



Advent is a time of
Hopeful longing, Joyful expectation,
Prayerful penance and Spiritual
Preparation.

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December 3, 2023

Holy Family Catholic Church | Shorewood, IL

Holy Family, Pray for us!

Nourished by God's Word & Sacrament, as one family, we are called upon to share our faith in Jesus Christ & reach out to those in need.



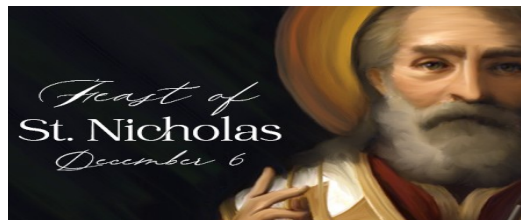
The Year Of The Eucharist



“The Lord accompanies us in many ways, but none as profound as when we encounter him in the Eucharist. On our journey toward eternal life, Christ nourishes us with his very self.

“Once, when told by someone that she no longer saw the point of going to daily Mass, the servant of God Dorothy Day reflected: ‘We go eat of this fruit of the tree of life because Jesus told us to...He took upon himself our humanity that we might share in his divinity. We are nourished by his flesh that we may grow to be other Christs. I believe this literally, just as I believe the child is nourished by his mother’s milk’.”

David Spesia, on the National Eucharistic Revival.



Holy Water Bottles: We are glad that so many parishioners value using Holy water at home. We just want you to know that we do our best to keep plenty of bottles available for your needs. You may also reuse and refill your empty holy water bottles with holy water in the font in the narthex.

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Dec. 4 — Dec. 9

MON 7:30AM	TUES 7:30AM	WED 7:30AM	THURS 7:30AM	FRI 7:30AM	SAT 8:00AM
Irene Frantini	Holy Souls in Purgatory	John & Margaret O'Connor & Family	Sharon Pluth 7:00 pm Vigil Presiders intentions	Michelle Graves (living)	Larry Corcoran

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Dec. 9 & Dec. 10

4:00PM	7:00AM	8:30AM	10:15AM	12:00PM
Don Heintz Lloyd Christensen Anthony Frangella	Lois & Angelo Anzalone	People of Holy Family	Patricia Carter Lynn Kraus Michelle Graves (living)	Hieu & Kim Ngyuen



Mass Schedule

Saturday4:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 7:00am, 8:30am,
 10:15am & Noon
Holy Day Vigil.....7:00pm
Holy Day 7:30am & 7:00pm
Daily Mass.....Monday–Friday 7:30am
 Saturday 8:00am
Confessions.....Saturdays 8:30 –9:00am
 6-7pm during Adoration
Adoration 1st & 3rd Thursdays 5:00-7:30pm

Sacramental Celebrations

Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements must be made through the Parish Office. Parents are required to attend a baptism preparation class. No baptism date can be reserved until the parents attend the class. *Please do not choose Godparents until you receive the established Guidelines for the Godparents at the class.*

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangement must be made through the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the date requested. Please do not reserve a hall or make other preparations before confirming the date with the Pastor. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of Holy Family. Weddings are not scheduled on Saturday evenings or Sundays.

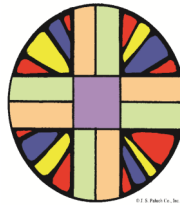
Parish Registration

New families are welcome. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone seeking information about joining the Catholic faith should contact the Parish Office at 815-725-6880



Eternal Life

Richard A Marraccini
 Kimberly J Frias
 Diane Moscato
 Chad Moscato



Baptism

Francesca Jaye Skrip
 Avery Catherine Mostyn

Little Blue Books have daily reflections based on the first reading for daily Mass during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Pick up your copy, in the Narthex, compliments of Holy Family Parish.



