



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth. — Psalm 145:18

Mission Statement: Stirred by the Holy Spirit, the mission of Holy Family Parish is to evangelize our community with the transforming power of Christ through love and compassion for God and neighbor.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11 am, 3 pm (español)
Tues/Wed: 5 pm
Thurs/Fri/first Sat: 9 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm
and by appointment (call the office)

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of each month,
9:30 am-4:30 pm

Marriages

Contact Fr Kyle at least six months
prior to anticipated date.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

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Youth Ministry

Fr Kyle: 985-839-4040

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, noon.

From Our Pastor:

THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION

Reflections on *DIES DOMINI*: Apostolic Letter of Pope St John Paul II on Keeping the Lord's Day Holy

There's not really much I need to add to the following. I will make a few historical notes where relevant. Other than that I'll let Pope John Paul do the talking.

"Since the Eucharist is the very heart of Sunday, it is clear why, from the earliest centuries, the Pastors of the Church have not ceased to remind the faithful of the need to take part in the liturgical assembly. 'Leave everything on the Lord's Day', urges the third century text known as the *Didascalia*, 'and run diligently to your assembly, because it is your praise of God. Otherwise, what excuse will they make to God, those who do not come together on the Lord's Day to hear the word of life and feed on the divine nourishment which lasts forever?' The faithful have generally accepted this call of the Pastors with conviction of soul and, although there have been times and situations when this duty has not been perfectly met, one should never forget the genuine heroism of priests and faithful who have fulfilled this obligation even when faced with danger and the denial of religious freedom, as can be documented from the first centuries of Christianity up to our own time.

"In his first Apology addressed to the Emperor Antoninus and the Senate [written circa 156, Fr. K], Saint Justin proudly described the Christian practice of the Sunday assembly, which gathered in one place Christians from both the city and the countryside. When, during the persecution of Diocletian [from 303-315, Fr. K], their assemblies were banned with the greatest severity, many were courageous enough to defy the imperial decree and accepted death rather than miss the Sunday Eucharist. This was the case of the martyrs of Abitina, in Proconsular Africa [in 304, Fr. K], who replied to their accusers: 'Without fear of any kind we have celebrated the Lord's Supper, because it cannot be missed; that is our law'; 'We cannot live without the Lord's Supper.' As she confessed her faith, one of the martyrs said: 'Yes, I went to the assembly and I celebrated the Lord's

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**Parish
Breakfast**

today
9:45 am

Y'all come!



From Our Pastor, continued

Supper with my brothers and sisters, because I am a Christian.'

"Even if in the earliest times it was not judged necessary to be prescriptive, the Church has not ceased to confirm this obligation of conscience, which rises from the inner need felt so strongly by the Christians of the first centuries. It was only later, faced with the half-heartedness or negligence of some, that the Church had to make explicit the duty to attend Sunday Mass: more often than not, this was done in the form of exhortation, but at times the Church had to resort to specific canonical precepts. This was the case in a number of local Councils from the fourth century onwards (as at the Council of Elvira of 300, which speaks not of an obligation but of penalties after three absences) and most especially from the sixth century onwards (as at the Council of Agde in 506). These decrees of local Councils led to a universal practice, the obligatory character of which was taken as something quite normal.

"The Code of Canon Law of 1917 for the first time gathered this tradition into a universal law. The present Code reiterates this, saying that 'on Sundays and other holy days of obligation the faithful are bound to attend Mass.' This legislation has normally been understood as entailing a grave obligation: this is the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and it is easy to understand why if we keep in mind how vital Sunday is for the Christian life.

"Today, as in the heroic times of the beginning, many who wish to live in accord with the demands of their faith are being faced with difficult situations in various parts of the world. They live in surroundings which are sometimes decidedly hostile and at other times—more frequently in fact—indifferent and unresponsive to the Gospel message. If believers are not to be overwhelmed, they must be able to count on the support of the Christian community. This is why they must be convinced that it is crucially important for the life of faith that they should come together with others on Sundays to celebrate the Passover of the Lord in the sacrament of the New Covenant. It is the special responsibility of the Bishops, therefore, 'to ensure that Sunday is appreciated by all the faithful, kept holy and celebrated as truly 'the Lord's Day', on which the Church comes together to renew the remembrance of the Easter mystery in hearing the word of God, in offering the sacrifice of the Lord, in keeping the day holy by means of prayer, works of charity and abstention from work.'

