



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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About Us

Holy Family Catholic Community

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Fr. Terry Keehan
Pastor

Deacon Dennis Brown
Pastoral Associate
Fr. Medard Laz
Pastor Emeritus

Vision Statement

Holy Family Catholic Community invites all to new life in Christ. Our response to God's call is evident through full, conscious and active participation in our community.

Mission Statement

To empower all to experience New Life In Christ through sacramental living, transformative worship, lifelong spiritual growth and community in service to others.

Core Values

Animated by our faith in God to evangelize, we live the following core values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Unity
- Service
- Justice

Welcome to Holy Family

Holy Family Catholic community invites all to new life in Christ. Are you new to Holy Family? Are you considering becoming a registered parishioner? We welcome you to become part of our holy family in carrying out our mission. Go to the website or contact Sue at sgeegan@holyfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3443 to register.

Saint Paul says, "We are the Body of Christ." We look forward to experiencing that reality with you.
Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor

Schedule

Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. (*interpreter for hearing impaired is available*) and 11:00 a.m.

Holy Day 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
(*If it falls on a weekend, consult website*)

Eucharistic Adoration

Daily 6:00 a.m - Midnight

Reconciliation

Mondays 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Please know that recent hospital privacy laws have significantly limited our knowledge of parishioners who are hospitalized. If you have a loved one who is ill, please contact contact Jeannie Parry in our Pastoral Care office at 949-632-2059 or jparry@holyfamilyparish.org to request the Anointing of the Sick. The ideal time for anointing is when family is present and not necessarily in the final hours of life. Anointing of the Sick is offered on the First Friday of every month following the 9:00am morning Mass.

Ways to Donate

Give online [@holyfamilyparish.org](https://www.holyfamilyparish.org) (Click GIVE option in top menu bar)

Send gift to PayPal@holyfamilyparish.org

Text gift via text message to holyfamily (one word)

Venmo gift to @HolyFamily-Inverness

Envelope Offering - drop in boxes at pillars in Narthex when you enter or leave Mass

Follow Us on Social Media

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Visiting Presiders

Fr. Charles Bolser
Fr. Kurt Boras
Friar Johnpaul Cafiero
Fr. Denis Carneiro
Fr. John Hoffman
Fr. Bill Zavaski

Pastoral Table

Greg Flanagan
Dr. Lisa Gagliano
Sue Geegan, Staff
Luis Gutierrez
Krystal Harris
Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor
Joy Kull
Anne Madsen
Rick McMahon
Mike Myers, Chair

Pastoral Table meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30. All meetings are open to visitors unless otherwise indicated. Meeting Minutes are available in About Us on the website. e-mail: Pastoralcouncil@holyfamilyparish.org

Finance Council

The Finance Council of Holy Family meets quarterly and its current members are:

Tim French
Patrick Geegan
Fr. Terry Keehan, Pastor
Randy Olech
Bernie Schaeffer, staff
Ron Sobon
Elia Ponce-Tokarz
Jim Vande Logt
Chet Zara - Chair

Building Hours

Sunday	7:00am – 3:00pm
Monday	7:00am – 9:00pm
Tuesday/Wednesday	7:00am – 7:00pm
Thursday	7:00am – 9:00pm
Friday	7:00am – 5:00pm
Saturday	7:00am – 12:00pm 4:00pm - 6:30 pm

(*Key card access only 12:00 – 4:00pm*)

Office Hours

Sunday	8:00am – 12:30pm
Monday-Wednesday	8:30am – 4:30pm
Thursday/Friday	8:30am – 1:00pm
Saturday	4:45pm – 6:00pm

Fr. Terry Keehan

First Sunday of Advent

Our Adventure in Grace continues as Holy Family enters into a new era. This era consists of several major influences, such as: post-pandemic challenges; continued decline in affiliation with any church by younger people; a hostile, divisive political, spiritual and ecclesial landscape; and the shifting of the demographics of our community.

Cardinal Cupich has lifted the general dispensation for attending weekend Mass, meaning that he is encouraging anyone who is physically able to return to **in person**, live worship. However, we will continue to offer the livestreaming of our 9:00am Mass each week which can be viewed either in real time or any time throughout the week. Recent national survey results tell us that across ALL generations half of people surveyed want some experience of hybrid church, meaning a combination of live and virtual participation. As we encourage anyone who is physically able to pray in person, we realize that many people cannot join us for many reasons, and there are people all over the world who find our worship style feeds them spiritually. For these and other reasons, we will continue offering the livestream Holy Family worship experience.

We also continue to develop our website as a means not only to INFORM but also to FORM. Our website currently has presentations and resources for your spiritual enrichment. For example, both of the Tenderness presentations – Fr. Ed Shea’s *Tenderness and Forgiveness* and Bill and Joanne McElroy’s *Tenderness in Prayer* – are available.

The cornerstone of addressing the challenges of a new era here at Holy Family is our parish renewal initiative, *Adventures in Grace*. The Archdiocesan *Renew My Church* process has given us supplemental resources as well. Here are some specific ways that all of us can participate in renewal, grace and spiritual growth in order to more fully address the challenges ahead of us, to engage new parishioners and re-engage existing faithful ones:

- Look for Grace in your life more intently and intentionally
- Use grace language surfaced in last year’s pilgrimage such as:

When and Where did you experience Grace this past week?

Who or What mediated that Grace?

This language is based on a statement by Fr. Pat McGrath, the new Pastor of Old St. Patrick’s: “Catholicism can be whittled down to three words – Grace, Mediation and Sacrament.”

Grace - The energy and flow of God’s love

Mediation - The transmission of that love and energy through an agent

Sacrament - How we label, articulate, celebrate and ritualize the impact of Grace in our lives on a regular basis, and in formal ways as well.

- Start or join a G.I.G. (Gathering in Grace or Small Christian Community)
- Attend the Beloved Retreat December 9-11 at Mundelein Seminary
- Participate in our Tenderness series of presentations throughout the year
- Consistently go to our website for both information and formation; use the website to access details of our story
- Encourage others to go to our website
- Tell others about our unique story here at Holy Family
- Just be more tender with others
- Encourage others to join us for any one of our fun Shenanigans gatherings
- Join a ministry where you can share your God-given talents
- Attend our monthly FM Masses with three generations of your family or friends
- Be intentional in your financial support of our mission.

Our Advent Theme 2022

Advent always has an overarching theme of preparation for the birth of Christ each year. We articulate that theme in slightly different ways each year here at Holy Family.

This year we are offering an acronym that reflects the major themes of the four weeks:

P - Prepare

R - Repent

A - Accept

Y - Yes! (Not only Mary’s, but Joseph’s as well)

Let us **P R A Y** together
in a special way this Advent.

Of Special Note

Our Capital Campaign ***Providing for our Family's Future*** is approaching the completion of the third year of the pledge redemption phase. We had a successful pledge phase with commitments totaling \$4,070,873 and to date our redemption phase been going well. The pledged amount allocated to the three components of the campaign:

- Sustaining our Mission – \$2,213,000
- Building our Community – \$380,000
- Supporting our Archdiocese – \$1,182,000

As promised, we remain transparent to our parishioners as we utilize funds collected to date.

Sustaining Our Mission – To provide for the ongoing maintenance and upgrades needed for a welcoming and functional facility that can serve our parishioners and visitors for years to come.

Update – Projects that have been identified requiring campaign funds and completed to date:

1. Installation of a new data base system which enhanced capabilities
2. Water main replacement required due to significant pipe deterioration
3. Telephone upgrades to the existing landline
4. Technology upgrades to enhance our live-stream capabilities

Total funds utilized to date: \$216,766

Build Our Community – An initiative aimed at reenergizing parishioners, providing spiritual renewal for the disenchanting, and engaging the

future leaders of our church.

Update – *The Adventures in Grace...a pilgrimage of Spiritual Renewal* was designed to assist in building, expanding, and maintaining our vibrant community. The Pilgrimage was the beginning of an ongoing commitment to build our community through spiritual renewal. The experience and knowledge gained has become the foundation for the programming and offerings for this next year.

