



# Holy Family Parish St. Joseph Church

Together in Faith

Weekly Bulletin

May  
22  
2022

## Mass Times:

### — Holy Family Parish

Saturday 4 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Usus Antiquior 12 p.m.

Tuesday/Thursday 12:10 p.m.

Holy Days 12:10 p.m.

### — Reconciliation

Saturday 3-3:30 p.m.

First Friday 8-9 a.m.

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### — St. Joseph Church

Sunday 9 a.m.

Holy Days 5 p.m.

### — Reconciliation

Sunday 8:30-8:45 a.m.

## Pastor:

Fr. Brian Slezak

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## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said to his disciples:] "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." - Jn 14:26-27a

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# Welcome to Mass! We are called to. . .

## Mass Intentions

*Mass is the most powerful prayer there is for any intention!*

### HOLY FAMILY

Recitation of the Rosary is said before Mass each Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and each Sunday at 10 a.m. Come and join us as we pray to our Blessed Mother.

### HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, May 21 - 4 p.m.

† Sam Campione - Cindy, Boys & Family  
† Joe Finkst - Matthew Foley  
† Deanna Shaver - Sisters, Marilyn & Judy

### ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May 22 - 9 a.m.

† Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 22 - 10:30 a.m.

† Evelyn Rumin - Dodie Volo  
† Jennie (Stegich) Domina, David Domina & Bonnie Maslow - James A. Domina Family

Usus Antiquior - 12 p.m.

† Michelle Geissler & Family (L) - Mary Dooley  
† Zachary Theyuni - Patty & David Pietrusza

### ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May 22 - 9 a.m.

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### HOLY FAMILY

Tuesday, May 24 - 12:10 p.m.

† John & Loretta North - Arthur North

### HOLY FAMILY

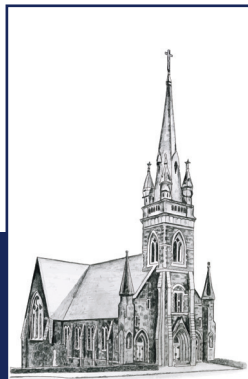
The Ascension of the Lord - Thursday, May 26 - 12:10 p.m.

† Michael Volo - Wife, Dodie

### ST. JOSEPH

The Ascension of the Lord - Thursday, May 26 - 5 p.m.

† Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church



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### HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, May 28 - 4 p.m.

† Deceased Members of the Lamanna Clark Families - Roger & Michele Marocco  
† Cark Grazuadei - Diane Graziadei & Joshua Merchant

### ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May 29 - 9 a.m.

† Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 29 - 9:30 a.m.

† Marilyn Duncel - Kelly Boylan  
† Ruth Coulson - Fr. Brian Slezak  
† Hank Brown - DAV Chapter 178

## Sacrificial Giving

### Holy Family - May 15

Collection - \$3,247.00

### St. Joseph - May 15

Collection - \$1,264.00

## Pray for Our Sick

### ST. JOSEPH

Ann Tucker, Debbie Povec, Mike Barron, Carol Ann Kovic, Jeanette Hogan, Matthew Cadwell, James Doolittle, Sr., Richard Grogan, Helen Johnson, Betty Zerbst, Allison Perry, Tyler David Foster, Margaret Johnson, Neil Cronin, Steven Serow, Lisa Giordano-Hayes, and Joseph Rudi. All the members of our armed forces and their families.

## Cemetery News

The Sherman St. Cemetery is closed for spring maintenance until further notice. No access is permitted. Thank you for your cooperation.

Planting season is here. A reminder that the water spickets at the cemetery do not work. Water will be available in drums by the work garage. If you are able to bring your own water that would be helpful. Thank you!

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# *know, love, and serve as Jesus did.*

## Holy Family/St. Joseph Calendar

**FRIDAY, MAY 27th** / Pray the Rosary, Prayers & Fasting for Pro-Life and Peace (see tab for intentions)  
Holy Family 6 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 3rd** / **FIRST FRIDAY MASS**  
Holy Family: Reconciliation 8-9 a.m. Mass 9 a.m.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4th** / **FIRST SATURDAY MASS**  
Holy Family: Reconciliation 8-9 a.m. Usus Antiquior: 9 a.m.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5th** / **Blessing of Religious Articles**  
Holy Family: Table set up in church to place your articles on and Fr. Slezak will bless them between the Novus Ordo and Usus Antiquior Masses.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19th** / **HOLY FAMILY FIRST COMMUNION**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 23rd** / **Young Adult Holy Hour and Happy Hour!**  
Join us for Adoration and Reconciliation, then food around a campfire on top of the hill behind our West Winfield church. St. Joseph the Worker 6:30 p.m. 305 W. Main Street, West Winfield, NY. Call (315) 822-3191 to reserve your spot or with questions.

## News & Events

### Please Note New Summer Mass Schedule

Beginning the weekend of Memorial Day, May 28th and 29th, St. Joseph Church and Holy Family Parish will observe a Summer Mass schedule as follows:



**SATURDAY:**

**SUNDAY:**

Holy Family - 5 p.m.

