



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Reverend Joseph Johnson, Pastor
Reverend Timothy Sandquist
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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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TRUTH • GOODNESS • BEAUTY

December 3, 2023 *The First Sunday of Advent*



TODAY AT HOLY FAMILY

SUGAR PLUM DAYS

Join fellow parishioners for a fun morning of shopping and food during our annual Sugar Plum days at the new location in the Parish Life Center in the school. Books, Christmas gift items and bake goods!

Crusader Hall will be open for the kids to play while your shop and support the work of the Altar & Rosary Society.

There will be cinnamon rolls and chili available for purchase during fellowship in Kattar Hall.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH CONCERT

Come to the church on Sunday afternoon at 3pm for a wonderful advent experience as Holy Family hosts this traditional concert. Tickets available for purchase at the door.

ADVENT MAGNIFICAT

Please pick up an Advent Magnificat by all the entry doors to assist in your Advent preparations complements of the Altar & Rosary Society.

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: ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The contributions collected for the Altar & Rosary Society go toward the upkeep of the liturgical environment. 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@hfcamn.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 - 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



SUGAR PLUM DAYS

DECEMBER 2-3



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

12-7:30 PM - CHILI DINNER (KATTAR HALL)

12-7:30 pm - SHOPPING

Chance Baskets | Handmade Items |
Bake Sale | Books for Sale | \$1 Gift Items

12 - 5:00 pm - KID ACTIVITIES

Nutcracker Corner (Kattar Hall) \$5 Gift Items for Kids

Emmanuel's Room (Crusader Hall) Games & Service Opportunities

New Activities!

6:30 - 8:30 pm - SUGAR PLUM DANCE (Crusader Hall)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:15 - 1:00 pm - Cinnamon Rolls (Kattar Hall)

8:15 - 1:00 pm - Shopping & Bake Sale (Kattar Hall)

10:30 - 1:00pm - Chili Dinner (Kattar Hall)



PARISH CENTER IN HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY

New Location this year!

Parking The school parking lot will be for those who need a close, flat entrance. The church lot and along the street will be available for other attendees. Please be considerate.

The funds raised by the Altar & Rosary Society go toward the upkeep of the altar and all the vestment care, etc. needed to provide a holy and reverent liturgy.

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 Saturday, December 16th from 9-11:00am



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 NOV 18-NOV 19, 2023

Member Envelopes	\$ 9,597.12
Online Giving	\$ 15,423.05
Plate	\$ 622.92
Total Contributions	\$ 25,643.09

Special Collection: \$ 901.05

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.

LIBRARY

Last chance to check out books for 2023 will be on December 10th. Stop by next week to get reading material for Advent and Christmas. Regular Library Hours resume January 14th.

ADVENT ANGELS

Be a generous "angel" that provides a gift of Christmas for families that would not otherwise be able to provide gifts this year. See website for details.

EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

Christmas can be a lonely and hard time for many people. Be generous and show support for our parish shut ins this Christmas. See the website for details.

SANCTUARY DECORATING

Christmas Decorating Disciples Needed on Dec 24th starting at 10:15am. Please contact: Pat.Gawarecki@hfcmmn.org with questions or stop 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>.

HANMAID COLLECTION

There will be a disciple collecting items on Dec. 5th (and Jan. 2nd) from 2:45-3:15pm AND Dec. 6th (also Jan. 3rd) from 7:20-7:50am. They will be in the half-circle parking lot in front of church collecting groceries, gas cards, and household goods. Let's help stock their cupboards for the Christmas season!

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

Tuesdays:
11pm-midnight

Thursdays:
2-3pm

Fridays:
Midnight-1am
1am-2am

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

We need substitute Adorers!

Go online to www.hfcmn.org/eucharistic-adoration or click on the [WeAdoreHim](#) logo, More info; 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:

Jacob Pince
Bernadette, mother of Jackie Schroeder
Mary Ellen Fischer, sister of Joan Cichosz

FORMED.ORG

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

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.



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-DEC. 8TH

Holy Family will celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation with Masses: Dec 7th at 5pm, Dec.8th 8am Mass and a solemn Mass at 7pm.

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 and in the vestibule to help everyone prepare.

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 3: Nick and Mallory Bullard

December 10: Alcantara Family

December 17: Sign Up, Available!

PRAYER-INNER LIFE

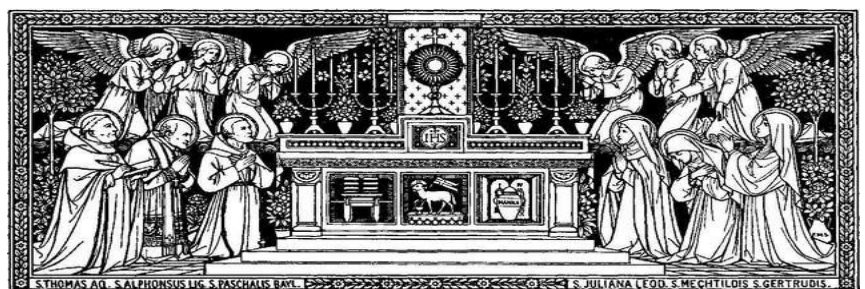
FR. JOSEPH ON RELEVANT RADIO

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	Dec	2 nd	Reparation of Sins of the Clergy	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	2 nd	Berns Family; living & deceased	5:00pm
Sun.	Dec	3 rd	John Leo Berns †	7:30am
Sun.	Dec	3 rd	For the Parish	9:00am
Sun.	Dec	3 rd	Chuck Youngberg †	11:00am
Mon.	Dec	4 th	Riley Havlicek	8:00am
Tues.	Dec.	5 th	Norbert † and Ellen † Sula	8:00am
Wed.	Dec.	6 th	Kolbe Heeren	8:00am
Thurs.	Dec	7 th	Jim Naperalsky †	9:00am
Thurs.	Dec	7 th	Edward † and Ellen † Ring	5:00pm
Fri.	Dec	8 th	Fr. Nick Hagen	8:00am
Fri.	Dec	8 th	Eileen Angell †	7:00pm
Sat.	Dec	9 th	Father's Personal Intentions	8:00am
Sat.	Dec	9 th	Colleen Eklund †	5:00pm
Sun.	Dec	10 th	Rev. John G. Donahue †	7:30am
Sun.	Dec	10 th	Jim and Mary Mitchell	9:00am
Sun.	Dec	10 th	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.

Have dinner together and then spend time exploring our Catholic faith through prayer and discussion, ending with fun and games.

Winter Faith Camp-Feb 16th-19th

Join with youth from other parishes around the archdiocese over Presidents' Day weekend at Camp Courage.

Winter Faith Camp is a faith and fun filled 4-day retreat for High School Students (grades 9-12). This weekend provides an amazing opportunity to grow in our faith and relationship with our Lord via Mass, Confession, Adoration, break-out sessions and more! [Register Online](#).

Middle School Gathering-Dec 10th

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. RSVP [online](#) so that we order enough pizza. Enter through the portico doors. Hope to see you there.

HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY

Wreath Pick-Up-This weekend

If you purchased a wreath during the PTO Wreath Fundraiser, make sure you stop to pick it up!

- Friday 12/1 from 2-4pm, in the church parking lot
- Saturday 12/2 from 3-5pm, in front of the Nazareth garage
- Sunday 12/3 from 10-11am, in front of the Nazareth garage

Book Fair-Next weekend-Dec 8th-10th

Holy Family Academy will host its 1st Ignatius Book Fair. Come browse this wonderful selection of books, crafts, and other exciting material, curated by the Ignatius Press team. There will be Book Guides available to help you find that perfect gift for everyone on your Christmas list!

The book fair will be open for shopping December 8th-10th.

Early bird shopping available at Parent Enrichment Night (open to all parish and HFA families) on *Tuesday, December 5th*.

The event will be located in the St. Peter and Paul room in the Parish Center of the school. Enter through the portico doors.

Disciples needed to make this a success – [Sign up](#) to help online!

“The Churches Teaching on Education”-December 5th, 6:30 pm

Holy Family Academy welcomes Dr. Arthur Hippler, Chairman of Providence Academy's Religion Department for its 2nd Parent Enrichment Night this year. His topic will be "The Church's Teaching on Education". This is open to all parishioners and academy parents. Located in Kattar Hall.

YOUNG ADULTS

Metro Young Adults Indoor Sports Night-Friday, Dec 8th

Join area young adults for a night of fun activities and fellowship from 7-9pm. Activities will be held in Crusader Hall in Holy Family Academy. Enter through the portico doors. Contact westmetroya@gmail.com with questions.

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

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: hfcmn.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@hfcmn.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.hfcmn.org/get-involved

EMPLOYMENT

Our parish office is looking for: PT Custodial Help.

Contact Bobbi.Hanson@hfcmn.org

Part-Time Positions open at the school. www.hfamn.org for details.

