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JANUARY 3, 2021

### HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

826 West Central Ave. P.O. Box 130 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

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR CATHOLIC PARISHES IN SOUTH ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY Holy Family

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00a.m., Saturday: 5:00p.m., Sunday: 8:45am & 11:15am

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Edgewater . . . . . 4 4 3 -2 0 3 -1 0 0 2 Saturday: 4:00p.m. Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00a.m. Wednesday 9:00a.m. Communion Service Mass in Spanish: Saturdays at 6:00p.m. (except first Sat. of the month)

"For Mass times call the office."

Our Lady of Sorrows, Owensville . . . . . . . . . 4 1 0 -8 6 7 -2 0 5 9 Saturday: 5:00p.m. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00a.m. Wednesday 9:00a.m. Communion Service "For Mass times call the office."

Baptism: Call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements. A Baptism Preparation Class is required for first time parents.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:30 p.m. through 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 <u>burkce53@gmail.com</u> to learn about the Catholic faith. Rite of Christian Initiation of Children & Youth (R.C.I.C.), Reconciliation & First Communion: Shannon Payne, Coordinator of

Sacramental Preparation at firstsacraments@hfccmail.org.

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Oratory: For information, email Cindy Daily at cindy.daily@verizon.net.

Rosary: 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.

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# Dear Brothers & Sisters,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, when we remember how the Magi came from "the east" guided by a star to see about the newborn King in Israel.

Part of this story is so interesting, how they first went to the capital of Israel, Jerusalem, and just asked people there how it might be that there was a newly-born King since the stars had told them this. In doing so they invited possible disaster, for while indeed the King, that a spiritual sense, truly was being born in Jesus Christ at that very time, in a worldly sense, the worldly king in Jerusalem, Herod, did not appreciate any birth of a rival at all. He was very upset by their predictions and what these visitors had said. Because of this Mary and Joseph had to flee with Jesus to Egypt to escape the paranoid actions of Herod in defense of his worldly title.

Recently, Holy Family posted an article on our Facebook page about that Star of Bethlehem (<a href="https://www.nd.edu/stories/royal-beauty-bright/">https://www.nd.edu/stories/royal-beauty-bright/</a>). Grant Mathews, Director of the Center for Astrophysics at the University of Notre Dame, writes of a phenomenon in the sky that just happened on Dec. 21, 2020 and would have happened also near the time of Jesus' birth.

On the evening of last Dec. 21st Jupiter and Saturn aligned to form a bright light in the sky. This last happened in 1623. Mathews writes how this also happened on Apr 17th, 6 BC and may have been the Star of Bethlehem.

Indeed, until the middle ages, there was an active Jewish branch of astrology. Ancient Jewish astrology would have assigned meaning to Jupiter and Saturn as representing both **ROYALTY** and **ISRAEL**. Hence that a king was to be born in Israel.

The Magi, coming from what was probably now Iraq or Iran and probably being Persian or Mede Zoroastrians, would have known many Jewish people, since so many Jewish people still lived in the Persian Empire because of the Babylonian exile from centuries before. So, they probably had become familiar with Jewish thought and also the Jewish hopes for a Messiah.

So, very interesting research to help us to maybe see what could have been affecting those Magi from years ago, who attempted to find the newborn King, the Messiah of Israel, so many years ago.

We go back to our normal Wednesday 5pm-6pm confessions (curbside) on Wednesday, Jan. 6th and, of course, we always have Saturday confessions from 3:30-4:45pm also curbside.

Please know that the 11:15am Mass will *EITHER BE* two Masses inside (Church & Unity Hall) or one Mass *OUTSIDE*. Since the outside Mass is so popular we are trying to do it whenever possible. Our ways of deciding will involve if there is any precipitation (and we'll take the Mass inside if there is), or if the temps get too cold. We will post on Facebook and in the flocknote we do each week.

Peace! Fr. Andy





They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. *Mt 2:10-11* 

Jan 4th- Jan. 10th

Mon.	9:00 a.m.	No Communion Service
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the souls of Doris Elizabeth Mandley & Alvaro Escobedo
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose pf the souls of Josephine Lucente & Joseph Lins
Thurs.	9:00 a.m.	For the intentions of Amalia Caraballo
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the souls of Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Puccia
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	For the repose of the soul of Margaret Ellen Collins
Sun.	7:45 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Maureen Schuler
Sun.	9:15 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Michael Lee Brady
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	For the repose of the souls of Kathleen Talty & Kevin Collins



Rest in Peace Michael Strange, husband of Carole Ann Daniel Gentilcore, husband of Betty Catherine Tornabene



**PRAY THE ROSARY:** Mondays at 6:30pm in the Chapel or 4:30pm Saturdays in the Church.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

- Fr. Andy Aaron, aaaron@archbalt.org
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  - Youth Rep, Maddie Seppi, <u>maddieroerose715@gmail.com</u> (2019)

Sun.	Adoration continues, Oratory Children's Liturgy of the Word 9am-Noon, Off-site High School Youth Group 6pm-8pm, Outside
Mon.	Adoration continues, Oratory Rosary Group 6:30pm-7pm, Chapel
Tues.	Adoration continues, Oratory Making Music Program 10am-Noon, Off-site RCIA 7pm-8:30pm, Off-site Confirmation Large Group Classes 7pm-9pm, Off-site
Wed.	Adoration continues, Oratory Confessions 5pm-6pm, Outside Chapel Secular Franciscans Zoom Meeting 7pm- 9pm, Off-site Confirmation Large Group Classes 7pm-9pm, Off-site
Thurs.	Adoration continues, Oratory Pastoral Team Meeting 9:45am Liturgy Committee 4pm-6pm
Fri.	Adoration continues, Oratory Middle School Youth Group 6pm-8pm, Outside
Sat.	Adoration continues, Oratory



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Fr. Andy will be hearing "curbside confessions" at the Chapel on Wednesday, January 6th from 5pm-6pm and Saturday, January 9th at 3:30pm.



**TEACHING MASS:** Tuesday, January 12th at 7pm in the Church. At this Mass we will have an actual Mass but stop to explain what we are doing and why at times. It is a beautiful way to better understand and experience the Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**: Saturday, January 23rd at 5pm and Sunday, January 24th at 8:45am Mass. If you would like to be prayed for because of a physical, psychological or spiritual issue.

2020 TAX LETTERS will be released by January 31, 2021, to all parishioners who donate through Faith Direct or the parish envelope system. Registered parishioners who donate loose checks will also receive a letter. We are grateful to all parishioners who donate their time, talent, and treasure to strengthen our spiritual and community life at Holy Family.



NORA'S KNAPSACKS: "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..." We have bags available on a table outside the parish office for anyone who wishes to participate. All have been prepared with

gloves and disinfectant. Keep in your car and give to someone in need. Any questions please contact Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

# Collection Report

December 19th & 20th
Offertory \$14,654
Mortgage & Maintenance \$6,388
Poor Box (Holy Family Seminarians) \$5,966

**COLLECTION REPORT:** The collection report for December 26th & 27th and Christmas will be in a later bulletin due to early publication deadlines.



**STEWARDSHIP:** Offertory donations are essential for Holy Family's parish operations. We rely heavily on the Sunday offertory to maintain operational budgets, and fund staff positions and outreach activities in our

community. Many of you have asked how to continue your support while you are unable to attend Mass in person. Holy Family uses Faith Direct to facilitate electronic giving directly to the parish accounts. If you are not already enrolled in Faith Direct you can use this link <a href="https://membership.faithdirect.net/">https://membership.faithdirect.net/</a> MD61 or use the link on the Holy Family website. You can join Faith Direct, using the Holy Family code of MD61 and make a one time or recurring donation from either your checking account or credit card. Options for giving include Offertory, Second Collection and special collections, such as Easter. Those of you who are already enrolled in Faith Direct can also use these links to increase your recurring donations if you believe that you are able to do this. Other options for supporting your parish include setting up your offertory donation through your personal online banking bill pay function. You may also mail your offertory envelopes to the Church office at Holy Family, PO Box 130, Davidsonville, MD 21035. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Donna at office@hfccmail.org.



