



# Holy Family

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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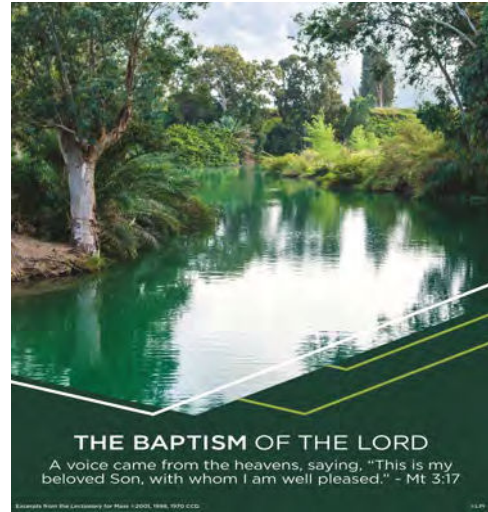
*MISSION: Holy Family Faith Community is called to live out the mission of Jesus. Empowered by God through Baptism and centered in the Eucharist, we strive to proclaim the good news of salvation, build community, serve the needs of others, celebrate our faith, and welcome all in one spirit of Christ.*

### **PARISH STAFF** Fr. Greg Meystrik, Pastor

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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.



### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

**January 11, 2026**  
**Baptism of The Lord**

### **INFORMATION & SERVICES**

**Church Address:** 1111 Broadway, Hannibal, MO  
**Church Office:** 218 S. Maple Ave.  
 Hannibal, MO 63401  
**Phone:** (573) 221-1078 **Fax:** (573) 248-1662  
**School Address:** 1113 Broadway  
 Hannibal, MO 63401  
**School Phone:** (573) 221-0456  
**Rectory Address:** 108 West Ridge  
 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 - 1:00am-1:00 pm on Sundays - Conference Rm, 218 S. Maple St (lower level)**  
 Call the parish office - 573-221-1078 for 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](mailto:praywithhollyfamily@att.net)  
 Need a ride to church? If you are 55+ please call:  
**55+ VAN** - David Murry—573-501-2765



