

Holy Family

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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HANNIBAL, MISSOURI
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February 26, 2023
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MISSION: Holy Family Faith Community is called to live out the mission of Jesus. Empowered by God through Baptism and centered in the Eucharist, we strive to proclaim the good news of salvation, build community, serve the needs of others, celebrate our faith, and welcome all in one spirit of Christ.

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MASS SCHEDULES/CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Confession: 3-3:45 pm Sat. or by appointment

Weekdays: 8:15 am - Tues., Thurs., Fri.

10 am Wed. - Nursing Home Mass (see bulletin)

2nd Wed. of the month - 55+ Club Mass - 11 am Par. Ctr

Office Hours Church: Mon-Fri. 8 a.m. - 5p.m.

School: Mon-Fri. 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

INFORMATION & SERVICES

Church Address: 1111 Broadway, Hannibal, MO

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Hannibal, MO 63401

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parish School of Religion Classes - 9:30 - 10:45 am

on Sundays in St. Michael's Hall. Forms for registration are in church. Submit form to the parish office to register. Call the parish office 573-221-1078 if you need a form.

RCIA CLASSES - 9:30-10:45 am on Sundays - Parish

Center Conference Room Contact the parish office

- 573-221-1078 for more information

Sacrament Preparation/Celebration

+Baptism Prep - Please register by calling the parish office - 573-221-1078 to set-up a meeting with the pastor prior to the Baptism.

+Marriage - Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

+Anointing of the Sick- can be done privately at home, at Church or in the hospital

MINISTRY TO THE SICK - Notify the Church office of homebound. If someone is in the hospital and would like to see Fr. Alex, call the rectory or office.

Prayer Circle - Send prayer requests to: Shelly Lowe at: praywithhollyfamily@att.net

Need a ride to church? If you are 55+ please call:

55+ VAN - David Murry — 573-501-2765

From the Pastor: As we are already in Lent, I would like to share the **Origin of Lent and the significance of “40”**, and the 40 days’ tradition and practices of Lent to be aware of the such a wonderful and graceful time our Church has given us to be spiritually renewed in faith.

Origin of Lent: The word Lent, from the Middle English word Lenten, means “**Springtime.**” The Lenten season lasts forty days because Jesus went into the desert for forty days of fasting, meditation and reflection before beginning His three years of public ministry. The Congregation for Divine Worship describes Lent as a time of preparation for Easter: “It is a time to hear the Word of God, to convert, to prepare for and remember Baptism, to be reconciled with God and one’s neighbor, and of more frequent recourse to the “arms of Christian penance: prayer, fasting and almsgiving” – and these three things constitute what are known as the Three Eminent Good Works. Lent officially begins on Ash Wednesday, and ends at the beginning of the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday evening. Traditionally, Sundays are excluded in Lent’s “forty days” count.

Significance of “40” in Sacred Scripture: In Sacred Scripture, the number “40” signifies new life, new growth, transformation, a change from one great task to another great task, etc. For example: The rain of the Great Flood – the Great Deluge – lasted 40 days and nights. Moses fasted for 40 days and nights to prepare himself to receive the Law. Moses was atop Mount Sinai for 40 days and nights receiving the Law. The Israelites wandered in the desert for 40 years after fleeing the Egyptians. The Manna rained down on the Israelites for 40 years. The Prophet Elijah walked 40 days and nights to reach the Mountain of God, Horeb. David reigned 40 years. Jesus fasted for 40 days and nights to prepare for His public ministry. Jesus Ascended into Heaven 40 days after His Glorious Resurrection from the dead. From Christmas Day to the Presentation (February 2) is 40 days. The human gestation period for new life is around 40 weeks.

Even the seeking of a partial or plenary indulgence has a period of 40 days as the time allotted to make a good and holy Confession; that is, within 20 days before or 20 days after the spiritual work is sought.

So it is, then, that – again, scripturally speaking – “40 means something”, as it brings to mind such qualities as repentance, newness, preparation (say, for an important work or task), self-examination, transformation, task fulfillment, escape from bondage or slavery (such as to sin), nourishment and growth (for example, in the spiritual life), and, finally, personal fulfillment, such as with redemption and salvation, and ultimately, new generation and new life. (Fr. Wade Menezes)

40 days Fasting: There is no evidence of a forty-day fast in the pre-Nicene period. The first explicit reference to such a fast is in Canon 5 of the Council of Nicaea (325), where it is treated as something familiar and established, not as an innovation on the part of the Council. By the end of the fourth century the observance of a forty-day fast seems to have been the standard practice in most parts of Christendom, but in some places – possibly including Rome – a shorter fast may have been kept.

