

# 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.

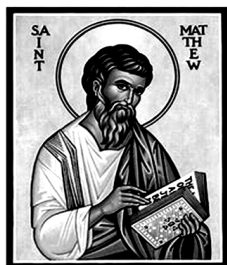
THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
August 15/16, 2020

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**Parish Website:** [minersvillecatholic.com](http://minersvillecatholic.com)

**Diocesan Website:** [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://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](mailto:HolyFamilyParishMinersville@gmail.com)

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

**THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 15 August** - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin  
**Vigil Mass ~ Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
3:15 PM ~ Confession St. Michael  
4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Mr. and Mrs. Bart McAvoy Family*

5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Andrzes and Anna Paclawski Lineage*  
Granddaughter

**Sunday, 16 August** -  
**Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary**  
7:45 AM ~ Confession ~ St. Matthew  
8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Aldona Butler (3rd Anniv.) And Donald Butler, Sr.*  
Sons, Edward and Donald

10:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *People of the Parish*

**Monday, 17 August** -  
8:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Clementina "Tina" Rudaitius Family*

**Tuesday, 18 August** -  
8:00 AM St. Michael's ~ *Ann T. Barone (B'day) Family*

**Wednesday, 19 August** - St. John Eudes  
8:00 AM - St. Matthew's ~ *Stella Komorosky Rita and Tim Nolan*

**Thursday, 20 August** - St. Bernard  
8:00 AM St. Michael's ~ *Gary Purcell Cecile Lipsett*

**Friday, 21 August** - St. Pius X

**NO AM MASS**

**Saturday, 22 August** - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Vigil Mass ~ Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
3:15 PM ~ Confession St. Michael  
4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Mr. and Mrs. Michael & Angelita Scribbick (celebration of their 60 Wedding Anniv.) Children and Families*

5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Anna Senich Bob and Ellen Barnhart*

**Sunday, 23 August** -  
**Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary**  
7:45 AM ~ Confession ~ St. Matthew  
8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *People of the Parish*  
10:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Frank A. Barone Bruce Marianelli*

**HOLY FAMILY**

**August 50 / 50**

Extra envelopes are in the vestibule.  
\$1.00 per envelope.

Please remember to write your name and phone number on the extra envelopes. Thank you!

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**Block Party Collection Update**

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Parish Block Party Collection! We have had great participation and have raised \$8,920 to date.

There's still time for those who haven't participated as of yet. Envelopes can be dropped off in the collection basket, the parish office or sent to the office via mail.

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Family Parish of Minersville

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**Dear Parishioners:**

*Our Holy Family Community Outreach* wishes to acknowledge *all* parishioners reaching milestones on their Birthdays. We will begin with 70,75, etc. You will be remembered with a card and a Novena of Masses from the Sisters of St Joseph in Flourtown. Anyone wishing to receive this spiritual gift should *PRINT YOUR Name, complete mailing address and birth date on a paper and place it in an envelope with Birthday acknowledgement cards on envelope*, and drop in the collection basket or mail to office. This will put you on the list for this special acknowledgement. If we do not receive this information from you, we will assume you do not wish to receive a card.

Thank you and God bless you.

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

**FORAN'S TRANSMISSION & AUTO REPAIR**

*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](http://www.allentowndiocese.org)

**YOUTH PROTECTION DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS~ Secretary for Youth Protection ~ [prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

Diocese of Allentown

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



# Holy Family Parish of Minersville, PA

## **Ask Father: Is there a difference between Anointing and Last Rites?**

“Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven” (James 5:14-15).

The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during a serious illness (including near the time of death). The Church teaches that it does not need to be at the time of death or near it; therefore, it is no longer referred to as last rites. A baptized Catholic may receive this sacrament if they are seriously ill or even going in for major surgery: “The anointing of the sick is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive the sacrament has already arrived” (CCC 1514).

The anointing of the sick conveys special graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement, and temptation, and it conveys peace and fortitude (see CCC 1520).

We are currently living in unprecedented times with the COVID-19 restrictions. As such, we are not visiting the homebound. We will resume visiting after the restrictions are lifted. However, Fr. Stokes will perform the anointing of the sick if a parishioner is very sick. Please contact the Parish Office if this is the case.

***Don't forget to register for Weekend Masses by calling the Parish Office  
(570) 544 – 4741***

In these worrisome times, let's send our children back to school with **The Blessing of Their Backpacks**  
August 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at all Masses



### **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).

## **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, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> information **MUST** be in Friday, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> 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*

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## **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!

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## **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  
[Isabol@nativitybvm.net](mailto:Isabol@nativitybvm.net)

### **St. Patrick Preschool ~ Pottsville**

is accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. We offer two, three, and five day programs - all offered full and half day. Before and after school care is available. For more information, please contact [saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com](mailto:saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com)

Or call 570-622-0106

Check us out on Facebook at Saint Patrick Preschool.

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

### **Holy Family Parish Basket Auction**

Sunday August 16

Doors Open 11:00 am

**Winners will be drawn at 2:00 pm  
broadcast on our Facebook Page**

### **Holy Family Parish of Minersville**

Browse and Bid ~ Saturday, August 15th

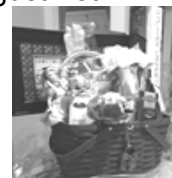
4:00 pm - 8:00 PM

Food Available

538 Sunbury Street Minersville

**FACE MASKS REQUIRED**

(use Lewis Street entrance)



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

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU  
TO ALL WHO HELPED IN ANY WAY!

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### **Homemade Apple Dumplings now on sale!**

Holy Family Community Outreach is taking orders for Apple Dumplings from Saturday, August 1st through Sunday, September 13th. The cost is **\$5.50 for Plain** and **\$6.00 for Sugar-Free**. Members will be taking orders and payment in the vestibule of both churches before and after Masses beginning the weekend of August 1<sup>st</sup> and ending September 13<sup>th</sup>. Delivery date is Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to place your order via telephone, please call: (570) 544- 4741 Ext. 4, and then put your payment in an envelope with your Name, telephone number and number and kind of dumplings on it in the Parish Office drop off box. Be sure Apple dumplings is written on the outside of the envelope. Your generous support of Holy Family Outreach Program will benefit the needy of our area. As always, we thank you in advance, for your generous support of this program.

# HOLY FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

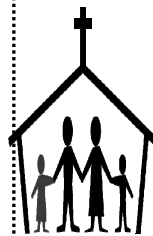
## ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**

† **Sanctuary**  
*In Loving Memory of  
Rev. Francis J. Opps*

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

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*Our second collection this week is for  
Mary's Shelter*

*Next week the second collection is for  
Fuel*

*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**  
*In Loving Memory of  
Aldona Butler ( 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.-8/16)*

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

*Special Intention  
Joe and JoAnn*

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*Our second collection this week is for  
Cemetery*

*Next week the second collection is for  
Mission Co-Op*

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

## **A SPECIAL INVITATION**

*Anyone wishing to join and serve in Holy Family Community Outreach*

There will be a meeting and Election of Officers this Wednesday,  
August 19th at 6:00 PM in St. Michael's Church. We are looking forward  
to having representation from *both* parishes.

Please come and join as we serve our brothers and sisters in need.  
Looking forward to seeing you Wednesday.  
May the Holy Family direct us in all our endeavors.