### **Altar Ministers - January 2025**

#### **4 pm Min. of Eucharist for 1/3, 1/10, 1/17**

Shelly Lowe, Ann Hayes, Geri Graves, Tiffany Carroll, Denise Fogle

#### **4 pm Min. of Eucharist for 1/24, 1/31**

Natalie Astorino, Lisa & Doug Baughman, Tim Pierceall, Deb Pierceall

**January Sacristan:** Joe Loren Hays

**January Min. of the Word:** Libby Cody

**Servers 1/17** - Emily Devlin, Mia Dorian, Gray Dorian

#### **8:00 am Min. of Eucharist for 1/4, 1/11, 1/18**

Debbie Morawitz, Renee Fisher, Dick Rupp, Nancy Hays, Jaxon Lay

#### **8:00 am Min. of Eucharist for 1/25, 2/1**

Spike & Theresa Ehrhardt, Marty & Joanie Clark, Deborah Johnson

**January Sacristan:** Lisa Allen

**January Min. of the Word:** Nick Koettters

**Servers 1/18** - Malaina McIntyre, Brooks Terrill, Aidan Watts,

#### **10 am Min of Eucharist for 1/4, 1/11, 1/18**

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

#### **10am Min of Eucharist for 1/25, 2/1**

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

**January Sacristan:** Mark Novak

**January Minister of the Word:** Alice Mayes

**Servers 1/18** - Lauren Allgood, Hadley Ledbetter, Hayden Mulheron

### **Ministers of Hospitality - January 2025**

**4:00 p.m.** Judy Hooley & Tammy Cutsinger

**8:00 a.m.** Jack Immegart & Ron Knutelski

**10:00 a.m.** Scott & Sheila Boehmer

### **Sun., 1/11**

**8am & 10am Masses**

**11 am-1pm OCIA Class** - Conf Rm

**1:15 pm Quest Meeting** - Conf Rm

**5-6:15pm MS Youth Group Meeting** - Youth Rm

**6:30-8pm HS Youth Group Meeting** - Youth Rm

### **Mon., 1/12**

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

### **Tues., 1/13**

**8:15 am Mass** - church

**9 am Men's Bible Study** (Ellis) - Conf Rm

**10 am Women's Book Study** -Parish Ctr

**2-8:30pm Directory Photo Session** - Parish Ctr

**5:30 pm Rosary** - church

**6-7 pm Novena Rosary Group** - Gathering Space

**6:30 pm Cursillo Bible Study Group** - Conf Rm

### **Wed., 1/14** **8:30 am Women's Bible Study** - Conf Rm

**11 am 55+ Club Mass** - Parish Ctr

**6 pm School Advisory Council Meeting** - Conf Rm

**6-7 pm Rosary** - church

**6:30-7:45 pm PSR & Confirmation Classes** - school

### **Thurs., 1/15**

**8:15 am Mass** - church

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

**6:30-7:30pm 11th Step Open AA Meditation Meeting** - Conf Rm (lower level, 218 S. Maple Ave)

### **Fri., 1/16**

**8:15 am Mass** - church

**9 am Men's Bible Study** - Conf Rm

### **Sat., 1/17** **Happy Birthday Nurse Beth!**

**11am REC Meeting** - Parish Ctr

**3-3:45 pm Confessions**-church

**4 pm Mass** - church



### **Sun., 1/18** **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**

**8 am & 10 am Masses** - church

**11am-1pm OCIA Class** - Conf Rm

**2pm Pro-Life Prayer Service** - church

**5-6:15 pm MS Youth Group Meeting** - Youth Rm

**6:30-8pm HS Youth Group Meeting** - Youth Rm



***We Ask Eternal Rest O Lord for the Souls of:***

***Rodney Lamont***, brother of

Rachel Nason of our parish

***Wyatt Poppe***, grandson of Pauline Poppe, of our parish

**MASS INTENTIONS - Jan. 11-18**

Sun. 8:00 am People of the Parish  
 10:00 am Nonna Ross  
 Tues. 8:15 am Teresa Nett  
 Wed. 11:00 am Joe & Margaret Coleman  
 (55+ Club Mass - Parish Ctr)  
 Thurs. 8:15 am Joan Foutes  
 Fri. 8:15 am Mary Lou Siefken  
 Sat. 4:00 pm Larry & Michael Stephens  
 Sun. 8:00 am People of the Parish  
 10:00 am Leola Schatz

**Lessons from Baptizing a Frog**

I used to lead an RCIA session on baptism, where I would bring in my Kermit the Frog toy from when I was a child and pretend to baptize it. It was a session I especially made sure I led when we had children preparing for Easter sacraments. You would think Kermit would have become super holy having been baptized so many times, year after year. But, if he had been real, he would not have been any holier due to multiple baptisms than he was after the first baptism. He couldn't be re-baptized. (Not to mention, of course, he is a FROG.)

When Jesus came to John for baptism, he transformed the baptism of repentance that John was practicing into a baptism of redemption. And although we are called to repentance over and over in our life, redemption comes to us only once. We cannot get baptized again in the Jordan or Sea of Galilee because of romantic notions, or come into the Catholic Church by a second baptism so we can start all over. Our baptism, whether we can remember it or not, is a one-time deal. But it is the real deal. Whether you feel it or not, you are sealed for Christ, and the stain of original sin has been washed away.

Too many of us take that moment for granted. Yes, you may have been baptized as an infant. But much time has passed since then, and you can work to understand the impact that it had on your life. We sometimes look for a good time to begin living a stewardship way of life. However, that time already passed, and God has been waiting. We are called to reflect on our baptism and respond to the call it has placed on our lives. We can respond and be disciples, or we can be like Kermit the Frog, always searching for a new start that never comes.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

**Readings for the week of Jan 11-18**

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10  
 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17  
 Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8 Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19  
 Mk 1:14-20  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd  
 Mk 1:21-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 Ps 40:2 and 5,  
 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Mk 1:29-39  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11 Ps 44:10-11, 14-15,  
 24-25 Mk 1:40-45  
 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a Ps 89:16-17, 18-19  
 Mk 2:1-12  
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a Ps 21:2-3,  
 4-5, 6-7 Mk 2:13-17  
 Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9,  
 10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

**PARISH COLLECTION - Dec. 20-21**

Needed each week	30,856.25
<b>Received Dec. 20-21</b>	<b>46,148.25</b>
<b>Total for Dec. 20-21</b> is comprised of:	
Regular Envelopes, Loose & Online	43,010.50
School Support Envelopes	2,798.75
Youth Envelopes	41.00
Masses	20.00
Votive/Rel. Articles	68.00
Bldg/Gym Rental	145.00
Immaculate Conception	40.00
Solemnity of Mary	25.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>567.00</b>
<b>Christmas</b>	<b>1,220.00</b>
<b>GNP - Adopt-A-Family</b>	<b>1,575.00</b>
Watch the bulletin for Dec. 27-28 & Jan. 3-4 collection summary - not available due to early bulletin deadlines.	

