

News You Can Use

The Nativity of Our Lord

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Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Michael Galvin, Rector
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Bethany Paden, Music Director

Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 9 AM - 2 PM

The Vestry:

Senior Warden Ben Paden, **Junior Warden** Dan Chillemi;
Treasurer Betty Bogeman; Ethan Everett (youth), Bryan Luce,
Lauren Hendrickson, Elaine Pickens, Marty Blake, Doug Tannas,
Fred Stahly, Susie Beard, Debbie Talbert, *Clerk* Barb Spangler

*The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday,
January 17th.*

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

Serving This Weekend:

Christmas Eve 5 PM Children's Service:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Homily: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Organist: Dee Finkbeiner
Greeters: Thomas Canter, Eliza Wilson
Ushers: Connor Wilson, *Assistance requested*
Readers: Lauren Wilson, Rachel Wilson
Prayers: Ian Johnston
Chalice: Scott Wilson, Ruth Everett
Acolytes: Abby Galvin, Lauren Cahalan, Lexi Burke
AG Set Up: Holly Forman, Kris Brown
AG Bread: Holly Forman
AG Clean Up: Holly Forman, Kris Brown

Christmas Eve 10 PM Lessons & Carols:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Organist: Dee Finkbeiner
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Barb Spangler,
Greta Wilson
AG Set Up: Holly Forman, Kris Brown

Christmas Eve 11 PM Midnight Mass:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Homily: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Organist: Dee Finkbeiner
Greeters: Scott Wilson, Greta Wilson
Ushers: Joe Spangler, *Assistance requested*
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Bryan Luce
Prayers: Barb Spangler
Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Barb Spangler
Thurifer: Abby Galvin
Boat Carrier: Ian Johnston
Acolytes: Jacob Spangler, Maci Blake,
Matthew Johnston
AG Set Up: Greta Wilson, Cathy French
AG Bread: Michelle Daniells
AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Cathy French

Christmas Day 10 AM:

AG Set Up: Greta Wilson, Cathy French
AG Bread: Michelle Daniells
AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson

Our Mission

We bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.

Worship and Feast Days

Prayer Group: The next gathering of our prayer group will be Monday, January 2nd at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).

Celebration of Ministry: Join us on Sunday, January 8th for one liturgy at 10 AM. On this day we will celebrate Father Mike's ten years of ministry at Holy Family with special farewell music and other additions. Following this service, you are cordially invited to join us for a reception held in honor of the Galvin family.



Christmas at Holy Family

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of this busy time to celebrate the reason for the season. Please invite your friends and family to join us this Christmas. We offer a variety of services on Christmas Eve and one service on Christmas day.

Christmas Eve

5 PM Children's Service: We hold an early-evening service for families with young children. Children and youth fill most serving roles including greeters, readers, musicians, and ushers. We also have a special Gospel reading just for children. Come share communion and sing traditional Christmas carols with us to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The Nursery will be unlocked should your child need a break from the worship service. You are welcome to watch a video feed of the service from the Nursery. *This is a family-friendly service, no childcare is provided.*

10 PM Lessons and Carols: Our lessons and carols service with candlelight, scripture readings, and reflective music is held at 10 PM. Quiet your heart and take refuge in the stillness of anticipation.

11 PM Midnight Mass: This service includes special music presented by the Holy Family choir, organ music, communion, and candlelight singing of Silent Night. *Please note that incense is used at this service.* Joy to the World!

Christmas Day

10 AM Service: We gather for a late-morning service with communion to celebrate the arrival of our newborn King. In recent years our youth have started to wear pajamas to this service, and it has become known as "Jammie Church." Kids of all ages are invited to wear their cozy pajamas or flannel pants. *This is a family-friendly service, no childcare is provided.*

Sunday Service - Schedule Change

On these three Sundays, we will offer only **one worship service at 10 AM:** December 25, January 1, January 8. There will be no 9 AM Sunday school or Adult Forum offered on these days.



