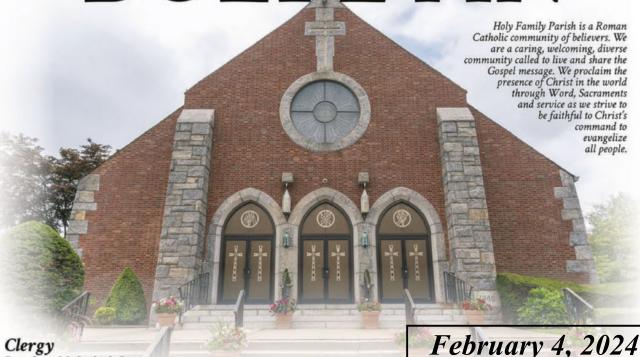
# Holy Family Parish





Clergy

Rev. Sean M. Suckiel, Pastor Dcn. Eugene Cassidy, Deacon

Rev. Msgr. Casper J. Furnari, OFS, KHS, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Msgr. Thomas G. Caserta, In Residence

Rev. Ralph Edel, In Residence

#### Parish Outreach

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Interested in having your child receive the Sacraments of Initiation?

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#### Mass Schedule

Weekdays Monday-Saturday 8:30 am Morning Mass

Weekends Saturday Eve & Sundays
Saturday: Confessions 4-4:45 pm and 5:00 pm Mass
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am with Live Stream 12 Noon & 5:00 pm Masses

#### Rectory (9am-4pm)

Patricia Earl, Parish Secretary (P): 718-969-2448 (E): rectory@holyfamilyfm.org

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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#### Mass Schedule & Intentions

#### MONDAY **February 5, 2024**

8:30 am Philip J. Mercaldi

Miraculous Medal Novena Following Mass

#### TUESDAY **February 6, 2024**

8:30 am Damaso Rotor

#### WEDNESDAY, February 7, 2024

8:30 am Nicholas Bianco

#### THURSDAY February 8, 2024

8:30 am Ernesto L. Puangco

#### **FRIDAY February 9, 2024**

8:30 am Peter Guerrero

#### **SATURDAY February 10, 2024**

8:30 am Denia-Carsten - Madelein Glaeser

5:00 pm John Paul Mann

Raymond Moran

Dr. Fortunato C. Alano, Jr.

#### SUNDAY **February 11, 2024**

7:30 am Margaret Kelly

For the Sick who travel to Lourdes 9:00am

10:30am Antonia and Frederico Santi

12:00pm Jack Dver

The People of the Parish 5:00pm

## February 4, 2024 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. (Jb 7:4)

#### Psalm:

Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. (Ps 147)

Or: Alleluia.

#### **Second Reading:**

If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! (1 Cor 9:16)

#### Gospel:

He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons. (Mk 1:34)

#### Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56 Monday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/ Tuesday:

Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday:1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24

-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/

Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20,

21-22/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/

1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

#### Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

O glorious Saint Joseph you were chosen by God to be the foster-father of Jesus, the Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and head of the Holy Family. You have been chosen by Christ's Vicar as the Heavenly Patron and Protector of the Church founded by Christ. Therefore, with the greatest confidence, we implore your powerful intercession for the whole Church today.

Guide in a special manner, our Holy Father and all bishops, priests, deacons, and all members of the Body of Christ who try to live the Gospel message. Be our Protector amid the trials and tribulations of this life. Obtain for us great purity of heart and a fervent love for the spiritual life.

Grant that, after your example, all our actions may be directed to the greater glory of God, in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and your own paternal heart. Finally, pray for us that we may share in the peace and joy of your holy death, in the company of Jesus and Mary. Amen.



#### Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael, The Archangel,

Defend us in battle. Be our protection

against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, We humbly pray;

And do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,

By the power of God

cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits

who prowl throughout the world

Seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

#### Observances for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Monday:

Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Saturday: St. Scholastica, Virgin





February 4, 2024

#### Dear Parishioners,

Father Costello, the vicar for Queens East, has asked that his letter be shared with the faithful of Deanery 5, to which Holy Family Parish belongs. Along with reading his letter, I would like to share with you the current pulse of Holy Family regarding the clergy and sacramental life of the parish.

