

Holy Family Catholic Church



Pope Francis's Prayer to the Holy Family

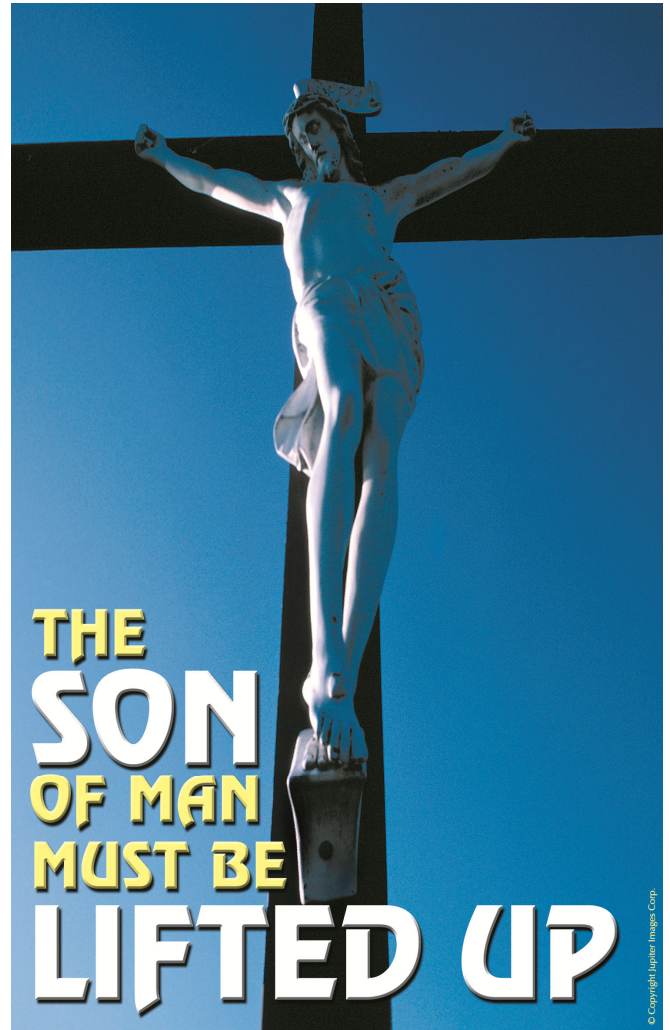
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendor of true love,
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel,
and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection, and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the approaching Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer. Amen



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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 11, 2015 Saturday 10:00 am

Confirmation:

March 24, 2015 Tuesday 7:00 pm

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 Father James Swift, C.M., Rector of Vocations of the Diocese of Dallas at 214-379-2860.

Prayer Request

Holly Basterling	Elaine Clark	Chuck Tome
Arnie Clark	David Nealon	Connie Miller
Ann Lageose	Stella West	Tommie Rosenthal
Brooklyn Schulze	Anonymous	Carlene Ewing

Offering

Attendance:	September 7, 2014	555
Offerings:	September 7, 2014	\$ 2,466.45
Building Fund:	September 7, 2014	\$ 1,471.08

Parish Volunteers: Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Jim Rountree / Altar Servers: Art Atteberry Ushers: Wayne Silks / RCIA & Evening Bible Class: Phil Hunter / Morning Bible Class: Caroline Gaus Choir: So Hee Lawson / Youth Leaders: Alma & Julio Salas / **Spanish:** Marriage Group: Maria & Lino Hernandez/Altar Servers: Lectors: Eucharistic Ministers: Martha Whitfield / Ushers: Amador Garcia / Choirs: Adult: Vangelina / Youth: Gustavo

Renewal of Safe Environment

Update Was Held Friday September 12 at 6:30pm

PLEASE don't let your Safe Environment Go Dormant.

What ever Ministry you participate in NEEDS YOU !!

If you failed to RENEW, you will become inactive, this requires you to start over and this is costly for our Parish.

If you were unable to attend on September 12th , please go on line and complete the requirement before September 30th.

Any Questions: call art5121@cableone.net or by calling 903-815-0458.

New individuals wanting S.E. go to the Web Site and fill out the form for S. E.

Take the time to look over our WEB SITE it is really great!

Information of importance as well as the weekly Bulletin is available. www.holyfamily-vanalstyne.org

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 14

8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Mass
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, September 15

9:00 am Rosary

Tuesday, September 16

Wednesday September 17

Thursday, September 18

9:00 am Mass Bible Class Following Mass
 7:00 pm Talleres De Oracion Y Vida
 7:30 pm Adult Bible Class
 7:00 pm Spanish Youth Choir

Friday, September 19

7:00 pm Spanish Adult Choir

Saturday, September 20

Grief Support Group

The Holy Family Grief Support Group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 9th Room 1

Come and meet with two trained grief facilitators who will listen, pray, and support you during a difficult time in your life. Lost a loved one? Lost a job? Lost a relationship? Stressed? Just need to talk? We are here to listen.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Susanne Hayes 214-636-1915 or shayes5252@gmail.com

RCIA

"RCIA classed will begin on Sept 16th or 23rd. If you know someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic church and it's beliefs please invite them to attend. The first weeks include those who just want to learn more about Catholic belief. Also If you want to deepen your Catholic faith this would be a good way to do so. Please contact Janis Hicks or Phil Hunter if you have questions."

Phil Hunter 903-818-5014 or 903-482-6322

University of Dallas Ministry Conference

The 8th Annual University of Dallas Ministry Conference will be held from October 23rd - 25th, at the Irving Convention Center. The First 20 Catechist and/or Volunteers in Ministry will be registered promptly to attend the Conference as representatives of Holy Family Parish of Van Alstyne. Just remember if you sign up and don't attend our Pastor wants you to know you will have to reimburse the Parish. www.udallas.edu/udmc.

Conferencia de Ministerio de la Universidad de Dallas

La 8va anual Conferencia de Ministerio de la Universidad de Dallas se llevara a cabo del 23 al 25 de Octubre, en el Centro de Convenciones de Irving. Las primeras 20 Catequistas/voluntarios de ministerios necesitan registraste lo mas pronto posible para asistir a la Conferencia representando a la iglesia de la Sagrada Familia de Van Alstyne. Pero recuerden si te registras y no asistes nuestro parroco quiere que estes enterado que tu tendras que pagar el costo a la iglesia. www.udallas.edu/udmc.



Kathryn Wohlander, Director of Development

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Walk a Mile In My Shoes

Sixth Annual Friends of the Poor® 5K Walk Will Help North Texas Neighbors in Need

For nearly two centuries, the poor and needy of the world have found a friend in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP). This year, on Saturday, September 20, the Society will hold its sixth annual nationwide Friends of the Poor® Walk to benefit the needy. In the Dallas area, the walk will be held at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store and Bachman Lake, 3052 W. Northwest Hwy., Dallas, TX. Participant check-in begins at 8:00 am at the Thrift Store parking lot; the Walk begins at 9:00 am, rain or shine.

MISSION LIFE

Former Holy Family parishioners; Lou and Mary Giebel and their two sons Peter and Andrew, are entering Catholic lay mission life with Family Missions Company next month and are asking for your prayers and support. If you would like to find out more information about their mission or follow them on their journey, their website is: <http://www.giebelfamily.fmcmissions.com/>

Faith Formation 2014-2015

Dates to Remember:

September 17, 2014—Mandatory Parent Meeting

September 21, 2014 — First Class Meeting

K-5th 10:15-11:30am

6th-Confirmation 1:30-2:45pm

Formacion de Fe 2014-2015

Fechas que hay que recordar:

17 de Septiembre, 2014 Junta mandatoria para padres

21 de Septiembre, 2014 Primera Clase

Kinder a 5to 10:15 a 11:30 A. M.

6to a Confirmación 1:30 a 2:45 P.M.

Holy Family became a Parish in the Diocese of Dallas in 1980. Welcome to the Expansion of the Parish you helped establish. Thank you

Reminder:

Today immediately following Mass the Knights of Columbus and new members will have a short meeting in Room # 1. Any man that would like to join our Newly formed Council here at Holy Family are urged to stay. This an exciting as it indicates the growth of Holy Family.



Holy Family's Annual
 Golf Tournament
 OCTOBER 21, 2014
 Oak Hollow Golf
 Course Located in
 McKinney, TX

TODAY Once Again we will have sign ups for Golfers
 You can get your own Team together or sign up as a single .
 Cost \$75.00 each which includes a golf cart goodie Bag,
 Barbeque Dinner at the end of play. An auction of several
 gift Baskets. Come early at 9:00 am for the Putting Contest.
 We need your participation to make this a SUCCESS!

Parish Members:

This Golf Tournament is being established to Grow the Funds for our Faith Formation Education Building. Our youth's instruction of their Faith is our fundamental duty. Jesus, ask us as parents and Catechist to teach His word, and to love one another as He taught the Apostles. Now we want to raise funds to implement this need even if you don't play Golf. We need volunteers. Donation list needed to complete the Auction Baskets is available. Please sign up and help our Auction Basket Coordinator, Mary Peryra, she has created some very unique Baskets. They will be here on display for Bid Soon and then to the Tournament, October 21st.. Thanks for all your help in advance for bringing items for the Baskets. Separate Handout

Teams need to Sign Up Promptly for our Tournament. Sponsors are needed for each hole. An Advertisement sign of your Business or personal sponsorship will be placed at each hole.

Auction Baskets are being assembled with neat throw blanket for a theme including accent items.

Example: Golf: Balls—Tees- Arnold Palmer-Jack Nicklaus-Tiger Woods (Memorabilia)

Football: Adult Size football-small items A & M— Texas Longhorn— Dallas Cowboys
 (Memorabilia) Peanuts-Popcorn-Pennants etc.

Anyone who would like to donate to the Baskets please Contact: Mary Peryra dlpereyra@sbcglobal.net

All Funds Earned less expenses will be placed in the Faith Formation Education Fund Come help the Cause!!!

