



## HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Reverend Joseph Johnson, Pastor  
Reverend Timothy Sandquist  
Reverend George Welzbacher

### MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil Mass	5pm
Sunday	7:30, 9 & 11am
Weekday and Saturday	8am
Rosary	7:30am

### EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION:

Saturday	3:30-4:45pm
Friday	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>after 8am Mass</i>

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday	3:30-5:30pm
Sunday	8:30-10am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday	7:30-7:50am

*If only one priest is available, confessions will end 10 minutes before Mass begins.*

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday	9am - 4:30pm
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## HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY

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## December 10, 2023 The Second Sunday of Advent



### TODAY AT HOLY FAMILY

#### Hospitality Downstairs

Enjoy coffee and donuts while visiting with fellow parishioners downstairs in Fr. Moorman Hall after all Masses on Sunday. Meet new people and enjoy parish life together.

#### Parish Library Open

After the 9 & 11am Mass on Sunday, the Aquinas Library is open for one hour after each Mass. This will be the last opening before the new year. Enter through the portico door in the school driveway.

#### Book Fair--Dec 8th-10th

A wonderful collection of children's books are still available for shopping. The event is located in the St. Peter and Paul room in the school. Enter through the portico doors in the school driveway.

#### YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY GOSPEL DISCUSSION

After the 9am Mass, young adults (20's & 30's) are invited to an informal Gospel discussion. Meetings are being held in Kattar Hall in the school building, enter through portico doors. \*Note change in location\*

#### Middle School Gathering

All Middle school students are invited to gather for pizza, games and prayer on Sunday, December 10th in Kattar Hall from 12:30-2:30pm. Enter through the portico doors. Hope to see you there.

### SUPPORT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

#### DONATE TO HOLY FAMILY

If you are a visitor to our parish (or not yet signed up for electronic giving), you can easily make donations by using this QR code. You may also place donations in the basket passed by ushers at Mass.



#### SECOND COLLECTION: CARE FUND

Our care fund helps to meet the emergency needs of our parishioners and those in the community. Contribute online or the offertory boxes in the vestibule.

## PARISH OFFICE

### BAPTISM

Most baptisms are scheduled following the 11am Mass on Sunday or the 8 am Mass on Saturday after parent preparation. Please contact office in advance to set up a date and complete registration.

### MATRIMONY

Interested in finding out more about your wedding at Holy Family parish? Weddings of parishioners should be scheduled at least six months in advance to allow for proper spiritual preparation.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacramental Preparation: 1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation as well as ongoing Religious Education registrations for children not attending HFA are closed for the year but you are always welcome to find out more!

### R.C.I.A.

Want to learn more about entering the Catholic Church. Preparation has begun and runs through Easter. For more details contact [hfc@hfcmmn.org](mailto:hfc@hfcmmn.org)

### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please submit written bulletin submission content 10 days prior to the Sunday bulletin date in which you want the information published.

### Youth Ministry Flocknote

Sign up to receive notifications on upcoming events and activities for Middle school students (Gr. 6-8) or High School Students.



## STAY CONNECTED

### PARISH NOTIFICATION SOFTWARE

Get updates through Holy Family's communication tool, Flocknote. You'll get weekly updates from the parish, as well as any timely updates from the groups you join (e.g. Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament, Youth Group, etc...).

### JOIN FLOCKNOTE:

1. Visit [www.flocknote.com/HFC-](http://www.flocknote.com/HFC-) or -Text HFCMN to 84576
2. Fill in your information and join those groups that pertain to you.
3. You can log in anytime to change what groups you follow!

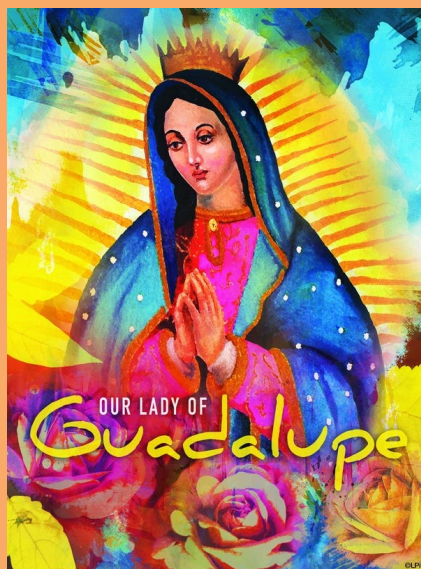


**BROWSE AND REGISTER FOR ALL EVENTS**  
**[WWW.HFCMN.ORG](http://WWW.HFCMN.ORG)**

## HERE AT HOLY FAMILY

### Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe-Dec 17th, 12-2pm

Everyone is invited to come celebrate the gift of Our Lady's dedication and appearance to St. Juan Diego during our parish celebration on December 17th.



