

# FAMILY

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## NEWSLETTER

### **Weekend Masses**

*Weekend Masses are offered on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 pm and on Sunday morning at 9:00 am in the main church.*

### **Weekday Masses**

*Weekday Masses are offered in the sacristy chapel on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm and Fridays at 12:00 noon.*

### **Rosary**

*The Rosary is prayed every Sunday before 9:00 am Mass.*

### **Confession**

*Every Saturday at 3:00 pm.*

### **First Saturdays**

*First Saturday Mass is offered in the main church at 12 noon. Confessions at 11:00 am with Rosary at 11:30 am.*

## From the Desk of Father David Jenuwine

Dear Parish Family,

It was absolutely wonderful to have Holy Week back at Holy Family! I'm so proud, and I know everyone was delighted by the efforts of the many people who decorated and set up; the music, cantors and choir; and the ministries and servers. What a blessing to have such beauty for the Paschal Triduum, and especially at Easter! We truly have much to be thankful for in our parish.

Many of you are aware that as you are reading this I am vacationing on the gulf coast of Florida. I will be back for the first Friday Mass in May. I want to thank the priests who filled in for me these past few days: Fr. Ron Dombrowski, Fr. Bill Taylor, and Fr. Tom McNamara. Please thank them for their help at Holy Family, and for their years of faithful service as priests in our diocese.

As we move toward the summer months, I ask that you consider the possibility of helping in a parish ministry. If you are already involved: Thank you! If you know of anyone who is "on the fence," please encourage them to try it out for a few months. Also, please welcome any new families and parish members. As parish realignments continue, our parish family will have the opportunity to adopt many new members. As always, let us keep each other in prayer!



*Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday immediately after Easter, and is a devotion to the merciful love of God. The apparitions were received by Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska, who is known as the Apostle of Mercy. The main themes of the devotion are to ask for and obtain the mercy of God, to trust in Christ's abundant mercy, and to show this mercy to others.*

*Fr. David*

## Saint John Paul II (1920 – 2005)

Today, Pope Francis will canonize Pope John Paul II as a saint. This is a monumental event, because most of us lived through the pontificate of John Paul II, and many remember him as the only pope for a very long time.

John Paul II was one of the most influential leaders of the 20th century. He supported the Second Vatican Council and its reform, and held firm orthodox Catholic stances on doctrine. He is known for his implementation of several papal teachings pertaining to the role of the Church in the modern world.

He was one of the most travelled popes in history, visiting 129 countries. As part of his emphasis on the universal call to holiness, he beatified 1,340 people and canonized 483 saints, more than the combined tally of the preceding five centuries. He also named most of the College of Cardinals, consecrated or co-consecrated a large number of the world's bishops, and ordained many priests.

John Paul II's cause for canonization commenced in 2005 shortly after his death with the traditional five year waiting period waived. On 19 December 2009, John Paul II was proclaimed Venerable by his successor Pope Benedict XVI and was beatified on 1 May 2011 after the Congregation for the Causes of Saints attributed one miracle to him, the healing of a French nun from Parkinson's disease. A second miracle, attributed to the late pope, was approved on 2 July 2013 and confirmed by Pope Francis two days later. John Paul II will be canonized on 27 April 2014, along with Pope John XXIII.



## We Entrust, O Mary, and Consecrate the Whole World to your Immaculate Heart!

Oh, Immaculate Heart! Help us to conquer the menace of evil, which so easily takes root in the hearts of the people of today, and whose immeasurable effects already weigh down upon our modern world and seem to block the paths towards the future! Let there be revealed, once more, in the history of the world your infinite power of merciful Love. May your Immaculate Heart reveal for all the light of Hope. –Amen.



## Saint John XXIII (1881 - 1963)

Pope John XXIII was the fourth of fourteen children born to a family of sharecroppers that lived in a village in Lombardy. He was ordained a priest in 1904 and served in various posts including appointments as papal nuncio in France, and delegate to Bulgaria and Greece. Pope Pius XII made him a cardinal in 1953 naming him Patriarch of Venice and Cardinal-Priest of Santa Prisca.

He was elected pope on 28 October 1958 at the age of 76 after eleven ballots. Pope John XXIII surprised everyone by calling the historic Second Vatican Council (1962–65). However, he did not live to see it to completion, dying on 3 June 1963 of stomach cancer, four-and-a-half years after his election. His feast day is celebrated on 11 October, the day of the opening of Vatican II.