

Celebrating

ALL SAINTS' DAY & ALL SOULS' DAY



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November Observances



The Feast of All Saints: Monday, November 1: Mass @ 7 PM

* celebrates the Communion of Saints
(the union of all souls, living and dead, who make up the Mystical Body of Christ)

All Souls Day: Tuesday, November 2:

Mass @ 7 PM

* a day for personal practices of attending Mass for the Dead, visiting cemeteries, or observing other prayer rituals in honor of the dead



Taizé Prayer Service: Monday, November 8: Service @ 7 PM

Taizé is a form of prayer that includes music, silence, Scripture and intercessory prayer in a candlelit ambiance. Taizé Prayer invites us to be still, to rest and to listen for the Voice of God. November is a special time in our liturgical year when we especially remember and pray for our dead.

Thanksgiving Day Mass Thursday, November 25

Mass @ 9 am

Join us in celebration of Thanksgiving as we acknowledge our many blessings.



First Sunday of Advent

Celebrate at Saturday November 27 @ 5pm, or
Sunday November 28 @ 9am or 11 am Masses

Prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ with our weekly lighting of the Advent wreath. Consider creating your own Advent rituals at home to better prepare the hearts of your family members.



Holy Family Mass & Weekly Schedule

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00am

Wednesday-Friday: 9:00am

ADORATION:

Thursday: 9:30am-6pm

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism & Sacrament of Matrimony:
(616) 891-9259

Reconciliation: Sat. 4:00-4:30pm

OFFICE HOURS:

9:00-3:00 M-Th, Fri 9:00-12:00

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*After Hours Emergency: 616-536-0477
(for sacramental emergency)*

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LIVING OUR FAITH

ADVENT & FIRST FRIDAY CONFESSION TIMES

Father Mike will be hearing confessions on the 1st Friday of each month: 9:45 – 10:45 AM in the church. Come take advantage of this beautiful Sacrament!

In preparation for the Advent Season Father Mike will be offering confession on Thursdays December 2, 9, & 16 from 6-7:30 pm.



K OF C BREAKFAST

Join us November 14th, after 9am Mass! The Knights will provide a wide array of breakfast goodies such as pancakes (regular & blueberries), scrambled eggs, sausage & bacon and so much more. Let us cook breakfast for you!

WIDOWED GROUP

Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, November 16th at 11:30 am** for a Potluck luncheon, located in the St. Mary's Hall. Please sign up for a dish to pass by calling Laura Scott in the parish office at (616) 891 9259.



Mark your calendars for **Tues. December 7th** for a field trip to Dolly Hula's Christmas house event. We will have 2 separate times to sign up, in order to accommodate everyone in the smaller setting. Look for times in the upcoming bulletins.



Please add these dates to your calendars and bring others along, even if they do not go to Holy Family & are a widow/ widower, they are welcome.

50TH CELEBRATION



We wanted to recognize one other family as we end our series of articles of our founding families here at Holy Family, as we have been celebrating our 50th Anniversary as a parish.

Herman “Max” Maxim and Angie Maxim were married at St. Mary’s on October 19, 1946. Max is now deceased and Angie who is now 97 years old is living with her son Joe at the home her and Max lived in their entire married life.

Max and Angie Maxim had seven children: Max and Terry Maxim with two children and three great-grandchildren. Linda Maxim Sinclair married to Mike with no children, Joe Maxim now single with no children, Diane Maxim Meyerink married to Bruce with three children and seven grandchildren, Jim Maxim married to Karen with four children and four grandchildren, Cathy Maxim

McCoy married to Darren with six children and seven grandchildren and Judy Maxim Taylor, with two children.

There are three generations of Maxim’s that have been married at Holy Family: six of the seven siblings and two grandchildren were all married at Holy Family. Of the seven siblings, 3 of the seven are still active members of Holy Family.

Along with raising seven children, Angie was active in the parish for many years including providing the Sunday coffee and donuts, and clean up, something she truly enjoyed.

According to their daughter Linda Sinclair, Max and Angie also donated the first chalice to Holy Family when it opened. This was something Max really felt strongly about providing, even though a burden to the family financially, it is a beautiful memory the family cherishes.



Max’s parents were also lifetime members of St. Mary’s, along with Max’s siblings. Joseph and Mary Maxim and their siblings were Alfreda Duba (Pete), Birdy Marvin (Burt), Josie Homrich (Harold), Herman Maxim (Angie), Evie Weber (Irvin), Archie Maxim (Ida).

When asked about what is most memorable for their family back when Holy Family was founded, they responded, that Holy Family was a new and combined parish of many churches in the area. It was a wonderful country community, where everyone knew each other and knew their neighbors and offered help, when needed. Linda said, “To this day, Mom at 97 years old, continues to pray for her family and her Holy Family family.

We hope you have all enjoyed the series of articles we have been running in our monthly newsletters during our period of celebrating our 50th Anniversary. God has blessed us indeed with wonderful families, many memories and a parish that is still as strong now as when it was founded back in 1970.

