



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed the Lord is near. Phil. 4:4-5

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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

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Maintenance Coordinator
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Bulletin Deadline Tuesday, noon.

Archbishop Gregory Aymond

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Archbishop Gregory Aymond for joining us at Holy Family Church to celebrate the Vigil Mass. Your presence is a profound blessing to our parish community, and we are deeply grateful for the spiritual guidance and inspiration you bring. Your words of faith and encouragement resonate with our mission to grow in unity and service. Thank you for taking the time to be with us, and may God continue to bless you abundantly in your ministry.



Holy Family Church - Pastoral Council Election Results

We are pleased to announce the newly elected members of the Pastoral Council:

- Laurie Bell
- Terri Burris
- Claire McGuire

Congratulations to our new council members, and thank you to all who participated in this important process! Your commitment to our parish's mission is deeply appreciated.

Please join us in praying for our new council members as they begin their term of service, seeking to guide and support our parish community.



Don't miss Holy Family's Christmas Play and Potluck Party

This year the CCD Nativity play will take place **Sunday, 12/22 at 5 pm**, in the church. Immediately after the play, we will have a potluck supper in the hall. All are invited! You're asked to bring your favorite dish or dessert.

'Tis the season...

Angel Tree Christmas Gift Tags are available now outside of mass. Gift return deadline is **Dec 22nd at noon!** If you take a tag, it is important 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!



Annual Christmas Play Practice

Practice Schedule:

Dec. 15th after 11 Mass

Dec. 22nd-Dress Rehearsal
after 11 mass.

The Play takes place on December 22nd at 5pm.

Pot luck to follow in Parish Hall.



Poinsettias to Honor Loved Ones

Donations may be made in memory of loved ones to help defray the cost of our Christmas flowers. Mark your offering "flowers" and place it in the collection, or mail it to the office. We will list intentions received by **Tues 12/17** in a Christmas season bulletin.



We will have a Christmas Party for all the Altar Servers this Friday, December 20th at 5 PM in the hall.



"PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!"

Extra Advent Confession Times

We put so much time and effort into preparing homes, gifts, and meals, Fr. Pedro encourages all of us to prepare our hearts for His coming as well.

Part of that preparation is to turn away from sin and be reconciled to God! Fr. Pedro hears Confessions **every Saturday, 3:30-4:30 pm**. He has also planned Advent Penance **this Tues. Dec. 17th 5:30-7 PM**. There is a similar event on **Wed 12/18@ 6 pm**, at Most Holy Trinity Church, Covington. December calendars are always available on the back table for you to keep as a reference throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons.



Congratulations to Alban & Karen Bush for winning the Friends of St. Francis Raffle to New Orleans. They will enjoy a 2 night stay at a local Air BNB, a nice dinner, and attend a Saints Game.

Thank you to all who helped support our ministry. This is how we can continue to help those in need!



Office Closed

Please note that the church office will be closed on Christmas Eve (December 24) and Christmas Day (December 25). Regular office hours will resume on December 26th.

Knights of Columbus Youth Leadership Award Program

High school seniors that want to apply for the Knights of Columbus Youth Leadership Award, must fill out application and turn it in no later than January 25, 2025.

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. (CYLA)

See website (louisianakc.org) for more details.
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Info Submitted for our Bulletin

We value your contributions to our vibrant community, and if you have announcements or information you'd like included in our weekly bulletin, we kindly request that all submissions be made in writing by noon on the Tuesday preceding the weekend. This deadline ensures that we can compile and share your news, events, and updates in a timely manner. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated, as it allows us to create a bulletin that is informative.

Donations to our Maintenance Fund

As stewards of our sacred space, we invite you to join us in ensuring the continued maintenance and enhancement of our cherished church home. Your generous contributions to our Maintenance/Improvement Fund play a vital role in preserving the beauty and functionality of our spiritual haven. When making a donation, kindly specify 'Maintenance' in the memo line of your check, and for online contributions, we kindly ask that you make a note of it in the comment section. Your support is a cornerstone of our shared commitment to nurturing and sustaining our spiritual home.



The 3rd Sunday of Advent symbolizes JOY. We again light the candles of Hope and Peace. Today we add the **Rose** candle of Joy.

Prophecy has been fulfilled. The long awaited Messiah has come. Joy is the mood of all earnest seekers.



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.

Support Our Sailor:

Care Package for a Young Parishioner

We are proud to support one of our own, **Nicholas Ordoyne**, son of Elizabeth Ardeneaux, and grandson of Judy and Arthur Ardeneaux, who is being deployed to Japan with the Navy. As a parish community, we'd like to send a care package filled with love, encouragement, and reminders of home.

If you would like to contribute, we are collecting items such as snacks (non-perishable and travel-friendly), small toiletries, handwritten notes, Christmas Cards, and other thoughtful items. Please drop off your donations in the marked box in the parish hall by Monday, December 16th at noon!

Let's show our gratitude and prayers for Nicholas as he serves our country and represent Holy Family Church abroad!

For questions or more details, contact the office.

Online giving couldn't be easier

Have you wished for a secure, simple online way to tithe to Holy Family? Our website provides you with the easiest electronic giving program out there. It allows you to set up one-time or recurring giving, as well as differentiation between various funds. Users will find clear instructions for changing preferences and accessing their records at any time. Even cancellation is a simple process.

Check it out at: holyfamilysfranklinton.org/donate.

Parishioner Registration

short
form ☺

*Please tear out and drop in
collection or give it to an usher.*

Name(s) of Head(s) of Household:

**Phone number we can call to ask for
the rest of your info:**

Please pray for:

Please pray for:

Judy Ardeneaux
Ramona Augustine
Belinda Ayo
Mickie Ayo
James & Ruby Ballard
Barbara Berlin
Sr. Theresa Berlin
Kristal Bondi
Janet Bourgeois
Jim Bradle
Peter Brady
Paul Breaux
Mimi Brooks
Donna Bruney
Jase Cannon
Beverly Carriles
Peter Caulfield
Chauvin Family
Mary Ann Davis
Coleen Delatte
Holli Delaune
Kenny Denmark
Catherine Dufrene
Patsy Evans
Amy Frey
Debby & Frank Gennusa
F. Paul Gennusa III
Grantham Family
Brenda Griffin
Paul & Peggy Harris
Henderson Family
Juneau Family
Lynnie Kass
Jan LaBorde
Lancashire Family
Larry Lambremont
Eve LeBlanc
Tina Lirette
JoAnn Magee
Mirtha Martin
Cham Mehaffey
Michelle Moffitt
Joseph Monaco
Fr Jeffrey Montz
Lenny Morel
Nick Ordoyne (deployed military)
Marie Oswald
Gwen Park
Linda Plaisance
Mickey Power
Jeff Reed
Lindsey Seals
Robert Christian Seals
Terri Schwehm
Justin Smith (deployed military)
Caden Templet
Tammy Thomas
Shelly Tramontana
Jane Varnado
Patricia Young
Elsa Zeringue

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 12/16

Advent Weekday

Numbers 24: 2-7, 15-17

Psalms 24: 4-9

Matthew 21: 23-27

Tues 12/17

Advent Weekday

Genesis 49: 2, 8-10

Psalms 72: 1-4, 7-8, 17

Matthew 1: 1-17

Wed 12/18

Advent Weekday

Jeremiah 23: 5-8

Psalms 72: 1-2, 12-13, 18-19

Matthew 1: 18-25

Thurs 12/19

Advent Weekday

Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25

Psalms 71: 3-6, 16-17

Luke 1: 5-25

Fri 12/20

Advent Weekday

Isaiah 7: 10-14

Psalms 24: 1-6

Luke 1: 26-38

Sat 12/21

Advent Weekday

Songs 2: 8-14

Psalms 33: 2-3, 11-12, 20-21

Luke 1: 39-45

Sun 12/22

***Fourth Sunday of Advent
[Year C]***

Micah 5: 1-4

Psalms 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Hebrew 10: 5-10

Luke 1: 39-45

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

It also burns **December 15th-21st** for **Craig Henry Estave Sr.**

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:

12/14	5 PM	+ Steve Ayo Janet Baham + Manette Bateman Lucy Becnel + Charlie Delatte + Craig Henry Estave Sr. Jan LaBorde + Henry Lirette + Fr. Don Enzo Zoppetti
12/15	8:30 AM	Parishioners
12/15	11 AM	+ Manette Bateman + Jerry & Esther Cancienne Debby & Frank Gennusa Doug Jackson + Willie Marcus Johnson + Henry Lirette + Jose Maldonado Gwen Park In Thanksgiving of Prayers Answered
12/15	3 PM	+ Petra Davila + Florencio Flores + Roberto Morales Trejo
12/17	5 PM	Jan LaBorde
12/19	9 AM	+ Manette Bateman
12/20	9 AM	Jan LaBorde

Upcoming events

12/14	Get your Angel Tree Tag
12/14	Mass with Archbishop Aymond @ 5 PM, reception in hall afterwards.
12/15	CCD/Jr. Youth Group Advent Party 9:30 AM
12/15	Guadalupe Celebration at Annunciation 4:30 PM
12/15	Play Practice Noon in Church
12/17	Advent Confessions 5:30-7:00 PM
12/18	Communion Service 5 PM
12/18	Northshore Deanery Confessions at Most Holy Trinity, Covington @ 6 PM
12/18	CYO Christmas Party 6 PM in Hall
12/19	Holy Hour 9:30 AM
12/19	Pastoral Council Christmas Party 6 PM
12/20	Altar Server Christmas Party 5 PM in Hall
12/22	Deadline for Angel Tree Gifts Noon
12/22	Christmas Play 5 PM in Church and Potluck to follow in hall.
12/23	Posada 6 PM
12/24/25	Office will be closed!
12/24	Christmas Vigil 4 PM & Midnight
12/25	Christmas Mass 10 AM & Spanish at Noon

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 hall.



Numbers were not available at time of printing the bulletin this week. We will post them next week. Thanks for understanding.