

# Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH OF MINERSVILLE

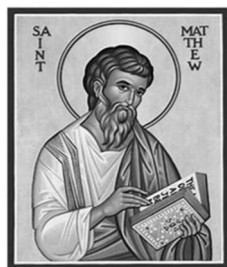


Holy Family Parish of Minersville is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We are dedicated to growing in our faith, spreading the Gospel in our community, preserving our rich traditions while looking to the future and living as disciples of Jesus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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT February 20/21, 2021

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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

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

**Parish E-mail address:** [HolyFamilyParishMinersville@gmail.com](mailto:HolyFamilyParishMinersville@gmail.com)

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

**THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 20 February**

**Vigil Mass - First Sunday of Lent**

Confession 3:15 PM ~ St. Michael's

4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ Margret Moffit

*Dr. and Mrs. Augustine Moffit*

5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ People of the Parish

**Sunday, 21 February - First Sunday of Lent**

Confession 7:45 AM ~ St. Matthew's

8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ Sharon Laudeman

*Jim and Jo O'Brien*

10:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ Francis J. Reilly (2nd Anniv.)

*Family*

**Monday, 22 February - The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**

8:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ June Marie Fisher

*Family*

**Tuesday, 23 February**

8:00 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ Christopher Walters

*Mom, Dad, Caitlin, Dan, Addi and Camryn*

**Wednesday, 24 February**

8:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ James J. Moore, Sr. (4th Anniv.)

*Evelyn Moore and Family*

**Thursday, 25 February**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, 26 February**

8:00 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ Michael Scribbick

*Withelder Family*

**Saturday, 27 February**

**Vigil Mass - Second Sunday of Lent**

Confession 3:15 PM ~ St. Michael's

4:00 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ John Pizzico

*Anna, Marie, and Georgine*

5:30 PM ~ St. Matthew's ~ Violet E. Padelsky

*Jack Hudock*

**Sunday, 28 February - Second Sunday of Lent**

Confession 7:45 AM ~ St. Matthew's

8:30 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ Joseph Dallago

*Nancy Mahoney*

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

**HOLY FAMILY**

*February 50 / 50*

Extra envelopes are in the vestibule.

**\$1.00 per envelope, your envelope is your ticket!**

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

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***Collection Amounts For:***

***2/14/2021 = \$7,271.00***

***Our second collection this week is for  
General Repairs***

***Next week the second collection is for  
Parish Maintenance***



**OFFICE CHANGES**

Office will be open  
Monday, Tuesday,

Wednesday and Thursday  
From 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

NOTE~ will be CLOSED ON FRIDAYS  
until further notice.

**Congratulations**

To Anna ~ Parish Administrative Assistant on the birth of her baby boy!

Welcoming your new baby with wishes of health, happiness and plenty of sleep.

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

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**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR**

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**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 1515 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive P.O. Box F Allentown, PA 18105-1538 610-871-5200 Ext. 2204

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

**CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE**

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting ~ [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) 800-276-1562



### Ask Father: Why do you use different Lord, Have Mercy's at Mass?

Great question – you are asking about the Penitential Rite of the Mass which takes place immediately after the sign of the cross and greeting at the very beginning of Mass. Notice the introductory words to the Rite: “Brethren (Brothers and Sisters) let us acknowledge our sins and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.” We must come to the realization that we are sinners and unworthy to take part in the liturgy. It is through the grace of God that we receive our worthiness (we also speak of our unworthiness later in the Mass before receiving Holy Communion). After this acknowledgment there is a prescribed moment of silence so that we can come to the realization and meditate upon what we are about to enter into.

Then we have *one of three formulas* for the Penitential Rite. They are used at the discretion of the celebrant of the Mass. The first is called the Confiteor, which is the first words of this Penitential Rite in Latin (I confess). The Confiteor is as follows:

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done,  
and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

After this comes the absolution prayer of the Priest. Note – this is not sacramental absolution of sins. That must be done through the sacrament of Penance. The absolution prayer follows all three forms of the Penitential Rite: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sin, and bring us to everlasting life. The three part Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy follows the absolution prayer in the Confiteor.

The *second form* of the Penitential Rite is the shortest and least used. After the introduction to the Rite, the following is said:

**Celebrant:** “Have mercy on us, O Lord.”  
People: “For we have sinned against you.”  
**Celebrant:** “Show us, O Lord, your merc.”  
People: “And grant us your salvation.”

