Holy Family Parish
St. Joseph Church

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Mass Times:

HOLY FAMILY PARISH
Saturday Vigil 4 p.m.
Sunday - 10 a.m.
Sunday - 12 p.m.
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 8 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.
Friday 9 a.m.
Holy Days
8 a.m/12 p.m.

Adoration
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Reconciliation
Saturday 3 - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday 4:45 - 5:20 p.m.
First Friday 8 - 8:50 a.m.
First Saturday 8 - 8:50 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
Sunday 8 a.m.
Holy Days
Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation
Sunday 7:30-7:45 a.m.

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."
- Jn 11:25

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Welcome to Mass! We are called to. . .

Mass Intentions

ROSARY RECITATION
Recitation of the Rosary is said before Holy Family Parish Mass each Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Recitation of the Rosary is said before St. Joseph Church Mass each Sunday at 7:30 a.m. Come and join us as we pray to our Blessed Mother.

HOLY FAMILY
Saturday, March 25 - 4 p.m.
† Leo & Mary Alexander - Lisa Graziadei
† George & Patricia Hysack - Daughter, Judy & Family
† Martha Staring - Dodie Volo
† Matthew Carswell - Grant & Palma
† Ann Gray - Mary Alice Rieman
† Rocco Spine - Daugther

ST. JOSEPH
Sunday, March 26 - 8 a.m.
† Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

HOLY FAMILY
Sunday, March 26 - 10 a.m.
† Bartholomew Tooley - Family
† Linda Sagatis - Family
† Greg Santry - Mark & Paula
† The Most Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

HOLY FAMILY
Sunday, March 26 - 12 p.m.
† Pro Populo

HOLY FAMILY
Tuesday, March 28 - 5:30 p.m.
† Lorene Cox - Heidi & Eve Cox & Gabriele Episcopo

HOLY FAMILY
Wednesday, March 29 - 8 a.m.
† Living & Deceased Members of the Brant Family - Jack Brant

HOLY FAMILY
Thursday, March 30 - 8 a.m.
† The Most Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

HOLY FAMILY
Friday, March 31 - 9 a.m.
† Doris Marocco
Stations of the Cross - 9:30 a.m.

HOLY FAMILY
First Saturday, April 1 - 9 a.m.
Saturday, April 1 - 4 p.m.
† Pro Populo - For the People of Holy Family Parish

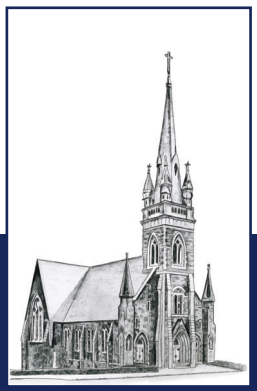
ST. JOSEPH
Palm Sunday, April 2 - 8 a.m.
† Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

HOLY FAMILY
Palm Sunday, April 2 - 10 a.m.
† Burrell & Donna Gardinier - Family
† Patrick Regan - Schanne Family
† Fr. Dan Lanza - Louis Baum
† Richard Creedon - Donna Young-Edick & Family
† Lucy Helmer - Family

HOLY FAMILY
Palm Sunday, April 2 - 12 p.m.
† Donald Fazioli (D)
† Devon Saginario (L)

MEMORIAL FLOWERS
Are placed on the Blessed Virgin Mary's Altar in devotion and in reparation requested by Patrick & Colleen Rockwell.

ST. JOSEPH - PRAY FOR OUR SICK
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, Mimi Smith, Caleb Hunter, and Maggie Rouch All the members of our armed forces and their families.



"By being faithful to our Holy Hour, and letting nothing interfere with it, we use it as the sign and symbol of our victim-hood with Christ." — The Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen

Sacrificial Giving

SACRIFICIAL GIVING
Holy Family - March 19
Collection - $3,793.00 Catholic Relief - $343.00
St. Joseph - March 19
Collection - N/A

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

Holy Family/St. Joseph Calendar

SUNDAY, MARCH 26th / Holy Family Blessing of Articles, After 10 a.m. Mass.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28th / Lenten Series Video III - "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist" After the 5:30 p.m. Mass in the Parish Office.

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6th - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER / St. Joseph Church, Mass 5:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7th - THE LORD'S PASSION / Holy Family Parish - Stations of the Cross 9:30 a.m. Reconciliation 12-2 p.m. St. Joseph Church - Passion 3 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8th/ Holy Family - Reconciliation 12-2 p.m. St. Joseph - Easter Vigil Mass 8 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 9th - RESURRECTION OF THE LORD / Holy Family 10 a.m. Mass. Holy Family 12 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 16th / DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - Holy Family Parish - begins 2 p.m. Free books and devotionals will be at church entrances.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd / St. Joseph Coffee Hour after 8 a.m. Mass

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, MAY 20th - SUNDAY, MAY 21st / Holy Family Garage Sale. More details to come!

News & Events

Holy Family Parish to Host Divine Mercy Sunday

Join us for a Feast of Mercy on April 16th. Divine Mercy Sunday is perhaps God's greatest gift for our time. The promise of this day is nothing less than the forgiveness of all sins and punishment due to sin for anyone who would go to Confession and receive Jesus in Holy Communion on this very special feast.

One may receive the Sacrament of Confession, also known as Reconciliation, twenty days before or after Divine Mercy Sunday. Free books and devotionals will be at church entrances. Here's the schedule: 2 p.m. - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; 2:15 p.m. -2:45 p.m. - Confessions Begin Meditations read from the Diary of Saint Faustina; 3 p.m. - Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction, and Veneration 1st class Relic St. Maria Faustina. Confessors: Father Brian Slezak, Father Rendell Torres, Father Paul Catena, and Father Michael Cambi.

Knights of Columbus

Interested in joining? Call Robert Peters at (315) 429-8099.

Join Us for the 9-Day Divine Mercy Novena

Holy Family will pray a Novena to Divine Mercy from April 8th - 16th. Copies of the novena will be available the April 8th weekend. The Novena composed by Saint Faustina in her diary *Divine Mercy in My Soul* is part of the Divine Mercy devotion. Each day consists of praying to God the Father and Jesus for different groups, in particular Catholics, by immersing them in the Sacred Heart.

Reconciliation & Penance Services in March for Healing of Our Sins!

Three priests will be channels of God's tender mercy at these times and places:

- Wednesday, March 29th, Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Frankfort, 6-7:30 p.m.

Spring Cleaners Needed at Holy Family!

Please consider joining our volunteer "spring cleaning" crew this Lent and offering it up as penance.

There is both light and deep cleaning needed throughout our buildings! If you can meet us at 10 a.m. in church on Mondays – great! If you can come another time, that is wonderful too! Lisa is putting together a list of things that need to be cleaned. Even an hour or two a week would help. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

St. Joseph Easter Candle

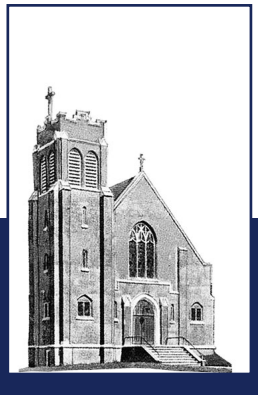
This year we have to purchase a New Easter Candle for St. Joseph Church. We have not purchased one in a few years and at that time one of our Parishioners donated it. This year's cost of the Candle is $420. If anyone would like to donate to the expense of our new Easter candle please put your donation in an envelope labeled "Easter Candle donation" and drop it in the collection basket. Any donation will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Join Us During Lent for Stations of the Cross and Adoration

Stations of the Cross: Holy Family/Fridays after Mass - 9:30 a.m. St. Joseph/Sundays after 8 a.m. Mass
Adoration: Holy Family/Thursdays - 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Holy Family Food Pantry

Baby food, wipes, diapers, and wash. Monetary donations appreciated with checks made out to Little Falls Food Pantry. Donation box in vestibule.



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kindness to my brothers and sisters? ✦ Do I treat my children with love and respect. ✦ Do I carry out my family duties. ✦ Do I support and care for the well-being of all family members, especially the elderly and the sick? ✦ Do I honor and obey my lawful superiors, and follow the just laws of my country?

5th Commandment: You shall not kill. ✦ Do I love my neighbor as myself? Do I try to be kind and generous with everyone I meet? Do I help those in need? ✦ Do I harbor hatred or anger against anyone? ✦ Do I try to forgive those who have hurt me? Do I pray for my enemies? ✦ Have I deliberately tried to hurt anyone: physically or emotionally? ✦ Have I had an abortion or encouraged another to have an abortion? ✦ Have I attempted suicide? ✦ Have I abused alcohol or used illegal drugs? ✦ Have I led anyone to sin through bad example or through direct encouragement? ✦ Do I care for my own physical, emotional, and spiritual health?

