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# 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 <a href="mailto:jgsg20@yahoo.com">jgsg20@yahoo.com</a> 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**

A light will shine on us this day; the Lord is born for us.

# Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

**Dec 29- Solemnity of Humble Shepherds** Is 62:11-12; Gal 4:1-7; Luke 2:15-20 **Health and Healing of Sandy Janes** 

Jan 5- Solemnity of the Holy Family Sirach 3:2-6; Col 3:12-21; Luke 2:41-52 Health and Healing of Prayer List

#### **Lector Schedule**

Dec 29	Meghan George
Jan 5	Donna Kibler
Jan 12	Donna Becker
Jan 19	Karen Wilson

#### **DAILY READINGS**

Mon: 1 John 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Luke 2:36-40

Tues: 1 John 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; John 1:1-18

Wed: Gen 17:9-14; Ps 19:8-11; Gal 5:3-6; Luke 2:21

Thur: 1 John 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; John 1:19-28

Fri: 1 John 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3-6; John 1:29-34

Sat: 1 John 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; John 1:35-42

#### 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, hear our prayer.

# Weekly Reflection

Our readings today share with us time periods that God has, or will, fulfill promises. Although the focus is on the birth of His only begotten Son, the work that Christ has been tasked with goes throughout all generations.

Humanity has indeed been blessed because of God's love. Yet, those blessings are not just found in scripture; they can be seen in the lives of everyday people.

The people we consider saints began as ordinary as each of us. It was their desire, faith, and efforts that made them stand apart.

Yet, that cannot be all the factors that determined their fate. There has to be something from our Lord that touched them in some way.

Reflect on the time our local parish closed. We were told it would never open again as a Catholic church. However, during a twenty-four hour adoration, I remember the message I received. The Lord spoke and shared, "Like Lazarus, the church will rise again."

It did not happen quickly, but it did get fulfilled and we are still moving forward in faith and love of our Lord.

There may be people who question the events, perhaps believe it was all by our efforts, or suspect that we are making up stories.

Nevertheless, I stand by my testimony and remain steadfast in faith because the Lord has been good to us and our community.

These things only help bring more joy and anticipation because the Lord is faithful to His promises, and I look forward to seeing them all.

With love, Fr. Corey

#### **MEN'S CLUB**

Are you looking for friendship and fun? The men's club gets together in 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 - \$1380.00 Building - \$500.00

Thank you for your support

#### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Today is the last day the Decorating Committee will be accepting contributions for Christmas flowers. *Thank you for your support and generosity.* 

#### MASS SCHEDULE

January 1 - Solemnity- Circumcision of our Lord at 8 am

January 3 - Healing Mass at 7 pm

January 6 - Solemnity- Epiphany of our Lord at 7 pm

### **THANK YOU**

My appreciation to everyone making this Christmas season special through your time, prayers, love, and support.

Fr. Corey

# **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, Helen Leach, Lunn Knight, Ann Leo, Maria Lewandowski, Aiden Lindsy, Allison Long, Kristen Long, Leonard Long, Mary Alice Long, Michael Low, Jen M., Bp. John & Sherry Mack, Teresa Martin, Charlene Mess, Jason Michalek, Janet Miller, Tony Montenaro, Debbie Moore, Teri Mugler, Sharon Newton, 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 & 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.