



Holy Family Parish

3450 Sycamore Drive

Stow, OH 44224

Website: holyfamilystow.org

Phone: 330-688-6411

2025 Ministry Guide



Holy Family Parish

Embracing Christ, Accompanying Each Other

*Our vision is to be a welcoming home, where
encounters with Jesus in Eucharistic Worship
inspire and transform. We hope to foster a
community that inspired saints on their spiritual
journey.*

Welcoming Home

*Nurturing a parish community where everyone experiences the
love of Christ and is accompanied by a family of believers*

Encountering Jesus

*Seeking personal intimacy with Christ through prayer, service and
Communion*

Eucharistic Worship

Worshipping Jesus as we participate in the gifts of His Word

Inspiring Saints

*Inspiring a community that encourages each individual on their
daily spiritual journey*

“Feed my Sheep...”

John 21:17



Dear Members of Holy Family Parish,

Whether you have been a part of our family for a very long time or are new to the parish, I hope that you feel welcome and valued in this community.

I invite you to grow with us, pray with us, and live the sacramental life of the church as followers of Jesus Christ.

This Directory provides information on ways to participate, serve and be served, and engage your parish community. It is my hope that among the ministries you will find a place to be a vibrant part of Holy Family.

I ask you to take some time to reflect on your spiritual life, and make a commitment this year to deepen that life. As a parish, we offer many opportunities to help you enrich your spirituality. It is my hope that you will take advantage of them. Many of these opportunities are listed in this book. Additionally, there are a variety of offerings listed in the weekly bulletin and website.

Please accept this Directory as an invitation to be a full and active member of our parish family.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Michael P. McCandless



***Holy Family Parish
3450 Sycamore Dr.
Stow Ohio 44224
330-688-6411***

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening	5:00pm
Sunday Morning	7:30am, 9:00am & 11:30am
Monday - Friday	8:00am
First Saturday	8:00am
Holy Days	See Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday	3:00pm - 4:00pm - or by appointment
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Parish Information—Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday	8:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday	8:00am - 12:00pm
Sunday	Closed

Parish Office Phone	330-688-6411
Parish Fax	330-689-0186
Holy Family School	330-688-6412
Parish Website	holyfamilystow.org
Facebook Page:	facebook.com/holyfamilystow



Holy Family Parish Staff

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Mrs. Janet Long - ext. 212 - long@holymfamilystow.org

Mrs. Karen Staudt—ext. 211 - staudt@holymfamilystow.org

Celebrating the Sacraments

Sacraments of Healing

Anointing of the Sick is given by a priest representing Jesus, with the hope that, if it be God's will, the person will be physically and spiritually healed of illness.

Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Reconciliation frees us from our sins, but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Matrimony is the sacrament by which a baptized man and a baptized woman bind themselves for life in a lawful marriage. It is a covenant that establishes a partnership of the whole of life, ordered to the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring.

Holy Orders along with the Sacrament of Marriage, belongs to a special group of sacraments known as the Sacraments of Commitment. These two sacraments are sacraments at the service of communion, directed toward the salvation of others. A call to a vocation in the priesthood begins with God, not the person.

Celebrating the Sacraments

Sacraments of Initiation

Baptism is a sacrament of initiation (which you can only receive one time), meaning once you received it, you officially enter into the body of Christ, the Catholic Church. The recipient receives justifying and sanctifying grace when baptized, and the Holy Spirit begins to dwell within them.

Mrs. Raquel Berroteran, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Confirmation is a sacrament in the Catholic Church that completes the grace of Baptism and confers the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It strengthens the bond with the Church and the mission of Christ.

Mrs. Meghan Kiel, 330-688-6411 (ext. 271) ~ teens

Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272) ~ adults

Eucharist is a sacrament - and sacrifice - of thanksgiving and communion. We gather at Mass and Holy Communion to express our gratitude to Jesus for his sacrifice on the Cross.

Mrs. Raquel Berroteran, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Family is committed to remaining in the presence of Our Eucharistic Lord. Members of the parish can commit to praying before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour a week. This powerful form of prayer has changed many lives.

The Chapel is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill & Mary Ann Kolosi, 330-678-8335

Worship and Ministries

ACTS 29 Young Adult Ministry

ACTS 29 is a group for young adults seeking community and a chance to grow their faith. In once a week meetings, we hope to foster long lasting friendships and accountability in Christ. Join us every Wednesday in the lower church Hall (sometimes the rectory) at 7pm to find other young adults growing closer to Christ Jesus..
Miss Grace Durbin, 330-688-6411 (ext. 210)

Avilas

The mission of this group is to support and pray for vocations. The group meets for Avila rosary on the first Saturday of each month.
Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Adult Faith Formation & Education

This ministry provides adults with social, spiritual and educational needs.
Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272)

Adult Altar Servers

Adult Servers assist our priests at funerals and special events.
Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Altar Servers

Altar Servers are girls and boys in grades 4 through high school and beyond who serve and assist our priests at Mass.
Deacon John Green, 330-688-6411 (ext. 395)
Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272)

Art and Environment

The mission of the Art and Environment Ministry is to partner Catholic liturgy with artistry to enhance the church and inspire the faithful.
Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272)

Bereavement Ministry Greeters

Some duties of our ministers include welcoming, assist the funeral home staff, assist with the offertory procession, ushering and participating as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
Dr. & Mrs. Steve Kaiser, 330-472-6300

Bulletin, Website, and Monitor Announcements

Submit your copy ready Bulletin Announcement by email to hfbulletin@holyfamilystow.org. Deadline for materials submitted electronically is noon Saturday for the following weekend publications. . Hard copy announcements will need to be submitted by noon on Wednesday, 10 days prior to the weekend publication. For website and entranceway monitors, contact hfpnews@holyfamilystow.org.

Beyond Just Faith

Beyond Just Faith is a ten month long adult spiritual formation process centered on Catholic social teachings. The process involves weekly meetings starting in September, reading, watching videos, hands-on experiences in the community, two retreats, prayer and discussion. Additionally, Just Faith works to encourage works of social justice. Mrs. Judy Dinardo, 330-688-1767

Boy Scouts and Venturing Crew

Boy Scouts participate in healthy youth activities that promote leadership, physical and emotional well-being, learning, achievement, a love for the outdoors and friendship in a Christian environment. Boy Scout Troop 177 is for ages 11 - 18. The Venturing Crew is a high adventure co-ed program for young men and women ages 14 - 21. Mr. Tom Hutchins, thutchins.jr@gmail.com
Mr. Bryan Menke, 330-342-9918

Care for the Sick & Homebound

Please inform the Parish Rectory Office when a parishioner is unable to come to Mass. Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are able to visit the homebound and bring Communion. Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Christ's Crafters

Christ Crafters ministry members knit and crochets baptismal bibs, prayer shawls and lap robes. Christ Crafters is open to all parishioners. Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Coffee & Donuts

All are invited to the Lower Church Hall after the Sunday 9:00am Mass to share in coffee, donuts and fellowship. Responsibility is shared by volunteer families. (suspended during the summer)
Miss Grace Durbin, 330-688-6411, (ext. 210).

Commentators

Duties involve calling the Assembly to worship at the beginning of the Mass and reading the Prayers of the Faithful (Petitions).

Mrs. Raquel Berroteran, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Confirmation Preparation Process

Confirmation for teens begins as early as the 9th grade, but all high-school teens are welcome. Required preparation begins in the fall, the Sacrament of Confirmation takes place in the spring. Registration begins in August. Preparation includes group sessions, service projects, prayer and a day retreat.

Mrs. Meghan Kiel, 330-688-6411, (ext. 271)

Confirmation for Adults

If you are an adult seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation contact:

Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411, (ext. 272)

Cub Scouts

Through participation in den meetings and outings, children build crafts, earn advancements and learn to do their best. Activities are used to achieve the aims of Scouting: citizenship training, character development and personal fitness. Cub Scout pack 3177 is for boys and girls in grades K - 3, Webelos is for grades 4 and 5.

Culture of Life

The Culture of Life Group is dedicated to defending the sacredness of human life from conception to natural death. The group plans events to help foster pro-life awareness in the parish. Check the bulletin for a schedule of meetings and activities.

Mr. Patrick Rynd, 330-922-4125

CYO/Youth Athletics

Boys & Girls athletics includes participating in a variety of sports in a Christian environment. All children of the parish are welcome.

Mr. Chuck Gasior, cgasior@gasiorlawoffice.com

Exodus 90

Exodus 90 is a ninety day Catholic program for men. It is an introduction to a different kind of life; a life of responsibility, meaning and true freedom. For ninety days men commit to prayer, asceticism (self denial) and fraternity. Exodus 90 gives the freedom to say no to small things in order to say "YES" to the big things God calls us to do.

Dan Stratton, 330-604-9810

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

Extraordinary Ministers have the responsibility of helping the priest distribute the Body and Blood of Christ, both at Mass and to the sick and homebound.

Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272)

FIAT/Magnify

Magnify 90 is a spiritual journey for women leading to a deeper holiness achieved through the virtues.

Mrs. Karen Staudt, staudt@holyfamilystow.org

First Communion/ First Reconciliation / Sacramental Prep

Preparation for First Communion and First Reconciliation involves both parents and children. Information and registration forms are available at www.holyfamilystow.org (sacrament tab)

Mrs. Raquel Berroteran, 330-688-6411, (ext. 270)

Funeral Planning

The Mass of Christian Burial Planning Guide (pdf) is available on our website. Coordination between the priest and funeral home handling arrangements will determine date and time of the funeral.

Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Funeral Meal Ministry

As a service to grieving families, the Funeral Meal Ministry offers a meal following the funeral. Volunteers serve and provide baked goods.

Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Girl Scouts

Fun activities and service projects help girls learn about themselves and others while developing physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Daisies K-1, Brownies grades 2-3; Junior Scouts grades 4-6; Cadettes grades 7-9; Seniors grades 9-12.

Mrs. Ana Burns, 330-328-2376

Giving Tree

The Giving Tree project is a beautiful way to experience the true meaning of Christmas. Each year when the holiday season approaches, our parish assists those who are less fortunate. If you wish to help please take a tag from the Christmas trees placed throughout the Church. Purchase a new gift or gift card as requested on the tag and return as directed in the bulletin.

Mrs. Elly Styles, 330-842-0578.

Golf League

The Golf League meets once a week during the spring and summer.
Mr. Greg Stem, 330-673-8327

Healing Prayer Group

God the Father wants to heal the broken world through Jesus by the Holy Spirit. The Healing Prayer group offers prayer to those needing physical, spiritual or emotional healing. We are available in person, private phone call, home visit or appointment.
Mrs. Mary Cusack, 330-687- 8843

Holy Family Panther Parents

For information on the Parents Club, please visit our website.
parentsclub@holyfamilyschool.org

Honduras Medical Mission

Sociedad Amigos de los Niños (The Society for the Friends of Children) was founded by Franciscan Sister Maria Rosa to serve the needs of the abandoned, neglected and abused children in Honduras. Nuevo Paraiso is a village for single mothers and their children. Sociedad is a Catholic organization whose mission is to transform lives through education, practical training, healthcare, nutrition and shelter, enabling women and children to journey toward independence. Doctors, dentists, nurses, translators and pharmacy team members are needed for these missions.
Mr. Daniel Krinsky, 330-715-4689

Hunger Fund & Food Collection

A food collection at the Masses on the 3rd weekend of each month provides for the hungry of our community. Distribution is accomplished through Good Neighbors of Cuyahoga Falls.
Mrs. Debra Radecky, 330-678-0459

J.O.Y ~ Just Older Youths

A social group of those age 50 and “thriving”
Mrs. Donna Gill, 330-328-3828

Knights Of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men’s fraternal organization committed to unity with the Church, charity to those in need and fraternity with fellow brother Knights. The Fr. Maruskin Council #10396 promotes fellowship through activities and special events throughout the year, many raise funds for our parish, school and various charities. Council meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month.
Mr. Gerald Chiurazzi, 330-673-2087

Lectors

Lectors proclaim the Liturgy of the Word with care, preparedness, and devout attention. Those who are called to or discern this ministry help us to achieve a truly profound love for Scripture and understand its power. Mrs. Raquel Berrotran, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is committed to daily devotion to Our Blessed Mother. They also coordinate the Holy Family Parish Prayer Line. Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Life Teen

We exist to lead teens closer to Christ through an authentic faith-filled community. We invite all high school teens to join us for prayer, service, and community! Meetings are Sunday after the 11:30am Mass (12:45pm-2:30pm) in the Fr. Szabo Parish Center or Lower Church Hall for games, food, and faith. Our 12:2 Bible Study meets Thursday in Rm 3 or the fire pit—weather permitting! Mrs. Meghan Kiel, 330-688-6411 (ext. 271)

Little Food Pantry

Located outside the rectory office, the food pantry offers help to those in need. “Take what you need, leave what you can” is our mission. Mrs. Jan Call, 330-958-9022

Linen Ministry

Volunteers gather the purificators and towels after the weekend Masses and return them cleaned, pressed and folded for the next weekend. Mrs. Mary Pat Myers, 330-990-0563

MMM (March Mission Madness)

Annual missional effort to assist those in need. All parishioners invited to participate. Deacon John Green, green@holyfamilystow.org

Mom’s Ministry

Mothers Organized Ministry to the Suffering, (M.O.M.S.) is a ministry providing support, compassion, comfort and prayer in the form of service to any school family in crisis. A family's needs may be related to illness, death of a family member, hospitalization, loss of employment or other difficult or unexpected hardship. Privacy is paramount for families. Mrs. Missy Wells, 330-714-3763

Music Ministry

Music is an integral part of our parish life. We welcome the interest of all singers and musicians to speak with our Director of Music Ministry Mrs. Reba Dallas, 330-688-6411 (ext. 272)

Natural Family Planning

NFP is true family planning. NFP promotes openness to the transmission of human life and recognizes the value of children.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo and Toni Doty, 330-689-0632

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is a journey of faith for those discerning joining Roman Catholic Church.

Mrs. Kathleen Ott, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Parish Finance Council

The parish finance council is an advisory body providing assistance and advice to Father McCandless. The mission of the Parish Finance Council is to review the financial impact of the mission and ministry of the parish as established by the pastor.

Fr. Michael McCandless, 330-688-6411, (ext. 215)

Pinochle Club

The Pinochle Club allows for parishioners to come together for social interaction as they enjoy fellowship and fun.

Mr. Greg Stem, 330-673-8327

Prayer Line

The Payer Line is a way for people to request prayer and to act on God's command to love one another through the gift of prayer.

Delores and Bernard Bezilla, 330-688-3391 or 330-603-6332

Parish School of Religion

Holy Family's Parish School of Religion (PSR) welcomes all children in grades K - 8 as well as children who are home schooled. First and second grade students in public school attend PSR to prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Third through eighth grade students continue their religious education in preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. Registration forms are available online at www.holyfamilystow.org.

Mrs. Raquel Berroteran, 330-688-6411 (ext. 270)

Sacristy Cleaning Ministry

Volunteers are scheduled on a rotational basis.

Mrs. Mary Pat Myers, 330-990-0563

Sacrament of Marriage ~ Mentoring Couples

Engaged couples attend pre-martial preparation with either a priest or deacon. Married couples mentor engaged couples.
Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Secular Franciscan Fraternity

Men and women of the Secular Franciscan commit themselves to a life in Christ modeled in the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi.
Mr. Jim Tanzosh, 330-760-7682

Serra Club

The Serra Club works to promote and encourage religious vocations.
Mr. David Fetyko, 330-688-3345, dfetyko@aol.com

Sewing Ministry ~ Mary's Threads Ministry

Mary's Threads Ministry creates young children's and maternity clothing for Embrace Clinic.
Mrs. Kathy Fogle, 330-802-1337

St. Bernard's Soup Kitchen

The St. Bernard Hot Meal Program provides meals for an ever increasing number of individuals and families. Volunteers cook a full course dinner, setup, serve, and cleanup as they offer encouragement to those in need.
Mrs. Doris Deleandro, 330-310-9962

St. Vincent DePaul Society

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists those in need. Funds for continuing the Society's charitable work are provided by donations.
Mr. Terry Bedell, 330-688-6411 (listen to prompt and dial 4)

Ushers (Ministers of Hospitality)

Ministers of Hospitality greet before Mass, assist those who cannot process to Communion, as well as passing the collection baskets.
Rectory Office, 330-688-6411

Walking with Moms in need

Our parish is joining in a nationwide effort to assess, expand and better communicate resources to pregnant moms and families. Pope Francis reminds us to be "islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifferences." Leo and Toni Doty, 330-688-6411 (ext. 295)

Women Today

Women Today is a ministry for the women of Holy Family Parish. The group meets monthly for prayer, education and community service.
Ms. Kim Muzic, 330-697-3602

Holy Family School ***3163 Kent Road ~ Stow, Ohio 44224***

Admission

For more information on admission, guidelines and school tour.
Mrs. Katrine Franklin at 330-688-6412 (ext. 314)

Extended Hours Program

Holy Family School offers an affordable before and after school program for registered students at Holy Family School. Hours of operation are 7:00am- 8:00am and 3:20pm - 6:00pm. Fee structure is based on a daily rate for the morning and afternoon program and is billed on a “as need basis.”

Amy D. Rich, 330- 688-6411 (ext. 221)

School Volunteer Opportunities

Holy Family School has a wide variety of volunteer opportunities.
Mrs. Katrine Franklin 330- 688-6412, (ext. 314)

Principal

Student Absence

School Fax

School Website

Mrs. Heather Hawk Frank

330-688-6412 (ext. 451)

330-688-3474

www.holyfamilyschoolstow.org

Holy Family School is a 2012 National Blue Ribbon School of
Excellence Award Winner!

Accepting *EdChoice* and *EdChoice Expansion Scholarships*

Holy Family School Mission:

Holy Family School...centered in our love for Jesus, our love for
learning, our love for life, our love for others.

One Family...United in Christ.

For the protection of children Virtus Training Volunteer Requirements

The Catholic Church, the Diocese of Cleveland and Holy Family Parish hold the protection of children as one of their highest priorities. To this end, the Diocese of Cleveland adopted a Policy for the Safety of Children in Matters of Sexual Abuse in 2003 and updated it in 2007. This policy requires that education and training in the recognition and prevention of sexual abuse towards minor children be given to all Diocesan employees and volunteers who come in contact with children.

Diocese of Cleveland Compliance Requirements

Virtus | Holy Family Parish, Stow, Ohio (holyfamilystow.org)

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Register & attend a VIRTUS training session ~~ www.virtus.org

Read 12 follow-up bulletins over a two-year period ~ posted in your account

Complete the “selection” process – a one-time background check fee \$25.00.

Holy Family revised Volunteer application ~~ sign & return to parish office.

Policy for the Safety of Children in Matters of Sexual Abuse revised 2016

read ~ sign & return to the parish office

Standards of Conduct for Ministry ~~ read ~ sign & return to the parish office

~ Heavenly Father ~

*You entrusted the care of Your Son to Mary and Joseph.
You ask that we, as members of Holy Family Parish,
attentively care for each other and those in the world.*

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*Through the intercession of Mary,
may we become gentle examples of Your love
by pondering the Word,
welcoming the poor,
caring for the outcast,
~ and lifting up the fallen.*

*Through the intercession of Joseph,
may we become active members of Your Church,*

*Responding to Your promptings with courage and fortitude,
witnessing to the world through our actions, and building the
Kingdom of God.*

*Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
may we become the face of God in the world,
preaching the Gospel,
transforming relationships,
and drawing all people to Yourself.*

*We ask this through the power of Your Holy Spirit,
and in the name of Your Son Jesus,
Who is Lord forever and ever...Amen.*



