



The Nativity of the Lord

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 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
 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 443-203-1002
 Saturday: 4:00p.m., 7:00p.m. (Spanish) Sunday: 10:00a.m.
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00a.m.

Our Lady of Sorrows, Owensville 410-867-2059
 Saturday: 5:00p.m. Sunday: 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 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.
- Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Oratory:** For information, email Cindy Daily at 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.

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<https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Family-Catholic-Church-Davidsonville-Maryland>

~ *Pastor's Note* ~

On behalf of our Parish Staff, I extend to you our prayers for a Christmas season filled with joy and hope as together we celebrate our Savior's birth. If you are travelling to visit family and friends during the Christmas Season, I pray that you will have safe travels. See you in the New Year of 2023!

What are you going to be doing on Saturday, February 4, 2023? On that Saturday, the Annual Polar Bear Plunge is going to be taking place on the Western Shore of the Chesapeake Bay at Sandy Point State Park from 11am-4pm. The Polar Bear Plunge is when Marylanders will plunge into the waters of the Chesapeake Bay, raising money for the Maryland Special Olympics which allows our fellow Marylanders to participate in their respective Olympic sports.

I have never participated in this event, never really even thought of participating but this coming year I am going to do the plunge. I invite you my fellow parishioners of Holy Family to join me in this annual charity event. I especially challenge the men of our parish, including our teenagers, to join our Holy Family team, "*The Holy Dippers.*"

Each participant agrees to raise a minimum of \$100 in pledges. To learn more about this event and to register visit their website at <https://plungemd.com>. Click on our Holy Family team name "*Holy Dippers*" and complete the registration process.

Merry Christmas,

Fr. Mike and Suzie



The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

Lk 2:10-12

Dec. 26th - Jan. 1st

Mon.	9:00 a.m.	No Daily Mass
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Olga Rovito
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Bernice Ostrosky
Thurs.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Jessica Clark
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Helen Malloy
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	For the repose of the soul of Harold Strange, Jr. and for the intentions of our Parishioners
Sun.	9:15 a.m.	For the repose of the souls of Dan, Peg and Kevin Collins
Sun.	11:15 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Katherine Ferguson



CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS from Fr. Mike, Deacon Doug, Deacon Moise, Deacon Austin and the entire Holy Family Staff! May you enjoy the season with family and friends near and far!



CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS OFFICE HOURS:

The office will be closed on Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th for Christmas and Friday, December 30th and Monday, January 1st for the New Year. We will reopen normal business hours 8:30am-4:30pm on Tuesday, January 3rd.



CONGRATULATIONS TO: Simone Elise Mowery, daughter of John Mowery and Karen Timm as she received the sacrament of Baptism last weekend.

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. Registering on **FORMED** is easy!



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions continue on Wednesdays at 5pm and Saturdays 3:30pm in the Church confessional. **Note: There will not be confessions at 3:30pm on December 24th.**



PRAY FOR: Jenssen & William Barquinn, Patsy & Patty Anne McDemott, 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.

♦ If a name can be removed from the list above, please call the Parish Office at 410-269-0586.

DAVIDSONVILLE, MD

Sun.	Adoration continues, Oratory Christmas Day Mass 10am, Church
Mon.	Adoration continues, Oratory Parish Office Closed Rosary Group 6:30pm-7pm, Chapel
Tues.	Adoration continues, Oratory Women's Cursillo Group Meeting 9:30am- 11am, Classroom 14
Wed.	Adoration continues, Oratory Confessions 5pm-7pm, Church
Thurs.	Adoration continues, Oratory CODA 6:30pm-7:30pm, Classroom 2 Prayer Hour 7pm-8pm, Chapel AI-Anon 7:30pm-8:30pm, Classroom 6 AA 7:30pm-8:30pm, Classrooms 4, 5
Fri.	Adoration continues, Oratory Parish Office Closed Disciples in Christ Faith Sharing Group 10am-11:30 am, Classroom14
Sat.	Adoration continues, Oratory Men's Group 7am-8am, Classroom 10

Collection Report

December 10th & 11th
Offertory \$6,430.58
Maintenance \$2,221
Poor Box \$859
Retired Religious \$127

COLLECTION REPORT: The weekend totals for December 17th & 18th will be in a later bulletin due to early publication deadlines.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th:

- ◆ 3pm - Church - Fr. Gene Nickol / Cantor
- ◆ 3pm - Unity Hall - Fr. Mike - Contemporary Music Group
- ◆ 5:30pm - Church - Fr. Gene Nickol / Cantor
- ◆ 7:30pm - Church - Fr. Mike - Ron/Men's Choir
- ◆ 10pm - Church - Fr. Mike - Ron/9:15am Traditional Choir

December 25th:

- ◆ 10am - Church - Fr. Mike / Cantor



2023 APPOINTMENT CALENDARS: "Divine Mercy" calendars are available on the Welcome Desk and on the tables in the Narthex. Please take one to ensure everyone gets one and if we have extras and you need one, the office will have some set aside. Thank you to Kalas Funeral Home for purchasing the calendars.



