



Holy Family Catholic Church

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Diocese of Knoxville

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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: 6:30pm 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)985-4796

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

one month in advance.

1st 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

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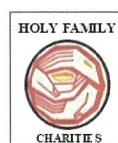
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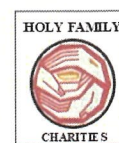
MyParishApp: text APP to 88202, enter 37865



Holy Family Charities

865-573-1203

Call for appointment



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Holy Family Collections Report

Registered Families	429
Parishioners	921

Last Weeks Collections

Regular	\$ 6149.00
Renovate/Repair	\$ 183.00
Charity	\$ 1120.00
Online Giving	\$ 695.00
Christmas Flowers(All Dec)	\$ 1515.00



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 holysfamilyseymour.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 985-4796 to be added

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



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 23 05:30 PM *Linda Sager (D)* by Ray Sager
Dec 24 08:00 AM *People of the Parish*
 11:00 AM *Frank Piech (D)* by M/M Bicer
 05:30 PM *People of the Parish*
Dec 25 08:00 AM *Linda Sager (D)* by Ray Sager
 11:00 AM *JoAnn Tusinski(D)* by Burry Family
Dec 26 08:30 AM *NO MASS*
Dec 27 06:30 PM *NO MASS*
Dec 28 08:30 AM *NO MASS*
Dec 29 08:30 AM *NO MASS*
Dec 30 05:30 PM *Bob Williams Jr. (D)* by M/M Casey
Dec 31 08:00 AM *Mary Gazdziak (D)* by Charlotte 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

12/23 Sat:	04:30pm	Choir Practice-C
	05:00pm	Rosary-C
12/24 Sun:	09:15am	NO CCD (pre-K-5)-GL
	10:00am	Choir Practice-C
	10:35am	Rosary-C
	05:45pm	NO Youth Group-FLC
12/25 Mon:	09:00am	NO Legion of Mary-FLC
12/26 Tues:	09:30am	NO Crafty Ladies-FLC
12/27 Wed:	-----	
12/28 Thurs:	-----	
12/29 Fri:	-----	
12/30 Sat:	04:30pm	Choir Practice-C
	05:00pm	Rosary-C
12/31 Sun:	09:15am	NO CCD (pre-K-5)-GL
	10:00am	Choir Practice-C
	10:35am	Rosary-C
	05:45pm	NO Youth Group-FLC

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Remember the sufferings of Christ, the storms that were weathered... the crown that came from those sufferings which gave new radiance to the faith... All saints give testimony to the truth that without real effort, no one ever wins the crown.

Thomas Becket (1118-1170)

Martyr & Bishop - Feast Day December 29



Next Weeks Readings...

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Luke 2:22-40

Christmas Flowers 2023



In Memory Of

Our Loved ones in Heaven
By Dan & AnnaMarie Jaehn
William and Laura Viveiros



JoAnn Tusinski
Bicer, Zagorski, Piech, and
Decker Families
Rydia Almy
Jamie Almy
Our Parents by
Fran and Joe Martin
George & Marie Brenner
Brian Shockley
Harry Tyler
Paul J. Scrudder Sr.
Deceased members of the
Margetson and Mallari
families
William & Helen Holland
Deceased members of the
Prince and Smith families
Carol Kleehammer
Bob Fuller
Joe & Barbara LeBlanc
Jess & Margaret O'Quinn

Barbara Williams
Farbizio and Mary Barbieri
Stephen Pichurko
William Diaz
Christopher Jon Kenkel
Henry & Bridget Barse Sr.
Robert & Margaret Gierie Sr.
Bill Viveiros (Brother)
Mike Diesing
Tom & Kitty Bentley
Robert Cobb
Sandra Pepper
Arthur E. Wojda
Robert & Violet Gleason
Doug & Betty Krans
Deceased members of the
Barbieri Family
Cathy Dachtera
Pat Kuzma York
Carolyn Widmer

