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# Holy Family Catholic Church

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#### **REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday - 5:30pm
Tuesday - 7:00am
Wednesday & Thursday - 5:30pm
Friday - 5:30pm - Mass
Saturday - 5:30pm
Sunday Morning - 9:15am

CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY BEFORE MASS - 4:30PM

# Pastor: Father Balaswamy Polisetti

# Father Bala - 806-340-8929

#### **Deacons**

Dcn. Bob Birkenfeld ......806-627-8253 Dcn. Joe Hochstein .....806-627-7026

#### EASTER SUNDAY REFLECTION April 9, 2023

Acts 10:34, 37–43; Psalm 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23 Colossians 3:1–4; John 20:1–9

Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet, today's Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed." What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. Maybe that convinced them that He hadn't been carted off by grave robbers, who usually stole the expensive burial linens and left the corpses behind.

But notice the repetition of the word "tomb"—seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day. Chosen to be His "witnesses," today's First Reading tells us, the Apostles were "commissioned . . . to preach . . . and testify" to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb.

More than their own experience, they were instructed in the mysteries of the divine economy, God's saving plan: to know how "all the prophets bear witness" to Him. Now they could "understand the Scripture" and teach us what He had told them: that He was "the Stone which the builders rejected," the one whom today's Psalm prophesies will be resurrected and exalted.

We are the children of the apostolic witnesses. That is why we still gather early in the morning on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb, to give thanks for "Christ our life," as today's Epistle calls Him.

Baptized into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ, our lives "hidden with Christ in God." We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above.

We live in memory of the Apostles' witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come—the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory."

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## **Liturgical Ministers**

# Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Jesse Acker, Steeley Moore, Reagan Schulte

Lectors: Carolyn Wilhelm, Bryan Charanza

**Hospitality**: Judy Lange & Betty Acker **Gift Bearer**: Steven Birkenfeld Family

**Ushers:** Parish Council

## Sunday April 16, 2023 at 9:15am First Communion & Confirmation

**Servers:** Michael Fulkerson, Sy Welps,

Emery Brockman, Wylie Brockman

Lectors: JC Pohlmeier, Samantha Fulkerson

Hospitality: Sandra Kleman, Joel Gerber

Gift Bearer: Stephanie DeMoss &

Anthony Hochstein

**Ushers:** Parish Council

### This Week's Calendar

Sunday, April 9th, 2023 EASTER SUNDAY

9:15am - Mass

Monday, April 10, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

6:00am - Men's Prayer Group

7:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

8am-1am - Adoration in Chapel in the Inn 11:30am -Noon Meal : King Ranch Chicken

5:30pm - Mass 6:30pm - CCD K-12

Thursday, April 13, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Friday, April 14, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Saturday, April 15, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Sunday, April 16th, 2023

**Confirmation & 1st Communion** 

9:15am - Mass

## This Week's Mass Intentions

**Monday - April 10, 2023** 5:30pm - No Mass

Tuesday - April 11, 2023 7:00am - Kevin Wilhelm, RIP (Family)

Wednesday - April 12, 2023 5:30pm - Toby Gerber, RIP (Christian Mothers)

Thursday - April 13, 2023 5:30pm - Bea Hoelting, RIP (Clyde Hoelting)

Friday - April 14, 2023 5:30pm - Sharon Brockman, RIP (Family)

Saturday - April 15, 2023 5:30pm - Harry Birkenfeld, RIP (His Children)

Sunday - April 16, 2023 9:15am - Parishioners First Communion & Confirmation Participants

#### STEWARDSHIP

March 25th & 26th, 2023

Identifiable Contributors - \$5,857.00

\*\*Children Collection - \$55.55

Votive Collection - \$20.75

Total Collection - \$5,933.30

Alms - \$806.00

THANKS FOR YOUR SHARING OF GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH US!

\*\* Children's Collection will go to CPS during lent

## HAPPINESS IS



...singing in a choir.

We would love for you to join us ... Saturday Night Choir

# Announcements

# Please Pray For . . .

#### All our sick and elderly

Dolly Schulte, Art Brockman, Joshua Moore, Guy Raef, Ralph Albracht, Rusty Schacher, Christine Acker, JoAnn Starr, Doris Steffens

#### all those in Ministry, especially

Our Parish Vocations: Fr. Nick Gerber and Fr. John Dalton, Father Bhaskar; Dcn Bob Birkenfeld and Dcn Joe Hochstein and All Religious from Holy Family Parish

And for our deceased loved ones

# **COOPER RAY**

Coming Soon!!

Community Talk April 23, 2023 Holy Family Church 3:00pm

One of today's top speakers, worship leaders and retreat facilitators!

Cooper Ray was a speaker at the Steubenville Retreat last summer.

He is currently the Director of Programming for Newman Ministry. He holds a Bachelors in Psychology and a Masters in Pastoral Studies He lives in Flower Mound, Tx with his wife and 3 boys.

# We would like to welcome our new members of Holy Family Church, Shelby Schwartz, Mercedes Pacheco, and Chris DeMoss . Welcome!

<u>Senior Citizens Meeting and Meal</u> has been canceled for the month of April due to Easter Holiday.

<u>Library Book Study</u> - <u>Twelve Extraordinary Women</u> will be our next discussion book. We will read about these women's lives and how they were part of God's redemptive work in history. Come join us either Monday mornings 9:30 - 10:30 or Thursday afternoon 5:30-6:30. Books will be available for \$5.00 at the library. Study will begin the week of April 17th.

Nazareth is hosting the South Spring Deanery on Saturday, April 22nd beginning with Mass at 9:00am and followed by reflection from Fr. Alvin. If you would like to attend, the Christian Mother's Organization will pay your registration fee. Please text or call Mary Beth Gerber 806-647-9130 by April 19th to let her know.

<u>Auxiliary Bingo</u> will be April 23rd at the Senior Citizens Bldg at 2:00pm. Come join the fun!

**Save the Date:** May Crowning will be Wednesday, May 3rd. Please join us in this beautiful ceremony. Hamburgers will be served to the whole parish afterwards.

#### **Wednesday Noon Meal**

Every Wednesday
at the Senior Citizen's Bldg
\$10.00 a plate - 11:30am –12:30pm
April 12th Meal : King Ranch Chicken



# Welcome Visitors!!

Please feel right at home. We are glad to have you.

Like to Join Our Church: Call the Parish Office 806-945-2616 or Dcn Joe Hochstein 627-7026

For Baptisms, Marriages,
Home Blessings
Sick, Hospital Visits, or Funerals

Call Father Bala 806-340-8929 or the Office 806-945-2616

**Baptism** - One sponsor must be Catholic, confirmed & 14 years old

Marriage - contact office 6 months in advance Engaged Encounter & Natural Family Planning classes needed.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Mon - Wed 10:am - 4pm Thurs- Fri 9am - 1pm

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday by 4p.m.

Parish Website: hfpn.org

Parish Email: Holyfamilynaz@gmail.com

#### **ADORATION**

Wed 8am - Thurs 1am Holy Family Inn

Family Eucharist Adoration will be held the <u>1st Sunday</u> of every month from 4 - 5pm.

#### TO BOOK COMMUNITY HALL

Alyssa Barton 806-367-3438

Book Home Merc Kamber Kleman 806-240-5594

**Book Senior Citizens** David Olvera - 945-2249

#### EWTN Local Radio

**Nazareth** - 105.5 FM 1010 AM

Hart -102.3 FM (Spanish)

# THE RELIGIOUS STORE

In the foyer of Church Open after Mass on Weekends. Call: Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396 Vera Hoelting

#### RESPECT FOR LIFE PRAYERS

during Blessed Sacrament Adoration

8:00am Wednesday thru 1:00am Thursday The Chapel of the Holy Family Inn

#### THE FOOD PANTRY

Open every other Saturday at the Boy Scout Building

Donations and volunteers are welcome!

#### WEDNESDAY - NOON MEAL

Senior Citizen Building 11:30am - 12pm Home Cooked Meal Each Wednesday \$10.00 per plate

#### **NAZARETH LIBRARY**

Open Mondays 10am - 12pm and Thursdays 4pm - 6pm Come Check Us Out!

Contact: Bev Schulte 806-647-8217 or Rita Hoelting 806-781-8888

#### MEALS ON WHEELS Tuesdays & Thursdays

Holy Family Inn 945-2605 Christine Acker 945-2683