

JOIN US FOR OUR 2ND ANNUAL

PARISH PICNIC

A celebration in honor of Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday, September 20

12:00 - 3:00 pm



Holy Family
584 W. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Procession after the 11 am Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Music
- 1 dollar Raffle for a Religious Statue
- Games and Activities
- Face Painting
- Food provided: Burgers, Hot Dogs, Sides and Drinks

RSVP USING THE QR CODE

SIGN UP TO BRING A NON
REFRIGERATED DESSERT



Or Contact Nicole Simental at
773-519-1587

Sponsored by the Respect Life Committee

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WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Served by the Mercedarian Friars USA (www.orderofmercy.org)



PARISH OFFICE, 588 W. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Open Monday—Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—12 noon
1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Main No.....614-221-4323 Fax No: 614-221-9818
Web:..... www.holyfamilycolumbus.org
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Facebook.... Holy Family Catholic Church
Flocknote.... holyfamilycolumbus@flocknote.com

PERSONNEL STAFF

Father Michael J. Donovan, O. de M.. Pastor
Father Daniel Bowen, O. de M..... Vocation Director
Brother Kevin Cush, O. de M..... Seminarian
Business Manager Brian Krull
Secretary..... Mary Gamble
Maintenance..... Tim Kearns
Music Director / Organist..... Shawn Kenney
OCIA (RCIA) Coordinator..... Linda Hamilton
Religious Education..... Sr. Bozena Tyborowska LSC

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers—*Br. Kevin Cush, O. de M., Director*
Confraternity of Christian Mothers—*Rita Martinez, President*
Diocesan Center for the Guard of Honor
of the Sacred Heart of Jesus—*Rebecca Rector, Zelatrix*
Eucharistic Adoration—*Sarah Hill, Coordinator*
Holy Family Young Adults—*Ricky Obregon, Coordinator*
Hospitality—*Kathy McKinniss & Linda Hamilton, Coordinators*
Knights of Columbus—*Shawn Kenney, Grand Knight*
Liturgical Ministry—*Linda Hamilton, Coordinator*
Mercedarian Lay Third Order—*Fr. Michael J. Donovan, O. de M.*
Spiritual Director
Respect Life—*Jake & Kennedy Oliger, Coordinators*

SOUP KITCHEN—(backyard of Parish Center building)

Donations...Monday—Friday
8:00 a.m. —12 noon preferred, back of building drop off
12 noon—3:00 p.m. optional, please call in advance
Main No..... 614-221-4323, Option 3
Web..... www.hfsk.org
Email..... Dennis Shope, Director
soupkitchen@holyfamilycolumbus.org

BAPTISM—Call the Parish office to schedule a Baptism.
Children over the age of 6 will require some special instruction.

MARRIAGE—Please call the Parish Office at least six months
before the wedding. Diocesan Pre-Cana and Natural Family
Planning classes are required and six meetings with the priest.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK—Call the Parish Office
during general office hours. Otherwise, call Parish Office and
select "Sacramental Emergency" option.

RECEPTION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST—Those who desire
Holy Communion at home should call the Parish Office.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 12:15pm
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

Convent of St. Birgitta—40 N. Grubb St., Columbus

Weekly: 7:00 a.m. Mon. Tues. Thurs. Friday
4:00 p.m. Wednesday
(Each day is open to the public)

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays: 11:30 a.m.—12 Noon
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Holy Family Church

Weekly: 1:00 p.m. Thursday—12 Noon Friday
First Friday Adoration in Reparation to the
Sacred Heart—8:00 p.m.—8:45 a.m. First Saturday

Please contact **Sarah Hill at 740-418-0517** or
thehills1936@gmail.com if you have interest in being
scheduled weekly or monthly in either location.

Convent of St. Birgitta (CSB) 40 N. Grubb St., Columbus

Weekly: 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. Tuesday
9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Mass Wednesday
4:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m. following 4pm Mass
9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. Friday

MOST HOLY ROSARY

Weekdays: 11:30 am (Tuesday is Respect Life Rosary)
Chaplet of Divine Mercy follows Rosary

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. before 9:00 a.m. Marian Mass
8:15 a.m. before 9:00 a.m. First Saturday
Mass

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. (before Mass)

Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to be
scheduled to lead before 9am Saturday or 9am; 5pm
Sunday Mass.

REGULAR DEVOTIONS



Each Tuesday following the 12:15 p.m. Mass there
are Devotions to **St. Anthony of Padua**.



Each Saturday Novena Prayers to **Our Lady of
Mercy** following 9:00 a.m. Mass.



On First Wednesday of each month a 7:00 p.m. Mass
is offered in honor of **Good Saint Joseph**.



On First Friday of each month following the 12:15 &
7:00 p.m. Mass there is **Act of Consecration of the
Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**.

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MASS INTENTIONS September 6—September 13, 2026

Sun Sept 6 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 9:00 AM People of the Parish
 11:00 AM * For the Unborn and All Priests and Religious
 by Knights of Columbus, #13428
 5:00 PM Beck Joseph Lutmer, by Grandparents
 8:00 PM The Hill Family, by James & Shanna Hill

Mon Sept 7

- 7:00 AM **CSB**—All Souls, by Tim & Kim Nguyen
 12:15 PM Special Intention for Braedon Bingham
 by Tricia Bingham

Tues Sept 8 THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

- 7:00 AM **CSB**—Repose of the Soul of Frank Tartal
 by Jim Lisska
 12:15 PM Jack Wyatt Albright, by Grandparents

Wed Sept 9 Our Lady of El Oliver

Saint Peter Claver, Priest

- 12:15 PM Kerry Schlaechlor Smith and Living Family
 Members, by Eric & Christy Conklin
 4:00 PM **CSB**—Repose of the Soul of
 Heather April Lough, by Kristen McCarthy

Thurs Sept 10

- 7:00 AM **CSB**—Repose of the Soul of John Garcia
 by Bill & Theresa Warren
 12:15 PM Repose of the Soul of Betty Jutte
 by Mary Zacks

Fri Sept 11

- 7:00 AM **CSB**—Nettie and Robert Carpenter
 by Dan Carpenter
 12:15 PM Repose of the Souls of James P. and
 Livia A. Gallicchio, by Lisa Cannon

Sat Sept 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

- 9:00 AM Nathan Dyke, by Sheree Dyke

Sun Sept 13 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 9:00 AM Repose of the Soul of Diane Etzler
 by Janet Bay
 11:00 AM * Deceased Members of Holy Family Alumni
 5:00 PM Repose of the Soul of Charles R. McKinniss
 by Kathy McKinniss
 8:00 PM People of the Parish

* Incense will be used at this Mass

***Congratulations to Logan Christ for being promoted
 from Specialist E4 to SGT E5 in the US Army Active Duty.***

LECTOR SCHEDULE

- September 6** 9:00 am Susan Lau
 11:00 am Knights of Columbus
 5:00 pm Tom Martello
September 13 9:00 am Brandon Litman
 11:00 am Brett Ballantyne
 5:00 pm Elaine Browning

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Airman 1st Class Kathleen Fruth, US Air Force
 Airman William Harding Marable, US Air Force
 Airman Lucas JY Tortora, US Air Force
 Col. Timothy W. Grady, US Air National Guard
 SPC Jeremy Rathbun, US Army
SGT E5 Logan Christ, US Army Active Duty
 1st Lt. John M. Kennedy, US Army Active Duty
 1st Lt. Michael V. Dickerson US Army National Guard
 2nd Lt. Nicholas C. Kennedy US Army National Guard
 SPC Brian A. Marsh, US Army National Guard
 SPC Trinity P. Roach, US Army National Guard
 SPC Zach Sowers, US Army National Guard
 Active Duty Trey Warner, US Army National Guard
 Lt. Col. Stephen Hueckel, US Army Reserve
 SGT Liam A. Smith, US Army Reserve
 BM2 Joseph Flynn, US Coast Guard
 Capt. Michael "Mick" Rector, US Marine Corps.
 LCpl. Brendan Thomas, US Marine Corps.
 Lt. Michael Bellavia, US Navy
 Lt. Rockford Bowman, US Navy
 SCPO Zachery Cook, US Navy
 Lt. Andrea Rae Kaltenbach, US Navy
 Active Duty Dan Severance, US Navy
 SPC / E4 Trey Warner, Ohio National Guard

SERMON ON THE AMOUNT

August 17, 2026—August 23, 2026

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,329
On-Line	2,929
Assumption	20
Mail	+ 1,715
Total	\$ 7,993
Less: Assessment (10%)	- 799
Net	\$ 7,194
Soup Kitchen	\$ 9,082
Total Capital Campaign Donations	\$720,860

The Appeal Pledges	\$ 15,888
The Appeal Goal	\$ 75,987

August 24, 2026—August 30, 2026

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,239
On-Line	2,629
Mail	+ 675
Total	6,543
Less: Assessment (10%)	- 654
Net	\$ 5,889
Soup Kitchen	\$ 3,838
Total Capital Campaign Donations	\$720,921



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Concerning the Holy Family School Building

Dear Parish Family,

For the past three years the Parish Finance Council, in collaboration with the Diocese of Columbus, has been determining what should be done with the Holy Family grade school/high school building.

Some of our parishioners, especially those who are new to our parish family, may not be aware that Holy Family Parish has a grade school and high school building. For the alumni who graduated from Holy Family School, this building holds cherished memories.

After the school building ceased to be used for teaching children, it eventually housed the Catholic Museum and Holy Family Soup Kitchen. Since the Catholic Museum relocated and the Soup Kitchen was transferred to the back of the Parish Center, the school building has been vacant; it has been unoccupied now for approximately six years.

Over these past six years, maintaining the security of the building has become an ever-growing challenge. The parish has provided the means for this security from parish funds. Vagrants have been consistently breaking into the building. They have been taking materials, such as all things copper, to sell. Intruders have done damage to walls, breaking entire glass cabinets just for the sake of being destructive. Intruders have left hazardous material from drug use throughout the building and have started fires on the floor of the building. The building has become a growing liability for the parish, it is only a matter of time before something tragic happens within the building; an assault, an overdose, an injury, a full-blown fire. Despite our best efforts to secure the building, vagrants continue to find their way in.

For the past three years, the Parish Finance Council, in collaboration with the Diocese of Columbus, has been determining what should be done with the Holy Family grade school/high school building. We have looked at all the options. To return the building to a Catholic school is something that the parish could not financially afford. It would take millions just to get the building up to code for it to be safely used. The Diocese has tried to sell the building without success. Even if the building were sold, we would have no say as to how the building would be used by the buyer moving forward. It would be a tremendous heart break for alumni to see the building being used for something that does not uphold Catholic values.

In addition to the growing liability to the parish that the school building is generating, there has been the growing expense of maintaining security and repair. During this year the parish has had to pay \$8,950 for covering graffiti and covering windows with plywood to meet the expectations of the City of Columbus. The expense for welding doors and covering over holes has been \$4,489.00. Expenses for water, sewage, and electric have been \$1,769.00. Police coverage when we went through the building to recover any religious objects that needed to be disposed of properly was \$2,000.00. We can no longer justify using parish funds to support the building.

With all this in mind, the Parish Finance Council, along with myself, have determined that the time has come to bring discussion to an end and reach a decision before something tragic takes place. The Finance Council has reached the conclusion that the building should be demolished, and Bishop Fernandes has given his approval for this to be done.

The Diocese of Columbus has approved the following: Holy Family Parish will take a loan from the Diocese to cover the expense of demolition. Upon completion of the demolition project, the Diocese will forgive the loan. The Diocese will then buy the property from Holy Family Parish for \$800,000. The parish will only benefit financially from this decision to demolish.

Reaching this decision has not been easy, especially knowing that the school building holds cherished memories for so many in Holy Family Alumni. What will never be destroyed is the rock-solid Catholic Faith that the Sisters planted in the hearts of Holy Family students. The future of the parish owes much to its glorious past, Holy Family school was a huge part of that glorious past.

Let us keep one another in prayerful support.

Fr. Michael



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HOLY FAMILY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #13428

We continue to collect aluminum cans for the Seminarians. All proceeds will go to these young men of Christ. Please drop the cans off at the entrance of the Church and/or Parish Center.

We would like to apologize for the last minute cancellation of the Pancake Breakfast last week due to unfortunate circumstances beyond our control.

Our monthly Corporate Mass for the Unborn Children and All Priests and Religious will be today, **September 6, 2026** at the 11am Mass.

Our monthly Council meeting will be after the 11am Mass in the Parish Center.

If you are interested in becoming a Knight of Columbus, please contact **Jose Rivera** at (614) 256-1425 or fourtonmantis@icloud.com.



HOLY FAMILY RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Our next meeting is **Monday, September 14th** from **7—8pm** in the Parish Center.

Our **Parish Picnic** is this month! Mark your calendar for **Sunday, September 20th** after the 11am Mass in the church parking lot. Raffle tickets will be sold after the 9am and 11am Mass THIS month. You can purchase raffle tickets in advance for a chance to win a saint statue at the picnic through this QR code!



Contact **Nicole Simental** at 773-519-1587 if you have questions.

Baby Donation Drive Update: We dropped off our first set of donations to Pregnancy Decision Health Center. Thank you to all those who have donated to our drive! Dozens of diapers, wipes, and clothing was donated to their clients who otherwise would not be able to afford those baby essentials. **Please place any donations in the St. George room in the undercroft.**

Email holyfamilyrlm@gmail.com with questions.

HIS INCREDIBLE SENIORS EXERCISE PROGRAM

We are back to class, keeping in mind that we never really left this High ranking!

Our upcoming class is scheduled **1:30—2:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 9, 2026** in the Parish Center. The following week will be regular class schedule of Tuesday September 15 and Wednesday September 16.

Members of His Incredible Seniors vary in ages from early 60's to early 90's!!! This family is filled with people who want to stay fit while having lots of fun. Join us!



CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS & LADIES GUILD

Serving the Women of Holy Family since 1887

The Peace Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Thanks to the continued support of the Christian Mothers, we were able to give \$3,000 to the maintenance projects of the parish. May God Bless you for your generosity.

Please join us in an hour of adoration with Father Tuscan via EWTN <https://www.youtube.com/live/FVUvP6gHipA?is=IX4fscjwklFU5ip7>. Script is taken from the Mother Love book starting page 265. These books are still available at our cost of \$20.

Our Mass is **Sunday, September 20th** at 11:00 AM with the St. Gerard Blessing to follow. Please join us before the Blessed Mother's Altar.

It is time to reserve your attendance for the **September 19 "A Morning of Grace" Retreat**. **Deadline is September 10th** for registration. There is no charge. A free will offering is always appreciated. Bring your bible, journal, and an open heart. Father Donovan and Father Stash will be speakers followed by food and refreshments.



Pasta Dinner will be held **October 17**. The QR Code is for attendance registration. Please consider volunteering for this event. If interested you can contact us at holyfamilyccm@gmail.com. Flyers will be posted soon. Deadline for registration is **October 1st**.



We are always welcoming new members, please send your information to holyfamilyccm@gmail.com or join us at a meeting following the 9:00 am Mass in the Undercroft.

Resurrection Cemetery will pray the Stations of the Cross as they walk through their stained-glass Stations section with a special prayer honoring the lives lost on 9/11.



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HOLY FAMILY COFFEE & DONUTS*



1st Sunday of the Month

after the 9:00 & 11:00 AM Masses

in the Church Undercroft

Hope to see you there!

*Gluten-free is available.

The hospitality committee also provides tea, hot chocolate, water, orange juice and lemonade.

Thanks to the Rudolph Family who provides gluten-free donuts each month.

Support Fr. Daniel Bowen, O. de M. in the Priest Axe Throwing Challenge!

Father Daniel is taking aim on **Friday, September 18th at 5:15 PM—6:00 PM** in the St. Gabriel Radio AM 820 **Priest Axe Throwing Challenge to support local Catholic Radio AM 820**. Every early donation earns extra throws for the participating priests. Show your support for Fr. Daniel and the mission of Catholic Radio across central Ohio by making a gift today at **StGabrielRadio.com**. Help Fr. Daniel hit the bullseye while keeping faithful Catholic programming on the air!

Open Position at the Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum seminary seeks a full-time housekeeping staff member. Duties include cleaning offices, classrooms, common areas, restrooms, and other campus facilities. Hours are Monday—Friday, 6am—2pm and are non-negotiable. Find out more about qualifications, physical requirements, responsibilities, and how to apply at **pcj.edu/openposition-housekeeper**.

The Mercedarian Third Order's charism is a life of consecration to God through Mary and directed toward the protection of the faithful from spiritual and moral captivity. Last year, the Third Order started offering quarterly Masses for Persecuted Christians. This year, we will be offering a celebration of nine consecutive Masses with the intention of addictions. These novena masses will be offered at Holy Family from September 20 to 28, 2026. Addictions encompass a range of behaviors and substances that can significantly impact individuals and society. Next Sunday, September 13th, you will have the opportunity to write a prayer petition to be a part of these Masses. Your petition will be placed in a box which will be near the altar during these nine Masses. Third Order members will be in the vestibule before and after most Masses to help you. Suggested donation is \$10 per petition.

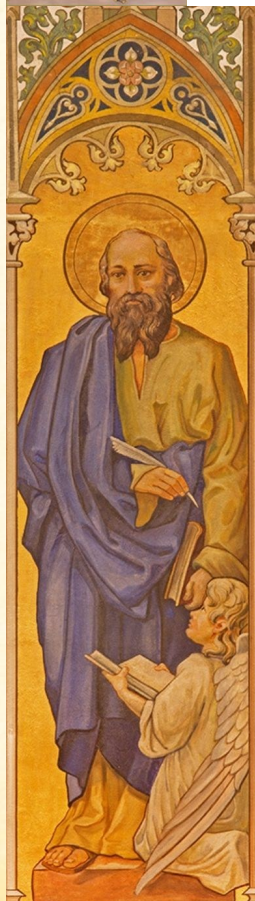


Blessed Sacramentals of St. Raymond Nonnatus

TAKE ONE



Donations are Optional



Join Fr. Michael for a
Prayerful Study of the

Gospel according to

Matthew



*Every Monday
starting September 14th*

➔ 1:30 pm @ Convent of
St. Birgitta

➔ 7:00 pm @ Holy Family
Parish Center

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BRIDGETTINE SISTERS CONVENT

Ask a Priest AT THE CONVENT

Join us for an evening of faith, conversation,
and guidance on Catholic life and teaching.



FRIDAY, SEP. 25TH
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM



WITH
Fr. Michael Donovan
Fr. Michael Haemmerle
Fr. Joseph Rolwing



PIZZA, COOKIES,
COFFEE, WATER,
LEMONADE



BRIDGETTINE SISTERS CONVENT
40 N. Grubb Street
Cols. OH 43215



Proceeds benefit the
Bridgettine Sisters
Chapel and Retreat House



All are welcome, and we encourage you to invite a friend
who may benefit from this evening of faith and fellowship.

RSVP

Scan to RSVP or email
BridgettineSisters1@gmail.com



\$25
PER PERSON

\$45
PER COUPLE

VENMO OR CHECK



Congratulations to the following couple
who will celebrate their Wedding
Anniversary in the month of September:



Bob & Jane Sowders

60th Anniversary on September 30th

We would like to begin posting **Wedding Anniversaries** (10, 20, 25, etc.) in the first issue of the bulletin each month. Please share the date of your anniversary before its month arrives. Contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.

"Grant that we may grow old together." (Tobit 8:7)

WE SHOULD HAVE DONE THAT A LONG TIME AGO!

That is what you will be saying after attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. "But some seed fell in rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Let your marriage be like rich soil and attend an upcoming experience on October 9—11, 2026. Get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. Discover tools for a stronger and more loving marriage. Location: Procter Camp and Conference Center—London, OH. Other weekend dates are available on our website. Apply at **WWME.org** or scan QR code. Early registration is recommended.



Anniversary Mass and Rosary Procession

All the faithful people in the Diocese are invited to the First Mass Rosary Garden for an Anniversary Mass and Rosary Procession to commemorate the 218th Anniversary of the First Mass in the State of Ohio.

The Holy Rosary will be prayed, followed by a votive Mass that will take place at **5:00pm Friday, September 25, 2026**, in conjunction with the National Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage in Washington D.C., Most Rev. Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus, will be celebrant of.

The event will be held at the Historical First Mass Site & Rosary Garden, located at 4940 Stage Coach Road NW, Somerset, OH 43783. Please bring a lawn chair.

Bottoms Up is hiring an administrative person to handle diaper delivery operations. This would include processing orders for delivery and making sure that deliveries (by our volunteers) are made accurately and on time.

This position could grow beyond that, over time, to include a more significant role in the organization.

Qualified individuals should have a passion for helping the poor and strong effort and attitude traits.

Interested parties may send an email to **tim@bottomsup.life** to express interest in the position.

Healing From Separation & Divorce

Beginning **Thursday, September 17, 2026**, gatherings will be held at the Saint Joan of Arc Campus for men and women seeking healing from separation and divorce. The gatherings will be available for 12 weeks from 7- 9:00pm. **RSVP at survivingdivorce@spsjoa.org.**