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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 text **Christine Zeilman** at **585-750-8225** with the person's contact information and type of card to be sent. A card will be sent on Holy Family's behalf.

A TOUCH OF LOVE MINISTRY

Looking for volunteers to continue this wonderful ministry that helps provide some meals for those going through a critical time in life.

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, come and save us.

Sunday Mass 10:00 AM

Dec 14 – Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11
+ **Georgie Higgins** + **Dan Kirsch**
+ **Bea Johnson**

Dec 21 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24
+ **Georgie Higgins** + **Dan Kirsch**
+ **Bea Johnson**

Lector Schedule

Dec 14	Donna Becker
Dec 21	Karen Wilson
Dec 28	Tom Kelsey
Jan 4	Howard Ridell

LOVE BLANKET MINISTRY

This ministry is on pause while the few regulars receive healing and a greater interest grows from others. If you have an interest in helping make blankets and shawls on your time, please contact **Mary Smalley** at **585-535-7720**.

ENTRANCE HYMN

(Isaiah 26:19b; 29:19)

V. Awake and sing, you who lie in the dust. For your dew is a dew of light, and the land of shades gives birth.

R. The lowly will ever find joy in the Lord, and the poor rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

Prayers of the Faithful Response

Lord, prepare our hearts.

Weekly Reflection

In our gospel reading today, John the Baptist sent his disciples to Jesus with this question, *"Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?"*

Notice that Jesus did not give a straight yes or no answer, but rather responded with the idea to look at the evidence when He said, *"Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them."*

Jesus then turned to the people and asked them, *"What did you go out to the desert to see?"*

That is a question that can be redirected to our modern time: *"What do we expect to see?"*

Are we expecting to see our lives and our world in peace at this time? Perhaps showered with blessings of good health and prosperity?

As St. James writes, *"Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You too must be patient."*

Yes, it would be wonderful to see God's glory and peace in our hearts, minds, and in this world; however, we must be patient for that time.

In the meanwhile, we have been warned of the chaos that will take place before the Lord's return. Yet, in that warning we still have hope and joy because the Lord is faithful to His promises.

*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 - \$1162.00

Building - \$

Thank you for your support

ADVENT RETREAT AFTER MASS

Please join us for some reflections and discussions.

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Meghan George will be part of the Christmas concert, ***Come and Behold Him*** on Dec. 14 @ 6 PM at the Genesee Valley Central School in Belmont. Come and support Meghan and the arts!

A MESSAGE FROM THE DECORATING COMMITTEE

We will be accepting donations for Christmas flowers until Jan. 4. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated. *Thank you.*

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Mass - 4:30 PM and Christmas Day Mass - 10:00 AM.

Christmas Eve with our choir has been a beautiful exhibition of their hard work and talented voices coming together! Join us!!

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, Luis Alonzo, Joanne Almeter, Amy, Angela, Aurelia, Barbara, Ken & Edie Barber, Beau from Springville, Carol, Dylan Becker, Randy Blakeslee, West Bonczyk, Hans Boxler Jr., Jaysen Bray & family, Brian, Michael Campagna, Chandler, Jerry Crabb, Dave B, Diana, Cheryl Eckert, Ed, Emmet and family, Ferrino family, Genevieve, Dan George, Shirley George, Alexandra Getz, Logan Good, Dan H., Kathy Hamilton, Dan Hans, Ryan Hardicourt & family, Josh Harloff, Barry Hebrank, Wendel Hessler, Don & Jason Hopkins, Jack, Sandy Janes, Jason & crew, Julie, Justin, Jordan, Theresa Kehl, Jennifer Kelly, Denny Kibler, Ken Kibler, Kim, Tim King, Kirsch Family, Robert Kirsch, Tina Kirsch, Lunn Knight, Ann Leo, Maria Lewandowski, Aiden Lindsay, 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, Debbie Moore, Teri Mugler, Sharon Newton, Stanley Novak, Jake Noyes, Jason P., Suzanne Palmateer, Andy & Brenda Patrzalek, Mary Petrotto, Dan Quilty, Precious, Richter Family, Rita and family, Rita Marie, Fred Rose, G.R., Guy Rossi, Fr. Don & Yvonne Seekins, Shelly, Rudie & Ted Shiltz, Shorty, Mary & Ionia Smalley, Tom Sonnevill, Matthew Sparling, Stella Rose, Thomas M. Springer, Julie Swiatkowski & family, Davis Swyer, Peter Szemenciak, Valerie Taylor, Terri, Tom, Travis, Kevin Vickers, Gwen W., Wayne, Leo Wesley, Bob Wilson, Dick Wlos, Jim Woods, 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.

Lord, help us with patience as we wait for your coming!