Total funds utilized to date: \$77,343

Supporting Our Archdiocese – As a leader in the larger Church community, we will support and provide education and ministry programs throughout the Archdiocese to communities in need.

Update – We have fulfilled year 4 of a 5 year commitment.

Total: \$945,600

Campaign Expenses – One time

Total: \$206,726

Providing for our Family's Future continues to be an all parish effort. We are pleased to provide you with this update on the use of campaign funds. Thank you for your fidelity to our campaign and your willingness to show the collaborative spirit that has made Holy Family such a vibrant community ever mindful of carrying that brightness into the future.

Christmas Tree Lighting

Our popular Holy Family Drive In Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held **Sunday, December 11th from 4:30-5:00pm** in the West parking lot. You can participate in this event and still make it on time to your family faith classes! The event will include a tree lighting ceremony, music and words of inspiration, along with photo opportunities for the whole family as well as some surprises! You can even enjoy the event, if you choose to, from the warmth and comfort of your own car.

For more information, log on to our website.



Liturgical Arts

Mass Intentions

Weekday intentions are prayed for at all Morning Masses during that week and Saturday and Sunday intentions are prayed for the entire weekend at every Mass.

Mass Intentions for

11/28, 11/29, 11/30, 12/1, 12/2

Vance Nwankwo (Nwankwo Family)
Charles J Cernansky Jr (Cernansky Family)
Elaine Rudnicki
Aldo Bilotto (Ruffolo, Schuler, Dean Families)
Ferdinando Ruffolo
(Ruffolo, Schuler, Dean Families)
Joseph Raimondo (Lillian Croke)
Raymond Kuch (Marianne & Bob)
Gregg Merkel (Marianne Meyers)
Alex Walters

Saturday, December 3 & Sunday, December 4

Elfa Castroverde (Adult Faith Life)
Alexander Walters-16th anniversary (Family)
Walter McNeely (Knights of Columbus)
Lidia Roussos (Adult Faith Life)
Gilda Fildale (Adult Faith Life)
Alice Roback (Len & Ann Thomas)
Roger Blasius (Geisler Family)
Andrzej Kielian
Julia and Stanley Kielian
Maria and Chester Cydoran
Grace Wolonciej
Rita Bacik (Deanna Capra)
John Manthey (Peg Bauerfreund)
Joanne Halper (Peg Bauerfreund)
Peggy Hower (Dick Kinzig)
Lulu Pastorello

Mass Intentions are available by contacting
the Parish Office up to 2 weeks
prior to the Mass date.



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them...

+ Sandra Gerz

"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. John 11:25"

*In a Special Way We Remember
Those Who Are Ill...*

Juanita Kendall
John Shannon

Wedding Banns

Lupe DeGante & Jorge Galvan - II

We Pray for Family Members in Service of Our Country

Capt. Michael J. Graft III (*Air Force*)
Pvt. Zachary Heisner (*Marine Corps*)
Captain Peter Keiser (*Army*)
Ensign Patrick J. Kennelly (*Navy*)
Capt. Nick Lewis-Walls (*Army*)
2nd Lt. Madeline Lopez (*Army*)
Lt. Colonel Brian Malloy (*Army*)
SPC James Purvin (*Army*)
PFC Jacob Riedl (*Army*)
SPC Theodore Rogers (*Army*)
Airman Zachary L. Schirmer (*Navy*)
Maj. Elizabeth Greenstein Simmons (*Army*)
Maj. Joshua Simmons (*Army*)

Weekly Readings

Sunday, November 27

Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44

Monday, November 28

Isaiah 4:2-6
Matthew 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29

Isaiah 11:1-10
Luke 10:21-24

Wednesday, November 30

Romans 10:9-18
Matthew 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1

Isaiah 26:1-6
Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 2

Isaiah 29:17-24
Matthew 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26
Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8

Sunday, December 4

Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-9
Matthew 3:1-12

Parish Support & Services

Holy Family's Fiscal Year 2022-23

Weekly Attendance and Collection - Last 4 Weeks			
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October 23	1,270	\$	45,859
October 31	1,264	\$	24,882
November 6	1,223	\$	34,948
November 13	1,109	\$	36,577