There will be Hispanic food to savor and piñatas for the kids to enjoy from 12-2pm.

Please RSVP online so that food can be planned accordingly.

If you are able to help, sign up online or contact [liz.toenjes@hfcmmn.org](mailto:liz.toenjes@hfcmmn.org).

Event is a free will offering.

*In preparation, no hospitality following the 7:30 and 9am Masses on Dec 17th*

## NATIVITY PAGEANT

### Children's Christmas Pageant-Dec 24th, 4pm

All children from Holy Family Parish, ages 5-12, are invited to act out the Nativity story in the Children's Christmas Pageant. Lots of shepherds and angels needed. Anyone who would like to be in the drawing for the special parts of Mary, Joseph, the Christmas Star, or Angel Gabriel, please contact Marilyn Grutsch (952-240-6191). The pageant will be held at 4pm prior to Mass on Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th. The church provides costumes but you can bring your own.



**Mandatory Rehearsal on Sat., Dec. 16th from 9-11:00am**

## ADVENT ANGELS AND EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

Be a generous "angel" that provides gifts for families that would not otherwise be able to provide gifts this year.

Christmas can be a lonely and hard time for many people. Be generous and show support and expressions of love for our parish shut-ins this Christmas.

Please bring gifts to the church by **Dec. 18th at 4pm** so they can be distributed. See the [website](#) for list of needs.



## Christmas and New Year's Schedule

### Saturday, December 23rd

8am Mass  
3:30pm Confessions  
5pm Vigil Mass for 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

### Sunday, December 24th

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

7:30am Mass  
8:30am Confessions  
9am Solemn Mass  
*NO 11AM MASS (Christmas Decorating Begins)*

#### Christmas Eve

4pm Nativity Pageant & Vigil Mass (children's choir)  
9pm Solemn Mass (choir and orchestra)  
12 Midnight Candlelight Mass (schola) (no livestream)

### Monday, December 25th

#### Christmas Day

9am Solemn Mass (choir and orchestra)  
11am Mass (schola)

### Saturday, December 30th

8am Mass  
3:30pm Confessions  
5pm Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Holy Family

### Sunday, December 31st

#### Feast of the Holy Family

7:30am Mass  
8:30am Confessions  
9am Solemn Mass  
11am Mass

#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

11pm Mass  
Entrust the New Year to Our Lady's care!

### Monday, January 1st

#### New Year's Day: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9am Mass  
11am Mass

#### Pastoral Notes:

\* The faithful are obligated to attend both a Mass for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent as well as for Christmas. There is no "two-for-one" way to fulfill both obligations.

\* The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day) is not a holy day of obligation this year—but the best way to start the year is with prayer!

\* For both weekends 12/24 & 12/31: The Adoration chapel will close at 7am Sunday and reopen after 8am Mass on Tuesday.

## SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP

### CONTRIBUTIONS NOV 24-NOV 25, 2023

Member Envelopes	\$ 8,060.00
Online Giving	\$ 9,750.05
Plate	\$ 862.97
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 18,673.02</b>

*Special Collection: Care Fund* \$ 585.56

### CONTRIBUTIONS DEC 2-DEC 3, 2023

**Due to the timing of Holiday printing,  
2 weeks of collections are reported.**

Member Envelopes	\$ 10,412.30
Online Giving	\$ 22,361.93
Plate	\$ 693.92
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 33,468.15</b>

*Special Collection:* \$ 600.05  
*Altar & Rosary Society*

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Next week's Second Collection will benefit:

**Care Fund**

#### STEWARDSHIP NOTE:

Even when the second collection goes to another organization, please fill out all checks to "Holy Family Catholic Church" with the name of the second collection on the memo line; the church then is able to write one check to the organization.

