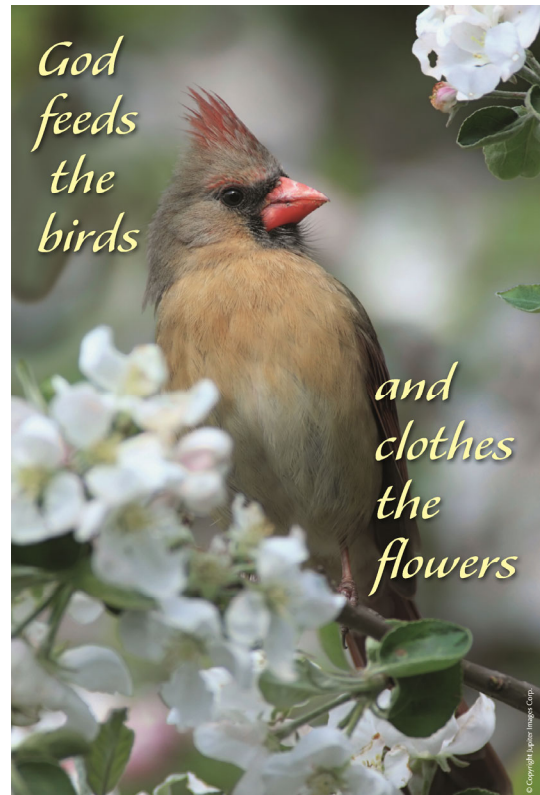


Holy Family Catholic Church



FAMILY PRAYER

God Made us a family.

We need one another.

We love one another

We forgive one another.

We work together.

We play together.

Together we learn God's Word.

Together we grow in Christ.

Together we love all people.

Together we serve our God.

Together we hope for Heaven.

These are our hopes.

Help us obtain them, Father,
through Jesus your Son, our Lord. Amen.

O you of little faith? So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' All these things are pagans seek."

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Van Alstyne TX, 75495

Parish Office: 903-482-6322

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Website: www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org

Clergy

Fr. Salvador Guzmán, Pastor

Fr. Eugene Azorji, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Patrick A. Hayes

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:00 am - English Mass

12:00 pm - Spanish Mass

Thursday: 9:00 am - Daily Mass

Baptism

Baptisms in English: 2nd Sunday of each month
 Baptisms in Spanish: 1st Sunday of each month

Pre Baptismal Class Registration: Registration required by the Sunday before class begins. Classes are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **Parents:** Bring copy of child's birth certificate. Both parents must attend class. **Godparents:** Must be practicing Catholics. Copy of marriage certificate through the Catholic church. Both godparents must attend class. **As a courtesy, please do not bring children to class.**

First Communion

April 26, 2014 10:00 am

Confirmation:

2015 to be Scheduled

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish.

Reconciliation/Confession

Immediately following the 1st Mass

Marriage/Wedding

Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to planned Wedding date.

Holy Orders/Priesthood

Talk to your Parish priest or call Fr. John Szatkowski, Director of Vocations of the Diocese of Dallas at 214-379-2860.

Courtney Hicks
 Mirna Caldon
 Rita Christian
 Karen Elliott
 Toby Mills

**PRAY
 For**

Arnie Clark
 Tommie Rosenthal
 Brooklyn Schulze
 Jim Colvin

Offering

Attendance	February	23, 2014	499
Offerings:	February	23, 2014	\$ 1,726.97
Building Fund:	February	23, 2014	\$ 1,003.01

Upcoming Dates to Remember

March 5, 2014 Ash Wednesday English Mass 6:00 pm

Recordatorio de fechas proximas

Marzo 5, 2014 Miercoles de Ceniza. Spanish Mass 8:00 pm

A unos miembros del Festival de Primavera se les a dado permiso de ir a vender nachos, tacos, refrescos y otros articulos de comida a la Iglesia del Perpetuo Socorro donde el Padre Cruz es el Parroco esto sera el 9 de Marzo. Lo que se recaude ira a los Fondos del Edificio. Tambien estaran vendiendo boletos para la rifa del Festival de Primavera y la rifa de la colcha. Ya que la carne esta un poco cara y ellos donaron la comida que se vendio el 9 de Febrero a lo cual contribuyeron \$649.00 a los fondos. Si te pudieras ayudar con una donacion por favor pasa por la mesa que esta a la entrada y depositalo en la canasta. Nuestra Iglesia recibira todos lo que se recaude. Fue muy amable el Padre Cruz de permitir a la Iglesia de la Sagrada Familia esta oportunidad. Nuestro comite del Festival de Primavera estan muy agradecidos por tu contribucion para hacer esto posible. Gracias tambien a las cocineras y voluntarios que estaran preparando esta comida para la venta.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 2

8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Mass
 10:15 am-11:15 am Faith Formation
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, March 3

9:00 am Rosary

Tuesday, March 4

7:00 pm RCIA Meeting

Wednesday March 5

6:00 pm English Mass
 8:00 pm Spanish Mass
 No Faith Formation

Thursday, March 6

9:00 am Mass
 9:30 am Bible Class
 7:00 pm Spanish Youth Choir

Friday, March 7

7:00 pm Spanish Adult Choir

Saturday, March 8

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Members of our Spring Fest have been granted permission to come sell Nacho's, Taco's, drinks and other food items at OLPH, the parish, Father Cruz is pastor, on March 9th. These funds will be for our Building Fund. They will also sell Raffle tickets for both the Quilt and Spring Fest Raffle. The meat to sale the food is rather costly and they donated the food Sunday February 9th and contributed \$649 to the Fund. If you would like to make a money donation to help pay for the food for this sell please stop by the table where tickets are available and place your donation in the basket. Our Parish will get all the funds received. This is so kind of Fr. Cruz to allow Holy Family this opportunity. Our Spring Fest committee are grateful for your contribution to make this possible. We want to Thank the cooks and volunteers who will prepare the meat for the Sell.

Announcements

FAITH FORMATION

NO Classes on Ash Wednesday March 5th
Spring Break No Classes
Sunday March 9th & March 16th
Wednesday March 12th

FORMACION DE FE

No hay clases el 5 de Marzo, Miercoles de ceniza No hay clases el Domingo 9 y el Miercoles 16 de Marzo por las vacaciones de primavera.



Raffle Tickets are available after Mass today!!
Hand Made Quilt Donated by Corinne Lageose on display and tickets also available. Come pick up raffle tickets for both raffles and sell to business acquaintances, friends, and relatives.
The more we sell the Building Fund grows for our Faith Formation Education Center.

Tiquetes para la Rifa estaran disponibles despues de la misa hoy!! Una Colcha hecha a mano donada por la Sra Corinne Lageose esta en exhibicion y los tiquetes tambien estan disponibles. Ven y recoge unos tiquetes para las dos rifas y ayudanos a vender a tus familiars, vecinos, companeros de trabajo. Lo mas que podamos vender los Fondos del Edificio creceran mas rapido para nuestro Centro de Educacion de Formacion de Fe.

Si necesitas un sacerdote llama a la iglesia de St. Miguel de Arcangel en McKinney donde nuestro Sacerdoteel Padre Salvador Guzman y nuestro vicario el Padre Eugenio Azorji residen. Llama al 972-542-4667 o visita la iglesia en el 411 Paula Rd. en McKinney, TX 75069.

**If You need a priest call St. Michael the Archangel where our Pastor Fr. Salvador Guzmán and our Parochial Pastor Fr. Eugene Azorji reside.
Call: 972-542-4667 or visit 411 Paula Rd McKinney, TX 75069**

Safe Environment

REMINDER!!!!!!!!!!

Safe Environment must be current to be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher, Faith Formation Catechist, Aide, Monitor, Choir, or any group that children may be involved. Go to our Web Site fill out the form and send it. Art Atteberry, Director will process it promptly.

Ambiente Seguro

RECORDATORIO!!!!!!

El ambiente seguro debera estar al corriente para poder server como Ministro Extraordinario, Lector, Acomodador, Catequista de formacion de Fe, Ayudante de maestra, Monitor o Coro o cualquier otro grupo que ninos esten participando. Ve a nuestra pagina de internet llena la forma y mandala. Arthur Atteberry nuestro director las procesara lo mas pronto posible.

Thursday Mornings Holy Family has Mass at 9:00 am. Followed by Bible Class. Come join us.

Rosary every Sunday morning at 8:30 am.
Rosary every Monday morning at 9:00 am.
Lent Starts March 5th Come for Mass on Thursdays and/or for Rosary's. Lenten Season helps us to reflect on what Jesus did for us.
morning at 9:00 am.

Los jueves por la mañana a las 9:00 de la mañana la Iglesia de la Sagrada Familia tiene Misas seguido por la clase de Biblia. Ven a acompanarnos. Rosarios cada domingo por la mañana a las 8:30 am Rosario cada Lunes por la mañana a las 9:00 am La cuaresma empieza el 5 de marzo ven a misa los jueves y a los rosarios. La cuaresma nos ayuda a reflexionar en lo que Jesus hizo por nosotros.

Confession: A gift of the Spirit

Returning, as he often does, to God's mercy and forgiveness, Pope Francis reminded his general audience this week that the Sacrament of Penance is "a gift from the Holy Spirit."

"The forgiveness of our sins is not something we can offer to ourselves; it is not the result of our efforts, but rather a gift from the Holy Spirit, which fills us from the wellspring of mercy and grace that surges endlessly from the open heart of Christ, crucified and risen again. ... It reminds us that it is only by allowing ourselves to be reconciled through the Lord Jesus with the Father and with our brothers that we may truly be at peace".

Asking the crowd in St. Peter's Square "When was the last time you went to confession?" he added, "If a long time has passed, do not waste another day, go, the priest will be good. It is Jesus who is there, and Jesus is better than a priest, Jesus will receive you, He will receive you with love. Be courageous and go to confession! ... Every time we confess, God embraces us, God celebrates! Let us go ahead on this path. May God bless you!"

