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

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Dec 8- Second Sunday of Advent Baruch 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6 + Linda Kibler + William Koch

Dec 15- Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18 + MarkFugle + Joe Richter

Lector Schedule

Dec 8	Donna Becker
Dec 15	Tom Kelsey
Dec 22	Karen Wilson
Dec 29	Meghan George

DAILY READINGS

- Mon: Num 24:2-7, 15-17; Ps 25:4-9; Matt 21:23-27
- Tues: Gen 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8, 17; Matt 1:1-17
- Wed: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Matt 1:18-25
- Thur: Jdg 13:2-7, 24-25; Ps 71:3-6, 16-17; Luke 1:5-25
- Fri: Isaiah 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Luke 1:26-38
- Sat: Sg of Sgs 2:8-14; Ps 33:2-3,11-12 20-21; Luke 1:39-45

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

Come, Lord, we wait for your return.

Weekly Reflection

It was typical years ago while visiting relatives or friends, that it was important not to touch things that did not belong to you.

As I was growing up, my grandfather lived with us or in the flat above us. This was a great blessing to have a daily father figure since my parents were divorced. Yet, that familiarity did not affect the rule of not touching things.

Among the many collectibles my grandfather had was a ceramic Cuss Box. Even after all these many years I still can remember the message written. On one side it stated:

> Cussin' ain't the nicest thing, and friends for you, it sure don't bring, but if you really got to say 'em, here's how to pay 'em

Then the message continues on the far side:

One cuss, just a nickel; Two cusses just a dime; Three cusses you really oughta Put in the box at least a quarta

Although I found it to be a bit amusing all these years, the message is actually more serious.

In reality, this is a gentle reminder of the foibles we carry with us and that there is usually a cost to our choices.

That message is not much different than what John the Baptist had given when he called the people to repent and be right with God.

May this little story help us remember to keep our focus on the Lord, especially when we seek to embrace our newborn King.

> *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 - \$430.00 Building - \$

Thank you for your support

VOLUNTEERS FOR 12/14

We are looking for volunteers to help take down the Stations of the Cross and clean them on Dec. 14 from 9 am to noon.

DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We will be accepting contributions for Christmas flowers until the end of the December. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. *Thank you,*

The Decorating Committee

GAUDETE SUNDAY

The 3rd Sunday of Advent is that of joy and rose/pink is the color. If you have pink/rose, please wear it in support of all those who have battled, or continue to battle cancer.

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.

Hope is our incentive to remove obstacles impeding our relationship with God.