



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule (may vary on holy days)

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: 985-839-4040

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Marriages:

Contact Fr Pedro at least six months
before anticipated date: 985-839-4040

Baptisms

Contact Fr Pedro: 985-839-4040

Charitable Outreach

Friends of St Francis: 985-201-5882

Religious Education

Renée Herbert: 985-630-1121

RCIA Director (Inquiry into the Catholic Faith)

Eddie Boudreaux: 985-630-9997

Maintenance Coordinator

James Herbert: 985-335-4406

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday, noon.

Eucharistic Procession

Last Sunday, our parish witnessed a powerful expression of faith through our Eucharistic Procession, which became a true witness to the community around us. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who joined us on this sacred journey, transforming the church grounds into a pathway of prayer and devotion. As we



honored our Lord in the Eucharist, the atmosphere was heightened by the angelic voice and leadership of Juhn Marie Green, who guided us in song and the recitation of the Rosary. It was a beautiful convergence of worship and community, a testament to the unity and strength that our faith brings to our parish. We carry the grace of this experience forward, fortified in our commitment to live out the teachings of our Lord in our daily lives.

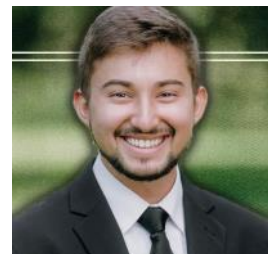
Advent Mass and Confessions

Experience the beauty of the Advent season with our special Advent Mass and Confessions. Join us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. Following the Mass on **Tuesday, December 5th at 5pm**, we invite you to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Confessions. This is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and reconciliation, allowing you to enter into the Christmas season with a heart open to the joy and love that Christ brings. Please join us for this meaningful event as we come together in faith and anticipation. The Advent Mass and Confessions will take place at 5pm. We look forward to sharing this sacred season with you.

Will you answer the call?

Vocation Talk Weekend

Seminarist Mr. Caleb Butler will be giving a vocation talk at the end of Mass this weekend. Let's keep our dear seminarians in our prayers and thank them for their 'Yes' to God.



Poinsettias in honor of loved ones

Donations may be made in memory of loved ones to help offset the cost of our Christmas flowers. Mark your offering "flowers" and place it in the collection, or mail or bring it to the office. All intentions will be listed in a Christmas season bulletin.



Figs or Fig Preserves Needed

We are still in need of figs or fig preserves for our St. Joseph Altar committee. If you have any that you can donate please bring them to the church office during office hours.

Holy Family's Vocations Cross

Part of living our baptismal call to spread the Gospel is to pray for vocations. Holy Family has a **Vocations Cross** which we can sign up to host in our homes for 2 weeks, during which we commit to praying that anyone God calls to follow Him in religious life or priesthood would hear and respond. If you wish to be part of this ministry, sign up on the back table or contact Gina Burdett: 985-320-2744.



Next week's special collection is for the retirement fund for priest and religious. This supports the medical care and day-to-day living expenses of thousands of elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priest. Please prayerfully consider giving to this important cause.

Holy Family



Catholic Church

Holy Family Logo Stickers are available in the Church Office for only \$5.00 each.

Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception

Mass Schedule

December 7th, Vigil 6pm

December 8th, 9am

11am, Spanish Mass



Lectors: come pick up your new Liturgical year workbooks

Lectors, if you haven't already picked up your new book, they are available at the church office. You can pick them up during regular office hours.



As in previous years, Holy Family is making a gift to each family of The Little Blue Book of Advent readings and meditations. Your family's copy is on the back table. The English and Spanish books have a similar covers, so please make sure you take your preferred language.

Start an Advent Wreath with your family

The Advent wreath is an old tradition that remains popular in Christian families.



The devotion is usually incorporated during the family meal or family night prayers. It is rich in meaning and easy to implement, and can be either handmade or purchased. Resources can be found at <http://www.usccb.org>; search "Advent wreath." (And go buy your candles before they sell out!)

i FIESTA! for Our Lady of Guadalupe, Fri 12/12

Clear your calendar for a special Mass to honor Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Tuesday, Dec 12, at 5 pm. Please bring flowers to honor Mary. After Mass, we'll move the celebration to the parish hall for a potluck fiesta, so bring a dish! All are welcome!



Annual Christmas Play Practice December

Practices for our Christmas play, If your child would like to take part in the Christmas play please contact the Church office.

Practice Schedule:

Sunday, December 2nd, 9:30am

Wednesday, December 6th, 5pm

Wednesday, December 13th @ 6pm

Sunday, December 17th @ 12pm



The play takes place on Sunday December 17th at 5pm. Pot luck to follow in Parish Hall.



Knights of Columbus Youth Leadership Award Program



High school seniors that want to apply for the Knights of Columbus Catholic Youth Leadership Award, must fill out the online application no later than January 25, 2024.



QR code will bring you to the website (louisianakc.org) for information and to complete the application. Local winner will advance to the next level.

See website (louisianakc.org) for more details.

