



# Holy Family Catholic Church

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## Deacons

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## Parish Staff

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<b>Holy Family Inn:</b>	Monette Schilling.....806-290-2560
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<b>Church Grounds:</b>	Mandy Schilling.....806-945-5471
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<b>Parish Council Pres:</b>	Dolores Quintana.....806-945-2616
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<b>Prayer Chain:</b>	Dorothy Kleman.....806-945-2396
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	Lenora Braddock.....806-367-3445

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY  
BEFORE MASS - 4:30PM

## SUNDAY REFLECTION April 16, 2023

Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24  
1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

We are children of Jesus' Resurrection from the dead. Through this wondrous sign of His great mercy, the Father of Jesus has given us new birth, as we hear in today's Epistle.

Today's First Reading sketches the "family life" of our first ancestors in the household of God. We see them doing what we still do—devoting themselves to the Apostles' teaching, meeting daily to pray and celebrate "the breaking of the bread." The Apostles saw the Lord. He stood in their midst, He showed them His hands and sides. They heard His blessing and received His commission: to extend the Father's mercy to all peoples through the power and Spirit He conferred upon them.

We must walk by faith and not by sight—we must believe and love what we have not. Yet, the invisible realities are made present for us through the devotions the Apostles handed on. Notice the experience of the risen Lord in today's Gospel is described in a way that evokes the Mass.

Both appearances take place on a Sunday. The Lord comes to be with His disciples. They rejoice, listen to His Word, and receive the gift of His forgiveness and peace. He offers His wounded body to them in remembrance of His Passion. And they know and worship Him as their Lord and their God.

Thomas' confession is a vow of faith in the new covenant. As promised long before, in the blood of Jesus we can now know the Lord as our God and be known as His people.

This confession is sung in the heavenly liturgy. And in every Mass on earth we renew our covenant and receive the blessings Jesus promised for those who have not seen but have believed.

In the Mass, God's mercy endures forever, as we sing in today's Psalm. This is the day the Lord has made—when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes.

**Liturgical Ministers****Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 5:30pm****Servers:** Zac Huseman, Braeli Fuller, Steele Moore**Lectors:** Keith Hoelting, Carolyn Wilhelm**Hospitality:** Betty Acker & Sandra Kleman**Gift Bearer:** Ryan Birkenfeld Family**Ushers:** Parish Council**Sunday, April 23, 2023 at 9:15am****Servers:** Simon Snead Tripp Ethridge, Rhett Ethridge**Lectors:** Samantha Fulkerson, Stephanie DeMoss**Hospitality:** Judy Lange & Dwayne Acker**Gift Bearer:** Cecil & Lenora Braddock**Ushers:** Parish Council

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**Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 5:30pm****Servers:** Jett Ramaekers, Brynli Schilling,  
Jaxton Schilling**Lector:** Joel Gerber, Jeanie Birkenfeld**Hospitality:** Mary Verkamp & Joel Gerber**Gift Bearer:** Dusty Braddock**Ushers:** Parish Council**Sunday, April 30, 2023 at 9:15am****Servers:** Lily Rios, Alyssa Rios, Oren Welps**Lectors:** Josh Raef, Sterl Welps**Hospitality:** Harold & Kay Venhaus**Gift Bearer:** Steven Birkenfeld Family**Ushers:** Parish Council**This Week's Mass Intentions****Monday - April 17, 2023**5:30pm - Olen Schulte, RIP  
Anniversary April 4th - (*Barbara Schulte & Family*)**Tuesday - April 18, 2023**7:00am - Father Harold Heiman, RIP  
(*Mark & Vera Hoelting*)**Wednesday - April 19, 2023**5:30pm - John & Meta Stork, RIP  
(*Dennis & Dolores Heiman*)**Thursday - April 20, 2023**5:30pm - Arnold Huseman, RIP  
*Anniversary (Family)***Friday - April 21, 2023**5:30pm - Evelyn Albracht, RIP  
*Christian Mothers***Saturday - April 22, 2023**5:30pm - Steve Albracht, RIP  
(*Sam & Margie Albracht*)**Sunday - April 23, 2023**

9:15am - Parishioners

**STEWARDSHIP****April 8th & 9th, 2023**

Identifiable Contributors - \$9,053.75

\*\*Children Collection - \$66.00

Votive Collection - 0

**Total Collection - \$9,119.75****Alms - \$1,840.00*****THANKS FOR YOUR SHARING  
OF GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH US!******Please Pray For . . .*****All our sick and elderly**Joshua Moore, Guy Raef, Christine Acker, Buck Jones,  
Dolly Schulte, Ralph Albracht, Doris Steffens, Corinne  
Leinen, Derwin Huseman, Angie Venhaus,.**all those in Ministry, especially**Our Parish Vocations: Father Bala, Fr. Nick Gerber  
and Fr. John Dalton, Father Bhaskar; Dcn Bob Birkenfeld,  
Dcn Joe Hochstein and  
All Religious from Holy Family Parish**And for our deceased loved ones**  
**ART BROCKMAN, RIP**Pray for Good Moisture  
& Peace in the world !!

