FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 👁 DECEMBER 18, 2016



#### 00 am + Raymond & Mary Coffey (Son, Joan) + Mary & Louis Gabriele (Daughter, Lois)

Tabernacle Light Memorial <u>Church</u> Living Intention Murty Morgan

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Please pray for the Deceased Gladys M. Dougherty Luzmila M. Martinez



#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Ahaz receives from Isaiah a prophecy that he will be successful in war and is urged to ask for a sign that the prophecy is true. The sign is "The virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel."

#### Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7

Paul greets the Romans by pointing out that Jesus is the Christ who was promised to them in Scripture. He, Paul, is the apostle favored with the task of spreading the name of Christ to all.

#### Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

In a brief, straightforward, simple narrative, Matthew recounts the events leading to Jesus' birth. He details the appearance of the angel in a dream to Joseph and stresses that "All this happened to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophets."



Sunday Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24 Monday Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25 Tuesday Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38 Wednesday Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45 Thursday 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56 Friday Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66 Saturday

Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79

Please Note New Sunday Mass Time Effective 1/1/17 Beginning January 1, 2017, the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass will move to 9:30 a.m. All other weekend Masses will remain the same.

#### The 4th Sunday of Advent: Love

Today we light the 4<sup>th</sup> candle representing God's love for each one of us. The Bible tells us: God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. The angel tells Joseph: Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit, she will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:20

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#### Holy Family Parish



# Welcome to Holy Family Parish

We, the people of Holy Family Parish, in the Diocese of Trenton, are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word, Sacrament, and Deed. We are called and sent by Christ to live gratefully the life God has

given us and to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. In the spirit of faith, service, and community, we strive to bring people closer together and closer to God.

#### Parish Registration

We welcome you if you are a new member to the parish and invite you to register at the Rectory Office. We encourage you to share in a parish ministry program. You may register at Holy Family in a variety of ways including picking up the form in the rectory or filling the form out online and either mailing it to the rectory, dropping it in the collection basket or hand delivering it to the rectory.

#### **Become a Registered Parishioner**

One of the most important things that the people of a parish should do is register. Registering for the parish not only makes you more apart of the family of Holy Family and the Church it gives a chance for you and your family to be counted and heard in the parish

#### Some important reasons to register are the following:

**Sponsor Certificates** - when you are asked to be a sponsor for either Baptism or Confirmation you need a letter signed from your pastor stating that you are a practicing Catholic. If you are not registered in the parish, it is not possible for the pastor to sign these forms.

**Marriage-** For marriage preparation and marriage a letter may be needed from your pastor to allow you to get married in another parish or church.

**Funerals-** when burying a loved one in a catholic cemetery without a funeral mass it is necessary to get priest lines. Unfortunately the pastor needs to know if a parishioner was a

registered member before he can officially sign the documents. **Mailings** - You will receive all parish mailings with regards to special events and announcements.

**Contributions** - registered parishioners receive weekly envelopes to assist with the day to day operations of the parish. These are just a few of the ways that being a registered parishioner can make your experience a better one at Holy Family.

#### P.R.E.P. Office hours are:

Monday & Thursdays: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesdays: 1:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Closed Fridays **Our Parish Office hours are:** 

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Closed Saturday & Sunday

For additional information about how to register at our parish, please contact the parish office at 732-264-1484.

#### PARISH WEB SITE

Please remember to visit our Parish web site at <u>holyfamily.us</u>.

### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2016**



<u>CONFESSIONS</u> Saturday December 17 3:30-4:30 P.M. Saturday December 24 11:00 - 12:00 Noon

CHRISTMAS MASSES Christmas Vigil <u>Saturday December 24</u> 4:00 P.M. Children's Mass 6:30 P.M. Mass 9:30 P.M. Choir Presentation followed by 10:00 P.M. Vigil Mass (There will be no midnight Mass)

Christmas Day <u>Sunday December 25</u> 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 A.M. (There will be no 5:00 P.M. Mass.)

NEW YEAR'S MASSES <u>Saturday December 31</u> 5:00 P.M. Vigil Mass <u>Sunday, January 1, 2017</u> OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God 7:30 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. (There will be no 5:00 P.M. Mass.)

# Please Remember to Pray for the Sick

Margaret Hennessey, Charlie Rivera, JoAnn Diehira, Bob Rodell, Paul Frank, Lynne Mauro, Vincent Herman,

Baby Theo Mayer, Nico Oneto, Sharon Smith, Bernadette Willett , David Jacob.

**RECENTLY ILL:** Michael Mazzaro, Veronica DeCastro, Michael Galvin, Patrick Rash, Kelly Odom, Baby Samantha O'Sullivan, Luzmila Martinez, Danny Smith.