As your pastor, I am the **ONLY priest** who is assigned to Holy Family Parish while remaining a high school chaplain in Brooklyn, which requires a weekly visit and other virtual responsibilities. Priests are beginning to take on more shared responsibilities among combined parishes and the diocese. We are incredibly blessed to enjoy the generosity of the other priests of Holy Family who assist me with the sacramental life:

- **Msgr. Furnari** is our retired pastor and has no "official" responsibilities in the parish, but he is VERY GENER-OUS with his time, remaining actively involved.
- **Msgr. Caserta** is the retired pastor of the Parish of St. Bernadette, and like Msgr. Furnari has no "official" responsibilities to Holy Family Parish. He is active in his retirement, teaching at St. John's University and doing retreat work and spiritual direction on a regular basis.
- **Fr. Ralph Edel** is the full-time chaplain of St. Francis Prep and is willing to assist with a weekend Mass. Fr. Ralph is not assigned to Holy Family Parish.
- **Fr. James Kuroly** is the Rector-President of Cathedral Prep. Fr. Kuroly assists at Holy Family when it fits his schedule. Typically, he will celebrate either the 7:30 am Mass or 5 pm Mass on Sunday. He only comes twice a month.
- **Fr. Patrick Griffin** is a Vincentian priest at St. John's University, and like the other priests, he is generous with his time to help cover Masses.

I appreciate their willingness to assist, and we are very lucky to have them, but at any time this could change.

**Fr. Anthony Rosado** is not assigned to Holy Family Parish but is on loan to us from the diocese and serves at the pleasure of the bishop.

**Deacon Eugene Cassidy** is on medical leave and is taking care of health.

The other part of the sacramental life falls upon me regarding baptisms, weddings, funerals, wake services, marriage prep, anointing calls, etc. If other commitments do arise, Msgr. Furnari and Msgr. Caserta are always willing to assist.

I share this with you because even though there is a GREAT SPIRIT, and we are a very healthy and strong parish in our deanery, we must always be ready and flexible for change, whether it's to the sacramental life or a new model of parish life.

The purpose of Father Costello's letter and Bishop Brennan's letter on November 3<sup>rd</sup> is that we need to prepare for a possibly lower number of assigned priests. Eventually, (not now) adjusting the schedule of the Mass will take into consideration church capacity and streamline operations and ministries across the diocese.

Sacramental Chart for Holy Family 2022/2023			
Baptisms	45		
First Communions	29		
Confirmations	41		
Marriages	8		
Recorded Anointing	40		
Communal Celebration of Anointing of the Sick	2		
Funerals	41		
Sunday Mass Attendance	1,000		

Many of the pastors in Deanery 5 have expressed concern about a shortage in Mass attendance, especially after COVID-19. As you see in Father Costello's letter, this is a serious issue for some. For Holy Family, we have done a decent job of retaining attendance considering the challenges that face us: people moving, the rise in parishioners becoming homebound, and younger families just not attending church and seeing no need for it.

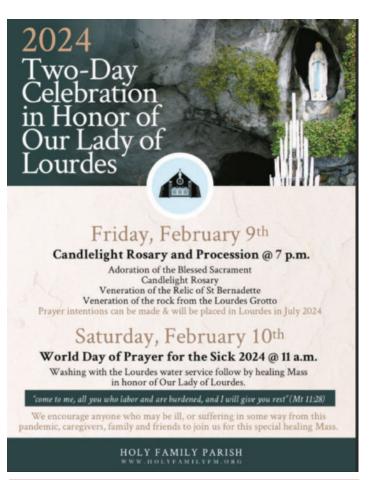
The REALITY is that there are challenges that face us in the future as Universal Church and as a parish community. Parish mergers or partnerships are not the complete solution, but it is a step in the right direction to begin to work together and address the immediate needs.

As your priest and pastor, and with many more years in service to the Church, I look at all these as new opportunities to strengthen ourselves and our Catholic faith, always relying on Jesus Christ, who is our FIRM FOUNDATION and HOPE! The Church TODAY is much different than what it was 30, 40, 50, or 60 years ago. I marvel at hearing stories of the past (packed churches, schools, seminaries, and an abundance of priests), but I LOVE the Church of TODAY... and whatever challenges, opportunities, mergers, and partnerships lie ahead in the Diocese of Brooklyn, we are in this together, always remaining true to the mission of the Church: *encountering Jesus, accompanying others, and living the joy of the Gospel*.

Sincerely,

Rev. Sean M. Suckiel

**Pastor** 





## **Blood Drive**

February is American Heart Month!

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, February 18, 2024 from 8:00 am to 2:00pm.

This time it will be held in the School Hall.

Walk ins are welcome however, for convenience please schedule an appointment by going to the **NYBC.org** website.