**STOCK DONATIONS TO HOLY FAMILY:** Donating appreciated stock is an efficient way to make a charitable gift. It's easy and it saves the donor from paying capital gains taxes. If you itemize your

deductions you are eligible to deduct the full fair market value of the stock, up to IRS limits. With the stock market near all time highs, utilizing appreciated stock for charitable gifting is worth considering. Effectively you're able to contribute 20% more than if you sold the stock and paid capital gains taxes. Please contact Donna at <a href="mailto:office@hfccmail.org">office@hfccmail.org</a> in the parish office for information on the process for doing this.

PARISHIONERS 70½ YEARS AND OLDER: Please remember that if you choose to make a charitable distribution from your traditional IRA account, Holy Family is qualified to receive such a distribution under applicable tax law. There are specific tax advantages for those over 70 and ½ years of age who choose to make these types of charitable donations. The donation must be made directly to the qualified charity and Holy Family will acknowledge each charitable donation in writing as required by tax law. You should of course consult your tax advisor before making a federally tax-free charitable distribution from your IRA.



CARING FOR CREATION: Did you know it is not too late to start planting your spring blooming and annuals bulbs, native perennials. I am thinking Crocus,

Grape Hyacinth, Daffodils and of course, Tulips, to name a few. So I was always a little confused when it comes to planting depth of bulbs. Right on the package it will tell you how deep to plant them. But from where do you measure them top or bottom? To help resolve that confusion, probably most of you probably knew this already, here is the scoop. If the directions say two inches deep that means from the bottom of the hole to ground level, that is measuring to the bottom of the bulb when in place, not the top. Planting too deep, may prevent or delay the sprouting and flowering of the bulb. Add a dash of bulb food and water. I use an auger attached to a drill and plant a lot in no time Chris Gordon, OFS at christophergordon@verizon.net.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: We invite you to take some time to sit with Jesus in the parish Adoration Chapel where Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament 24/7. Right now, because of Covid you cannot just stop in at any time. But you can sign up for an hour in the Oratory on holyfamilychurch.com by clicking on the "Adoration" icon on the home page. You can also sign up on our sub list to call on if you cannot make a regular hour.



**GROUPS:** MEN'S 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 contact Dave Springer at HFMM24@gmail.com.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Are you looking for sisters in Christ to share in faith and friendship? A place where you can ask for prayers and know you will be lifted

up and supported in any way possible. A place where you can grow in your knowledge of scripture and how it applies to your daily life. Contact Christy Cosgrove at adulted@hfccmail.org and find out how to participate in this beautiful ministry.



**DIVORCECARE FOR KIDS** (DC4K) support group is a safe, fun place where your children can learn skills that will help them heal. DC4K groups blend, games, music, stories, videos and discussion to help kids process the divorce and move forward. Groups meet weekly and are

designed for children ages 5-12. DC4K has many online groups and meets different days of the week. Sign in at https:// www.dc4k.org.

We would like to host our own group online (virtually) in the New Year and need group facilitators. If you have an interest in leading, co-leading or assisting in a group, please reach out to Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org.



PRAY FOR: Buddy Reio, John Dempsey, Craig Witz, Dorothy Wright, Brayden Chesnick, Richard Addair, Augusta Hunt, Tom Schall, Tracy Joyce, Jenny Worrell, Maria Witz, Edie Humler, Gene, Ron, & Sandy Albright, Baby Jovanni LiCalzi, Morgan Earp, Bobby Bender, Oliver Moses Jaquez, Emma Webster, Tamara Huggins,

Debi Greenfield, Thomas Scarduzio, Mike Greenwell, Larry & Katy Novicki, Liam O'Brien, Pauline Lukash, Lexi Woepler, Kevin Shaw, 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, Lloyd Shelton, Sandi Matthews, Adam & Christine Palmer, Mary Fenton, Priscilla Snyder, Jerry Jones, Laura Ruitberg and for those on the prayer network.