**Registration for Diocesan Summer Camps 2026 opens January 31st** The Diocese of Jefferson City holds Summer Camps for incoming middle schoolers and high schoolers. These week-long, faith-based camps provide young people with adventure, fun, and community. Registration for incoming 6th-12th graders for Summer Camps will open January 31st, 2026.



Sign up to join Catholics across the country in praying for the end to all abortion during the [9 Days for Life](https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup) novena from January 16-24. go to: <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup> to join in the novena!

**Holy Family Church Cancer and Caregiver Support Group**

Most of us are not prepared for the mental distress that goes with a cancer diagnosis and the treatment for cancer. If you or a loved one experience that distress it is important to get support.

Often values you grew up with will affect how you think about and cope with cancer. For example: You may feel that you have to be strong and protect family and friends. Seek support and turn to loved ones and other cancer patients/survivors. Ask for help from counselors or other professionals. Support can reduce levels of anxiety. Build your team. Turn to and hold strong to your faith.

Coping with this distress in healthy ways requires skills that have to be learned: Social support from friends, co-workers, your caregiver: Family relationships, financial concerns, beliefs, values, Your Faith: Access to resources. Build a Team.

If you do not have these skills, resources, you might find yourself coping in less affective ways. Denial is a normal response. But denial can lead to delaying care, making appointments, or misunderstanding of your disease or diagnosis.

Cancer caregivers play a vital role for the cancer patient throughout their treatment. And they need to prioritize their own well-being. Care giver responsibilities include: Emotional support, companionship, listening encouragement; Physical assistance with daily activities, transportation, help managing medications; Advocacy ensuring the patient’s needs and preferences are respected. These bring challenges for the caregivers: Emotional demands as they navigate their loved one’s illness; Physical demands; Balancing responsibilities, caregiving, work, family, personal life. As care givers deal with their own well-being some strategies may include: Seeking support, Taking breaks away from the caretaker duties can help recharge; Stay informed, understanding the process and resources empower the caretaker too: Turn to your Faith. Build your team.

If you have any questions, are looking for support and prayers please contact someone from our group.

- Lisa and Doug Baughman 660-785-0505,**
- Chuck Comier 573-795-0516,**
- Frank or Kathy DiTillo 573-406-9683,**
- Claudia Lennon 573-406-7393,**
- Carolyn Ellis 573-268-8693,**
- DeAnne Wickens 573-795-1391,**
- Karen Wetton 573-822-3765.**

RESOURCES——>>>

**Holy Family School Auction** - The school auction is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2026. Attached is a QR code and a link with information to sign up to volunteer to help with the school auction. Help us spread the word about this fundraiser and please sign up to help. Postcards with information to purchase tickets were sent home a few weeks ago and information will be in the newsletter next week.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B4BA9AC22A0F58-58464147-2026#/>



**HOLY FAMILY OPEN WEEKLY ADORATION HOURS**

Sun.

7 am & 1pm

Thurs.

7 am, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm

Sat.

8 am, 11 am, Noon, 1 pm, 3 pm (1st, 3rd, 5th)



**Holy Family Church Cancer and Caregiver Support Group (cont.)**

RESOURCES:

**American Cancer Society:**  
**Managing Distress - Coping With Distress - American Cancer Society**

**National Cancer Institute:**  
**Stress and Cancer—NCI**

**St. Jude: Cancer caregivers - Search**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 11, 2026  
 The Baptism of the Lord  
 Matthew 3:13-17

Apple ran a commercial not long ago called “Behind the Mac – Greatness.” It shows artists and creators, such as Kendrick Lamar, Billie Eilish, and Lady Gaga, working behind their MacBooks. The narration says, “There’s a certain kind of person who doesn’t wait for greatness. They make it.” It’s a compelling message. There’s beauty in using our gifts with passion and purpose. But there lies a hidden weight in that idea: If you are what you make, what happens when you can’t anymore? When the project fails, the passion fades, or the spotlight moves on, where is greatness then?

Today’s Gospel offers a differing vision of greatness. Jesus steps into the Jordan River. He hasn’t preached, healed, or performed a single miracle. Then the heavens open, and the Father speaks: “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” It’s not a reward for success. It’s not earned. Before he does anything “great,” Jesus receives the greatness of his identity from the Father.

And so do you. At your baptism, God said the same thing over you: “You are my beloved.” That is your true identity, not constructed or earned but received. When we see ourselves and others this way, everything changes for the better. We discover a greatness that can never be taken away.

This week, reflect on your baptism: look up the date, thank God for it, pray for those baptized with you, or visit the church where it happened. Let your identity be rooted there.

