

Church OF THE Holy Family

A Catholic Church

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Welcome – If you are new to our church or just visiting, we are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like to join our parish, registration is held in the Welcome Office after all Masses.

Wedding Policy – **At least nine months** before the wedding, the couple should meet with the pastor, **before** the wedding dates are selected. At least one member of the family should be a member of our parish.

Baptism Policy – Parents must be registered parishioners and attend a Baptism Class before their child may be baptized. Expectant mothers are encouraged to attend. The class is for parents only – baby-sitting is not provided.

Funeral Policy – Funerals are scheduled Tuesday-Saturday. We discourage funerals Sundays and Mondays. Participation by other priests and deacons must have prior approval of current pastor.

Church of the Holy Family Pastoral Vision

The Church of the Holy Family is dedicated to manifesting the joy of the Gospel and enriching every individual's Spiritual relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ. The Church of the Holy Family Ministries dedicate themselves in service to our Parish Community, building a just society, and outreach to those in need.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.
(11:00 a.m. is also live-streamed on website.)

Holy Family Day School

757-481-1180

Morning Prayer & Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday 9:30 a.m.;
Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Reconciliation Saturday
4:00-5:00 p.m.

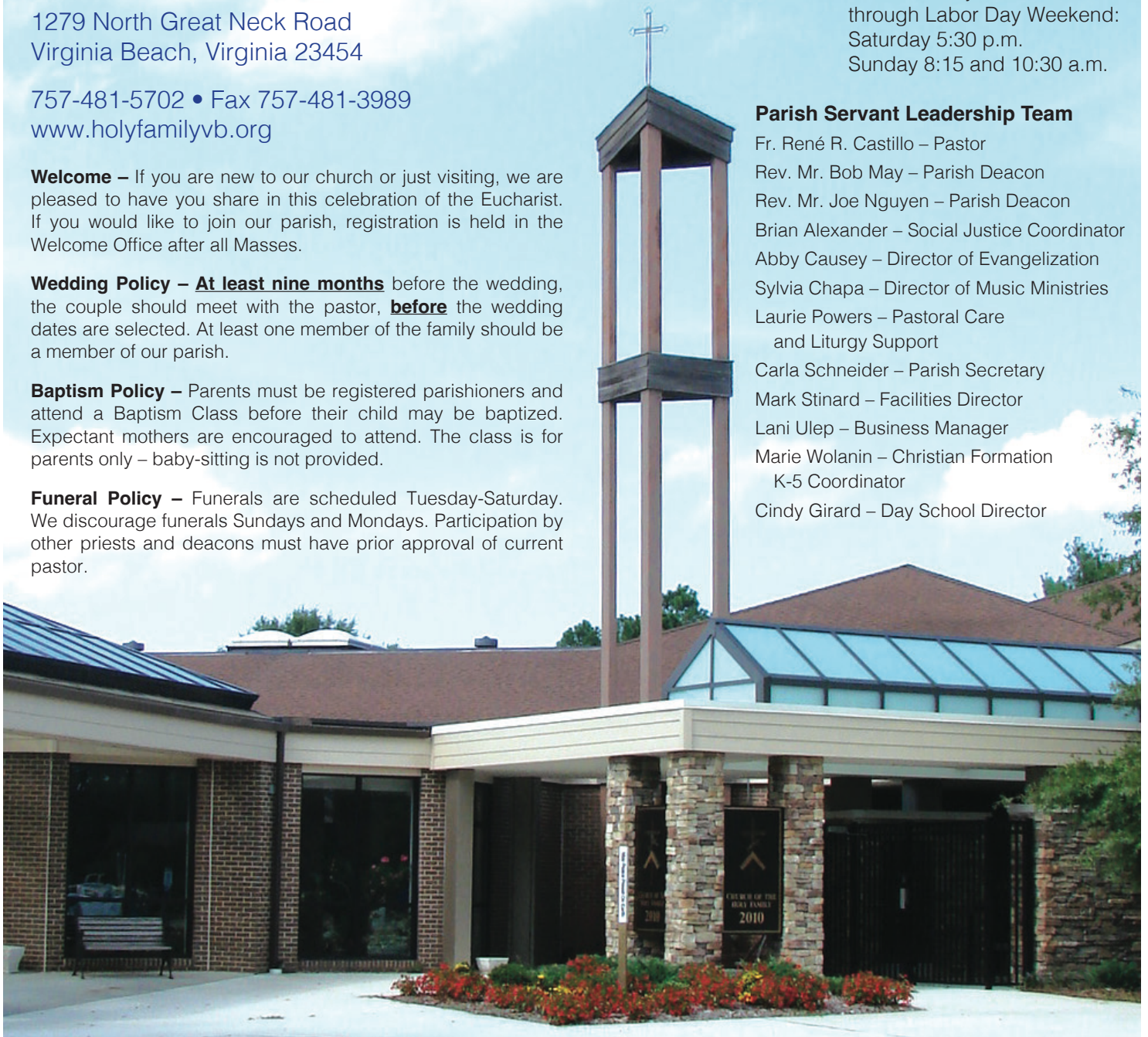
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Summer Masses