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 Parish Manager
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 @holyfamilyparish.org

Note: Collection totals vary week to week primarily based on the timing of electronic contributions

Year to Date Collection Summary					
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Through November 14, 2022

	Actual	Budget	Delta to Budget	Last Year Actual	Delta to Last Year
Sunday & Electronic Collections	\$ 637,178	\$ 702,616	\$ (65,438)	\$ 644,915	\$ (7,737)
Christmas	\$ 350	\$ -	\$ 350	\$ 205	\$ 145
Easter	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 160	\$ 40

Major Collections Totals	\$ 637,728	\$ 702,616	\$ (64,888)	\$ 645,280	\$ (7,552)
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Prior Week Totals	\$ 601,101	\$ 661,323	\$ (60,222)	\$ 619,869	\$ (18,768)
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Note: Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30

Envelope Users: Please either mail your weekly collection envelopes to Holy Family at 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness, IL 60067, or you can drop in the mail slot by Door 1.
 Consider making an electronic contribution at holyfamilyparish.org/online-give-options

The Parish Support & Services Community... oversees the parish business and infrastructure activities to ensure they operate efficiently.

In memory of your loved ones, please consider making a donation to purchase flowers for Christmas. You can pick up an envelope in the parish office after Mass or call the office to make your memorial donation.



Join us for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Thursday, December 8th at 9am and 7pm.

Thank you to all who brought in pictures of your loved ones for our All Souls' month long remembrance. Please pick up your pictures in the parish office after Mass.



Available in the Parish Office

The Adventure Continues!

Mark your calendar for a full day of Contemplative Prayer with Bill and JoAnne McElroy on Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm in our Common Ground room to put into practice some of the Contemplative Prayer experiences discussed at our November 9th evening event, “Tenderness in Prayer.” Lunch will be included. The cost of the day will be \$20 per person. Please register using your Realm account, or by contacting Mary Whiteside at mwhiteside@holyfamilyparish.org.

Mary Whiteside

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The Adult Faith
Community...

supports the mission of lifelong learning by providing educational, spiritual, and formational activities for the parish and the community.

JoAnne McElroy holds a Master of Arts in Contemporary Spirituality and a post-graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction from the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University of Chicago. She is a commissioned presenter of Centering Prayer, which she has practiced for over a decade.

Bill McElroy has served as a lay minister and leader at the parish, diocesan and national level for over three decades. He is a Commissioned Presenter for the “Introduction to Centering Prayer” training through Contemplative Outreach.

To view the recording of the introductory evening on Tenderness in Prayer, please visit our web page, www.holyfamilyparish.org/aig/

Getting Through it Together...

We are resuming a support group at Holy Family for those dealing with serious illness. Whether you have a serious illness yourself, a loved one has a serious illness, or you are caring for someone, this support group is for you. We value confidentiality as we provide each other with the opportunity to share personal experiences, coping strategies, and prayer. Our first gathering will be Thursday, December 8 at 7:00pm.

After Christmas, we will begin a regular schedule of meeting at Holy Family the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the Family Room. Please contact Susan Cox at 847-721-4647 or LILLY904@comcast.net

To Be Joyful Again

Our support group for those who have lost a spouse or life partner is ongoing and always has an extra chair. If you find that you are in this heartbreaking situation and would like to share the journey with others who have experienced the loss of a spouse, please know you are always welcome to join To Be Joyful Again. This is a grief support group led by Amy Florian who holds a Master’s Degree and is a Fellow in Thanatology (the highest level of certification in the field of grief studies). Amy is also the CEO of Corgenius and an expert in life transitions, an author and speaker.

To learn more or to receive support from the group, please contact Peggy at 224-595-3613 or Bob at 847-438-2884.

Attention Homebound

If you are homebound and would like a Minister of Care to bring you the Eucharist, please contact Jeannie Parry at jparry@holyfamilyparish.org or 847-907-3448.