6th Commandment: You shall not commit adultery.
9th Commandment: You shall not desire your neighbour's wife. ✦ Am I faithful to my husband or wife, in my actions, my words, and my thoughts? ✦ As a Catholic, was I married outside the Church? ✦ Has our marriage been open to new life, or have I used contraception, or been sterilized? ✦ Have I engaged in sexual activity before marriage or outside of marriage? ✦ Do I view pornography on the TV or internet, or through videos or magazines ✦ Have I masturbated? ✦ Have I used impure language or told impure jokes? ✦ Do I dress and behave modestly? Am I respectful and chaste in my relationships? ✦ Do I try to turn away from impure thoughts and temptations?

7th Commandment: You shall not steal. ✦ Have I stolen or accepted stolen goods? ✦ Have I cheated anyone of what I owe them? ✦ Am I lazy? Do I waste time at work or at school or college? ✦ Do I gamble excessively? ✦ Do I share what I have with the poor and with the Church according to my means? ✦ Have I copied or used pirated material: videos, music, software?

8th Commandment: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. ✦ Do I tell the truth, even if it is inconvenient? Or do I lie or mislead people? ✦ Am I a trustworthy and sincere person? Do I keep my word and my promises, and keep confidential things confidential? ✦ Have I cheated in exams or been dishonest in any way in my studies? ✦ Have I gossiped or spread rumors or spoken badly about people in any way? ✦ Have I ridiculed or humiliated anyone?

10th Commandment: You shall not desire your neighbor's goods. ✦ Am I grateful for the things I have and for the blessings God has given me? Or am I always complaining? ✦ Am I jealous of other people: jealous of their possessions, talents, beauty, success or relationships? ✦ Am I greedy or selfish? Am I too caught up with material things?

(*Text by Fr Stephen Wang, adapted from the booklet "A Way of Life for Young Catholics," published by the Catholic Truth Society*)

Examination of Conscience

An Examination of Conscience is simply a list of some of the ways that we can love God and our neighbor, and some of the ways we can fail to love through sin. Reflecting on an Examination of Conscience helps us to be honest with ourselves and honest with God. It is not meant to be a burden. It helps us to examine our lives, and to make a good confession, so that we can be at peace with Christ and with one another. The important thing, of course, is to love, and to live our Catholic faith with our whole heart. But now and then it is useful to spell out what this really means, and to make sure that we are not kidding ourselves.

This Examination of Conscience is not to be used every day, or even at every confession – we do not need to go through a checklist every time. It is here for us to look at every now and then. It is based around the Ten Commandments. As we reflect on it, we can ask the Lord to shine his light into our hearts. Some things will not apply to us; but if something in particular touches our conscience, then we can bring it to confession.

Above all, let us remember God's mercy and his love for us. His love never fails or changes. He loves us passionately, with infinite kindness and tenderness. The only reason we remember our sins is so that we can turn to him and receive his forgiveness, and learn to love him in a deeper way.

1st Commandment: I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.

2nd Commandment: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. ✦ Do I seek to love God with all my heart? ✦ Do I stay faithful to Jesus, even when I have difficulties or doubts? ✦ Do I make at least some time for prayer every day? ✦ Do I hold on to the practice of my Catholic faith, or have I turned away from it, or spoken against the teachings of the Church? ✦ Have I been involved with the occult, e.g., with ouija boards, séances, tarot cards, fortune telling, or the like? Have I put faith in horoscopes? ✦ Have I received Holy Communion in a state of mortal sin? ✦ Have I lied to the priest in confession or deliberately not confessed a mortal sin ✦ Have I used God's holy name irreverently? ✦ When things are difficult, do I hope in God, or do I give in to self-pity and despair? Do I get angry and resentful with him?

3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day. ✦ Have I deliberately missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation? ✦ Do I make a sincere effort to come to Mass on time, and to listen and pray during the Mass? Do I fast for an hour before receiving Holy Communion (apart from water and medicine)? Am I reverent in church? ✦ Do I try to keep Sunday as a day of prayer, rest and relaxation, avoiding unnecessary work?

4th Commandment: Honor your father and your mother. ✦ Do I honor and respect my parents? Do I show

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