

# Church OF THE Holy Family

**A Catholic Church**

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Virginia Beach, Virginia 23454

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[www.holyfamilyvb.org](http://www.holyfamilyvb.org)

**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** – The Church encourages the baptizing of infants in their first few weeks. Expectant parents should contact the Baptism Coordinator around the sixth month of pregnancy. See Bulletin pages for more details.

**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.

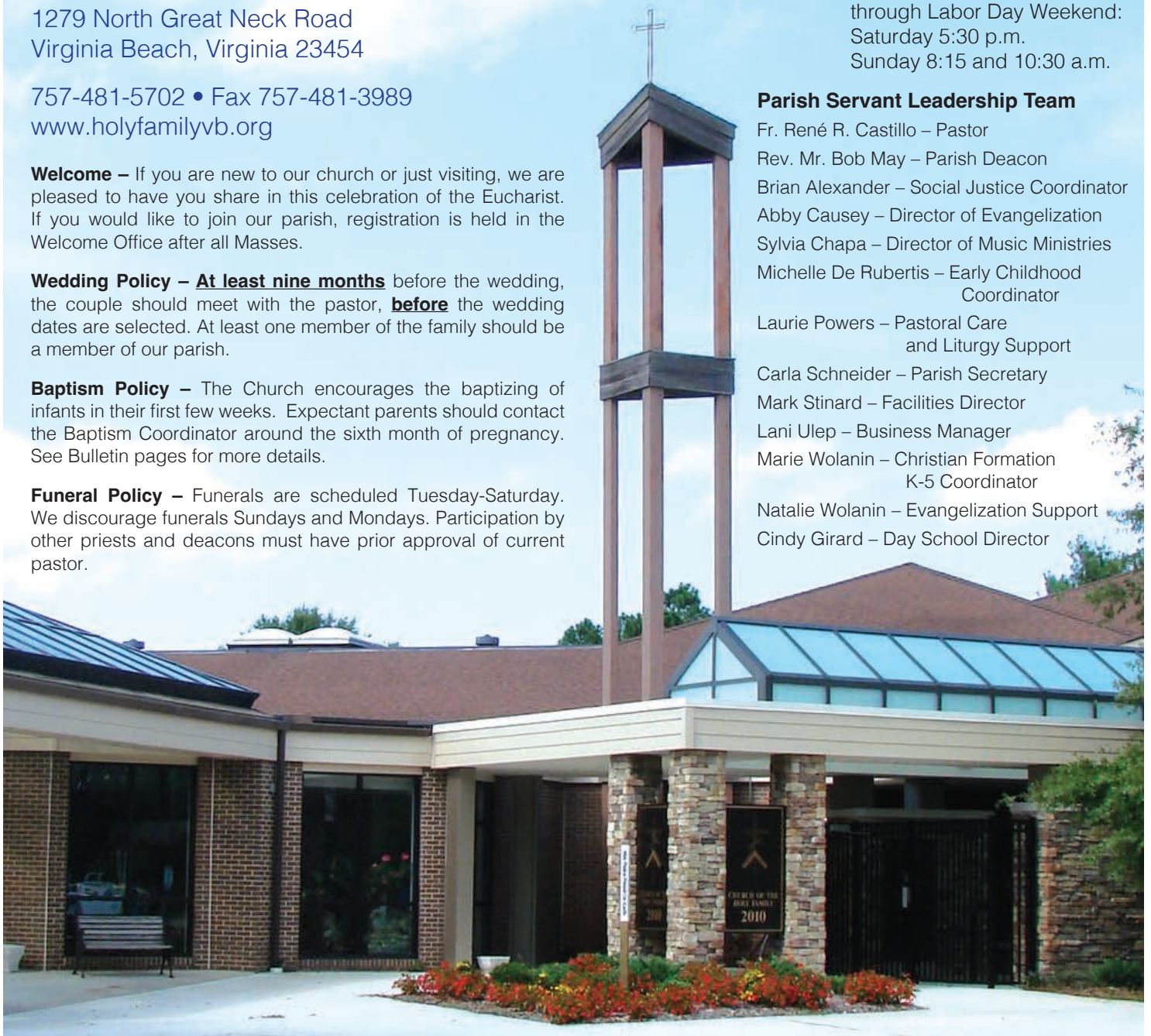
Reconciliation Saturday  
4:00-5:00 p.m.  
The Room Inside the Chapel

