



# 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.



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

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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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

First Saturday, May 6 - 9 a.m.

† Joseph Misfud

Mass - 4 p.m.

† Pro Populo - For the People

### ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May 7 - 8 a.m.

† Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 7 - 10 a.m.

† Peter & Lucille DeAngelis - Daughters

† Burrell & Donna Gardinier - Family

† Richard Creedon - Donna Young-Edick & Family

† Ann Hoteling - Family

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 7 - 12 p.m.

† Colleen House Gizzi - David & Patty Pietrusza

### HOLY FAMILY

Tuesday, May 9 - 5:30 p.m.

† Deceased Member of Holy Family Parish

### HOLY FAMILY

Wednesday, May 10 - 8 a.m.

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

### HOLY FAMILY

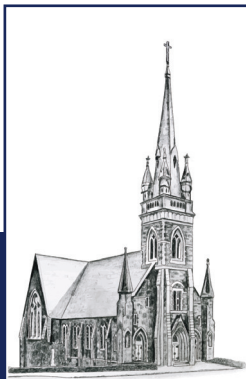
Thursday, May 11 - 8 a.m.

† Souls in Purgatory

### HOLY FAMILY

Friday, May 12 - 9 a.m.

† Warren & Mary Lynch - Family



***"We contribute to the radical transformation of the world during our Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration."***

***—Saint John Paul II***

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### HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, May 13 - 4 p.m.

† Kathy Moynihan - Family

† Theresa McGinnis & Angie Romano - Family

† Craig Wright - Wife & Children

† Nancy DeLuisi Campione - Children & Grandchildren

† Merino & Rose Terzi - Maryanne

† Deanna Shaver - Family

† Ann Osiecki - Michele Shaver

### ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May 14 - 8 a.m.

† Carol Brandon & Walter Pokrzyk - Deanne, Kimber, Katelyn & Kambrie

† Joy & Fred DeLucco - Family

† Aunt Lee DeLucco - Rezilience Joy

† Grandma Adie Hamilton - Family

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 14 - 10 a.m.

† Linda Sagatis - Family

† Louis & Mary Marosek - Louis Baum Family

† Bartholomew Tooley - Family

† Tonya Nill Miller - Mom & Family

### HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, May 14 - 12 p.m.

† Mary Masters - Michele Geissler

### 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.

**WE GIVE *because***  
**GOD GAVE FIRST**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son...  
JOHN 3:16

## Sacrificial Giving

Holy Family - April 30

Collection - N/A

St. Joseph - April 30

Collection - N/A

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

## Holy Family/St. Joseph Calendar

**SUNDAY, MAY 14th** / St. Joseph Coffee House, Church Hall after 8 a.m. Mass

**MONDAY, MAY 15th** / Holy Family Rosarians. Holy Family Parish Gym, 6 p.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.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd** / Men's March to Abolish Abortion and Rally for Personhood. Albany, NY. Walk begins at 9 a.m. Visit: [THEMENSMARCH.COM](http://THEMENSMARCH.COM).

## News & Events

### Please Join Us for Coffee Hour

St. Joseph Church will host a Coffee Hour after 8 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 14th in the Church Hall. All are welcome!

### Please Donate to Holy Family 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.

### Understanding Dementia & Alzheimer's

Join us for "Understanding Dementia & Alzheimer's" on Wednesday, May 24th in the Parish Gym at 6 p.m. The presentation will be given by the Alzheimer's Association. All are welcome.

### Join the Holy Family Rosarians

The Holy Family Rosarians will hold their May 15th meeting at 6 p.m. in the Holy Family Parish Gym. All women are invited to share their talents, ideas and friendship.

### Knights of Columbus

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



### Participate in The National Men's March to Abolish Abortion and Rally for Personhood

Join us Saturday, June 3rd, from 9 a.m. to Noon in Albany, NY. There is a man connected to every abortion. Men are a big part of the problem. It's time for men to become a big part of the solution and for all people of good will to get off the sidelines and stand up for the full federal protection of the preborn without exception.

**MEN:** Gather at 9 a.m. outside of Planned Parenthood (855 Central Ave., Albany), where we will march 2.6 miles to the New York State Capitol for the Rally.