Memorial Day Weekend
through Labor Day Weekend:
Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.

Parish Servant Leadership Team

Fr. René R. Castillo – Pastor
Rev. Mr. Bob May – Parish Deacon
Rev. Mr. Joe Nguyen – Parish Deacon
Brian Alexander – Social Justice Coordinator
Abby Causey – Director of Evangelization
Sylvia Chapa – Director of Music Ministries
Laurie Powers – Pastoral Care
and Liturgy Support
Carla Schneider – Parish Secretary
Mark Stinard – Facilities Director
Lani Ulep – Business Manager
Marie Wolanin – Christian Formation
K-5 Coordinator
Cindy Girard – Day School Director



A Parish of The Catholic Diocese of Richmond
Please remember in your prayers our sister parish, St. Jude in Baptiste, Haiti

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 2 & 3, 2023

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PRAY FOR: Roberta Affelt, Michael Alleva, Theresa Andrew, Susana Asercion, Lennie Bano, Maria Basmas, Ron Batdorf, Gerard Beres, Richard Bourdon, Quinn Carpenter, Patrick Causey, Heather Cervantes, Carolyn Collings, Carol Collins, Donald Cortois, Mary Crell, Linda Davis, Tucker Davis, Bill Dempsey, Joanne Deyo and Family, Michael Eaton, Barbara Evans, Brendan Feeley, Aretha Francois, Marge Galgon, Connie Gallacher, Tony Gargano, The Ginley Family, Daniel Girard, Cameron Gladon, Mary Ann Golas, Gail Grabowski, Charlene Gregory, Donna Gottshall, Sister Nancy Healy, George Heath, Russell Heath, George Horey, Elston Howard, Theresa Hughes, Billy Jankosky, Jeremy Johnson, Julia Johnson, The Joseph Family, Kristin Judge, Susan Kayota, Emily Kerr, Marianne Krop, Tess and Tony Liene, Connie Loschi, Susan Neal Matousek, Doris Maviglia, Eila Grace McAlphin, Cheryl McLeskey, Thomas McQuay, Debbie Merritt, Isabel Mickle, L.P. Mickle, Steven Molesky, Shaun Maschue, Sandy Nuzum, Julie Oates, Marilyn O'Donnell, Collin O'Rourke, Doug Palczewski, Elenia Pantelidis, Beth Park, Ryan Piotti, Pete Popeck, Margaret Rafferty and Family, Irma Reagan, Daniel Reed, Paul Rehpeiz, Kathy Rivet, Kelly Robinson, John Robishaw, Jr., Bob Rodgers, Lou Romano, Mary Romano, Cindy Anna Russo, Dan Ryan, Jr., Jeff Ryan, Frances Sandusky, Marlene Sayers, Sherry Schieno, Grace Smith, Carole Solliday, Carol St. Cyr, Mark Staff, Roy and Sue Starrin, Arlene Stepnick, Ann Stern, Gwen Stinard, Mark C. and Catherine Stinard, Dan Stinson, Diane Taylor, Jim Trimble, Tonya Trimble, Peggy Vasko, Suzanne Wassel, Stella Watson, Christine Watt, Emma & Frank Williams, Brianna Willis, Dee Whitley, Barbara Woods, Emilie Yoder

"Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will." Mark 11:24

BULLETIN PRAYER REQUESTS:

Please call the Parish Office at 481-5702.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS: If you have an emergency and call the Church Office at 757-481-5702, please follow the directions on the phone as to what number to call for what emergency. Do not call the number listed for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick if you need Financial Assistance. There is a separate number for Financial Assistance.

ONLINE GIVING:



SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Friday – 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

(Through Labor Day Weekend)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday – 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Note: This is our last weekend to have a 10:30 a.m. Mass.

We return to 11:00 a.m. next weekend (September 9/10).

Saturday Reconciliation – 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday Evening – 6:30 p.m.

Morning Weekday – 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday through Friday

(10:30 a.m. Mass also Live-Streamed)

See Church of the Holy Family Facebook for more information.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, September 3: *Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time:* Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Monday, September 4: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 5: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 6: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, September 7: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday, September 8: *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:* Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6abc; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday, September 9: *Saint Peter Claver, Priest (USA):* Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday, September 10: *Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time:* Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Fr. René Castillo, Pastor; Michelle Rack, Chair; Jim McCaddin, Secretary; Bob Breault; Charlie Clarkson; Mariann Gannon; Lucy Klinkhammer; Connie Loschi; Dorothy Lyons; Christina Neveau-Zepf; Adam Stephens; Marie Sexton – ppc@holyfamiyvb.org.

FINANCE COUNCIL: Fr. René Castillo, Pastor; Steve Winter, Chairperson – swinter@edgewaterasset.com; Rob Wright, Vice-Chairperson – robwright@thalhimer.com; Jay Ly; Ray Michelini; Lani Ulep, Bonnie Volker; Mike Zeiders; and Pat Zogg.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Note: Some Mass Intentions may have had to be moved or changed after the Bulletin was published. We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your patience and understanding.

Saturday, September 2: 5:30 p.m.: Judi Phillips
by Tom & Pat Patterson

Sunday, September 3: 8:15 a.m.: Holy Family Parishioners;
10:30 a.m.: Claire Capomagi + by Mike & Cathy

Monday, September 4: No Mass

Tuesday, September 5: 9:30 a.m.: Lena Lataille
by Bill & Barbara Davis; 6:30 p.m.: Betty Swap
by Virginia Klein

Wednesday, September 6: 9:30 a.m.: Manuel Pelaez +
by Carmen Pelaez

Thursday, September 7: 9:30 a.m.: No Intention

Friday, September 8: 9:30 a.m.: Donald Ballard
by Lan Ballard

Saturday, September 9: 5:30 p.m.: Robert Yarbrough
(5th Anniversary of his death) + by Theresa Hughes

Sunday, September 10: 8:15 a.m.: Holy Family
Parishioners; 11:00 a.m.: Barbara DeLellis +
by Mike & Cathy

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Rev. Mr. Bob Durel, Retired Deacon – robertdurel@gmail.com

CHRIST-CENTERED YOGA:

Please join us as we live and move and have our being in Him! (*Acts 17:28*)

Christ-Centered Yoga at Church of the Holy Family offers a gentle Yoga practice with Scripture meditation and prayer. Sessions are led by parishioner

Amy Walton, a certified Holy Yoga instructor and ambassador and an RYT-200.

Meet every First and Third Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

Council 10804

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

MEETING

The Knights of Columbus Council 10804 monthly membership meeting is held on the first Thursday of each month. The Rosary will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel and all parishioners are invited. The members-only business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

**“You are born a man,
YOU BECOME A KNIGHT!”**

**We invite all Catholic men
18+ years old to join today.**

Visit www.kofc.org/join
and use the promo code BlessedMcGivney
for FREE 12 months of online membership.

**(Please list Council #10804
as your preferred council.)**

For more information regarding our Council
or how to join us, contact an officer below:

Grand Knight ~ Charles Clarkson (757-416-2707)

Deputy Grand Knight ~ Joe Murray (757-355-2108)

Chaplain ~ Fr. René Castillo

Knight of the Month: Jim McHugh

Family of the Month: Shirley McClaskey

FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD

For those of you who might not have recorded or remembered the website Father René provided to join this guild, here it is again: **fathermcgivney.org**. Should you prefer utilizing a QR code, it is below as well. As Father stated, all Catholics are invited to join for free this thriving community of prayer and spiritual support which promotes the sainthood cause of the founder of the Knights of Columbus. Be part of Blessed McGivney becoming a Saint by joining the Guild.

**HOLY FAMILY MEN OF FAITH:**

Men of Faith – Who Are We? Just a group of guys trying to share our thoughts and feelings about how we can be true to our Faith in this sometimes confusing world. Like many others, we are taking a breather for the summer. We'll resume in September. For more information, contact Bob Breault at bobbro1938@gmail.com.

**ROSARY:**

Please join us every Wednesday evening at 4:00 p.m. to pray the Rosary in the Chapel. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray as a family. We promise to start on time and have you out by 4:30 p.m.

NOTE: There will only be one Rosary Service at 4:00 p.m. The 6:00 p.m. Rosary has been cancelled.

PASTORAL CARE FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:

Are you or a loved one sick and in the hospital? Would you like to receive Communion? If so, please call the Parish Office at 757-481-5702 and leave a message with your name and the best way to contact you. We will make arrangements to accommodate you during your hospital stay.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD™

**Weekend Retreat
for Healing after Abortion**

September 8-10, 2023

"Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." ~ Hebrews 4:16.

Come to a retreat for healing...if you have had one or more abortions...if you are responsible for the abortions of others...or if you've suffered from an abortion choice of another person. If you've felt regret, grief, guilt, or anger, unforgivable, afraid, ashamed, defensive, unworthy, numb, or isolated...there is hope for healing, to accept God's mercy, and to find peace.

**Inquiries, registration, and participation
are strictly confidential.**

**For information and registration, contact:
Marty Montgomery-Jennings: 804-704-0429
or Maggie Carlson: 804-432-2589
Email: RV4hope@gmail.com**

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
8200 Woodman Road, Henrico, Virginia 23228
Confidential voicemail: 804-262-7315, ext. 402
Website: rv4hope.org

NATURE PLAY CLASSES FOR KIDS:

Church of the Holy Family Parishioners are invited to join Saint Gregory the Great Catholic Church's *Tinkergarten Class Series* being offered for children from ages 18 months to 5 years old beginning on Saturdays, at 11:00 a.m., at Saint Gregory's in Virginia Beach. Lifelong Catholic instructor, Lor of Naturgarten will present joyful, hands-on educational group play lessons designed to teach Christian wellness themes to children. With the "Wellness" theme, every lesson captures children's imagination and reveals to them the physical, mental, and emotional benefits of being outdoors in nature! To children? It's pure fun! To learn more about the new upcoming Fall Classes, email NaturgartenVB@mail.com or visit NaturgartenVB.com to sign up. Spaces will fill up quickly. Enroll your child today!

HOLY FAMILY DAY SCHOOL

757-481-1180
Celebrating 20 Years!



Enrolling children from
2 years old-Prekindergarten

Half-day and Full-day Programs
from 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Music – Spanish – Outdoor Classroom

Educating

Mind



Heart



Spirit

Please call 757-481-1180
to schedule a tour!

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around." ~ Leo Buscaglia



Grief is the conflicting feelings caused by a change or an end in a familiar pattern or behavior; it is the normal and natural reaction to loss.

Our Bereavement Support Group meets Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Library. If you, or someone you know is grieving, please join us. These meetings will be confidential and held in a safe environment.