#### **Weekly Offering**

**January 28, 2023** 

Parish Offering \$ 6,310.00 2nd collection: Holy Family Catholic Academy: \$ 2636.00

Your generosity and kindness is very appreciated.



# Hospitality Sunday will take place today

Sunday, February 4, 2024 from 8:15 AM to 1:30 PM in Monsignor Mahoney Hall It is being hosted by the Scouts.



Let us pray for the Sick

Rico Adelane, Rose Albergo, Claire Albino, John Amato, Tomi Anello, Ralph & Josephine Ashton,
Melissa Bersamin, John Betro, Angela Blardony, Hannah Bocker, Andrew Caliendo, Maria Carrillo, Shannon Costello,
Florence Castagliola, Cedric Tess Cordoba, Cedric Cortes, Giovanna Conte, Theresa Cooney, Patrick Creegan, Peter Cruz,
Arnulfo Deangkinay, Lucille DeMaria, Jon Deweil, Luke Enriquez, Virginia Falzarano, Sr. Barbara Flossie, Grace Ganios,
Janet Ann Gillen, John Andrew Gillen, Annie Gong, Rhonda Healey, Tom Hennelly, Paul Hickey, Maria Jara, Josephine Joseph,
Jerry Kerth, Jr., Kennith Kerwin, Lillian Kienle, Fanny Leon, Joseph Leva, James Leung, , Lauren Mamba, Evelyn Manding,
Vivian Mariano, Elaine Mark, Richard Mark, Diana Medina, Rochi Mirasol, Vincent Murray, Christine Olzanski, Kolbe Olzanski,
Elmo Paluspre, Angela Parisi, Frances Powierski, Aura Quintero, Carol Quintero, Eliecer Quintero, Gregory Restrepo, Miguel Rivera,
Catherine, Mary Roth, Berta Sagurda, Marlyn Samudio, Lourdes Gomez Santos, Ethel Schweitzer, Lilia Slampiak, Gertrude Slavin,
John Smalley, Carmen Rosa Smith, Graysen Smith, Helen Schlenkermann, Cynthia Simpson, Dan Sindo, Sebastiao Guerra Sobrinho,
Joe Sonenfeld, Ana Stafford, Reming Stafford, Lyndon Swammy, Irene Swidler, Rosa Anabela Tavares, Frank Thomas,
Jessica Thomas, Ricky Torres, Norma Vaccaro, Socorro A. Venturanza, Leon Weinstein, Thomas and Janice Whiten, John Willis,
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Saturday February 17, 2024 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

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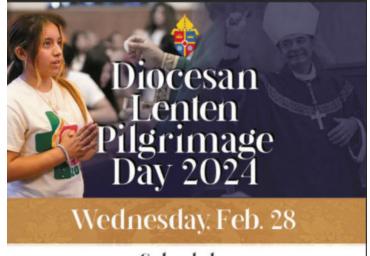
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#### Schedule

8:30 am Mass

Followed Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with 9:00-10:00 -

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

10:30 Junior High Eucharistic Youth Rally

10:30-10:45 -Praise & Worship

10:45-11:00 -Talk

11:00-12pm -Adoration with Procession of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Expositions of the Blessed Sacrament from 12:30 pm $-8:\!30$ pm

Lovers of the Eucharist: Holy Hour with Sts. Francis & Clare 1:00pm

3:00pm Hour of MERCY for PEACE

5:00pm Vespers

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction 7:30PM

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#### R.C.I.A.(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Are you unbaptized but want to be baptized in the Catholic Church?

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#### **BAPTISM**

#### Please call for an appointment to register.

To **register**, please call the Rectory to arrange an appointment and bring the child's

Birth Certificate, and a \$10.00 non-refundable registration fee to the

#### There are preparatory events:

- 1. INITIAL INTERVIEW
- 2. BAPTISM CATECHESIS
- 3, THE BLESSING OF THE INFANT



#### Marriage

Please contact the rectory to make an appointment to see a Priest at least **Six Months** prior to your desired date.

## Welcome to Holy Family

We kindly invite you to come to the Parish Office and register as a member of Holy Family.

It is important because then we are able to issue you official letters if and when you need to become a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation.

If you do **not** register we do not have a permanent record of you being a Parishioner. If you decide you want donation envelopes we can also issue you a tax statement of your contributions that you have offered during the year. Your registration will also help us with our parish

#### Thank you and welcome!

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