### **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  
Brian Alexander – Social Justice Coordinator  
Abby Causey – Director of Evangelization  
Sylvia Chapa – Director of Music Ministries  
Michelle De Rubertis – Early Childhood  
Coordinator  
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  
Natalie Wolanin – Evangelization Support  
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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 2 &amp; 3, 2024

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**PRAY FOR:** Roberta Affelt, Michael Allewa, Emma Allshouse, Theresa Andrew, Susana Asercion, Susie Bailey, Lennie Bano, Maria Basmis, Ron Batdorf, Gerard Beres, Richard Bourdon, John Buford, Erin Burkamb, Freddie Cahoon, Quinn Carpenter, Patrick Causey, Heather Cervantes, Sheila Cherico, Patrick Chicoine, Carolyn Collings, Carol Collins, Donald Courtois, Mary Crell, Maureen Cullen, Linda Davis, Tucker Davis, Bill Dempsey, Joanne Deyo and Family, Lucy Dragnich, Michael Eaton, Barbara Evans, Brendan Feeley, Patricia Fogarty, Aretha Francois, Connie Gallacher, Tony Gargano, The Ginley Family, Daniel Girard, Mary Ann Golas, Gail Grabowski, Charlene Gregory, Donna Gottshall, Sister Nancy Healy, George Heath, Russell Heath, Mary Hood, 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, Jeremy Lopez, Connie Loschi, Susan Neal Matousek, Eila Grace McAlpin, 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, Cecilia O'Toole, Doug Palczewski, Elenia Pantelidis, Beth Park, Ryan Piotti, Margaret Pisone, 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, Valerie Seiberlich, Christian Sleigh, Cameron Smith, Grace Smith, Carole Solliday, Carol St. Cyr, Mark Staff, Roy and Sue Starrin, Arlene Stepnick, Ann Stern, Dan Stinson, Diane Taylor, Jim Trimble, Tonya Trimble, Suzanne Wassel, Stella Watson, Kai Wescoat, Nancy Wiggins, Emma & Frank Williams, Brianna Willis, Dee Whitley, Emilie Yoder

**BULLETIN PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Please call the Parish Office at 481-5702.

**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS****Sunday, March 3:** *Third Sunday of Lent:*

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3,7-8,12-17; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

**Monday, March 4:** *Saint Casimir:* 2 Kgs 5:1-15b;

Ps 42:2-3; 43: 3-4; Lk 24-30

**Tuesday, March 5:** Dn 3:25,34-43; Ps 25:4bc-5ab,6-7bc,8-9; Mt 18:21-35**Wednesday, March 6:** Dt 4:1,5-9; Ps 147:12-13,15-16,19-20; Mt 5:17-19**Thursday, March 7:** *Saints Perpetua and Felicity:* Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2,6-9; Lk 11:14-23**Friday, March 8:** *Saint John of God, Religious:* Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11b,14,17; Mk 12:28-34**Saturday, March 9:** *Saint Frances of Rome, Religious:* Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4,18-21b; Lk 18:9-14**Sunday, March 10:** *Fourth Sunday of Lent:*

2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Friday from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday – 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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

Tuesday Evening – 6:30 p.m.

Morning Weekday – 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday through Friday

(11:00 a.m. Mass also Livestreamed)

See Church of the Holy Family Facebook  
for more information.