*We invite you to help us beautify our Church
 for the birth of our Lord through
 donations towards Christmas Flowers.*

*There is a special envelope in your mailed packet or
 Online Giving.*

*You may chose to honor or remember a loved one(s) by
 writing a
 name(s) on the envelope. Online Givers are asked to call
 your remembrances into the Office at 815-725-6880.*

*Names received
 by Dec 10th will be honored in the Dec 24th bulletin.
 God Bless-*



Reflection on Stewardship

For the period of: Nov 16-Nov 22

Sunday Offertory	\$ 13,702
Budgeted Need	\$ 20,978
YTD Sunday Offertory	\$ 423,189
YTD Budget Need	\$ 440,538
Beloved Traditions	\$ 37
Samaritan Fund	\$ 10
	\$
YTD Average Weekly	\$ 20,152

**Thank you for
 your support of
 the Diocesan
 Catholic
 Ministries
 Annual
 Appeal
 God Bless~**

**God Bless Our
 Children and
 Elderly**

Holy Family Adult Choir presents...

Love Came Down at Christmas



*Celebrating God's Hope,
Peace, Joy, and Love*

Sunday, December 24th, 2023

Concert begins at 9:30 p.m.

Midnight mass follows at 10 p.m.

Immaculate Conception

December 8th

Vigil: 7:00pm Dec. 7th

Masses 7:30am & 7:00pm Dec. 8th



Angel Tree



Wrapped gifts with the tag
attached are due Dec. 3rd with
the tag attached



ADVENT WREATH DECORATING

Sunday, December 3rd

Following the 10:15 AM Mass until 12:30.

Meet in the gym for a fun event for all
ages!

- * A short explanation of the Advent Wreath will be given, Refreshments will be provided, and a blessing of the wreaths will be done at 12:30. A free will offering can be made at the event to offset the cost of supplies.
- * Advent wreaths, candles, and prayers will be provided. Bring your own materials to decorate. (Pinecones, ribbon, holly, stars, Homemade items, etc.)



Fellowship Sunday

December 10th

after 7:00 & 8:30am

Masses

Coffee, Donuts, Juice and Milk

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA DECEMBER 17TH

The Knights of Columbus welcome our fellow parishioners to our Annual Breakfast with Santa.

Breakfast will be served after the Sunday morning Masses 7AM, 8:30AM and 10:15AM

December 17 in the Gym.

Come take a picture a picture with Santa as we celebrate the coming of Jesus this Advent season.

Free admission to all. Donations will be accepted.

Everyone is Invited!



Advent Wreath Prayers

Advent Wreath Blessing

Dear Jesus, as we light the candle(s) on this Advent wreath, may the light of your presence bring joy to our hearts. Bless our family and our friends, and be with all those who are in need this holiday season. Amen.

Week One: *light the first purple candle

Candle Name: the Prophecy Candle

The First Week of Advent Represents: Hope **Candle**

Color: Purple

Purple is the primary color associated with Advent. Within the Catholic Church it symbolizes penance, preparation, and sacrifice. During the first week of Advent we remember the Old Testament prophets who foretold of Jesus' coming with hope and anticipation.

Scripture Reflection: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined." Isaiah 9:2

*pause for reflection

Advent Wreath Prayer: Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

Please join us at....

**FR. BRAD BAKER'S
MASS OF INSTALLATION
AS PASTOR OF
HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

**DECEMBER 10, 2023
10:15AM MASS**

**BISHOP RONALD HICKS,
PRESIDER**



Following Mass, Fr Brad invites everyone to the gym to enjoy a breakfast buffet and celebrate his installation as pastor.

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
SHOREWOOD, IL
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

**RORATE CAELI MASS
ADVENT VOTIVE MASS
OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY**

**Saturday, December 16th
at 6:30am**

MASS IN THE ORDINARY FORM
WITH GREGORIAN CHANT

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL ANCIENT CUSTOM
WHEREBY MASS IS CELEBRATED BEFORE DAWN,
ILLUMINATED ONLY BY CANDLELIGHT. THE FAITHFUL
PREPARE TO HONOR THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD,
WHO IS SOON TO BE BORN, AND OFFER PRAISE TO GOD
FOR THE GIFT OF OUR LADY.



Oplatki
Christmas
Wafers

The tradition of the Oplatki originated in Poland during Early Christian times. This Christmas Custom began with a simple white wafer, baked from flour and water.

Oplatki will be available in the Narthex beginning December 10th No donations necessary, items are complimentary.

**COME,
LORD JESUS!**

REVELATION 22:20

LECTIO LIGHTS OF ADVENT
Let's listen to God speak to us, as we
walk alongside each other on this
journey to Bethlehem.

Thursdays: December 7th, 14th @ 1-2pm
Holy Family Shorewood (Door 5)

2023 Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Vigil Masses Sunday, December 24

3:00 pm Mass in Church
3:00 pm Mass in the Gym
5:00 pm Mass in Church
9:30 pm Christmas Choir Concert
10:00 pm Mass in Church



Christmas Day Masses Monday, December 25

8:30 am Mass in Church
10:15 am Mass in Church
12:00 pm Mass in Church

Holy Family Youth Ministry Mission Trip 2024

To: New Castle, PA (near Pittsburgh)

Dates: June 9-15, 2024

Cost: Approx. \$500 minus Fundraising
Incoming Freshmen Through Graduated Seniors &
Four adults over 21.

Pre-Trip Requirements

Registration Opens

January 28, 6:30 PM **Registration Deadline**

February 11, 11:30 AM Mission Trip Meeting #1

April 28, 11:30 AM **Mandatory Mission Trip Meeting #2** Waivers Due.

Fundraiser Date Time and Location TBD

June 8, 2024, 7:00 AM Depart for CHWC

June 14, 2024, 6:30 PM Arrive at Holy Family

Witness: After the mission trip, each teen is required to show appreciation to the parish, and share about their experience through a one page 400 word written reflection or make a 3-5 minute video reflection to go in the bulletin, and online.

Due June 30.

Contact Matthew Toohill
85-531-3754
mtoohill@holyfamilyshorewood.org



LOCAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 15732 RECEIVES TOP AWARD

Holy Family Parish Knights of
Columbus Council 15732 has
received the distinction of Star
Council, the international

organization's top award for local councils.
The Star Council Award recognizes overall
excellence in the areas of membership, promotion
of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith
formation programs and service-oriented activities.
The Council has participated in blood drives, Coats
for Kids, ID drive, Tamale Sunday, Breakfast with
Santa, Soccer Challenge, Keep Christ in Christmas,
Adopt a Highway cleanup and Holy Hour Adoration
as well as special Olympics.

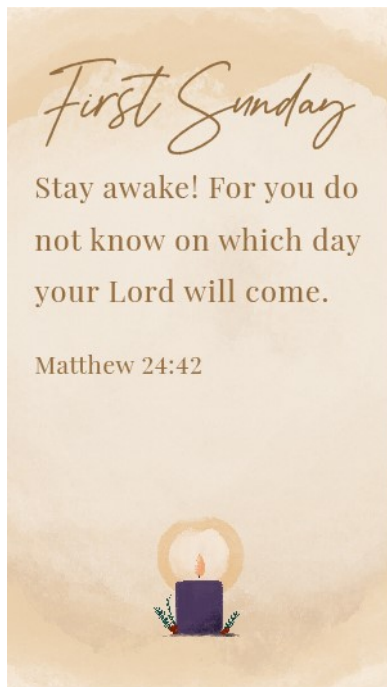
For information on joining the Knights of Columbus
contact local Membership Director Ray Esparza @
alkieresparzanoah@att.net

Save the date!

Feb. 24 -25

A Dynamic WELCOME weekend for women.
Re-Energize the purpose of Christ in your life.

HOPE



Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 3, 2023

Sunday	First Sunday of Advent Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37
Monday	Is 2: 1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1; 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Join the Holy Family Children's Choir!

WHO: Children in 3rd grade-8th grade

WHERE: Holy Family Catholic Church Sanctuary

WHEN: Wednesdays from 4:45-5:45 p.m.

WHY: Singing glorifies God! Service hours for Confirmation students!



