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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - Friday - 5:30pm

Saturday - 5:30pm Sunday - 9:15am

Office Hours: M-W 10 - 4pm

Th-Fr 9-1pm

Confessions on Saturday
1 hour before Mass

# Holy Family Catholic Church

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But blessed are your eyes, for they see: And your ears, for they hear.

# SUNDAY REFLECTION July 16th. 2023

Isaiah 55:10–11; Psalm 65:10–14 Romans 8:18–23; Matthew 13:1–23

Today's readings, like last week's, ask us to meditate on Israel's response to God's Word—and our own. Why do some hear the word of the kingdom, yet fail to accept it as a call to conversion and faith in Jesus? That question underlies today's Gospel especially.

Again, we see, as we did last week, that the kingdom's mysteries are unfolded to those who open their hearts, making of them a rich soil in which the Word can grow and bear fruit.

As we sing in today's Psalm, in Jesus, God's Word has visited our land to water the stony earth of our hearts with the living waters of the Spirit.

The first fruit of the Word is the Spirit of love and adoption poured into our hearts in Baptism, making us children of God, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle. In this, we are made a "new creation", the first fruits of a new heaven and a new earth.

Since the first humans rejected God's Word, creation has been enslaved to futility. But God's Word does not go forth only to return to Him void, as we hear in today's First Reading.

His Word awaits our response. We must show ourselves to be children of that Word. We must allow that Word to accomplish God's will in our lives. As Jesus warns today, we must take care lest the devil steals it away or lest it be choked by worldly concerns.

In the Eucharist, the Word gives Himself to us as bread to eat. He does so that we might be made fertile, yielding fruits of holiness. And we await the crowning of the year, the great harvest of the Lord's Day —when His Word will have achieved the end for which it was sent.

# **Liturgical Ministers**

### Saturday, July 22, at 9:15am

Servers: Spencer Acker, Kamden Osmanski,

Kaylin Acker

**Lectors:** Dwight Acker, Felice Acker **Hospitality**: Betty Acker & Judy Lange

Gift Bearer: Don & Betty Acker

**Ushers:** Parish Council

## Sunday, July 23, 2023 at 5:30pm

**Servers:** Bryson Brockman, Drew Bennett,

**Colton Bennet** 

Lectors: Samantha Fulkerson, Angela Fulkerson

Hospitality: Joel Gerber & Lisa Braddock

Gift Bearer: Norman & Stacy Gerber

**Ushers:** Parish Council

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# Saturday, July 29, at 5:30pm

Servers: Zac Huseman, Jett McLarty,

Kambyl McLarty

Lectors: JC Pohlmeier, Keith Birkenfeld

Hospitality: Sandra Kleman & Mary Verkamp

Gift Bearer: Stanley & Cindy Gerber

**Ushers:** Parish Council

#### Sunday, July 30, 2023 at 9:15am

Servers: Daniel Schacher, Trapper Neill, Archer Neill

**Lectors:** Joel Gerber, Vera Huseman **Hospitality**: Harold & Kay Venhaus

Gift Bearer: Veronica Gonzales Family

**Ushers:** Parish Council

Pray for Moisture Pray for Peace!!

# This Week's Mass Intentions

#### Monday - July 17, 2023 No Mass

Tuesday - July 18, 2023 5:30pm - Art Brockman, RIP (Class of 1965)

Wednesday - July 19, 2023 5:30pm - Doris Steffens, RIP (Bob & Katherine Fisher)

**Thursday - July 20, 2023** 5:30pm - Estelle Keys, RIP *(Family)* 

Friday - July 21, 2023 5:30pm - Herman Birkenfeld, RIP (Family)

Saturday - July 22, 2023 5:30pm - Deanna Huseman, RIP (Denny & Dolores Heiman)

**Sunday - July 23, 2023** 9:15am - Parishioners

### **STEWARDSHIP**

July 9th, 2023

Identifiable Contributors - \$7,018.00

Children Collection - \$48.50

Votive Collection - \$32.10

Total Collection - \$7,099.20

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

# Please Pray For . . .

#### All our sick and elderly

Glenn Ehly, Joshua Moore, Christine Acker, Ralph Albracht, Joanne Lacy, Chunky Wilhelm, Clayton Acker, Phillip Birkenfeld, Brandy Murrell

### all those in Ministry, especially

Our Parish Vocations: Father Raj Samala, 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

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# This Week's Calendar

# **Sunday, July 16, 2023**

9:15am - Mass in Holy Family Church/ 2nd Collection Solidarity with Church in Africa

# Monday, July 17, 2023

No Mass

Steubenville Youth & Sponsors return home.

