



CHURCHES OF

Holy Family

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Mission Statement

As a parish community, Holy Family and St. Denis Family Parishes are united in our mission to glorify God.

Mass Schedule:

Sunday:	Weekdays
(Location D = Denis; HF = Holy Family)	(except for funerals)
Eve: 5:00 p.m. (D)	8:00 a.m. (D)
Day: 8:00 a.m. (D)	Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance)
9:30 a.m. (HF)	Thursday:
11:00 a.m. (D)	3:00-4:00 p.m. & 7:00-8:00 p.m. (D)
Holy Day	Saturday:
Eve: 6:30 p.m. (D)	3:45-4:45 p.m. (D)
Day: 6:30 a.m. (D)	Other times
3:30 p.m. (D)	by appointment.
7:30 p.m. (HF)	

Programs and Services:

Prayer Chain, Ginny Moorman	526-4945
Health, Wellness, Grieving, Home Visits	526-4945
Baptismal Program, Joyce Liette	526-9117
"Elizabeth Blessings," Jeanne Turpen	526-4664
Emergency Meals, Kathy Miller	526-3836
Soup and Salad, Rosemary Paulus	526-4232

Offices located at:

14 E. Wood Street, Versailles, OH 45380-1440

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Holy Family Church: Intersection of Burns Road and S.R. 185.

St. Denis Church: Corner of Second Street and E. Wood Street.

Sacrament of the Sick

We celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at the first signs of serious illness or weakness, or immediately in case of emergencies. Please call the Rectory.

Communion to the Sick

We bring communion to the sick. Please call the Rectory to schedule Sunday communion in your home.

Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 12:00 noon

Pastor

Rev. David P. Vincent

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Jack Borgerding

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Natural Family Planning

Eric & Nicole Voisard 526-3305

Pregnancy Help Center

937-547-1112

Maintenance Engineer

Louis J. Huber

Baptisms

We usually baptize on Sundays, at Mass or after Mass, by appointment (526-4945).

Marriages

We ask you to contact a Pastor at least eight months in advance so that we can help you prepare for marriage.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Jane Pierron (526-4002)

A process for looking at the Catholic Church to see if God has called the person to the Catholic Church and a process for entering the Catholic Church.

Newcomers Welcome!

We invite you to register in the parish as soon as possible. You may do so after Mass or by phone (526-4945).

DECEMBER 11, 2011 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 11: Third Sunday of Advent (Gather #998)

6:00-8:00 (D) A Journey through the Infancy Narratives

Monday, November 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Revelation 11-12; Luke 1:39-47

8:00 a.m. No Mass (D): No Communion Service

5:30 p.m. Mass (D): Todd Prenger (Note Time)

7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting (D)

Tuesday, December 13: St. Lucy

Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Matthew 21:28-32

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Harold Apple

11:30 a.m. Soup, Salad and Sandwich Luncheon

12:00 Noon Prayer Meeting (HF)

Wednesday, December 14: St John of the Cross

Isaiah 45:6b-8, 21b-25; Luke 7:18b-23

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Norma Reed

5:00 p.m. Community Meal (Lutheran Church)

CCD 6:00-7:00 (1-6 D); 7:00-8:00 (all HF); 7:30-8:30 (7-12 D)

6:15-7:25 Youth Ministry (basement, St Denis Church)

Thursday, December 15: Advent Weekday

Isaiah 54:1-10; Luke 7:24-30

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Dorothy Henry

8:45-5:30 p.m. Exposition (Benediction at 5:30 p.m.)

3:00-4:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance

Friday, December 16: Advent Weekday

Isaiah 56:1-3a, 6-8; John 5:33-36

6:45 a.m. Communion Service; Penance 6:15-6:40 (D)

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Felix and Agnes Monnin

Saturday, December 17: Advent Weekday

Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Matthew 1:1-17

3:45-4:45 p.m. Sacrament of penance (D)

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Lawrence and Stella Simons Family

Sunday, December 18: Fourth Sunday of Advent (Gather #1001)

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners

READINGS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

What can I do this week to grow closer in my relationship with God? The readings: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Psalm 89; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38 (Gather, # 1001).

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Marriage Encounter (enhances marriages). Next weekends are February 10-12, 2012 at Norwood, OH and March 16-18, 2012 at a location to be announced. Call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or on the web at www.esharing.org.

Retrouvaille [French for Rediscovery] (troubled marriages): Call 513-922-6045 (\$150.00) for more information.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Email pfeirstine@cinci.rr.com for more information.

BAPTISMS

We have the next pre-baptismal program on January 22, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the church basement. Please call the office at 526-4945 to register. The next baptism after the 11:00 Mass is on December 18. We have baptisms during Mass with two weeks' notice.

WEDDINGS

Samantha Lynne Paulus and Brian Marvin Uhlenhake were married here yesterday. Joseph Michael Luthman and Katelin Jane Smith were married in Celina yesterday. Congratulations and best wishes to both couples.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS: December 18, 2011

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday, December 17:

Ushers: Group 1; *Lector:* Jeff Keiser

Eucharist: John Barga, Kim Murphy Marvin Pierron (P); John David, Karen Keiser, Michael Kramer, Brian Kramer, Judy Pierron, Jane Pierron, Clay Wilker, Kathy Wood (C);

Servers: Grant Keller, Thomas Murphy, Faith Wilker

Gifts: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Sunday, December 18:

Ushers: Group 10; *Lector:* Randy Gump

Eucharist: Diane Elsas, Gerald Elsas, Mary Ann Gump (P); Kim Borchers, Adam Borchers, Abby Didier, Betty Jutte, Shirley McMaken, Brittany McMaken, David Pohl, Linda Schmitmeyer (C);

Servers: Cody Browder, Elizabeth Didier, Lindsey Didier

Gifts: Volunteers

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF):

Ushers: Eugene Kramer, Mike Kramer

Lector: Jeff Wuebker

Eucharist: Barbara Marshal (P); Mary Hartke, Ken Hartke (C);

Servers: Josh Didier, Cierra Todd, Volunteer

Gifts: Roger and Barbara Heckman Family

Cleaning: Judy Longenecker, Lisa Mayo, Irene Gehret, Amanda Fischer

11:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 14; *Lector:* Kevin Grilliot

Eucharist: Marvin Luthman, Matt Schmitmeyer, Janet Turner (P); Bryant Ahrens, Courtney Anderson, Russ Beisner, Marisa Coons, Kathy Grilliot, Michael Schmitmeyer, Ted Schmitmeyer, Megan VanSkyock (C);

Servers: Mason DeMange, Jordan Phillips, Nathan Phillips

Gifts: Volunteers

VOCATIONS

Rejoice always! Our Savior is near! The call to priesthood and/or religious life is a source of great joy to those who embrace their call with their whole heart, mind and soul. (1 Thes 5:16)

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Treat yourself to good fitting, supportive exercise shoes. **Mind:** Learn to let go of things you cannot control. **Spirit:** Be open to the grace of God.

SOUP, SALAD, SANDWICH

This Tuesday, we feature Fair-Trade; six bean soup, made by a group of women learning self-sufficiency in Denver. Come to lunch this Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. After lunch, you will have an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance.

REST IN PEACE

Agnes Francis died on Monday, December 5 and received Christian burial on Friday. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Art and Evelyn Gaier for the use of their beautiful ferns that decorated the church the last several months.

COMMUNION LITURGIES: NEW TIME 6:45 a.m.

The Communion Liturgies Fridays during the school year have moved to a new time, 6:45 with the Sacrament of Penance available from 6:15 to 6:40.

FATHER DAVE'S COLUMN

I think we have the microphones fixed. We went from a half-dead one two weeks ago to an overpowering one at the 5:00 p.m. Mass last weekend. I hope we have them fixed this weekend.

I think you have handled the changes in liturgical language quite well. I have found that singing the changes helps us learn them. We priests still have to pick our way through the words we use. Keep up your good work.

LITURGY AND SAMUEL

David wanted to build a house for God, but God did not allow him. Instead, God would build David a house, a royal line of kings. God promised that David's kingdom would endure forever. At the time of Jesus, people still knew who had descended from the line of David and which had not. Often the foreign authorities would launch manhunts to ferret out descendants of King David. The Gospel identifies Jesus as a son of David. In the Son of Joseph, God would bring his promise to fulfillment. Even if the Israeli people should find a descendant of David and make him king, such a person would not have a divine right to the kingship; only the Lord Jesus has this right. In a similar way, the Israelis cannot claim the land by divine right, based on the Sacred Scriptures, because God has brought these promises to fulfillment in the Church.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides much-needed support (medications, nursing care, and more) for our retired religious men and women who worked for years for small stipends. Please use the envelope in your box and give generously. We have extra envelopes the entrances to church.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Please check the bulletin boards for the Christmas and New Year's Mass times and times for Penance.

5:30 P.M. MASS MONDAY

We have scheduled an evening Mass at 5:30 p.m. on Monday in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please join us.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT YEAR

Please call the office if you will celebrate a significant anniversary next year and want to reserve a time for Mass, church hall or basement. We will not schedule the basement or hall for other purposes until January 15.

COMMUNITY SUPPER – ALL WELCOME
Every Wednesday, 5:00-6:30
at Trinity Lutheran Church. We cook December 21
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31 CLUB
 We filled all 31 days. Thank you for your support. Keep praying for vocations. Twelve young men have entered our seminaries this fall.

WELCOME

We welcome all here, whether longtime residents or newly-arrived, whether Catholic or not, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have a comment or would like to register or give a change of address, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____
 ZIP: _____ Phone: _____



He was not the light, but came to testify to the light."

COLLECTIONS
December 4, 2011

Holy Family
 Envelopes (46) \$ 875.00
 Loose (47) \$ 188.01
 Totalcollection \$ 1063.00

St Denis
 Envelopes (208) \$ 5450.00
 Loose (135) \$ 862.00
 Camp. Human Dev. \$ 95.00
 Totalcollection \$ 6407.00

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MANY THANKS

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Kentucky Christmas Trip and Programs: We will go down to Kentucky to distribute the new gift items and food December 21-22. Detailed flyers and forms are at the church entrances.

Kentucky Food Drive: We will take food for holiday meal gift baskets to Kentucky. Families can drop off the following food for one basket at the main church entrance anytime on or before December 14: Box of instant potatoes; cake or brownie mix; canned fruit or cranberry sauce; package of gravy; muffin mix or biscuit mix; 2 packs of Jell-O; mini marshmallows; canned yams and a box of stuffing.

Kentucky Clothing Drive: Used clothing and household furniture and appliances can be dropped off behind the truck in the St. Denis parking lot anytime this Thursday and Friday, December 15 and 16.

Miracle!: A Journey through the Infancy Narratives: Please join us for our annual advent renewal experience Sunday, today, 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the St. Denis church basement. We will reflect on the infancy of Jesus passages in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. All high school students and adults are welcome to attend.

Junior High Ice Skating: Wednesday, December 28, 12:15 to 4:00 p.m., \$6.50 per person. Turn in your form and money early so we can plan transportation. Extra flyer/forms can be picked up at the church entrances. Adults can volunteer to drive by contacting Mike.

Christmas Choir: Rehearsal Wednesday nights, 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

CatholicsComeHome.org is launching a major prime-time evangelization effort through a commercial that will air from December 16, 2011 to January 8, 2012. It will air over 400 times in over 10,000 cities in every diocese in the United States. The ad will say: "If you've been away, come home to your parish, and visit CatholicsComeHome.org today." Most of us know someone who is away from the Church. Consider inviting them back to our family of faith.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS

We must receive contributions for 2011 calendar year by December 31 if you want them recorded for 2011.

NOTICES:

Breakfast With Santa: December 17, St. Remy Hall, Russia. Cost: \$5 per person. Tickets at Johns IGA, the Library, and US Bank.

Darke County Toys for Tots: The Versailles FFA chapter is collecting new and used toys for children, ages newborn to age 16 until December 15. Box in back of church.

GriefShare Sessions: A support group for people grieving the loss of someone close will begin on January 10, 2012, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Precious Blood church in Chickasaw. The cost is \$25 for a workbook for the videotape series. Contact Mary Knapke at 419-925-4674 or visit marioncathcom@gmail.com for information.