"Because the faithful are obliged to attend Mass unless there is a grave impediment, Pastors have the corresponding duty to offer to everyone the real possibility of fulfilling the precept. The provisions of Church law move in this direction, as for example in the faculty granted to priests, with the prior authorization of the diocesan Bishop, to celebrate more than one Mass on Sundays and holy days, the institution of evening Masses and the provision which allows the obligation to be fulfilled from Saturday evening onwards, starting at the time of First Vespers of Sunday. From a liturgical point of view, in fact, holy days begin with First Vespers. Consequently, the liturgy of what is sometimes called the 'Vigil Mass' is in effect the 'festive' Mass of Sunday, at which the celebrant is required to preach the homily and recite the Prayer of the Faithful.

"Moreover, Pastors should remind the faithful that when they are away from home on Sundays they are to take care to attend Mass wherever they may be, enriching the local community with their personal witness. At the same time, these communities should show a warm sense of welcome to visiting brothers and sisters, especially in places which attract many tourists and pilgrims, for whom it will often be necessary to provide special religious assistance" (DD 46-49).

Fr. Kyle

**** SCHEDULE TWEAK ****

(this week only)

**Communion service replaces
Mass this Friday 7/30, 9 am**

ATTENTION, TEENS!!!

THIS FRI 7/30 6 PM



TALK TO FR KYLE OR CALL OUR OFFICE: 839-4040



Keeping college students plugged into their Catholic faith

It's an unfortunate but familiar story — a young adult arrives on a college campus a practicing Catholic and graduates a "former" Catholic. The NewmanConnect app helps Catholic students connect, chat with friends and campus ministers, sign up for social events, and grow their faith. This free app is rated 5/5 stars, Encourage your college student, or soon-to-be student, to download the NewmanConnect app from the App Store or Google Play today.



**"Imagine," he declared,
"Imagine anyone
having anything good to tell
and keeping it to himself!"**

The above quote is from *Mr. Blue*, a novel by Myles Connolly being read by our parish's summer book club. (Both the book and the club are excellent; you should join!) The main character, J. Blue, is a young man delightfully unconventional in two ways: his preference for poverty and his contagious joy in God's goodness. In fact, it's his joyous awe at God's action in human affairs that prompts his quoted remark: he can't imagine a person, any person, knowing a good thing, any good thing, and not sharing it with others. He especially can't imagine anyone knowing ***THE GOOD THING***, namely ***God's life-giving love***, and keeping it a secret.

It's just natural, ordinary, *human* to want to *share* good news.

For example, immediately after the Saints' Super Bowl victory, there were fireworks and auto horns blaring in our neighborhood; and that's out in the country. In the city, revelers were out *en masse*. Traffic downtown was at a standstill but everyone was elated. In one instance, complete but happy strangers jumped into the back seat of a stopped vehicle to share a celebratory "Who Dat!" then jumped out again. Try that any other day of the week. But on this day unimaginable good news made that kind of uncommon interaction seem entirely normal. Mr. Blue certainly couldn't have imagined it any other way.

You have good news to share too: you know what a difference God makes. It's totally natural to want to share it with others. Not with every other person, but with someone you know who needs to know more about God's love. ***Pray*** to be led, ***befriend*** so that person can experience God's love through you, and, when the time is right, ***invite*** them to be Catholic. Check with the office about upcoming events. And ***enjoy sharing Good News!***

WHAT TIME
IS IT?

IT'S
***KNIGHT
TIME!***



Catholic men ages 18 and up, and in good standing with the Church, are invited to join the Knights of Columbus. This respected organization empowers Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in the community. Charity is at the heart of this, and toward that end, the KCs support a variety of projects. Next meeting: Thurs 8/12, 7 pm. Questions? Contact Grand Knight Arthur Ardeneaux, 985-515-7070 (evenings).

