



HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in kindness. ~ Psalm 86: 15

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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
Every Thursday- 9:30-10:30 am

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

OCIA (Inquiry into the Catholic Faith)

Call the office 985-839-4040

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday, noon.



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that the Kingdom of Heaven often grows in ways that are hidden, gradual, and beyond our understanding. Through the parables of the weeds among the wheat, the mustard seed, and the yeast, He teaches us about God's patience, His mercy, and the quiet but powerful work of His grace in our lives.

The parable of the weeds can be difficult to understand at first. We naturally want evil to be removed immediately, yet Jesus tells us that the wheat and the weeds must grow together until the harvest. God, in His infinite wisdom, allows time for repentance and conversion. Rather than rushing to judge others, we are called to focus on cultivating the good within ourselves and trusting that God alone will bring about perfect justice in His time.

The mustard seed and the yeast remind us that even the smallest acts of faith can have extraordinary effects. A simple prayer, an act of kindness, a word of encouragement, or an invitation to return to the Church may seem insignificant, but God can use these small moments to transform hearts and build His Kingdom. We should never underestimate what God can accomplish through our willingness to follow Him.

As we reflect on these parables, let us ask the Lord to give us patient hearts, steadfast faith, and the courage to live as faithful disciples. May we trust in God's timing, continue to grow in holiness, and become instruments through which His Kingdom takes root and flourishes in the world around us.

OCIA – Coming Soon!

Our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes will be starting soon! If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, needs to receive Sacraments as an adult, or simply wants to learn more about our beautiful faith, please call the church office to let us know you're interested.

More details will be announced soon.

We are also looking for team members to help with teaching, sponsoring, or hospitality. If you feel called to serve in this important ministry — **we need you!**



Our website is updated weekly, so if you want to know what's going on, or didn't get a bulletin we have you covered.

Religious Ed Teachers and Substitutes needed for this upcoming school year! Please pray about this, it is such a rewarding ministry to teach your Catholic Faith to the kids here at Holy Family! Call Renee at the office or her cell number @ 985-630-1121.



Can you help?

We are in need of Altar Servers!! If your child is in 3rd grade or higher, and would like to serve in this ministry, please call office for details.

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Coffee with Christ – Men's Scripture & Coffee Gathering

Men of the parish are invited to join us for **Coffee with Christ**, a weekly time of fellowship, prayer, and reflection on Scriptures. We will meet every Friday from **6:00–7:00 AM** in the Church Hall.

Start your day with a hot cup of coffee, meaningful discussion, and time spent growing closer to Christ alongside other men of the parish. All men are welcome.

Come as you are and bring a friend! We look forward to seeing you there.

Cade Babin @225-290-5572 for more details!

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This week's Second Collection:

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS

From this collection, the U.S. Bishops' Black and Indian Mission Office awards grants to dioceses, religious education programs, and schools supporting the evangelization of African-American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities. Envelopes are on the shelf near the church entrance.



Faith Formation

Registration:

Our new Faith Formation Classes will be here before we know it! If you plan to attend Faith Formation with your children this year, please contact the parish office or Renee Herbert at 985-630-1121 as soon as possible to let her know. (Don't assume she knows). We will be ordering curriculum books soon, and having an accurate count will help ensure we order enough materials for everyone without ordering too many. Thank you for your help and cooperation. We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer, and look forward to seeing your family this fall!!

Parishioner

Registration

short
form ☺

Please tear out and drop in collection

Name(s) of head(s) of household:

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

Please Pray for:
 Irvin Andre
 Ramona Augustine
 Adam Authement
 Belinda Ayo
 Mickie Ayo
 Karen Bedwell
 Barbara Berlin
 Jim Bradle
 Peter Brady
 Mimi Brooks
 Beverly Carriles
 Rose Copsey
 Baby Andrew Creel
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 Eve LeBlanc
 Sandra Lee
 Jessica Lemoine
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 Helen & Lenny Morel
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 Cheryl Morse
 Colette Mouton
 Ronald Nunenmacher
 Nick Ordoyne (depl. military)
 Marie Oswald
 Gwen Park
 Marguerite Perrin
 Tracy Phillips
 Mickey Power
 Jeff Reed
 Susan Reid
 Earl Ringbom
 Denise Robinson
 Lindsey Seals
 Robert Christian Seals
 Justin Smith (depl. military)
 Kelly Smith
 Marilyn Stein
 Shelly Tramontana
 Angela Tubbleville
 Alvin Triche
 Jane Varnado
 Steve Weins
 Horace Williams
 Patricia Young
Names stay on the list for 3 months. To add or retain someone, contact our office: 985-839-4040.

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Mon 7/20

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Micah 6: 1-4, 6-8

Psalms 50: 5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23

Matthew 12: 38-42

Tues 7/21

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20

Psalms 85: 2-8

Matthew 12: 46-50

Wed 7/22

St. Mary Magdalene

Songs 3: 1-4,

Psalms 63: 2-6, 8-9

John 20: 1-2, 11-18

Thurs 7/23

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13

Psalms 36: 6-7, 8-11

Matthew 13: 10-17

Fri 7/24

Weekday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 3: 14-17

Jeremiah 31: 10-13

Matthew 13: 18-23

Sat 7/25

St. James, Apostle

Lamentations 2: 2, 10-14, 18-19

Psalms 74: 1-7, 20-21

Matthew 8: 5-17

Sun 7/26

17th Sunday in O. T.

1 Kings 3: 5, 7-12

Psalms 119: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Romans 8: 28-30

Matthew 13: 44-52

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

It burns

July 19th-25th

Alvin & Steven Robinson

requested by Joanne Thorp

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



Mass Intentions:

7/18 5 PM

+Robert Joseph Estave Jr.

+John & Judy Glancey

+Pete Smith

+Robert Vishno Jr.

+Genevieve Zeringue

7/19 8:30 AM

+Flo Clemons

+Charlie Delatte

+Carlo Hernandez

+Jan LaBorde

+Lola Wimberly

7/19 11 AM

Parishioners

7/19 3 PM

+Luis Alejandro Morales Barcenas

+Juan Antonio Lujan Lugo

7/21 5 PM

Parishioners

7/22 5 PM

Parishioners

7/23 9 AM

+Richard Jones

7/24 9 AM

Parishioners

Upcoming Events

7/19-26th Family Reach Alliance

7/19 Knights Rosary @ 9:30 AM in the Prayer Garden

7/19 Convivio/Pot-luck @ 4 PM

7/23 Holy Hour @ 9:30 AM

7/24 Men's Coffee w/Christ 6-7 AM

7/24 Rosary @ 8:30 AM

7/25 Confessions

7/30 Pastoral Council Meeting @ 6 PM

CALL OFFICE TO REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR CCD/FAMILY FAITH FORMATION CLASSES!

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

This will be available in next week's bulletin!

