

Pastor: Father Balaswamy Polisetti

Father Bala - 806-340-8929

### **Deacons**

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

## **Parish Staff**

Christian Formation:
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Youth Director: Sacramental Records: Mass Intentions: RCIA:

**Holy Family Inn:** 

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#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

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

CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY BEFORE MASS - 4:30PM

# Holy Family Catholic Church

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## SUNDAY REFLECTION April 30, 2023

Acts 2:14, 36–41; Psalm 23:1–6 1 Peter 2:20–25; John 10:1–10

Easter's empty tomb is a call to conversion. By this tomb, we should know for certain that God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah, as Peter preaches in today's First Reading. He is the "Lord," the divine Son that David foresaw at God's right hand. And He is the Messiah that God had promised to shepherd the scattered flock of the house of Israel.

As we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus is that Good Shepherd, sent to a people who were like sheep without a shepherd. He calls not only to the children of Israel but to all those far off from Him—to whomever the Lord wishes to hear His voice. The call of the Good Shepherd leads to the restful waters of Baptism, to the anointing oil of Confirmation, and to the table and overflowing cup of the Eucharist, as we sing in today's Psalm.

Again on this Sunday in Easter, we hear His voice calling us His own. He should awaken in us the response of those who heard Peter's preaching. "What are we to do?" they cried. We have been baptized. But each of us goes astray like sheep, as we hear in today's Epistle. We still need daily to repent, to seek forgiveness of our sins, to separate ourselves further from this corrupt generation.

We are called to follow in the footsteps of the Shepherd of our souls. By His suffering He bore our sins in His body to free us from sin. But His suffering is also an example for us. From Him we should learn patience in our afflictions, to hand ourselves over to the will of God.

Jesus has gone ahead, has driven us through the dark valley of evil and death. His Cross has become the narrow gate through which we must pass to reach His empty tomb—the verdant pastures of life abundant.

## **Liturgical Ministers**

# Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Zane Schulte, Jett McLarty, Kambyl McLarty

Lectors: Bryan Charanza, Mary Lou Schmucker

Hospitality: Sandra Kleman, Joel Gerber

Gift Bearer: Dale & Mona Brockman

**Ushers:** Parish Council

## Sunday, May 7, 2023 at 9:15am

Servers: Spencer Acker, Drew Bennett, Colton Bennett

Lectors: Dwight Acker, Felice Acker

Hospitality: Lisa Braddock, Sandee Hoelting

Gift Bearer: Lisa Braddock Family

**Ushers:** Parish Council

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## Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Reid Backus, Blaise Snead, Jentri Birkenfeld

Lectors: Harley Gerber, Max Snead

**Hospitality**: 8th Grade Class **Gift Bearer**: Seniors of 2023

**Ushers:** Parish Council

## Sunday, May 14, 2023 at 9:15am

**Servers:** Samantha Fulkerson, Michael Fulkerson,

Kamden Osmanski

Lectors: Vera Huseman, Samantha Fulkerson

**Hospitality**: Judy Lange, Dwyane Acker **Gift Bearer**: Darryl & Joann Birkenfeld

**Ushers:** Parish Council

Pray for Good Moisture & Peace in the world!!

Thank you Lord, for the moisture we have received!

## This Week's Mass Intentions

## Monday - May 1, 2023

5:30pm - Christian Formation Teachers & their ministry

## **Tuesday - May 2, 2023**

7:00am - Bruce Braddock, RIP (Alec & Kristin Braddock)

Wednesday - May 3, 2023

5:30pm - CCD Students & Teachers

### Thursday - May 4, 2023

5:30pm - Fr. Ken Keller, RIP (Keith & Kim Birkenfeld)

### Friday - May 5, 2023

5:30pm - Mary Lou Birkenfeld, RIP (Mary Vekamp)

### Saturday - May 6, 2023

5:30pm - Deceased members of Butch Olvera Family, RIP (David & Mary Lynn Olvera)

**Sunday - May 7, 2023** 

9:15am - Parishioners

## **STEWARDSHIP**

#### April 22nd & 23rd, 2023

Identifiable Contributors - \$3,423.00

Children Collection - \$28.50

Votive Collection - \$54.50

Total Collection - \$3,506.00

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

## Please Pray For . . .

#### All our sick and elderly

Joshua Moore, Christine Acker, 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
EVELYN HILL, RIP
GLENDA EHLY GERBER, RIP
GUY RAEF, RIP