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 rcpt@hfccmail.org. Forms are available on the Parish website, www.holyfamilychurch.com or through the Parish Office. The donation for a brick goes directly to Holy Family Catholic Church. **Soon we will be offering additional clipart options (wedding bands, wedding bells, graduation hat, seals and badges and more)!**

- ◆ **NEEDING TO FORM A BRICK COMMITTEE** to sell the bricks on various weekends after all the Masses in the Upper Gallery. Interested parties can either call the Parish Office at 410-269-0586 (ext. 21 Jeanne Collins) or email her at rcpt@hfccmail.org.

Readings for Christmas Eve Masses

December 24, 2022

- ◆ First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-6
- ◆ Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13
- ◆ Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14
- ◆ Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Readings for Christmas Day Mass

December 25, 2022

- ◆ First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10
- ◆ Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6
- ◆ Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6
- ◆ Gospel: John 1:1-18

December 31, 2022 - January 1, 2023 - The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

- ◆ First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27
- ◆ Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
- ◆ Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7
- ◆ Gospel: Luke 2:16-21



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Mass Schedule

December 31st
5pm Vigil Mass

January 1, 2023

- 9:15am Mass
- 11:15am Mass

Please note: There will not be a 7:45am Mass on January 1, 2023.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



CARING FOR CREATION MINISTRY: May this be a Merry Christmas to all. Just thinking about Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Family in the Manger, often portrayed with sheep and a donkey. At that time for most people, sheep were

an important food source and the wool was for clothing, even to this day. Sheep were the currency and the wealth to their owners. A donkey was transportation for the everyday folks. In the Bible we hear of seeds being sown, a man climbing up a Sycamore tree and healing waters.

Nature has always been part of our lives and in the history of our faith. Today, we can be far removed from nature and where our food comes from. Where the plants and animals try to live in harmony with mankind. I like to think we all try to be aware of the things we do that impact the world around us. Behind the old Post Office there is a nice path beyond the woodshed and fire pit that can take you closer to God's Creations. You will find a couple of benches to sit and take it all in. Thank you to Eagle Scouts Anthony Shaffer, Chris Buchanan and Tom Malloy for making this space available to get closer to God's Creation.

As a reminder, if you have a live Christmas tree in your home, please check the water level every day for safety sake. If you have a bird bath, a heater will insure fresh water will be available in the coldest winter months.

*Blessings to us all in this Joyful Season,
Chris Gordon, OFS and family*



SPRING ROAD TRIP: Holy Family is sponsoring a road trip to the **SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE** in Lancaster, PA to see the show, **"MOSES,"** on SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023. Per-person costs includes round-trip bus fare (coach bus), 2-hour show, and lunch at a nearby restaurant after the show. Tickets go on sale in the Upper Gallery beginning this weekend, December 10 & 11. (Adults \$140; Children, ages 4-12 \$90) They will make great Christmas gifts! **SAVE THE DATE!**



PREMARITAL SPONSOR COUPLES:

This is our premarital program at Holy Family. It is a six-chapter book study that you complete with a Sponsor Couple from the church. Contact Cyndi, if you have any questions about premarital programs at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

HOLY FAMILY IS LOOKING FOR BAPTISM SPONSOR COUPLES

WE NEED YOU!

"There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism," - Ephesians 4:5. Starting a new ministry here at Holy Family to provide support to new parents going through Baptism process. A

sponsor couple offers a welcome and ongoing contact with parish life. Anyone interested in being a sponsor couple, please contact Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org.



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



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS: We are asking all volunteers to log into their www.VIRTUSOnline.org accounts and update their contact information and complete any required training or acceptance of "Statement of Policy" and "**Code of Conduct.**" Contact Louisa.Woolery@hfccmail.org if assistance is needed.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINER NEEDED: Training will be provided. Interested and want more details? Contact Fr. Mike directly at 410-375-8106



FAMILY MASS GREETERS: *Praise God with us today!* We are looking for families that would like to be greeters at Masses on Saturdays and Sundays. You and your family would greet parishioners at the doors when they enter for

Mass. Great opportunity for youth service hours. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED: Are you looking for a way to serve and help the parish? We are in need of Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors. VIRTUS training is required. If interested or want more information, please email Donna at office@hfccmail.org.

HOSTS NEEDED: We need volunteers to "host" sacramental events like baptisms, weddings and funerals. It's called our "Greeter Ministry." If interested, please email Delores Jones at dt61jones@verizon.net.



"DISCIPLES IN CHRIST:" New adult faith-sharing group is forming here at Holy Family. We meet on Friday's at 10am in classroom 14. This group is for any adults looking for an intellectual pursuit, mixed with fellowship and faith-sharing. This will be an ongoing, weekly group and we will begin by studying in-depth Pope Francis' book, *The Joy of the Gospel*. For more information, please pick up a flyer in the Narthex or contact Margaret Wood in the parish office. Everyone is welcome!



DEACON DOUG'S Q & A: What is the "Octave of Christmas?" How and why is it celebrated?

