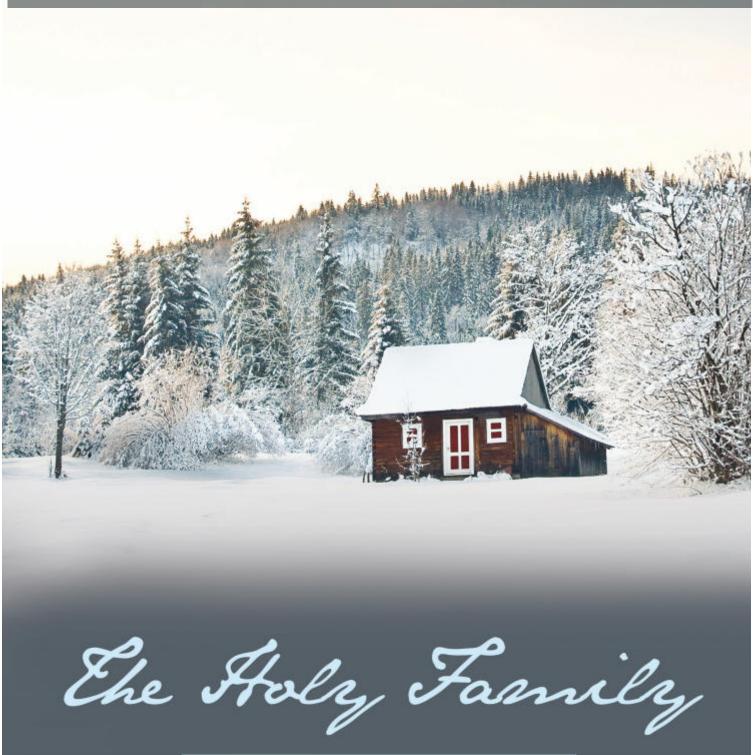


Parish of the Holy Eucharist

HOLY MARTYRS SACRED HEART ST GREGORY ST JUDE DECEMBER 27, 2020 THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

Parish & Diocesan Happenings

STAY 'CONNECTED'

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God Mass Schedule:

December 31st: 5:30pm HM; 6:30pm SJ January 1st: 8:30am SG; 9:00am SH

POTHE PUBLIC MASS SCHEDULE:

All Masses at Holy Martyrs will continue to be live streamed. Go to: pothe.org. and click on 'Watch Mass Live' or go to pothe.org/facebook.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Holy Martyrs: Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 8:30 am, 10:30 am, & 5:30 pm

Sacred Heart: Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 11:00am

St. Gregory: Saturday at 4:00 pm, Sunday at 8:30am

St. Jude: Sunday at 9:30 am

Daily Mass Schedule:

Holy Martyrs: Mon, Tue, Thu at 5:30 pm & Wed at 7:30 am

St. Gregory: Friday at 8:00 am Sacred Heart: Mon, Tue, Sat at 8:15 am

Eucharistic Adoration:

Holy Martyrs: Monday 4:15 - 5:15 pm

Park in rear lot in a spot facing the left rear

windows of Holy Martyrs

St. Gregory: Fridays at 8:30 - 9:30 am (after 8 am mass)

Confession:

Act of Contrition: O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

Spiritual Communion: "My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you." Amen."



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Join the KOC at all Masses this weekend for the Consecration to The Holy Family. Consecration Prayer can be found on page 4 of the Bulletin.

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Pastor's Pondering (pg 2)

HOLINESS IS A PROCESS

Immediately after Christmas Day we come to honor the Holy Family this year. Sadly, over the years there has been a tendency to emphasize the spirituality of the priesthood and consecrated life. Marriage and family were necessary for procreation, but some believed that the demands of family would take away from one's obligations to God.



Recent scholarship has effectively dismissed this objection. This day's feast highlights the importance of Joseph and Mary's role in Jesus' human development. They protected him from the dangers of Herod. They nurtured him physically, emotionally, and spiritually, fulfilling the demands of Judaism for him. The divinity of Jesus can not overpower his full humanity. Like us, Jesus needed his parents to be holy and form him in the faith.

In his book, Domestic Monastery, Ronald Rolheiser observes that "parenting, in the end, is the most natural path to holiness and maturity..." (pg. 63). He argues that to see one's own child must be what God sees when he looks at us. A parent immediately recognizes that a child is completely dependent upon them for everything. A parent cannot be completely self-absorbed and still be a good parent. Unconditional love is the central commandment from God, and what he models for us.

Parenting also demands flexibility. There are times that we need to change and adapt to meet the needs of a growing child, and the stages that they pass through. Our relationship with God is ever changing and we must recognize the parallels. Just as a parent can still love a child but not approve of their actions, so it is with how God sees us. A child will fight for independence only to discover that they still need guidance and assistance. Likewise, the demands of discipleship increase for us, but we never lose our dependency upon God's grace and wisdom. Families need to constantly seek forgiveness from each other, as we do from God.

One of our challenges is that we easily recognize our failures. We can easily list the times that our parents or spouses were not present for us. We are chastened at the times our selfishness adversely affected a spouse or child. The tragedies of abortion, divorce, domestic and child abuse and other sins against humanity may suggest that family life is too messy to lead to holiness. This is to ignore the many great examples of families seeking holiness. This is to forget how families have overcome mistakes and shortcomings to discover healing and meaning.

Holiness is a process, and one not limited to those who pray hours each day. Please consider consecrating your family with the prayer in the bulletin and the newsletter you received a few weeks ago. Allow how you desire God to look at you to inform how you interact with your children and spouses. Above all, do not measure success in family life by the presence or absence of hardship and suffering. The Holy Family experienced incredible pain and adversity, but did not define themselves by those experiences, but by the richness of God's love and grace in their lives.

-- Father Phil

Will I follow the path of Jesus?

Families need blessings of patience, forgiveness, gratefulness and love. What will you do to show your love for yourfamily? Ask for the grace to be holy. (Colossians 3:12-21).

If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Seamus Griesbach: 207-773-6471; email: seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org



The Feast of The Holy Family

LET US PRAY

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, to you, we turn with trust. Grant that our family, too, may be a place of communion and prayer, a school of the Gospel, and a small domestic church. Make us more mindful of the sacredness of our family and its beauty in God's plan. Amen."

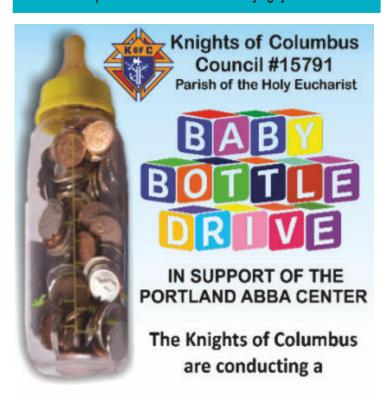
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE 2:22, 39-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

FAMILY CONVERSATION

When and how do we pray together as a family? Could we add one prayer tradition this coming year? Where do we see opportunities for our family to help each other grow in faith? One idea: Watch family Christmas/Nativity movies during Christmas vacation! Click on Formed. org on our website's main page and create your free account for your very own Christmas vacation Catholic Netflix!

On January 1, we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. As we begin a new calendar year, pray and reflect on how to better follow the example of the Blessed Mother in saying "yes" to God.



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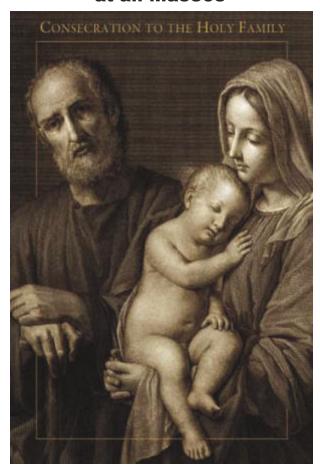
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Consecration to The Holy Family at all Masses





A FAMILY PRAYER

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

> Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

Composed by Pope Francis for the Feast of the Holy Family, 2013.

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O Lord Jesus,
you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth.
There you grew in age, wisdom and grace
as you prepared to fulfill your mission
as our Redeemer.
We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary,
you are the Mother of our Savior.
At Nazareth you cared for Jesus
and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.
We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph,
you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary,
and gave us a model of fatherhood
while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family,
we consecrate ourselves and our family to you.
May we be completely united
in a love that is lasting, faithful
and open to the gift of new life.
Help us to grow in virtue,
to forgive one another from our hearts,
and to live in peace all our days.
Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer,
diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need.
May our home, O Holy Family,
truly become a domestic church
where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Lesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Sanctuary Candle Intentions



Sunday, December 27th through Saturday, January 2nd:

Holy Martyrs Church

To the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of God by The Palli Family

St Gregory Church

Special Intention for my Dad & Mom to be moved to Assisted Living Facilities in Madawaska ME in 2021by Marie Sullivan

Go to: https://pothe.org/sanctuary-lamp

Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Prayer Intentions (pg 5) Saturday, December 26

Saturday, 7:00 am	Dece SH	mber 26 Feast of The Holy Family That Man Is You (Virtual)
8:15 am	SH	Public Mass
11:00 am	НМ	Baptism: Charlotte Floane Dea
2:00 pm		Outdoor Confession (HM, SG & SH)
4:00 pm		Public Mass (HM, SG & SH)
· Sunday, E	Decem	ber 27 Feast of The Holy Family
3:00 am	SH	Public Mass
3:30 am	SG	Public Mass (HM & SG)
9:30 am	SJ	Public Mass
10:30 am	НМ	Public Mass
11:00 am	SH	Public Mass
5:30 pm	НМ	Public Mass
Monday, I	Decen	nber 28
8:15 am	SH	Public Mass
4:15 pm	НМ	Drive up Eucharistic Adoration
5:30 pm	НМ	Public Mass
6:30pm	SH	POTHE Boy Scouts (until 8:00 pm)
Tuesday,	Decer	
8:15 am	SH	Public Mass
9:00 am	НМ	Centering Prayer
10:30 am	VC	Friends in Faith (Virtual)
5:30 pm	НМ	Public Mass
6:00 pm		Advent Small Faith Sharing Group (Virtual)
Wednesd	ay, De	cember 30
7:30 am	НМ	Public Mass
10:00 am		Advent Small Faith Sharing Group
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9:00 am	SH	Public Mass
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7:00 am	SH	That Man Is You (Virtual)
8:15 am	SH	Public Mass
10:00 am	SH	Baptism-Rovalia Stefania Bajgierowicz
1:00 pm	НМ	Baptism Joshua lan Campbell
2:00 pm		Outdoor Confession (HM, SG & SH)
4:00 pm		Public Mass (HM, SG & SH)
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8:15 am	SH	Fr. M	Richard & Ella MacBall, Charles & Fannie Doelle by Dennis & Loreen Dempsey			
4:00 pm	НМ	Fr. K	Special Intention by Father Peter Kaseta			
4:00 pm	SH	Fr. M	Lucian Rebergo, Anita Ellis, Walter & Mary Latak, Margie & Vyn Hewes& Cederic & Ardis Hewes, Jana Hewes			
4:00 pm	SG	Fr. T	John P Tracy by Doris Desrocherss			
Sunday, December 27						
8:00 am	SH	Fr. M	Lev Agren & for the Family & Friends of the Agren Family			
8:30 am	НМ	Fr. K	Nancy March by Michael & Theresa Beaulieu and Andrew			
8:30 am	SG	Fr. T	John Neuts by The Boulos Family			
9:30 am	SJ	Fr. M	Margot & John Dionne by The Dionne Family			
10:30 am	НМ	Fr. K	Special Intention by Father Peter Kaseta			
11:00 am	SH	Fr. T	All POTHE Parishioners			
5:30 pm	НМ	Fr. K	Robert A. Chamard Sr, H Ivan Duran MD, Mary Lee Golitz by Cindy & David Wilson			
Monday, December 28						
8:15 am	SH	Fr. M	All Souls by Mr & Mrs Robert Ducharme, Mrs Assunta Fasulo			
5:30 pm	НМ	Fr. T	John P Tracy by The Ewald Family			
Tuesday,	Decer	nber 2	9			
8:15 am	SH	Fr. M	Mary Romanak, Susan Conroy by Tom & Mary Mardas			
5:30 pm	HM	Fr. T	Burchard Dunn, Mary & Clint Barder, Mildred & Vern			
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Weekend Mass Schedule

All Holy Martyrs Masses will be Live-Streamed at pothe.org

Saturday: Holy Martyrs, Sacred Heart and St Gregory at 4:00pm Sunday: Holy Martyrs at 8:30 am, 10:30 am, & 5:30 pm

> St. Gregory at 8:30 am; St. Jude at 9:30 am Sacred Heart at 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration (see page 2 for more details)

Holy Martyrs: Monday 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm (Drive Up) St. Gregory: Friday 8:30 am - 9:30 am (after 8 am mass)







Fr. Kaseta, OFM Cap Parochial Vicar



Fr. Paul Marquis Parochial Vicar



Deacon Dennis Popadak





Holy Martyrs:

Sacred Heart

St. Gregory: Holy Martyrs:

Sacred Heart:

St. Gregory:

Weekday Mass Schedule

Melissa Bagdon Business Mgr.



Friday at 8:00 am

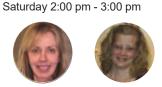
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Mon, Tues, Saturday at 8:15 am

Drive Through Confessions (Or Available by Appointment) Saturday 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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Kim Palli Communications Dir.



Mon, Tue, & Thu at 5:30 pm; Wed at 7:30 am

Kim Lovett Faith Formation



Jen Runge Music Ministry Dir

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Watch Sunday Mass on TV Channel 1303 at 10am & 4pm (pre-recorded broadcast)

Parish of the Holy Eucharist Office, 266 Foreside Rd., Falmouth, ME, 04105, 207.847.6890 Find us online at pothe.org & on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram.

Holy Martyrs Church: 266 Foreside Rd., Falmouth Sacred Heart Church: 326 Main St., Yarmouth

St. Gregory Church: 24 North Raymond Rd., Gray St. Jude Church: 134 Main St., Freeport

Apostolate of Prayer for Priests of the Portland Diocese Rev. Stan M Ukwe OP

Saturday Rev. Augustine G Neillery Rev. James R Albert

12/27 Sunday Rev. Stephen F Concannon

Rev. Paul M Sullivan SJ 12/28 Monday Rev. Aaron L Damboise

Rev. Paul H Dumais 12/29 Tuesday Rev. Arockisamy Santhiyagu HGN

Rev. Daniel J Baillargeon 12/30 Wednesday Rev. D Joseph Manship

Rev. Nehru Stephen Savaravia HGN 12/31 Thursday

Rev. James S Plourde Our Holy Father

1/1 Friday

Rev. Richard C McLaughlin Saturday Rev. Albert B Colpitts

Sunday 1/3 Our Holy Father Pray for those who are ill or recovering from surgery...

John Lambert, Patricia Becker, Liz Chandler, Dave Toulouse, John V., Bonnie LaChance (wife of Paul LaChance), Michael Rice, Esther Sedzia, William E Palli, Sr., Patricia Merrill, Erin Murphy, Michael Lewis, Karen Roberts, Louise Desjardins, Linda Momberket, Carrianne Fecteau, Allison Hincks, Peter Coffin, Don Gove, Bill Stanbro, Catherine D'Amboise, Gloria Legare, The Becker Family, Bill Eycleshymer, Paul Taylor, Gloria Latini Babin, Karen Belaire, Sharyl Webster, Olga Esty, Maryhelen Rice, Gretchan Sayward, Tim Dexter, Marie McCann, Jason Leo Vaz, Dominic D., Kara Salvadore, Brian Pebbles

Pray for our seminarians... Matt Valles, Joshua Maloney, Liam Gallagher, Joshua Guillemette, Than Pham, Hoa Nguyen

Let us continue to keep in our healing prayers... Brother Gary Potvin, Cynthia Sister-In-Law of Brother Chris Madden, Brother Paul Metevier, Fr. Ray Pickard, Laurene, wife of Brother Dennis Dempsey, Anne Theriault sister-in-law of Brother George Spino, Brother Mark Bastey, Michael A Stone, brother-in-law of Brother Frank Lemanski, Nancy, wife of Brother John Walkenford, Yvonne, wife of Brother Chuck Devine, Cindy, wife of Brother Steve Carrier, Brother Gerald Bose, Brother Frank Knight, Brother Joe Mathew & wife Doris, George Fuller, brother of Brother Jonathan Fuller, Family of Brother Chris Handley on the loss of his Father-in-law Ernie Austin

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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