

Welcome! We welcome everyone here today. Mass is celebrated each week at 8:30am on Sunday.

Reconciliation: Fr. Pat is available Sundays at 8:00 a.m., or by appointment. In case of medical emergencies, Father's cell number is 757-620-9187.

Prayer Requests

God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have abundance for every good work. (2 Cor. 9:8) Please pray for the terminally ill, the sick, for those who are recovering, as well as the following people:

- All our parishioners who are struggling with chronic illness and pain; For the elderly and infirm, that they may have courage, strength and good cheer in their daily struggle with weakness and infirmity;
- Thom Matthews (but also Julie & Felix) have COVID since last week; Vincent is in the VA Hospital in Beckley on oxygen for breathing difficulties (not COVID); Norman Hollie, the Metros son-in-law, who suffered a serious injury in a fall; Nancy Foltz, continues to recover from recent surgery; Jim Volbrecht; Tommy Roberts, Marcia Peterson's cousin, who is undergoing treatment for stage 4 esophageal cancer; Phil Haurus & his wife Linda; Tanya Marx, who is being treated for an anaplastic astrocytoma; Andy Maderspach's mother; Jessie Spencer, father of 6 children, treated for brain cancer; Brent Younts, a friend of Tanya & Michael Marx, he has a brain tumor; Ken Walker, who is recovering after receiving a bone marrow transplant; Trisha Young, a friend of Brenda Stephan's;
- For all those struggling with depression or mental illness;
- For everyone affected by COVID-19, directly or indirectly;
- Our Holy Father, Pope Francis I;
- For the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine;
- For all refugees fleeing war or persecution;
- For greater stability of governments;
- Victims of natural & man-made disasters and tragedies;
- For Christians who live in pagan, Muslim, or Communist countries who are unable to practice our holy religion;
- For all law-enforcement personnel;
- For all veterans who have served our country.

Lenten Schedule – Stations of the Cross will be held at 3pm on Fridays, followed by a soup supper.

Lectors for next week, 3/24/24: Lectors – Chris Sokol & Jessie Rafferty. Alternate – George Zolovick.

Offertory: Counter for this week – Cathy Cole. The E-giving for the week through 3/8/2024 was \$1,120. Last week's Sunday offering has yet to be counted.

Diocesan Annual Appeal - The 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal has started. Please be generous! As a mission parish, 50% of these funds come back to our parish.

Parish Life – We usually have donuts after Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month and potluck on the last Sunday of the month. All are welcome--We hope you can join us!

Parish Council –The Council usually meets the 2nd Thursday each month. You may send comments, suggestions, etc. for the Parish Council to holyfamilyva589@gmail.com

Justice and Peace Committee – The Justice & Peace Committee was awarded \$6,000 from the Diocese Fuel and Hunger Fund. These funds are available through the generous support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal by the people of our Diocese.

Parish Birthdays – Alice Journell, March 9th. Do you have a birthday in March? Please let Chris Sokol know. We would love to celebrate you!

Food Pantry Sunday – Please help support the Giles County Christian Service Mission Food Pantry. A basket will be placed in the narthex on the first Sunday of each month and volunteers will deliver it to the pantry. Together we can help others thrive.

Inclement Weather Info: If there is a schedule change due to weather, it will be shown on WDBJ7 and listed on their website: <https://www.wdbj7.com/weather/closings/>

Who To Contact in the Parish:

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Pastoral Care	Brenda Stephan	540-599-2438
Justice & Peace Committee	Teresa Savage	540- 921-3098
Maintenance/Planning	Jim Thompson	540-544-7145
Bookkeeper		
Religious Education	Suzy Bane	256-430-6910
Parish Life	Katherine Blackburn	540-696-8861
Hostel Committee	Andy Metro	540-588-9102
Liturgy Committee	Brenda Stephan	540-599-2438.

Do you have items for the bulletin? Would you like to receive the bulletin by e-mail? Contact Chris Sokol, at csokol17@gmail.com or call 540-818-8442 to leave a voice mail or text message.

**Holy Family Catholic Church
March 17, 2024**

Fifth Sunday of Lent



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