FAITH FORMATION



Lakeshore Academy
for the New Evangelization

The Cry of Our Heart: Singing the Learn with LANE

- A second-quarter in-person class held at Holy Family or available on-line
- **November 3, 10, and 17th 7:00-8:30pm**

We sing (or recite) a section of a Psalm, with a refrain, at every Mass. Sometimes, it's a moment in the Mass that can seem somewhat unclear or even awkward. The connection between the Psalm and the Gospel reading might not be obvious, or the Psalm is difficult to sing. How can we better understand them and engage more deeply with them, devotionally and in the Mass?

This unique LANE course will be team taught at two levels. Each week, a guest instructor will open by offering biblical and theological reflections on the Psalms. Then Audrey Thomas, Director of Sacred Music at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church, and a cantor will use the piano to teach us to sing the Psalms with more engagement and understanding. This course will be an interactive learning experience, rich in scriptural and musical insights.

To gain access to "The Cry of Our Heart," plus a full year of online and in-person classes, and other educational resources for the whole family.

1. Go to <https://www.lanecatholic.org/subscription/holy-family-digital-passport>

and click the "Subscribe now" button.

2. Create an account, then scroll down and click the "Begin your free trial" button to get 365 days of free access.

3. Now you can begin learning! Browse upcoming and archived LANE classes and family resources.

The Catholic Moral Universe Continues!

- A four-quarter online class
- **Mondays, November 1, 8, and 15th, 7-8:30 p.m. or at any other convenient time**

What is right and wrong? How can we know? Do our choices have eternal consequences? How can we find true freedom, happiness, and fulfillment in this life and the next? To address these questions, in March 2021 Pope Francis urged "Christian communities... and cultural associations to promote initiatives making known the message of" Dante's great poem, the Divine Comedy, "in all its fullness." LANE is responding by offering a unique course exploring the Catholic moral universe illustrated by Dante. This four-quarter course will explore the Catholic moral universe: good and evil, freedom and bondage, actions and consequences, sin and salvation, and above all, love. This course is not a literature or history course, and students will not be required to read the Divine Comedy. Instead, examples from Dante's work will be used to illustrate Catholic doctrinal and moral teaching, helping guide us on our own pilgrimages toward eternal life and joy.

blessed is *she*

Holy Hour Dates: Nov 16th and Dec 7th from 7:00-8:00 pm followed by social hour (indoors from 8-9:30 pm)

Prayer Walk Dates: Nov 6th and Dec 4th in the Holy Family parking lot at 9 am.

Join us for **And Hay Became Holy Work Shops** *Workshops

will be held in person and via ZOOM

Monday December 6 @ 1 pm and 6:30 pm

Monday December 13 @ 1 pm and 6:30 pm

Monday December 20 @ 1 pm and 6:30 pm



Men, it is not too late to join us as each week we cover new material. Wednesday mornings from 6:15 am-7:15 am. Coffee and light snacks provided.



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FAITH FORMATION

Special blessing at Mass for those preparing for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation

Enrollment of Candidates for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation will be recognized Saturday, Nov. 6 at the 5:00pm Mass. Please pray for these candidates as they prepare for the Sacraments to be celebrated in the Spring. Let us lift them in prayer for God's guidance and love to lead them on their faith journeys.

A cookie reception will follow Mass.
Come and have a cookie *before* dinner!

No Faith Formation Classes

There are no Faith Formation classes on the following dates:

- ♦ Elementary - Monday, Nov 22
- ♦ Elementary - Wednesday, Nov. 24
- ♦ Middle School & High School - Sunday, Nov. 28

Happy Thanksgiving!



Welcome!

Welcome Carla Niziolek as our Interim Director of Discipleship.

Carla is a Master Catechist, who has a deep love for Christ and His Church. She is passionate about forming Disciples of Christ. Her recent ministry endeavors have included directing the Lakeshore Academy for the New Evangelization (LANE), and creating LANE Kids, which is a program matching the new diocesan curriculum, and our new k-5 programming

at Holy Family. Carla is a convert to the faith (1998) and is excited to lend her firsthand experience of being a candidate while leading our RCIA. Carla brings an energetic, joyful, and enthusiastic leadership to our staff and parish families through aspiring to grow and support our catechetical development through lifelong learning and evangelization experiences. Please welcome Carla to Holy Family Parish.

Middle & High School Calendar of Events

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 8th grade Confirmation Retreat at Little Pine Island, Nov. 12-14
Transportation provided.
- 6-7th gr retreat here at Holy Family, Dec. 10-12.

HIGH SCHOOL

- March for Life Pilgrimage in Washington DC, Jan 20-23.
Transportation provided.
- Summer events with dates to be determined: Steubenville Youth Conference and Mission Trip.

Information and registration forms will be available on the website and the Ministry Cart closer to the event dates. If you have any questions, please contact the CFF office for assistance.

Middle and High Bible Study:

- Middle School Bible Study
Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm held weekly in the JP II youth room.
 - High School Bible Study
Wednesdays from 7:30-9pm held weekly. In the JP II youth room.
- *Depending on attendance levels the times may be adjusted.*

Middle & High School November, December and January

6-7th gr Edge and 8th gr
Purpose Nights:
November 7 and 14
December 5 and 19
January 16 & 30

High School LifeTeen Nights:
November 14
December 12 & 19
January 9

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



Called to Serve?

Sometimes callings begin as little whispers that wander across our minds or hearts. Have you been wondering what it would be like to serve in a liturgical ministry? It may be the Holy Spirit inspiring you! Opportunities to serve in liturgical ministry are varied: Minsters can serve before, during, or outside Mass; as an individual, a family; in the church or from the comfort of your

own home; on a regular basis or as need arises! Contact Barbara in the parish office for more information on any of the ministries below: 616-891-9259 ext. 238 or bdombroski@holyfamilycaledonia.org

Usher/Junior Usher (great opportunity for families to serve together!)

Greeter (great opportunity for families to serve together!)

Altar Server (at least 3rd grade, and under 125 years old – women or men!)

Cross Bearer (same as for Altar Server)

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister (at least 16 years old)

Lector (at least 14 years old)

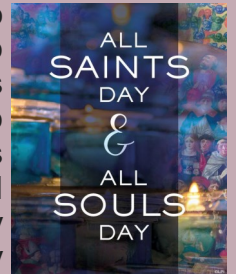
Funeral Ministry Team

Baptism Ministry Team

Altar Linens

November: Remembering the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Our Catholic Faith encourages us to pray constantly for our deceased. To remind and inspire us in this responsibility, the entire month of November is devoted to prayer for the Souls in Purgatory. Our prayer offerings assist souls who pass from this earth in a state of grace, but are still in need of purification before they are able to enter into the Pure Presence of God in Heaven. Prayer for the dead also strengthens our connection with the Communion of Saints. By far, the most perfect prayer and most beautiful spiritual gift we can offer for any soul, living or dead, is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The Mass is the highest form of Catholic worship and the Holy Eucharist is the greatest source of God's Grace. Consider offering Mass for the



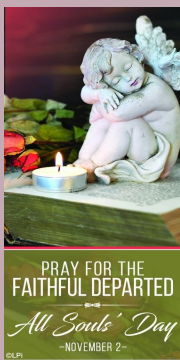
intention of your loved ones. Contact the parish office: The parish Mass book has many open days, waiting for your intentions!

Book of the Dead

Throughout the month of November, a shrine to honor and pray for our deceased loved ones will remain near Mary's statue in the church. All are welcome to add the names of departed loved ones to the Book of the Dead, located at the shrine. As a parish family, we continue to pray for the repose of their souls, and for all who continue to mourn their loss. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual Light shine upon them.

May they rest in Peace. Amen.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.



WAYS TO SERVE.....

Be the Beacon of Hope this Fall

Holy Family at 9669 Kraft Ave will be hosting the next Caledonia Community Church blood drive on **Tuesday, November 9** from noon to 6:30 pm. Note new start time for this drive only. Every donor who attempts to donate will receive a gift from a variety of give-aways. Please enter thru Door B on the west side of the building. Masks and social distancing will be observed. The goal is 65 pints of blood.



Streamline your process for check in by doing an online verification ON THE DAY OF YOUR DONATION. Log into <https://www.versiti.org/versipass/michigan-versipass> then click this

hyperlink ^{VersiPASS} review education materials, complete the online questions and bring printed or mobile confirmation to your scheduled appointment- without this confirmation you will be asked to fill out the questions again. **2022 blood drives (Tuesday): Jan. 11, March 15, May 10, July 12, Sept. 13, Nov. 8**

Appointment times are every 5 minutes. Donors without appointments will be fit into an open timeslot. If interested in donating blood you may sign up at <https://bit.ly/Nov9giveblood> or call Char Mello, chairperson 616-901-2803. Please join us for good fellowship, trail mix and snacks.



Deck the Halls

We invite you to come and help decorate our halls for the start of the Christmas Season. There will be a quick bite to eat, then start right in with decorating. With many hands, young and old, this will not take long. To have the right amount of food please respond "interested" to Kim Buehler at parishlife@holyfamilycaledonia.org

Holy Family Giving Tree

Want to be an Angel?

Our annual Christmas Giving Tree will return again this year! The ornaments will be available beginning November 18-21 or until they are gone. Each ornament will provide a child's age & ideas for appropriate gifts.

We are asking that you put the gifts unwrapped, with the ornament attached to the gift, underneath the tree by December 2nd.

Please consider being an angel for those that are less fortunate.

Any questions, please contact Chris Koryto (616-581-7520) or Gail Mancuso (616-366-8347)

Thank you in advance.