## SANCTUARY DECORATING

### Christmas Decorating Disciples Needed

On Dec 24th starting at 10:15am. Please contact: Pat.Gawarecki@hfcmmn.org with questions or stay after the 9 and help!

\*Please help create a beautiful experience by donating **Christmas Poinsettias** for the sanctuary. You can donate online <https://hfcmmn.org/pay-altar-flowers>.





## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

### PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Having 24/7 access to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is an immense privilege of Holy Family Parish. Come and adore Christ! Entrance to the chapel is on the west side of the sanctuary end of the Church.

**We URGENTLY need adorers to fill the times in red.**



**Sundays:**  
2-3am

**Mondays:**  
11pm-midnight

**Thursdays:**  
2-3pm

**Fridays:**  
**Midnight-1am**  
1am-2am

**Saturdays:**  
2-3am  
4-5am  
8:30-9am  
9-10am  
10-11am

### We need substitute Adorers!

Go online to [www.hfcmn.org/eucharistic-adoration](http://www.hfcmn.org/eucharistic-adoration) to sign up and turn on notification of substitute requests to see what best fits your flexible schedule.

Click on the [WeAdoreHim](#) logo, then sign up and turn notifications on and select the hours you are available.

More info; please contact our Adoration Coordinator, Mike Zwack, at 612.710.5007.

**For both Holiday weekends 12/24 and 12/31: The Adoration chapel will close at 7am Sunday and reopen after 8am Mass on Tuesday.**

## INTERCESSIONS

Please pray for:

Don Batteen

Patti Doran

Tina Marie Schultz †step-daughter of Terry Spencer

To request prayers, go to [www.hfcmn.org/prayer-requests](http://www.hfcmn.org/prayer-requests), or call the parish office 952.929.0113. Submitted prayer intentions will be shared via "Prayer Partners" Flock note messages and the bulletin for one week.

### HEARING IMPAIRED?

We have an app for that—Listen Everywhere. Please see an usher to access our guest WiFi and then scan this QR code to access the amplification site. You can download the app at home ahead of time. See our website for detailed instructions.



## PARISH CONFESSION NIGHT

Prepare for the coming of our Lord with a beautiful confession. Our parish will have many priests available to hear confession on December 13th from 7-9pm. Fr. Sandquist has prepared wonderful confession guides available on the website: [hfcmn.org/good-confession](http://hfcmn.org/good-confession). Printed guides are in the vestibule to help prepare.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Parishioners are invited for an anointing after the 8am Mass on Wed., Dec. 13th for those struggling with illness, especially the elderly.

## TRAVELING CHALICE

All parishioners are invited to pray for vocations at home.

Sign up for a week to have the Traveling Chalice to aid prayers [www.hfcmn.org/vocations-chalice](http://www.hfcmn.org/vocations-chalice)

**December 10:** Alcantara Family

**December 17:** Reed Family

**December 17:** Koob Family

## PRAYER-INNER LIFE

### FR. JOSEPH ON RELEVANT RADIO

Join Relevant Radio on Tuesday December 12th at 11am. Fr. Joseph Johnson will be a guest on the Inner Life show 1330AM or stream [www.relevantradio.com](http://www.relevantradio.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	Dec	9 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Personal Intentions	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	9 <sup>th</sup>	Colleen Eklund †	5:00pm
Sun.	Dec	10 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. John G. Donahue †	7:30am
Sun.	Dec	10 <sup>th</sup>	Jim and Mary Mitchell	9:00am
Sun.	Dec	10 <sup>th</sup>	For the Parish	11:00am
Mon.	Dec	11 <sup>th</sup>	Helen McDaniels †	8:00am
Tues.	Dec.	12 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Youngberg †	8:00am
Wed.	Dec.	13 <sup>th</sup>	Megan Heeren	8:00am
Thurs.	Dec	14 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Kay Michels †	9:00am
Fri.	Dec	15 <sup>th</sup>	Rita Joanne Danielson †	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	16 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Personal Intentions	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	16 <sup>th</sup>	Colleen Jackson †	5:00pm
Sun.	Dec	17 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. John M. Sieberaler †	7:30am
Sun.	Dec	17 <sup>th</sup>	Anna Flintrop	9:00am
Sun.	Dec	17 <sup>th</sup>	For the Parish	11:00am

