

Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH OF MINERSVILLE

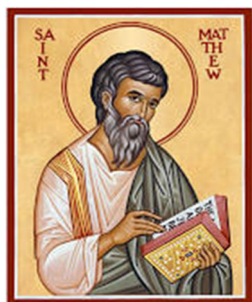


Holy Family Parish of Minersville is a Christ-centered sacramental family, modeled after the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We are dedicated to growing in our faith, spreading the Gospel in our community, preserving our rich traditions while looking to the future and living as disciples of Jesus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

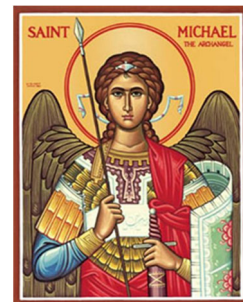
THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 23/24, 2021

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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 HOURS ~ 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday ~ Thursday
Closed ~ Friday

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 23 October - Vigil Mass for The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 3:15 PM ~ St. Matthew's

4:00 PM ~ St. Matthew's~ *People of the Parish*

5:30 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *John (Jack) Gemmell*
Wife, Rita, and Family

Sunday, 24 October - The Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Confession 7:45 AM ~ St. Michael's

8:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *James B. and Louise G. Delaney*
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10:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *John F. Hudock*
Ethel Chistakoff

Monday, 25, October -

8:00 AM~ St. Matthew's~ *Allen Kull, Sr.*
Dottie, AJ, and Crista

Tuesday, 26 October -

NO MASS

Wednesday, 27 October -

NO MASS

Thursday, 28 October— Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

NO MASS

Friday, 29 October -

NO MASS

Saturday, 30 October - Vigil Mass for The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession 3:15 PM ~ St. Matthew's

4:00 PM ~ St. Matthew's~ *Anthony (Left) Stabinsky*
Stabinsky Family

5:30 PM ~ St. Michael's ~ *Joseph and Betty Zelinsky*
Daughter, Betty

Sunday, 31 October - The Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

Confession 7:45 AM ~ St. Michael's

8:30 AM ~ St. Michael's ~ *People of the Parish*

10:00 AM ~ St. Matthew's ~ *Francis Dencher*
Sharon, Leo, and Dorothy
Kolenick

HOLY FAMILY 50 / 50

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

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

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Collection Amounts For

October 9th and 10th = \$6,039

October 16th and 17th = \$7,011

This week the second collection is for
Insurance
Next weekend the second collection is for
Cemetery Maintenance

Your support is greatly appreciated!

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

R.E. Reedy and Sons

Thank you for sponsoring an ad,
making our bulletin possible.

2022 Mass Book



The 2022 Mass Book is open as of October 15th, 2021. Please fill out a Candle and Mass sheet located in St. Michael and St. Matthew Churches as well as the Parish Office. If you have any questions please call the Parish Office.

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 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 800-276-1562



Ask Father: What is Liturgy and why is it important?

Great question! I found a great answer to this from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops published in 2006.

The word liturgy comes from a Greek term meaning “public work or work done on behalf of the people.” Liturgy always referred to an organized community. A work, then, done by an individual or a group was a liturgy on behalf of the larger community. All the worshipers are expected to participate actively in each liturgy, for this is holy “work,” not entertainment or a spectator event. Every liturgical celebration is an action of Christ the High Priest and of his Mystical Body, which is the Church. It therefore requires the participation of the People of God in the work of God.

Liturgy is centered on the Holy Trinity. At every liturgy the action of worship is directed to the Father, from whom all blessings come, through the Son in the unity of the Holy Spirit. We praise the Father who first called us to be his people by sending us his Son as our Redeemer and giving us the Holy Spirit so that we can continue to gather, to remember what God has done for us, and to share in the blessings of salvation.

Through the liturgical celebrations of the Church, we participate in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, that is, his passing through death from this life into eternal glory, just as God enabled the people of ancient Israel to pass from slavery to freedom through the events narrated in the Book of Exodus (cf. Ex 11-13). The liturgies of the Church also help to teach us about Jesus Christ and the meaning of the mysteries we are celebrating.

A mystery is a reality that is both visible and hidden. Jesus Christ’s death and Resurrection become present to us and effective for us in the liturgical life of the Church. His death and Resurrection are hidden now in the eternity of God, but as Risen Lord and Head of the Church, Jesus Christ calls us to share in them through the liturgy of the Church, that is, by the visible gathering of the community for worship and remembrance of what God has done for us. It is the Holy Spirit, the source of the Church’s life, who draws us together through liturgical actions, the chief of which are the Sacraments. The term liturgy itself has a broader application than that of Sacrament, for it embraces all the official public prayer life of the Church, while the term Sacrament refers to a particular celebration of Christ’s salvific work.

Help Needed

We are beginning to prepare for the Bob Mulhall Memorial Lottery Calendar that is held annually in March. We are in need of help selling the calendars before and after all weekend masses and out in the community. Please contact Katie in the parish office (extension 1) or send an email to holyfamilyparishminersville@gmail.com to sign up!