Rehearsal Schedule

Christmas choir: Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 13, Dec. 20, Christmas Eve 5 p.m. Mass

Easter choir: March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, Easter Sunday (March 31) 12 p.m. Mass

*Sign up for
Christmas,
Easter, or both!*



<https://forms.gle/VSMQZqs5XuTtDp1A>

Questions or technical difficulties? Contact our music director, Tamara Malebranche, at tmalebranche@holymfamilyshorewood.org or call (815) 531-3706



Prayer to our lady of the immaculate Conception

O Most Holy Virgin, Immaculate in Body and Spirit, like kindly on me as I implore your powerful intercession. O Most Holy Mother, receive my prayers as I present them to God. O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, you intercede for us with your Son. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Our Lady of

the Immaculate Conception, Pray for Us.

MARIAN PRAYER GROUP WELCOMES YOU!

Please Join Us as we Come Together in Prayer on Saturday, December 9th at 9:00 a.m. In the Parish Center, Door #5 (Doors will be open at 8:50 a.m.)

Our prayers will include praying the Flame of Love Rosary and The Chaplet of the Precious Blood. If time permits, more prayers will be introduced

New members are most welcome, and we look forward to meeting you! For more information, please contact Kathy Boyd at kmboyd405@gmail.com



All Women are Welcome!

Next Meeting

Tuesday, December 12th

1:00pm

Parish Center (Door#5)

We will be discussing the book by Bishop Robert Barron, "This Is My Body" A Call to Eucharistic Revival. Copies are available at Word on Fire.

St. Gianna Molla Respect Life Ministry

All are invited!



Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm. In the parish center

Regular members are those who attend meetings.

Auxiliary members are those who agree to pray one Rosary per week for one year with one of their intentions being for Life.

For more information, contact the Parish Office

Roses for Mary

*Join us to make rosaries for charity
Beginners Welcome!*

We meet the second
Thursday of the month
from 6-8pm
in the Parish Hall
(Door 5)

Instruction provided.

*Contact Jen Legreid for more info:
jlegreid@holyfamilyshorewood.org*



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD | 4-8PM
2609 W JEFFERSON ST, JOLIET, IL, 60435

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **VHLRCEW**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

Retirement Fund for Religious

*Please give to
those who have
given a lifetime.*



2nd Collection for Retired Fund for Religious

December 9th-10th

The senior religious in our diocese never retire from their vows, and they play a crucial role in conveying the faith from one generation to the next.

Your support for this collection December 9/10 provides financial assistance for retirement needs for 297 U.S. religious communities.



Communion for the Homebound

Please call the Parish Office
at 815-725-6880
to be added to our current list.

Bereavement Group

FOR WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

*Join us on the third Thursday
of each month*

Parish Center from 4:30 to 5:30PM

Contact Ministers of Consolation:

Donna 815-726-1770

Charles 815-436-4553

Next Meeting: December 21st



FIT SHEPHERDS

FORMING FIT SHEPHERDS ONE WORKOUT AT A TIME

*Fit Shepherds aims to have every man in our community
be in the best physical and spiritual shape of their lives.*

JOIN US!

Saturdays at 7AM in the church parking lot

Ages 16 & up. Contact Britt Legreid at legreid38@gmail.com for more info.



Military Moments

Please take a moment of your day to keep our active duty military in your prayers. Some are serving across the United States and some are currently or will soon be deployed around the world. They have taken an oath to uphold our Constitution and protect our freedoms.

CAPT Sarah Antolik, USAF
 PO1 Emily C Behrel, US Navy
 CAPT Edward Budimier, USMC
 PFC Ryan Boyle, USMC
 PFC Anh-Khoa Bui, USMC
 1st LT Adam Burt, USMC
 COL David Conner, US Army
 PFC Nicole Corn, USMC
 SrA Sicily Cutarelli, USAF
 LTC Mark Davis, US Army
 LTC Matthew Davis, US Army
 CPL Angel DelTorro USMC
 PO1 Zachary Duffy, US Navy
 LTC Donald Erickson, US Army
 SSGT Nino Ferreira, USMC
 LCPL John P Givens, USMC
 LTJG Joseph Guenther, USCG
 SrA Marcus Guerrero, USAF
 PVT Kyle Hanlon, US Army
 PO2 Nathan Haupt, U.S. Navy
 SPC4 Dustin Hayes, US Army
 SGT Brandon Hochevar US Army
 MAJOR Jeffrey Ivas, US Army
 PFC Ryan Jackson, US Army
 SrA Tyler Jass, USAF
 PFC Nathan Johnson, USMC
 SSGT Nathan Kijowski, USMC
 2nd LT Jessy Marasco, US Army
 PVT Yesenia Martinez USMC
 MAJOR Sean Morrow, US Army
 LCPL Timothy O'Brien, USMC
 CAPT Daniel Sean Peet, US Army
 2nd Lt. John Pettas, USMC
 PO2 Steven Silder, US Navy
 PO1 James Stockhausen, US Navy
 AR Jack Sutherland US Navy
 PFC Brandon Vasquez, US Army
 LT Sara Wooten, US Navy
 SSGT Thomas Wooten, USMC
 SGT Ethan Zielinski, USMC

*Please contact the parish office
 to have your family member included.*

Eucharistic Adoration

1st & 3rd Thursday
 of each month
5:00 to 7:30pm

Confessions
 will be heard
 from 6-7pm

No Adoration or
 Confessions on
 December 7 due
 to Immaculate
 Conception Vigil
 Mass

Next date:
December 21st



Prayers Needed

Laila Myers Ormond
 Michelle Graves
 Anita Bottomley
 Robert Riley
 William Holmes

Diane Zehner
 Olivia Givens
 Carmen Rizza
 Geri Budimier

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email or call the parish office at 815-725-6880 ccapecci@holyfamilyshorewood.org. The name of the loved one will be included weekly for 60 days.



Register online Kofc.org/joinus

**Holy Family Knights of Columbus
 Council 15732**

Ray Esparza, Grand Knight
alkieresparzanoah@att.net

Help Wanted

For available jobs in the diocese please visit:
<https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>



Mission Statement

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Parish Office

(815) 725-6880 Fax:(815) 725-2311

School Office

(815) 725-8149 Fax:(815) 725-8649

Religious Education Office

(815) 730-8691

Holy Family Catholic Church

600 Brook Forest Avenue Shorewood, IL 60404
(Rt. 59 between Rt. 52 & Black Rd.)

www.holyfamilyshorewood.org

Staff Directory

Pastor Rev. Brad Baker
Parochial Vicar Rev. Brian Geary
Deacon Deacon Steve Gerding
Deacon Deacon Steve Petrouske
Deacon Deacon Manuel Guerrero (retired)
Parish Administrative Assistant Carrie Capecci
Director of Evangelization Matthew Toohill
Evangelization Assistant Jen Legreid
Youth Minister
Director of Music Tamara Malebranche
Music Assistant Jacqueline Nawojski
Business Manager Tom Vertin
Billing Clerk Maria Velazquez
IT Network Administrator Aaron Souza
Director of Facilities Rob Kurns

School Office

Principal Anthony Wilkinson
School Office Manager Jill Gillespie
School Administrative Assistant Tawny Quinn

Religious Education Office

Director of Religious Education Leslie Krauledis
Administrative Assistant Susan Stachovic
Night Coordinator Therese Maringer
Office Assistant Maureen Schuchart
Office Assistant Judy Guthrie



CMAA Report By Parish

2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal through 11/19/2023

Parish # 103

Parish Name Holy Family Parish - Shorewood

	2023	2022	Inc/Dec	2022 (Final)
Goal	\$91,100	\$88,500	\$2,600	\$88,500
Amount Pledged	\$111,974	\$119,290	(\$7,316)	\$121,910
Amount Paid	\$108,931	\$112,210	(\$3,279)	\$118,070
Balance Due	\$3,044	\$7,080	(\$4,037)	\$3,840
Donor Count	468	477	-9	486
2023 Rebate	\$12,482			

