

**APRIL 2, 2023**

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**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 826 West Central Ave. Davidsonville, Maryland 21035  
**Parish Mission**  
 “Engaged in Christ, Engaged with Each Other, Engaged in our Community”

*For a complete list of staff emails and ministries, visit our website at [www.holyfamilychurch.com](http://www.holyfamilychurch.com)  
 Bulletin Deadline: Monday at 8:00 a.m.*

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR CATHOLIC PARISHES IN SOUTH ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY**

**Holy Family**  
**Daily Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00a.m. (Church)**  
**Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:00pm, Sunday: 7:45am, 9:15am & 11:15am (Church)**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Edgewater . . . . . 4 4 3 -2 0 3 -1 0 0 2  
 Saturday: 4:00p.m. Sunday: 10:00a.m. 1:30p.m. (Spanish)  
 Wednesday & Friday: 9:00a.m.

Our Lady of Sorrows, Owensville . . . . . 4 1 0 -8 6 7 -2 0 5 9  
 Saturday: 4:30p.m. Sunday: 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.  
 Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00a.m.

**Baptism:** Call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements. A Baptism Preparation Class is required for first time parents.  
**Reconciliation:** Wednesday from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Saturday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., and by appointment.  
**Communion Calls:** Call the Parish Office if you wish Holy Communion brought to a member of your family.  
**Marriage:** Call the Parish Office at least 6 months before the anticipated date of the wedding.  
**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.):** Email Charles Burk at [burkce53@gmail.com](mailto:burkce53@gmail.com) to learn about the Catholic faith.  
**Rite of Christian Initiation of Children & Youth (R.C.I.C.), Reconciliation & First Communion:** Beth Supple, Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation at [firstsacraments@hfccmail.org](mailto:firstsacraments@hfccmail.org).  
**Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Oratory:** For information, email Cindy Daily at [cindy.daily@verizon.net](mailto:cindy.daily@verizon.net).  
**Rosary:** Saturday at 4:30 p.m. & Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Church. Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.  
**Prayer Network:** To have prayers said for a special intention, call Chuck & Sally Miller at 410-798-4884.

**GET THE MYPARISH APP** on your phone/tablet through the App Store or Google Play Store. Search for Holy Family-Davidsonville.  
<https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Family-Catholic-Church-Davidsonville-Maryland>

~ *Pastor's Note* ~

Gathering on this Palm Sunday, we begin Holy Week, the holiest in the Christian Year. I invite you to participate in the services of The Sacred Triduum - the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at 7:30pm in the Church; The Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death on Good Friday at 2pm; and the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday Night beginning at 8pm. The full schedule of Holy Week and other events can be found in this bulletin, in the Friday Blast, and on our website ([www.holyfamilychurch.com](http://www.holyfamilychurch.com)).

This Monday evening, April 3rd of Holy Week, I will join fellow clergy and Catholics from throughout the Archdiocese for the Chrism Mass celebrated by Archbishop Lori at The Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore. At this Mass, the Archbishop will bless the three Oils - the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Sacred Chrism. Candidates for the Sacrament of Baptism are anointed with the Oil of the Catechumens to strengthen them as they prepare to be Baptized. Any person who is seriously ill or who is anticipating a surgery or a medical procedure can ask to be anointed for healing with the Oil of the Sick. When a person is Baptized, Confirmed or Ordained a Priest, the person is anointed with the Oil of Chrism to strengthen them in living out the sacrament which they have received.

Our Parish will formerly receive the Oils at the beginning of the Mass of The Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 6th at 7:30pm in the Church. At this Mass we will commemorate Jesus instituting the Gift of the Eucharist. During that Mass, I will follow Jesus' own example and wash the feet of parishioners, reminding me that I am to be your humble servant. At the end of the Mass we will have the Solemn Procession of the Eucharist from our Church to the Altar of Repose in Unity Hall.

On Good Friday, starting at 2pm we will have the Service of the Lord's Passion, commemorating Jesus' dying on the cross for us.

On Holy Saturday night we will begin the Easter Vigil at 8pm with the Blessing of the Easter fire and the lighting of a new Pascal Candle. At the Vigil Mass, the Elect, those persons who have journeyed in Faith since last Fall, will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

On Holy Saturday morning at 10am, we will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of our parish in the back parking lot. We will then have the Blessing of Easter food and drinks at 11am in the Church.

