

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 *after 8amMass*

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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— ACADEMY —

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December 24, 2023 The Fourth Sunday of Advent



TODAY AT HOLY FAMILY

SANCTUARY DECORATING

Following the 9am Mass Sunday morning there will Christmas decorating. If you are able to help please lend a hand to the crew. There will be no 11am Mass Sunday due to the Christmas Eve Masses.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT-4PM

Today before the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass, delight in witnessing the children reenact the Nativity Pageant.

CHRISTMAS ANTICIPATORY MASS

Solemn Mass with choir and orchestra at 9pm Special Candlelight Mass with the schola singing at Midnight

CALENDARS

On your way out today be sure to pick up 2024 Calendars. Along with enjoying the beautiful art you will have the Liturgical Calendar.

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@hfamn.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



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- 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

HERE AT HOLY FAMILY

Christmas Potluck & Carol Sing-Along-Sat, Dec 30th; 6-9pm

Come celebrate the joy of Christmas with Parish friends!

Saturday, Dec. 30th from 6-9pm

Sing Christmas carols, enjoy a Potluck Dinner and play some games together.

Board games & food in Kattar Hall; Dodge ball in gym.

Enter through portico doors.



Sponsored by the Tipi Loschi group. No RSVP needed. Contact Carrie Havlicek; cchavlicek8@gmail.com.

Feast of the Holy Family and Nazareth Open House Sunday Dec 31st-after all Masses

Enjoy festive hospitality after all Masses on Sunday, December 31st in honor of the Holy Family. Just as the Holy Family found a start in Nazareth, enjoy the first look at the Nazareth House until 1pm.



FAITH & CULTURE

Faith and Culture-Brideshead Revisited-Feb 11th & 17th

Our next Faith and Culture series will be exploring the novel *Brideshead Revisited* by Evelyn Waugh. Dr. Mary Reichardt, Professor Emeritus at the University of St. Thomas, will help us to delve into this classic work to understand how it relates to living our Catholic Faith in the modern day. It's worth obtaining and starting to read this novel soon to be prepared for this wonderful event. The event will cover two sessions on Feb. 11th and 17th from 9:00-11:00AM both mornings in St. Peter and Paul room. Enter through the portico doors.

EPIPHANY PAGEANT

Epiphany Pageant-January 7th, 9am

Looking ahead we will be conducting our annual tradition of the Three Wise Men coming to visit Baby Jesus before the 9am Mass on Jan 7th. There will be parts for the kings, star and the camel.

Mandatory Rehearsal on Sat., Jan 6th from 8:30-9am

Christmas and New Year's Schedule

Saturday, December 23rd

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

Sunday, December 24th 4th 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 4th 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 DEC 16-DEC 17, 2023

Thank you for your generosity, we will have 2 weeks of contributions to report after the Christmas and New Year's Holidays are completed.

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.

Next week's Second Collection will benefit:

Care Fund

WEDDING BANNS

Brandon Yapel & Mary Fink, Bann II

FORMED.ORG

Christmas Specials

There are many Catholic Christmas shows and content available by using a simple search on Formed.org. Enjoy items such as this concert from the comfort of your home:



Our parish provides free access to Catholic movies, books, audio recordings and more. Register and check it out! www.hfcmn.org-formed.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Parish Office

Please note that in order for our staff to enter into the season with their loved ones; the parish office will be closed on Dec 25th, 29th and Jan 1st

HEARING IMPAIRED?

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

EUCHARISTIC 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 9-10am

10-11am 8-9pm

We need substitute Adorers!

Go online to www.hfcmn.org/eucharisticadoration to sign up and turn on notification of substitute requests to see what best fits your flexible schedule.

Click on the <u>WeAdoreHim</u> 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.

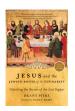
For both Holiday weekends 12/24 and 12/31: The Adoration chapel will close at 7am Sunday and reopen after 8am Mass on Tuesday.

CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMP

COR Expeditions is hosting a private week of Family Camp for Holy Family parishioners (July 28 – August 2, 2024). Is your Family interested in joining us? Located in Wind River Mountain Range outside of Pinedale, Wyoming, enjoy a range of activities from horseback riding, rock climbing, canoeing, hiking, outdoor games, campfires, daily mass, and more. www.corexpeditions.org/family-ranch-getaway Contact Jenny Bullard; Jennybullard@gmail.com

Parish Christmas Gift to You

This Christmas our parish is providing copies of "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist" by Brant Pitri. This book takes a look at the Last Supper using knowledge of ancient Jewish beliefs. It also unlocks the original meaning of the Eucharistic words of Jesus using the Passover, the Manna and the Bread of Presence as keys. Pick one up at the entrances after the Christmas Masses



Merry Christmas

The Clergy and Staff of Holy Family Parish would like to extend our gratitude to all of those who helped to beautifully decorate our church inside and out, raised our spirits with sacred music, assisted in our liturgies and generously support our mission to bring God's love to the world. Thank you for being a part of our spiritual family and for all you do throughout the year.