# **Tuesday, July 18, 2023**

6:00am - Men's Prayer Group

5:30pm - Mass

# Wednesday, July 19, 2023

8am-1am - Adoration at the Chapel in the Inn 5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

# Thursday, July 20, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

# Friday, July 21, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

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### Sunday, July 23, 2023

9:15am - Mass in Holy Family Church

# **NAZARETH LIBRARY**

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

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

# Religious Article Store

Come see what we have!!!

Open after Each Weekend Mass

Or call Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396

# **Announcements**

Upcoming Acts Retreats: Women's ACTS
Retreat is scheduled Thursday, July 20 to Sunday thru
July 23, at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center.

<u>Auxiliary Bingo -</u> Sunday, July 23 at 2:00pm in the Senior Citizens Building.

SAVE THE DATE: August 3rd, 2023, Holy Family Server Appreciation! Swimming at Dimmitt Country Club. 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Grades 4-12 Life guard will be on duty. Hamburgers, chips, a drink and snow Cones. Please RSVP by July 26th. Missy Kleman 806-627-7132 or Jolene Schulte 806-240-0448.

# UCA 2023-2024 Report:

Goal .....\$42,213.00 Pledged .....\$29,000.00 Amount due .....\$13,213.00

<u>Lenten Donations</u> was divided up between West Texas A&M Catholic Center for \$2,626.05 and the other half to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Perryton for Tornado Victims for \$2,626.05.

The Children's Lenten money went to our local Child Protective Service in the sum of \$1,368.86.

The special collection for tornado victims in Perryton, in the amount of \$3,107.00 will go to the diocese along with all of the other churches and the diocese will send to the Perryton.

Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle will host its annual Monte Carlo Night fundraiser Saturday, Aug. 5 from 6:00 to 11:00 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 4100 South Coulter. Tickets are \$75 per person. Reservations can be made online at cctxp.org.

The evening begins with hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner provided by Feldman's Wrong Way Diner of Canyon. The evening will also feature live music and dancing, a drawing for a \$1,000 VISA Gift Card, free gaming and prizes and live and silent auctions. Among the items procured for the auction include an autographed football by three-time Super Bowl champion quarterback Troy Aikman of the Dallas Cowboys.

Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle was established by then-Bishop Rudolph A. Gerken, the first Bishop of Amarillo, on Aug. 15, 1932. The name, along with the leadership, has adapted to best fit the needs of the community. In 2012, the organization took the name Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle. For additional information about the celebration, please call Catholic Charities at 806-376-4571.

## STEUBENVILLE 2023

Adamari Rios Adrian Rios Anna Chea Blaise Snead Bryson Brockman Charly Mask Chloe Birkenfeld Emerson Moore **Emy Schwartz** Ethan Brockman Gracie Raef Harley Gerber Iris Schilderink Jack Welps Jentri Birkenfeld Jett Ramaekers Kamre Mask Kattey Gerber Lexi Ramaekers

Madison Brockman

Max Snead Michael Fulkerson Miles Nelson Reid Backus Riley Ramaekers Samantha Fulkerson Simon Snead Spencer Acker Zac Huseman Sponsors: Allison Kleman Dawn Ramaekers Katv Schulte Briann Wethington Garrett Kleman Steven Birkenfeld Mason Kleman Bradlev Gerber Bob Birkenfeld Fr. Rai

Please keep these students and sponsors in your prayers as they travel home, may they be safe.

Pray that they will always carry the experiences



they received in Tucson and may the love of God always stay in their hearts.

# **AYUSA**

Is looking for host families for 3or 4 students for this next school year.

We would love to place these students in a Christian home and give the students in Nazareth a wonderful cultural experience right here at home.

Here is the link for the

Here is the link for the host application :

Host Foreign Exchange Student /
AYUSA High School
Exchange Programs

or call Heather Tucker at 1-806-685-4624 or email: htucker@ayusa.org



# 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 Raj 806-316-4146 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: Wed by noon

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

Book Rooms at the INN Karleen Hoelting 806-671-1839

#### EWTN Local Radio

**Nazareth** - 105.5 FM 1010 AM

Hart -102.3 FM (Spanish)

# THE RELIGIOUS ARTICLE STORE

In the foyer of Church Open after Mass on Weekends.

> Call: Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396 Vera Hoelting 903-450-7742

# 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

Will return in September

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# MEALS ON WHEELS Tuesdays & Thursdays

Holy Family Inn 945-2605 Christine Acker 945-2683