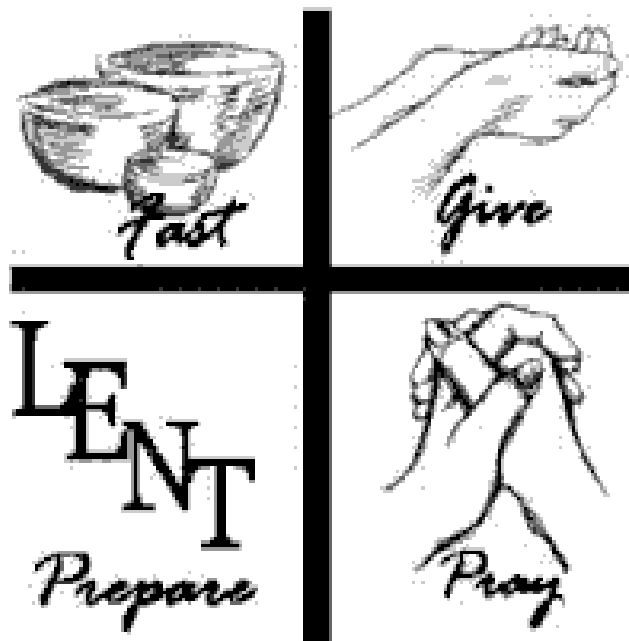


SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT-FEBRUARY 21, 2016



CHURCH OF THE

Holy Family

*We are a
Titling Parish*

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:00, 7:30 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:15 am, 12:10 pm, Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Day Schedule

Vigil Mass, 7:00 pm

7:30, 9:00 am, 12:10, 7:00 pm

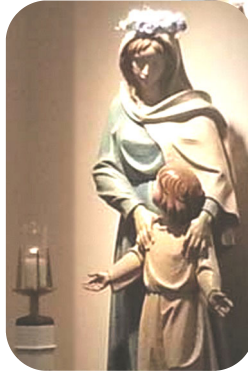
OFFICE HOURS

The office will be open Monday-Thursday
from 8:30 to 2:30 p.m.

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SUNDAY

Saturday evening vigil: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30am and 12:00 and 7:30pm

WEEKDAYS

Monday through Friday: 8:15am, (12:10 During Lent)
Saturdays throughout the year: 8:15am

HOLY DAYS

7:00pm the evening preceding
7:30 and 9:00am and 12:10, 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - First, second, third and fourth Sundays of each month at 1:30pm. Baptism preparation for parents first Tuesday of the month. Phone rectory for details and information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:15pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Dr. McDowell Council - For information, call Charlie Pane 973-301-0753. For Hall rentals, call Ralph Aurilia at 973-301-0297.

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HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL - An environment for growth in faith, values and knowledge. PreK through 8th grade. For further information, please call the school office, 973-377-4181.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - A program of religious instruction for grades PreK through 8. Confirmation preparation for high school students. For further information, call the Religious Education Office, 973-377-3101.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

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Ministry to the Hungry: Anne Platoff, 973-822-0430
Sharon Carr, 973-568-5932
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ROSARIANS - Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month, September through June, following the 8:15 morning mass.

ROSARY is prayed each day at 7:50 a.m. (before the 8:15 Mass).
MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA is prayed on Mondays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

CENTERING PRAYER meets at 7:30 p.m. in the O'Connell Room (convent) on Monday nights.

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THE MEANING OF THE “OUR FATHER” LINE BY LINE

“The Lord’s Prayer [the ‘Our Father’] is the most perfect of prayers... In it we ask, not only for all the things we can rightly desire, but also in the sequence that they should be desired. This prayer not only teaches us to ask for things, but also in what order we should desire them” (Thomas Aquinas, cf. CCC 2763).

OUR FATHER:

We can invoke God as “Father” because he is revealed to us by his Son. When we pray the Our Father we personally address the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; we recognise that all his promises of love are fulfilled in the new and eternal covenant in Jesus Christ. We have become his people and he is henceforth our God (cf CCC 2780, 2787, 2789).

WHO ART IN HEAVEN:

Heaven does not refer to a place but to God’s majesty and his presence in the hearts of the just. Heaven, the Father’s house, is the true homeland towards which we are heading and to which we already belong (cf. CCC 2802, 1 Jn 5:1).

HALLOWED BE THY NAME:

When we say “hallowed be thy name”, we ask that his Name should be sanctified by us and in us, and also in every nation and person (cf. CCC 2814, 2858; Ezek 20:9, 14, 22, 39; 1 Cor 6:11; Lev 20:26; Jn 17:11).

THY KINGDOM COME:

Refers primarily to the final coming of the reign of God through Christ’s return. The Kingdom will come in glory when Christ hands it over to his Father. We also pray for the growth of the Kingdom of God in our own lives today (cf. 2816, 2818, 2859; Rom 14:17; Tit 2:13).

THY WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN:

We ask insistently for the will of God (fulfilled in Christ) to be fully realised on earth as it is already in Heaven. Jesus teaches us that one enters the Kingdom of Heaven not by speaking words but by doing the “will of my Father in Heaven” (Mt 7:21). By prayer we can discern “what is the will of God” and obtain the endurance to do it (Rom 12:2; cf. CCC 2823, 2824, 2826; 2 Pet 3:9; Mt 18:14; Heb 10:17).

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD:

“Bread” refers to the earthly nourishment necessary to everyone for subsistence and also to the ‘bread of life’ that is, the Word of God and the Body of Christ received in the Eucharist (material and spiritual food). “This day” not only refers to that of our mortal time but also the ‘today’ of God. Even when we have done our work, the food we receive is still a gift from our Father. (CCC 2830, Jn 6:26-58).

AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US:

Forgiveness is the fundamental condition of the reconciliation of the children of God with their Father and of humans with one another: “so also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart” (Mt 18:23-35). With the example and help of Christ every Christian can forgive even his/her enemies (CCC 2842, 2844).

AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION:

We ask God not to allow us to take the way that leads to sin. We are engaged in the battle between flesh and spirit. This petition implores the spirit of discernment and strength (cf. CCC 2846; Gal 5:21, Mt 6:21, 24; 1 Cor 10:13).

BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL:

The last petition to our Father is also included in Jesus’ prayer: “I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one” (Jn 17:15). When we ask to be delivered from the evil one, we pray as well to be freed from all evils, present, past and future, of which he is the author or instigator. In this final petition, the Church brings before the Father all the distress of the world (cf. CCC 2850, 2854; Jn 8:44; Rev. 12:9; Jn 5:18-19).

TITHING

This week’s collection was \$8,080.00 (last year was (\$6,469.00).

Thank you for sacrificing to help us meet our financial commitment. God bless you for your loving hearts.

COFFEE & CAKE SUNDAY

Calling all Bakers! On Sunday, March 6th we will be having our monthly Coffee & Cake gathering after the 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30am masses. If you would like to bake something please call the rectory or email rectory@holyfamilyfp.org



2015 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

Serving Christ Among Us

If you received a final request from our Bishop asking for your support of the 2015 Bishop’s Annual Appeal, please respond as your means permit. The Appeal is essential to the work of the Church in reaching out to those in great need who come to our Catholic Charities agencies. It also supports seminarian education, inner-city area education and our priests’ retirement residence. Every gift is important so whatever you can do is a blessing. Please respond today. May God bless you for your support!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 22, 2016

8:15 -
12:10 -

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

8:15 - Carl Krah
12:10 -

Wednesday, February 24, 2016

8:15 - Anna Prokop
- Anna Fernicola
- Regina Ventola
12:10 - Robert Mercuro

Thursday, February 25, 2016

8:15 - Margaret Farrell
12:10 -

Friday, February 26, 2016

8:15 -
12:10 -Anthony LaSpina, 6th Anniversary
- Mary Commins

Saturday, February 27, 2016

8:15 - Matt O'Connor
5:30 - Anna Prokop
- Gertrude Ganley, 27th Anniversary
- Peggy Steckert

Sunday, February 28, 2016

7:30 - Richard McArdle, 1st Anniversary
- Carl Krah
- Earle Wallo
9:00 - Ann and John Graham
- Elaine Kopec
- Camilo Sanchez
10:30 - Wilbur and Mary Rummel, Sr.
- Robert Harris
- Mary Dolan
12:00 - Margaret Farrell
- Trea Marie Bougades, 4th Anniversary
- Hugh Rice, 1st Anniversary
7:30 - People of Holy Family Parish

