



CHURCHES OF

Holy Family

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St. Denis

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

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

Secretary

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Linda Meyer 937-526-3957
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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 25, 2011: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Sunday, December 25: Christmas Day

Monday, December 26: St. Stephen, First Martyr

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Matthew 10:17-22

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Joan and Roger Barga

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

Tuesday, December 27: St. John, Apostle

1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a, 2-8

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Leo Barga

Wednesday, December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents

1 John 1:5—2:2; Matthew 2:13-18

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Agnes Francis

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

Thursday, December 29: Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Bill Custenborder

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

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

Friday, December 30: Feast of The Holy Family

Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 2:22-40

No 8:00 a.m. Mass today

7:30 p.m. Mass (HF): Owen and Dan Kissinger

Saturday, December 31: Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18

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

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Lewis Kremer

Sunday, January 1: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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

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

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

If you reflect on the God-child, what does it say to you about the love of God for all of us? The Readings: Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 67; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21 (*Gather* #1010)

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.

Retrouaille [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 will be on January 15. We have baptisms during Mass with two weeks' notice.

WEDDINGS

Courtney Lynn Barlage and Wesley Edward Drees plan to marry at St. Denis on Saturday, January 7.

JANUARY 1: MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

We observe Sunday, January 1, as the oldest feast honoring Mary, the Mother of God.

On January 8, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. On January 9, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. The feast of the Baptism of the Lord ends the Christmas season.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE AT 11:00 MASS

We welcome members of our deaf community at the 11:00 Mass today. Thank to Elaine Bergman, for signing.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS: January 1, 2012

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday, December 31: Sol. of Mary

Ushers: Group 4; *Lector:* Brian Condon

Eucharist: Laura Condon, Nicole Frantz, Marvin Pierron (P);

John Davis, Jean Grieshop, Ian Lawrence, Linda Myer, Carl Meyer, Jane Pierron, Sam Subler, Tim Subler (C);

Servers: Cody Browder, Kyle Dapore, Kami Ording

Gifts: Volunteers

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Sunday, January 1: Solemnity of Mary

Ushers: Group 10; *Lector:* Randy Gump

Eucharist: James Nerderman, Mary Lou Nerderman, Sharon

Pepiot (P); Cyndi Bey, Kim Borchers, Adam Borchers, Betty Jutte, Mary Jean Meyer, Katie Schwieterman, Rich Schwieterman, Clay Wilker (C);

Servers: Elizabeth Didier, Noah Pleiman, Faith Wilker

Gifts: Volunteers

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

Ushers: Justin May, Lewis May

Lector: Louis e Grillot

Eucharist: Josh Didier (P); John Grillot, Jeff Wuebker (C);

Servers: Cierra Todd, Jacob Wuebker, volunteer

Gifts: Paul and Marsha Nieport

Cleaning: Doris Kremer, Mary Ann Stucke, Mary Ann Stucke

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

Ushers: Group 12; *Lector:* Brad Luthman

Eucharist: Connie Grillot, Krista Harman, Jenny Neiberg

(P); Kristi Luthman, Marvin Luthman, Samuel Prakes, Caroline Prakes, Matt Schmitmeyer, Mitchell Stover, Matthew Stover, volunteer (C);

Servers: Lewis Kremer, Chloe Rawlins, Mitchell Rawlins

Gifts: Volunteers

VOCATIONS

God speaks to us through His Son, the Heir of all things. To be a priest or religious is to be drawn into a deeper relationship with the Son, so that we might also draw others closer to Christ. (Hebrews 1:1-6)

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Have your blood pressure checked. **Mind:** Practice good time management skills. Make a to-do list and prioritize. **Spirit:** Learn to love yourself.

ST ANN SODALITY

The St. Ann Sodality will have its Christmas party Sunday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family parish hall. Meat and table service will be provided. Please bring a guest, a covered dish and a non-perishable item for the Council of Churches food pantry. There will be prizes and entertainment.

ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES

A three-part series of classes on the sympto-thermal method of Natural Family Planning take place January 7, 21 and February 28, 2012 from 2:00-4:30 p.m. at St. Bernard's church basement in Burkettsville and also at St. Remy rectory basement January 14, 28 and February 25, 2012 from 9:30-12:30 p.m. Call 526-3305.

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.

Merry Christmas

FATHER DAVE'S COLUMN

Deacon Jack has retired. He has found it hard to maneuver confidently on the altar and so has given up vesting for Mass. I do not think that he came easily to this decision, as I do think I would easily come to it. I appreciate all the help Deacon Jack has given me and when he wants to vest, I will willingly have him at my side. Thank you, Deacon Jack.

LITURGY: NUMBERS

Our first reading next Sunday comes from the book of Numbers. It gives us the blessing Aaron would have used in blessing the people. It asks God to bless them, to let his face shine upon them and to give them peace. How does this fit with the celebration of Mary the Mother of God?

The feast we celebrate January 1 has had several names. At one time, we called it the Octave of Christmas. At another time, we celebrated the circumcision of the Child Jesus. Now we celebrate it as the feast honoring Mary as Mother of God. In recent years, the day has also taken on the aspects of a world day of prayer for peace. Perhaps in this last context the reading from Numbers makes sense.

On the other hand, in the birth of the Lord Jesus, the Word and Son of God, God has smiled on us with a smile only a human one can give. From the birth, we know God as compassion and love. In this context, the reading can make even more sense.

MEXICO AND OUR PARISHES

We have had Bishop Carmona and Father Jaime Rojas from the diocese of Puerto Escondido in Oaxaca Mexico visit us in the past. Puerto Escondido (Hidden Port) is located in the southwest corner of Mexico along the Pacific Ocean. It has started to have the extremes of wealth and poverty.

Fr Dave and Jane Pierron have visited a few of the parishes in the diocese. We will go back again from March 2 through March 9. We want to form a longer-term relationship with the diocese, a relationship where we can learn from each other and share resources with one another. The two areas of catechesis and liturgy are immediate needs. What can they learn from us, and what can we learn from them? We know that we cannot do this alone and would like others from our parishes or nearby parishes to be involved as well. Do you have a skill or resource you can share? Do you want to learn from others? Can you speak some Spanish? Time has started to run out for the trip. Please contact Jane Pierron or Fr Dave at 526-4945 if you have an interest in going on the trip or in helping development this relationship further.

COMMUNITY SUPPER – ALL WELCOME
Every Wednesday, 5:00-6:30
at Trinity Lutheran Church. We cook January 18

Soup, Salad and Sandwich Luncheon: January 24

31 CLUB
 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: _____



The true light, which enlightens everything, was coming into the world.

COLLECTIONS	
December 18, 2011	
Holy Family	
Envelopes (42)	\$ 879.00
Loose (36)	\$ 162.30
Totalcollection	\$ 1041.30
Rel. Retirement	\$ 90.00
St Denis	
Envelopes (180)	\$ 3872.50
Loose (162)	\$ 846.18
Totalcollection	\$ 4718.68
Rel. Retirement	\$ 161.00
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MANY THANKS	

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Winter Pancake Breakfast: Come to the annual youth ministry, winter, pancake breakfast Sunday, January 15, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Shake off the winter cold and enjoy a heartwarming breakfast and fellowship. Proceeds benefit youth ministry.

Steubenville Youth Conference: We are collecting non-refundable down payments of \$40.00, for the Steubenville Youth Conference, which will be July 13-15. Registration is January 9.

Senior Retreat: The Senior Retreat will take place Wednesday, January 4, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at St. Denis. All St. Denis and Holy Family seniors should 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. You can pick up extra forms at the church entrances. Adults can volunteer to drive by contacting Mike.

CATHOLICS COME HOME

CatholicsComeHome.org has launched a major prime-time evangelization effort through a commercial that will air over 400 times in over 10,000 cities in the U.S. from December 16, 2011 to January 8, 2012. It will say, "If you've been away, come home to your parish; visit CatholicsComeHome.org today." Most of us know someone who is away from the Church. Please invite them back to our family of faith. We have a listening session scheduled for Wednesday, January 11 in the basement of St Denis at 7:30 p.m.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS

We must receive contributions for 2011 calendar year by December 31 (or with a December 31 postmark) if you want them recorded for 2011.

NOTICE:

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.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

The St. Ann Sodality will have refreshments in the church rectory at Holy Family after the 7:30 p.m. Mass this Friday. Please come and help Holy Family Parish celebrate their feast day.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The parish offices have closed until January 3, when we shall resume normal hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday. You can still contact the pastor in case of emergencies at 937-215-1966

Merry Christmas