Nominating Council: Fr. John LeBlanc Council 12245

Christmas Posada Celebration

December 16th Following 5pm Mass Pot Luck to Follow in Parish Hall

A Christmas Posada is a vibrant and deeply rooted Mexican tradition that commemorates the journey of Mary and Joseph in search of lodging in Bethlehem. Typically celebrated in the days leading up to Christmas Eve, the event involves a community procession, with participants taking on the roles of Mary and Joseph, as well as angels and shepherds. Carrying candles and singing traditional songs, the group moves from house to house, symbolizing the Holy Family's quest for shelter. At each stop, they request "posada" or lodging, and the hosts respond with a song, eventually allowing the procession to enter and join in festivities. The celebration often includes piñatas, festive food, and the sharing of joy and goodwill among neighbors, emphasizing the spirit of unity and hospitality that defines the holiday season.

'Tis the season...

Angel Tree Christmas gift tags will be available starting this weekend, outside at all Masses. Gift return deadline is **Dec. 17 at Noon**. *If you take a tag, it is of utmost importance that you return the gift by the deadline, wrapped and ready for giving with tag attached so it can be correctly identified.*



Thanks for your help with this!

New Parishioner Registration Forms

are located on the bookshelf in the back of church, or in the church office during office hours.

Please pray for:

Judy Ardenaux
Ruby Ballard
Janelle Barnet
Manette Bateman
Kristal Bondi
Jim Bradle
Mimi Brooks
Donna Brune
Jase Cannon
Helen Carpenter
Beverly Carriles
Briley Davis
Charlie and Coleen Delatte
Kenny Denmark
Patsy Evans
Sean Garlick
Frank Gennusa
Jerry Gill
Henderson Family
Shirley Hartman
Lynnie Kass
Jan LaBorde
Larry Lambremont
Danny Luquette
Henry and Tina Lirette
Michelle Machella
JoAnn Magee
Elsie Markert
Jeff Marshall
Cham Mehaffey
Michelle Moffatt
Fr Jeffrey Montz
Lenny Morel
Duane Morrie
Marie Oswald
Stephen Parks
Haley Pederson
Linda Plaisance
Christie Poussard
Mickey Power
Tanda Schilling
Justin Smith (*deployed military*)
Debbie Snell
Jane Varnado
Blake Williams
Deacon Jay Zimmer

Names stay on the list for three months. To add or retain someone, contact our office: 985-839-4040.

This week's Scripture readings

Mon 12/4

Advent Weekday

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122:1-9

Matthew 8:5-11

Tues 12/5

Advent Weekday

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Luke 10:21-24

Wed 12/6

Advent Weekday

Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalms 23:1-6

Matthew 15:29-37

Thurs 12/7

St. Ambrose Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Isaiah 26:1-6

Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27

Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Fri 12/8

Feast of the Immaculate

Conception

Genesis 3:9-15, 20

Psalms 98:1-4

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

Luke 1:26-38

Sat 12/9

Advent Weekday

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26

Psalms 147:1-6

Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5-8

Sun 12/10

Second Sunday of Advent [Year B]

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalms 85:9-14

2 Peter 3:8-14

Mark 1:1-8

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

It also burns **December 3- December 9th** for our parishioners.



It also burns to remind us to pray for deceased loved ones.

To reserve a week in memory of a loved one, contact our office.

Mass Intentions

12/2 9 am Helen Carpenter

12/2 5 pm +Lucretia Cerigny

+Elizabeth Gomez

+Robert Estave Jr.

+Rachel Penton

+Judy Rabuffo

12/3 8:30 am Parishioners

12/3 11 am +Bolotte Family

+Jerry & Esther Cancienne

+Danny Denmark

Frank Gennusa

+Guidry Family

+Brooks Mire

+Henry & Jenny Roche'

12/3 3 pm Helen Carpenter

12/5 5pm +Wynell Ortego

12/6 5 pm Michael Zeringue

12/7 9 am +Craig Sanders

12/7 6 pm Parishioners

12/8 9 am +Fr. Robert Peterson

Upcoming events

12/3 1st Sunday of Advent

12/3 Jr. Youth Group & Communion class 9:30

12/3 Angel Tree Tags are available

12/4 RCIA 6:30 pm

12/5 Advent Confessions following 5 pm mass

12/6 Women's Bible Study 5:30

12/6 Play Practice 5 pm

12/6 Faith Formation 6 pm

12/7 Mass 9 am and holy hour 9:45 am

12/7 Immaculate Conception Holy Day Vigil 6 pm

12/8 Rosary 8:30

12/8 Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass 9 am

12/8 Immaculate Conception Holy Day Spanish Mass 11:00 am

12/9 Get your Angel Tree Tag!

12/10 Get your Angel Tree Tag!

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

Stewardship Report

Ordinary Income	\$2831.00
Online Giving	\$550.00
Total Collections	\$3381.00
Est. Operating Costs	(\$3650.00)
Surplus / (Shortfall)	(\$269.00)
Building Fund	\$85.00
Maintenance/Improvement	\$100.00
Thank you for your sacrificial giving.	

