

# The Good News

September 16-17, 2023

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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)

St Peter: 8:30 am

Sacred Heart: 7:00 am (Spanish)

9:00 am | 11:00 am

Our Risen Savior: 10:00 am

Presentation: 10:00 am

### *Weekday*

Monday, Wednesday | St. Mary: 12:10 pm

Tuesday, Thurs., Friday |

Holy Family: 7:00 am

Thursday | Presentation 7:30 pm

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

*Thursday*

Presentation - 6:30 - 7:15 pm

with Adoration

*Friday*

St. Mary - 7:00-8:00 pm primarily  
in Spanish 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

*Sunday*

9:00 to 9:45 am at Our Risen Savior

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## Learn more about the experience of the homeless at screening of *The Invisible Class*

Holy Family, in conjunction with the Fond du Lac Area United Way and Marian University, will present a screening of *The Invisible Class* at 5:30 pm on Monday, October 9 at the Marian University Stayer Center, located near the corner of Second Street and National Avenue. This documentary explores what it looks like to be homeless in America, addressing its systemic causes and challenging stereotypes. All are encouraged to attend, particularly those who are interested in volunteering at or supporting the Holy Family Warming Shelter.

## Have a great time at Holy Family's Trivia Night on Friday

Bring your friends and family to Holy Family's Trivia Night this Friday, September 22 in Holy Family Hall. The free trivia game will begin at 6:00 pm and cover a wide range of categories, with questions to meet everyone's interests. Snack and drinks will be available for purchase. No pre-registration is required.

## Travel with Holy Family to Women of Christ Conference

Women are invited to join their fellow parishioners on the Holy Family Bus Trip to the Women of Christ Conference on Saturday, November 18. The bus will board in the Holy Family Church parking lot at 6:15 am, leave at 6:30, and travel down to the Brookfield Conference Center. The Women of Christ Conference provides women the opportunity to celebrate their Catholic faith with women from throughout the area. The bus trip will cost \$25 per person (an additional \$1.75 processing fee if paying online). Register at [hffdl.org/women](https://hffdl.org/women) and pay online with credit card or send a check for \$25 with "Women of Christ Bus Trip" in the memo line to Holy Family, Attn: Sabina Carter, 271 Fourth Street Way, Fond du Lac, WI 54937.

## Pray the Rosary at Sacred Heart

Everyone is welcome to join us at Sacred Heart Church as we pray the Rosary Monday through Friday from 4:00 to 5:00 pm and following the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday from 5:00 to 6:00 pm. Depending on the weather, worshippers will meet either in Mother Mary's Courtyard or inside the church in the meeting room. There are no attendance requirements to participate, just drop in.

## Celebrate St. Francis Day with Fr. Michael at the Catholic Ecology Center

Join Fr. Michael at the Catholic Ecology Center, W1468 County Road NN, Neosho, to celebrate the patron saint of ecology, St. Francis of Assisi, at the center's St. Francis Day event on Sunday, October 1! This fun-filled event will run from 1:30 to 3:40 pm and include a petting zoo, games, the decoration of a shrine to St. Francis of Assisi, guided tomahawk throwing, pumpkin carving/painting, and a pet blessing. The event is free for members of the center, and \$3 for non-members. Please visit <https://catholicecologycenter.org/events> for more information.

## Oktoberfest is less than a month away!

Grab your lederhosen and bring the whole family to Oktoberfest at Holy Family Church & Prayer Garden on Saturday, October 7! This festival will begin at 4:00 pm with a special Mass featuring Readings and music in both English and German. Then, following the Mass, take to the Prayer Garden (Holy Family Hall in event of rain) to enjoy music from the German folk band, Dorf Kapelle, and activities for people of all ages including: giant yard games, an inflatable obstacle course, makers market, petting zoo, balloon twister, cotton candy, and basket raffle! As you have fun, you can purchase brats, potato salad, food from our Hispanic community, soup, homemade desserts, soda, beer, and more! We will close out the night with a chance to win a cash prize when you play trivia beginning at 8:15 pm in the Holy Family Hall. Admission is free! Interested in donating baked goods or taking part in our Makers Market? Contact Sarah at the Parish Office at (920) 921-0580 ext. 201 or [sarahr@hffdl.org](mailto:sarahr@hffdl.org).

## Get involved at the Holy Family Warming Shelter

This fall, the Holy Family Warming Shelter will open to serve those who are homeless in our community. The shelter will care for up to 30 people each night and offer them food, connections to local services, and a place to sleep. If you are interested in learning more about the shelter and how you can get involved, please visit [hffdl.org/warming-shelter](https://hffdl.org/warming-shelter).

