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He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit





HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC CHURCH



Holy Family Parish is a joyful Catholic community
that encourages growth in prayer,
faith in God, and lives of service.

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

Events

PASTORAL CENTER HOURS

Monday - Thursday 8:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
1:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Friday 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
After Hours Emergency (answered 24 hours) 817-571-7325

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Hoa Nguyen	Pastor	817-737-6768
Rev. Isaac McCracken	Assoc. Pastor	817-737-6768
Dcn. Michael Mocek	Deacon	817-502-7886
Dcn. Mark Gannaway	Deacon	817-832-8339
Dcn. David Kinch	Deacon	
Monica Molina	Pastoral Assistant	817-502-7882
Kelli Tull	Bus. Mgr. HFCC/HFCS	817-502-7888
Marissa Sims	Pastoral Secretary	817-737-6768

FORMATION

Genni Sayers	Director of Religious Education	817-502-7887
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Michelle Romero	Coordinator of Youth Ministry	817-502-7883

LITURGY

Keisha Matthews	Director of Music & Liturgy	817-502-7884
Star Fedor	Adm. Assistant Liturgy	817-502-7885

HOLY FAMILY

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Brenda Conway, Principal 817-737-4201
Lisa Griffith, Development Director
Mauri Howell, Receptionist

December 14	SUNDAY Faith Formation 10:30 A.M.
December 15	MONDAY Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary 6:30 P.M.
December 17	WEDNESDAY All Young At Heart 11:30 A.M. Confession 4:30-5:20 P.M. and 6:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.
December 18	THURSDAY Confession 5:30 P.M.-6:30 P.M.
December 19	FRIDAY Capital Campaign Spiritual Committee Rosary & Potluck After the 5:30 P.M. mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	5:30 P.M.
Thursday	8:15 A.M.
Tuesday (Morning Prayer)	8:15 A.M.
Saturday	8:15 A.M.
Saturday (Vigil)	5:00 P.M.
Sunday	7:45 A.M., 9:15 A.M., and 12:00 P.M.
Special Needs Mass (Second Saturday of every month)	6:30 P.M.
Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Saturday	3:00 P.M.-4:30 P.M.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday	9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.
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HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Family Catholic School is currently accepting applications for admissions for the 2026-2027 school year for grades PreK-3 through 8th grade. To apply, visit the school's website at www.hfcsfw.org and click the admissions tab. To schedule a school tour, please contact Lisa Griffith at lgriffith@hfcsfw.org or call 817.737.4201 x 109. Save the date for Holy Family Catholic School's Open House on **Sunday, January 25, 2026**.



MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF December 14

Monday, Dec. 15	5:30 P.M.	+Mary Ann Buchtan
Wed., Dec. 17	5:30 P.M.	+Michael Walsh
Thursday, Dec. 18	8:15 A.M.	+Ray Hughey
Friday, Dec. 19	5:30 P.M.	+George Aaron Washabaugh, III
Saturday, Dec. 20	8:15 A.M.	+Nickey Kana
	5:00 P.M.	Margaret Russell
Sunday, Dec. 21	7:45 A.M.	Holy Family Community
	9:15 A.M.	+Joanie Shreve
	12:00 P.M.	+Robert James Collision

DAILY READINGS

WEEK OF December 14

Monday	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a
Tuesday	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13
Wednesday	Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17
Thursday	Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25
Friday	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a
Saturday	Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
Fourth Sunday of Advent	
Sunday	Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

STEWARDSHIP

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." JAMES 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

END OF YEAR STATEMENTS

The Year End Statements will be emailed to the email address in our office directory, end of January 2026. If you need to verify your email address is correct or want to request a hard copy be mailed, please contact Kelli at (817) 502-7888 or email her at KTullwaldrop@HolyFamilyFW.org.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Please remember to pray for the work of the Annual Diocesan Appeal as it supports many ministries in the Diocese. The goal for Holy Family Church is \$178,000.00. Thanks to you our parish has pledged \$27,298.00 from 29 donors. We are striving for 100 percent participation. For information, please visit the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth website www.fwdioc.org.

ADMINISTRATION

PASTORAL CENTER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Pastoral Center will be closed **Wednesday, December 24, Thursday, December 25, and Friday, December 26, Wednesday, December 31 and Thursday, January 1**. If you have an emergency, please call 817.571.7325

HOLY FAMILY FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Please join us on **Sunday, December 28, at 1:15 P.M.** in Scantlin Hall for lunch and fellowship! Please RSVP by **Monday, December 22** at RSVP@HolyFamilyFW.org or call the office at 817.737.6768

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

Have you moved? New phone number? New e-mail address? Just recently gotten married? Had a baby? Please help us keep our database current. Contact Marissa Sims, Pastoral Secretary at MSims@HolyFamilyFW.org or 817.737.6768 to update your records.

