

The Good News

December 7-8, 2024
2nd Sunday of Advent
Holy Family Catholic Community
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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
Marian University: 5:00 pm

Weekday
Monday & Friday | Sacred Heart: 12:00 pm
Monday - Friday | Holy Family: 7:00 am
Wednesday | Marian University: 12:00 pm
Wednesday | Sacred Heart: 6:00 pm
Saturday | Holy Family: 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE
Monday - Friday
Following 7:00 am Mass at Holy Family
Monday, Friday
11:15 to 11:45 am at Sacred Heart
Wednesday
11:15 to 11:45 am at Marian University
5:00 pm at Sacred Heart

Saturday
After 8:00 am Mass at Holy Family
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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Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses
This Monday, the Catholic Church will mark the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. While this feast usually takes place on December 8, as it falls on a Sunday, it is moved to a Monday. Please join us for Mass at one of the following times: **Holy Family:** 7:00 am, and in Spanish at 7:00 pm; **Marian University:** 12:00 pm; **Sacred Heart:** 12:00 pm; and **St. Mary:** 6:00 pm.

Fr. Durand to discuss Immaculate Conception at St. Mary Church
In honor of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the patronal feast day of St. Mary Church, Fr. Durand will offer a talk on the Mystery and the Meaning of the Immaculate Conception from 4:30 to 5:30 pm in St. Mary Church on Monday, December 9. Please join us for Adoration and Mass afterwards at 6:00 pm.

Thanksgiving Cash Drawing
On November 26, 2024, Holy Family held its Thanksgiving Cash Drawing. The winners are, in no particular order: Cheri Lemiesz, Dave Giese, Jeff Gerner, John Cernick, Mary Matera, and Richard Casper. Thank you to all who continue to support ministries here in the parish!

Believe and benefit the Holy Family Warming Shelter
Share the gift of belief with guests of our Holy Family Warming Shelter when you pick up a “Believe” ornament at all churches the weekends of December 14-15/21-22. Donated by Joe and Dawn Colwin, these ornaments will be available for a freewill donation benefiting the shelter.

Fr. Kevin to talk fire, Pentecost during Advent Priest Talk Series
Fr. Kevin Tanel will discuss fire and Pentecost as part of our Advent Priest Talk Series on how the Holy Spirit presents itself in the elements of fire, water, and air from 6:30 to 7:30 pm this Tuesday at Holy Family Church. The talks will be recorded and shared on our website.

Sacred Heart Church Renovation Meeting
As we prepare to renovate Sacred Heart Church in summer of 2025, we will offer Informational Meetings on these changes on Wednesday, December 11 at 1:00 pm, and 7:00 pm following 6:00 pm Masses at Sacred Heart. There will be time for questions.

High School Youth Group to go Christmas Caroling
Our High School Youth Group will go Christmas Caroling on Wednesday, December 11 from 6:45 to 8:30 pm. We will meet in the Sacred Heart School Basement and carol around the neighborhood. A permission slip is required, which you can fill out at hffdl.org/hs.

Celebrate Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe!
Join us on Thursday, December 12 as we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a day which commemorates the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac in 1531 to the convert, St. Juan Diego. The day will begin at 5:00 am with traditional Mañanitas at Holy Family Church. At 4:45 pm, we will pray the Rosary in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Guadalupe, followed by a procession with traditional Aztec dancing. We will then celebrate Mass at 6:00 pm.

Ziegler Winery offers commemorative wine for Holy Family’s 25th Anniversary
Holy Family is turning 2025 in 2025! In honor of this special occasion, Ziegler Winery has created two commemorative wines: Saints’ Blessing (Dry White Wine) & Testament Reserve (Dry Red Wine). These wines make great gifts for the holidays and a portion of the cost of each bottle sold benefits the parish. Bottles are available by visiting zieglerwinery.com/wines or the winery at W3953 Winnebago Heights Road, Malone, or by calling (920) 670-0034.

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 9
HF 7:00 am: The Living & Deceased of the Leo & Rosemary Kelley Family
SH 12:00 pm: Kaye Miller
MU 12:00 pm: Prayers for Fletcher
SM 6:00 pm: Fr. Ron Smith
HF (Spanish) 7:00 pm: For the Parishioners
Tuesday, December 10
HF 7:00 am: Todd Buetow
Wednesday, December 11
HF 7:00 am: The Poor Souls in Purgatory
MU 12:00 pm: Betty Patterson
SH 6:00 pm: Tom Duley
Thursday, December 12
HF (Spanish) 5:00 am: For the Parishioners
HF 7:00 am: Ron & Rita Wagner and the Living & Deceased of the William & Marilyn McGalloway Family
HF (Spanish) 6:00 pm: Para las Almas de Dolores Martinez Arrollo, Angelica Martinez Arrollo, Luz Martinez Arrollo (Aniversario)
Friday, December 13
HF 7:00 am: Jean Unger
SH 12:00 pm: The Living & Deceased of the Gilbert & Jean Smet Family
Saturday, December 14
HF 8:00 am: The Living & Deceased of the Armand & Jean Tautges Family
SH 4:00 pm: Allen C. Wetzel, Allen L. Wetzel, and Lana Feyen
SP 4:00 pm: The Living & Deceased of the Greg & Irene Halfmann and Victor & Esther Freund Families

Saturday, December 14, continued
HF 4:00 pm: Rosalia & Manfred Grau

- Living & Deceased Members of the Margaret R. & James K. Rashid Family
- Stanley Arpke
- John W. Roth Jr.
- Steve Baseley and Family
- Anna Marie Shea and Frank Hilbert
- Richard Steinacker and Robert & Gretchen Hornung

Sunday, December 15
SH (Spanish) 7:00 am: For the Parishioners
St. Mary 7:15 am: Jane Peterson
HF 8:00 am: Alice Tollefson

- Carl & Wilma Smedberg
- Harry & Marie Michalek and Robert Turinski
- The Living & Deceased of the Marvin & Jacquie Fleischman Family
- Karen Klein
- For the Members of Catholic Financial Life
- Sandy and Kay Wenninger

SP 8:30 am: Carol Klamrowski
SH 9:00 am: Robert & Eileen Hoey and Robert Hoey, Jr.
Presentation 10:00 am: Joe Bisenius
ORS 10:00 am: Bruce Tourbier
HF 10:00 am: Andrew Glaeser
SH 11:00 am: Nancy Steinke
HF(Spanish) 12:00 pm: Jose Ramirez & Silbestre Ramirez
MU 5:00 pm: For the Marian University Community

Dear friends,

As we continue our Advent journey, we are reminded of two things: one, the certainty of Christ’s coming, and two, that His coming brings great hope. Our celebration of Christmas is the ultimate celebration and expression of these truths. With that said, Christ’s coming is not relegated to the past, nor is it just about His coming again in glory. For us as Christians, every moment of every day is a little “Advent,” a period of preparation as we wait with certainty for the coming of the Lord. As we continue our journey to welcome Christ at His birth, we receive an invitation to prepare for His coming with great hope amid the current circumstances of our lives. Each one of us needs to hear this, myself included! The Lord is preparing your heart to receive His blessing and deeper union with Him, yet so often, we close our hearts to receiving those graces. As we journey towards Christmas, ask yourself where have I given up on hope? Where do I feel abandoned by God? In answering these questions honestly, we invite the Lord to heal those parts of our hearts that are unable to wait for His coming with hope. Israel had to wait many generations for the coming of Christ, and we hear over and over again in the Psalms how God’s chosen people cry out to Him in agony over their seeming abandonment from the Lord.

Just like Israel, we often have to wait a long time, certainly longer than the four weeks of Advent, to receive Christ’s healing balm. Yet, far from denying this, the mark of the Christian is one that acknowledges this painful reality but chooses nonetheless to wait with hope. During this Advent season, may Christ grant us the grace to wait patiently for His healing grace.

Please know of my prayers for you and your families. As always, it is a great joy to be your priest!

God bless,
Fr. Kevin Tanel

12 HOURS OF RECONCILIATION OFFERED DECEMBER 19

As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, priests from throughout the Fond du Lac and Sheboygan area will offer 12 Hours of Reconciliation from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm on Thursday, December 19 at Holy Family Church, 271 Fourth Street Way. If you are unable to make that time, priests will also hear confessions on Tuesday, December 17 at St. Peter Claver Church, 1439 S. 12th St., Sheboygan. If you would like to volunteer to assist at our 12 Hours of Reconciliation, please sign up at <https://form.jotform.com/acords/12-Hours-Dec-2024>.

WEDDING BANNS



December 14, 2024
Kevin Conger & Lisa Chase
Holy Family Church



OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

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

Frances Crain

WIDOWS WELCOMING WIDOWS EVENTS DEC. 10 & 15

Widows Welcoming Widows will meet for Advent Reflection at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, December 10 in Holy Family Parish Hall. Widows Welcoming Widows members who purchased tickets for the “Night of Silence” can pick up tickets in the lobby of Fond du Lac High School PAC on December 15 at 1:30 pm. Look for Kathy, Joanne, or Judy. For questions, please call/text Judy at (920) 948-3271.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES TO BEGIN IN NEW YEAR

Are you already Baptized, and have received Reconciliation and First Communion in the Catholic Church? Are you wanting to be confirmed in the Catholic faith? Join us for a six-week session to learn more about the faith from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in Holy Family's St. Agnes Library Wednesdays, January 8-February 26, 2025. *After completion of the program a date for Confirmation will be scheduled. To sign up, please visit hffdl.org/adult-confirmation or contact Sabina at scarter@hffdl.org or ext. 501.

BALANCE & STRENGTHENING CLASS DECEMBER 20

Mary Jo Neumann’s Balance & Strengthening class will take place at Holy Family on Friday, Dec. 20 at 9:00 am. Holiday social to follow.

NO FRIDAY SPANISH MASS DECEMBER 13, 20, 27

Please note that we will not offer our Friday night Spanish Mass on Fridays, December 13, 20, and 27. It will return in January.

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