

Holy Family Announcements (*updated 11/16/25*)

Adult Forum – The Role of the Laity: Here's the church and there's the steeple, open the door and see all the people! This phrase comes from a traditional nursery rhyme that many of us learned a long, long time ago. While the nursery rhyme might be old, the message is still as relevant today as it was when the rhyme was written. The people who are the church play a significant role in faith as they carry on Jesus' mission throughout the world. Join me for the next series in our Adult Forum program, The Role of the Laity. As Episcopalians, the laity shoulder a crucial responsibility by fulfilling vital roles in worship, leadership, and spreading the faith into the world. As baptized members, the laity are called to be ministers alongside the ordained, participating in church governance, leading worship, and serving the community through their unique gifts and vocations in their daily lives. Visit the Adult Forum webpage for the schedule of Sunday morning and weeknight online gatherings. HolyFamilyFishers.org/AdultForum - Fr Frank

11/16 Music & Meditation: Join the fun on Sunday, November 16th at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Questions can be directed to ministry lead Joel Bruns. admin@hfec.org

11/19 Book Club: The next book for discussion will be Notes On Your Sudden Disappearance by Alison Espach. Join the conversation on Wednesday, November 19th at 3 PM. Visit the Book Club webpage for Zoom information for this gathering. HolyFamilyFishers.org/BookClub admin@hfec.org

11/23 Thanksgiving Basket Donations Due: Holy Family will supply Thanksgiving Baskets to families supported by The Delaware Township Trustee's Office this year. Please sign up to supply hungry families with a Thanksgiving meal! Father Frank will bless all the baskets prior to delivery. You may bring non-perishable items to Sunday worship at any time. Perishable items should be brought to church on Sunday, November 23rd. For more information please contact Sharon Keller via the church office. admin@hfec.org
tinyurl.com/HFECthanks2025

11/23 Stewardship Ingathering: Join others from the #holylvillage to participate in a special ingathering ceremony during both worship services.

11/30 Advent Wreath Volunteers: At the beginning of each Advent service, Holy Family invites a household or small group to light the candle(s) for the week. Please sign up online to help with this tradition at either the 8 AM or 10 AM service on Sundays beginning November 30th. Tinyurl.com/HFECadvent2025

12/1 Adopt a Student: Holy Family's cherished Care Package Ministry needs your support! This year there are eleven students from Holy Family attending college, and the tradition is to send notes of support and a gift during finals. By choosing a leaf from the giving tree in the Narthex, you agree to sponsor a student and donate \$15 to cover the cost of their gifts this semester. Once you donate the funds, the care package ministry takes care of the rest! Please submit payment in the collection plate or online by December 1st. HolyFamilyFishers.org/donate Please contact Hannah Tannas through the church office for more information. admin@hfec.org

12/1 Men's Ministry Eucharist: The Holy Family Men's Ministry will host a gathering at the church on Monday, December 1st at 7 PM. This special day honors St. Andrew and is near the beginning of Advent. There will be a short Eucharist (worship service with communion) and general discussion immediately followed by a gathering at Chatham Tap. This is a great opportunity get to know other members of the congregation and enjoy some fellowship! For more information, please contact Dan Chillemi, Lee Cahalan, or Matt Okerson via the church office. admin@hfec.org

12/5 Game Night: The next gathering of Game Night will be on Friday, December 5th at 7 PM. Bring any games you like or try something new! Please contact Fred Naatz through the church office for more information. admin@hfec.org See you then!

12/6 Breakfast with St. Nicholas: Holy Family Episcopal Church in Fishers, IN invites children and adults to join St. Nicholas for breakfast on Saturday, December 6th from 9 - 11 AM in the parish hall. Members of the Men's Ministry will cook and serve breakfast. St. Nicholas will make an appearance, share stories from his life, pose for selfies, and hand out goodies to the children. This free event will also feature crafts and games that illustrate the life of this bishop and saint who was the inspiration for Santa Claus. Please register online if you plan to attend, and be sure to invite your friends and neighbors. Holy Family welcomes all! Register online [HERE](https://tinyurl.com/StNickbreakfast2025). [Tinyurl.com/StNickbreakfast2025](https://tinyurl.com/StNickbreakfast2025)

Winter Prayers of the People: At certain times during the year, Holy Family refreshes the Prayers of the People list. While prayers continue for those who have been read aloud in the past, this gives an opportunity to add new names for those in need. Please to add the names of those you wish to be read aloud during the Advent and Christmas liturgical seasons at tinyurl.com/HFECwinterprayers

Intergenerational Retreat at Waycross: On March 14-15, 2026 Holy Family will hold its first parish Intergenerational Retreat at Waycross Camp and Conference Center in Brown County. The retreat will last from noon Saturday to noon Sunday and includes meals and housing plus opportunities for worship, fellowship, and deepening relationships among parishioners. Learn more and sign up [HERE](https://tinyurl.com/HFECretreat2026)! If you have already completed the registration form, you will receive an email with payment information. [Tinyurl.com/HFECretreat2026](https://tinyurl.com/HFECretreat2026)

Sunday School & Childcare Registration: If you have a child in PreK-12th grade who will soon participate in Children's Ministry or Youth Group offerings, it's time to [register for the new program year](https://tinyurl.com/CMYG2025)! [Tinyurl.com/CMYG2025](https://tinyurl.com/CMYG2025) Young children who spend time in 10 AM Sunday Childcare should be registered, too. Each household is asked to complete the full form once, then take the "shortcut" option to register additional children.

Hospitality Hosts Wanted: Hosts are responsible for making and serving coffee and lemonade as well as cleaning up. They may provide snacks, but this is not required. For those who regularly attend the 8 AM service, they will organize their own sign-up sheet. Sign up to volunteer at tinyurl.com/HFEChospitality.

Snacks for FES: You are invited to donate snacks to Fishers Elementary, Holy Family's partner school, for the SATS (Support a Teacher/Staff) donation drive. Some examples include individually wrapped Cheez-it crackers, Teddy Grahams, Pirate Booty, and Goldfish crackers. Please avoid peanut based snacks, and gluten free snacks are always welcome, too! Please look for the donations basket in the narthex and contact Susie Beard or Jessica Largent through the church office with specific questions. admin@hfec.org