

Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH OF MINERSVILLE

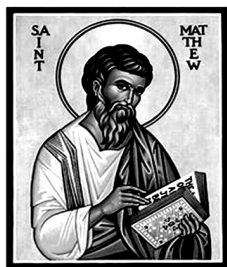


Holy Family Parish of Minersville is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We are dedicated to growing in our faith, spreading the Gospel in our community, preserving our rich traditions while looking to the future and living as disciples of Jesus Christ.

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 18/19, 2020

Parish Office 538 Sunbury Street, Minersville, PA 17954-1016
(570) 544 - 4741

Rev. Jason F. Stokes ~ M.Div., M.A. - Pastor
Dr. James P. Henninger ~ DO ~ Deacon
Mr. Aaron Scheidel ~ Summer Seminarian



135 Spruce St.
Minersville, PA 17954



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Minersville, PA 17954

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Parish Website: minersvillecatholic.com

Diocesan Website: www.allentowndiocese.org

Nativity B.V.M. High School 570-622-8110

Assumption B.V.M. Grade School 570-622-0106

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning 570-622-4638

Parish E-mail address: HolyFamilyParishMinersville@gmail.com

OFFICE HOUR ~ 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 18 July - St. Camillus de Lellis
Vigil Mass ~ Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Dr. Robert P. Boran and Mrs. Ellen (Betty) Boran* Estate
5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Herman and Helen DiSarro* Daughter, Tina

Sunday, 19 July-
Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary
8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Lisa and Joab Shaak* Jodi Adams and Family
10:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Joseph P. Gleason* Rev. John P. Connery, OSFS

Monday, 20 July- St. Apollinaris
8:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Catherine Slavicks* Jack Hudock

Tuesday, 21 July- St. Lawrence of Brindisi
8:00 AM St. Michael's ~ *Jack and Victoria Reynolds* Daughter, Mary Ann Eidem

Wednesday, 22 July - St. Mary Magdalene
8:00 AM - St. Matthew's ~ *Rita and Octavio Agosti* Julie Kubich

Thursday, 23 July - St. Bridget
8:00 AM St. Michael's ~ *Donald Butler, Sr. and Aldona Butler* Rev. John P. Connery OSFS

Friday, 24 July - St. Sharbel Makhluf
NO AM MASS

Saturday, 25 July - St. James
Vigil Mass ~ Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Dr. Robert P. Boran and Mrs. Ellen (Betty) Boran* Estate
5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Herman and Helen DiSarro* Helen, Angela, Allison and Luke

Sunday, 26 July-
Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary
8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Lisa and Joab Shaak* Jodi Adams and Family
10:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Joseph P. Gleason* Rev. John P. Connery, OSFS

HOLY FAMILY

**MONTHLY 50/50 DRAWING
\$1 per envelope**

Please put your name and phone number on Envelope. Extra envelopes are in the vestibule.

Thank you for your participation in our monthly fundraiser!

First Tuesday of the month ~
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
(8:30 am to 6:00 pm)
with Benediction
(at 6:00 pm) at
St. Michael the Archangel
Church of Holy Family Parish



Help Needed - Mass Linens

We are looking for someone willing to volunteer to wash the Mass Linens used at St. Matthew the Evangelist Church of Holy Family Parish. One load every two weeks.

Please contact the office (570-544-4741) if you can help!
Thanks and God bless!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE RECEIVING
FIRST COMMUNION**

Congratulations to the three young people from our parish who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time last weekend.
Karly Carr, Liam Fegley, Emily Goodman and Olivia Laudeman

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

BG's Value Market
Thank you for sponsoring an ad, making our bulletin possible

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to victims of sexual abuse. Contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC Direct Phone: 1-800-791-9209 + Diocesan website: www.allentowndiocese.org

YOUTH PROTECTION DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS~ Secretary for Youth Protection ~ prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Diocese of Allentown

1515 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive

610-871-5200, Ext. 2204

610-871-5244 (Fax)

P.O. Box F

Allentown, PA 18105-1538

LOCAL SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR ~ Sr. Catherine Therese Brennan, SSJ ~ 570-544-4741



Holy Family Parish of Minersville, PA

Ask Father: Has the Parish been hurt financially due to the Coronavirus?

This is a wonderful and timely question. The short-term answer is yes, we have been struggling, but the long-term answer is we will get through it. Thankfully we have been able to survive on savings and the continued donations of many of our parishioners. We do realize that everyone is struggling in these times and it may be hard to support the Parish as many have done in the past. We are eternally grateful for those making the sacrifice to help us in these tough times. That being said, here is a brief synopsis of our finances for the COVID-19 times:

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference
Sunday Collections	\$425,000	\$381,584	(\$43,416)
Easter Collection	\$25,500	\$11,621	(\$13,879)
Second Collections	\$65,000	\$60,295	(\$4,705)
Fund Raising	<u>\$136,400</u>	<u>\$49,368</u>	(\$87,032)
TOTAL Revenues	\$651,900	\$502,868	(\$149,032)

We therefore missed our budgeted revenue amount by 29% this past year due to the COVID-19 shut-down.

We also had several expenses in the last year that were necessary. They included: the new parking areas at St. Michael the Archangel Church (they had been planned for many years but had not been completed); fixing the retaining wall at St. Matthew the Evangelist Church; renovations to the Confessionals in both Churches to ensure proper protections and security; replacement of outdated computers for both Church offices; renovations to the Rectory; upgrading the Parish Office and paying off the Parish truck. We have also become current on our Diocesan Assessments and Insurance Payments. Both Parishes became substantially behind over the past several years.

These expenses were necessary as part of our strategic planning to ensure the long-term feasibility of Holy Family Parish. We are also in the process of selling some of our properties: St. Barbara Hall, St. Francis of Assisi Church, St. Michael the Archangel Rectory and the Good Shepherd School. The proceeds of those sales, along with the savings that we will receive due to not needing utilities or insurance on those buildings will contribute greatly to the future financial success of Holy Family.

Every Parish in the Diocese of Allentown will show a negative this year due to the issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, Holy Family Parish is in a great position for long-term feasibility because of actions taken by the staff, Pastoral and Financial Councils of the Parish. We thank you for your generous contributions to our wonderful Parish and ask you to continue to make Holy Family Parish a priority in your lives. That way we can continue our Parish Mission of being a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph; dedicated to grow in our faith, spread the Gospel in our community, preserve our rich traditions while looking to the future and living as disciples of Jesus Christ.

CONFESSIONS

Fr. Stokes has been hearing Confessions on an appointment basis during the COVID-19 times. We will be returning to our normal Confession times beginning the weekend of July 25 - 26. We have purchased sterilizing wipes and ask that you wipe down the areas you touch when using the confessionals to prevent the possible spread of COVID-19. Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 3:15 - 3:45 at St. Michael the Archangel Church of Holy Family Parish of Minersville and Sundays from 7:45 AM - 8:15 AM at St. Matthew the Evangelist Church of Holy Family Parish of Minersville.

Seminarian Bible Study

Our Parish Seminarian, Aaron Scheidel, will be hosting a Bible study, concentrating on the upcoming Sunday Mass readings on Mondays at 6:00 PM. The sessions will continue on Monday, July 20 at St. Matthew the Evangelist Church of Holy Family Parish. Please join us!

Home-bound Parishioners

Unfortunately due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and subsequent restrictions we have not been able to visit our Home-Bound Parishioners. We miss you and will visit you as soon as the restrictions are lifted. Please contact the Parish Office (570) 544-4741 to be put on the Home-Bound list if you are a parishioner that is physically unable to come to Mass (during the normal times - not pandemic times).

DIOCESAN NEWS:

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

As of today our parish families have joined the 2020 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL. Our parishioners continue to support food programs, senior services, community outreach, Catholic schools, and more. Every dollar helps those in need. Imagine what we can do if 100% of our parish participates! Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at www.BecauseWeareCatholic.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Nativity B.V.M. High School~

Chemistry Teacher and Math Teacher (both PT)

Interested candidates send resume to Mrs. Lynn Sabol – Principal
One Lawton Hill
Pottsville, PA 17901 or e-mail
lsabol@nativitybvm.net

INFORMATION FOR BULLETIN

Information for an event or other item **Must be e-mailed** to the parish office Friday two weeks preceding the date needed.

(example if needed for Monday, July 27th information **MUST be in Friday, July 17th by 2:00 pm**).

It is most convenient for images/designs to be attached in a Word document.

(No PDFs please!).

E-Mail:

HolyFamilyParishMinersville@gmail.com
Thank you for your cooperation

ENVELOPES

The Holy Family Parish of Minersville Sunday Collection Envelopes have been ordered. We will begin using them in September as the July and August ones were already sent out for St. Michael the Archangel and St. Matthew the Evangelist. Until then, please continue using the ones from the old parishes. Checks may be made out to Holy Family Parish of Minersville. Don't worry if you made ones out to St. Michaels or St. Matthews as they will be able to be cashed. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and may God bless you!

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Holy Family Parish *Basket Auction*
Sunday August 16

Doors Open 11:00 am

Browse and Bid ~ Friday, August 14th

5:00 pm-8:00 pm

Browse and Bid ~ Saturday, August 15th

4:00 pm - 8:00 PM

Food Available

In need of baskets, new items or monetary donations to make this another huge success!

Any questions please call ~ Theresa @ 570-527-7035, Deb @ 570-617-2174 or Jean @ 570-544-3609

Apple Dumpling Time is Fast Approaching!

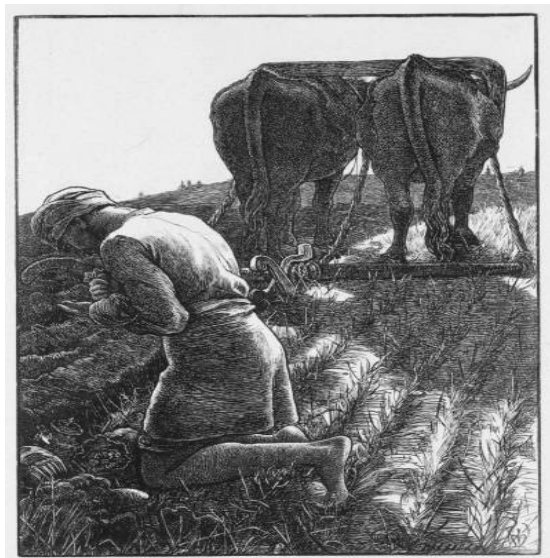
There will be a St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting in St. Michael the Archangel Church of Holy Family Parish on Wednesday, July 22nd



at 6:00 PM to distribute Apple Dumpling flyers and Order forms for the sale.

All current members, and those who are interested in joining are requested to attend.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to make this project a great success.



HOLY FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Coordinator: Sr. Catherine Therese Brennan, SSJ

E-mail ~ HolyFamilyK6Prep@gmail.com

Grades K - 6

- Please call Fr. Stokes to schedule your

First Communion date if you haven't already.

570-544-4741



CONFIRMATION RELIGION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Coordinator: Sr. Mary Jane Dunleavy, SSJ

E-mail~HolyFamilyConfirmationPrep@gmail.com

Grades 7- 8

2020 Confirmation is scheduled for
Tuesday, September 22, @ 4:00 PM

DEVOTIONAL LAMP INTENTIONS

St. Matthew the Evangelist Church of HOLY FAMILY PARISH

† **Blessed Mother**
Special Intention
Sally and Stan Gober

† **St. Anne**
Herman and Helen DiSarro
Daughter, Tina

*Our second collection this week is for
Mission-Co-Op*

*Next week the second collection is for
Fuel Offering*

*Thank you for you support.
We gratefully appreciate all you do to help
us meet our financial obligations*



St. Michael the Archangel Church of HOLY FAMILY PARISH

† **Sanctuary**
Special Intention (CMA)

† **St. Theresa of the Child Jesus**
Special Intention

† **St. Michael the Archangel**
In Loving Memory of Joseph (Hap) Anthony
and Fran Purcell
Joe and Jane Burdis

† **Blessed Mother**
In Loving Memory of Woody J. Leach
Joe and Jane Burdis

† **St. Joseph**
In Loving Memory of Ronald M. Yourey
Joe and Jane Burdis

*Our second collection this week is for
Support the Churches In Central & Eastern Europe*

*Next week the second collection is for
Cemetery Offering.*

*Thank you for your continued support in
helping us meet our financial obligations.*

*The following dates are open for
Altar Flower Intentions
July 26,
Aug. 2,15,22,29 & 30
Call Parish Office @ 570-544-4741*