Gospel Reading

John 3:13-17

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, so that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

In John's Gospel, Jesus' death on the cross as well as his resurrection and return to the Father are one event. For him, the cross is a sign of exaltation. The serpent that Moses lifted up in the desert to offer healing to those injured by snake bites prefigures Jesus' being lifted up on the cross, bringing salvation.

The eternal life God offers through Jesus is not life without end but life lived in the unending presence of God. That is why it can begin now in this life. The world to which God sends the Son is not a place but those people who are at odds with Jesus and God. Jesus is sent to this world as a gift. Only believers accept the gift.

Finally, God's judgment on the world is not a future cosmic event but a present reality. God sent the Son out of love for the world. However, the world has to decide to accept him. Those who accept him have eternal life at the moment of the decision. Those who reject him don't.

I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me. – John 17:20-21

Jesus' prayer for unity is popularly understood in an ecumenical context; however, the scandal of disunity is also present within the Church. In his General Audience last week, Pope Francis spoke of divisions within the Christian community, the Church. "Let us consider not only the schisms, let us consider the very common lapses in our communities, 'parochial' sins, those sins in the parishes. Sometimes, in fact, our parishes, called to be places of sharing and communion, are sadly marred by envy, jealousy, antipathy... and gossip which everyone passes on."

"In a Christian community," the Holy Father continued, "division is one of the gravest sins because it makes it a sign not of God's work, but of the devil's work, who is by definition the one who separates, who destroys relationships, who insinuates prejudice. Division in a Christian community, whether in a school, a parish, or an association, is a very grave sin, because it is the work of the devil."

Our immediate reaction might very well be, "yes, see how they are dividing the Church," pointing a verbal finger at those whose theology or worldview is different from ours. Of course, we are all certain that we hold the right opinion. It is so easy to slip into self-righteousness, like the Pharisee who looked at the prayerful publican and thought to himself, "O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector" Luke 18:11.

We are quick to judge others and slow to examine our own actions. Polarization in the Church today is a major scandal because it obscures rather than proclaims the Gospel of Jesus. Concluding his remarks, the Pope added, "Let these words of Jesus resound in our hearts: 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God'" (Mt 5:9). Let us ask sincerely for forgiveness for all the times in which we have caused division or misunderstanding within our communities, knowing well that communion is not achieved except through constant conversion... asking the Lord for the grace not to speak ill, not to criticize, not to gossip, to love everyone. It is a grace which the Lord gives us."

Uno de los Pecados mas Graves en una Comunidad Cristiana

by Bishop Kevin J. Farrell

No ruego solamente por ellos, sino también por los que, gracias a su palabra, creerán en mí. Que todos sean uno: como tú, Padre, estás en mí y yo en ti, que también ellos sean uno en nosotros, para que el mundo crea que tú me enviaste. – Juan 17:20-21

La oración de Jesús por la unidad es entendida en un contexto ecuménico. Sin embargo, el escándalo de la desunión también está presente dentro de la Iglesia. En su Audiencia General de la semana pasada, el Papa Francisco habló de las divisiones dentro de la comunidad Cristiana, la Iglesia. "Y no pensemos sólo en los cismas, pensemos en faltas muy comunes en nuestras comunidades, en pecados 'parroquiales,' en los pecados de las parroquias. A veces, en efecto, nuestras parroquias, llamadas a ser lugares donde se comparte y se vive en comunión, están tristemente marcadas por envidias, celos y antipatías... Y las habladurías están al alcance de todos."

"En una comunidad Cristiana," agregó el Santo Padre, "la división es uno de los pecados más graves, porque la convierte en signo no de la obra de Dios, sino de la obra del diablo, el cual es por definición el que separa, quien arruina las relaciones, insinúa prejuicios... La división en una comunidad cristiana, sea una escuela, una parroquia o una asociación, es un pecado gravísimo, porque es obra del diablo."

Nuestra reacción inmediata podría ser, "sí, vean cómo están dividiendo la Iglesia," apuntando con un dedo verbal a las personas cuya teología o visión del mundo es diferente a la nuestra. Por supuesto, estamos bien seguros que nosotros tenemos la razón. Es tan fácil caer en su propia justicia, como el fariseo que miró el publicano orante y pensó, "Dios mío, te doy gracias porque no soy como los demás hombres, que son ladrones, injustos y adúlteros; ni tampoco como ese publicano" Lucas 18:11.

Nos apresuramos a juzgar a los demás, pero somos lentos al examinar nuestras propias acciones. La polarización en la Iglesia actual es un gran escándalo porque en lugar de proclamar el Evangelio de Jesús, lo oscurece. Concluyendo su discurso, el Papa agregó, "dejemos que estas palabras de Jesús hagan eco en nuestros corazones: 'Felices los que trabajan por la paz, porque serán llamados hijos de Dios'" (Mt 5:9). Pidamos perdón de corazón por todas las veces que hemos causado divisiones o malentendidos dentro de nuestras comunidades, sabiendo bien que la comunión no se logra excepto a través de una constante conversión... pidiéndole al Señor la gracia para no hablar mal, no criticar, no chismear y amar a todos. Es una gracia que el Señor nos da."

Information Page

Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions