

Holy Family Catholic Church



Family Prayer

Lord, bless our family, all of us now together,
those far away, all who are gone back to you.
May we know joy. May we bear our sorrows
in patience. Let us be grateful to each other.
We have all made each other what we are. O
Family of Jesus, watch over our family.

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

2015 to be Scheduled

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

Courtney Hicks
 Rita Christian
 Karen Elliott
 Toby Mills
 Louis Lesmes
 Bill Holder
 Rosa Turczynski
 Soloman High
 Jeanie Wood
 Jerrell Jones
 Ann Lageose
 Mike Keeton

**PRAY
 For**

Arnie Clark
 Tommie Rosenthal
 Brooklyn Schulze
 Rita Turner
 Dave Parker
 Eddie Parker
 Stella West
 Jerry Phillips
 Johanna Kroeger
 Jack Tyler
 Anonymous
 Barbara Heath
 Debbie Hooper

Offering

Attendance:	August 3, 2014	397
Offerings:	August 3, 2014	\$ 1,903.05
Building Fund:	August 3, 2014	\$ 958.50

Attention Parishioners Prayer Names Submitted to Request Prayers For

Names submitted will remain for four weeks. If the individual needs to remain we request that we receive a call from the person who submitted the name to request that they remain for another four weeks, should they remain in need of prayers for recovery. This is the normal procedure in all parishes through out the Diocese. We are not asking you to remove ones name that is still recovering or perhaps has cancer or other life threatening diseases. Often we forget to remove as they have improved or considered well. Bless you for your cooperation.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15th Friday at 6:00 pm Here
 (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 10

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

Monday, August 11

9:00 am Rosary

Tuesday, August 12

Wednesday August 13

Thursday, August 14

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, August 15

6:00 pm Mass Feast of the Assumption
 7:00 pm Spanish Adult Choir

Saturday, August 16



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, August 12th

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 would like to attend, please contact:

Susanne Hayes 214-636-1915

Faith Formation

(Waiting List) now being taken.

Stop by the office to register.

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. Registration fee is \$57.00 per person. Please consider having someone from your parish sign up all your participants so that everyone can be registered in a timely manner. More information and details are available at www.udallas.edu/udmc.

**Need Catechist-
Catechist Aides-
Hall Monitors-
Sundays-2014-2015 Faith Formation**

LA GRACIA ESTÁ EN TODAS PARTES

La gracia está en todas partes. La gente de fe actúa según esa creencia. Los cristianos estamos llamados a buscar dentro de lo más profundo de nuestro ser para encontrar la presencia de Dios allí. Estamos llamados también a buscar afuera de nosotros para encontrarlo allí también.

La realidad de la gracia ha sostenido y alimentado a la gente por encima de todo. La Iglesia nunca se cansa de contar la historia de los panes y los pescados. Se cuenta seis veces en los cuatro evangelios. Nos podemos imaginar a los dudosos Apóstoles metiendo la mano en las canastas y encontrando pan y más pan. Anticipamos el final. Los Apóstoles se cansaron antes de que se acabara el pan. En otro tiempo y lugar, Isaías también habló de una abundancia, esta vez de agua, miel y rica leche. Dios siempre es un dador de dones y nosotros los beneficiarios. Nuestra respuesta es la doxología o alabanza. En la segunda lectura Pablo proporciona las palabras y la actitud. La alabanza está en todas partes.

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GRATITUDE

O Thou who has given us so much, mercifully grant us one thing more—a grateful heart.

—George Herbert

Diocesan Silver and Gold Mass

The first annual diocesan Silver and Gold Mass is on Saturday, September 6th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, at 2215 Ross Avenue in downtown Dallas. Bishop Farrell will celebrate this Mass, and couples who have been married 25, 50 and 50+ years are invited and encouraged to attend. Families are always welcome to join their loved ones at this joyous celebration, and there is a festive reception following. To register, please visit https://www.cathdal.org/pages/Wedding_Anniversary_2014?from=control panel or call the diocese at 214-379-2896. Registration is important to help in planning for an accurate number of participants. Participating couples will receive a special gift.

Diocesan Ministers of Hospitality Volunteers

The Office of Worship is seeking volunteers to serve as Diocesan Ministers of Hospitality for all diocesan Masses led by the bishop. Ministers of Hospitality, with their welcoming and joyful attitude, are the first to greet visitors and guests who attend these celebrations at the Cathedral. Principal tasks for Ministers of Hospitality include distributing worship aids and supervising processions. No previous experience needed—will train for your ministry! Commitment is 4 to 6 Masses annually. To volunteer, please contact the Office of Worship Dr. Patricia J. Hughes, Director, phughes@cathdal.org

You may enable JavaScript to see this email address. or Sylvia M. Garcia, Associate Director, garcia@cathdal.org You may enable JavaScript to see this email address., or call 214-379-2872

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Clare
- Tuesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Wednesday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
- Thursday: St. Maximilian Kolbe
- Friday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday: St. Stephen of Hungary;
Blessed Virgin Mary

Knights of Columbus Recruitment Weekend

Attention all men of Holy Family, here is your chance to get involved and become a charter member of our own Knights of Columbus council here at Holy Family. After all massed on Sunday, August 17, Knights of Columbus members will be available to discuss membership and our new council here at Holy Family.

The Knights of Columbus was formed in 1882 when the Connecticut state legislature officially chartered the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal benefit society. The Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

The Knights was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

The history of the Order shows how the foresight of Father Michael J. McGivney, whose cause for sainthood is being investigated by the Vatican, brought about what has become the world's foremost Catholic fraternal benefit society. The Order has helped families obtain economic security and stability through its life insurance, annuity and long-term care programs, and has contributed time and energy worldwide to service in communities.

The Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to more than 14,000 councils and 1.8 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Cuba, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan.

All the good works we do are informed by our four core principles:

Charity - Our Catholic faith teaches us to "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together...we support one another. That doesn't mean that we always agree or that there is never a difference of opinion. It does mean that – as a Knight of Columbus – you can count on the support and encouragement of your brother Knights as you work to make life better in your parish and community.

Fraternity – The Venerable Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely. The Order's top-rated insurance program continues to do this today, as do individual Knights, who last year gave more than 10 million hours of their time to assist sick and/or disabled members and their families. In the Knights of Columbus, we watch out for and take care of one another.

Patriotism – Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

Help make our council here at Holy Family a success, We look forward to talking to you on the 17th or feel free to contact Robert Franze at 903-433-1389 or franzer@aol.com. or Scott Shaw at scott.shaw@kofc.org.

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Slowing down, being generous and fighting for peace are part of Pope Francis' secret recipe for happiness. In an interview published in part in the Argentine weekly "Viva" July 27, the pope listed his Top 10 tips for bringing greater joy to one's life:

1. "Live and let live." Everyone should be guided by this principle, he said, which has a similar expression in Rome with the saying, "Move forward and let others do the same."
2. "Be giving of yourself to others." People need to be open and generous toward others, he said, because "if you withdraw into yourself, you run the risk of becoming egocentric. And stagnant water becomes putrid."
3. "Proceed calmly" in life. The pope, who used to teach high school literature, used an image from an Argentine novel by Ricardo Güiraldes, in which the protagonist -- gaucho Don Segundo Sombra -- looks back on how he lived his life. "He says that in his youth he was a stream full of rocks that he carried with him; as an adult, a rushing river; and in old age, he was still moving, but slowly, like a pool" of water, the pope said. He said he likes this latter image of a pool of water -- to have "the ability to move with kindness and humility, a calmness in life."
4. "A healthy sense of leisure." The pleasures of art, literature and playing together with children have been lost, he said. "Consumerism has brought us anxiety" and stress, causing people to lose a "healthy culture of leisure." Their time is "swallowed up" so people can't share it with anyone. Even though many parents work long hours, they must set aside time to play with their children; work schedules make it "complicated, but you must do it," he said. Families must also turn off the TV when they sit down to eat because, even though television is useful for keeping up with the news, having it on during mealtime "doesn't let you communicate" with each other, the pope said.
5. Sundays should be holidays. Workers should have Sundays off because "Sunday is for family," he said.
6. Find innovative ways to create dignified jobs for young people. "We need to be creative with young people. If they have no opportunities they will get into drugs" and be more vulnerable to suicide, he said. "It's not enough to give them food," he said. "Dignity is given to you when you can bring food home" from one's own labor.
7. Respect and take care of nature. Environmental degradation "is one of the biggest challenges we have," he said. "I think a question that we're not asking ourselves is: Isn't humanity committing suicide with this indiscriminate and tyrannical use of nature?"
8. Stop being negative. "Needing to talk badly about others indicates low self-esteem. That means, 'I feel so low that instead of picking myself up I have to cut others down,'" the pope said. "Letting go of negative things quickly is healthy."
9. Don't proselytize; respect others' beliefs. "We can inspire others through witness so that one grows together in communicating. But the worst thing of all is religious proselytism, which paralyzes: 'I am talking with you in order to persuade you,' No. Each person dialogues, starting with his and her own identity. The church grows by attraction, not proselytizing," the pope said.
10. Work for peace. "We are living in a time of many wars," he said, and "the call for peace must be shouted. Peace sometimes gives the impression of being quiet, but it is never quiet, peace is always proactive" and dynamic.

Pope Francis also talked about the importance of helping immigrants, praising Sweden's generosity in opening its doors to so many people, while noting anti-immigration policies show the rest of Europe "is afraid."

He also fondly recalled the woman who helped his mother with the housework when he was growing up in Buenos Aires.

Concepcion Maria Minuto was a Sicilian immigrant, a widow and mother of two boys, who went three times a week to help the pope's mother do laundry, since in those days it was all done by hand.

He said this hard-working, dignified woman made a big impression on the 10-year-old future pope, as she would talk to him about World War II in Italy and how they farmed in Sicily.

"She was as clever as a fox, she had every penny accounted for, she wouldn't be cheated. She had many great qualities," he said.

Even though his family lost touch with her when they moved, the then-Jesuit Father Jorge Bergoglio later sought her out and visited her for the last 10 years of her life.

"A few days before she died, she took this small medal out of her pocket, gave it to me and said: 'I want you to have it!' So every night, when I take it off and kiss it, and every morning when I put it back on, this woman comes to my mind."

"She died happy, with a smile on her face and with the dignity of someone who worked. For that reason I am very sympathetic toward housecleaners and domestic workers, whose rights, all of them, should be recognized" and protected, he said. "They must never be exploited or mistreated."

Pope Francis' concern was underlined in his @Pontifex Twitter feed just a few days later, July 29, with the message: "May we be always more grateful for the help of domestic workers and caregivers; theirs is a precious service."

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Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions