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# The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

- Mt 21: 32

Holy Family's mission is to be a vibrant Catholic community inspired by God's word, centered on the celebration of the Mass, committed to service, and open to all who wish to experience God's love. Thank you for worshiping with us!

### Inside This Issue...

- Respect Life Committee provides update on funds raised for the Walk & Run for Life
- See photos from the Golf Tournament on Sept. 25.
- Trunk or Treat is coming up on Oct. 22. Register Now!



Welcome New & Current
Parishioners! If you would like
to register, visit our
website or contact the
parish office.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at 8:00 am

#### Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:30 am\* Daily: 9:00 am Tuesday\* - Friday\* \*live-streamed

### **Parish Office**

301-261-7399 or 410-269-0586 **Fax**: 410-798-5315 office@hfccmail.org

#### **Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday 8:30 am - Noon

### Website & Social Media

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Our Regional Catholic School (PreK-8th)



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### Pastor's Note

We recently received two emails from Rev. Benoit Fleuissant, the pastor of our sister parish of St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Perodin Haiti. Besides our parish, our neighboring parishes of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Our Lady of Sorrows are also sister parishes with St. Elizabeth. As we know from news reports, the people of Haiti are having difficult financial times and great violence in their country since the assassination of their president last year. Fortunately, St. Elizabeth is in the north mountainous rural area of Haiti so that the violence seen in Port au Prince and other urban areas is not as great in Perodin. That being said, it is still to dangerous for members of Haiti Committee to travel to Haiti to visit our sister parish at this time because they would have to land at and leave from the airport in Port au Prince.

The new school year started on September 11, 2023 and is off to a good start. Fr. Benoit gratefully acknowledged receiving our recent bank transfer of \$20,000 USD. Fr. Benoit thanks us for our ongoing financial support for the children attending the parish school (there are publicly funded schools in Haiti). This money will be used to buy food for the students' noonday lunch, which is their main meal and sometimes the only real meal that some of the children will eat that day. This money will also help to pay the women who prepare the lunches along with the salaries of the teachers and principals of the elementary and upper grade schools.

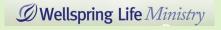
Describing the current state of affairs in his country Fr. Benoit writes: "The situation has not improved. Travel is difficult. But we persevere, and we give it our all. Something needs to change through the school, through education. We want the PRESBYTERAL SCHOOL OF SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, supported by you through your generosity, to be our joy, our pride, our hope, the key to the future, to change the Perodin area, to change Haiti, and for a better world."

In closing, Fr. Benoit promised to remember us all in prayer at St. Elizabeth. Please keep him, the school children and the parishioners of St. Elizabeth in your daily prayers.

#### Father Mike

# Thank You For Supporting Walk & Run for Life!

THANK YOU!!! The Respect Life Committee extends our sincere appreciation to those who supported the Wellspring Life Walk and Run for Life. The Holy Family team



raised \$2,710 and ranked #10 out of 58 church teams for fund raising. Due to high winds and heavy downpours from tropical storm Ophelia, the Walk and Run events were cancelled, but through the combined effort of the teams, more than \$125,000, (96% of the goal) was raised! Wellspring Life is very grateful for our effort and generosity.

# **Grow In Faith**

### Next Sunday's Readings: The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct. 7-8

• First Reading: Isiah 5:1-7

• Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Responsorial Psalm: 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16,
 19-20

• Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

### The Year of the Parish Eucharistic Revival

In light of Sunday's Gospel parable about the man with two sons, which son's response will you follow this week?

"It is never enough to simply eat and drink the Body and Blood of Jesus; one must become a bearer of the power that one has received. The meal always conduces to the mission." – <u>This Is My Body.</u> Bishop Robert Barron

Visit https://www.eucharisticrevival.org.

# Parish News & Happenings



### 11th Annual Golf Tournament!

On September 25, the 11th Annual Golf Tournament took place at Renditions Golf Course, in Davidsonville. Thank you to Chris Jedrey and the many volunteers that made the day a success!

# The Call to Serve Others...

Are you looking to get involved and serve others at Holy Family or serve in community outreach? Below are the current opportunities to answer the call to serve!

- Mass Greeters Needed: Be the "greeters" at the front doors of Holy Family. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word (C.L.O.W.) Adult and teenage volunteers are needed! Sundays at 10:30am Mass. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.
- OLPH Food Pantry: Donate food to support those in need in our community. The Pantry's current needs are: Canned Soups (every size), canned/packaged tuna fish (large or small), canned pasta (like Chef-Boy-Ardee), sleeved crackers (saltine or Ritz), cereal, canned meats or stews, small Jars of peanut butter and jelly, canned beans (15 oz, white, kidney, pinto, etc.) and snacks for the kids. Bring food to the blue carts in the front of the parish. Thank you!
- Ushers: Contact Vernon Pizzi at vernonpizzi49@gmail.org.
- Lazarus Ministry: This ministry has the privilege of helping families come together after a funeral to share a meal as loved ones are remembered. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

- **Greeters for Sacramental Events:** Serve others by being the "host" at Sacramental Events, such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. If you are interested, please contact Delores Jones at dt61jones@verizon.net.
- Liturgical & Extraordinary Ministers Needed: Contact Donna at office@hfccmail.org if you are interested in serving in these ministries.
- **Flower Ministry:** Arrange flowers and personally deliver them to parishioners in need of cheer. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.
- The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus: is collecting
  unwanted eyeglasses for the Lions Club to be sent overseas for
  people that do not have access to care we have in the USA. Let us
  help you empty those catchall drawers. There is a container on the
  baker's rack in the Upper Gallery. Thank you for "seeing" your way
  to help them!
- Mary's Center: Respect life is collecting donated baby items in the cradle in the hallway between the Narthex and Unity Hall. The flyer on the cradle has center hours and items currently most needed. Thank you for your continued support.
- Holy Family Hours for 40 Days of Life Fall Campaign, Sep 27 Nov 5 are Fridays from 2 pm-3 pm: 40 Days for Life is a worldwide mobilization of God's people to Pray, Fast, and Stand Vigil at local Abortion Facilities to end abortion. Holy Family will be covering one hour each week during the fall campaign where we will meet at the Annapolis Planned Parenthood, 929 West Street. You may also sign up for another time by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/annapolis.

# Calendar Highlights

Oct. 7: Cheese and Wine Gathering
Oct. 8: Coffee and Donuts Fellowship
Oct. 11 Bereavement Program

Oct. 22: Trunk Or Treat
Oct. 25: Senior Luncheon
Nov. 1: All Saints Day Mass

Nov. 1: Christmas Pageant Auditions

Nov. 2: All Souls Mass

Nov. 10-12: Project Rachel Weekend of Hope and Healing From Past Abortions (Off-site)

For more information on these events and other parish happenings, visit: www.holyfamilychurch.com.

# Prayer List

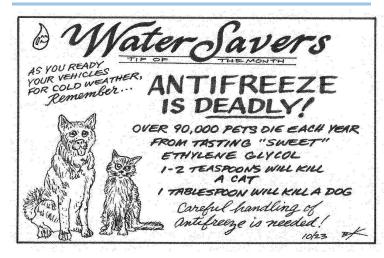
Moira Dehn, Sonny Cave, Dawn Witz, Beth Grayson, Brandon Peters, Linda Kline, Candy Turner, Paul McMenamin, Joseph Pazulski, Hazel Garland, Gene Baez, Bo Thoms, Melia Sepeta, Gerry Deighan, Dorothy Wright, Brayden Chesnick, Richard Addair, Augusta Hunt, Tracy Joyce, Jenny Worrell, Maria Witz, Morgan Earp, Oliver Moses Jaquez, Emma Webster, Tamara Huggins, Debi Greenfield, Thomas Scarduzio, Mike Greenwell, Liam O'Brien, Pauline Lukash, Lexi Woepler, Elizabeth Coe, Jessica Connell, Bradley Abell, Ricky Smith, Lauren Scalici, Edward Stromberg, Jr., Noah Haas, John Kelly, Bill Hoffman, Mary Markuski, Steve Arapian, Linda Markuski, Ken Carter, Pam Thayer, Geri McCarthy, Adam & Christine Palmer, Priscilla Snyder, Anita Stuck, Jim & Deb Powers, Steve Kuchta and for those on the prayer network. Please contact the Parish Office to be placed on the prayer list. Names will remain for one month at a time, unless otherwise notified.

### Rest In Peace

Joseph Hantsch, father of Laura Oliver Alan Jack, brother of Stephen Jack



# **Caring For Creation**



# Deacon Doug's Q&A

**QUESTION:** The first two meetings in the Vatican for the Church's Synod on Synodality, the process for which was begun in 2021 and called for input throughout the world, will meet when?

**Answer to the question about World Youth Day:** This year WYD was held in Lisbon, Portugal. The next WYD is scheduled for 2027 I Seol, Korea.



# Mass Intentions: Oct. 2-Oct. 8

7	Γues.	9:00 am	For the repose of the souls of Katherine Ferguson and Robert Drescher III
١	Wed.	9:00 am	For the repose of the soul of Giovanna Calabrese
٦	Γhurs.	9:00 am	For the repose of the soul of Ines Veloza
F	ri.	9:00 am.	For the repose of the soul of Russell Marc Thumann
9	Sat.	8:30 am.	For vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for the intentions of Shawn Dickey
9	Sat.	5:00 pm	For the repose of the souls of Ann and William Peeler
9	Sun.	8:30 am	For the intentions of our Parishioners and for the repose of the soul of Jessica Clark
9	Sun.	10:30am	For the repose of the soul of Joan Marie Perrier Perret

# Giving & Stewardship

Thank you for your continued support for all the ministries at Holy Family! You can add a donation weekly or monthly by using this link: membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/MD61 (one-time donation can also be made). Scan the QR code below to sign up or give now.



SCAN THE FAITH DIRECT QR CODE TO GIVE NOW

# **HVAC Campaign Update**

As of September 24, we have received \$190,788.81. Parishioners' gifts, combined with the \$50,000 from our reserve fund, brings us to a total of \$240,788.81 or 38% towards our goal of \$630,000!

# **Collection Report & Mass Attendance**

 Sept. 23 & 24

 Offertory
 \$2,750

 Maintenance Fund (HVAC)
 \$4,996.31

 Poor Box
 \$596

 Attendance
 775

**September Faith Direct Totals** 

Offertory \$46,436 Poor Box: \$4,610

**Month of September Totals** 

Offertory \$18,782 HVAC \$39,665.31 Poor Box \$1,997.40

# Connect and Grow In Faith & Fellowship at Holy Family

### **Adult Ministries**

Visit www.holyfamilychurch.com to learn more about these and our many ministries and outreach service groups. For more information on Adult Enrichment Groups email Margaret Wood at margaret.wood@hfccmail.org.

**Disciples in Christ:** We meet on Friday's at 10am in rooms 12 & 13. This group is for any adults looking for an intellectual pursuit, mixed with fellowship and faith-sharing. Everyone is welcome!

**Fall Adult Faith Studies: Registration Is Open!** A Journey Through Church History, The Eucharist in Scripture, A Eucharistic Revival Study on the Eucharist, Grounded in Hope: Walking With Purpose Women's Study. Visit the website to register.

**Women's Ministry:** Join women of all ages for faith-sharing, fellowship, and fun! Regular meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Choose between two meeting times: 10:00am-11:30am or 7:00pm-8:30pm. Watch for fun activities outside of the church!

**That Man Is You Men's Group:** Register now for this nationwide program that helps men to gain insight into how to be the faith-filled Christian men that God calls them to be. Register now!

**Understanding Your Grief:** Meets the second Wednesday of each month through December. Contact Joan Pawloski at 301-943-2808 or Joan.Pawloski@yahoo.com for more information.

**Sew Time:** Our next meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 17th at 6:30pm in HF rooms 12 & 13 (new members welcome and no sewing experience needed). We will be working on community projects and items for our holiday sale. We have walker totes for anyone in need. Contact Barbara Harmel at barbara.harmel@gmail.com.

**Book Club:** Meets the second Monday of each month. Find all the book selections on the website.

**Knights of Columbus:** Visit http://bit.ly/Council8251 to learn more and join.

# **Family & Fellowship Ministries**

For more information on Family & Fellowship Ministries, email Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

**Update - Nursery Is Back Open:** Thank you for your understanding! We have reopened the nursery.

**Making Music, Praying Twice:** Come be part of our music class for preschool age children and their parents/guardians. Classes are on Wednesdays, at 10 am in the Children's Library and are held September through May.

**Family Adoration:** We have one hour reserved for family Adoration one Sunday a month, from 10-11 am.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word (C.L.O.W.)** Adult and teenage volunteers are needed! Sundays at 10:30am Mass. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org.

**Caregiver Support Group:** Meets twice a month on the first and third Tuesday. If you are interested in attending, please email: Stephanie at sagabramson@aol.com.

**DivorceCare Support Group:** Wednesdays, (started September 27) for 13 weeks, 7-8 pm, room #17. Please register on our website.

**Grandparents in Faith:** Every Monday at 10am in Lower Gallery. Supporting grandparents looking to share their faith with the younger generation.

### Faith Formation & Sacraments

For more information email Dodie Seppi at dre@hfccmail.org for Faith Formation. Contact Beth Supple for First Sacraments at firstsacraments@hfccmail.org.

Faith Formation and Sacrament Prep classes began last Sunday, September 24th and Monday, September 25th. Room and teacher assignments have been sent via email to all parents. It is not too late to register. Be sure to register ASAP! Contact Dodie Seppi at dre@hfccmail.org for more information.







### **Staff Members**

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# Sacraments & Ministry Resources

Visit www.holyfamilychurch.com to learn more about these Sacraments and Ministries.

### **Baptism**

Visit the parish website for information and registration. A Baptism Preparation Class is required for first time parents. Classes are the second Monday of each month.

### Reconciliation

Wednesday from 5:00~pm to 6:00~pm and Saturday from 3:30~pm to 4:45~pm, and by appointment.

### **Children's Faith Formation:**

Faith Formation classes are available for children ages Pre-K 4 through 8th grade. Contact the Director of Religious Education: Dodie Seppi at 410-798-5680 or email dre@hfccmail.org for more information.

# First Reconciliation, First Communion & Rite of Christian Initiation of Children & Youth (RCIC)

The Sacramental Preparation program is open to all baptized Catholic students in the second grade or older that have completed a year of faith formation last year either here at the parish or in a Catholic School. RCIC is also available for older children looking to catch up on their Sacraments. Contact Beth Supple, Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation at firstsacraments@hfccmail.org for more information.

### **Confirmation:**

Students registering for the Confirmation program should be in at least 9th grade and have been in a faith formation or Catholic school program in the previous year. Contact youthministry@hfccmail.org .

# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Email Charles Burk at burkce53@gmail.com to learn about the Catholic faith and participating in RCIA.

### **Communion Calls**

Call the Parish Office if you wish Holy Communion brought to a member of your family.

### **Marriage**

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months before the anticipated date of the wedding. Contact Cyndi Zajic at familyministry@hfccmail.org to begin the Premarital Preparation Program.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

If you or someone you know would like to receive this sacrament please contact the office, or if appropriate, the hospital chaplain.

### Perpetual Adoration in the Oratory

All parishioners are invited to enjoy prayer time with Jesus and to take a break from their busy schedules by spending time at our parish Oratory. For more information visit the parish website or email Cindy Daily at cindy.daily@verizon.net.

### **Holy Hour**

All are invited to the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary, on Thursdays from 7pm-8pm in the Chapel with and contemplation prayer Lectio Divina.

### Rosarv

Saturday at 4:30 pm & Wednesday at 5:00 pm in the Church. Monday at 6:30 pm in the Chapel.

### **Prayer Network**

To have prayers said for a special intention, call Chuck & Sally Miller at 410-798-4884. Additionally, visit one of the healing prayer teams in the church after each Mass on the first weekend of every month.

# **Schools**

### School of the Incarnation (Pre-K to 8th

**Grade):** 2601 Symphony Lane, Gambrills, MD 21054; Phone: 410-519-

2285; www.schooloftheincarnation.org.

**Archbishop Spalding High School:** 8080 New Cut Road, Severn, MD 21144; Phone: 410-969-9105 DC: 301-261-2170; Fax: 410-969:1026; www.archbishopspalding.org.



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