# **The Good News**

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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: 8:00 am

#### 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

#### First Sunday of Advent | November 27-28, 2021

#### Advent Giving Tree gifts due next Sunday

Thank you to everyone who has selected a tag from our Advent Giving Tree to help make the season bright for a child in need! Please return your unwrapped gift with the tag to the Holy Family site from which you took the tag by Sunday, December 5. Thank you.

#### Holy Family to use Faith in our Future Funds for new phone system

Holy Family Parish would like to use funds that were designated for Faith In Our Future Funds in the past for payment for the upgraded phone system. This use is outside of the initial parameters set up for the spending of these funds. If you had contributed to this campaign and you have concerns, please contact Ellen Kant at ellenk@hffdl.org.

#### Living Nativity next weekend; Spanish Mass at St. Mary's

Join us at 4:00 pm on December 5 at Holy Family Church for a unique telling of the first Christmas featuring beautiful music from a 100-person choir, live animals, and Holy Family staff and volunteers as various Biblical characters. A limited number of tickets are still available at the Parish Office or at hometowntickets.com/hf for \$12 each; children age 3 and under are free, but must have a seat reserved. Please note the noon Spanish Mass on December 5 will be moved to St. Mary's that day to accommodate the Living Nativity.

#### Plan for Feast of the Immaculate Conception

The parish will offer multiple Mass times for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception – a Holy Day of Obligation. On Tuesday, December 7, Mass will be offered at 12:10 pm at St. Mary Church and 7:00 pm at Holy Family in anticipation of the Feast Day. On the Feast Day on December 8, Mass will be offered at 7:00 am at Holy Family, 12:10 pm at St. Mary, 5:00 pm at Sacred Heart, and 7:00 pm at Holy Family in Spanish.

#### The Gift of Sunday Advent Mission set for December 1 at St. Mary Church

Holy Family will host one of 18 Advent Missions taking place throughout the Archdiocese from 7:00 to 8:30 pm on December 1 at St. Mary Church. This Mission, presented by Fr. Jordan Berghouse, is based on *The Gift of Sunday*, a theological reflection issued by Archbishop Jerome Listecki.

#### FORMED Advent: Daily Reflections and The True Meaning of Christmas

November 28th is the beginning of Advent, a special liturgical period during which Christians prepare their hearts for the nativity of Jesus. Finding time to reflect on the meaning of Advent and the joy of the upcoming Christmas season can get lost among the hustle and bustle of the holidays. Consider registering online for daily reflections for Advent at daily.formed.org/where Holy Family has a subscription.

#### St. Patrick's Rosary Guild to host Christmas Party

Celebrate the beginning of the Christmas season at the St. Patrick's Rosary Guild Christmas Party on Saturday, December 4 at Sunset on the Water, N7364 Winnebago Dr. The social will begin at 1:00 pm with lunch at 1:30 pm. Donations of new baby items (diapers, wipes, blankets, sleepers, socks, etc.) to Charis Pregnancy Help Center will be collected. Cost for lunch is \$16. Call Sandy Birschbach (920) 923–6786 for reservations. New members are always welcome.

#### St. Peter Altar & Rosary Society Nativity Raffle

The St. Peter Altar & Rosary Society is raffling off a Nativity set with hand-painted pieces and handmade manger. Members will sell tickets following the 4:00 pm Masses on December 4 and 8:30 am Masses on December 5 at St. Peter Church. Tickets are available from any society member, Barb B. at (920) 921-7729, Mary M. at (920) 923-5021, or at the Parish Office. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Winner will be contacted following the drawing on December 6.

#### Holy Family Christian Women to meet

Holy Family Christian Women will meet at Holy Family at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 6 for a dinner, entertainment and a short meeting. If you can, bring winter outerwear items for young children. For a reservation, call Denise Tobin at 920-948-4520 as soon as possible.

#### Holy Family Advent Talk Series to begin this week

Holy Family's Advent Talk series will begin this week when Fr. Ryan Pruess discusses the Prophet Isaiah at 6:30 pm on Monday at Sacred Heart Church. Hosted by Catherine and Chris McGalloway, our priest team-led talks will take place each week, and discuss Biblical figures including John the Baptist, Mary, and Joseph.

#### Keep Christ in Christmas signs to be available

The Knights of Columbus Council 664 will offer Keep Christ in Christmas signs for a "free will" offering following Masses at our Holy Family sites the weekend of December 4-5.

#### A letter from your Holy Family priest | Thank you to our Holy Family Parishioners

Dear Holy Family Catholic Community Parishioner(s),

We did it! Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of you and your fellow parishioners, we have reached our goal in our Rectory Campaign!

When we began thinking about our plans for a new rectory here at the parish, we could have not foreseen how the project would change, going from new construction to the purchase and renovation of a property directly across from our Holy Family Church site. Through it all, you continued to support the campaign, seeing the need as well as the benefit of having our Holy Family priests living under one roof in community. When a generous benefactor stepped up and offered to match donations up to \$100,000, you redoubled your efforts to help us get across the finish line.

With deepest gratitude, your Holy Family priest team and I thank you for your generosity. We know that completing this campaign was no easy feat, and to watch it progress and now reach its end—just days before Thanksgiving—has been greatly humbling. We are blessed to serve at such a wonderful parish and to call each of you a member of our faith community.

In the months to come, the property will undergo renovation to convert it from a home to a rectory for six priests. After a bidding process, we recently selected Capelle Bros. & Diedrich, Inc., to conduct this work. I look forward to sharing updates with you as renovation gets underway, and in the spring, to hosting an open house.

Once again, thank you for your support and may God bless you and your family.

In Christ,

Tr. T) MmC/ True. Fr. Ryan J Pruess

Pastor - Holy Family Catholic Community

#### MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Holy Family has received a donation in honor of:

**James Pollard** 

Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

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# EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR HOMEBOUND NEEDED

Holy Family is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to bring Communion to our homebound parishioners. If you are interested please contact Erin at the Parish Office at (920) 921-0580 ext. 301.

## MASS INTENTIONS & WEDDING BANS

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

To view wedding banns, please visit hffdl.org/mass\_schedules/wedding-bans.

## SMSA students make cards to benefit child with brain tumor

Students in grades 4-8 at St. Mary's Springs Academy have created unique and original Christmas cards to benefit 9-year-old Mason, who has a brain tumor. These cards will be sold for \$2.00 after all the masses at Holy Family Parish sites December 4-5. Mason began having headaches and vision issues in 2018, and after tests and an MRI, they found a mass near his pituitary gland. As it was too risky to remove with surgery, they have been trying to shrink the tumor using chemo. Mason has lost almost all eyesight in his right eye, and now he is losing vision in his left. It is also pressing on his pituitary gland, which is causing it not to work properly. All proceeds from cards will benefit Mason. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

