

**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, <https://castingoutfear.org/author/artferg/>

### **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;
- Chris Cole; Bill Murray; Brenda Stephan's niece Christie Dickerson, who is having health issues; 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 federal employees and others who have recently lost their jobs;
- 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.

For Pope Francis - *"O God, immortal shepherd of souls, look on your people's prayers and grant that your servant Pope Francis who presided over your Church in charity, may, with the flock entrusted to his care, receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful steward. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."*

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

Fr. Ferguson will be away for 2 weeks, so Fr. Lopez of Food for the Poor will be saying Mass for us.

**Lectors for next week, 5/4/25:** Lectors – Andy Metro, Jim Vollbrecht: Alternate - Suzy Bane

**Offertory:** Counter for this week – Chris Sokol.  
The offering for last week: TBA.

**Parish Life** – We usually have donuts after Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month and potluck on the last Sunday of the month. Since we had a big celebration Easter Sunday, there will be no potluck meal today.

**Justice and Peace Committee** - Assistance was provided to 5 families having 6 adults and 4 children. Total expenditure, including Infant Care, was \$819.31.

**Parish 60th Anniversary** The planning committee will be mailing invites to the August 17<sup>th</sup> Celebration with Bishop Knestout next month. We will have a meeting this month to start plans/organize preparations to make it an enjoyable occasion soon. Date and time TBA.

**Parish Birthdays** – Do you have a birthday in April? Please let Chris Sokol know. We would love to celebrate you!

**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](mailto:holyfamilyva589@gmail.com)

**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.

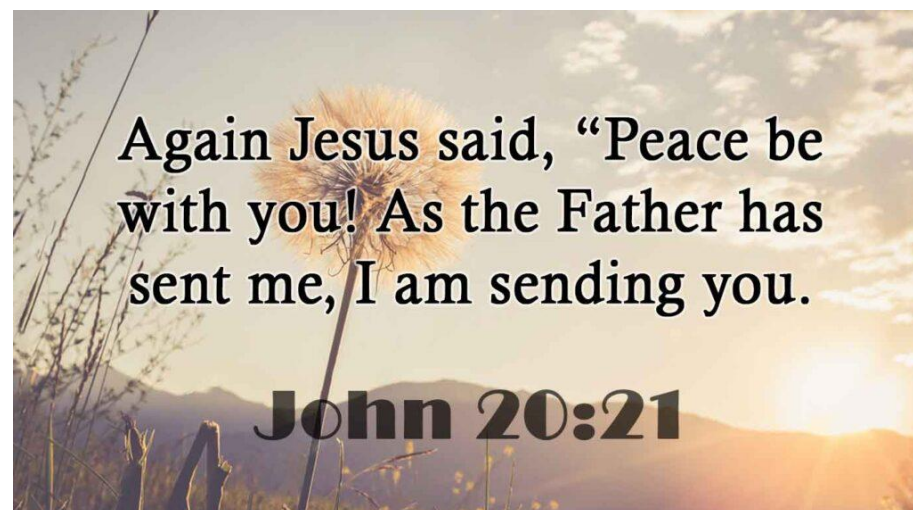
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Do you have items for the bulletin? Would you like to receive the bulletin by e-mail? Contact Chris Sokol, at [csokol17@gmail.com](mailto:csokol17@gmail.com) or call 540-818-8442 to leave a voice mail or text message.

**Holy Family Catholic Church  
April 27, 2025**

**Second Sunday of Easter  
Sunday of Divine Mercy**



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