If you are traveling this Easter to visit with family and friends, I pray that you will have safe journeys and I look forward to seeing you when you return home to our Parish. **May God Bless you throughout this Holy Week!**

All Churches look to the Christmas and Easter offertory collections to provide funds to support the mission of the Parish. Our Parish Mission Statement is **"Engaged in Christ, Engaged with Each Other, Engaged in our Community."** In this second year serving as your Pastor, I thank you for your financial support and this Easter I ask for your generous support of our Parish.

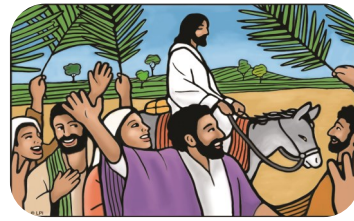
I would encourage all of us this Easter to welcome with a smile and hospitality those who will be gathering with us. In light of these past years of the pandemic, I believe people are longing for an experience of fraternal community. Guided by the Holy Spirit, let's extend a warm welcome to one another always but especially during this coming Holy Week and Easter here at Holy Family.

As I have mentioned earlier, we have several members who are completing their 5 years serving on the Council and will be rotating off in June, 2023. Subsequently, we are seeking several new members. If you would like to serve on our Pastoral Council, please send me your biography and why you would like to serve on the council. We also need a recording secretary for the council meetings. If you are willing to serve as the recorder at our monthly meetings, please contact me.

Lastly, the eleven members of our Parish's Strategic Planning Committee continue to meet. The strategic planning formation will take some 12 more months to complete. As I have explained in earlier bulletins, the purpose of the committee is to examine all aspects of our parish's life such as worship; prayer; evangelization; faith formation for all ages; youth ministry; service and witness; facilities and parking; communication and community relations. At our last meeting, the committee members were asked to go out into their communities and observe their various surroundings. This can be referred to as **"Neighborhood Reading."** I ask for your prayers as we continue this process and begin to dream and envision what we would like our parish to become making us more vibrant as Disciples of Christ in the years to come.

*Blessing and may this be a truly Holy Week for you,*

*Fr. Mike*



“**H**osanna to the Son of David;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;  
hosanna in the highest.”

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked,  
“Who is this?” And the crowds replied, “This is Jesus the prophet,  
from Nazareth in Galilee.” — Mt 21:9-11

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*April 3rd-April 9th*

<b>Mon.</b>	9:00 a.m.	<b>No Daily Mass</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of William Joseph Sargis
<b>Wed.</b>	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Gabrielle Reed
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday</b>	For the repose of the soul of Steve Westmooreland
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>2:00 p.m. Passion</b>	Passion of our Lord
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	For the repose of the soul of Joseph Ninh Quy Dao & Maria Bernadette Dao
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b>	For the repose of the soul of Fran Massimei
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:15 a.m. Church</b>	For the repose of the soul of Bernice Ostrosky
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:15 a.m. Unity Hall</b>	For the intentions of our Parishioners
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>11:15 a.m. Church</b>	For the repose of the soul of Katherine Ferguson
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>11:15 a.m. Unity Hall</b>	For the repose of the soul of Carmela Valdez



**PRAY FOR:** Paul McMenamin, Eric Massemei, Jr., Jenssen & William Barquinn, Jerry Crosson, John Cobis, Joseph Pazulski, Hazel Garland, Gene Baez, Bo Thoms, Carol Sepeta, Gerry Deighan, Dorothy Wright,

Brayden Chesnick, Richard Addair, Augusta Hunt, Tracy Joyce, Jenny Worrell, Maria Witz, Morgan Earp, Oliver Moses Jaquez, Emma Webster, Tamara Huggins, Debi Greenfield, Thomas Scarduzio, Mike Greenwell, Liam O'Brien, Pauline Lukash, Lexi Woepler, Elizabeth Coe, Jessica Connell, Bradley Abell, Ricky Smith, Lauren Scalici, Edward Stromberg, Jr., Noah Haas, John Kelly, Bill Hoffman, Mary Markuski, Steve Arapian, Linda Markuski, Ken Carter, Pam Thayer, Geri McCarthy, Adam & Christine Palmer, Priscilla Snyder, Anita Stuck, Jim & Deb Powers and for those on the prayer network.