PART-TIME EARLY CHILDHOOD AND OCIC COORDINATOR:

Church of the Holy Family seeks a part-time coordinator of Baptisms, CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word), Sunday Nursery, and OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation of Children).

Duties include overseeing our ongoing Baptismal preparation program, CLOW program during the school year, ongoing OCIC program, and establishment of a Sunday Nursery during the Masses. This coordinator will work under the supervision of the Director of Elementary Religious Education to carry out all responsibilities. This coordinator will work closely with families to provide information and facilitate their participation in all these programs. The coordinator will oversee, train, and recruit catechists to run effective and engaging Baptism, CLOW, Nursery, and OCIC programs. The coordinator will work with clergy and other staff to organize and administer programming. He or she will make sure that sacramental guidelines are followed and that necessary documentation for sacraments is collected and recorded.

Requirements include basic knowledge of Catholic sacramental theology, in particular the Sacraments of Initiation. The coordinator should have experience in sacramental formation and demonstrate pastoral skills and deep respect for cultural diversity. The coordinator will have strong communication skills with adults and children alike and be successful working in a team setting. The position also requires the ability to work independently. Given the position and its responsibilities in our parish, the coordinator needs to be a Catholic in good standing and must be VIRTUS trained or eligible for VIRTUS training.

Please send application and CV with references to Lani Ulep, businessmanager@holyfamilyvb.org.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Budget 2023/2024 is \$1,044,400.00

Month July 1-31, 2023

Monthly Total Collection	\$ 90,351.84
Monthly Budget	\$ 87,033.33
Month over Budget	>\$ 3,318.51<
Year-to-Date Collection	\$ 90,351.84
Budget for 5 weeks	\$ 101,420.00
Year under Budget	<\$ 11,068.16>
Social Ministry:	\$ 5,719.00
Haiti Fund:	\$ 2,425.00
Capital Reserve:	\$ 3,236.10

Make your stewardship easy with e-giving. Have your contribution taken from your bank account or charged to your credit card. See "Online Donation" on the Parish website: <https://holyfamilyvb.org/>. Contact Stella Havens in the Parish Office if you have questions.

RCIA

RCIA is short for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA is the normative process where those who are interested in the Catholic Church have a time of discernment about a possible call to full participation in the Catholic faith.

RCIA is open to:

- Those adults who have not been baptized and are spiritually looking
- Those adults who have been baptized in a recognized non-Catholic Christian tradition
- Those adults who were baptized Catholic but have not celebrated First Communion and Confirmation.

Participating in RCIA does not mean that you **have** to become Catholic, but it does help you discern as to whether God is calling you to join the Catholic Church. Please contact the Parish Office at 757-481-5702 if you are interested in learning more.

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY:

In a continuing effort to grow our Altar Server ministry, we would like to invite any student, in the third grade or higher, who has received First Holy Communion to consider this important way to serve. When an Altar Server participates in Mass, they are helping the Priest bring Jesus Christ to the people of the parish through the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Commitment: There is a 90-minute training session, the Mass time of your choice when available, and there will be a parent meeting Labor Day week for more information.

- **Altar Server Family Introduction Meeting:**
Wednesday, September 6, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Worship Space. (Altar Server Ministry)
- **Altar Server Training Session:**
Wednesday, September 13, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Worship Space. (Altar Server Responsibilities)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the ministry coordinator, Michael Barea at michael.barea@gmail.com or Deacon Bob May at robmay124@gmail.com.





**NEWLY ORDAINED FR. WILLIAM BUCKLEY
(WHO WAS ASSIGNED TO HOLY FAMILY
AS A SEMINARIAN)**

will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving

at Holy Family

Friday, September 8, 6:00 p.m.

~ There will be hospitality after the Mass ~

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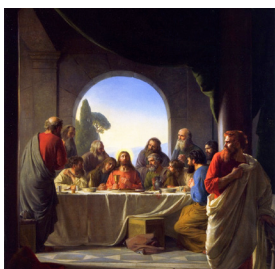
James

Pearls for Wise Living

PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Have you ever struggled with living your faith practically? Do you want advice on how to live as a Catholic? James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith.