VOCATIONS

Seminarians on Break

Holy Family will be hosting 11 Seminarians over the Christmas break in the rectory and Nazareth House. Please help sustain them with meals. Sign up dates on the website.



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

December 24: Koob Family

December 31: Open

January 7: Baltazar Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	Dec	23 rd	Father's Personal Intentions	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	$23^{\rm rd}$	Anita Vovk †	5:00pm
Sun.	Dec	24 th	Rev. John M. Sieberaler †	7:30am
Sun.	Dec	24 th	For the Parish	9:00am
Sun.	Dec	24 th	For the Parish	4:00pm
Sun.	Dec	$24^{\rm th}$	For the Parish	9:00pm
Mon.	Dec	25^{th}	For the Parish	12:00am
Mon.	Dec	25 th	For the Parish	9:00am
Mon.	Dec	25^{th}	For the Parish	11:00am
Tue.	Dec	26^{th}	Doug Eastman †	8:00am
Wed.	Dec	27^{th}	Melvin † and Bette † Koopman	8:00am
Thur.	Dec	28^{th}	Francis O'Coner †	8:00am
Fri.	Dec.	29 th	Mary Ann Weldon †	8:00am
Sat.	Dec.	30^{th}	Father's Personal Intentions	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	$30^{\rm th}$	Art † and Joanne † Popehn	5:00pm
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HOLY FAMILY YOUTH EVENTS

High School Youth Caroling-Dec. 27th

The high school youth group will be going caroling on Wed. December 27 in replacement of normal youth group! Meet at the main entrance of the church at 6:30 pm. Will be walking around the neighborhood around the church, so dress warm. After Caroling, will be meeting in the Sts. Peter & Paul room for hot chocolate and sweets until 8 pm.



This is an event for High School Students (grades 9-12)

Adoration Holy Hour -January 5

Middle school and High school students are invited to join us for a holy hour from 7-8 pm in the church with snacks to follow in the NEW Nazareth house youth room from 8-9pm. Music will be the Adore Te group from the parish.

Winter Faith Camp-Feb 16th-19th

Join with youth from other parishes 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 15th. hfcmn.org/Winter-Faith-Camp to register or contact Jonathan@hfcmn.org

Extreme Faith Camp (EFC) 2024-Registration OPENS Jan. 15th

Holy Family Youth are invited to Summer Camp on July 15-19th 2024 for Holy Family youth in Trego, WI. EFC provides an engaging uniquely Catholic experience in which middle school teens can encounter Christ while participating in tons of fun summer camp activities. It also provides high school and adult leaders opportunities to grow in discipleship. Registration opens Jan 15th. Spots are limited for campers (rising 6th through rising 9th graders) so register early! The cost of camp per camper will be finalized soon.

For more information contact Beret (<u>Beret@hfcmn.org</u>) for middle school and Jonathan (<u>jonathan@hfcmn.org</u>) for high school.

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY

Registration has begun for HFA 2024-2025 school year.

Parishioners, if you will be a new family to Holy Family Academy the first step is an application for enrollment which can be found under "Apply" on the HFA website. Schedule of dates for registration and financial aid can be found there too. Families with returning students received information about enrollment, tuition and financial aid in Flock note. Contact the Holy Family Academy office with questions or go to website: www.hfamn.org

YOUNG ADULTS

Metro Young Adults Indoor Sports Night-Friday, Dec 29th

Get together with like-minded people and grow in faith through competition. We play a variety of sports including basketball, dodgeball, volleyball and more. After playing we'll go to a restaurant nearby. Crusader Hall in Holy Family Academy. Enter through the portico doors. westmetroya@gmail.com

New Year's Eve Party-Sunday, Dec 31st

We will be gathering on new years to have a watch party. The event will start at 7pm and end at midnight. Come as long as you wish. We'll watch our teams and stay up to watch the ball drop. Come for a good time with friends and to celebrate the new year. This event is offsite. Check Facebook page for details.

West Metro Young Adults (WMYA) is a Catholic young adult group (ages 21-40) with the focus of giving people across the west metro a place to find community. We host many events including sports nights, trivia, volunteering, game nights, etc. Check us out on Facebook for upcoming events. www.Facebook.com/westmetroya

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.hfcmn.org/service-opportunities

Liturgical Ministries

Interested in learning more about assisting in our Liturgical Ministries? Check out the website for training and schedule information: hfcmn.org/liturgical-ministries

Hospitality

Do you have a few hours to spare to help connect with other parishioners while helping to make the many events offered at our parish possible. Contact Liz.Toenjes@hfcmn.org or sign up to Hospitality Flock Note. www.hfcmn.org/service-opportunities

Nazareth House

Invitation for a "House Mother" to give their time to make sure everything is all set for those who will be using the Nazareth House. Includes stocking cabinets, preparing for guests, etc... Contact parish office if interested for more details.

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.hfcmn.org/get-involved

EMPLOYMENT

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