**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 separate number for Financial Assistance.

**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, March 2:** 5:30 p.m.: Lois Jean Dolney +  
by David & Carol Gundlach**Sunday, March 3:** 8:15 a.m.: Peter Antonello +  
by Alyce Antonello; 11:00 a.m.: Holy Family**Monday, March 4:** No Mass**Tuesday, March 5:** 9:30 a.m.: Evelyn Clarkson +  
by Charlie & JoAnn Clarkson; 6:00 p.m.: No Intention**Wednesday, March 6:** 9:30 a.m.: For All Deceased J.O.Y. Club  
Members + by Mary Simon**Thursday, March 7:** 9:30 a.m.: No Mass**Friday, March 8:** Joseph Dandry + by Charlie & JoAnn Clarkson**Saturday, March 9:** 5:30 p.m.: Holy Family**Sunday, March 10:** 8:15 a.m.: “Mike” Jakubec +  
by Ben & Doris Smith; 11:00 a.m.: Doris Maviglia +  
by Georgia Skuro**ONLINE GIVING:**



**SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM EMAILS:**

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[robertdurel@gmail.com](mailto:robertdurel@gmail.com)

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:**

Fr. René Castillo, Pastor; Michelle Rack, Chair;  
Adam Stephens, Secretary; Bob Breault; Mariann Gannon;  
Dave Hicks; Connie Loschi; Dorothy Lyons; Lauren McDonough;  
Christina Neveau-Zepf; Amy Walton; Bella Mlodzinski, Youth  
Representative. [ppc@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:ppc@holyfamilyvb.org).

**FINANCE COUNCIL:**

Fr. René Castillo, Pastor;  
Steve Winter, Chairperson – [swinter@edgewaterasset.com](mailto:swinter@edgewaterasset.com);  
Rob Wright, Vice-Chairperson – [robwright@thalhimer.com](mailto:robwright@thalhimer.com);  
Jay Ly; Kevin Rack; Glenn Rodriguez; Lani Ulep,  
Bonnie Volker; Mike Zeiders; and Pat Zogg.

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS:**

"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of Reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? Consider answering the call to the priesthood and serve God and His people. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at 804-359-5661, or via email [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org)

**TUESDAY EVENING MASS:**

Please note that the 6:30 p.m. time for the Tuesday Evening Mass will change to **6:00 p.m. during Lent**. Mass will be followed by a Lenten Soup Supper (sponsored by our Knights of Columbus) and a program (sponsored by our Adult Faith Formation ministry).



**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](http://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: David Gundlach**

**Family of the Month: Abby Causey**



**BASKETBALL SHOOTING  
COMPETITION WINNERS**

At the recent Knights of Columbus Council Basketball Free Throw Competition at Holy Family, the winners were:

**Girls:**

Age 10 – Eva Pedigo  
Age 12 – Andrea Panelo

**Boys:**

Age 10 – Vincent Lascara  
Age 12 – Dean Hicks

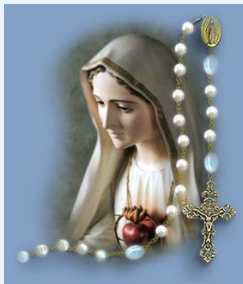
The District Winners were Vincent Lascara and Dean Hicks. They are now eligible to compete for the Virginia State Championship title to be held in Richmond in March.

***Congratulations to all!***

**MEN OF FAITH:**

At our recent Saturday morning meeting, we watched and discussed a Knights of Columbus video that explored the concept of Brotherhood and its importance in our lives as Christian men.

The Men of Faith is open to all men of the parish over 18 years of age. We meet at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month and 7:30 a.m. on the fourth Saturday morning. If you'd like to join a group of guys who enjoy good company and share our thoughts and feelings about how we can be true to our Faith, contact Bob Breault at 610-360-6070 or [bobbro1938@gmail.com](mailto:bobbro1938@gmail.com) or Ron Batdorf at 757-739-4414 or [Ron.batdorf@gmail.com](mailto:Ron.batdorf@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.

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

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

Our online giving company (Faith Direct) only provides us with total online giving donations twice a month. In order to provide a more accurate depiction of the total contributions being received from parishioners, we will be providing monthly figures in the bulletin.