FLOCKNOTE

Flocknote is an easy way to communicate with Holy Family Church! Receive notifications through emails, texts or both. Register at <https://app.Flocknote.com/HolyFamilyCatholicFTW> and select which groups you would like to hear from such as ministry updates or weather cancellations.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST BE COMPLIANT IN SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING TO CONTINUE IN MINISTRY.

Proceed to the diocesan website: www.fwdioc.org

click on SAFE ENVIRONMENT

click on AWARENESS SESSIONS

click I NEED A VIRTUS PROFILE

All volunteers must:

- Attend the current safe environment program entitled *Protecting God's Children for Adults*. All sessions are in person and to be renewed every two years.
- Authorize a background check (credit check and/or motor vehicle check is required depending on ministry requirements).
- Complete the Volunteer Ministry Application. (Download and return to the Parish Office)
- Read and sign the Code of Conduct.

Contact Star Fedor at safeenvironment@holymfamilyfw.org for questions.

SERVICE**ALL YOUNG AT HEART**

All Young at Heart (AYAH), Holy Family's senior ministry will meet **Wednesday, December 17** at **11:30 A.M.** in the ABC rooms. We will be having a good pot roast and the school children will be singing Christmas Carols for us. For more information call Barbara Skipper 817.907.7951.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN POTLUCK AND ROSARY

Rosary & Potluck - Join us for Mass on **Friday December 19** at **5:30 P.M.** and bring your favorite side, salad, appetizer or dessert. A variety of soups will be available. We'll say a rosary after the meal for the Capital Campaign. All are welcome! Food may be dropped off in the ABC Rooms prior to Mass. We hope to see you there! Sponsored by the Capital Campaign Spiritual Committee. For more information email Sharon Tate at st6387329@gmail.com.

HOMEBOUND OR HOSPITAL MINISTRY

If you cannot come to church, the church comes to you. Are you or someone you know about to have surgery and will be on bed rest? Are you or someone you know homebound? Please reach out so that a homebound/hospital minister can give you the Eucharist. Please contact Mary Pacheco at (817) 360-0672 or call the office at (817) 737-6768.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES AUXILIARY

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will meet **Monday, December 15** at **6:30 P.M.** in the Resource Room. All ladies are invited to attend. For more information call Barbara Skipper at 817.909.7951.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord," -- this is what Advent is all about. To prepare His way, we are called to cultivate a spirit of hospitality, welcoming the poor, the forgotten, the marginalized. We can make the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts and in our own families by reaching out to those in need. St Vincent de Paul will be delivering Christmas food, gift cards, clothing, and toys to needy families on **Saturday, December 20**. If you have completed Safe Environment training and would like to help with these deliveries, please call Kathy Atnip (682-703-1298). And if you are able to make a financial contribution, please place your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, or mail a check to SVdP, 201 Ranch House Rd, Willow Park, TX 76087. Together we can help others to long for the Lord. (Helpline: 817.727.0121).

SENIOR SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITY

Did you know that we have a group of retired seniors who gather weekly on **Tuesday** mornings at **10:30 A.M.** in Room A of the Family Life Center to break open the Word of God together? All are welcome to join! Contact Teddi teddihutt@gmail.com for more information.

If someone is in immediate danger call 911**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:**

CPS (Texas Dept. of Family & Protective Services) ..800.252.5400

CPS On-line Reporting Website..... www.TxAbuseHotline.org

Diocesan Director of Safe Environment817.945.9334

Chancellor/Moderator of the Curia817.945.9315

Victim Assistance Hotline.....817.945.9345

HOW TO MAKE A REPORT:

If you suspect abuse or neglect of a child, elder or vulnerable adult*, or if abuse has been disclosed to you:

1. Call CPS (**800-252-5400**); get a case number or copy of report.

AND /OR

Call the Police or **911**; get a case number or copy of report.

AND

2. Immediately report the alleged abuse to your supervisor, Priest or Principal and submit the Confidential Notice of Concern with CPS report information.

<https://fwdioc.org/report-abuse-concern>

In the case of alleged abuse by clergy or Church personnel, contact the Victim Assistance Hotline, Director of Safe Environment, or Chancellor of the Diocese directly.

*A vulnerable adult can include someone who habitually lacks the use of reason.