Adult Faith Formation (AFF) invites you to join us for our Fall program titled “*James: Pearls for Wise Living*.” This study applies the wisdom of James to our current day. We will meet on Sundays between the Masses from September 10 through November 19. You can register on the parish website www.holyfamilyvb.org, or forms are available at the Welcome Table. Please contact PAL@holyfamilyvb.org for more information.



“THIS IS MY BODY”

The book, “This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival,” by Bishop Robert Barron, is available after Mass for a donation. It is an exceptional explanation of why we celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist as Catholics.

“CREATION CARE CORNER:”

In June, 2023, Greta Thunberg, the 20-year-old Swedish climate activist was arrested by the Swedish police in Malmo Harbor for her involvement in an anti-oil protest. Thunberg had joined a group of around 20 protesters from the Swedish group, “Reclaim the Future,” at the city’s oil terminal, climbing on tankers and blocking the entrance to the port, preventing trucks from entering or leaving the port. She was found guilty by a Swedish court of disobeying police orders to leave the anti-oil protest. She was fined what amounted to \$240 in U.S. money.

What is of special interest to us, were the various comments she and her group made. They point out the injustices that prevail in the climate change crisis.

Ms. Thunberg said in an *Instagram post* on the day she joined the protest: “The climate crisis is already a matter of life and death for countless people. We choose to not be bystanders, and instead physically stop the fossil fuel infrastructure. We are reclaiming the future.”

The group’s spokesperson said that “The real crime is inside the gates we blocked. We will continue our opposition to this type of activity. We are not going to wait and contribute to the fossil fuel industry continuing to take our dreams away from us.”

In the trial, following the giving of the verdict, Greta said: “We know we can’t save the world by following the rules, because the rules have to change.”

She further commented: “We know that our laws are not designed to protect people long term but rather it seems more like they are to protect economic interests and destructive industries and companies.”

The group behind the protest said in a *Twitter post*: “What if the media could put the same resources into exposing the fossil fuel companies’ and those in power’s betrayal of young people around the world.”

According to the group, just hours after Thunberg’s sentence announcement, she and 15 other young activists returned to the oil port for a new blockade.

Within the past 5 years, Thunberg and her army have made their voices heard, helped shape public opinion, and challenged world leaders to take immediate action in climate change mitigation.

This article was adapted from Martini Igini’s article: “Greta Thunberg Found Guilty of Criminal Activity for Malmo Harbour Anti-Oil Protest,” published on July 25, 2023, on *Earth.Org*.

Ed Marroni – Holy Family Environmental Ministry

2023 BAPTISM DATES

The Following Weekends:**November 11/12, 2023****January 13/14, 2024****April 27/28, 2024**

Parents will need to attend an online **Baptism Class** prior to Baptism. To find out about online classes, see information below.

To request Baptism for your child, please go to the parish website. Under the "Our Faith" tab, click "The Sacraments" and then click "Baptism." There you will find lots of information about Baptism requirements and godparents. To schedule a Baptism, complete the online form on the parish website. Here is the direct link to the form: <https://www.holyfamilyvb.org/baptism-request-form>.

You can also contact Marie Wolanin at 757-937-6712 or k5cf@holyfamilyvb.org.



50/50 RAFFLE: The 50/50 Raffle has begun again at all weekend Masses. The drawing will be Labor Day weekend (September 2/3).

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You within my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to 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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Music Notes

It's that time of year when Music Ministry comes back for learning and practicing music for Masses and for our Festival of Carols.

Join in the joy of making music at Holy Family!

Teen Singers return Sunday, September 10, at 5:30 p.m. for their first weekly rehearsal of the 2023-2024 season! Grades 6-12, if you sing in a school choir or can't get choir into your school schedule, there's room for you to sing in Teen Singers. Heads up! We're accepting new singers, so sign up!

