

Holy Family

2400 South Franklin St. Decatur, IL 62521

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Parish



February 18, 2018

1st Sunday of Lent

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Led by the spirit and example of the Holy Family, our parish community embraces as its mission the salvation of all people.

Rooted in the celebration of the Eucharist, we go forth to serve, to educate, and to live daily the message of Jesus Christ.

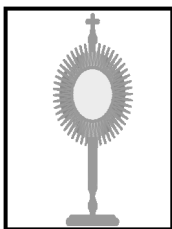


**HOLY FAMILY
PARISHIONERS:**



We begin our 1st full week of our Lenten Season. Several days ago we were signed with ashes, a sign of us dying to ourselves & our wishes, in order to enter more fully into the suffering & sacrificing of Jesus Christ. How are we doing thus far? Have we been faithful to our Lenten promises? Have we embraced the hallmarks of Lent---prayer, fasting, almsgiving, & works of charity? May these next weeks prove beneficial for us in our spiritual lives. May we take time to grow in our faith through spiritual reading, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, daily Mass, praying the rosary & Stations of the Cross, quiet time with Jesus, reading Scripture. Lent is a gift to each of us for our souls---let us not waste a moment of it!

Do you know that Jesus appears constantly at St. Mary's Hospital Chapel? Yes, Jesus! He is there waiting for you to come & spend time with Him. Every day He is there in the Blessed Sacrament, exposed on the Chapel altar. He invites you to spend time in adoration. He invites you to be quiet in His presence & get to know Him better. He invites you to get away from your hectic life & enter the peace of the Chapel.



What if your favorite actor, athlete, Olympic gold medal winner, Church leader, politician, singer or band, etc., would appear here in Decatur? I bet many would run to see that person, stand in line for tickets, change their schedules to be present, do anything to see them. WELL---JESUS is right there in His Body on the altar. The monstrance doesn't hold a likeness of Jesus; or a representation of Jesus; or something that looks like Jesus. NO---IT HOLDS JESUS HIMSELF!!!! He is there in the consecrated Host that IS Jesus Himself. SO---do we run to see Him? Do we alter our schedules to sign up for a time to adore Him? If we do it for a rock star, or actress, or a music group, or popular personality, then cannot Jesus expect even the same, if not more????

Have a good Lenten week. Don't forget Mass on Monday evenings at 6 p.m., followed by Stations. And Stations on Friday at 2:30. PSR confessions at 6:20 p.m. this coming Wednesday, open to anyone.

YOUR "LENTEN PASTOR," FATHER JOE

WE'RE GRATEFUL to **Dr. Larry Penning** for remembering Holy Family parish in his will. A very generous donation was made in his memory. I thank him for all he did for HF when he was alive & even after his death, in having HF in his will. May he continue to rest in peace, & may his generous act inspire others to do the same!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Penny Barry, Alice Bowman, Susie Christopher, Kenny Crawford, John & Marie Davis, Sue Dudley, Elliott Llewellyn, Kevin Fogarty, Craig Gadberry, Charlie Graham, Rick Harmon, **Mildred Harvey**, Brody Heinz, **Dawn Henry**, Warner Hirstein, **Joey Hollingsead**, Eleanor Jackson, Dave Kelmel, Sarah Lidy, Mary Jane Madix, **Don Meyer**, Eileen Milligan, James Moore, Jim Murray, Kaye Moser Norlin, Shirley Phillips, Steve Reeter, Mae Rehfelt, Dill Sampson, Cathy Schaffner, Paul Scherer, Annette Schroeder, Jamie Schroeder, Jim Tomlinson, McKinley Turner, James Waymack, Garnet Woolard, Lorene Zachman, Krista Zindel

SICK LIST POLICY: Names submitted will be removed after 4 weeks unless resubmitted. The new names added each week will be in **BOLD** for 1 week.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS!