Answer to the question about three different Masses for Christmas: Each celebrates a different aspect of the Nativity. The first Mass, traditionally at Midnight celebrates the birth of Jesus. (Luke 2:1-14) The second, at dawn, celebrates the adoration by the shepherds. (Luke 2: 15-20) The third, at midday, celebrates the "Word Made Flesh." (John 1: 1-18)



"NEW" CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP: Are you taking care of a loved one and looking for ways to help them and yourself? Holy Family would like to bring you together with others going through the same trials you are going

through. This will be your "safe place" to receive the support you need to keep going. Meetings are twice a month, the first and third Tuesday of the month at 10am and / or 7pm in the JMJ. Stephanie Abramson, group moderator, is a parishioner with almost 20 years of experience after taking care of her husband, now deceased. If you are interested in attending, please email Stephanie at sagabramson@aol.com. Bring your loved one if you need to.



SEW TIME: We look forward to meeting again on January 17, 2023 to start off the year with lots of community projects for those in need. If you would like to sew, crochet or knit over the holiday season please contact Barbara Harmel at barbara.harmel@gmail.com or Pam Hines at hinesjp@verizon.net for more information. We also have raffle tickets available for this year's Haiti quilt "Follow Me," drawing will be on February 4, 2023 at the OLPH Haiti Bull Roast (\$5 each or 5 for \$20).



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

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP: "HOME SHOULDN'T HURT!" This group is held online on Wednesdays at 4pm. 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 familyministry@hfccmail.org.



FRIENDLY VISITORS brighten lives and serve as a vital link to the Church and community and its resources. Do you know a parishioner who might like a visit from a friend from Holy Family? We have a new ministry that can help. Friendly

Visitors are parishioner volunteers who visit parishioners who spend much of their time at home. The visits are once a month and for companionship. This is not health care or housekeeping services. They may play cards, watch a movie or just talk. Our hope is to let them know that their life is a respected, valued and cared for member of our Church. If you know someone who is in need of companionship, please reach out to Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.



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



FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP: Join us on Fridays after daily Mass in the Lower Level Gathering Space! Join us for cards and games (to be selected weekly). Email Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org or call the Parish Office during business hours.



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 and scroll to the icon "Men's Ministry" to get all the updates.



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, January 17, 2023 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 or call 410-269-0586 (ext. 34).



BOOK CLUB: Join us on the 2nd Monday of each month (Jan. 9th), at 7pm in the Church library for lively discussion, friendship and snacks. January's feature read is Angels In My Hair. The true story of a Modern-Day Irish Mystic by Lorna Byrne. **All are**

welcome! Questions? Email Betty Ryon at eryon@0037@aol.com or call her at 240-375-6344.



HOLY FAMILY NURSERY: The nursery is now 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.



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OLPH PANTRY: Thank you all for your continued generosity to the Food Pantry at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Volunteers each week pack up your donations and take them to the pantry. Thank you!!!

The folks in South County, defined as living South of the South River, really appreciate what you share every week. 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. Most current needs are rice, peanut butter (18-24 oz.), jelly, pancake mix & syrup, cereal, instant potato flakes, and boxed macaroni and cheese. Please leave pantry donations in the blue grocery carts outside the Church or in the Narthex. Please check all dates on items because we cannot take expired items and if you are bringing anything perishable, please bring to the Parish Office during business hours.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: All Young Adults are encouraged to email Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org regarding our ministry specifically for Young Adults. We have a book study planned to start this Fall and we would like to set up some social activities. It's time to get together!

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>.

OUR DAILY BREAD CASSEROLES



Casserole pans will be available on the tables in the Narthex and under the blue grocery carts outside the front of the Church the weekends of January 14th & 15th and 21st & 22nd.

All casseroles must be returned frozen the weekend of January 28th & 29th.

- ◆ **VOLUNTEERS** needed to collect the frozen casseroles before Masses. Come 10 minutes early and load casseroles onto the cart and put them in the freezer in Unity Hall about 10 minutes after Mass starts.
- ◆ To help drive to Baltimore, load your car with casseroles and drive to Our Daily Bread and once you are there, they will help you unload. Takes about 2 hours.

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



ANNUAL WOMEN'S OUTREACH CHRISTMAS PARTY. LOTS OF FELLOWSHIP, FUN AND FOOD!

SACRISTINS 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 if you are interested and want further information at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

SAVE THE DATE

- ◆ Women's Retreat-Sat., Jan. 21, 2023
- ◆ Men's Retreat-Sat. Feb., 25, 2023
- ◆ Parish Mission-Sun., Mar. 19 & Mon., Mar. 20, 2023

VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES at our parish. Below are ways to earn service hours (Youth) or just to connect with our community.

- ◆ **Shining our Pews:** Tuesdays from 3:30pm-4:30pm.
- ◆ **Children's Liturgy of the Word (C.L.O.W.)** Sundays at 9:15am Mass (about 20 minutes) for children ages 4 to 10. Adult volunteers are needed!

Interested? Email Cyndi at familyministry@hfccmail.org. Interested in helping? Please email Cyndi Zajic, Director of Family Ministry at the email given above.

CHRISTMAS