The Holy Father continued, "It is not enough to ask for the Lord's forgiveness in our own minds and hearts, but rather it is also necessary to humbly and trustfully confess our sins to a minister of the Church. ...The priest does not only represent God, but rather the community as a whole, and anyone who seeks to confess only to God should remember that our sins are also committed against our brothers and against the Church, which is why it is necessary to ask forgiveness from them too... the priest receives this confession with love and tenderness, and forgives in the name of God."

Recognizing that fear can often keep us from confession, the Pope added that "From a human point of view, to unburden oneself, it is good to speak with a brother and to tell the priest those things which lie so heavily upon our hearts. And one feels unburdened before God, with the Church, and with a brother. Do not be afraid of confession!"

Three Little Words

As usual Pope Francis showed that great wisdom comes in simple words. In addressing 10,000 couples in St. Peter's square on St. Valentine's Day, the Holy Father said that "living together is an art, a patient, beautiful and fascinating journey...which can be summarized in three words: please, thank you and sorry."

I will let the Holy Father speak for himself in the following excerpts from his message.

Please: A kind request to be able to enter into the life of someone else with respect and care...True love does not impose itself with hardness and aggression...St. Francis said that courtesy is the sister of charity. It extinguishes hatred and enkindles love.

Thank you: Gratitude is an important sentiment...It is important to keep alive your awareness that the other person is a gift from God, and we should always give thanks for gifts from God...It is necessary to learn to say thank you, to journey ahead together.

Sorry: In our lives we make many errors and many mistakes. We all do and this is why we need to be able to use this simple word: sorry...Let us learn to recognize our mistakes and to apologize.

Jesus, who knows us well, teaches us a secret: never let a day go by without asking forgiveness or without restoring peace to your home.

Confesión: Un don del Espíritu

Como lo hace a menudo, esta semana el Papa Francisco volvió a abordar el tema de la misericordia y el perdón de Dios y recordó a su audiencia general que el Sacramento de la Penitencia es “un don del Espíritu Santo.”

“El perdón de nuestros pecados no es algo que podemos darnos nosotros mismos, ni es el resultado de nuestros esfuerzos, sino que es un don del Espíritu Santo, quien nos llena con la fuente de gracia y misericordia que fluye incesantemente desde el corazón abierto de par en par de Cristo crucificado y resucitado ...Y nos recuerda que sólo reconciliándonos en el Señor Jesucristo, con el Padre y con nuestros hermanos podremos estar verdaderamente en paz.”

Preguntado a la multitud reunida en la Plaza de San Pedro: “¿Cuándo fue la última vez que se confesaron?” El Santo Padre les dijo, “Si ha pasado mucho tiempo, no pierdan un día más, que el sacerdote será bueno. Y allí estará Jesús, que es más bueno que los sacerdotes, y nos recibe, con tanto amor. ¡Sean valientes y vayan a confesarse!... “¡Qué cada vez que nos confesamos, Dios nos abraza, Dios nos hace una fiesta! Continuemos por este camino. ¡Qué Dios los bendiga!”

El Santo Padre agregó, “no es suficiente pedir perdón al Señor con la mente y el corazón, sino que hay que confesar humilde y confiadamente nuestros pecados a un ministro de la Iglesia...El sacerdote no solo representa a Dios sino también a toda la comunidad, y aunque uno piense que puede confesarse sólo con Dios no debe olvidar que los pecados son cometidos contra nuestros hermanos y contra la Iglesia, por lo que es necesario pedirles perdón también a ellos...el sacerdote recibe esta confesión con amor y ternura, y perdona en nombre de Dios.”

Reconociendo que el miedo puede, a menudo, mantenernos alejados de la confesión, el Papa agregó que desde un punto de vista humano, para desahogarse, es bueno hablar con el hermano y decirle al sacerdote lo que tanto nos pesa en el corazón. Uno siente que se desahoga ante Dios, con la Iglesia y con su hermano. ¡No teman ir a confesarse!”

Tres Sencillas Palabras

Como ya es habitual, el Papa Francisco demostró que las palabras sencillas encierran una gran sabiduría. Al dirigirse a las 10,000 parejas en la Plaza de San Pedro el día de San Valentín, el Santo Padre dijo que “la convivencia es un arte, un camino paciente, hermoso y fascinante... que tiene unas reglas que se pueden resumir en tres palabras: ¿Puedo?, Gracias y Perdón.”

Dejaré que el mismo Santo Padre sea quien les hable a través de los siguientes pasajes de su mensaje.

¿Puedo?: Es pedir permiso para entrar en la vida de alguna persona con respeto y atención... El verdadero amor no se impone con dureza o agresividad...San Francisco decía que la cortesía es la hermana de la caridad, que apaga el odio y mantiene el amor.”

Gracias: La gratitud es un sentimiento importante...Es importante ser conscientes que la persona que tenemos frente a nosotros es un don de Dios y que siempre debemos agradecer los dones de Dios... Para caminar juntos es necesario aprender a decir gracias.”

Perdón: En nuestra vida cometemos muchos errores y equivocaciones. Todos lo hacemos, por lo cual es necesario que seamos capaces de utilizar esta sencilla palabra: perdón...Aprendamos a reconocer nuestros errores y a pedir disculpas.

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Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Date: Sept 18, 2011

Janis Hicks 903-744-7999

Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions