**Welcome!** We welcome everyone here today. Mass is celebrated each week at 8:30am on Sunday, and at 11am on Thursdays. Thursday Mass is preceded by a Eucharistic Holy Hour, 10 – 11am.

**Reconciliation**: Fr. Ferguson is available Sundays at 8:00 a.m., on Thursdays prior to Mass, or by appointment. In case of medical emergencies, Father's cell number is 757-871-7761

Fr Anthony posts his homily each week following Sunday on the web site Casting Out Fear, <a href="https://castingoutfear.org/author/artferg/">https://castingoutfear.org/author/artferg/</a>

## **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;
- Bill Murray, who was hospitalized this week; Brenda Stephan's niece Christie Dickerson, who is having health issues; Jim Vollbrecht, who is recovering from shoulder surgery; Tanya Marx; Mike Fricker, a co-worker of Michael Marx, was diagnosed with glioblastoma; Lois Hunter; Tanya Marx; Norman Hollie, the Metro's son-in-law; Phil Haurus & his wife Linda; Andy Maderspach's mother; Jessie Spencer, father of 6 children, treated for brain cancer; Ken Walker, who is recovering after receiving a bone marrow transplant;
- For all those struggling with depression or mental illness;
- 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.

<u>Announcements</u> - If anyone has an announcement to be made in church, please let Brenda know prior to Mass on Sunday for it to be added.

**Bring In Your Palms!** - Please bring in any palms you have from last year – they will be burned to create the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday Mass – noon at Holy Family

<u>Lenten Stations of the Cross</u> begins Friday March 7th at 3pm. Soup supper will be served afterwards. We still need volunteers to provide the soup for week 3-6. Please contact Katherine or sign up in narthex, if you can help.

<u>Lectors for next week, 3/9/25</u>: Lectors – Jim Vollbrecht, Gary Mills; Alternate - Chris Sokol

<u>Offertory</u>: Counter for this week – Suzy Bane. The offering for last week: TBA.

<u>Parish Life</u> – We usually have donuts after Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month and potluck on the last Sunday of the month.

<u>Ladies group</u> - They have a planned "Day Retreat" on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 10AM to 2PM. What does the Bible say about St. Joseph? More than you might think! All are invited to join them. They will break for lunch. Fee- \$2 to help cover cost of snacks, etc. Contact Katherine for details.

<u>Parish Birthdays</u> – Alice Journell, 3/9. Do you have a birthday in March? Please let Chris Sokol know. We would love to celebrate you!

<u>Food Pantry Sunday today</u> – 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.

<u>Justice and Peace</u> - During the month of January, J&P provided assistance to 6 families having 10 adults and 7 children. Total expenditures were \$1,194.69.

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

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

## Who To Contact in the Parish:

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Bookkeeper

Religious Education
Parish Life
Hostel Committee
Liturgy Committee
Suzy Bane

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 2, 2025

## **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



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