



Holy Family

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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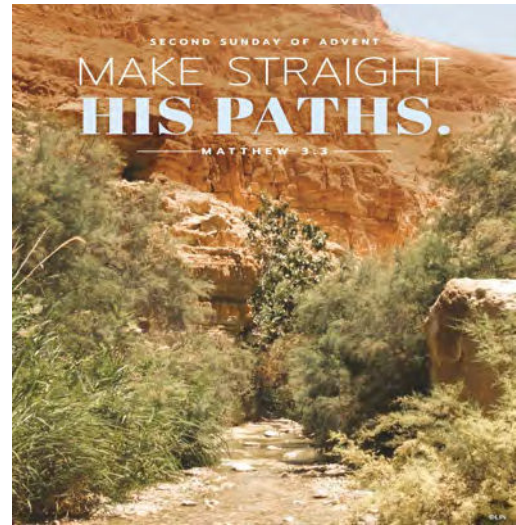
MISSION: Holy Family Faith Community is called to live out the mission of Jesus. Empowered by God through Baptism and centered in the Eucharist, we strive to proclaim the good news of salvation, build community, serve the needs of others, celebrate our faith, and welcome all in one spirit of Christ.

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MASS SCHEDULES/CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 10:00 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.



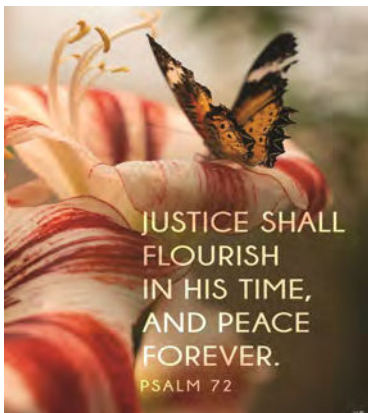
December 7, 2025
Second Sunday of Advent

INFORMATION & SERVICES

Church Address: 1111 Broadway, Hannibal, MO
Church Office: 218 S. Maple Ave.
 Hannibal, MO 63401
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 Hannibal, MO 63401
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 Hannibal, MO 63401
Rectory Phone: (573) 719-3227
Website: <https://hollyfamily.diojeffcity.org>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parish School of Religion Classes - 6:30-7:45 pm on Wednesdays in Holy Family School. Sign up in church or call the parish office, 573-221-1078 if you need a registration form. Contact Terra Murphy at 573-795-0571 for more information.
OCIA CLASSES - 9:00-10:45 am on Sundays - Parish Center, 218 S. Maple St (upstairs) 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. Greg, 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



Altar Ministers - December 2025

4 pm Min. of Eucharist for 12/6, 12/13

Tiffany Carroll, Joe Loren Hays, Anne Hays, Libby Cody, Carolyn Ellis

4 pm Min. of Eucharist for 12/20, 12/27

Denise Fogle, Lisa & Doug Baughman, Tim Pierceall, Deb Pierceall

December Sacristan: Marla Ryan

December Min. of the Word: Frank DiTillo

Servers 12/13 - Alejandro Gonzalez, Dayanara Gonzalez, Isaac Gonzalez

8:00 am Min. of Eucharist for 12/7, 12/14

Judy Kaylor, Colleen Closser, Nancy Hays, Katie Hammock, Deborah Johnson

8:00 am Min. of Eucharist for 12/21, 12/28

Marty Clark, Joanie Clark, Sharon Welch, Spike Ehrhardt, Theresa Ehrhardt

December Sacristan: Debbie Morawitz

December Min. of the Word: George Kerkemeyer

Servers 12/14 - Kien Canham, Keegan Maguire, Liza Maguire

10 am Min of Eucharist for 12/7, 12/14

Terry Mayes, Dan Whelan, Scott Boehmer, Steve Orscheln, Carol Orscheln

10am Min of Eucharist for 12/21, 12/28

Terry Mayes, Becky Thomas, Marilyn Kerkemeyer, James Wetton, Ken Zielinski

December Sacristan: Ken Zielinski

December Minister of the Word: Beth Anderson

Servers 12/14 - Max Smith, Carter Hinds, Gavin Hinds

Ministers of Hospitality - December. 2025

4:00 p.m. Libby & Richard Cody

8:00 a.m. Rich & Judy Gordanier

10:00 a.m. Dan & Shari Whelan

*We Ask Eternal Rest O Lord for the Soul of:
Todd Stolte, son of Brenda Stolte, of our parish*

