

Holy Family

Catholic Church

Reverend Patrick Dolan, Pastor 4380 Utica St. Denver, 80212

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 10, 2021



Mass Schedule

Weekday

Monday—Friday (Church).....7:30 am

Sunday

Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday.....8:00 am, 9:30 am

Sunday.....11:00 am (Bilingual)

Chapel is open for prayer:

Tuesday & Thursday.....10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday (Church).....3:00 - 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Tue., Wed., Thur., Fri. 9 am - 5 pm

Closed on Mondays

Please Note New Closure Policy

When it's announced on TV Channels 4, 7 or 9 that Arrupe High School is either closed or on remote learning status, there will be no Masses or other activities at Holy Family.

MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish is a community that builds on a long tradition of bringing people to a closer relationship with God through prayer, sacraments, celebrations, education, and service to those in need.

A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends:

Last weekend, as many of you have heard, I had a “head-on run-in” with a food allergy. The medication I was given to bring the swelling down left me feeling exhausted. However the allergic reaction itself caused a lot of swelling in my vocal cords and I was without my voice for the weekend. Over the years, on the few occasions in which I’ve lost my voice, I’ve always gained some interesting insights!

For about 48 hours speaking was just a little bit painful. For me, it is interesting to spend some time in a world in which every word I say cost me a little. I wonder how different our world would be if we were all sharing in that dynamic (at least for a while). With the advent of social media, there are people who have not had an unpublished thought in years! Anything that crosses our mind gets spoken aloud or typed out to someone. We have developed an incessant need to express every stray thought that wanders through our neural networks.

Sadly, it probably never occurs to us that the more constant our chatter, the less possibility there is that any one thing we say will be received with any true weight. I imagine I am not alone as I look back over my life and see how often my need to participate in a conversation does not necessarily come from a place of having anything to offer on the topic. It would be an interesting exercise for us, not always, but on occasion, to notice and experience what it means to participate through active listening instead of feeling the need to express.

Of course, today is Tuesday, and as expected, my voice has returned. I imagine that the past 48 hours will not, in the long term, radically change the way I interact in the world. But I hope that a small notion might linger and come into focus every once in a while. I am mindful of the words of Mahatma Gandhi, who said, “Speak only if it improves upon the silence.” In our own gospel tradition, Jesus’ call for an economy of speech is even stronger: “Let your “Yes” be “Yes” and your “No” be “No.” Anything else is from the evil one.” Matt. 5: 37

I truly believe self-expression is a wonderful thing. But self-expression should also be done mindfully. Otherwise it becomes a constant white noise over which the deeper faith, love, and grace that we might share may not be heard. While it is nice to have my voice back, it is also nice to have encountered, hopefully, a little insight within the silence.

Fr. Pat



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Imagining a camel small enough to fit through the eye of a needle can make you stop and rub your eyes and say, “WHAAT?” This hyperbole for things we could never possibly do was a common example in the world of Jesus, and he certainly meant the image to be taken seriously when he taught about what it takes to enter the kingdom of God.

I have been blessed in my life to be almost constantly in the presence of deeply wise people, people for whom the pursuit of and submission to wisdom has been far more important than any other crown. So when my lifelong friend Mary Frances Jaster answered the phone today I said, without preamble, “Talk to me about the rich young man.” Without missing a beat, she referred me to lyrics from a song I didn’t know, lyrics that tell of being touched by seeing a man with *no clothes, no money, no plate*.

There are blessed moments in life that shrink us. Seeing the Afghan refugees arriving with no clothes, no money, no plate is one of them. Standing in a dark field on a dark night and seeing the galaxy twinkling above is another. That same galaxy certainly inspired the psalmist to ask “Who are we, God, that you are mindful of us (8:4)?

There are other moments that shrink us too, like when we realize how wrong we’ve been, and how much God has forgiven our arrogance. I love finally seeing the world from God’s perspective. Like John the Baptist, I want to decrease, so that Jesus in me may increase. Somehow, the more space he takes up, the less space I need. In what ways have you felt yourself shrink as Jesus makes more room in you? Kathy McGovern ©2021

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“Never will anyone who says his Rosary every day become a formal heretic or be led astray by the devil.”
- Saint Louis de Montfort

October
is the
Month of
the Most Holy
Rosary
of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

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OCTOBER

What's happening at Holy Family:

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Holy Family Altar & Rosary Society is having its membership drive during the month of October. Membership dues are \$5.00 a year or \$60.00 for lifetime membership. There will be a basket in the back of the church with membership envelopes, please put completed envelopes in the collection basket.

The dues support the purchase of altar supplies (e.g. flowers, communion hosts, candlesticks, altar cloths, linens and vestments). We encourage all ladies of the parish to belong to Altar and Rosary. Your participation may be praying for Father Pat and the parish, attending or helping out at an Altar and Rosary event. The meetings are on the third Saturday of the month in the Parish Hall.

ALSO:

The minutes from the Altar & Rosary Meeting of Saturday, September 18th are available at the entrance of the church.

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#### SACK LUNCHES – OCT. 24, (SACKS OUT OCT. 17)

Take as many sacks as lunches you can make. In each lunch place 2 sandwiches, chips, a dessert (cookies, snack bar), and a fruit. You may add water or a drink. You could put a note of encouragement in the lunch. The lunches go to the Volunteers of America, then to the needy on the streets of Denver.

#### MINISTRY FAIR AFTER ALL MASSES OCT. 30/31

From Father's letter last week: Liturgical Ministries— For Mass to happen we always need more than “the clergy”. For our weekend services to truly reflect a communal experience we need readers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and altar servers. We also need musicians, as well as people who are interested in art and environment.

At the ministry Fair you will have an opportunity to learn more about a ministry, and after some discussion, choose one or more suited to your interests.

#### SAVE THE DATE

#### *Pumpkins into Saints*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 9AM – PARISH HALL



## IN PRAYER

*We remember our parish deceased*

† Kathy Morahan Saultan

*and the Holy Souls in Purgatory. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed Rest in Peace.*

*We pray for the homebound, sick, caregivers, and those in the book of the sick.*

*Take a moment to read the “Book of the Sick” so that you may know who needs prayer. Be sure to add your prayer intentions so that we can hold each other up in prayer each day!*

*We pray for our men & women in uniform.*

*Lord, Hear out Prayer!*

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Women of the Parish are invited to the

#### *Magnificat Luncheon*



Magnificat is a Ministry to Catholic Women who gather in a spirit of gratitude and praise of God. Please join in a Luncheon where there will be a time of song, prayer and an opportunity to hear the Speaker's experiences of the transforming love of Christ in his own life. The Luncheon is Saturday, October

23 at 11 am at St. Thomas More Church 8035 S. Quebec, Centennial, CO, 80112. The speaker, Frank DeAngelis will speak about “Tragedy to Triumph”. Cost: \$30 Reservations -Celia at 303.884.3902.

The following is sent to members of Magnificat each month:

“Pray the Rosary on the 4th of each month for the intentions of our Magnificat Sisters around the world.”

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*Notice how the trees do not cling to their leaves.
Fall is about releasing the old to make
way for the new.*





MASS INTENTIONS

October 9 – Oct. 17, 2021

9 Saturday, Weekday

4:00 †Barbara Doll by Family

10 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †George Lutito by Paul Rizzo

9:30 †Anthony Gallo by Jeff Teter

11:00 People of Holy Family

11 Monday, St. John XXIII, Pope

7:30 †Arnold Miller by Jack & Sharon Wolf

12 Tuesday, Weekday

7:30 †Betty Lantzy by Mark & Diane Potter

13 Wednesday, Weekday

7:30 Neil & Jan Dvorak - 50th Anniv. By Donna Vogt

14 Thursday, Weekday

7:30 Int of Kathy/Bob Byrnes by Mark/Diane Potter

15 Friday, St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of Church

7:30 Inten. of Fr. Frank Garcia by Char Wolf

16 Saturday, Weekday

4:00 †Ray, Sr. & Ray Baca, Jr. by Baca-Barrios Family

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8:00 †Connie Muñiz by Family

9:30 Ernie Beall by Friends at H.F.

11:00 People of Holy Family

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR:

WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, October 3, 2021

MASSES \$4,942.00

MAIL-IN \$ 710.00

ON-LINE \$2,652.00

TOTAL \$ 8,304.00

Thank you for your generosity.

HOLY FAMILY ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Annual Financial Report is available for pick-up in the church vestibule next to the bulletins, or at the Church Office during regular business hours. Please feel free to take a copy with you. If you have any questions or comments on the report, please contact Mike Brisnehan at 303. 455. 1664 Ext. 112.

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MEET OUR STAFF

The Parish Office is closed on Mondays

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Pastoral AssistantDeacon Richard Vieira

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Director of Faith Formation..... Sr. Sharon Ford

Administrative Assistant.....Regina Bowman

Administrative Assistant..... Anni Fassel

Administrative Assistant..... Sabina Doane

Music Ministry.....Patricia Doane

Sacristans...Mary Ellen Iten, Mark Potter, Rose Williamson

Parish Hall Manager.....Gerri Faes

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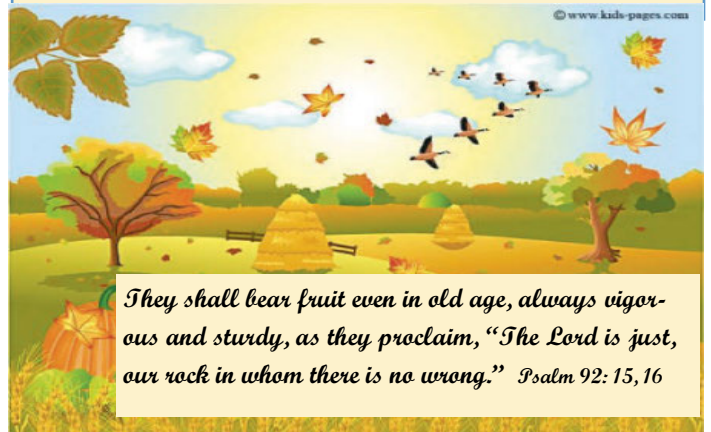
HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHAPEL

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CHAPEL, TO PRAISE & THANK GOD, TO LISTEN, AND TO PLACE YOUR BURDENS AND CONCERNS AT THE FOOT OF THE CRUCIFIX.

**Visit the Chapel on Tuesdays and Thursdays
from 10 am - 4 pm.**

Sign the sheet and spend time with your "best friend".

**Attendance at the Chapel is dropping off. Consider a visit.
Take just a few minutes to come in and pray.**



They shall bear fruit even in old age, always vigorous and sturdy, as they proclaim, "The Lord is just, our rock in whom there is no wrong." Psalm 92: 15, 16

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