



Holy Family

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Diocese of Toledo, St. Francis of Assisi Deanery, Twinned with Immaculate Conception, Deshler, Ohio

PASTOR: Rev. Arthur J. Niewiadomski

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Adm. Assist./Sec. : Dan Ford

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Parish Leaders: Council Pastoral: Marilyn Heitkamp

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Ministries:

Religious Ed: Margaret Bobb

Liturgical Music: Cheri Curry

RCIA: Fr Art

For Funeral Arrangements, Please contact the parish office/ Fr Art

Prayer Chain: We would like to expand our prayer chain members.

For details about the prayer chain and/or to join, please contact: Suzanne Poole (419-299-3692) or Linda Mathias (419-655-3782)

Parish Office Hours: Mon. & Tues. 10 am - 3 pm • **Closed on Wednesdays** • Thurs. & Fri. 10 am - 3 pm

Weekend Liturgy Schedule: **N.B. Sat. 5 pm & Sun. 8:30 am** > ICC (Deshler) Sun. 10:30 am<

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:15 - 4:45 pm (Before the 5 pm Mass) or by appointment

† **HOLY FAMILY WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE suspended until further notice.**

Weekday Mass at Immaculate Conception in Deshler = Thursdays at 8:30 am

- Please call the parish office:*
- When a family member goes into any hospital as hospitals do not inform us.
 - If someone is unable to attend mass and would like to receive Communion at home or in a nursing home.
 - Register as a member of the parish.



Please pray for all the sick and infirm of our parish, especially: Dave Ebersole, Violet Huff, Linda Cortez, Helen Rodriguez, Steve Smith, Nancy Smith, Rena Hummel, Linda McGuire, Mary Woodruff, Ethel Ferguson, and Diane Hendren.

Prayers have been requested for: Christopher Cortez, grandson of Ray & Teresa Cortez, Bill Brannen, Cindy Casey's brother-in-law, Samantha Clayton, niece of Kathy Christensen, Quinn Dipillo, son-in-law of Robert & Ruth Hass, Laynee McGough, great-great niece of Rich & Linda Mathias, Oliver John Wilhelm, grandson of David & Janet Wilhelm, Jude Chambers, granddaughter of Walt & Anna Marie Chambers, Jim Mathias, Rich Mathias's brother, Kelly Borders, great niece of Rich & Linda Mathias, Stefan Rick Riley, friend of Rich & Linda Mathias, Lana Morrison, Emily Miller, great-grand niece of Rich & Linda Mathias, Paige Jacobs, grand-daughter of Jim & Violet Jacobs

Offerings received from Feb. 13th thru Feb. 19th

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 1743.00
Loose	\$ 47.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 50.00
Candles & Votives	\$ 12.00

~~~ "Thank You" for your continued support ~~~

Last weekend's mass attendance

Sat. (2/13/21) 5 pm mass = 24

Sun. (2/14/21) 8:30 am = 36

**NB Community Food Pantry**

Holy Family's food pantry donation for the month of

**February** is: **Spaghetti & Spaghetti Sauce.**

The above items and Great Scot receipts can be brought to church or dropped off at the rectory anytime.

**Next Weekend Lectors**

Sat. Feb. 27th = Mark Senecal

Sun. Feb. 28th = Sarah Simons

Seating capacity has been **greatly** reduced here at Holy Family due to the affects of the "Social Distancing" rule.

### To reserve a seat or seats!

We are asking parishioners to call in by **phone:**  
**Monday thru Friday between 10 AM and 5 PM.\***

\*If no answer, please leave your name, day of preferred Mass (Sat. 5 pm) or (Sun. 8:30 am) and number of reservations needed, and a phone number in case we **cannot** accommodate your reservation requests.

### First Sunday of Lent

02/21/21

cf. Psalm 91 (90):15-16

**When he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.**

### Introduction to the liturgy of the Day

Forty days from now we will find ourselves at the foot of the cross. How can we prepare ourselves for this? Jesus' words at the beginning of his ministry were apt: "Repent, and believe in the gospel." Let us ask ourselves how we have sinned. Let us feel remorse for the times we have fallen short. Let us resolve to turn back to God and live out the gospel in our day-to-day lives. Let us find ourselves able to approach the cross forty days from today with profound gratitude for what our Lord has done for us.

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

**Genesis 9:8-15** *God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood.*

**Psalm 25** *"Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant."*

**1 Peter 3:18-22** *The water of the flood prefigured Baptism, which saves you now.*

**Mark 1:12-15** *Jesus was tempted by satan, and the angels ministered to him.*

Our readings today revolve around the covenant God established with all humanity, with all of us. It began with just a few people taking refuge on the ark, but after the flood Noah and his family were all of humanity. The first letter of Peter identifies baptism as a sign of the covenant, saving us as the ark had saved Noah. Jesus, God's new covenant with humanity, calls us to repentance and faith. May we heed that call and renew our covenant with God by living out the gospel.

### Question of the Week

**What cross have I been avoiding that I should accept during this time in the Lenten desert?**

**2021 Lent at Holy Family** will be much different this year because, of course, the Covid Pandemic. However there are a few things we can still participate in.

Holy Family will again be participating in the **CRS Rice Bowl Program** throughout Lent. CRS Rice bowl provides funding for Catholic Relief Services' food security projects which support agriculture, nutrition, education, and self sufficiency in communities around the world. Anyone wanting to make a donation to CRS Rice Bowl can do so by placing cash or a check made out to **Holy Family** in an envelope, then forwarding it to the church toward the end of Lent.

The little black books are available for you to read and use for your meditations during lent. If you are not coming to Mass, you may request this book by calling the office or picking one up at the rectory.

### Support the Catholic Home Missions

**Home Missions** are those dioceses in the United States, its territories, and its former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services to Catholics without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass and other sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and lay people.

Right now, over 40% of dioceses are considered **Home Missions**. The Collection was formerly known as The Black and Indian Home Mission Collection. These special envelopes are in your contribution packets. Checks should be made out to **Holy Family**, and then mailed to the parish or dropped in the collection basket at any weekend mass. Thank You for your support of these "**Home Missions**".

### **Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for Lent 2021**

In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil2:8). During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith, draw from the "living water" of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ. At the Easter vigil, we will renew our baptismal promises and experience rebirth as new men and women by the working of the Holy Spirit. This Lenten journey, like the entire pilgrimage of the Christian life, is even now illumined by the light of the resurrection, which inspires the thoughts, attitudes and decisions of the followers of Christ.

Fasting, prayer and almsgiving, as preached by Jesus (cf. Mt 6:1-18), enable and express our conversion. The path of poverty and self-denial (**fasting**), concern and loving care for the poor (**almsgiving**), and childlike dialogue with the Father (**prayer**) make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity.