Welcome to Holy Family! For those who have impaired mobility, reserved seating is available in the front pew and at the cross aisle. An accessible restroom is located next to the adoration chapel. The main restrooms are on the lower level located next to an area for restless children. For those with a gluten intolerance, please stop by the sacristy before Mass to arrange to receive the Precious Blood. Please speak to an usher if you have any questions or need assistance.

Prelude to Mass
9:00 Ave Maria J. Arcadelt
11:00 Matin Responsory: I Look from Afar G. P. da Palestrina, arr. D. Willcocks

Introit (9:00) Gregorian chant, mode I
Ps. Caeli enarrant gloriæm Dei: et opera manuum eius annuntiat firmamentum. Skies, let the Just One come forth like a dew, let him descend from the clouds like rain. The earth will open up and give birth to our Savior. The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims the work of his hands. Is 45:8; Ps 19

Processional Hymn St. Michael Hymnal
741 Savior of the Nations, Come NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

Greeting
Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
*R*: Amen.
Celebrant: The Lord be with you. 
*R*: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act
Celebrant: Brethren, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
*R*: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
Then they continue:
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.
Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Kyrie Mass XVIII

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
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FIRST READING
Micah 5:1-4a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
Cantor, then all; thereafter: all
R. Rice
Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING
Hebrews 10:5-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
T. Marier
Cantor, then all; thereafter: all

GOSPEL
Luke 1:39-45

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
℟: And with your spirit.
℟: Glory to you, O Lord.
At the conclusion of the Gospel:
℟: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER
℟: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (5:00)
St. Michael Hymnal
554 Hail to the Lord’s Anointed
ELLACOMBE

OFFERTORY MOTET
9:00 Gabriel’s Message
Basque carol, arr. E. Pettman
Cf. Lk 1:26-38
11:00 Ave Maria
T. L. de Victoria

OFFERTORY CHANT (9:00)
Gregorian chant, mode VIII
Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum: benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui.
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. Lk 1:28

INVITATION TO PRAYER
Celebrant: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
℟: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

SANCTUS
Mass XVIII

Mystery of Faith

GREAT AMEN

SIGN OF PEACE
Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
℟: And with your spirit.

AGNUS DEI
Mass XVIII

Amen

INVITATION TO PRAYER
Celebrant: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
℟: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.
HOLY COMMUNION
We invite actively practicing Catholics who are properly disposed to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are invited to approach with arms crossed over the chest to receive a blessing. At Holy Family we receive the combination of the Body and Blood of Christ on the tongue. If you prefer to receive just the Body of Christ in your hand, please have your hands clearly out before you approach.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Gregorian chant, mode I
Ecce virgo concipiet, et pariet filium: et vocabitur nomen eius Emmanuel.
Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel.  Is 7:14

COMMUNION MOTET (9:00 & 11:00)
Dixit Maria  H. L. Hassler
Mary said unto the Angel: Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord. Let it be done to me according to thy word.  Lk 1:38

SECOND COLLECTION The Care Fund
The Care Fund meets the emergency needs of Holy Family parishioners and the wider community.

CLOSING HYMN St. Michael Hymnal
489 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus STUTTGART
Following the closing hymn, together we pray a “Hail Mary” for whichever parishioner is the next to be called home to the Lord. In light of the current crisis in the Church, we also pray the “St. Michael Prayer” as found on pg. 1085 of the red Lumen Christi Missal.

Holy Family Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Confessions
9:00 AM Mass
Cancelled Young Adult Gospel Discussion
11:00 AM Mass
After Mass Please help move poinsettias to the church
4:00 PM Magnum Chorum Concert (ticketed event) Church
6:30 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede
See p. 4 for details

Monday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
Parish offices closed
Cancelled Catholic Charities (Branch III)
Cancelled Widows & Widowers Holy Hour
12:00 PM Adoration Chapel closes
4:00 PM Nativity Pageant & Vigil Mass of Christmas
9:00 PM Mass of Christmas Night
11:00 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede

Tuesday, Dec. 25 The Nativity of Our Lord– Christmas
Parish offices closed
9:00 AM Mass of Christmas Morning
11:00 AM Mass of Christmas Day
Cancelled Mass: Church of Saint Bede

Wednesday, Dec. 26 St. Stephen
7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM Mass
After Mass Adoration Chapel reopens
8:30 AM Donut Wednesday Fr. Moorman Hall
1:00 PM Merciful Love Prayer Group St. Joseph Room
5:30 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede
See p. 4 for details
Cancelled Parish Choir
Cancelled Confirmation

