

Holy Family Parish St. Joseph Church

Together in Faith

Weekly Bulletin

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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

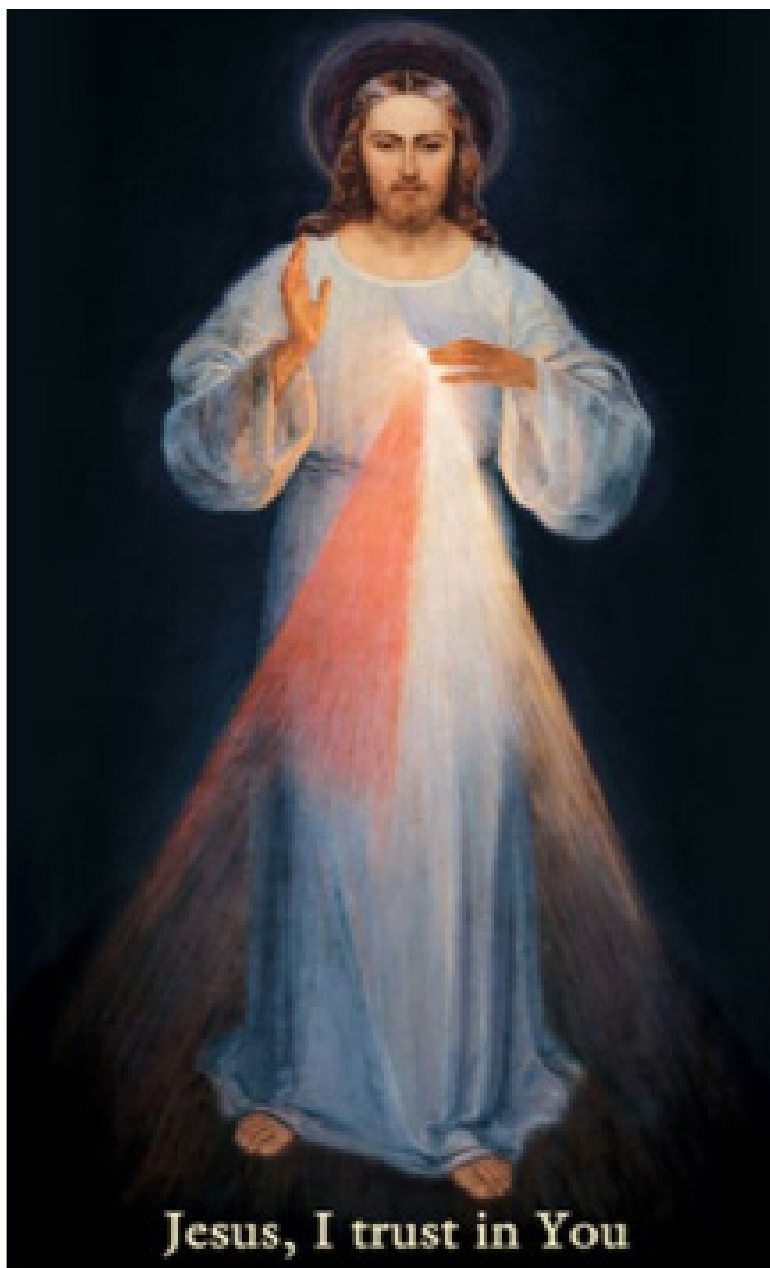
Sunday 8 a.m.

Holy Days

Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation

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



Divine Mercy Sunday

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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, April 15 - 4 p.m.

- † Carolyn Marocco - Roger & Michele
- † Kathy Moynihan - Family
- † John & Frances Prestopnik - Family
- † Jennie, Sheila & David Domina, Bonnie Maslow - James Domina Family
- † Craig Wright - Wife & Children
- † Ed & Sophie Becker - Family

ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, April 16 - 8 a.m.

- † Eugene Lewandowski - Linda & Mike Lyle
- † Roxanne Martyniuk - Dodie Volo, Donna & Frederick DeLucco

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, April 16 - 10 a.m.

- † Pro Populo - For the People of Holy Family Parish

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, April 16 - 12 p.m.

- † John Bowman (D)
- † Adreanna Picollo (L)

HOLY FAMILY

Tuesday, April 18 - 5:30 p.m.

- † Teresa Korce - Mary Joan

HOLY FAMILY

Wednesday, April 19 - 8 a.m.

- † Living & Deceased Members of the Brant Family - Jack Brant

HOLY FAMILY

Thursday, April 20 - 8 a.m.

- † The Most Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

HOLY FAMILY

Friday, April 21 - 9 a.m.

- † All Souls in Purgatory

HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, April 22 - 4 p.m.

- † Ann & Robert Willman - Bob & Katie Willman
- † Edward & Diane Bielejec - Family
- † Rita Samson - Family
- † Maggie Charles - Peggy & Peter Romano
- † Holy Souls in Purgatory

ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, April 23 - 8 a.m.

- † Edith Vedder - Helping Hands Volunteers
- † Scott Davies - Rodney and Cheryl White

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, April 23 - 10 a.m.

- † Deceased Members of the Tooley Family - Family
- † Linda Sagatis - Family
- † Terry Tippin - Louis Baum

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, April 23 - 12 p.m.

- † Pro Populo

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.

Sacrificial Giving

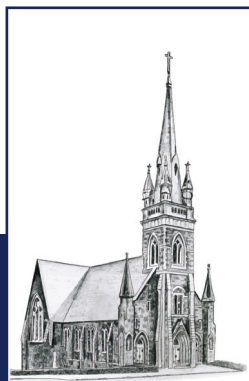
Holy Family - April 9 Collection - \$3,010.00

Easter - \$4,021.00

Holy Family - April 2 Collection - \$4,616.00

St. Joseph - April 9 Collection - N/A

St. Joseph - April 2 Collection - \$1,430.00



***“A Holy Hour of Adoration
in our modern rat race is
necessary for authentic
prayer.”***

***— The Venerable
Bishop Fulton Sheen***

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know, love, and serve as Jesus did.

Holy Family/St. Joseph Calendar

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

MONDAY, APRIL 17th / Holy Family Rosarian Meeting Holy Family Parish Gym, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29th / LOURDES VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE EXPERIENCE & Book Signing/Talk with Marlene Watkins. Holy Family Parish - begins at Noon. Confessions 11-11:45 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20th / Holy Family Garage Sale, Parish Gym, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 21st / Holy Family Garage Sale, Parish Gym, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

News & Events

Opening Our Doors and Our Hearts

During the Easter Vigil, Holy Family Parish and St. Joseph Church welcomed Ron Decker, Sarah Hartman, Hannah Miller, Sherry Miller, and Matthew Snyder into full communion with the Catholic Church. Please pray for their continued journey as they become disciples of the Lord.

Join Us Today for Divine Mercy Sunday at 2 p.m.

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.

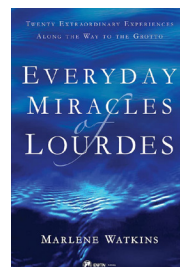
One may receive the Sacrament of Confession, also known as Reconciliation, twenty days before or after Divine Mercy Sunday. Free books and devotionals will be at church entrances. Here's the schedule: 2 p.m.

- 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.

Holy Family Food Pantry

Cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, and syrup. Monetary donations appreciated with checks made out to Little Falls Food Pantry. Donation box in vestibule.

Lourdes Experience Coming to Holy Family



Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers will present a 2-hour Virtual Pilgrimage Experience at Holy Family Parish on Saturday, April 29th, starting at 12 Noon. For those interested, Confessions will be heard from 11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

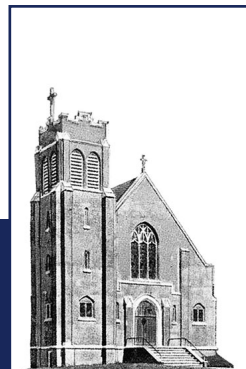
As part of the spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St. Bernadette you will: immerse yourself in the Gospel Message of Lourdes as given by Our Lady to St. Bernadette; have the opportunity to touch a piece of the rock from Lourdes Grotto where our Blessed Mother stood; experience the healing grace of Lourdes water; receive a Eucharistic blessing, Benediction, and participate in a Candlelight Rosary; receive a bottle of Lourdes water; and prepare a prayer petition to be placed in the Grotto in Lourdes, France.

Come and encounter the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through his Immaculate Mother. Invite your family, children, and friends! Our Lady extends her invitation to all! The next best thing to visiting Lourdes itself is a pilgrimage journey without the travel!