Children's Choir: NEW! Our cantor Anne Glenn-Zeljeznjak will be leading 3rd-5th grade singers in a lively rehearsal weekly on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:15 p.m. starting September 26. On September 10 right after the Ministry Fair, parents and children come to a music familiarization experience at 12:30 p.m. in the Choir Room with Ms. Anne. Ms. Sylvia will accompany this choir and they will sing with Teen Singers at Mass.

Parish Choir returns to weekly Wednesday rehearsals with a *New Member Social* September 6 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Choir Room 134. After our meet and greet, we'll preview music for the year and practice for any who are available to sing the Friday evening Mass with our former seminarian, now Fr. William Buckley, on September 8.

Holy Family RINGERS (Bells) return to weekly Thursday rehearsals September 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. New ringers from 6th grade up and adults may ring! Come to our meet and greet September 7 at 5:30 p.m., sample how to ring, and preview what's happening in 2023-2024.

Instrumentalists: Looking for orchestra players playing about music grade 3 level or above!

Contact Sylvia for details to join in the happy music making at Holy Family! Four ways below -

Ministry Fair, September 9-10 – sign up after Mass!

Or see Sylvia at the piano after any Mass,

Email music@holyfamilyvb.org, or

Call 757-481-5702, ext. 124

Holy Family



Serving through Music

Church of the Holy Family Social Justice & Outreach

TO LOVE IS TO TAKE ACTION.
TO LOVE IS TO TAKE ACTION.

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September 2-3, 2023

MINISTRY FAIR NEXT WEEKEND



Holy Family will be holding a Ministry Fair after all Masses on the weekend of September 9th and 10th in the Family Room. Learn more

about all the ministry opportunities at Holy Family during the Ministry Fair.

Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice: Washington D.C. October 28-30, 2023

All high school students are invited to attend this year's Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice. IFTJ is the largest conference on Catholic Social Teaching. The conference is rooted in the spiritual tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola and Catholic Social Teaching. Contact Abby Causey or Brian Alexander to learn more.



So you want to start composting at Holy Family?

The Holy Family Environmental Ministry is participating in a compost drop off initiative with Drishti Composting. Holy Family will be Drishti's first drop off site.

Step 1: Sign-up at the Ministry Fair on Sept. 9-10, 2023. We are asking for a \$20 donation to assist with the fee for picking up the compost.

Step 2: Once you sign-up you will receive directions on where and how to compost at Holy Family. You will also receive 10 compostable bags to get you started.

Step 3: Purchase a composting container for your kitchen and start collecting your food scraps.

Step 4: Bring your food scraps and place them in the bin at Holy Family.

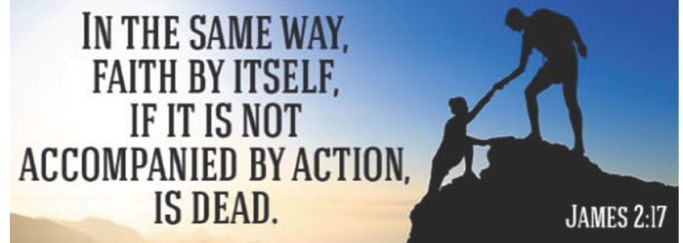
**YES.
IT'S THAT EASY.**

E-Cycling Event

Date: Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 9:00am-12:00pm

Location: Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center

Description: Recycle your old electronics and hazardous materials.



Learn more about the Pearls for Wise Living from the Book of James, between the Masses from Sept. 10th thru Nov. 19th.

Register at holyfamilyvb.org



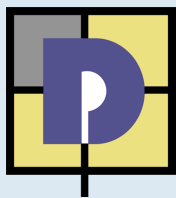
Fr. Cassa and Fr. Etienne, both former pastors from our twinning parish in Baptiste, recently attended World Youth Day in Lisbon Portugal.



Fr. Cassa takes a selfie at WYD



**The next World Youth Day will be in
Seoul, South Korea 2027**



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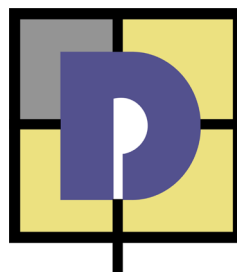


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