- Father John Muir @LPi



### When Jesus Wades In

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

**Mini reflection:** When the voice of God declares, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” he is referring, of course, to Jesus. But I think He would say the same of John the Baptist — and of all those who welcome Jesus into the waters, ready to do as he bids.

Usually, when God comes to us, we aren’t ready.

We think we are. Like John the Baptist, we stand in our waters of baptism, certain of our mission. We know how it’s going to go. We know what’s going to be asked of us. We’re sure of it.

Christ wades into the waters. And he screws up all our plans.

To be clear, I don’t think John the Baptist lacks faith when he balks at the idea of baptizing Jesus. I think it is, in fact, a testament to his humility. But whatever motivated John’s actions, he is — if even for a brief moment — hesitating to do the will of God. Just a few chapters after this in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus will acknowledge that John is the greatest person “born of women” — with the caveat that even he is not perfect enough for the Kingdom of Heaven.

Not yet.

Jesus didn’t give John an explanation as the two stood in the River Jordan. He merely said, “Allow it for now.” John could have resisted further, demanding to understand why. He could have grown suspicious at the simplicity of Jesus’ answer, at the strangeness of this request. He could have clung desperately to his version of How Things Are Supposed To Be, and in doing so, fostered doubt in his heart. He could have even stormed off, confused and angry.

He did none of these things, because John is, as Jesus says, the greatest born of women.

When the Holy Spirit descends and the voice of God declares, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” he is referring, of course, to Jesus. But I think He would say the same of John the Baptist — and of all those who welcome Jesus into the waters, ready to do as he bids. @LPi

**Missouri Catholic Summit (MCS)** is a large gathering of Catholic young adults, ages 18-25, from across Missouri. The summit is a day dedicated to celebrating the Christian life and fostering fellowship among faithful young adults. Participants grow together in a warm and lively environment through inspiring talks by esteemed speakers, reflection, and prayer. Young people are asked to join us for the MO Catholic Summit 2026 on February 28, 2026, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Jefferson City, MO!

The Office of Religious Education, Youth, and Young Adult Ministry will host a Winter Workshop for DREs, Youth Ministers, and parish faith formation leaders on Thursday, January 15th, and Saturday, January 17th (the same workshop will be offered twice). Join us as we expand our knowledge, build community, and share resources to support parish ministry!

**SHEER GOODNESS**  
MISSOURI CATHOLIC SUMMIT 2026

ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL  
JEFFERSON CITY, MO

FEBRUARY 28, 2026

MISSOURI Catholic Summit

COLLEGE / AGED YOUNG / ADULTS 18-25

For more information and registration, visit [diojeffcity.org/mo-catholic-summit/](http://diojeffcity.org/mo-catholic-summit/)

DIocese of Jefferson City

Religious Ed, Youth & Young Adult Ministry presents

## DREYM Winter Workshop

**Come & Join**

Gather with other DREs and Youth Ministers (or other faith leadership in parishes) as we grow in knowledge & community

**2 Date Options, choose ONE:**

- Thursday, January 15, 2026
- Saturday, January 17, 2026 9:30am-2:00pm

Alphonse J. Schwartz Memorial Catholic Center  
2207 West Main, St. Jefferson City, MO 65109

**Register Now!**

**MINISTRY on the Move**

DIocese of JEFFERSON CITY WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**January**

St. Mary Parish, Shelbina.....22nd  
St. Joseph Parish, Westphalia 23rd  
St. Brendan's School Mexico 29th  
SVDP Parish, Sedalia..... 30th

6:30- 8:00 PM  
Doors open @ 6 pm

<https://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry-on-the-move-2026-registration/>

**MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE**

*Save the Date*

**April 30, 2026**  
Missouri State Capitol  
Jefferson City, MO

Featured Speakers:

**Reagan Barklage**  
National Field Director  
Students for Life of America

**Mayra Rodriguez**  
Pro-Life Advocate,  
Speaker, and Whistleblower  
against abortion giant  
Planned Parenthood

To see typical schedule from last year, get more information, and register, visit us at [midwestmarchforlife.com](http://midwestmarchforlife.com)

We love to honor young people as they promote the sanctity of life!

Tell us what your school or homeschool group has been doing and apply to be the Prolife School of Year!

School bands welcome to register to perform in March

*Finding Joy* Living in the Spirit

Discover how the Holy Spirit leads us toward a life of deeper joy, peace, and purpose. This inspiring talk invites us to open our hearts to God's presence, recognize His movement in our daily lives, and embrace the joy that flows from living in true communion with Him.

**Shelley Pichler**

**Register here!**

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