FORMATION

ST. MONICA MINISTRY

The St. Monica Ministry invites all parishioners to join in praying for the conversion of our loved ones and friends who no longer practice the Catholic faith. We gather on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month to pray following the 5:30 pm Mass. The next meeting of the St. Monica Ministry with discussion is **Monday, December 22**, after the **5:30 P.M.** Mass. Interested in joining us or having us pray for someone by name? Submit the info here: <https://bit.ly/stmonicaprayers>.

CATHOLICISM 101

Do you want to know more about your Catholic Faith? Our OCIA classes cover a variety of topics and ALL parishioners are welcome to attend. We meet on **Thursdays** from **6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.** Please contact Genni Sayers, Director of Religious Education at GSayers@HolyFamilyFW.org for more information. This week's topic is: The Virgin Mary, Mother of God.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKET & ANGEL TREE

We need volunteers to help pack boxes of food, load cars, and deliver food and angel tree gifts on **Saturday, December 20**. We will begin packing boxes around **9:00 A.M.** in the lower level parking garage. If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the Jotform by scanning the QR code. You may also email Michelle Romero at MRomero@HolyFamilyFW.org.



LITURGY

IN SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends their prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Andy Acuna II. May his soul rest in peace and may his family and friends be consoled.

CONFESSIONS FOR ADVENT

Additional confession times for Advent will be **Wednesday, December 17** from **4:30 P.M.-5:20 P.M.** and **6:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.** in the Reconciliation Room. Confession times will also be on **Thursday, December 18** from **5:30 P.M.-6:30 P.M.** in the library.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory or in honor of someone, envelopes may be picked up in information racks in the Narthex or at the Pastoral Office.

UPCOMING MASS TIMES

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord-Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24

4:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M.

11:00 P.M. (Midnight Mass)

Nativity of the Lord-Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

10:00 A.M.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God-Vigil

Wednesday, December 31

6:30 P.M.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Thursday, January 1

11:00 A.M.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

BASIC SIGN LANGUAGE COURSE

This 7-week course (Tuesdays, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM) will give students an interactive experience in sign language including small group and hands on activities. Students will learn basic vocabulary, rules of grammar and cultural aspects of the Deaf Community and the history of American Sign Language. The cost is \$80 and includes the book and course materials. Held at St. Peter Catholic School, Fort Worth. Registration Deadline: **December 19, 2025**. Classes: **January 6, 13, 20, 27 2025 (7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.) - February 3, 10, 17, 2026 (7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)**. Register at:

<https://diocesefortworth.regfox.com/basic-sign-language-course-1-6-2026>

NOLAN CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL

ACADEMICS | CHARACTER | FAITH | LEADERSHIP

STEP INTO A TRADITION OF FAITH,
EXCELLENCE, AND LEADERSHIP

Nolan Catholic High School – located at 4501 Bridge Street, Fort Worth, TX 76103 – has immediate openings for grades 9-12.

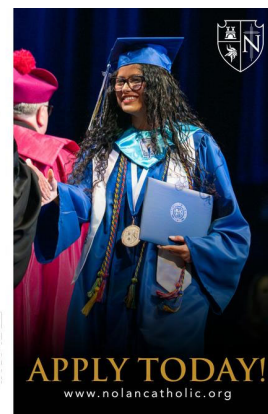
As the only traditional Catholic high school in Fort Worth, Nolan Catholic forms students in faith, virtue, and leadership through a rigorous, Christ-centered education.

Why choose Nolan Catholic?

- Closed campus & no student cell phones
- Weekly Mass, Confession & Adoration
- 99% college-bound
- AP & Dual Credit class options
- Olympic-size indoor pool
- World Ranked Robotics

Financial aid is available.

Call today to schedule a tour: 817-457-2920
Or scan the QR code to learn more.



DIOCESAN NOTICE

"PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN) A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN."

"PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY."



Holy Family Feast Day!

**Sunday, December 28,
2025**

1:00 p.m.
Scantlin Hall

Join us for the Annual Holy Family Feast Day Luncheon. The luncheon will be catered by Countryside Bakery. Guest Speaker Heidi Hilliard from the Capital Campaign Cabinet.

Please RSVP to Marissa at 817.737.6768
or MSims@HolyFamilyFW.org.

Hosted by HF Staff and the Capital Campaign Cabinet

Knights of Columbus Christmas Ham Sales

Multiple Ways to Order – Choose the one most convenient for you:

From a HF Knight. Contact:

Ed Fishman: 817-939-9920

Mike Eder: 682-299-7609

Deadline Sunday Dec 21st

Drop off Order Form

& Payment to Parish Office

Deadline Friday Dec 19th

Mail Order Form and Payment
to Parish Office. Must be
postmarked by Mon. Dec
15th. Knights of Columbus
15882, 6150 Pershing Avenue
Fort Worth Tx. 76107

Order Online via the QR
Code or go to
www.kofc15882.org.
Deadline is Sunday
Dec 21st.