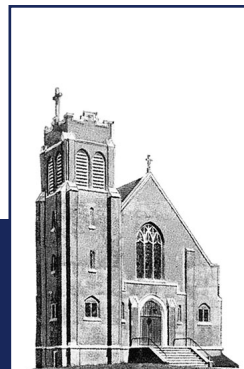
**WOMEN:** Meet us at the Capitol at 11 a.m. to welcome the arrival of the March and join us for the Rally (East Capitol Park, 82 Washington Ave., 12210). ALL are then invited to a post-rally lunch and retreat at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville (136 Shrine Road) where we will have a special guided tour of the sacred grounds, a Eucharistic Holy Hour with Confessions available, and a 4 p.m. Vigil Mass. In addition, we are also having a Men's Retreat Night at the Shrine on Friday night, June 2nd from 6-9 p.m. in preparation for the events of June 3rd. Make plans now, sign up for email updates, and get more information at [THEMENSMARCH.COM](http://THEMENSMARCH.COM). All is free. RSVP to [jimhavens@protonmail.com](mailto:jimhavens@protonmail.com)

### Helping Hands Open to the Community

Helping Hands is a program offering free clothing, shoes, and more to anyone in our communities. Open Thursdays 1-4 p.m. at the State St. entrance to St. Joseph Church. Call Lynne for more info. or assistance at 315-868-7896. Thank you for the continuing support.

### Holy Family Food Pantry

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



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“Friday itself remains a special day of penitential observance throughout the year, a time when those who seek perfection will be mindful of their personal sins and the sins of mankind which they are called upon to help expiate in union with Christ Crucified. Friday should be in each week something of what Lent is in the entire year. For this reason we urge all to prepare for that weekly Easter that comes with each Sunday by freely making of every Friday a day of self-denial and mortification in prayerful remembrance of the passion of Jesus Christ.

“Among the works of voluntary self-denial and personal penance which we especially commend to our people for the future observance of Friday, even though we hereby terminate the traditional law of abstinence binding under pain of sin, as the sole prescribed means of observing Friday, we give first place to abstinence from flesh meat. We do so in the hope that the Catholic community will ordinarily continue to abstain from meat by free choice as formerly we did in obedience to Church law. Our expectation is based on the following considerations:

♦ We shall thus freely and out of love for Christ Crucified show our solidarity with the generations of believers to whom this practice frequently became, especially in times of persecution and of great poverty, no mean evidence of fidelity to Christ and His Church.

♦ We shall thus also remind ourselves that as Christians, although immersed in the world and sharing its life, we must preserve a saving and necessary difference from the spirit of the world. Our deliberate, personal abstinence from meat, more especially because no longer required by law, will be an outward sign of inward spiritual values that we cherish.” *Excerpt from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The effective date of these regulations is the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 1966.*



As we approach the Feast of Our Lady of Fátima, we are mindful of her request for us to renew our spirit of mortification and penance for conversions and world peace. Our Lady told the children at Fatima:

*“Sacrifice yourselves for sinners and say often to Jesus, especially each time you make a sacrifice: O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners and in reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.”*

Please make a conscious effort to give up something on Fridays in obedience to Our Lady and the bishops of the Holy Catholic Church.

*Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Ora Pro Nobis. - Fr. Slezak*



## Christ Died for Our Salvation on Friday

It comes as a surprise to many Catholics that the Church still asks us to give up meat on Fridays throughout the entire year. While it is not obligatory “under pain of sin” to give up meat on Fridays, we are still supposed to make some sacrificial act on Friday.

This week I want to include an excerpt from a statement made by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in 1966 regarding the significance of sacrifice on Fridays. Notice how the bishops did not intend to abolish abstinence from meat, but aware that it was not much a sacrifice for many people wished to encourage people of the spirit behind the law. In other words, far from a relaxation on the rules, it appears to me, it was a way to inspire a deeper spirit of Friday penance.

“Catholic peoples from time immemorial have set apart Friday for special penitential observance by which they gladly suffer with Christ that they may one day be glorified with Him. This is the heart of the tradition of abstinence from meat on Friday where that tradition has been observed in the holy Catholic Church.

“Changing circumstances, including economic, dietary, and social elements, have made some of our people feel that the renunciation of the eating of meat is not always and for everyone the most effective means of practicing penance. Meat was once an exceptional form of food; now it is commonplace. Accordingly, since the spirit of penance primarily suggests that we discipline ourselves in that which we enjoy most, to many in our day abstinence from meat no longer implies penance, while renunciation of other things would be more penitential.

“For these and related reasons, the Catholic bishops of the United States, far from downgrading the traditional penitential observance of Friday, and motivated precisely by the desire to give the spirit of penance greater vitality, especially on Fridays, the day that Jesus died, urge our Catholic people henceforth to be guided by the following norms.

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