Sun., 12/7 Return Mitten Tree gifts to the tree
8 am & 10 am Masses - church
Coffee & Doughnuts after 8&10 am Masses
5-6:15 pm MS youth - Youth Rm
6:30-8 pm HS youth - Youth Rm



Mon., 12/8 8:15 am Mass for Feast of The Immaculate Conception
5:30 pm Mass for Feast of The Immaculate Conception
5:30 pm Women's Bible Study- Conf Rm

Tues., 12/9 8:15 am Mass - church
9 am HF students Reconciliation - church
9 am Men's Bible Study (Ellis) - Conf Rm
10 am Women's Book Study -Parish Ctr
5:30 pm Women's Welcome - Parish Ctr
6-7 pm Novena Rosary Group - Gathering space
6:30-7:30 pm Cursillo Bible Study - Conf Rm

Wed., 12/10 8:30am Women's Bible Study-Conf Rm
11 am 55+ Club Mass - Parish Ctr - HF grades 3-5 singing at 10:30 am
6 pm Rosary - church
6 pm School Advisory Meeting - Conf Rm
6:30-7:45 pm PSR & Confirmation Classes - school
7 pm Christmas Choir Music Practice - church

Thurs., 12/11 8:15 am Mass - church
9am HF Students Reconciliation - church
5:30 pm Women's Cursillo Group Meeting - St Anthony Rm
6 pm 2nd Grade First Reconciliation - church
11th Step Open AA Meditation Meeting - Conf Rm

Fri., 12/12 8:15 am Mass - church
9 am Men's Bible Study (Cody) - Conf Rm
Quest Retreat - Quincy for 13-15 year olds - contact Terra for more information

Sat., 12/13 Senior Snowman Tree - return gifts to Snowman Tree next weekend, Dec. 20-21
3-3:45 pm Confessions - church
4 pm Mass - church



Sun., 12/14 8am & 10am Masses
Senior Snowman Tree - Tags on tree - get a gift for a homebound Senior or Senior in a care facility - Return next weekend, Dec 20-21
Crazy about Christmas Youth Night - Cookie bake-off MS Youth from 5-6:30 pm and HS Youth from 6:30-8 pm - Parish Ctr

MASS INTENTIONS - Dec 7-14

Sun. 8:00 am People of the Parish
 10:00 am Fonnie McLain & Gary Carpenter
 Mon. 8:15 am Bob Brummer
 5:30 pm People of the Parish
 Tues. 8:15 am Joan Foutes
 Wed. 11:00 am Betty Riedel (55+ Club Mass)
 Thurs. 8:15 am Ron Baker
 Fri. 8:15 am Mary Schmidt
 Sat. 4:00 pm Larry & Michael Stephens
 Sun. 8:00 am People of the Parish
 10:00 am Brian & Joe Zielinski

Readings for the week of Dec 7-14

Sunday: Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
 (see 7) Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12
 Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12,
 13 Mt 18:12-14
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and
 10 Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11,
 12-13ab Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
 Jdt 13:18bcde,19 Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2ac and 3b,
 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13
 Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
 (see Is 35:4) Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

FOOD COLLECTION ... Barrels are at the entrances to church for your donations of food items to help those in need. When you are getting your items for Thanksgiving, don't forget to pick up an extra item or two for those in need. The need is great and we thank you in advance for your donations of non-perishable food items.



PARISH COLLECTION - Nov. 22-23

Needed each week	30,856.25
Received Nov. 22-23	20,116.54
Total for Nov. 22-23 is comprised of:	
Regular Envelopes, Loose & Online	14,545.50
School Support Envelopes	1,573.75
Youth Envelopes	16.00
Cemetery	1,375.00
Masses	155.00
Bldg/Gym Rental	45.00
A&E - Christmas Flowers	500.00
Tuition 25-26	800.00
Palmyra portion mileage	1,106.29
Building Fund	467.00
GNP	6,505.00

Watch the bulletin for Nov. 29-30 collection summary - not available due to early bulletin deadline.



A big thanks to the Knights, especially Andy, Mark, Erik, and Chuck, for cooking, cleaning, and even donating the pancake mix and sausage for the youth breakfast! And a great big thank you to everyone who came down to Saint Michael's Hall

after mass with their extremely generous donations for the pancake and sausage breakfast! God bless and thanks again!

Big thank you to Deacon John for providing the server training on November 23! Thanks to those who attended to either learn about serving or to get a refresher on serving! If you'd like your name to be on the list to serve @ masses, please contact Patty at the parish office!



EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please follow the following deadlines for submission of information for the bulletin:

Bulletin for:	Info. Due by:
Sun., Dec. 21	Mon., Dec. 8
Sun., Dec. 28	Mon., Dec. 15
Sun., Jan. 4, 2026	Mon., Dec. 22

Adopt-A-Family

Holy Family Good Neighbor Project thanks everyone for your donations to Adopt-A-Family to help those in need at Christmas. We are grateful for your generosity and continuous support of our mission to reach out to others!



Dear Holy Family Parish and School Families,

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all of you—and to all those who have come before you—who have so faithfully supported Catholic education at Holy Family. Your generosity through parish donations, the school auction, and other fundraising efforts over the years has allowed us to provide many opportunities for our students to learn, grow, and thrive in faith.

Through your support, we are able to fund field trips, purchase new technology, and provide classroom resources, textbooks, and supplies. None of this would be possible without your generosity.

Over the past year, our students have enjoyed a wide variety of experiences. Thanks to your donations, we were able to rent buses to take our middle school students to the Fox Theater to see *Peter Pan* and to the Lincoln Home in Springfield, Illinois. Our fifth grade students once again had the opportunity to attend BizTown in St. Louis, where they learned about economics and experienced what it's like to run a town. Your generosity also made it possible for our students to participate in diocesan speech meets, Olympic Day with other Catholic schools in Quincy, and retreat days such as our Confirmation retreat with the NET Team, to name a few.

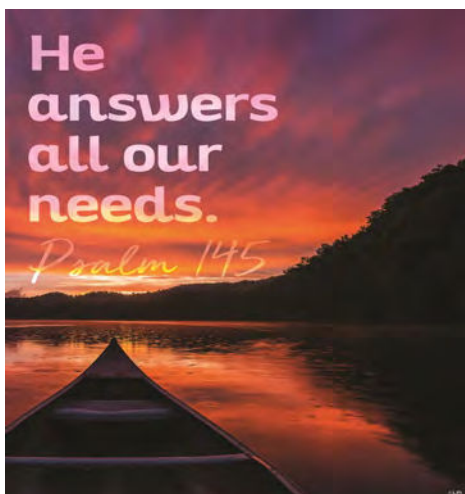
Each of these experiences bring our students closer to understanding the world through the lens of faith, knowledge, and service—core values that are at the heart of Catholic education. We are so blessed to have a parish and school community that continues to invest in our children.

Thank you for your continued and unwavering support, prayers, and generosity. You make a difference in the lives of our students.

May God bless you always!

Sincerely,

Sara Hooley – Principal of Holy Family School



The school is looking for additional volunteers to help with the Holy Family School Dinner & Auction. This is the 25th Anniversary of this important fundraiser for our school. Click the QR code below to take you to the Sign Up Genius page for 2026 Holy Family School Auction Volunteers. There are many slots to fill to help make our Auction a success!



OCIA-Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Explore OCIA Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The OCIA program is for:

- Those who are unbaptized Christians, baptized in other denominations, Catholics who haven't received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.
 - Anyone curious about what the Catholic Church believes & teaches.
- OCIA is a journey of conversion, guiding participants toward a deeper relationship with Jesus and His Church.

If you are interested please contact Terra Murphy at 573-795-0571 or email her at: DRE-youth@myhollyfamily.com



Sat., 12/6 & Sun., 12/7 - Return Mitten Tree gifts to church

Mon., 12/8 - Feast of Immaculate Conception - Masses at 8:15am & 5:30pm - holy day of obligation

Sat., 12/13 & Sun., 12/14 - Senior Snowman tags on tree - get a small gift for a senior

Tues., 12/16 - Holy Family Advent Penance Service - 6 pm - Church

Wed., 12/17 - St. Joseph Church, Palmyra - Advent Penance Service - 6pm - St. Joseph Church

Sat., 12/20 & Sun., 12/21 - Return Senior Snowman gifts to the tree - gifts will be distributed on 12/21

Wed., 12/24 - Christmas Eve - Masses at 4 pm and 7 pm Parish Office closed

Thurs., 12/25 - Christmas Day - Mass at 9 am Parish Office closed

Fri., 12/26 - Church Directory - Photo session from 2:00-8:30 pm - Parish Center (upstairs)

Sat., 12/27 - Church Directory - Photo session from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Parish Center (upstairs)