This forty-day fast, found in evidence from the fourth century onwards, differs somewhat in scope and character from the one-week fast of the pre-Nicene period, and the precise relationship between the two is not easy to determine. It is, however, clear that whereas the pre-Nicene fast was specifically a Paschal observance in preparation for Easter, the forty-day fast was connected more particularly with the final preparation of the catechumens for the sacrament of Baptism or “illumination”. In the weeks before their baptismal initiation, the candidates underwent a period of intensive training, with daily instruction, special services, and fasting. The existing members of the church community were encouraged to share with the catechumens in this prayer and abstinence, thus renewing year by year their baptismal dedication to Christ. So the forty-day fast came to involve the whole body of the faithful, and not just those preparing for Baptism. (Fr. Geoff Harvey)

Traditional Practices: During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by **giving alms**; and we practice self-control through **fasting**. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ. In addition, **almsgiving** is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents.

From the Pastor (cont.): As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

School Advisory Council Nomination: We are in need of filling in **two vacancies** in the places of Sue-Ann Westhoff who is finishing two terms (6 years) and Liz Devlin who is finishing one term (3 years). We are looking for nominations from the Parish/School family to be done on **March 4 & 5** at the Weekend Masses. There will be papers and pencils placed in the pews on both sides for you to **write 4 names** whom you consider good stewards and passionate about catholic education to serve in the council. After the nominations have been finalized, **the election will be held on April 15 & 16 at the Weekend Masses.** Kara Viorel, the President of the Council in consultation with the Pastor and Principal will conduct the election procedures.

Holy Communion to Family Members: As I had announced, I **do not encourage the family members if they are not commissioned** to take Holy Communion to the sick in his/her family. I would like those family members who would like Holy Communion to be given, please contact **Geri Graves** in person or at **573-795-6559** and she will be able to make the necessary arrangements. Hereafter, please do not line up with the pyx when Holy Communion is being distributed at Weekend Masses. We have Holy Communion for the sick reserved in the tabernacle which can be made available after Mass. I am bound to follow the prescribed norms of the church. I look forward to your cooperation and understanding in this regard.

Greeters at Weekend Masses: Greeters are known as ministers of hospitality. They are called to extend a **warm welcome** to those who come to Mass and say **'thank you' after Mass by handing a bulletin.** The way they conduct themselves will become the face of our church. The people who come to our church for the first time will carry a good image home. I have noticed that there are greeters who just open and close the door for the people. Some of them leave the door wide open for the people to walk in. Still others tend to socialize with the known people ignoring others. And after Mass, I do not see them handing the bulletin. **Greeters, please follow the given instruction.** For some reason if you are not able to make it, please find a substitute as it is a very important ministry to make our church welcoming.

Lenten Prayer:

O Lord and Master of my life! Take from me the spirit of laziness, faint-heartedness, desire for power, and idle talk. But give your servant the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love. Yes, Lord and King! Grant me to see my own errors and not to unjustly or hastily judge my brother, for you are blessed, now and forever. Amen.

**HANNIBAL COUNCIL 907
K OF C LENTEN FISH FRIES**
March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Apr. 7
SERVING BEGINS AT 4:30 PM
 Large piece of fried or baked fish - \$5
 Each side costs \$2 - baked beans
 cole slaw
 French fries
 mac & cheese
 potato salad

Dessert included while
 supplies last
 Cash bar/drink specials
 Carry-outs available



Come *closer* to a loving God *with...*

A Free Concert with Video at...

Holy Family Church

Friday, March 24, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

info: 573-221-1078

218 S. Maple Ave., Hannibal, MO 63401

The Way of the Cross

Make the Stations of the Cross like you never have before. Each meditation on the 14 stations is in song and video form. Share this very intimate and emotional walk with Jesus to his death on a cross. Inviting you to respond with the heart, this presentation helps us to really enter in and learn from the Master. The lush arrangements, words, accompanying video and Donna's amazing, beautiful and powerful voice are sure to captivate you and draw you in to the depth, meaning and emotion of the passion of Christ. Her music "is a conductor that God uses to touch my soul." -C. Neisen. Get **free music downloads**, more info., hear samples and view videos at: www.DonnaCori.com



Can you believe Lent is here already? It seems like not that long ago I was decorating a Christmas tree! Time waits for no one and that is why it is important to make a mindful commitment now to not let this Lenten season pass you by. It is a great time to focus on growing as an everyday steward. The temptations are always there to procrastinate or to give in to spiritual laziness, but the Church's observation of Lent offers us so many tools to help us get on track. Increased devotions such as Stations of the Cross, various parish missions, or Lenten-focused literature are all gifts that your parish may be offering to assist you in this season.