The *third form* of the Penitential Rite is as follows:

**Priest/Deacon:** “You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.”  
People: “Lord, have mercy.”

**Priest/Deacon:** “You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.”  
People: “Christ, have mercy.”

**Priest/Deacon:** “You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.”  
People: “Lord, have mercy.”

## Lenten Calendar

### Friday, February 26

Lenten Fish & Crab Cake  
Dinner ~ 3:30 PM to 6:00  
PM ~ Parish Center at Hillcrest  
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM -  
St. Matthews

### Friday, March 5

Lenten Food Sale - Noon - 3:00  
PM and 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM -  
Parish Center at Hillcrest  
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM -  
St. Michaels

### Friday, March 12

Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM -  
St. Matthews

### Friday, March 19

Lenten Food Sale - Noon - 3:00  
PM and 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM -  
Parish Center at Hillcrest  
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM -  
St. Michaels

### Friday, March 26

Soup & Stations 5:00 PM - 7:00 -  
Parish Center at Hillcrest  
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM -  
Parish Center at Hillcrest

### Thursday, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00  
PM - St. Michaels  
Night Prayer - 11:00 PM -  
St. Michaels

### Friday, April 2

Good Friday Liturgy - 3:00 PM -  
St. Michaels

### Saturday, April 3

Blessing of Easter Foods - Noon -  
St. Matthews  
Easter Vigil - 8:00 PM - St.  
Matthews

### Sunday, April 4

Easter Mass - 8:30 AM - St.  
Matthews  
Easter Mass - 10:30 AM - St.  
Michaels

### Sales Dates for Holy Family Lenten Food Sales:

We need help with the day of  
the sales. Volunteers are  
needed to deliver food as well  
as to man the sales tables, bring  
food from the kitchen to those  
buying food and help clean up.

### Sales Dates:

Friday, March 5  
Friday, March 19

### Times:

10:00 – Noon Delivery  
(March 5 and 19 only)

Noon – 2:00 PM  
In House Sales

5:00 – 7:00 PM  
In House Sales

### Help Wanted

We need *your help* for our  
Lenten Fish & Crab Cake  
Dinner on *Friday, February  
26th*. We are in search of  
those who can help us with  
donations of water, soda, and  
baked goods. Please contact  
the Parish Office (570-544-  
4741) if you are able to help.  
Thank you!

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### Holy Family Parish Lenten Food Sales

Holy Family Parish Center at Hillcrest  
631 Minersville - Llewellyn Rd.



### TAKE OUT ONLY

Sales Dates: Noon - 2:00 PM and 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
Friday, March 5  
Friday, March 19

### Pierogi

½ Dozen \$4.00  
Dozen \$8.00

### Halushki

Pint \$4.00  
Quart \$7.00

### Clam Chowder

Pint \$4.00  
Quart \$7.00

### Potato Soup

Pint \$4.00  
Quart \$7.00

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

### Lenten Food Sale Prep

We need help with all aspects of the prepara-  
tion of our Lenten Food Sales. No experience  
required – anyone can be trained! All you  
need is a good Christian heart with a desire to  
serve your Parish.

### In Search of Bakers - Lenten Food Sales

We need your help with baked goods for our Len-  
ten Food Sales. Please deliver baked goods to Ho-  
ly Family Parish Center at Hillcrest on Thursday,  
March 4th and March 18th  
between 4:00 and 6:00 PM.



# HOLY FAMILY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Coordinator: Sr. Catherine Therese Brennan, SSJ

E-mail ~ HolyFamilyK6Prep@gmail.com

**Grades K - 6 5:45 PM - 7:15 PM**

Please use the Lewis St. Parking lot and enter through the Cafeteria.

Dismissal at 7:15, use Lewis St.

### Attention Parents of First Penance children

The children of Holy Family Parish will make their First Confession on Saturday, February 27th at 10:00 AM in St. Matthew the Evangelist Church of Holy Family Parish.



## CONFIRMATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Coordinator: Sr. Mary Jane Dunleavy, SSJ

Email ~ HolyFamilyConfirmationPrep@gmail.com

**Grades 7- 8 5:45 PM - 7:15 PM**

Holy Family Parish Center at Hillcrest

Dismissal at 7:15 PM



# DEVOTIONAL LAMP INTENTIONS

St. Matthew the Evangelist Church  
of HOLY FAMILY PARISH



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

*In Loving Memory of those we  
have recently lost:*



*Dorothy Gleason*  
*Katherine Chelak*  
*Alma Stramaitis*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

St. Michael the Archangel Church  
of HOLY FAMILY PARISH

† **Sanctuary**

*In Loving Memory of Alma Stramaitis  
Sister, Anna Rita and Family*

† **St. Patrick**

*In Loving Memory of John and Elsie Dullard  
Family*

† **St. Anthony**

*In Loving Memory of Christopher Walters  
Family*

† **Holy Family**

*In Loving Memory of Francis J. Reilly  
Daughters: Lisa Brennan and Trish Reilly*

† **Holy Family**

*In Loving Memory of George F. Walters  
Georgine*

† **St. Patrick**

*In Loving Memory of John and Elsie Dullard  
Family*

† **Blessed Mother**  
Special Intention

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*In Loving Memory of David Morasky (B'day)  
Wife, Diane*