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important parish fundraiser!

Bruce and Donna Shandri Uranko of West West Terrace celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on October 22nd!

They were married October 22, 1971, at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Minersville by the Rev. Robert Potts. Mr. Uranko is the son of Irene Uranko, West West Terrace, and the late Peter Uranko. Mrs. Uranko is the daughter of the late Donald and Evelyn Shandri of Minersville.



Congratulations,
Bruce and Donna!

Attention Altar Servers

Altar Servers will be reintroduced back into Mass beginning in October. Please contact the Parish Office with your Mass preference.

Readers Needed for Mass

We are in need of more Readers for Masses. Please contact Father Stokes if you are interested. What a wonderful way to serve your Parish.

Holy Family Parish AA Meetings

Holy Family Parish is hosting Alcoholics Anonymous meetings on Mondays at 7:00 PM. Meetings are open to everyone and will be held in our Parish Office & Religious Education Center using the Lewis Street entrance.

Community Happenings

Most Blessed Trinity Parish, Tremont is hosting a 6 week video series "Life in the Spirit" beginning October 26th at 6:30. Call 570.695.3648 to register.

St. Patrick's Church, Pottsville, is sponsoring a Take Out Spaghetti dinner on Sunday, November 7, from 11am to 2pm (or sell out).

Holy Family Community Outreach

Our **Apple Dumplings** will be delivered to the Parish Office Building on Wednesday, October 27th. You may pick up your order from 12:00 Noon till 3:30 PM. Please enter the building using the Sunbury Street entrance.

Make-A-Difference Day is Saturday, October 30th & Sunday, October 31st in the vestibule of both churches before the weekend Masses. The Holy Family Community Outreach Program will be collecting UNEXPIRED non-perishables, non-breakable glass items, and paper products for our Food Pantry.

Thank you for supporting Holy Family Community Outreach in our efforts to help the needy in our community!

LAST CALL - CYO BASKETBALL



Holy Family Parish is trying to put our CYO Basketball teams back together after a year off due to COVID-19. This is our last call for those who are interested. If we do not have enough players we will have to cancel our season. Please contact our CYO coaches at hfpco@gmail.com as soon as possible to register.

Sisters of St. Joseph Chances Now Available

SSJ Annual Chance Drive
to benefit Saint Joseph Villa.

Grand Prize— \$10,000 also 5 prizes of \$500 each!
Donation— \$5 each or \$20 for a book of 5 chances!
Winners will be drawn on December 5th, 2021.

Purchase your tickets online at <https://bit.ly/3yg4gRO> or by placing a check or cash in an envelope with
Attention: Sister Catherine and your name, address, and phone number. Please make checks payable to Sisters of Saint Joseph.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Tuesdays 5:45 to 7:15 pm

Coordinator: Sr. Catherine Therese Brennan, SSJ
E-mail ~ HolyFamilyK6Prep@gmail.com
Grades K – 6

PREP NEWS:

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)
Interested adults wanting to share our Faith with the youth of our Parish, please contact

Sister Catherine Therese as soon as possible @ 570-544-4741 x 4.



CONFIRMATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Tuesdays 5:45 to 7:15 pm

Coordinator: Sr. Mary Jane Dunleavy, SSJ
Email ~ HolyFamilyConfirmationPrep@gmail.com
Grades 7- 8



ChristLife

Discovering Christ is for anyone who is curious. Enjoy a delicious dinner and listen to a thought-provoking talk that is designed to explore the meaning and purpose of your life. After the talk, you can share your thoughts in a small group (and talk as much or as little as you wish). It's all done in a warm, friendly, and judgement-free environment.

Discovering Christ is fun, relaxed, and free.

Monday evenings from September 20, 2021 to November 1, 2021

6:15pm to 8:45pm and a daytime retreat on Saturday, October 23, 2021 at Holy Family Parish of Minersville's Parish Center at Hillcrest Hall.

Register at 570-544-4741 Parish office.

DEVOTIONAL LAMP INTENTIONS

**St. Matthew the Evangelist Church
of HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

† **Blessed Virgin Mary**
Special Intention
Sally Gober

† **St. Ann**
Josephine and Stanley P. Graf, Sr.
Barbara Graf and Family

Flower Intentions:

† **Blessed Virgin Mary**
In Loving Memory of Jean R. Lauck
Daughter, Carol and Son, David

**St. Michael the Archangel Church
of HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

† **Sanctuary**
In Loving Memory of John Gemmell
Wife, Rita, and Family

† **Blessed Virgin Mary**
In Loving Memory of Joseph and Betty
Zelinsky (Anniversary)
Daughter, Betty

Flower Intentions:

In Loving Memory of Allen R. Kull Sr.
Dotty, AJ, and Crista

In Loving Memory of John Gemmell
Wife, Rita, and Family