GO TO FORMED FOR: A LENT TO REMEMBER

The transforming Power of Confession, A Lent to Remember explores the ways God reaches out to each of us with His mercy. Through Christ's suffering on the cross in the Paschal Mystery and His perpetual reception of His people in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God makes His love, His very Self, present to us in the world. By reflecting on the Pascal Mystery and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite of Confession, *A Lent to Remember* communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience His indescribable love this Lent.

FORMED.ORG is for being **formed** in our Catholic Faith. To get started, go to **www.formed.org** & click on "Register". Our case sensitive parish code **JMN63Q**.

BEST LENT EVER is an opportunity to take an incredible journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself with a free email program. To receive these daily emails with short inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly, go to **dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever** to sign up.

INVITE SOMEONE BACK TO MASS!!!

BRAVO to the HF parish teens on the recent Mt. Zion High School Honor Rolls. We're proud of all of you!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

This class will be held in the **St. James Parish House**. Please call 429-5363 or email **office@ssjpparish.com** to register.

All parents of children who are attending Holy Family School & who will be volunteering at the school will need the class. **Grandparents** are also encouraged to take the class.

If you are thinking of volunteering, we encourage you to take this class. You only have to take it once, and after your background check, you are ready to volunteer!



MONDAY, Feb. 19-NOTE MASS TIME

6:00 p.m. Joseph J. & Lucia Molloy (Fr. Joe)

TUESDAY, Feb. 20

7:30 a.m. Dick Heckman (Phyllis Heckman)

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21

7:30 a.m. Earleen Meyer (John & JoAnn Parisi)

THURSDAY, Feb. 22

2:00 p.m. Bernie Naber (H.F. Faculty & Staff)

FRIDAY, Feb. 23

7:30 a.m. Harriet Suel (Loretta Umfleet)

SATURDAY, Feb. 24

4:30 p.m. Theresa & Clarence Flemming (Family)

SUNDAY, Feb. 25

8:00 a.m. Holy Family Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Bob Boaz (Gary & Kim Genenbacher)

PRAY for the repose of the soul of **Dorothy Lawton**, grandmother of Liz Swarthout. May she rest in peace and her family be comforted.



RITE OF SENDING: This weekend at the 4:30pm Mass, we had one RCIA Catechumen (Mike Pinkston) and three Candidates (Emma Harris, Holly Houser, and Jennifer Lopez) who participated in the Rite of Sending, along with Children Catechumens (Braedyn Marcus Henry-Harris, and Maximiliano, Sebastian, & Daniela Lopez). These RCIA members then went to be received by Bishop Paprocki at the Cathedral in Springfield at 7pm for the Rite of Election. These rituals bring our RCIA members into their final phase of discernment so that they can be welcomed into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

HF LADIES GROUP will meet Feb. 19 at 6:30 in the Parish Center. For info, call 428-7730.

LOLO FISH FRY FRIDAYS will be Feb. 23rd; March 2nd & 9th from 4:30 - 7 p.m. Carry-out orders begin at 4 p.m. by calling 877-4408.



SAVE THE DATES:
HOLY FAMILY FISH FRY FRIDAYS
March 16th & 23rd



PLEASE have Holy Family in your will or as a memorial at the time of a loved one's death. **Also**, have our parish as a beneficiary in your insurance policy.

WE ARE GRATEFUL to those women who "stuff" our bulletins many weeks during the year. They are so faithful & always ready to do what is asked of them. We couldn't do without you, ladies!!!

