Call for appointment**



## First Sunday of Advent

### Holy Family Collections Report

Registered Families	427
Parishioners	915

### Last Weeks Collections

Regular	\$	3378.00
Renovate/Repair	\$	150.00
Charity	\$	333.00
Online Giving	\$	785.00



We extend a warm welcome to all the visitors who are celebrating Mass with us this weekend.

We are blessed with many "visitors" who regularly attend our liturgies and generously contribute to our offertory. We would like to extend an invitation to "officially" register with Holy Family. Registration forms are available in the magazine rack in the vestibule or on our webpage [holyfamilyseymour.org](http://holyfamilyseymour.org). You may drop your completed forms in the collection basket or bring to the office. By registering, you will be included in all communications and invitations that pertain to Holy Family Parish.



### Pray for the Sick:

Please call Claudia Burton  
at 573-0056 to be added

Lyman Blanton, Rudy Croft, Dorothy Diesing,  
Bob & Julie N., Roseanne & William Durham, Bruce &  
Terri Gaps, Tim Manna, Donna Haskett, Peggy Hood,  
Denise & Donald Graph, Pam Hultstrand, Carol Kuzma,  
Aryn McAndrews, Jeanette Ormazabal, Bill Shipstad,  
Steve Smith, John S. Waszak, Ted Zwolinski, Steve Collier



**Legion of Mary**  
Meeting Time: Every Monday 9:00am  
In the Family Life Center

### May Our Lady of Fatima Statue Come into Your Home?

Parishioners speak of miracles, both little and large, happening when her statue has been present in their homes.

Our lady has brought feelings of peace, possibilities and hope where there was confusion, chaos and despair.

A beautiful novena booklet accompanies her to be prayed during each of the nine days she is in your home.



**Would you like an easy way to get the latest news/updates from Holy Family?**



Download the Holy Family Parish App

Please Text App to 88202 to download.

Enter 37865 after opening,



### C.hristians R.eaching O.ut S.erving S.eymour

There is always a need at CROSS to help stock their shelves with food for local families. Would you like to be a volunteer or do you need assistance? Go visit C.R.O.S.S. at 406 Boyds Creek Hwy, Seymour, TN 37865 or call 865-579-6192 and see all the good works they do. Open M-W 10-2, Th&F 10-12



### Mass Intentions

Dec 02 05:30 PM **Frank Demski (D)** by Mark Demski

Dec 03 08:00 AM **People of the Parish**

11:00 AM **Bill Voight (D)** by M/M Zdonek

Dec 04 08:30 AM **Imaculada Joy Carter(D)**

Dec 05 08:30 AM **People of the Parish**

Dec 06 06:30 PM **People of the Parish**

Dec 07 08:30 AM **Carolyn Widmer (D)**

07:00 PM **People of the Parish**

Dec 08 08:30 AM **People of the Parish**

Dec 09 05:30 PM **Nicklaus Joseph De Groot (D)**

Dec 10 08:00 AM **Lorraine Smorecky(D)** by Chaarlotte Wojda

11:00 AM **People of the Parish**

May the souls of all our Faithful departed through the

Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

According to Canon Law 901, a priest is free to apply the Mass to anyone living or deceased, however the person must be named.

(D) Deceased (L) Living

### Parish Calendar

C=Church, GL= Garden Level,  
FLC= Family Life Center, P=Pavilion

12/02 Sat:	04:30pm	Choir Practice-C
	05:00pm	Rosary-C
12/03 Sun:	09:00am	Coffee & Donuts-FLC
	09:00am	Religious Item Cart
	09:15am	CCD (pre-K-5)-GL
	10:00am	Choir Practice-C
	10:35am	Rosary-C
	05:45pm	NO YG/NO Dinner-FLC
12/04 Mon:	09:00am	Legion of Mary-FLC
12/05 Tues:	09:30am	NO Crafty Ladies-FLC
12/06 Wed:	07:00pm	Scripture Class-FLC
12/07 Thurs:	-----	-----
12/08 Fri:	-----	-----
12/09 Sat:	04:30pm	Choir Practice-C
	05:00pm	Rosary-C
12/10 Sun:	09:15am	CCD (pre-K-5)-GL
	10:00am	Choir Practice-C
	10:35am	Rosary-C
	12:00pm	Breakfast with Santa-FLC
	05:45pm	NO Youth Group-FLC

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

Let your door stand open to receive Him, unlock your soul to Him, offer Him a welcome in your mind, and then you will see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the joy of grace. Throw wide the gate of your heart, stand before the sun of the everlasting light.

**Saint Ambrose (340-397)**

**Bishop & Patron of Police Officers**

**Feast Day December 7**

### Next Weeks Readings...

#### Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

2 Peter 3:8-14

Mark 1:1-8

December 3, 2023

HOLY FAMILY



As we begin Advent we are called to "Be watchful! Be alert" as we stand in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives.

**Your gift in the Holy Family Charities Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.**



The Knights and St. Mary's Legacy Clinic would like to say **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated to the Share the Warmth Drive. Through your incredible generosity, the Knights were able to donate: 212 Warm Items (shirts, pants, coats, sweaters, etc), 16 Scarves, 96 Socks, 54 Gloves, 34 Hats, 19 Blankets, 3 Shoes, and 2 Crocheted masks.

### Advent Booklets

*In the church foyer are several prayerful aides to help you through the season of Advent. Please take them to help you get more out of Advent, and*



*Christmas, this year. There is a limited supply, so please be considerate in how many you truly need for your household.*



If you would like to donate toward the Christmas Flower display, in memory of a loved one, the envelopes are available in the church vestibule. Return envelopes to the collection basket at Mass



**DECEMBER REQUEST**  
**\*\* CANNED MEATS \*\***



**Daily Mass Inclement Weather**



With the winter season fast approaching, it is time to start thinking about if there will be weekday Mass during Winter Weather Days. During inclement weather, if the local roads are clear, there will be daily Mass—regardless of local school closings. Please use caution and good judgement when traveling to church. We want safety first!

**\*\*\* ONLINE GIVING \*\*\***  
is available through our parish webpage or by texting *HolyFamilySeymour* to 73256 from your smart phone.



SCAN ME



This Friday  
December 8th is  
***The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

It is a Holy Day of Obligation

***Mass is 8:30am Friday***  
***Vigil is Thursday @ 7:00pm***

### First Sunday of Advent

*God is faithful; by him you were called into fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord (1 Cor. 1:9)*

*How do you know when you're following Christ and living his teachings faithfully?*



## 2023 Holiday Season Schedule



**Sunday, Dec 10**

***Breakfast with Santa***  
***After 11:00am Mass***

**Thursday, Dec 14**

***Advent Penance***  
***11:00am AND 7:00pm***



**Saturday, Dec 23**

***Regular Sat. Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm***

**Sunday, Dec 24**

***4th Sunday of Advent Mass @ 8:00am & 11:00am***  
***Christmas Eve Mass @ 5:30pm***

**Monday, Dec 25**

***Christmas Day Mass @ 8:00 & 11:00***

**Tuesday, Dec 26**

**NO Mass**



**Monday, Jan 1**

***Solemnity of Mary - Mass @ 8:30am***  
***(NOT Holy Day of Obligation)***



## Happy Anniversary



Carmen & Barbara Morreale	Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	56 yrs
Doyle & Edita Lonski	Dec 4 <sup>th</sup>	30 yrs
Carl & Jeanne Prince	Dec 6 <sup>th</sup>	9 yrs
Paul & Judith Larsen	Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	38 yrs
Gary & Karen Swaim	Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	33 yrs
Aaron & Mallory McGee	Dec 8 <sup>th</sup>	5 yrs
Steven & Kathleen Klein	Dec 15 <sup>th</sup>	50 yrs
Jeffery & Barbara Genter	Dec 20 <sup>th</sup>	20 yrs
Edwin & Carolina Dupont	Dec 29 <sup>th</sup>	22 yrs

*If we have missed your special day please call the office 573-1203*



### HELP is only a phone call away

If you have thoughts of suicide or have been involved in self-harm or injury there is National support groups, Suicide support at:

**Suicide Help Line** Dial 988 or 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

**Self-Harm Line** 1-800-DONCUT (800)366-8288 or

[www.selfinjury.com](http://www.selfinjury.com), [info@selfinjury.com](mailto:info@selfinjury.com)

Substance Abuse problem? Prescription Addiction problem?

For help and free confidential information and referrals contact

**Tennessee REDLINE at 1-800-889-9789.**



### Diocesan Safe Environment Requirements:

In addition to all parish employees, ALL volunteers, catechists, choir members, extra ordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, etc. are required by the **Diocese of Knoxville's Safe Environment Policies** to comply with the diocesan Safe Environment program's requirements, which include, consenting to a background check and maintaining a CMG Connect online account. For more information or to register, please visit <https://Knoxville.cmgconnect.org/>

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF EAST TENNESSEE COUNSELING SERVICES

Counseling is for individuals and couples coping with concerns such as depression, relationship problems, grief, anxiety, and life transition/adjustment issues. Fees are based on a sliding scale, determined by income and other variables. Services are available to clients regardless of religious affiliation. The contact for Knoxville counseling is Fr. Michael Maples, PhD, at **865-314-8870**.

### Procedure for reporting sexual abuse

**Involving a bishop:** Anyone who has actual knowledge of or reasonable cause to suspect an incident of sexual harassment, abuse, or misconduct by a bishop should report their allegation to **ReportBishopAbuse.org** or call **(800) 276-1562**. This reporting service is operated by Convercent, Inc., an independent, third-party entity that provides intake services to private institutions for reports of sensitive topics such as sexual harassment through a secure, confidential and professional platform.

**Involving a priest, deacon, religious, or layperson:** Anyone who has actual knowledge of or who has reasonable cause to suspect an incident of sexual abuse should report such information to the appropriate civil authorities first, then to the Diocesan Victims' Assistance Coordinator, **(865) 321-9080**.

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Pregnancy & Adoption services, including post-abortion counseling, available 24/7/365 by calling 1-877-990-4673

**Empowering and protecting the poor and vulnerable through:**  
Columbus Home Children's Services -Housing for Special Populations- Outreach to those in Hardship -Counseling & Education.

For information or help, go to [www.cccetn.org](http://www.cccetn.org) for services  
And contact information in your community.



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### Knights of Columbus

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are in need of purchasing  
any Religious Items.**

**Anita Miller-Parishioner**  
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