This Lent, look to the greatest example of stewardship that ever lived. Jesus will show us the way to observe a Lent that will soon bring forth great Easter fruit. - Tracy Earl Welliver @LPi

Altar Ministers - March, 2023

4:00 p.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Ted & Carol Fix, Marty Clark- alt

Minister of the Word: Jack Myers

Sacristan: Tina Guibor

Servers 2/25 - Logan Essig, Elaina Wellman, Sydney Wienhoff

Servers 3/4 - Alexa Arthaud, Nikk Porter, Bella Rose

7:30 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Tammy Cutsinger, Geri Graves, Cindy Craven - alt

Sacristan: Judy Kaylor

Minister of the Word: Nancy Hays

Servers 2/26 - Elias Cernea, Aidan Watts, Evan Watts

Servers 3/5 - Joseph Dean, Audrey Deien, Dylan Terrill

11:00 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Nancy McWilliams, Marilyn Welch, Sherri Wiley - alt

Sacristan: Mark Novak

Minister of the Word: Sue Webster

Servers 2/26 - Tristan Bastian, Erin Clark, Braiden Ehrhardt

Servers 3/5 - Adalynn Allgood, Logan Allgood, Tessa Janes

Ministers of Hospitality - March, 2023

4:00 p.m. Jack & Marla Ryan

7:30 a.m. Rich & Judy Gordanier

11:00 a.m. Bud & Linda Purvis

ALTAR MINISTERS... PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE TO SEE IF YOU ARE SERVING IN MARCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR PARISH!

Sun., 2/26 7:30 & 11am Masses - church

9:30 am PSR Classes - St. Michael's Hall

9:30 am RCIA - Parish Ctr upstairs

11:00 am Mass - RCIA RITE OF SENDING

3 pm RCIA - RITE OF ELECTION - Columbia, MO

3:00 pm Bible Study Group (Rupp) - Conf Rm

6:30 pm Men's Welcome - Parish Ctr

6-8 pm Youth Group - Youth Rm

Mon., 2/27

5:30 pm Women's Bible Study - Conf Rm

6:45 pm Cancer & Caregivers Support Meeting - Conf Rm

Tues., 2/28 8:15 am Mass - church

9 am Men's Bible Study - Parish Ctr

6 pm Women's Welcome Team 3 - Parish Ctr

6:30 pm Holy Family School Round-up - meet in church

7 pm Novena & Rosary Group - Gathering Space

Wed., 3/1 8:30 am Women's Bible Study - Conf Rm

9 am - Friendship Quilters - Parish Ctr

9 am - Bldg & Grounds Meeting - Gathering Space

10 am Mass at Beth Haven

5:30 pm Pastoral Council Meeting - Conf Rm

Thurs., 3/2 8:15 am Mass - church

5:30 pm Women's Cursillo Group Meeting - St Anthony Rm

6:30 pm Eucharistic Ministers Meeting - church

6:30 pm 11th Step Open AA Meditation Meeting - Conf Rm

6:30 pm Women's Welcome Team 2 - Parish Ctr

Fri., 3/3 7-8 am Centering Prayer - Conf Rm

8:15 am Mass - church

9 am Eucharistic Adoration - church

9 am Men's Bible Study (Cody) - Parish Ctr

1 pm Holy Family School Dismissal

4:30-7pm K of C Lenten Fish Fry - K of C Hall

7 pm Stations of the Cross - church

Sat., 3/4 3:00 pm Confessions - church

4:00 pm Mass - church

Sun., 3/5 7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Parish School of Religion

Classes - St. Michael's Hall

9:30 am RCIA - Parish Ctr upstairs

11 am Mass - PSR students taking care of ministries

3:00 pm Bible Study Group (Rupp) - Conf Rm

6:00 pm Youth Group - Youth Rm

6:30 pm Men's Welcome - Parish Ctr



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INFORMATIONAL EVENING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023

6:30 PM - HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

To register for the informational meeting, please call 573-221-0456 or email: secretary@myholysfamily.com

If you are unable to attend, please call the office to get on the list for a packet.

- Learn more about Holy Family's Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs
- Children age 4 by August 1, 2023 - Holy Family's Pre-Kindergarten
- Children age 5 by August 1, 2023 - Holy Family's Kindergarten
- Meet the teachers and administration
- Tours Available



Liturgy Committee: I would like to form a Liturgy Committee to plan the Lenten, Holy Week and Easter programs. If anyone is interested in helping out please contact the Pastor. Email: algabri567@gmail.com
 The head of the church decoration and music will be part of the committee. We will have a meeting after we get volunteers.

As we begin our Lenten journey, let us each carry these commitments in our hearts as a support to our parish family.

- Commitment to pray. That is, actively and regularly attend Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation
 - Commitment to participate. That is, offer their talents and a portion of their time to serve the parish community and be a part of its fellowship and opportunities for ongoing Christian formation.
 - Commitment to sacrificially give. That is, generously and proportionately pledge a portion of the "first fruits" of material treasure to support the operation and ministry of the parish church.
- The goal for Christians is the Biblical tithe (10%) and all are called to strive toward that goal.

PARISH NURSE... If you or someone you know is in need of a visit from our parish nurse, please contact **Beth Anderson at 573-795-5828** or email: nursebethhfsj@gmail.com
 Thank you!

The Diocese of Jefferson City is pleased to offer our parish families college scholarship opportunities through a generous donation from the families of William H. (Bill) Simon and John L. Warack

To be considered for these scholarships, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Student must be a registered Catholic in the Diocese of Jefferson City.
- Student must be graduating high school or older, including current or returning college students.
- Student must submit a completed application by March 31
- Student must demonstrate a financial need by submitting a copy of their Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Student must submit a letter or recommendation from:
 - 1) School official (teacher, counselor, principal, coach, etc.)
 - 2) Current or present pastor
- For the John L. Warack Scholarship, student must attend University of Missouri-Columbia For more information and to complete an application, visit www.diojeffcity.org/scholarships

YOUTH NEWS... Youth News: The youth group has enjoyed our Altaration study. Last Sunday Fr. Alex joined us to share more about his side of celebrating the Mass.

On Friday, March 31st the youth group will lead Stations of the Cross. Anyone interested in assisting please reach out to the CoreTeam for more information.

As we embark on this journey through Lent let us try to remove anything deterring from our positive relationship with the Lord and those He has placed in our lives. In place of them, let's add good practices: reciting the rosary, giving the first fruits of our day to God, trying to speak only positive words to our neighbors, for example!

Sunday, February 26: Session 5 Altaration 6-8 pm in the youth room

Sunday, March 5: Youth Group 6-8 pm

Sunday, March 12: Youth Group 6-8 pm

Sunday, March 19: Youth Group 6-8 pm

Sunday, March 26: Youth Group 6-8 pm

MASS INTENTIONS - February 26-March 5

Sun. 7:30 am - Jean Chapman & Jeanette Rupp
 11:00 am - People of the Parish
 Tues. 8:15 am - James V. O'Donnell
 Wed. 10:00 am - Tom McDowell (Beth Haven Mass)
 Thu. 8:15 am - Jack Walker
 Fri. 8:15 am - Helen Agnes Schwartz
 Sat. 4:00 pm - Larry & Mike Stephens
 Sun. 7:30 am - Howarth & Stolte Family
 11:00 am - People of the Parish

Readings Feb.26-Mar. 5

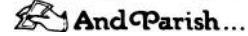
Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
 (see 3a) Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 Mt 4:1-11
 Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
 Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19
 Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
 Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab,
 2cde-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8
 Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
 Mt 5:43-48
 Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
 (22) 2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION...

Fr. Bill Rhinehart, C.M. of the Vincentian Parish Missions will speak at our parish Masses on March 18 & 19. The Mission will take place on Monday, March 20, Tuesday, March 21 and Wednesday, March 22 at 6:00 pm each evening. The theme of the Mission: "The Eucharist - New Evangelization - Making Choices for my Parish Community - Shift Happens"... with presentations centering on ... "Being chosen/trust in God", "Empty your bowl of yesterday's rice/moving on", "Perseverance in Prayer - not the facts." Fr. Rhinehart says, "Hopefully the Spirit will give us all guidance and continue to touch our lives.

Fr. Rhinehart was ordained a Priest of the Congregation of the Missions - Vincentians - of St. Vincent de Paul in 1979.

Your Gifts To God



Feb. 18-19, 2023

Offertory Budget	52 Wks	1,327,126.99
Needed to Date	34 Wks	867,736.78
Received to Date		877,373.10
Over (Under) for Year		9,636.32
Needed Each Week		25,521.67
Received Feb. 18-19		16,418.96
Total of Feb. 18-19 is comprised of:		
Regular Env./Loose/Online		11,857.50
School Support		2,482.50
Youth Env.		1.96
Youth Online Bake Sale		902.00
Masses		70.00
Lay Retirement		5.00
Steubenville		100.00
<u>K of C Donation to Youth</u>		<u>1,000.00</u>
Building Fund		80.00

STATIONS OF THE CROSS...

Stations of the Cross are being held on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 pm. The exception will be on Good Friday, April 7th when Fr. Alex will lead Stations of the Cross at Noon.

Groups are needed to lead Stations on the following dates:

- Friday, March 3rd
- Friday, March 10th - Ehrhardt Bible Study
- Friday, March 17th - Live Stations - Albright Group
- Friday, March 24th - Donna Cori Gibson special presentation
- Friday, March 31st - Youth Group
- Good Friday, April 7th - Fr. Alex will lead at Noon in church

Call the parish office at 573-221-1078 or email: miller@myhollyfamily.com to sign up to lead Stations of the Cross during Lent.

CANCER & CAREGIVERS

SUPPORT MEETING is this Monday, February 27th at 6:45 pm in the Conference Room at the Parish Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.