St. Joseph - 8 a.m.

Holy Family - 9:30 a.m.

The Holy Family Usus Antiquior Mass will move to Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville at noon.

### St. Joseph Helping Hands Program

Helping Hands continues its free community program providing clothes, shoes, and miscellaneous items to anyone. We also have baby items, toys, books, and household items. Spring and summer clothing is now out too! Hours are Thursday, 1-4 p.m. at the State Street entrance to St. Joseph. Contact Lynne at 315-868-7896. Thank you for your continuing support.

### Young Adults Holy Hour and Happy Hour!



Join us on Thursday, June 23, for Adoration and Reconciliation, then food around a campfire on top of the hill behind

St. Joseph the Worker church at 6:30 p.m. for Holy Hour and 7:30 p.m. for "happy hour."

The church is located at 305 W. Main Street, West Winfield, NY. Call (315) 822-3191 to reserve your spot or with questions. Spread the word and bring your friends to receive God's peace!

### Knights of Columbus Special Exemplification Ceremony - May 26th

Dear Brother Knights and those who wish to be a Brother Knight: A Special Exemplification Ceremony Service will be held at St Joseph's Church, Basement Meeting Hall on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 7 p.m.

At that meeting a 30 minute service will be held for which at the end of the service, Members can achieve all three degrees in one ceremony, First, Second and Third.

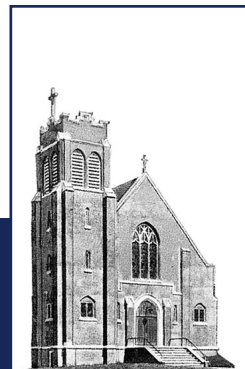
All Members and Prospective Members are welcome to attend as just a participant or a spectator for this wonderful event. If you plan to attend, you must notify Grand Knight, Robert (Bob) Peters at (315) 429-8099. In addition, you must complete a short Knights of Columbus Form prior to attending the Ceremony. You may find this form on the Knights of Columbus website [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org). The name of the form is On-Demand Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

### St. Joseph Office Hours Changes

Office hours are Tuesday - Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 763 E. Main Street in Little Falls.

### Holy Family Food Pantry

Cooking oil, dried spices, and condiments. Donation box located in church vestibule. Monetary donations always appreciated.



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## **Join Holy Family on May 27th to Pray the Rosary for Unborn Children and Peace**

In the midst of current tensions, we invite area Catholics to join us in fasting and praying the Rosary on Friday, May 27, at Holy Family Parish at 6 p.m.

In response to the leak of a draft opinion in the U.S. Supreme Court case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, some abortion advocates are calling for nationwide demonstrations, disruptions of church services, and the personal intimidation of specific Supreme Court justices.

Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), and Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities invited the faithful to unite in fasting and prayer.

Let us offer our prayers and fasting for these intentions below:

- ◆ For our nation, for the integrity of our judicial system, and that all branches of government be dedicated to seeking the common good and protecting the dignity and rights of the human person, from conception to natural death.
- ◆ For the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* in the Supreme Court's final decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson*.
- ◆ For the conversion of the hearts and minds of those who advocate for abortion.
- ◆ For a new commitment to building an America where children are welcomed, cherished, and cared for; where mothers and fathers are encouraged and strengthened; and where marriage and the family are recognized and supported as the true foundations of a healthy and flourishing society.
- ◆ For Our Blessed Mother's intercession and guidance as the Church continues to walk with mothers and families in need, and continues to promote alternatives to abortion, and seeks to create a culture of life.

As Catholics, let us witness the beautiful gift of life with civility and love, and with our peaceful prayers and our compassionate service to all those in need.

"Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us."



## **Why Go to Mass: Daily Prayer Versus Attending Church**

A common question I get is, “Father, what church are you from?” If I feel inspired, I will ask in return, “and what church do you go to?” Many times, they will simply say, “I pray at home.”

Obviously prayer is very important. Every person should pray if they expect to have any real relationship with God, but one must ask, is private prayer enough?

Every Ash Wednesday we hear the words from the prophet Isaiah, “Call an assembly; Gather the people, notify the congregation.” This is a collective call for God’s mercy.

We are social beings who live in a community. Sin effects us personally and socially. That is why it is not enough to just tell God your sins privately. We go before the priest who represents Christ and the community. The priest offers absolution and prescribes penance as a way to help us atone, not only for our personal sins, but to make amends with the community whom we have sinned against.

The same goes for Mass. It’s not just about us and our “personal relationship.” We worship Almighty God as members of His Body. “Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them.” We are a community of believers, formed by “one Lord, one faith, one Baptism.”

Lastly, if we truly believe that Jesus is truly present in the holy Eucharist, then going to Mass and being in His presence and receiving Him—if possible—makes a difference. Our daily prayer and good works are strengthened by our authentic encounter with our Lord at Mass.

Sure you can pray at home, but why not pray at church? Why can’t we have both? After all, Our Blessed Lord said, “My house shall be a house of prayer.”

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Slezak