HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF SAINT PETER



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Holy Family Catholic Church is a parish of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati entrusted to the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter. It was established by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr to serve all those who desire to experience the richness and diversity of the Catholic Church's liturgical and spiritual traditions, as provided for by Pope Benedict XVI in his motu proprio *Summorum Pontificum*. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and all the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Traditional Roman Rite.

Sacrament of Penance

Sundays, Holy Days, First Saturdays: 30 min. before Mass Fridays and Saturdays: 30 minutes before Mass Any time by appointment

Baptisms, Last Sacraments, and Sick Calls

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the rectory at least six months in advance

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Dec 10, 2017	First Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM	Margaret Hoot
10:30 AM	
Dec 11	St. Damasus I, Pope
Monday	_
7:15AM	Robert White +
Dec 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe
Tuesday	•
7:15AM	George Riess +
Dec 13	St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr
Wednesday	
7:15AM	William Deckelman +
Dec 14	Feria of Advent
Thursday	
7:15AM	Father James Brooks +
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Dec 15 Friday	Feria of Advent
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MASS SCHEDULE

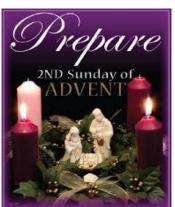
Sundays (Low Mass) 8:00 AM (High Mass) 10:30 AM Weekdays

Monday—Thursday 7:15 AM Fridays **************** 7:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Check Announcements

Second Sunday of Advent



In today's epistle to the Romans, St Paul prays for these new converts— and for us today-saying "Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that you may abound in hope and in the power of the Holy Spirit."

Advent is indeed a time of holy hope. What is hope? Hope is the virtue by which we firmly trust that God, Who is all powerful

and faithful to His promises, will in His mercy give us eternal happiness and the means to obtain it. Advent is that great time of hope and expectation of joy because the Lord is near. Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for the Coming of Christ past, present and future.

In the gospel Holy Mother Church presents to us the figure of St. John the Baptist. Now here we have a man who certainly had hope to obtain eternal life and used all the means God gave him to attain it. You would not find him spending all his time in the malls, nor on the internet searching for things he or others might want for Christmas. His time was spent in prayer and preaching a baptism of repentance telling all to "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." His charity to others was to bring them back to the Heavenly Father and to point them to his Cousin for whom he leapt for joy in the womb of his mother, St. Elizabeth. Throughout his life St. John prepared himself by cooperating and utilizing the means God had given him to obtain his eternal reward. He had the virtue of hope that brought him the joy and peace that the world just cannot give.

During this time of Advent let us not be overwhelmed by the social pressures of gift buying and card writing but rather let us put Christ first. After all it is the baby Jesus' birthday we will be celebrating. Use the means to obtain what we are hoping for by frequenting the sacraments especially of Holy Communion and Confession. Spend time in prayer and spiritual reading. Prepare for His coming!

Thank You for Another Successful Bake Sale!!



Thanks to all who worked to make the Christmas bake sale and bazaar last Sunday a great success! The Altar Rosary Society raised over \$1200 which will be used for the good of the parish and for other charitable endeavors. Great job ladies!! Thanks also to all who attended and were so generous again this year!

Thanks also to St. Nicholas for bringing joy to all of us - especially the children!

Adopted Families —Angel Tree

Envelopes with the items listed can be found attached to the Angel Tree at the main entrance. If you can help with a gift take the envelope, buy the item, attach the envelope to the OUTSIDE of the package (gift wrapped or not) and return to the basket which will be near the tree. One of the adopted families has to travel a great distance for a specialist so gas cards and gift cards from restaurants or groceries are included. Please place all gift cards in the collection basket on Sunday. Advent is short this year so please act quickly! Thank you and God bless!

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING!

Please continue to pray for Lillie Vitale and her family! She is now taking chemo in hopes to defeat her Leukemia. We are especially praying to Bl. Solanus Casey Please pray an Our Father and Hail Mary in Thanksgiving for her cure! Also pray the rosary for the family, Carol, John, Ron, Charlie, Helen, Rosie and Joy that God may heal them of their sufferings!! Let us also pray for all the expectant mothers of our parish. May your sacrifices soon be turned into joy! St. Gerard—pray for us!

2018 FSSP Calendars/Christmas Cards

We have received a limited supply of the FSSP 2018 Calendars which we can sell for \$10 each (online cost is \$13). You may sign up at the main entrance of the Church—ONE PER HOUSEHOLD PLEASE. FSSP Christmas cards are also available as well! Free!

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION

Today there will be a second collection for retired religious in the Archdiocese. These are the priest, sisters and brothers from religious orders who gave their life to God and his Church. Please be generous. God bless you!

Welcome Josephine Marie!!

Congratulations to Matthew and Hillary Barhorst on the birth of their latest gift from God! Josephine is scheduled to be baptized today after the 8AM Mass. Congratulations to BIG brother and sisters Charlie, Lucy and Maggie as well as everyone here at Holy Family for this newest member of our Parish Family! God bless you Josephine I

Outside the Parish

American Constitution Class Forming

Widely acclaimed by thousands of past students nationwide, this 12 week course introduces you to the Biblical Heritage of our Constitution, and the concept of Limited Government. Videos and group discussion will enlighten you and inspire you to demand Constitutional behavior from your elected officials! A new class will be starting in Kettering at the FPO Lodge 92 on Wednesday, Jan, 10. Cost for course materials is \$50. Registration by 31 December is suggested. Contact Bill Serra. IOTC Instructor, to register. 937 667 5987 or by

<u>email: serrawl@woh.rr.com</u>.

High School Summer Programs in Italy

ProRome, a boutique Catholic tour company based out of Staunton, VA is offering two high school summer programs in Italy next year, Catholica Summer Program (for boys) and Bella Vita Summer Program (for girls). These twenty-day immersion experiences feature daily Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, survey courses in Church History and Art History, immersion courses in Latin and Italian, comprehensive tours throughout Rome, day and overnight trips throughout Italy and much, much more. For more information please visit ProRome on the web at www.prorome.com.

BUT KEEP CHRISTMAS OUT OF ADVENT!