Thank you Lord for our many blessing!

# **This Week's Calendar**

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

**Divine Mercy**

**Confirmation & 1st Communion**

9:15am - Mass

**Monday, April 17, 2023**

5:30pm - Mass

6:30pm - Safe Environment Class

**Tuesday, April 18, 2023**

6:00am - Men's Prayer Group

7:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

**Wednesday, April 19, 2023**

8am-1am - Adoration in Chapel in the Inn

11:30am -Noon Meal : Potato Bar

5:30pm - Mass

6:30pm - No CCD K-12

**Thursday, April 20, 2023**

5:30pm - Mass

**Friday, April 21, 2023**

5:30pm - Mass

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

5:30pm - Mass

9:00am - Mass/South Spring Deanery

**Sunday, April 23, 2023**

9:15am - Mass

2:00pm - Auxiliary Bingo at Senior Citizens Bldg

# **Announcements**

**Safe Environment Class** will be held at the CCD Building, April 17th at 6:30pm.

**Senior Citizens** - Meeting & Meal, May 7th at 6:30pm

**Library Book Study** - Discussion on Twelve Extraordinary Women will start the week of April 17. 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.

**Auxiliary Bingo** - Will be April 23rd at the Senior Citizens Bldg. 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.

**With our busy schedule this past week**, we let "Uplift your Priests Week" (April 16 - April 22) slip by. We would like to take time to Thank Fr. Bala for coming to Nazareth and for his service as our priest. Thank you Father Bala for all you do!!.

**It's that time again! 2023-2024 UCA!** The new UCA will be starting soon and we will hand out envelopes soon. We ask that you may want to close out this years UCA pledges before the new one starts. Thank you for all your donations.

## **THANK YOU NOTE:**

Thank you to Deacon Joe and Angie, Father Bala, Deacon Bob, Parish Council, Sunday morning choir, Knights of Columbus, and the whole community for your support and for making the Vigil and reception so wonderful! It was a beautiful night!

Chris DeMoss, Shelby Schwartz,  
Mercedes Pacheco and our families

## **Nazareth Library**

Open Mondays 10am - 12pm and

Thursdays - 4pm - 6pm

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

## **Religious Article Store**

Stop by and see what all we have  
for Confirmation, First Communion & Baptisms

Open after Each Weekend Mass

## **Wednesday Noon Meal**

Every Wednesday

at the Senior Citizen's Bldg

\$10.00 a plate - 11:30am -12:30pm

April 19th Meal : Potato Bar

# Coming Soon!

## COOPER RAY

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

He is one of today's top speakers, worship leaders and retreat facilitators!

Cooper Ray was a speaker and worship leader at the Steubenville Retreat the youth attended last summer in Springfield, Missouri.

Cooper is currently the Director of Programming for Newman Ministry. He hold a Bachelors in Psychology and Master in Pastoral Studies He lives in Flower Mound, Texas with his wife and three sons.



## CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Kate Brockman  
Tripp Ethridge  
Callen Hochstein  
Harper Johnson  
Oliver Meador  
Cameron Pohlmeier

Lincoln Pohlmeier  
Olivia Raef  
Addison Schulte  
Dayne Schulte  
Zane Schulte  
Mallory Wilhelm



## 2023 FIRST COMMUNION

Kalem Aleman  
Wyatt Bennett  
Bensen Birkenfeld  
Declan Braddock  
Drew Brockman  
Hadley Brockman  
Benjamin Fulkerson

Charlotte Hochstein  
Brooklyn Kleman  
Crew McLarty  
Braxton Moreno  
Hudson Osmanski  
Jade Payne  
Kaylie Schilling  
Kin Welps



## 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](http://hfpn.org)

**Parish Email:**  
[Holyfamilynaz@gmail.com](mailto:Holyfamilynaz@gmail.com)

### ADORATION

Wed 8am - Thurs 1am  
Holy Family Inn

Family Eucharist Adoration will  
be held the 1st Sunday 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!

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### MEALS ON WHEELS Tuesdays & Thursdays

Holy Family Inn 945-2605  
Christine Acker 945-2683