Please pray for:

Thea Andras; Paul Boudreaux; Jim Bradle; Donna Bruney; Royce 'Brother' Bruney; Beverly Carriles; Keith Chaisson; Johnson Chouest; Flo Clemons; Carol d'Aquin; Heidi David; Paula Davis; Vicki Esquivel; Bill Ferrante; Eddie Forbes; Frank Gennusa; W.H.; Katie Herbert; Linnie Kass; Judd Keaton; Alexis Landry; Grady Laurant; Henry, Tina Lirette; Christy Lorio; Jean Lugo; Mitrik Family; Marie Oswald; Steve Para; Mickey Power; Bill Price; Roy Richard; Caleb Rizan; Nick Tullier; John, Carolyn Watson; Stephanie Weeks; Kayla Whitney; Luke Whitney.

Names stay on the list for three months. To add someone, call 839-4040 or email holyfamilyfranklinton@arch-no.org.

This week's Scripture readings

<u>Mon 7/26</u> <i>Joachim and Anne</i> <i>Parents of Mary</i>	Sirach 44:1,10-15 Psalm 106:19-23 Matthew 13:16-17
<u>Tues 7/27</u> <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i>	Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5-9,28 Psalm 103:6-13 Matthew 13:36-43
<u>Wed 7/28</u> <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i>	Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99:5-9 Matthew 13:44-46
<u>Thurs 7/29</u> <i>Martha, Mary,</i> <i>and Lazarus</i>	Exodus 40:16-21,34-38 Psalm 84:3-8,11 John 11:19-27
<u>Fri 7/30</u> <i>Ordinary Time</i> <i>Weekday</i>	Exodus 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34-37 Psalm 81:3-6,10-11 Matthew 13:54-58
<u>Sat 7/31</u> <i>Ignatius of Loyola</i> <i>Priest, Rel. Founder</i>	1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1 Psalm 67:2-8 Luke 14:25-33
<u>Sun 8/1</u> <i>18th Sunday</i> <i>in</i> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 Psalm 78:3-4,23-25,54 Ephesians 4:17,20-24 John 6:24-35

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly
to proclaim the Real Presence
of Jesus in the tabernacle.

It also burns **July 25-31**
in memory of **Jerry Cancienne**
by request of Esther Cancienne



Mass Intentions

7/24	5 pm	+Patricia Aubye +Louis Lambremont +Shirley LeBlanc Jane Philibert +Hester Williams Young
7/25	8:30 am	Our Parishioners
7/25	11 am	+Richard Baudouin +Jerry Cancienne Paula Davis Geraci Family +Erole and Hilda Kreamer +Santo LoCoco Stephanie Weeks
7/25	3 pm	Ibarra Family
7/27	5 pm	Renée Sandifer
7/28	5 pm	John Jowly
7/29	9 am	Cecilia Ibarra
7/30	9 am	Communion service

Next week's second collection:

HOLY FAMILY CYO (YOUTH GROUP)

All of **CYO's** activities are deliberately ordered towards leading teens to a personal relationship with Jesus, and helping them to understand, love, and live the Catholic Faith with enthusiasm and joy! This collection will result in funds being on hand (thus lowering the cost to our families) for certain off-campus experiences toward this goal. Envelopes are on the shelf near the church entrance. Thank you for your kindness.

Upcoming events

7/28	CYO 6 pm
7/30	Communion service replaces Mass 9 am
7/30	CYO Laser Tag 6 pm
7/31	Confessions 3:30-4:30 pm
8/4	CYO 6 pm
8/5	Pastoral Council 6 pm
8/6	Adoration 9:30 am-4:30 pm, Benediction 4:30 pm
8/7	Rosary 8:30 am, Mass 9 am
8/7	Confessions 3:30-4:30 pm
8/7	Supper & Substance 6:30 pm
8/8	Coffee Social 9:45 am
8/10	Altar & Rosary Society 10 am

The current month's calendar is always downloadable at www.holyfamilyfranklinton.org/parish-calendar, dated the 1st of the month. Print copies are on the bookshelf in church and in our office.

Stewardship Report

Regular Collection	\$ 3,206.00
Building Fund	\$ 100.00
Thank you for your generosity.	