*Easter Sunday Readings April 8th & 9th*

- ◆ *First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a,37-43*
- ◆ *Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23*
- ◆ *Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4*
- ◆ *Gospel Passion: John 20:1-9*

**DAVIDSONVILLE, MD**

Sun.	Adoration continues, Oratory Palm Sunday Masses 7:30am, 9:15am, Church and 11:15am, Church and Unity Hall Nursery 9am-12:15am, Nursery Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:15am Mass, Children's Library Prayer Team Ministry after the 9:15am Mass, Church HSYG 6pm-8pm, Youth Room
Mon.	Adoration continues, Oratory Liturgy Committee 9:30am, Church & Unity Hall Walking with Purpose 10am-11:30am, Room 12,13 Rosary Group 6:30pm-7pm, Chapel Men's Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm-9pm, Church
Tues.	Adoration continues, Oratory Women's Cursillo Group Meeting 9:30am-11am, Room 14 Study on the Mass 10am-11:30am & 7pm- 8:30pm, Unity Hall (1/3) Caregiver Support Group 10am-Noon, Library RCIC 6:30pm-8:30pm, Room 16 RCIA 7pm-8:30pm, Rooms 10 & 11 9:15am Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm-9pm, Church
Wed.	Adoration continues, Oratory Wild Goose Study 10am-11:30am & 7pm- 8:30pm, Unity Hall (1/3) Confessions 5pm, Church Secular Franciscans Meeting 7pm-9pm, Rooms 5,6
Thurs.	Adoration closes 7pm, Oratory <b>Parish Office Closed</b> Liturgy Committee - Set Up/Holy Thursday 10am, Church & Unity Hall Altar Server Rehearsal 4pm-5pm, Church CODA 6:30pm-7:30pm, Room 2 Prayer Hour 7pm-8pm, Chapel Holy Thursday Mass 7:30pm, Church Al-Anon 7:30pm-8:30pm, Room 6 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9pm- 11pm, Unity Hall (2/3) Liturgy Committee - Set Up/Good Friday 9pm, Church
Fri.	No Adoration, Oratory <b>Parish Office Closed</b> Altar Server Rehearsal 11am-Noon, Church Good Friday - Lord's Passion 2pm-3:30pm, Church
Sat.	No Adoration, Oratory Men's Group 7am-8am, Room 10 Easter Egg Hunt 10am-11am, Church Grounds Liturgy Committee - Set Up, Easter 10am, Church & Unity Hall Blessing of the Food Baskets 11am-11:30am, Upper Gallery RCIA Rehearsal 11:30am-12:30pm, Church Altar Server Rehearsal 12:30pm-1:30pm, Church Easter Vigil Mass 8pm, Church



**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** Thursday, April 6th, Friday, April 7th, Monday, April 10th and will reopen at 8:30am on Tuesday, April 11th in observance of Holy Week and Easter.

*Collection Report*  
*March 25th & 26th*  
*Offertory \$5,356*  
*Maintenance Fund \$2,842.87*  
*Poor Box \$656*  
*Attendance 690*

*March Faith Direct Totals*  
*Offertory \$47,270*  
*Poor Box \$3,295*

*Month of March Totals*  
*Offertory \$24,574.07*  
*Maintenance Fund \$18,288.37*  
*Poor Box \$4,117.85*

*Upcoming Special Collections*

- ◆ *Good Friday - Apr. 7th - Holy Land Shrines*
  - ◆ *Apr. 16th - Lighthouse Shelter*
- ◆ *Apr. 30th - St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Haiti*



**Palm Sunday schedule - April 1st & April 2nd:**

- ◆ 5pm Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Cantor
- ◆ 7:30am Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Cantor
- ◆ 9:15am Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Traditional Choir
- ◆ 11:15am Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Men's Choir
- ◆ 11:15am Mass - Fr. Gene Nickol - Unity Hall - Contemporary Music Group



**Holy Thursday schedule - April 6th**

- ◆ 7:30pm Mass - Fr. Mike - Church

**Good Friday schedule - April 7th**

- ◆ 2pm Passion of our Lord - Church

**Easter Vigil/Sunday schedule - April 8th-9th:**

- ◆ 8pm Vigil Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Traditional Choir
- ◆ 7:30am Mass - Fr. Mike - Church - Cantor
- ◆ 9:15am Mass - Fr. Gene Nickol - Church - Traditional Choir
- ◆ 9:15am Mass - Fr. Mike - Unity Hall - Contemporary Music Group
- ◆ 11:15am Mass - Fr. Gene Nickol - Church - Cantor
- ◆ 11:15am Mass - Fr. Mike - Unity Hall - Contemporary Music Group

Parishioners and guests, please make note that incense is used during Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Services.



