Holy Family Parish

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Mission Statement

We welcome and love one another as God loves us, with open doors, open minds, and open hearts.

Welcome to Holy Family Parish!

Holy Family Parish of North Java, NY is a dynamic faith community of believers who genuinely care *about* and care *for* one another. Joyfully celebrating Mass (Eucharist) on Sunday mornings is the foundation for building and nurturing new and lasting friendships.

Newcomers and visitors are welcomed with warmth and compassion, without judgment. Committed to serving God, each other, and all those we touch with our time, talents, and treasure.

You are most warmly invited to visit, and to participate in the many programs, ministries and other activities here at the parish. Whether you are a lifetime Catholic, a member of a different faith, or exploring your spirituality, you will find a home at Holy Family.

With every blessing, Holy Family Parish Community

SUNSHINE MINISTRY BRIGHTENS LIVES

If you know about someone's joy or sorrow, please contact **Shirley George** via phone at **585-535-7440** or email at jgsg20@yahoo.com and a card will be sent on Holy Family's behalf.

A TOUCH OF LOVE MINISTRY

If you know a person or family going through a critical time, please contact **Shirley George** at **(585) 535-7440** or **Judy Kerwin** at **(716) 491-5007** and some meals will be arranged.

Responsorial Psalm

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Dec 15- Third Sunday of Advent Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18 + MarkFugle + Joe Richter

Dec 22- Fourth Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:1-4a; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 + Betty Bumbacher + Mike Richter

Lector Schedule

Dec 15	Tom Kelsey
Dec 22	Karen Wilson
Dec 29	Meghan George
Jan 5	Donna Kibler

DAILY READINGS

- Mon: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5,8-9,10, 14; Luke 1:57-66
- Tues: 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Luke 1:67-79
- Wed: Isaiah 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; John 1:1-18
- Thur: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3-4,6,8, 16-17; Mt 10:17-22
- *Fri:* 1 John 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; John 20:1-8
- Sat: 1 John 1:5-2:24; Ps 124:2-5, 7-8; Matthew 2:13-18

LOVE BLANKET MINISTRY

Are you looking for a way to help cover others with more love through the talents of quilting, sewing, etc.? Please help with your talents and contact **Mary Smalley** at **585**-**535-7720**. The ministry meets in the parish hall every third Saturday from 9:30 to 12:00.

Prayers of the Faithful Response

Lord, you are all our joy.

Weekly Reflection

This week we are called to joy, and our second reading gives a beautiful summary about how we should be:

Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Sometimes circumstances affects our mood, including a lack of joy. This often happens when a tragedy hits, whether it is an automobile accident, fire, natural disaster, or cancer diagnosis.

Yet, if we look at those who rise above such circumstances we will find determination and a positive attitude will often play an important role.

Whether intended or not, those two items truly reflect the passage of our second reading and then we begin to find a change beginning inside. It is joy that is building up until it reaches the point it flows out; not like the eruption of a volcano, but rather oozing out.

Let our joy flow as we give glory and praise to our Lord, no matter the circumstances. That positive affect will spread and more people will find hope because of it. Our Lord is coming! Show Him your joy!

> With love, Fr. Corey

MEN'S CLUB

Are you looking for friendship and fun? The men's club gets together behind the parish hall every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

PARISH HALL AVAILABLE

The hall is available for renting. Please contact **Cheryl** by call or text at **585-689-7338**.

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection - \$1375.00 Building - \$

Thank you for your support

The Decorating Committee will be accepting contributions for Christmas flowers until end of December. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. *Thank you*.

Coffee social after Mass today. Please join us.

Our Advent retreat is today. The topic is Luke's narrative leading up to Christ' birth. Please join us.

Next week our youth will sing some Christmas carols.

Christmas Eve Mass is at 4:30 pm; Christmas Day Masses will be at 8 and 10 am.

Fr. Corey is looking for volunteers to help during the Christmas Masses: Children to process with the infant Jesus, teens/adults to light candles on Christmas Eve; and lectors for all Masses.

Prayer Intentions

Lord, you are the Great Physician and can heal; therefore, we ask for Your healing touch upon those for whom we pray:

John & Jane Aldershoff, Joanne Almeter, Amy, Angela, Aurelia, Barbara, Ken & Edie Barber, Beau from Springville, Dylan Becker, Hans Boxler Jr., Jaysen Bray & family, Brian, Chandler, Tom Courtright, Dave B, Diana, Divine Mercy Parish community, Cheryl Eckert, Ed, Emmet and family, Ferrino family, Genevieve, Georgie, Dan George, John George, Shirley George, Steve George, Alexandra Getz, Logan Good, Dan H., Kathy Hamilton, Ryan Hardicourt & family, Josh Harloff, Wendel Hessler, Jack, Sandy Janes, Jason & crew, Beatrice Johnson, Julie, Justin, Jordan, Jennifer Kelly, Matthew & Marcia Kiff and family, Kim, Tim King, Kirsch Family, Robert Kirsch, Tina Kirsch, Dcn. Tom Klusek, Helen Leach, Lunn Knight, Ann Leo, Maria Lewandowski, Aiden Lindsy, Allison Long, Kristen Long, Leonard Long, Mary Alice Long, Michael Low, Jen M., Bishop John & Sherry Mack, Teresa Martin, Charlene Mess, Jason Michalek, Janet Miller, Tony Montenaro, Debbie Moore, Karen Morrison, Teri Mugler, Stanley Novak, Jake Noves, Helen Ogrodowski, Jason P., Suzanne Palmateer, Andy & Brenda Patrzalek, Mary Petrotto, Dan Quilty, Peter, Richter Family, Rita and family, Rita Marie, Belinda Rogers, Fred Rose, G.R., Guy Rossi, Yvonne Seekins, Rudie & Ted Shiltz, Tom Sonneville, Matthew Sparling, Thomas M. Springer, Julie Swiatkowski & family, Davis Swyer, Peter Szemenciak, Valerie Taylor, Terri, Maureen Thornton, Tom, Travis, Kevin Vickers, Gwen W., Wayne, Leo Wesley, Bob Wilson, Dick Wlos, Woody, Family of Derek A. Zakrzewski, Henry Zwolak, our military members & their families, victims & their families who suffer from tragedy & loss, and those whom we hold quietly in our hearts.

If you know someone to be added to our prayer list, please contact Cheryl Foegen.

When was last time you felt true joy? Let the love of God flow through you and experience the joy!