*Mass Intentions for family and friends are a beautiful gift of prayer to offer for those meaningful people who have touched your life. If you are interested in learning more, please stop by the church office. The parish currently has open slots available starting in 2024.*



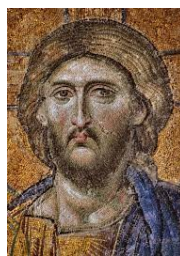
## HOLY FAMILY YOUTH EVENTS

### High School Youth Group-Every Wed Night

All high school students are invited to High School Youth Group on Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00pm in the Sts. Peter & Paul room. Enter HFA through the portico doors.

We get together to pray and to discuss how our faith relates to the way we live, and how it affects the world around us. We focus on the relationship and encounter with Jesus in Sacred Scripture, in the tradition of the church, and the Sacraments.

Pizza is served at 6:30 PM for all those who attend.



### Winter Faith Camp-Feb 16th-19th

Join with youth from other parishes around the archdiocese for a weekend of faith and fun for High School Students (grades 9-12.) This 4-day retreat over President's Day weekend provides an amazing opportunity to grow in our faith and relationship with our Lord, to meet other Catholic teens, and to also for a dose of fun. Registration is open now through January 15. Space is limited so sign up soon! Visit [hfcmm.org/Winter-Faith-Camp](http://hfcmm.org/Winter-Faith-Camp) to register or contact Jonathan@hfcmm for more information.

## HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY

### Babies in Bethlehem

As is past years, Holy Family Academy students and families will be collecting change during the season of Advent to help Holy Family Hospital in Bethlehem that assists mothers and babies who need medical care in the Holy Land. The parish is also invited to contribute to help support this mission. You can make checks payable to Holy Family Academy with Babies in Bethlehem noted in the memo or non-HFA children can bring in their change and drop it off in the parish office by Dec 15th.



HOLY FAMILY HOSPITAL  
of Bethlehem Foundation

### Mark your Calendars-Registration for HFA

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year at Holy Family Academy begins next week! Families with returning students will receive more information about enrollment, tuition and financial aid in an upcoming newsletter. If you will be a new family to the school, the first step is an application for enrollment which can be found under "Apply" on the HFA website. Please contact the Holy Family Academy office with any registration questions.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### Holiday Concerts

#### Providence Academy-December 15th 7pm

The Providence Academy Department of Fine Arts will be presenting the Upper School Band & Choir Christmas Concert on Dec. 15th, 7-8:30 pm. They will be performing both traditional and modern variations of timeless Christmas Classics. There will also be a combined full caroling "sing a long" for those who wish to join.

#### Chesterton Academy-December 18th 7pm

The students at Chesterton Academy will be offering a concert on December 18th at 7pm. This will feature beautiful coral music.

## DISCIPLESHIP CORNER

### SHARING AND CARING HANDS

Come and help prepare and serve at Sharing and Caring Hands in Minneapolis. Our parish is responsible for serving the 4th Sunday of every month. Location: 525 N 7th St. Minneapolis, MN 55405. [www.hfcmm.org/service-opportunities](http://www.hfcmm.org/service-opportunities)

### YOUTH DISCIPLES

If you are interested in helping with upcoming youth events the archdiocese requires all events with children to have disciples certified. Please contact Beret or Jonathan to see how you can help.

### Liturgical Ministries

Interested in learning more about assisting in our Liturgical Ministries? Check out the website for training and schedule information: [hfcmm.org/liturgical-ministries](http://hfcmm.org/liturgical-ministries)

### Dinner at your Door

This program serves the sick and homebound and is looking for more disciples. Disciples deliver meals on the second Thursday of the month from 11 to 1 in Saint Louis Park. Contact Pat.Gawarecki@hfcmm.org

### GET INVOLVED

Check the website for the most up to date lists, sign-ups, groups and more! If you have a confirmation student, contact Beret for service hours. [www.hfcmm.org/get-involved](http://www.hfcmm.org/get-involved)

## EMPLOYMENT

Our parish office is looking for: PT Custodial Help. Contact Bobbi.Hanson@hfcmm.org

Part-Time Positions open at the school. [www.hfamn.org](http://www.hfamn.org) for details.