**CARING FOR CREATION**

So, I'm feeling a little blessed today as I gaze out the window at the Bluebirds, Finches, Downy Woodpeckers, of course Goldfinches. Also, there is my favorite, the Carolina Wrens, who nest under our deck a few feet from the basement door. They cry out at being disturbed in **"their domain"** as I go out that door several times a day. They have no fear.

Again, feeling blessed because we get to watch this tableau all year round as different birds migrate to and from their summer homes. We just cleaned out all the bluebird nesting boxes a couple weeks ago at home and here at Church and already I am seeing new nests being built in them. Soon there will be eggs. Soon there will be ... new life.

I was talking to my son AJ and pretty soon he has to take his feeders down until the Fall. You see, he lives on the side of a mountain in West Virginia. Do you know who else lives in the mountains in West Virginia? Yup, Black Bears. While they can seem cute, they will not only destroy the feeders they will become a danger to children and pets. We just have squirrels, foxes and snakes to watch out for. Now, back to being blessed, living here near Annapolis. We can feed the birds year round, particularly with squirrel proof feeders. No bears for you.

*Chris Gordon, OFS  
(Order of the Franciscans Secular)*



**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS:** You are invited to memorialize or honor a loved one for Easter by making a donation to help cover the cost of plants and flowers. Donation envelopes are available in your envelope packets or on the tables in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity in

making our Church Sanctuary, Unity Hall and Oratory beautiful for the resurrection of our Savior.



**PRAY THE ROSARY:** Mondays at 6:30pm in the Chapel. Wednesdays at 5pm (during confessions) or 4:30pm Saturdays both in the Church.



**HOLY HOUR:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary, Thursdays from 7pm-8pm in the Chapel with and contemplation prayer Lectio Divina.



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Confessions continue on Wednesdays at 5pm and Saturdays 3:30pm in the Church confessional.

**FAMILY MINISTRY**



**HOLY FAMILY NURSERY:** The nursery is open for the 9:15am & 11:15am Masses on Sunday for children between the ages of 2 and 5 years.

**NURSERY CAREGIVERS NEEDED AT HOLY FAMILY:** We need adults (18 years or older) that are comfortable caring for children under 5 years of age.

**This is a paid position.**  
Email [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org).



**MAKING MUSIC, PRAYING TWICE:**

Come be part of our music class for children between 2 to 5 years and their parents. Our next class is **Tuesday, March 28th** at 10am in the Children's

Library and will continue through May. **Take time to "pray, sing and socialize!"** Interested? Please contact Cyndi Zajic at [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org) or call 410-269-0586 (ext. 34).



**SACRISTAN NEEDED:** Holy Family Catholic Church is looking for a young parishioner who is interested in employment, as well as serving their parish. The Sacristans are the individuals who prepare the church for Mass on Saturdays and Sundays every week. You need to be at least 14 years old. Please contact Cyndi Zajic at [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org) if you are interested and want further information.



**ENGAGED COUPLES:** Holy Family engaged couples! This is our premarital program. Please contact Cyndi Zajic at [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org). Congratulations!!

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH** presents "Supporting Our Aging Population and Caregivers" as part of our Adult Lecture Series. Mary Chapat of AA County Department of Aging will be our guest speaker. Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 12:30 pm in Unity Hall. To sign up contact Cyndi at [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org).