#### Ministry Schedule Christmas Eve and Day Dec. 24 & 25 Serving at the Altar

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4:00 P.M.	6:30 P.M.	10:00 P.M.			
Michael Graham Brian Mocarski Jenna Polaco	Emily Godkin Emily Hager Timothy Hager	Matthew Jacobs Steven Jacobs Kayla Rose			
7;30 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.			
Angelina Christ Robert Fischer Michael Fischer	Jillian Johnson Andrew Meek Aiden Mulvey	Meghan Lewsley Gabriella Raad Alexandra			
		Sweeney			

#### Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Holy Communion				
4:00 PM	T. Corcoran	J. Corcoran, G. DeCaprio		
6:30 PM	F. Verbovsky	B. Baxter, L. Robinson		
10:00 PM	T. Mathias	D. Javins, D. Neubauer		
7:30 A.M.	R. Rubiato	M. Rubiato, V. Tucker		
9:00 A.M.	D. Mulvey	V. Abrams, C. Abrams		
11:00 A.M.	R. Janasz-	G. Rotella, F. Rotella		
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# Parish Giving

Last Week December 11 1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Retirement Fund for Religious <u>This Week – December 18</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Programs & Facilities <u>Next Week – December 25</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Programs & Facilities December 25 – Christmas Collection

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – St. Joseph Council #3402 Route 35, Keyport

<u>Our Annual Christmas Tree Sale</u> (All Trees \$35) continues in the Council's parking lot; Grave Blankets (\$30), Swags and Special Magnets will also be available. Please stop by. <u>Used Eyeglasses</u> - The Knights have established a collection box at our Council for old and used eyeglasses (lenses and frames), to help the needy.

<u>NEW MEMBERS</u> - For Membership Information: please email: <u>williamhortonjr@verizon.net</u> or call: 732-320-0950. Hours: 12pm-7pm.

## NJ RIGHT TO LIFE CAR RAFFLE WINNERS

2016 RAFFLE WINNERS	NAME	LOCATION
1 <sup>st</sup> PRIZE – Volvo	Barbara Ellis	Bedminster
2 <sup>nd</sup> PRIZE - \$1,000 Shop Rite GC	Vince Giallorenzo	Wyckoff
3 <sup>ra</sup> PRIZE - \$750 Shop Rite GC	John Corcoran	River Vale
4 <sup>th</sup> PRIZE - \$500 Shop Rite GC	Dan Zorovich	Allentown

Thank you all for your support of this year's raffle and your ongoing support of Right to Life!

#### HOLY FAMILY PARISH Altar & Rosary Society



## Memorial Poinsettia Plants In Memory of a loved one. Offerina: \$10



Holy Family Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring a program whereby families may purchase a Poinsetti a plant to be placed on the Altar in memory of a loved one during the Christmas Season. Memorial Plant Intentions will be remembered at the 10 p.m. Mass. Envelopes can be found in the December envelop mailing or at any of the church entrances. The donation is \$10. Please drop off the completed form in the offertory basket or at the parish office.



#### Please Print below

In Memory of\_\_\_\_\_

Your Name:

Address\_\_\_\_

City & State:\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please cut along dotted line, place in envelope & mark "Memorial Poinsettia Plant" and drop in the offertory basket or bring to the parish office.

You may also mail to: to: Holy Family, P.O. Box 56, Keyport, NJ 07735.

### An important notice to all birth parents who placed babies for adoption

New Jersey Adoption Law has changed. Beginning Jan. 1, 2017, adoptees and certain relatives will be able to obtain a copy of an original birth certificate without a court order. Birth parents who wish to preserve their privacy must submit a **Redaction Request Form** to the New Jersey Department of Health no later than **Dec. 31, 2016**. The form can be obtained by calling 866-649-8726, ext. 582 or downloading it at <a href="http://ni.gov/health/forms/reg-36c.pdf">http://ni.gov/health/forms/reg-36c.pdf</a>. For further information or assistance, call a free HELPLINE at 609-989-4809.

#### Diocese of Trenton Our Promise to Protect

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

#### **Holy Family Parish**





I thank you all who joined me to celebrate the 35th anniversary of my priesthood. I am greatly indebted to all our parishioners, staff, organizing committee, and all who worked hard to make the celebration most beautiful. I really appreciate your love, care, encouragement, support, generosity and prayers. You made my day so special and memorable!

Thank you from the bottom of my heart, but for you my heart has no bottom.

My sincerest thanks to you all. May God bless you all for your love, generosity and good will. With deep gratitude! Fr. Francis

















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# **GOSPEL TODAY**

#### Matthew 1:18-24

Mary & Joseph are ready, are you?

The angel spoke to Joseph in a dream saying, "Through the Holy Spirit Mary will bear a son and you will name Him Jesus." Joseph was a good and righteous man and obeyed God's message taking his wife Mary into his home.



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# DIRECTIONS