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## This Week's Calendar

## Sunday, April 30, 2023

9:15am - Mass

Monday, May 1, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

**Tuesday, May 2, 2023** 

6:00am - Men's Prayer Group

7:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

## Wednesday, May 3, 2023

8am-1am - Adoration in Chapel in the Inn 11:30am -Noon Meal : Pork Tenderloin

6:30pm - May Crowning CCD K-12



Thursday, May 4, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Friday, May 5, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

Saturday, May 6, 2023

5:30pm - Mass

## **Sunday, May 7, 2023**

9:15am - Mass

3:00pm - Youth Mass

6:30pm - Senior Citizens Meal & Meeting

## **Nazareth Library**

Open Monday 10am - 12pm and Thursday - 4pm - 6pm

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

# Religious Article Store

We have Mother's Day Cards!!!

Open after Each Weekend Mass

Or call Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396

## **Announcements**

Father Bala will be leaving to go to his newly assigned church in Groom Texas on May 4th. We would like to Thank You Father Bala, for your service to Holy Family Parish in this short time you were here. We wish you the best in your new Parish and new town and invite you to visit us when you can.

Good Luck Father Bala and God be with you!!!

The new 2023 Holy Family Bereavement Book is in the back of church. Please pick one up. Thank you.

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

<u>Local Scholarship meeting</u> will be Wednesday, May 10th in the Nazareth ISD Library at 3:45pm. Any organization or persons wanting to give a scholarship is welcome!

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 2022-2023 UCA pledges before the new one starts. Thank you.

<u>The Religious Article Store</u> has Mother's Day Cards!! *Mother's day is May 14th.* 

<u>The Catholic Daughters</u> will be having a garage sale in conjunction with the City Wide Garage Sale on June 10th. If you have any donations call Mary VeKamp 806-410-6074; Alisha Womack 806-240-2811

## Thank you Note:

I would like to thank everyone in this great community for their prayers, cards, visits and calls, during my surgery and recovery. Such a Blessed place to live.

Rusty Schacher

## **Wednesday Noon Meal**

Every Wednesday
at the Senior Citizen's Bldg
\$10.00 a plate - 11:30am –12:30pm
May 3rd Meal: Pork Tenderloin



## 79th Celebration of "May Crowning" May 3,2023 Court



Pages: Kolbe Raef/Hayse Moore Train Bearer: Crew McLarty Crown Bearer: Morgan Schulte Rosary Bearer: Claire Kleman

May Queen: IRIS SCHILDERINK

Maid of Honor: Kamre Mask

Maid of Honor: Mary Nelson

Pages: Leo Huseman Wyatt Schulte Pages: Joseph Snead Thomas Wanjura

Maid of Honor: Kaci Kleman Pages: John Paul Snead Trate Waggoner

Attendants: Maddie Leochner escorted by Brett Heitschmidt Lily Rios escorted by Tanner Birkenfeld

Chloe Birkenfeld escorted by Carson Heiman Riley Ramaekers escorted by Luke Schulte

> Candle Bearer: Kattey Gerber Rose Bearer: Harley Gerber Bible Bearer: Emerson Moore

Father Balaswamy Polisetti

Deacons: Joe Hochstein & Bob Birkenfeld

Servers: Brynli Schilling, McKinley Moore, Jet McLarty

Lectors: First Communion Students Gift Bearers: First Communion Students Eucharistic Ministers: Samath Fulkerson, Sterl Welps, Alyssa Barton, Dawn Ramaekers, Diane Heitschmidt Programs: Simon Snead, Bradyn Bullard

**Everyone** is invited to the **May Crowning Ceremony** Wednesday, May 3rd at 6:30pm Also ioin us after Mass under the awning of the Community Hall for a Hamburgers Cookout.

For every lesson you've prepared , the love of God has been shared!



All CCD Teachers and their guests are invited to a Teacher Appreciation Celebration and meal at 6:00pm at the KC Hall on Sunday, May 7th.

Thank you for all you do!!!!

# 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 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 fover 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