**"Spring Has Sprung" Luncheon**

**Where:** Holy Family Catholic Church, Unity Hall

**When:** Wednesday, April 26, 2023

**Time:** 12 Noon until 2 PM

Please join us in celebrating the arrival of Spring. A light lunch will be served and entertainment will be provided. There is no charge to attend this event. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, please contact Sue Hickman at (410) 507-5566. **Please RSVP by Sunday, April 23rd.**



**DEACON DOUG'S Q & A:** Who was the first person to see Jesus after he rose from the dead?

**Answer to the question : What is the Triduum and sacraments associated with it.** Triduum means three and it is the term the Church for centuries has used for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery: Christ's passion, death and resurrection. The Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, includes the Passion on Good Friday, the Easter Vigil on Saturday night and ends after evening prayers at sunset on Easter Day. Sacraments celebrated include Eucharist (Holy Thursday), and for those welcomed into Church at the Vigil, Baptism and Confirmation, as well as First Eucharist.



**SEW TIME:** We will not have a regular monthly meeting in April due to the Quilt Bingo for Haiti (April 15<sup>th</sup>). We hope that you are able to attend this event in person. We now have walker totes available, let us know if you know of anyone that needs one. Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Lenten Challenge continues with baby hats and scarves for patients at AAMC.

We have patterns/supplies available. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, May 16th at 6:30pm in HF rooms 12 & 13 (new members welcome and no sewing experienced needed). For more information please contact Barbara Harmel at [barbara.harmel@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.harmel@gmail.com) or Pam Hines at [hinesjp@verizon.net](mailto:hinesjp@verizon.net).



**"UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF"**

Holy Family Catholic Church is sponsoring a program to assist those grieving the death of a loved one.

Meetings will be held at the church in rooms 12 and 13 on seven Wednesday evenings from 7pm-8:30pm beginning on April 19, 2023, and continuing on April 26, May 3, May 10, May 17, May 24, and May 31.

Participation via ZOOM may be possible for those unable to attend any session in person. Participants do not have to be from Holy Family, nor do they have to be Catholic.

To ensure adequate materials, interested persons should register online through the Holy Family Catholic Church website or register by contacting Joan Pawloski at 301-943-2808 or [Joan.Pawloski@yahoo.com](mailto:Joan.Pawloski@yahoo.com). Registration is necessary so there are enough materials for everyone in the group. There is no fee.



**QUILT BINGO FOR HAITI:** Join us on Saturday, April 15, 2023 in Unity Hall at Holy Family for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual quilt bingo. Doors will open at 5pm and bingo begins at 6:30pm. There will be a beautiful quilt for the winner of each of the 20 games and much more. This event will benefit the feeding and education of the children of our sister parish, St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Perodin, Haiti. Tickets are \$25 and available online at [olph.net/quiltbingo](http://olph.net/quiltbingo). Seats will be limited and this promises to be a "sellout" so get your tickets early. Please contact Barbara Harmel at [Barbara.harmel@gmail.com](mailto:Barbara.harmel@gmail.com) or 301-807-2100 or Pam Hines at [hinesjp@verizon.net](mailto:hinesjp@verizon.net) or 410-279-3532 for additional information.



**MASS GREETERS!! YOU AND YOUR FAMILY OR YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS** (also family)! Be the "greeters" at the front doors of Holy Family Catholic Church before and at the end of weekend Masses. This is a wonderful way to help out at the Church and to be part of its loving community. Sign up on the Homepage of our website today! Thank you!



**MEN'S GROUPS:** Fraternity, discussion and faith. We meet every other week. Choose from a variety of meeting times. For more information and to find a time that works for you

visit the Homepage on our website [www.holyfamilychurch.com](http://www.holyfamilychurch.com) and scroll to the icon "Men's Ministry" to get all the updates.



**BOOK CLUB:** Join us on the 2nd Monday of each month (Apr. 10th), at 7pm in rooms 12 & 13 for lively discussion, friendship and snacks. Our April feature read is Things Worth Dying For: Thoughts on a Life Worth Living by Charles J. Chaput. **All are welcome!** Questions? Email Betty Ryan at [eryon@0037@aol.com](mailto:eryon@0037@aol.com) or call 240-375-6344.