Catholic Social Teaching – United States Catholic Conference of Bishops



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**The Human
Concerns
Community...**
offers assistance with
life's basic needs,
spiritual and emotional
support as well as
additional resources
with partners in our
community while
promoting mercy and
justice by putting our
faith into action.

The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society-- in economics and politics, in law and policy -- directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and the family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined. We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

Subsidiarity respects personal dignity by recognizing in the person a subject who is always capable of giving something to others. *Charity in Truth (Caritas in Veritate. . .)*, #57

For more information visit – www.usccb.org

Holy Family PADS Program for the Homeless

Holy Family is providing Sunday dinner to eligible guests and guests that qualify to stay at hotels. We need a few volunteers to help with food prep, food service and clean up. All volunteers must be fully vaccinated and masked at all times. We also need food donated for the dinners. Visit www.carecalendar.org; ID 134413 Password 9236 to get a list of items needed and more specific details.

If you are new to volunteering for PADS, you must go through a short online training session before serving at Holy Family. If you would like to volunteer on site or have questions about volunteering or food donations, contact Alma at delia03@comcast.net for further details.

Christmas Holiday Sharing Gifts for the Disadvantaged

Christmas is not that far away and Holy Family is committed to serving individuals in need through the Holiday Sharing Tag program. "Tags" are listed on Sign Up Genius on our website - holymfamilyparish.org - under Volunteer Opportunities or use this link - https://bit.ly/HFP_ChristmasTags.

This year we will be supporting children and adults from Hopeful Beginnings, residents at Inverness Health & Rehab (formerly Rosewood) and WINGS. Gifts are due back to the chapel hallway or front office at Holy Family by Sunday, December 4. More details are on Sign Up Genius. Your gift will surely be a bright light of hope this Christmas.

Family & Teen Advent Resources

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The Family & Teen
Faith Community...
offers faith formation
and catechesis
to preschool through
elementary school aged
children and
high school teens
and their families.

ADVENT RESOURCES

Family Resources

Check out the Loyola Press website. It provides resources for parents and catechists on their website - <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/advent/activities/> Here you will find activities for all age groups and other helpful resources.

Check out **Sunday Connections**, provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings, helping you to connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

Parents download a few of these videos on your phone or tablet for those times you and your little ones are caught "waiting" during this Advent season.

- **Spy Kids – Advent Conspiracy** – YouTube www.youtube.com/watch?v=R83J-v7dy_A
- **All About Advent for Kids** – YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SxGUnR1N07U>
- **Read Aloud: An Advent Hope, A Children's Book about Family Advent Traditions** – YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P4ZstLnDTkY>

Try out these short videos for teens and adults

- **Advent: More Than a Chocolate Calendar – Fr. Mike Schmitz, Ascension Press** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SA-gx-PWB0A&t=251s>
- **The True Meaning of Advent – Fr. Mike Schmitz, Ascension Press** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WD357Y YDk1A>
- **Bishop Barron on The Spirituality of Advent** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAWnDA5cWD8&t=86s>

- **Bishop Barron on The Advent Revolution**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jz-l8rEldEc&t=52s>

Creighton University, a Jesuit University in Omaha has a fabulous **On-line Ministry website** with excellent resources for Advent for teens, college students, adults and families.

<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent/>

Explore a new way of praying this Advent. **Praying with Imagination in Advent**, using Creighton's Imaginations for Ignatian Contemplations for the Second Part of Advent

Family Day Out or Date Night You decide

The **Christkindlmarket 2022** – <https://www.christkindlmarket.com/> - now has three (3) locations. This is a great activity for the whole family or a creative date night idea.

DON'T MISS FAMILY FAITH'S BETHLEHEM MARKETPLACE Sunday, Dec 11

A unique experience of Advent for children between the ages of 4-12. If you are not registered in our Family Faith Program but would like to attend **Bethlehem Marketplace** contact **Karen McHale**, kmchale@holyfamilyparish.org

THE ADVENT DOOR

<http://adventdoor.com/> - **An Illuminated Advent – 2022**. Check out this online retreat journey into the Heart of Christmas 2022. Great resource for women.

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