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, September 18

**St. Mary (SM) 12:10 pm:** Alec Hufford and the Living & Deceased Members of the Cayen & Huffard Families

### Tuesday, September 19

**HF 7:00 am:** Gerald Wagner (Anniversary)

### Wednesday, September 20

**SM 12:10 pm:** Margaret Kelly, Patrick Wyer, Eleanor Wengert, Gail Welter & John Barouski

### Thursday, September 21

**HF 7:00 am:** Living and Deceased of the Rita Dieter Family

**Presentation (P) 7:30 pm:** Carleton & Carol Weigel

### Friday, September 22

**HF 7:00 am:** Elaine Mertens

### Saturday, September 23

**P 8:00 am:** For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

**SH 4:00 pm:** Mary Jean Krueger

- Sandra Stephany (Anniversary)
- Tim Shea (birthday)
- Donald Birschbach
- Neil Schwantes
- Troy Zupke

### Saturday, September 23 continued

**Saint Peter (SP) 4:00 pm:** Todd, Bob & Elmer Petrie

**HF 4:00 pm:** Mary Schmidt

### Sunday, September 24

**SH (Spanish) 7:00 am:** For the Parishioners

**SM 7:15 am:** Daniel J. Krug (Anniversary)

**HF 8:00 am:** Thomas Kescenovitz

**SP 8:30 am:** Lillian Wagner-Kraus

**SH 9:00 am:** Eugene Smet

**P 10:00 am:** Jack Webb

**HF 10:00 am:** Richard & Isabelle Schingen

- Bob Smet (Anniversary)

- The Living & Deceased of the Lallier Family

- The Living & Deceased Members of the SMSA Class of 1963

- Norm, Brian, and Kevin Ruch

- George Gabay

- Marie Duley

**ORS 10:00 am:** Bernice Ziegler

**SH 11:00 am:** The Jacquie Fleischman Family

**HF(Spanish) 12:00 pm:** For the Parishioners

## *A letter from your Holy Family Priest | Forgiveness & Mercy*

In our Gospel this week, we read a powerful parable shared by Jesus that emphasizes the significance of forgiveness and mercy in our lives. The passage begins with Peter asking Jesus how many times one should forgive a brother who sins against them, suggesting a limit of seven times. Jesus responds with the notion of forgiving not just seven times, but seventy-seven times – an instruction meant to convey limitless forgiveness.

To underscore this message, Jesus tells the parable of a king who forgives his servant's enormous debt out of compassion. However, the same servant harshly demands repayment from a fellow servant with a much smaller debt. This hypocrisy angers the king, who reinstates the original debt and punishes the unmerciful servant.

The parable encourages us to understand that we have received immense forgiveness from a loving and merciful God, and thus, we are called to extend the same grace to others. Just as the king's forgiveness was boundless, we are urged to practice forgiveness without setting limitations. Moreover, the story reminds us that harboring unforgiveness can lead to spiritual and emotional imprisonment, while choosing to forgive brings liberation and harmony.

In a world often marked by conflicts and grievances, our Gospel today serves as a timeless reminder of the transformative power of forgiveness. By embracing mercy and compassion, we can foster relationships built on empathy and grace, enriching our lives and the lives of those around us.

In Christ,

Very Rev. Ryan J Pruess

### PARISH COLLECTION SUMMARY July 1, 2023 through August 6, 2023

Budgeted Revenue: \$264,000  
Actual Revenue: \$270,450  
Over (Under) Budget: \$6,450



### WEDDING BANS

September 23, 2023  
Marcelino Gomez & Belsis Perez  
at Holy Family



### OUR RISEN SAVIOR ANNUAL CEMETERY MEETING NEXT WEEK

Our Risen Savior Cemetery will hold its annual meeting on Sunday, September 24 at Our Risen Savior Church following the 10:00 am Mass.

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA TO MEET

The Daughters of Isabella will meet on Tuesday, September 19 in the Victory Center, located behind Sacred Heart School. The Audit Committee will meet at 11:00 am, with the potluck at 12:00 pm. The meeting will follow.

### MIDDLE- AND HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS INVITED TO EVENTS THIS MONTH

Holy Family's Youth Group invites students to clean up the highway and attend a movie night Thursdays this month from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Students in high school can help us keep the highway clean near Holy Family Church, 271 Fourth Street Way, on Thursday, September 21. High-school and middle-school students are welcome at our Outdoor Movie Night at Sacred Heart School, 678 Western Ave., on September 28. For more information, contact Eric at the Parish Office at (920) 921-0580 ext. 502 or eric@hffdl.org.

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