**NEW MOTHERS:** We asked targeted families for your input and suggestions on how to make our parish more family friendly and we are happy to announce that we are now providing a room for nursing mothers to use during Mass. A television has been installed in the Serenity Room, located on the lower level of the Church,

to livestream the Mass. Directional signs will be posted in order to locate the room.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

- ◆ It is the first Sunday after Easter, and it is the last day of the Easter Octave.
- ◆ Observance of the requirements for Divine Mercy Sunday can mean total expiation of all sins and punishments plus the immediate entry into Heaven following death.
- ◆ Jesus asked St. Faustina to request the observance on the Second Sunday after Easter.
- ◆ Pope John Paul II decreed the Sunday after Easter as "Divine Mercy Sunday," on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

Please pick up a brochure/pamphlet in the Narthex as a guide for praying the Divine Mercy Novena which begins on Good Friday. It also provides a guide to praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Also, please make every effort to participate in the hour of devotion and veneration of the Divine Mercy Image and the Blessed Sacrament, from 2pm-3pm on Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.



Holy Family Catholic Church  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 20  
7PM IN YOUTH ROOM**

**MINISTRY**  
**YOUNG ADULT**

Let's get together to talk about faith studies and social events for Young Adults!

It's time to socialize!

LET'S GET THIS STARTED

CONTACT CYNDI AT [familyministry@hfccmail.org](mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org)

**ANNE ARUNDEL CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**  
Find them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AACatholicYoungAdults>.

**UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS' YOUNG ADULTS PROGRAMS:** <https://www.usccb.org/about/bishops-and-dioceses/synod-of-bishops/synod-2018/upcoming-opportunities>.

**FORMED:** If you have not yet had an opportunity to sign up for **FORMED.ORG** - the amazing "**FREE**" Catholic Streaming Platform which offers thousands of Catholic movies, podcasts, e-books and kids videos. The Parish has paid for a subscription to FORMED.ORG for all parish families. Find lots of great Lent ideas! Registering on **FORMED** is easy!



**HOLY FAMILY LIBRARY:** We have begun a new season of Lent. The library at Holy Family has a large selection of books on Christology, Inspirational, Prayer, Scripture and Spirituality, and many more categories. The Library is open during the day, please feel free to borrow a book or two. We are on the honor system, return books in 2 to 3 weeks. The Library is located across from Unity Hall and the JMJ Café. Questions, e-mail Mary Anne Joyce at [mamj5@comcast.net](mailto:mamj5@comcast.net)



Girl Scouts

**EXCITING NEWS GIRLS:** The Girl Scouts are coming to Holy Family. We are pleased to announce the first girl scout troop is forming at Holy Family. A co-troop leader is needed. Sign up information will be coming soon. Please contact Debbie Slack at 301-858-0293 or [dwdeborah@aol.com](mailto:dwdeborah@aol.com) if your child is interested in being a girl scout and if you are interested in being a co-troop leader or volunteer. Fun is on the horizon!



**HSYG EASTER EGG HUNT PREP TIME:** this Sunday, April 2nd, 6pm-8pm, Youth Room. **Time to fill all those eggs!** Service hours and fellowship!

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** Saturday, April 8th, 10am, back parking lot. The Easter Egg Hunt will be followed by a blessing of Easter Food at 11am in the Church. All elementary school students and their families are invited to join us for pictures with the Easter Bunny, crafts, and of course the egg hunt!

**Any plastic egg or egg-size candy donations would be greatly appreciated.** The bin will be in the Narthex and Religious Education entrance area marked "**Easter Egg Donations**". Of course, we are "**hopping**" that we get lots of volunteers to help make this event "**fantastic!**"

Questions? Email John at [johnfreiland@hfccmail.org](mailto:johnfreiland@hfccmail.org).



**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** This Sunday, April 2nd from 6pm - 8pm in the Youth Room. Bring a friend !



**OLPH FOOD PANTRY:** Can you bring at least one item to Church each week for the poor in our parish and surrounding community on Sunday? Children can be encouraged to carry your family's donation to Church and to be involved. **Great idea for Lent!** Most current needs for the pantry are: spaghetti noodles and sauce (plastic or canned containers preferred), boxed macaroni & cheese, cereal, peanut butter & jelly (plastic jars), cookies, crackers in sleeves and pancake mix & syrup. Please leave pantry donations in the blue grocery carts outside the Church or in the Narthex. Please check expiration dates, we cannot accept expired foods and lightly bag donations for easier delivery to the pantry.