Wed., 12/31 - New Year's Eve - Mass at 6 pm Parish Office closed

Thurs., 1/1/26 - New Year's Day - Mass at 9 am Parish Office closed

Mon., 1/5/26 - Eucharistic Minister Meeting - church

Thurs., 1/8 - Church Directory - Photo session from 2:00-8:30 pm - Parish Center (upstairs)

Fri., 1/9 - Church Directory - Photo session from 2:00-8:30 pm - Parish Center (upstairs)

Sat., 1/10 - Church Directory - Photo session from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm - Parish Center (upstairs)

CHURCH DIRECTORY SIGN-UP... The photography dates are December 26 & 27 and January 8, 9, 10. Get signed up today. Directions are below! Thanks to everyone who has signed up so far. You receive a free 8X10 photo and a directory just for getting your photo taken.

*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*

*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!

*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*

TO SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY APPOINTMENT ONLINE: Simply go to: www.ucdir.com

Click on photography session sign-up enter **mo435** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. **If you have 6 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots.** The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. **We will have sign-ups at church next weekend, Nov. 29-30.**

Get your appointment time as soon as possible!

PHOTOGRAPY DATES & TIMES

Friday, Dec. 26th - 2:00-8:30 pm

Saturday, Dec. 27th - 10:00 am - 4 pm

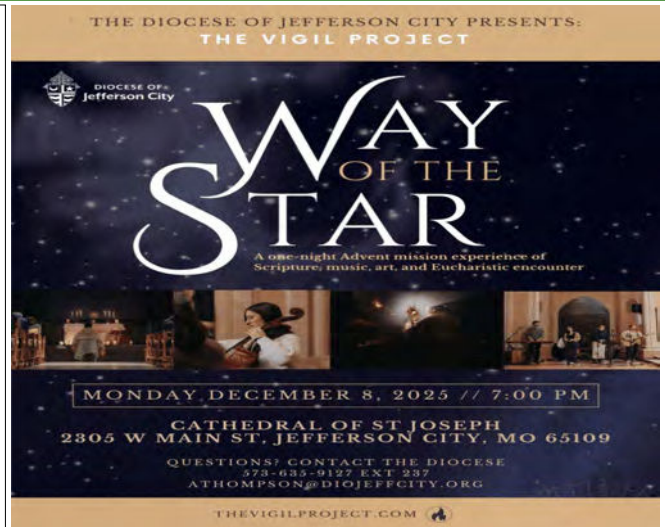
Thursday, January 8, 2026 - 2-8:30pm

Friday, January 9, 2026 - 2-8:30 pm

Saturday, January 10, 2026 - 10am-4pm

Photos will be taken in the Parish Center (upstairs) Sign up now!

Join us at St. Joseph Cathedral on Dec 8th for a one-of-a-kind prayer experience for all ages! The Vigil Project will be leading us through "**The Way of the Star**", a prayer experience that uses music and art to walk through the emotions of Mary leading up to the birth of Jesus. **This event will take place after the 5:30 pm Immaculate Conception Mass at the Cathedral.** Come and pray with us!



How Much Is Enough?

I've got some great news for some of you: Jesus Christ doesn't care what name you bear. He doesn't care where you were born, and he doesn't care what your family tree looks like. He doesn't care where you grew up or where you went to school.

I've also got some bad news for some of you: See above.

It's so easy to take our salvation for granted. The mercy of God makes it so. Look at John the Baptist — he was pouring water on everybody who wanted it. Everybody but one group: those who expected it. Those who thought it was a given because of who they were, because of what they were. Those who had no intention of doing the work of repentance.

Sometimes, because God is so faithful, we make the mistake of forgetting that He is also just.

I am baptized, we think. I made my First Communion, and I was Confirmed. That's enough.

I went to Catholic school. I know all the Ten Commandments and I can tell you anything you want to know about the Popes. That's enough.

I'm on parish council. I put money in the basket, and I volunteer. That's enough.

None of it is enough. It would never be enough. And before we look upon the Pharisees and Sadducees with too much judgment, we need to remember: the work of repentance is ongoing. It is a process that we must commit to within ourselves, continuously.

God is the missing element to this equation. He is the one who raises children to Abraham from the stones. If we rely only on our own abilities, our own merits, our own offerings, it will never be enough.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Prayer for Advent – Peace

Come, Lord Jesus! Bring your peace to our world. Inspire reconciliation, heal divisions, bind wounds, rewrite scripts. You are the Prince of Peace, bring that light into every space. Amen. ©LPi