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Christian Education

New Member Seminar for DOK : The Daughters of the King is a wonderful opportunity to connect with the women of our church and deepen your spirituality through the Rules of Prayer, Service, and Evangelism. The Daughters are hosting a one-day seminar for new members this year instead of the 6 week study we have held in the past. On Saturday, January 28th from 9 AM - 3 PM, we will meet at the church and talk about what the Order is and what we do, followed by a few breakout sessions and group discussions covering the study materials required for admission to the Order. Even if you're just interested in learning more, please come for breakfast where we will discuss the basics. Then stay for the rest if you choose to do so. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please contact Bethany Paden or Barb Spangler if you're interested in attending. bpaden@hfec.org



Sunday School/Adult Forum: Our Christian formation programs will take a break during the holidays. We will resume programming for Adult Forum and Sunday school on Sunday, January 15th at 9 AM. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer in our Children's Ministry Sunday school program, please contact Jolene Johnston for details. jjohnston@hfec.org

Outreach Opportunities

Advent Kindness Calendar: We invite you to join us in spreading a little cheer by doing small acts of kindness leading up to Christmas Day. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view our 2016 Advent kindness Calendar.

Amazon Smile: Support us when you shop online this holiday season. [#StartWithaSmile](#) and Amazon donates to Holy Family Episcopal Church.

Driver Needed: A new member of the church needs assistance getting to Sunday services. She lives near the intersection of Cumberland Rd. and 116th St. Please contact the office if you can help. admin@hfec.org



Thanks Be to God

- Greta Wilson and Lauren Wilson for organizing the Greening event
- Abby Galvin and her HSE saxophone quartet friends for providing music during the Greening
- Brotherhood of St. Andrew for hosting the spaghetti supper following the Greening
- Joe Spangler and Doug Tannas for setting up the Christmas train village in the parish hall



Caden Renckly	December 25
James Keith	December 26
Heath Vanoy	December 27
Cameron Jenkins	December 28

Happy Anniversary

Lee & Laura Ray December 27

Fellowship Gatherings

Christmas Train Display: Joe Spangler is known for his love of model trains, and this year “Uncle Joe” has volunteered (with help from Doug Tannas) to set up a display in the Holy Family parish hall. The Christmas train display will be available for enjoyment from Christmas Eve through New Year’s day. Please stop by and take a look!

Celebration of Ministry Reception: Please join us for a reception celebrating Father Mike’s ministry at Holy Family. We will gather in the parish hall following the 10 AM service on Sunday, January 8th. As a reminder, there will only be one service at 10 AM on this day. Please plan to join us for this special event!

Game Night: Join us Friday, January 13th beginning at 6 PM for our monthly game night. We’ll play board games and card games - fun for the whole family. Food and drinks will be provided. See you there!



Other News

Hospitality Help Wanted: Please consider signing up to host our donuts and coffee time following the 10 AM service. You may find more information about this ministry by clicking [HERE](#).

Childcare Volunteers Needed: We are in need of nursery and childcare volunteers during the 10 AM service. Please use [this link](#) to access the Nursery sign-up sheet and [this link](#) to help with PreK-1 childcare. Signing up to supervise children just 1-2 times per quarter will make a tremendous difference to this important ministry. Students in grades 9-12 are invited to participate as assistants. All adult volunteers are required to complete online training through the Diocese. We are happy to contact you to begin this process once you sign up to volunteer.

Ian Johnston Eagle Scout Ceremony: You are cordially invited to Ian Johnston’s Court of Honor ceremony to award him the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank of boy scouting in America. The ceremony will be held on January 6th at 7:00 PM in the Holy Family sanctuary. Fellowship time with refreshments will be held in the parish hall following the ceremony.



Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex beginning at 7 PM on Wednesday, January 4th. Bring a friend!



2017 Annual Meeting: The Holy Family Annual Meeting will take place on January 22nd from 9-9:50 AM. One youth and three adult Vestry members will be elected at that meeting. In addition, 2 delegates and 2 alternates for the Diocesan Convention will be elected. In order to facilitate a quick meeting, we will need 2 adults to volunteer to watch the children in 6th grade and under while they enjoy a movie. Youth Group members in 7th grade and higher are expected to attend the meeting. Please contact Jolene Johnston if you wish to volunteer to provide childcare during the meeting. jjohnston@hfec.org.

Church Budget Through End of November:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$193,808	\$212,175
Expenses	\$218,490	\$234,854
Difference	-\$24,682	-\$22,679

Pledging Options: Did you know that you can issue checks from your bank directly to Holy Family? As more and more people stop carrying checkbooks with them, this is an easy option to set up recurring payments to fulfill your pledge for the year. If you prefer, you can pay your pledge via credit card through the church website. Simply use the secure PayPal link on the [Contact Us](#) page of the website. Please contact the church office if you have any questions. admin@hfec.org