

The Good News

Holy Family Catholic Community
271 Fourth Street Way
Fond du Lac, WI 54937
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

Holy Family: 4:00 pm
St. Peter: 4:00 pm
Sacred Heart: 4:00 pm

Sunday

St. Mary: 7:15 am
Holy Family: 8:00 am | 10:00 am
12:00 pm (Spanish)
Presentation: 8:00 am
St Peter: 8:30 am
Sacred Heart: 9:00 am | 11:00 am
Our Risen Savior: 10:00 am

Weekday

Monday, Wednesday | St. Mary: 12:10 pm
Tuesday, Thurs., Friday |
Holy Family: 7:00 am
Saturday | Presentation: 8:00am

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Following 7:00 am Mass at Holy Family

Monday, Wednesday

11:30 am to 12:00 pm at St. Mary

Wednesday

Our Risen Savior - 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm
with Adoration

Thursday

Presentation - 6:30 - 7:15 pm with
Adoration

Saturday

After 8:00 am Mass at Presentation
3:00 to 3:45 pm at Sacred Heart
3:00 to 3:45 pm at Holy Family
3:00 to 3:45 pm at St. Peter

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 30-31, 2021

Holy Family Catholic Community to offer free to-go Thanksgiving meal

Holy Family will offer a free Thanksgiving meal for pickup for people in the Fond du Lac area on Wednesday, November 24 from noon to 4:00 pm at Holy Family Church. The meal will include sliced turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, a bun, applesauce, and a homemade dessert. Need is not a requirement to reserve a meal. Four hundred meals will be available and registration is due by November 12. Volunteers are also needed to peel potatoes at 1:00 pm on November 23; pack dinners from 9:00 to 11:00 am on November 24; and help with takeout from 12:00 to 4:00 pm. To register or volunteer, please call Erin Cobb at the Parish Office at (920) 921-0580 ext. 301.

Tickets for Living Nativity go on sale November 5

The Living Nativity is back! Join us as we retell the story of Jesus' birth with live animals, beautiful music, and more in this popular event at 4:00 pm on December 5 at Holy Family Church, 271 Fourth Street Way. Tickets go on sale on November 5 at hometowntickets.com/hf or the Parish Office for \$12 each. Children age 3 and under are free, but still must reserve a seat.

Altar Server training set for November 22

Mass is the most important thing we do each week, and the service of altar servers at the altar helps us to worship God well. In order to continue growing as altar servers, to understand the Mass better, and to offer a more reverent and beautiful worship to God each week, we will be having a "Continuing Formation" session for all current Sunday Mass servers Monday, November 22, at 7:00 pm at Holy Family Church. This will be a perfect chance to ask questions about altar serving (or about the Mass in general). Then one of the priests will offer some instruction on serving for the Mass, and some "homework" for you to focus on when serving. Attendance is expected. If you cannot attend, please email Fr. Edward at esanchez@hffdl.org.

November is Alzheimer's Awareness Month, support group available

SSM Health and the Alzheimer's Association invite individuals caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's disease and other dementia-related illnesses to participate in an open gathering to share their feelings, and thoughts to better cope with and manage the shared challenges of Alzheimer's and dementia in a safe environment on the second Tuesday of the month from 1:30 to 2:30 pm at Adult Day Services, 420 E. Merrill Ave., FDL. Free respite care available during session. Call (920) 921-5812 for more information.

Volunteers needed for Holy Family Outreach Center at St. Mary's Church

Holy Family is seeking volunteers to assist at its Holy Family Outreach Center, which serves those who are homeless in our community this winter. The shelter will be open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday with shifts lasting two hours. If you are interested in volunteering, or have questions, please call Erin Cobb at (920) 921-0580 ext. 301. Training will be offered.

Holy Family Catholic Community meets Catholic Stewardship Appeal Goal

We are excited to share that we have exceeded our Catholic Stewardship Appeal goal by \$7,001.94, raising \$224,404.94 in total. This is no easy feat and we are exceedingly grateful for the continued generosity that our parishioners show our parish and the Archdiocese of Milwaukee year after year. We would like to thank you all for your support and our Catholic Stewardship Appeal chairs, Riley and Katie O'Hearn, for their efforts in helping us reach this goal. We appreciate your dedication to our parish and our Archdiocese's mission and ministries.

Cor Jesu to be held on November 4.

Come to Presentation Church, 705 Michigan Ave., North Fond du Lac, for a night of music, Adoration, Confession, and Mass at Cor Jesu on Thursday, November 4. The night begins at 6:30 pm with Adoration and Confession. Mass will take place at 7:30 pm.

Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays

Holy Family will host Grief Share's Surviving the Holidays seminar from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and 4:00 to 6:00 pm this Thursday in the Holy Family Board Room. Anyone who is grieving is invited to attend and learn ways to cope during the holidays. Call (920) 921-0580 ext. 302 or email mdenzin@hffdl.org to reserve your spot.

Dear Holy Family Catholic Community Parishioner(s),

Thanks to recent donations made to the parish a long-standing issue at Holy Family Church will now have a viable solution to replace outdated and inefficient lighting.

Back when the church was built in 2007, we believed the choice of the fixtures with halogen lightbulbs would best suit our needs. Since then we have learned that this is not the case. Halogen lightbulbs produce heat, which our current light fixtures retain, causing bulbs to sometimes burn out within a few days of replacement. Not only does this leave us in the dark, but the heat makes it more difficult to cool the church, especially in the summer months.

These special bulbs are not easy to replace or easy to come by. These bulbs made in China used to take only a few days to receive, but as manufacturing and shipping delays occur throughout the world, this has stretched to months. When the bulbs do arrive, replacing them requires the work of a special lift, lift operator, and electrician and costs about \$2,000 each time. Due to this price, we only do this twice a year; but, between bulb replacements, Holy Family can become very dark as lights burn out.

On top of this, we are on borrowed time with our current system. Within a few years of installation, our dimming rack that controls the lighting system has become obsolete. For the past decade, it has become increasingly difficult to find replacement parts as they are no longer being made, and used parts are not readily available. If we are not able to fix the system, we may be without some or possibly all of our lights in the church. Our current system is not energy efficient or economical.

This is why we began to consider replacing our halogen fixtures with a LED lighting system. The system's bulbs use 75% less electricity while being 30% brighter, and because LEDs do not produce the heat found in halogens, the bulbs are designed to last 30 years or more. As an added benefit, the fixtures are made right here in Wisconsin by Sheboygan's Manning Lighting, which produces fixtures for churches and cathedrals throughout the United States. The dimming board will come from the well-known ETC, a company that produces the technology used in many movie theatres and other large-scale areas, such as Disney. Unlike our current outdated system, ETC continues to replace and service its products from 25 years ago.

Already, the project has received approval from our Pastoral and Finance Councils, and no additional funds will be needed to pay for it. With the help of recent large donations designated for capital improvements projects, the entire cost of the project can be covered. We hope this improvement will make your experience at Holy Family even better, and we thank you and all our parishioners for their donations that help to fund needed projects such as this.

In Christ,

Fr. Ryan J Pruess

Pastor | Holy Family Catholic Community

PARISH COLLECTION SUMMARY

July 1, 2021 through October 17, 2021

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| Budgeted Revenue: | \$726,000 |
| Actual Revenue: | \$732,382 |
| Variance or (shortfall): | \$6,382 |

OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

May their souls, and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace:

Rita Bono, Robert Hilbert, Adrian Kaull & Ricardo Rodas

ALL SAINTS DAY /DAY OF THE DEAD MASS TIMES

We will offer the following Masses on Monday, November 1 for All Saints Day. The feast day is a Holy Day of Obligation:

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| 7:00 am – Holy Family | 12:10 pm – St. Mary |
| 5:00 pm – Sacred Heart | 7:00 pm – Holy Family |
| 7:00 pm (Spanish) – St. Mary | |
| Nov. 2: All Souls/Día de Los Muertos: 7:00 pm -Holy Family | |

MASS INTENTIONS & WEDDING BANS

To view Mass Intentions for the coming week, please visit hffdl.org/mass_schedules/mass-intentions.

To view wedding bans, please visit hffdl.org/mass_schedules/wedding-bans.

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