HOLY FAMILY LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Feb. 24 & 25, 2018

SATURDAY, 4:30 p.m.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Deacon Rob, Holly Layton, Peg Phipps, Steve Rathnow, Jennifer Douglass, Karen Barding, Noreen Duncan

GIFT BEARERS: Dave Pruitt Family

GREETERS: Dwayne Creek Family

READERS: Levi Hackett & Tricia Bleavins

SERVERS: Logan Lynch, Grace Buxton, Sean Jerabek

USHERS: Gary Durbin, Ethan Spain, Michael Rudolph, Michael Peters

SUNDAY, 8:00 a.m.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Melissa Bahls, Deacon Rob, Leeannn Grossman, Franz Grossman, Aaron Ross, Hannah Stoneburg, Sue Schneider

GIFT BEARERS: Mary Vemmer Family

GREETERS: Tony & Tina Ielase

READERS: Bob Frey & Ann Carr

SERVERS: Hannah Kretsinger, Gus Striglos, Ella Woolington

USHERS: John Merli, Dale Boulter, John Fitzgerald, Mike Lees

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Deacon Rob, Maddie Snow, Mackenzie Snow, Haley Vemmer, Luke Tapscott, Donna Raycraft, Ed Raycraft

GIFT BEARERS: Gene & MaryAnn Meyer

GREETERS: Tim Altherr Family

READERS: Ann Marie Morgan & Diane Keller

SERVERS: Nathaniel Smith, Raegan Jesse, Carter Boyer

USHERS: Sammy Tapscott, Randy Frey, Joe Wagner, Lynn Brinkman

CONTEMPORARY GROUP will sing on Sat., March 3, 4:30 p.m. Mass.

PARISH CHOIR will sing on Sat., Feb 24., 4:30 p.m. Mass.



HEARING AIDS are available for use during Mass.

ANNUAL SCHOOL FUND DRIVE is still going on!! Due to your generosity, our Catholic Grade School continues to provide quality, Catholic education for our young people. PLEASE help us now & into the future by contributing--brochures on shelf in the church vestibule.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

ROSARY is prayed 20 minutes before each daily Mass. Come & pray & stay for Mass.



PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN. MAY THE LORD GRANT THEM SAFETY.



PRAYER LINE REQUESTS: Rosanna Frey, 429-6657, or Barb Lesyna, 428-0058.



**HOLY FAMILY DECATUR
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ADORATION is on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please sign up for a 30-minute slot on the sheet in the vestibule. Any questions, call Sandy Yelovich, 855-1196.



HOLY FAMILY WEBSITE: decaturoholyfamily.com

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CANTOR? Please contact Peter Miller at 412-4532 for details.

COUPLES' NIGHT OUT: The spring Couples' Night Out session will be on Mon., March 5th at 6:30 pm at the Beach House. Please mark your calendar and plan on coming. Cost is \$30.00 per couple. Program will provide suggestions for Lent for married couples and families. You can make a reservation online at <http://decaturoholyfamily.com> or call 422-4534.

ST. MARY'S WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP will meet Thurs., Feb. 22 at 11:30 a.m. at Diamonds Family Restaurant. All widows & widowers are welcome! For more info., call James Vogel at 429-2089.

SDCCW SPRING RETREAT will be Tues., March 6th & Wed., March 7th at the Villa Maria Center in Springfield. Featured speaker will be Fr. Kevin Mann. For more info, contact Mary Ann Scopel at 217-835-2505.

THE WORD OF GOD IS AVAILABLE 24/7 on Decatur Catholic Radio **WDCR FM 88.9/96.5**

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available in the Elderly Room for you to pick up. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 423-6223.

Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Offering



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Weekend of Feb. 10 & 11, 2018

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| Envelopes..... | \$ 13,272.00 |
| Children..... | \$ 39.00 |
| Sister Parish..... | \$ 145.00 |
| Building Fund..... | \$ 135.00 |

Mass Schedule

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



Weekday Liturgies

Monday 7:30 a.m.
Tuesday 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7:30 a.m.
Thursday 7:30 a.m., and during school year 2:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m.

Holy Day Liturgies

Masses 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., and during school year
7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Communion Calls

Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements for Baptisms are made by calling the parish office. Participation at the Baptismal Preparation Class for parents is a requirement for the celebration of the sacrament.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for all weddings must be made at least six (6) months in advance. Please call the parish office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Classes for those interested in joining the Catholic faith begin in the fall of each year and continue through the Easter season. Please call Sr. Janet to inquire about the sessions.

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