MAKING MUSIC PRAYING TWICE: For the past five years we have been holding preschool musical classes at Holy Family. It has been very successful. With the change in our social distancing environment we

have been publishing an online program. Now, we would like to take one additional step. We are hoping to have virtual/interactive classes soon. We are looking for individuals over the age of 17 who are willing to teach online music to our young ones and their If you are interested, please email Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org.



**DIVORCECARE** is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Don't go through separation or divorce alone. It is a 13 week support group with videos and book studies. We would like to start an online

group in the Fall. We need a few leaders, co-leaders or just individuals willing to assist in group meetings. If you are interested in helping or attending please email Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org.



2021 CALENDARS ARE HERE! "Feasts & Saints!" Pick yours up any weekday or weekend on the table/s in the Upper Gallery & JMJ Cafe. Please take one per family so everyone gets a calendar!



### **OUR DAILY BREAD CASSEROLES**

Pans will be left under the blue grocery carts outside the Church the weekends of January 9th & 10th & 16th & 17th (during the week as well). All casseroles must be returned frozen on Saturday, January 23rd between 9AM - 11PM.

For more information, please contact Linda Wilk at linda.wilk@wilkworld.net.



LIGHT OF THE NEW COVENANT PRAYER GROUP: The prayer group is on winter recess. Blessings this holiday season. Stay safe and well! For prayer requests email Joan Pawloski, joan.pawloski@yahoo.com.

For more information contact Mela Dempsey, Prayer Group Leader, at <a href="https://hermad219@comcast.net">hermad219@comcast.net</a>.



**DEACON DOUG'S Q & A:** *Question:* After the flight to Egypt, how long did the Holy Family stay there?

Answer to question about the 12 Days of Christmas song. "The Twelve Days of Christmas" is an English Christmas carol believed to have Catholic origins. From 1558 until 1829, since Roman Catholics in England could not openly practice their faith, this carol developed as a catechism song for young Catholics. Examples of Christian meanings: Two turtle doves - the Old and New Testaments; four calling birds - the four gospels; and ten lords a-leaping - the Ten Commandments.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Visit the website homepage and scroll to the "CLOW" ICON. Search the dates and click on the link to a power point presentation with that weeks lesson. God Bless!



BOOK CLUB: Join us Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7pm as we dive into <u>Hope to Die</u> by Scott Hahn and share in faith, friendship and lively discussion. We will meet in the JMJ Café. You must wear a

mask. All social distancing practices will be in place. For more information, please contact Betty Ryon at <a href="mailto:eryon0037@aol.com">eryon0037@aol.com</a> or 240-375-6344.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP:** This group is held online on Wednesdays at 4 pm. If you are interested, please contact the YWCA at 410-626-7800 so you can be invited to the group. Nancy Frank is the contact person there. If you would like additional resources you can also email <a href="mailto:familyministry@hfccmail.org">familyministry@hfccmail.org</a>.

**CHECK OUT "Formed"** with lots of video content ondemand to help you grow in your faith on <a href="https://www.holyfamilychurch.com">www.holyfamilychurch.com</a>.



**OLPH FOOD PANTRY:** Bless you all for your continued generosity and thank you to the folks still delivering to the pantry! **WE NEED 1LB SIZE JARS OF PEANUT** 

**BUTTER AND JELLY!!** Please remember to bag all donated items that you leave in the blue shopping carts outside or in the Narthex. **Also, only leave refrigerated items during business hours and notify the office!** 



CALLED TO SERVE: "This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." Are you being chosen by Christ to pour out your life's work for souls with Him as a priest? Contact your parish priest or deacon, or call Fr. Steven Roth at 410-547-5426 or email at sroth@archbalt.org.