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for our parishioners, relatives and friends who are ill: Alison Walters Soderburg, Brian Connolly, Fr. Fred, Peggy Steckert, Alyssa Blatt, Peggy Schneyer, John Mahoney, Kate Monteforte, John Schneyer, Linda Ryan, Stephen Matuszek, Christine Matuszek Bagniewski., Bernie Dorn, III, Carol Padden, Ramona Baumgaertner, Theresa Veverka, Bob McGurk, Steven Reich, John Veverka, Dave Kreutzer.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

those serving our country in the armed forces:

Major Timothy Renahan USA
Sgt. Jared K. Nucci, USA
Matthew Manzione, USA
AS1 Brian Schramm, USN
HT2 Thomas Dwyer ESWS, USN
Master Sgt. Jennifer Sweetin USAF
PFC Patrick Montuore USMC



February 21 CYO: BB Games Gym
February 22 **Confessions 7:00-8:30 pm**
Centering Prayer: 7:30pm Convent
HFS: BB Gym 6:30-8:00
Men's BB Gym 8:00
February 23 Stations of the Cross:8:45am
HFS: BB Game Gym 7:00pm
February 24 CYO: BB Gym
February 25 HFS: BB Game Gym 7:00pm
CYO: BB Gym 5-6pm
February 26 Wedding 4:30pm
Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Church
HFS: BB Gym 6:30-8:00pm
February 27 CYO: BB Gym
February 28 CYO: BB Games Gym
February 29 **Confessions 7:00-8:30pm**
Centering Prayer: 7:30pm Convent
HFS: BB 6:30pm Gym
Men's BB 8:00pm Gym



March 1 Stations of the Cross: 8:15am Church
Prayer Shawl Ministry
March 4 Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm Church
March 6 Coffee & Cake Sunday: Church Hall
March 7 **Confessions: 7:00-8:30pm**
Centering Prayer: 7:30pm Convent
Stations of the Cross: 8:15am Church
March 8 Soup Supper: 6:30pm Church Hall
March 9 Stations of the Cross:7:00pm Church
March 11 **Confessions: 7:00-8:30pm**
Centering Prayer: 7:00-8:30pm Convent
Stations of the Cross:7:00pm Church
March 14 **Confessions: 7:00-8:30pm**
Centering Prayer: 7:00-8:30pm Convent
Stations of the Cross:7:00pm Church
March 18 Bunny Breakfast: Gym
March 19 St. Patrick's Day Party: Gym
March 20 **Palm Sunday**
March 21 Centering Prayer: 7:00-8:30pm Church
March 24 **Holy Thursday:** Mass 7:00pm
March 25 **Good Friday:** Passion of the Lord 3pm
March 26 **Holy Saturday:** Vigil Mass 8pm
March 27 **Easter Sunday:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30am
12 Noon

WELCOME HOME TO HEALING: Catholic in the Diocese of Paterson, especially those who have been away from the Church, are invited to experience God's healing love and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. Catholic churches in Morris, Sussex and Passaic counties will be open for Confession every Monday, February 15 to March 14 from 7:00 PM-8:30 PM.



Thank you for your support of the Food Pantry. This weeks item is **jarred** pasta sauce. Please remember we cannot accept expired items.

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LENTEN PASTORAL LETTER INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION: THE EMBRACE OF GOD'S MERCY

To all the faithful, religious, deacons and priests:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

[8] Confession is never easy. It requires deep humility. For this reason, Tertullian, a Christian writer living at the end of the second century, urged Christians to move beyond any embarrassment in confessing their sins. He says, "Some flee from this work as being an exposure of themselves, or they put it off from day to day...like those who contract a disease in the more shameful parts of the body and shun making themselves known to the physicians. Thus, they perish along with their own bashfulness" (Tertullian, *Repentance* 10:1).

[9] Similarly, Origen, one of the greatest theologians of the third century, noted the same human difficulty in making a confession of one's sins. He taught that confession "albeit hard and laborious [obtains] the remission of sins through penance, when the sinner . . . does not shrink from declaring his sin to a priest of the Lord and from seeking medicine" (Origen, *Homilies on Leviticus* 2:4).

[10] Influenced by the individualism and subjectivism of our times, many people, and sometimes even faithful Catholics, say that there is no need of confession to a priest. God will forgive sins without the ministry of priests. Pope Francis responds to this tendency by giving voice to the sound teaching of the early Church Fathers. He notes, "Someone can say, 'I confess my sins only to God.'...But our sins are also against our brothers, against the Church. This is why it is necessary to ask forgiveness of the Church and of our brothers, in the person of the priest" (Pope Francis, *General Audience*, February 19, 2014). The act of confession recognizes the true nature of sin as an offense against God and others.

[11] Sin is never just a personal matter between us and God. Every sin that we commit offends God and affects others. Every sin harms Christ's Body, the Church. United to Christ, we are united with his Church. And, it is through the Church's priests that God chooses not simply to forgive our sins but to give us the certainty that we are forgiven (cf. Pope Francis, *General Audience*, November 20, 2013).

[12] The Church has received her ministry of forgiving sins from the Lord himself. On Easter Sunday night, the Risen Jesus appeared to the Apostles locked behind closed doors. "Peace be with you," he said. "As the Father sent me, so I am sending you. After saying this, he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven. For those whose sins you retain, they are retained'" (Jn 20:19-23).

[13] For the Church to exercise this apostolic ministry of forgiving sins, believers must first confess their sins. How could the judgment be made of either forgiving or retaining sins, unless the priest knows the sins? Accordingly, confession of sins, in one form or another, has *always* been a part of the Church's ministry.

[14] In earliest centuries, those who lapsed into grave sins of apostasy, murder and adultery made a public confession of their sins. They were given long and severe penances to do before being readmitted to Holy Communion. The Fathers of the Church saw the reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation by these penitents as "the second plank [of salvation] after the shipwreck which is the loss of grace" (Tertullian, *De Paenitentia*, 4, 2).

[15] The Church, conscious of her mission to forgive sins, has exercised her ministry of reconciliation according to the needs of the times. In the beginning, the very choice to be Christian meant a radical break from one's former way of life and, in many instances, martyrdom. For this reason, the Church's discipline in administering the Sacrament of Reconciliation entailed public confession and severe penances. Being a Christian was a life-and-death reality. As the persecutions ended, the Church mitigated her discipline. She made use of private confession as a mercy to penitents.

[16] Not unexpectedly, over the years, the Church has been obliged to correct abuses. In the fifth century, Pope St. Leo the Great rebuked the bishops of Campania, Italy, for requiring a public confession of sins before receiving absolution. He wrote, "All that is necessary, however, is for the sinner to manifest his conscience *in a secret confession to the priests alone*...It is sufficient, therefore, to have first offered one's confession to God, and then also to the priest, who acts as an intercessor for the transgressions of the penitents" (Pope St. Leo the Great, *Magna Indignatione*, March 6, 459).

[17] On his first visit to the United States, Pope St. John Paul II made a special point of reaffirming the Church's ministry of reconciling sinners. He stressed the *personal* encounter with the merciful Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession, he said, was not simply a way to keep alive a consciousness of sin, but the divine way which brings about, by the action of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit, true conversion so necessary in our lives (cf. Pope St. John Paul II, *Address to the Bishops of the Episcopal Conference of the United States*, October 5, 1979).

[18] A general confession of our sinfulness in a communal setting may make us feel good. But, it is naming specific sins that we have committed, asking for forgiveness and receiving absolution from the priest that leads to true conversion. So important is the individual's confessing his or her sins to the priest, that Pope St. John Paul II said, "Individual and integral confession and absolution are the sole ordinary means by which the faithful, conscious of grave sin, are reconciled with God and the Church" (*Misericordia Dei*, April 7, 2002).

To be continued ...



HOLY FAMILY PARISH ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER

This is a wonderful opportunity to share in fellowship and offer a Lenten sacrifice at the same time.

**Wednesday, March 9th @ 6:30pm in the
Church Hall.**



We encourage you to bring a homemade soup to share with other parishioners.
The varieties of soups we've had in the past have been amazing and delicious!

We'll also be accepting monetary donations which will be used for those
less fortunate.

Homemade soup, bread, soda, coffee & tea will be served.

Please drop this form in the collection basket, or to the rectory or to Holy Family School.

Family Name _____

Phone # _____ **Number Attending** _____

If you will be bringing soup, please indicate _____

Please label your soup pot, lid and serving spoons