After the pilgrimage experience, there will be a Talk and Book Signing with Marlene Watkins, author of the newly released *Everyday Miracles of Lourdes: 20 Extraordinary Experiences Along the Way to the Grotto*. A special guest, from the Albany diocese, who was healed in Lourdes, will share her experience. The program will conclude at approximately 3 pm. A light reception will follow in the Parish Gym where you will be able to purchase the book and have it signed by Marlene. A Mass will be held at 4 p.m.

Please Donate to Holy Family for Garage Sale

Holy Family will host a Garage Sale in the Parish Gym on Saturday, May 20th, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sunday May 21st from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Donations may be brought to the Gym on the following dates: Thursday May 18th from Noon-6 p.m., and Friday May 19th from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Donations will **ONLY** be accepted if someone is in the Gym to receive them. Items **MUST** be clean and in good working order. If you would like to help with the sale or if you have any questions, please call Peggy Romano at 315-717-3012.



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“Reflect...upon this beautiful providence of God in bringing forth His message of mercy.”

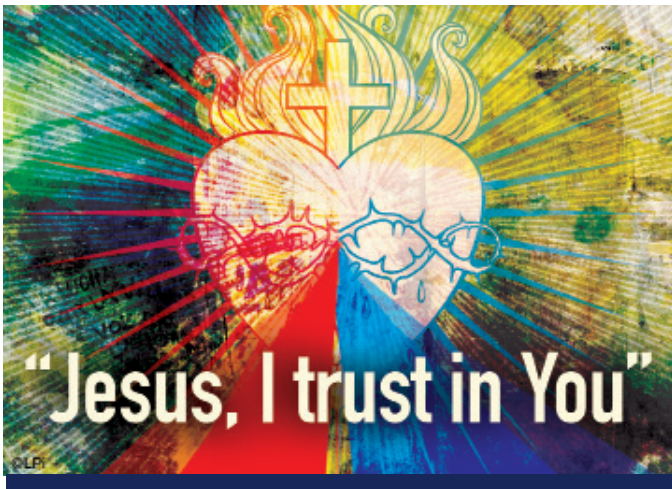
with the permission of the same Holy Office, the Archbishop of Kraków, Poland, Archbishop Karol Wojtyła, began an informative process in which new light was shed upon Sister Faustina and her writings.

This process concluded on April 15, 1978, with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Rome, issuing a new decree permitting the spread of Sister Faustina's writings and the new devotion to The Divine Mercy. Then, by the providence of God, just six months later, the Archbishop of Kraków, Karol Wojtyła, was elected pope, taking the name Pope John Paul II. A little over two decades later, on April 30, 2000, Sister Faustina was canonized a saint in a ceremony presided over by Pope John Paul II. During her canonization, the Holy Father also instituted the Feast of Mercy for the universal Church to be celebrated on the eighth day of the Octave of Easter every year.

Though these messages were first revealed before 1938, it was God's plan that they would especially be needed and read starting in the year 2000 and beyond. The message of Divine Mercy is especially for us today. Reflect ... upon this beautiful providence of God in bringing forth His message of mercy. (Excerpts from catholic-daily-reflections.com.)

Communion Prayer for the Weekend of Divine Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,
Son of the living God,
have mercy on me, a poor sinner.
Jesus, You promised
Saint Faustina that the soul who has
been to confession and the soul that
receives Holy Communion
will receive the complete
forgiveness of all sin and punishment.
Please give me this grace. Amen.



The Feast of Mercy

Saint Faustina writes in her Diary:

On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened (Diary #699).

It was Jesus Himself, through the mediation of this humble and holy religious sister, Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament, Who instituted the Feast of Mercy that we celebrate today. In addition to the above quote from her Diary of Divine Mercy, Jesus spoke on numerous other occasions about His desire that this feast be instituted as a universal Feast of Mercy to be celebrated throughout the world on the eighth day of Easter every year.

From the time of her death in 1938, the private revelations from Jesus to Sister Faustina began to be read and shared. At first, the Feast of Mercy was celebrated by only a few who knew of these messages. As these private revelations began to circulate further, there were some within the Church who questioned their authenticity. Thus, on March 6, 1959, the writings of Sister Faustina were put on the "forbidden" list by the Holy Office, Rome (mainly because of a bad translation of her writings). However, in 1965,

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