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 Lani Ulep, Business Manager, in the Parish Office if you have questions.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Fridays at 12:00 Noon – Church of the Holy Family  
Now through March 29**

**50/50 RAFFLE:**

The 50/50 Raffle has begun again before and after all weekend Masses. The drawing will be March 17.

**HOLY FAMILY DAY SCHOOL**

757-481-1180

Celebrating 20 Years!



Enrolling children from 2 years old-Prekindergarten

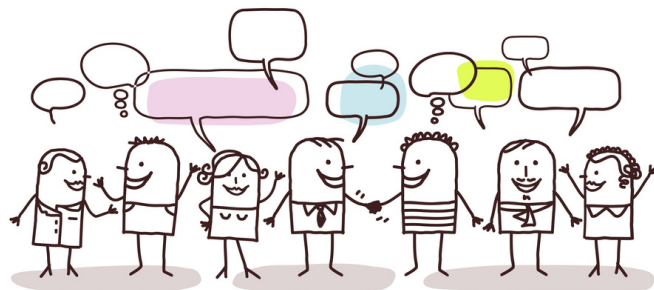
Half-day and Full-day Programs  
from 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Music – Spanish – Outdoor Classroom

Educating

Mind ♥ Heart ♥ Spirit

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

**PARISH LIFE MEETING**

**Date: Wednesday, March 20**

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Place: Church of the Holy Family**

**Note: During Lent,** the Parish Life Meeting (which usually meets the third Tuesday of each month) will meet the third **Wednesday** of each month, so as not to conflict with the Tuesday Lenten Soup Suppers and Adult Faith Formation program.



## Music Notes & Ministry Schedule

**Parish Choir:** Singing 3rd Sunday of Lent at the 5:30 p.m. Mass, Confirmation Mass on Wednesday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m., and preparing *The Passion According to Saint John* along with other Lenten and Holy Week music in “A Musical Journey from Lent to Holy Week” for the parish on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the public!

**Children’s Choir (Grades 3-5):** We are one of very few area parishes that offer a Children’s Choir program September-May. Take advantage of these free music lessons and make the Mass more beautiful with your voice! Practices are Tuesdays 6:30-7:15 p.m.

**Handbells – Holy Family Ringers:** Practicing Thursdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. to ring Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday.

**Teen Instruments:** Practicing Thursdays 7:30-8:30 p.m. – violins, viola, cello, trumpet, and trombone. Playing at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on March 17.

**Teen Singers (Grades 6-12):** Singing 11:00 a.m. Mass on March 17. Interested in singing? Join NOW to sing Easter Mass at 9:45 a.m. on March 31. Practices are Sundays 5:30-6:30 p.m. except for March 10.

For more info, contact Sylvia Chapa,  
Director of Music Ministries – email [music@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:music@holyfamilyvb.org)



*Serving through Music*

### CREATION CARE CORNER:™

Here is a simple weekly Lenten Fast about creation care, depriving yourself of some comfort, giving up a wasteful practice, or modifying your actions to reduce harm to our Earth. You might consider using each Fast listed for six days each week or you might prefer your own ideas on how you can connect Lent and our Earth.

- **Week 1: A Fast from Indifference.**

Pope Francis said, “The more common opposite of the love of God’s compassion—is indifference.” When you see an opportunity to help or to serve, don’t turn away. Better yet—seek out opportunities to advocate for the environment and the underserved.

- **Week 2: A Meat Fast.**

How about adding a meatless Monday to meatless Friday? Or eating sustainable fish instead of beef, pork, chicken, or lamb?

- **Week 3: An Energy Fast.**

Consider turning the thermostat down a degree or two and putting on an additional sweater. Or turning the water heater down to 120 degrees. Or washing clothes in cold water?

- **Week 4: A Plastic Fast.**

Try reducing single-use plastics. Choose recyclable alternatives such as glass or metal cans. Carry reusable bottles and utensils with you. Use reusable shopping bags.

- **Week 5: A Water Fast.**

Reduce your shower to 3 or 4 minutes. Or turn off the faucet between brushing and shaving. Run dish washer only when fully loaded.

- **Week 6: A Gasoline Fast.**

Slow down when driving to use less gas! Plan errands to minimize mileage. Carpool, walk, or bike when possible. Make sure that the tires are properly inflated, and you will use less gasoline when driving.

These are suggestions you can observe each day of the Lenten Season while you are contributing to the well-being of our Wonderful Earth. We are thankful to the “Care for Creation Ministry” at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Liberty, Ohio, for putting this list together.

Ed Marroni – Holy Family Environmental Ministry





### 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.

### RCIA

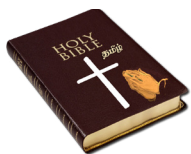
RCIA is short for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA is the normative process where those who are interested in the Catholic Church have a time of discernment about a possible call to full participation in the Catholic faith.

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 Eucharist and Communion.

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.



### THE HOLY FAMILY GIFT SHOP

*Helping celebrate your faith journey  
with products for every day!*

**20% off New and Preread Books**

**Buy a Bible, Give a Bible  
Preorder from our Selection**

*Gift Shop is open before and after each Mass.*

### 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.*

### UPCOMING BAPTISM DATES

Baptisms are normally scheduled during weekend Masses on set dates.

**April 27/28, 2024**

**June 1/2, 2024**

**August 17/18, 2024**

Sacramental preparation consists of meeting with the Baptism Coordinator, completing an online Baptism program, and attending an in-person session.

**To request Baptism**, please go to the parish website. Under the "Our Faith" tab, click "The Sacraments" and then click "Baptism." There, you will find information about Baptism, as well as the Baptism Request Form: <https://www.holyfamilyvb.org/baptism-request-form>.

Once your Baptism Request Form is received, the Baptism Coordinator will contact you to schedule an appointment to meet with her and plan the Baptism! Expectant parents are encouraged to reach out around the sixth month of pregnancy, but the unbaptized of all ages are welcome! Feel free to contact Michelle De Rubertis directly with any questions at 757-937-6712 or [michelle@holymfamilyvb.org](mailto:michelle@holymfamilyvb.org).



### PROMOTIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ". . . these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching?

Adult Faith Formation (AFF) invites you to join us for our Winter program titled, "Lectio – Eucharist." We will dive into a study and look for the Eucharist in the pages of the old and new testaments. We will meet on Sundays between the Masses through March 24. You can register on the parish website [www.holyfamilyvb.org](http://www.holyfamilyvb.org) or forms are available at the Welcome Table. Please contact [PAL@holymfamilyvb.org](mailto:PAL@holymfamilyvb.org) for more information.

### FUN-TASTIC AUCTION:

Do you own a business? Do you have a time-share or a beach rental? If so, please consider making a donation to our Live Auction. Save the Date! Holy Family Fun-tastic Auction is April 27. We will begin accepting ***small items*** **March 15**; other items April 6. We cannot accept any large furnishings. If you have questions or items to offer, please contact JoAnn Clarkson at 757-373-3325.





### **WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE TEAM OF EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNION MINISTERS!**

Each week as we come forward to receive the Eucharist, we say, "Amen!" to the person who offers us the Consecrated Body and Blood of Jesus Christ! "The Body of Christ, The Blood of Christ!" is what we hear; and what we believe, we receive.

You can join the team of Communion Ministers who help bring this important Sacrament to our "Holy Family" family! Please email Laurie Powers at [PAL@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:PAL@holyfamilyvb.org).

### **IN HONOR OF OUR J.O.Y. CLUB:**

**Save the date! Wednesday, March 13, 9:30 a.m. Mass.**

The Giving Tree Committee is offering a Mass Intention for the J.O.Y. Club members - current, past, and deceased.

The J.O.Y. Club is celebrating 40 years of service. The generous ladies meet weekly and do all sorts of work and fundraising for the church, including, yet not limited to:

- Purchasing the Holy Family Statue
- Sponsoring/contributing to the Holy Family Niche included in the renovation project
- Purchasing an alarm for the Holy Family Day School
- Financially sponsor a teacher in Haiti
- Donating to St. Mary's Basilica Project
- Donating to St. Mary's Center
- Purchasing the Stations of the Cross that grace our Worship Space
- Purchasing Vestments for our priests
- Purchasing, creating, and placing ribbons in our hymnals
- Purchasing, sewing, and embroidering baptismal stoles
- Purchasing and sewing stockings for the VA Hospital via Knights of Columbus
- Purchasing knitting supplies to make newborn stockings for the hospital
- Contributing time and talent for the many tasks of the Giving Tree by assisting in creating tags and Gift Card Christmas inserts
- Stuffing for church mailings
- Many are on the Parish Life Committee and purchase/prepare food for Funeral Ministry
- Bake and hold bake sales
- Create and sell crafts for fundraising
- . . . and the list goes on . . .

Please take time to thank one of these members; pray for them. And if you have the time, participate in Mass on March 13!



**Save the date:** Holy Family Golf Tournament, April 8, at Broad Bay Country Club

**Sponsor Contact:** Paul Battaglia – 757-285-8609 (seeking sponsors!)

**Golf Registration:** Charlie Clarkson – 757-416-2707

**Raffle Prize Donations:** Mike Reda – 757-443-8788 (seeking donations, gift cards, gift-appropriate)



### **SCHEDULE OF PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES**

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| • Tuesday, March 5         | Star of the Sea       |
| • Wednesday, March 6       | St. Luke              |
| • <b>Tuesday, March 12</b> | <b>Holy Family</b>    |
| • Wednesday, March 13      | Ascension             |
| • Thursday, March 14       | St. Nicholas          |
| • Monday, March 18         | St. Gregory the Great |
| • Wednesday, March 20      | Holy Spirit           |
| • Thursday, March 21       | St. John the Apostle  |

**Note: All services are at 7:00 p.m.**



### **ADORATION:**

Every Tuesday, Holy Family Church has Adoration following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Exposition starts immediately after Mass and Adoration will conclude at 12:45 p.m.

### **FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD**



Be part of Blessed McGivney becoming a Saint by joining the Guild. 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. Go to [fathermcgivney.org](http://fathermcgivney.org) or use the QR code.





# Church of the Holy Family Social Justice & Outreach

TO LOVE IS TO TAKE ACTION.  
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## The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching



The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society. Modern Catholic social teaching has been articulated through a tradition of papal, conciliar and episcopal documents. Over the past seven bulletins, we have reflected on the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. To learn more visit [www.holyfamilyvb.org](http://www.holyfamilyvb.org)

Images representing the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching are courtesy of Brother Mickey McGrath, OSFS. (Oblates of St. Frances de Sales)

"Those who love to be feared fear to be loved."  
Saint Francis de Sales



## Yes in My Neighborhood

### Attainable, Affordable Housing Door Exhibit comes to Holy Family

The attainable and affordable housing display is traveling from church to church. The exhibit addresses 5 current myths about affordable housing. Take a moment and learn more about affordable housing by reading the "doors" at Holy Family through March 14, 2024. Special thanks to Veronica Thomas and Kiren Karande at Old Dominion University for their research and commitment to finding affordable housing solutions for Hampton Roads. According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, affordable housing is defined as the "occupants paying no more than 30% of gross income, including utilities."

### Myths of Affordable Housing

- Affordable housing decreases property values
- Only the poor and unemployed benefit from affordable housing
- Increasing affordable rental housing options will overburden school systems
- Affordable housing is primarily needed in rural areas of Virginia
- Affordable housing will have a negative economic impact on my community

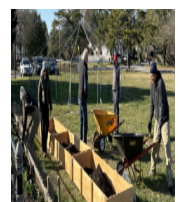


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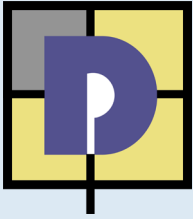
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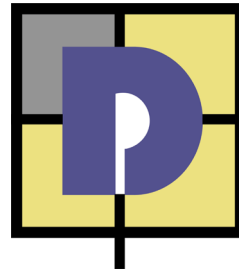


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