Orders Will Be Taken
after mass on Dec. 20th
and 21st

Orders Will Be First Come, First Served.

Instructions for ordering: Please make checks out to “Knights of Columbus 15882”. If paying cash, please provide exact change. Thank you for your support.

Contact us at www.KOFC15882.ORG or call 817-939-9922 or 682-299-7609 for help ordering

Pickup from 10:00 AM to Noon on Tuesday, December 23rd at Holy Family Parish lower-level parking garage, 6150 Pershing Ave, Ft. Worth, TX

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Smoked Ham \$40 (8-10 lbs.) Number Ordered ____ X \$40 = _____

Payment type: Cash Check Credit Card Total = _____

Paid _____ Order Picked Up _____



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH STATE OF THE PARISH

Our Mission

Holy Family is a joyful catholic community that encourages growth in prayer, faith in God and lives in service.

	Quarter 1 FY26		2025		2024	
REVENUE:						
Sundays/Holiday Days Collections	\$	536,994	\$	2,065,306	\$	1,990,579
Gifts/Donations/Misc	\$	8,653	\$	43,469	\$	58,520
Liturgy/Religious Formation	\$	7,759	\$	74,557	\$	23,257
Investment/Royalty Income	\$	14,407	\$	62,903	\$	76,340
Other Misc	\$	52,491	\$	45,595	\$	56,561
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	620,304	\$	2,291,830	\$	2,205,257
EXPENSES:						
Administration & Office	\$	81,671	\$	305,268	\$	305,863
Facilities	\$	31,368	\$	104,290	\$	107,772
Religious Formation	\$	77,543	\$	317,121	\$	248,658
Liturgy	\$	31,788	\$	127,595	\$	124,905
Pastoral	\$	53,026	\$	167,542	\$	165,961
Building Insurance	\$	19,455	\$	69,226	\$	61,391
Diocesan Tax Paid	\$	68,894	\$	292,666	\$	273,582
Maintenance/Repairs	\$	52,902	\$	108,699	\$	102,444
Outreach & Operational Support (HFCS)	\$	59,406	\$	233,075	\$	232,207
Other Operating Expenses	\$	17,192	\$	149,932	\$	167,057
Security/Outsourced Services	\$	37,172	\$	144,545	\$	130,542
Utilities	\$	40,333	\$	115,494	\$	119,858
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	570,750	\$	2,135,453	\$	2,040,240
EXCESS REVENUES (Expenses)	\$	49,554	\$	156,377	\$	165,017

Our Faith, Our Family, Our Foundation

UPCOMING PROJECTS/CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	
Our Church \$3,500,000 Estimated	Our School \$3,500,000 Estimated
Liturgical Spaces	Extension to Holy Family Catholic School
New Seating & Accessibility	Safety & Accessibility
Chapel Enhancements	Formation Enhancements

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rev. Father Hoa Nguyen, Pastor, Monica Molina, Mike Franco, George Jackson, Toni Dillinham, Kelli Tull, Veronia Landeros



Are you pregnant and need help?

Embarazada y necesita ayuda?



The Gabriel Project offers free assistance and mentorship to a pregnant mother and her family.

Mothers receive:

- Guidance and encouragement with resources to support their emotional, spiritual, and physical needs, including baby items
- Support throughout pregnancy until their child's first birthday
- An assigned Angel to walk with them during pregnancy and beyond
- Options for additional programs beyond the baby's birth to help the family reach financial, education and employment goals



If you have any questions or need help, please call **800.545.5935** or email gabrielproject@ccdofw.org.

Scan the QR code to visit our website:
catholiccharitiesfortworth.org/help.



There are times when every one of us experiences difficulties-

- *loss of a loved one*
- *hospitalization*
- *spiritual crisis*
- *divorce*
- *job loss*
- *disability*
- *loneliness*
- *cancer*
- *imprisonment*
- *infertility*
- *discouragement*
- *many other challenges*

God never intended for us to go through these experiences alone. That's why God brought us together as a congregation- and why we have Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who have received 50 hours of training to minister to people experiencing a crisis or going through a difficult time.

Every week, a Stephen Minister will meet with you- privately and confidentially- to listen, care, encourage, support, and reflect Christ's presence in your life.

If you'd like to learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone else (inside or outside our congregation), contact Father Hoa, Deacon Mike, or one of our Stephen Leaders (Nancy Smith, Betty Mocek, Steve Barter, or Steve Hannifin).