Thursday, Dec. 27 St. John, Apostle & Evangelist
7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM Mass
8:30 AM Exercise Class Fr. Wilkins Room
1:00 PM Children’s Eucharistic Adoration St. Joseph Room
5:30 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede
See p. 4 for details
Cancelled Parish Choir
Cancelled RCIA

Friday, Dec. 28 Holy Innocents, Martyrs
7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM Mass
After Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction
3:30 PM Confessions
4:45 PM Benediction
5:00 PM Mass
After Mass Wine & Cheese Reception Fr. Moorman Hall

Saturday, Dec. 29 St. Thomas Becket
3:30 PM Confessions
4:45 PM Benediction
5:00 PM Mass
After Mass Cake & Mimosa Reception Fr. Moorman Hall
Cancelled Young Adult Gospel Discussion
11:00 AM Mass
After Mass Cake & Mimosa Reception Fr. Moorman Hall
5:00 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede
See p. 4 for details

Sunday, Dec. 30 Feast of the Holy Family
8:00 AM Confessions
9:00 AM Mass
After Mass Cake & Mimosa Reception Fr. Moorman Hall
Cancelled Young Adult Gospel Discussion
11:00 AM Mass
After Mass Cake & Mimosa Reception Fr. Moorman Hall
5:00 PM Mass: Church of Saint Bede
See p. 4 for details

For this week’s daily readings, please visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Merry Christmas
Prayers and best wishes for you and your loved ones as we celebrate the birth of Our Savior Jesus Christ!
Reverend Joseph Johnson
Reverend George Welzbacher
Reverend Marcus Milless
Deacon Jim Meyer
Deacon Jim Reinhardt

Please refer to page 7 for Holy Family’s Christmastide schedule.

Today at Holy Family
Immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass
Your help is needed for 30-45 minutes (depending on turn-out) to carry boxes of poinsettias from the Father Wilkins Room to the sanctuary!

Magnum Chorum Concert—Today 4 PM
Sure to be a treat. This renowned a capella choir will bring in a seasonal concert to Holy Family. This is a ticketed event. To learn more see their website: https://magnumchorum.org. Tickets available at the door: Adult: $25; Senior (65+): $20; Student: $5.

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Week per request.

Mon., Dec. 24th For the Parish 4:00 PM
Mon., Dec. 24th For the Parish 9:00 PM
Tues., Dec. 25th For the Parish 9:00 AM
Tues., Dec. 25th For the Parish 11:00 AM
Wed., Dec. 26th Clarence & Beulah Alt † 8:00 AM
Thu., Dec. 27th Melvin & Bette Koopman † 8:00 AM
Fri., Dec. 28th Father Mark Dosh † 8:00 AM
Sat., Dec. 29th Fall Festival Chars & Families 5:00 PM
Sun., Dec. 30th Father George Welzbacher 9:00 AM
Sun., Dec. 30th For the Parish 11:00 AM

INTERCESSIONS
Please pray for:
Deacon Jim Meyer
Joan Bestor
Mary Collins † (mother of Maureen Fischer)
Ralph Koenig †

To request prayers, go to www.hfcmn.org/prayer-requests, or call the parish office 952.929.0113. Submitted prayer intentions will be shared via “Prayer Partners” and the bulletin for one week per request.

SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DECEMBER 15-16, 2018
will be printed in the December 30th bulletin.

Next week's Second Collection will benefit: CARE Fund
Thank you for your generosity!

STEWARDSHIP NOTE:
Even when the second collection goes to another organization, please fill out all checks to “Holy Family Catholic Church,” the church then is able to write one check to the organization.

EUCHARISTICADORATION
Please contact: Mike Zwack 612.710.5007 our Adoration coordinator, if you are willing to make an hour commitment each week. Currently, the times of our greatest need are:

♦ Tuesdays 3-4 PM
♦ Wednesdays 12 Noon-1 PM
♦ Thursdays 2-3 PM, 4-5 PM. Urgently… 5-6 PM, and 10-11PM
♦ Urgently… Saturdays 7-8 PM

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS: FLOCKNOTE
Stay updated through Holy Family’s communication tool, Flocknote. You’ll get weekly updates from the parish, as well as any timely updates from the school and any groups you’d like to join (e.g. Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament).

How to hear from Holy Family:
1. Visit www.flocknote.com/HFC- or -Text HFCMN to 84576
2. Fill in your information (which will be kept confidential) and join those groups (e.g. ‘Adorers…’ or ‘Prayer Partners’) that pertain to you. Please be sure to join the group representing your neighborhood to keep up with activities in your neighborhood.
3. You can log in anytime to change what groups you follow!

HOLY FAMILY IS ON FACEBOOK!
“Like” Holy Family on Facebook to get updates on parish life, Catholic topics around the archdiocese, and upcoming parish events! For the Church, click the button on the homepage at www.hfcmn.org. For HFA, click the button at hfamn.org.

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Please see the parish website www.hfcmn.org for contact information for all Apostolates. If you or someone you know is in need of emergency assistance, please contact:

STEP - Emergency Program: 952.925.4899

FORMED.ORG
FOR MED: ST. NICHOLAS
To access Catholic movies, books, audio recordings and more, go to www.Formed.org, and sign up using our parish code: 2QCG4F.

In our commercialized times, it’s hard to know if and how to include “Santa Claus” in your family’s Christmas traditions. Watch this documentary about Saint Nicholas, to learn more about the man behind the legend. To access “St. Nicholas: The Real Story,” go to www.Formed.org, hover over the “WATCH” tab, choose “ADVENT/CHRISTMAS” from the dropdown menu, and select it from the top section.

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Agencies of the Chair of Saint Peter
The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter was created by the Vatican in 2012 to assist former Anglicans who wish to become Catholic. Their liturgy is a valid Catholic Mass but incorporates distinctive elements from their tradition. Everyone is welcome, and attendance fulfills the obligation for any Catholic for Sunday and holy days. Visit www.thevenerablebede.org for more information.
Stewardship Reflection
Everything we have comes as a gift from God. Advent is the time we especially remember the poverty of our sinful world before Jesus brought the riches of God’s Merciful Love. The joy of Christmas evokes generosity towards those we love as we exchange gifts with them. It prompts us to ask: How do I show my gratitude to God in exchange for all His gifts to me?

Gratitude for a life of discipleship in this parish, including:

- The gift of baptism through which I was freed from original sin, adopted as a child of God, and given the promise of eternal life
- This beautiful church where I worship with my spiritual family in the Mystical Body of Christ
- The Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist by which I am nourished by the Bread from Heaven
- The full Mass schedule and reverent liturgies with extraordinary sacred music
- The opportunity to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord in the perpetual adoration chapel
- The forgiveness of sins in Confession offered here every day of the week (instead of 45 minutes once per week or “by appointment” as in other parishes)
- A dynamic Catholic school which shapes the minds and hearts of our youngsters with Truth, Goodness, and Beauty
- A wide range of faith formation opportunities for every age presented according to the Magisterium of the Church.

The way we spend our time, talent, and treasure is the concrete expression of how we prioritize our lives.

Help the Handmaids Make a Home!
On Saturday, January 12th, 9 AM-3 PM we will have a work day at the convent on the St. Joseph campus of St. Gabriel parish in Hopkins. This will be the future home of the sisters coming to serve at Holy Family starting in 2020—the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus. Please use the sign up on our website to indicate you can help and any special skills you may have with renovation. The sisters will also be present at all the Masses that weekend and look forward to meeting parishioners! Please contact the office if you need help signing up online.

Women's Morning of Renewal
On Saturday, January 26th, 2019, come for a Rosary and offered confessions in the church at 7:30 AM, followed by Mass at 8 AM. Immediately following Mass, breakfast will be served in Fr. Moorman Hall. Renowned Catholic author, teacher, and speaker Elizabeth Kelly (https://www.loyolahpress.com/authors/elizabeth-m-kelly) will give an insightful presentation on St. John Paul II's still-timely “Letter to Women.” Admission is $20 per lady. Register at www.hfcmn.org/events/womens-morning, or by calling Christine Schindler at 763.957.2989 by Sunday, January 20th.

Tree for Life
In the back of church can be found the “Tree for Life”, a tree decorated with ornaments indicating items needed by parents who have chosen life for their babies. If you are able to donate an item, please help yourself to an ornament. Place your unwrapped gift, with the ornament attached, near the tree by January 6th. The unwrapped donations will be taken to the Robbinsdale Women’s Center, Southwest Options for Women and Saint Stephen’s Church for their Sagrada Familia Apostolate. Thank you for your generosity!

2019 Calendars & Christmastide Bulletins
Complimentary Holy Family 2019 calendars and a Christmastide Bulletin with a special with a message from Fr. Joseph and the Epiphany Blessing for your home are available to be picked up near all the Church doors.

Young Adults (ages 18-39)
Indoor Sports & Games Night
Friday, December 28th, at 7 PM. Join us for the weekly West Metro Young Adults Sport’s Night. Held at St. Gabriel’s, St. John’s Campus, 6 Interlachen Rd, Hopkins. Basketball, volleyball, dodgeball, great fun! Check out our page for more events https://www.facebook.com/westmetroya.

Youth Group (Teens)
You: Life, Love, and Theology of the Body
Teens grades 10-12: Back by popular demand, you won't want to miss our next Wednesday night program! "You: Life, Love, and Theology of the Body" discusses identity, gender, love and chastity in a way you've never heard before. Join Becca Spanton and Brody Chirpich at the Nazareth House for 10 weeks beginning Wednesday, Jan. 9. You will learn the Theology of the Body and how to live in authentic freedom, love, and happiness. The course is $25 and includes the textbook plus online access to all the videos. To register, email Elizabeth Brown at elizabeth.brown@hfcmn.org. Sign up today!

Weddings
Please pray for
Michael Torreson & Emma Smith, Banns III
Christopher Hubbel & Christina Caticchio, Banns II
as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage.

From the Church Office
Bulletin Submissions
Please submit in writing to communications@hfcmn.org by January 3rd for our January 13th bulletin. Contact Carrie with any questions at carrie.havlicek@hfcmn.org or 952.999.4892.
EXCITING NEWS FOR OUR PARISH

ENHANCING OUR FACILITIES:

After nine months of prayer and parish-wide discussion, the members of the Pastoral Council, the School Advisory Council, and the Finance Council unanimously recommended moving forward with a capital campaign for enhancing our facilities. This news was greeted last Sunday in church by applause—a good sign that people are ready to support this project after a decade of dreaming about it. Registered parishioners should have received an informational letter this past week but the campaign logistics won’t begin until January and the three-year pledge cycle sometime shortly afterwards. If all goes well, we would hope to break ground on the addition in June 2020.

Some people may wish to make an initial gift to this campaign before the end of 2018 for tax purposes. We will start accepting capital campaign donations online very soon. In the meantime, if you’d like to donate, please write out and deliver a separate check to “Holy Family Catholic Church” clearly indicating “capital campaign” in the memo line. Please make sure that any contribution to this campaign is above and beyond your regular support for the ongoing operations of our parish.

A frequently asked question has been about Chesterton Academy as the idea of a potential collaboration was a late addition to our brainstorming. Their board has discerned a different direction so they won’t be a part of our project. For more information and updates, visit www.hfamn.org/campaign-facilities.

NEW PERSONNEL:

We will see the return of sisters to Holy Family! The Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus are a recently formed group of sisters based in New Ulm (www.handmaidosftheheartofjesus.com). They will be sending sisters to our parish starting in the Fall of 2020.

What will the sisters do? It remains to be seen who will be sent and what skills they will have as we are still a year and a half away from their arrival. The sisters will work in both church and school. What is clear from our side is that we would never replace any of our current staff just to make room for a sister. If there is a staff opening at that time, we would certainly see if a qualified sister is available. There are plenty of things to be done here without replacing anyone: creating a sort of campus ministry at HFA, parish youth group and young adult ministry, etc.

Where will the sisters live? The St. Joseph campus of St. Gabriel parish in Hopkins has an abandoned convent with 18 bedrooms. Structurally it is in good shape but internally it is a bit of a disaster. We will use the coming year to restore it as the future home of the sisters. They preferred it instead of a house near Holy Family as it is already designed as a convent (with chapel, etc.) and they see it becoming their main base in the Twin Cities. As God has blessed them with many vocations, they intend to fill it with sisters! Some sisters will work in Hopkins and in other apostolates or undertake further studies—we can’t be greedy and have them all at Holy Family!

Please join me in thanking God for the many ways He is blessing our parish. There is much work for us to do to cooperate with these blessings—so let’s get started! ~ Father Joseph Johnson
CHRISTMASTIDE SCHEDULE

**Christmas**

**Monday, December 24th**
4 PM Nativity Pageant & Vigil Mass
9 PM Mass of Christmas Night

**Tuesday, December 25th**
9 AM Mass of Christmas Morning
11 AM Mass of Christmas Day

**Christmas & New Year’s Adoration Hours**

Closed Monday, Dec. 24th, Noon through
Wednesday, Dec. 26th after the 8 AM Mass

Closed Monday, Dec. 31st, Noon through
Wednesday, Jan. 2nd after the 8 AM Mass

**Feast of the Holy Family**

**Saturday, December 29th**
5 PM Vigil Mass
followed by wine & cheese reception

**Sunday, December 30th**
9 AM Mass
11 AM Mass
followed by cake & mimosa reception

**Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God**

(Holy Day of Obligation)

**Monday, December 31st**
5 PM Vigil Mass

**Tuesday, January 1st**
9 AM Mass
11 AM Mass

*Check our website www.hfcmn.org for more details.*