Iona Surrena
Theresa Hagen
Margie & Bob Williams
Genevieve & Robert Vandola
Brian Coates
Norman Coates Sr.
Our Parents and Sister by
Anna and Ken Kraujalis
Family & Loved Ones
By Juan & Carmen Rivera
Keith Gordon
Steve Gordon
James Kirk
Betty & Frank Laurita
Barbara Williams
Fran & Don King
Deceased members of the
Pichurko Family
Chris & Phil Boily
Henri Elzinga

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In Memory Of

Nancy Roosa

Dale T. Barndt

Marianne Portier

J.E. & Marguerite Roper

Mildred Kickbusch

Deceased members of the Castagliola
Family



In Honor Of

Our Lord and Savior

Grayson Ledford

John & Mary Gazdziak

Ann Grabski

Arthur Wojda

Virginia Wojda

Cecilia & Leonard Klebba

Matt Diesing



Donations

Anonymous

Thomas Mittler

Larry & Rose Branch

B.P.

Michael Perry

L. Sheppard

Steven Klein

Judith & Paul Larsen

December 24, 2023



Imagine how Mary felt at the birth of Jesus: excited, awed, frightened. Deep faith was her light in the darkness, for Jesus was born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest.

Your gift to Holy Family Charities brought light into the darkness surrounding the heart of those living in poverty bringing them the real, lasting and deep joy of Christmas.



2024 Calendars are now available in the vestibule for pick up. Please take yours before the new year arrives!

**** One per family please ****

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Christmas season at Holy Family so special! From the decorations to the music and everything in between, thank you for all your hard work!



Monday, Jan. 1st is the **Solemnity of Mary**

It is a Holy Day but NOT of obligation this year
Mass will be at 8:30am,
there will be no vigil Mass

2023 Contribution Statements

Your 2023 Year-end Contribution Statements will only be mailed to you upon request. Please contact the office at 865-573-1203 to request your statement. Statements will be mailed at the end of January.

Daily Mass Inclement Weather

During inclement weather, if the local roads are clear, there will be daily Mass—regardless of local school closings. Please use caution when traveling to church.

***** ONLINE GIVING *****

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



SCAN ME

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

(Luke 1:38)



How do you open your heart to what God wants for you? How do you follow the pathway that leads to happiness?

Merry Christmas!

Christmas Mass schedule:

Sun. Dec. 24 - Vigil Mass @ 5:30pm

Christmas Eve Mass usually fills up quickly, so please come early to get a seat. And while in the pew, enjoy the Musical Prelude that will be performed by our musical director Kris Rucinski and the Holy Family Choir, starting at 4:30.



**Mon. Dec 25th - Christmas Day Mass
8:00am & 11:00am**

Please note that the office will be **CLOSED** Monday, Dec 25th & Tuesday, December 26th for the Christmas holiday.



Thank you to everyone who helped with the annual Breakfast with Santa! As always, it was a big hit with kids of all ages!

Holy Days Of 2024

Mon, Jan. 1 - Solemnity of Mary (NOT Obligation)

Wed, Feb 14 - Ash Wednesday (NOT Obligation)

Sun, March 31 - Easter (Obligation)

Sun, May 12 - The Ascension (observed on the 7th Sunday of Easter)

Thurs, Aug. 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin (Obligation)

Fri, Nov. 1 - All Saints (Obligation)

Mon, Dec. 9 - The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (NOT Obligation)

Wed, Dec. 25— The Nativity of the Lord (Obligation)

DECEMBER REQUEST

**** CANNED MEATS ****



Thank you to everyone who donates through out the year. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

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-DONTCUT (800)366-8288 or

www.selfinjury.com, 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.ccetn.org for services And contact information in your community.



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Do you have a need for a Notary?

We have a Notary in the office.

Please stop by during office hours for all of your Notary needs.

Please contact Anita if you are in need of purchasing any Religious Items.

Anita Miller-Parishioner
(865)712-8252

All proceeds go the Parish



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