**SEW TIME:** "Saving Lives one Mask at a Time." As of December 15th the Sew Time Ministry has distributed 12,402 masks, 481 scrub caps and 802 ear savers. Do you love to sew or crochet? Join our group in 2021 as we work on community projects for those in need. We have kits, patterns,

supplies and even sewing machines available. If you would like to be a part of this amazing ministry contact Barbara Harmel at <a href="mailto:barbara.harmel@gmail.com">barbara.harmel@gmail.com</a> or Pam Hines at <a href="mailto:hinesip@verizon.net">hinesip@verizon.net</a>.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: If you have taken a Marriage Encounter weekend and would like to join a monthly Marriage Encounter Prayer Circle please contact Eileen Dickey at 410-867-3542 for more information.

HOLY FAMILY MOVIE CLUB scheduled in January is cancelled due to the new COVID-19 restrictions. We will re-asses in February 2021. For more information about this ministry, contact Jeff Snively at jeffsnively@gmail.com.



CELEBRATORY BRICKS AT THE CHAPEL: Holy Family offers the opportunity to purchase a brick (4" x 8" \$150 or 8" x 8" \$250) in memory of a

loved one or to celebrate a family achievement. Interested parties should contact Jeanne Collins, office receptionist, at <a href="mailto:rept@hfccmail.org">rept@hfccmail.org</a>. Forms are available on the Parish website, <a href="www.holyfamilychurch.com">www.holyfamilychurch.com</a> or through the Parish Office. The donation for a brick goes directly to Holy Family Catholic Church.

**AFTER HOURS DROP BOXES:** Can't make it to the Parish Office or Religious Education Office during regular business hours and need to drop something off or need a document signed (please leave best contact number)? We have installed two black boxes for your convenience. One is located on the brick wall across from the main entrance door to the Church and the other is located under the doorbell next to the main doors to the Religious Education Office. **NO CASH, PLEASE!** 







NO SUNDAY EVENING MASSES SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME. Go to <a href="https://www.holyfamilychurch.com">www.holyfamilychurch.com</a> and click on the Facebook Icon. Video of Mass will be in the videos tab on the left.



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Stay connected with posts and photos from past events as well as announcements for upcoming events.



Please email <u>youthministry@hfccmail.org</u>
Stay connected in this community group chat where announcements will be shared.



# MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

Jan. 2nd (6pm-8pm): HSYG

Jan. 7(6pm-8pm): Video Game Night

Jan. 8th (6pm-8pm): MSYG

Jan. 13th(??): Roots Ministry-Drive in Movie

Jan. 17th(6pm-8pm): HSYG

Jan. 19th(6pm-8pm): Roots Ministry Jan. 21st (6pm-8pm): Video game Night

Jan. 22nd (6pm-8pm): MSYG

Jan. 29th: March for Life- something maybe?

Jan. 31st (6pm-8pm): HSYG



**DID YOU KNOW**: We now have a YouTube channel which you can reach by clicking on the You Tube button to the left. Once you enter into the Holy Family You Tube channel, please

mouse click on the word "Uploads" right under the stained glass logo to get a complete view of all of our uploaded videos. Those videos, though, will not be live and you will have to wait at least an hour, typically, after those events before they will be uploaded onto that page.



ARE YOU AGAINST US OR AMOUNG US? Join youth ministry on zoom every other Thursday from 6pm-8pm. Open to both Middle School and High School. Email <a href="mailto:lindsay.wilk@hfccmail.org">lindsay.wilk@hfccmail.org</a> for the link. Thursday, January 7th upcoming time



YOUNG ADULT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY continues weekly. For more information Alex at aledorado23@gmail.com.



**FORMED:** A great resource to access during this forced down time is **FORMED**. There are so many resources from books, talks, to movies for the entire

family. Go to: <u>FORMED LINK</u>. Today they are having a live streamed broadcast on St. Joseph. Check it out.

