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HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 Deacon Ed Green (SH)
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5.10.2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Parish Information

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 PM Holy Family
Sunday: 8:00 AM SH; 10:30 AM HF; 12 PM HF Spanish
Tues: 6:00 PM SH preceded by Adoration & Confessions
Wed - Fri: 8:30 AM Sacred Heart
First Saturday of each Month: 8:30 AM Holy Family

Confessions

30 minutes before Weekend and Weekday Masses
Tuesday: 5:00 - 6:00 PM at Sacred Heart
Or by appointment

Baptism: Call Deacon Ed Green 720-550-0356.

Marriage: Call six months prior to wedding date.

Status of Operating Fund

(July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026)	Sacred Heart		Holy Family	
Weekly Budgeted (May 3)	\$2,403.84	\$192.30	\$1,442.30	\$67.30
Actual Collection	\$3,905.00	\$407.00	\$2,228.00	\$60.00
Over/<Under> Weekly Budget	\$1,501.16	\$214.70	\$785.70	(\$7.30)
Year-to-Date Budgeted	\$105,769.14	Capitol	\$63,461.40	Capitol
Year-to-Date Actual Collections	\$99,481.40	Funds	\$68,078.78	Funds
Over/<Under> Yearly Budget	(\$6,287.74)		\$4,617.38	
Expenses Budgeted for the year	\$126,637.74		\$91,881.24	
Expenses for the year to date	\$110,660.92		\$88,643.02	
Over/<Under> Yearly Budget	(\$15,976.82)		(\$3,238.22)	

Trinitarian Union

The Trinity is most mysterious. The closest notion we have to it is the union of husband and wife who in their intimate love become one yet are two in flesh.

The mystery of the Trinity reveals the depth of divine love in which the Father's Thought becomes the Word Spoken and the union of the Thought and the Word is the not just a concept as it is for us, but is the living expression of Love.

Marriage is the living expression of love where the husband is the thought and the woman is the heart and the union of course is the expression of love. These trinitarian notions are mysterious and yet we know them to be real for we all experience love both human and divine.

So St. Cyril of Alexandria unveils this mystery when he writes,

"He binds together the spirits of each and everyone of us... and makes all appear as one in him. For just as the power of Christ's sacred flesh unites those in whom it dwells into the one body, I think that in the same way the one and undivided Spirit of God, who dwells in all leads all into spiritual unity" (CCC #738).

Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope,

THE HOLY SPIRIT
 Counselor Intercessor Comforter
 Advocate Strengtheners

Do it with gentleness, reverence, keeping your conscience clear, For it is better to suffer for doing good, than doing evil!

May 10, 2026

Ordinary people who faithfully, diligently, and consistently do simple things that are right before God will bring forth extraordinary results.

Mass Times & Intentions

- Sat. May 9 Holy Family 5:00 PM: Paul Tappy †
- Sun. May 10 Sacred Heart 8:00 AM: Dean & Kerrigan Simpson
- Sun. May 10 Holy Family 10:30 AM: Shannon Kane
- Sun. May 10 Holy Family 12:00 PM: Parish Family
- Mon. May 11: *No Mass Here*
- Tue. May 12: *No Mass Here* Marjorie Hess
- Wed. May 13: *No Mass Here* Lizzy Christen
- Thu. May 14: *No Mass Here* Kenny Schreibvogel †
- Fri. May 15 *No Mass Here* Health & Faith of the Bowman Family
- Sat. May 16 Holy Family 5:00 PM: Fred Housand †

† indicates Memorial Mass



- May 11-22 Fr. Tom gone (No Daily Mass)
- May 16/17 Cross Catholic Outreach priest visit
- May 25 Memorial Day Celebration at Heart of the Plains Cemetery 9 AM
- May 31 Parish Picnic 1 PM Schey Park, Keenesburg
- May 31-Jun 5 TOTUS TUUS - Registration is open!
- Jun 6 First Saturday Devotions 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Family
- Jun 14 Men's Breakfast after 8 AM Mass KofC Hall
- Oct 5-15 Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr. Tom

Pray for Them

Janet Klausner, Don Bratrsovsky, Jason Klausner, Bailey Navarro, Fr. John Shedlock, Barb Marty, Robert McMillion, Sally Bratrsovsky, Fr. Peter Dinh, Jeanette Neuhalfen, Mary Ockenfels, Bowman Family, Bill Epple, Theresa Schindedecker, Jeff Bernard, for the repose of the soul of Nancy Sigg †



(Please let the parish office know if you or someone you know needs to be added or removed from the prayer list.)

Docility of the Spirit

Every night before going to sleep, we must ask ourselves: what weakness did I overcome today? What virtue did I acquire?

~ Seneca ~

The Sermon on the Mount enlightens, creating an innate desire for happiness. To be happy, Jesus says, **Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect (Matt 5:48)**

Integrity is wholeness that seeks perfection. Our innate desire for transcendental perfection is a universal call to every person.

The reason we do anything, ultimately, is based on our desire to obtain personal happiness.

Transcendent happiness however seeks God's truth, goodness, and beauty. These make us whole. Yet, the essential question is,

Do I personally desire divine happiness?

Many minds reject the discipline and the demands of divine happiness because perfection polishes all the rough edges away from our selfish, immature view of happiness.

Perfection begins with the desire to be a disciple imbued with the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit, obedience to his inspirations are essential. He will come and fill us with his power and presence, giving us the happiness of life we seek.

This happiness, however, is not complete in this life, but in the next. Living for life after death orders our life, giving us insights on how to live in the here and now without fear, but courage.

Fear is a reaction. Courage is a decision.

It takes courage to submit to the Spirit, yet when we submit, He teaches us all things, giving us insights into life that we could never have unless we submit. For most however, they relax, content in mediocrity. Mediocrity dries up dreams and these people merely want to survive not thrive. Those who dream have an innate power that drives them beyond mediocrity. They thrive, accomplishing great deeds, ultimately to achieve Divine Life.

For dreams to become real it takes discipline. Virtues—your strengths—discipline. Christians seek virtues: justice, temperance, prudence, courage, using personal strength, actualizing our natural desires and talents. Developing our natural talents the Holy Spirit then infuses his grace into our choices, giving us a supernatural power to accomplish what God wants us to do.

Happiness comes from within. It is our desire to seek perfect goodness, truth, and beauty. We have passions, drives, and emotions that need harnessing. These longings united with the Holy Spirit are the impetus that drives us forward, not just to be good, but become our best in the sight of the Lord.

Humble Surrender to God by St. Bernard

(1) Fear of God: to fear the Lord is to hold God in awe. It is to be filled with wonder for all God has done, and who he is, for he will do great things.

(2) Abnegation of self-will: In the garden, Jesus prays, "Father, not as I will, but as you will" (Lk 22:42). And this is what abnegation of the will means. It is to be willing to surrender my will to God's will, to subsume my decisions under his.

(3) Obedience: having obtained a humble disposition of the heart, we are capable and willing to obey. Obedience moves from the hearing to the heeding of God's word, of God's holy will, and of being willing to surrender our stubborn wills. We are made ready, by God's grace, to execute that will, to obey and put into action the will of God. And thus the descent from the mountain of pride begins apace, toward the freedom of the children of God, little by little.

(4) Patient endurance: Embarking on this journey, down the mountain of pride, striving to hear and understand God's will and obey him, one can surely expect obstacles both internally and externally.

(5) Disclosure of the heart: Perhaps the most humble journey, as we come down the mountain of pride, is the journey into our wounded hearts. Scripture says (Jer 17:10),

More tortuous than all else is the human heart; beyond remedy; who can understand it? I, alone, the LORD, explore the mind and test the heart.

(6) Contentedness with what is: Contentedness is a form of acceptance and is a very great gift to seek and to receive. We can distinguish a kind of external and internal contentedness.

(7) Lucid self-awareness: In pride we are often filled with many delusions about our self, and usually think more highly of our self than we ought. We are often unaware of just how difficult it can be to live or work with us.

(8) Silence: is a respectful admission that other people have wisdom to share. The proud person interrupts frequently and quickly, thinking he knows better. But as humility grows, we become better listeners, appreciating that others offer us knowledge and wisdom that we currently lack.

God

Stills you
Reassures you
Leads you
Enlightens you
Forgives you
Calms you
Encourages you
Comforts you

Satan

Rushes you
Frightens you
Pushes you
Confuses you
Condemns you
Stresses you
Discourages you
Worries you

Blessed Mother's Day

Mother's are the heart of their children. Nurturing that inner love, children come to know they are loved and wanted. Each child needs this motherly affirmation by which they know nothing they do will separate a mother from her child.

Influential affirmation of a child empowers them to seek and become more than they ever realized. Children, through a mother's tenderness, boldly face the challenges and disappointments, knowing mother will listen, give wise advice, and hold hands when they tremble, due to confronting fears.

Yet, more than our earthly mothers, we have Mary, our heavenly mother, Who stands with us even when we face the greatest fear—evil.

Mary is courage who gives us her love—strength—to do what is seemingly impossibly. Through her intercession, we, her children, know all things are possible because she watched death destroy her Son, then watched her Son destroy death.

Her witness of this incredible miracle seems so trite as Easter and Jesus' resurrection is now passe. It lacks impact because it is unexperienced. Yet, Mary witnesses for us Jesus' death and resurrection, so we too may experience it each time we invoke her name, when we struggle with life's difficulties.

I'M STILL YOUR MOM..

I'm still your mom... When you no longer **listen** or **care** what I say.

I'm still your mom.. When you **decide** I'm **old fashioned** and want to go your **own way**.

I'm still your mom.. when you **talk back**, complain and argue.

I'm still your mom... when you figure you **know** more than I do.

I'm still your mom.. when you **move away** and take a **piece** of my heart with you.

I'm still your mom... and I will **love you** as much the first day I held you in my arms.

I'm still your mom... and I will **pray** for you and **make sure** your wings are strong enough to soar.

I'm still your mom... and I'll want what's **best** and will **sacrifice** my plans for yours.

I'm still your mom... I'll always **have room** for you and a **hug** to welcome you.

I'm still your mom... and until my **last breath**, I'll keep carrying your love with me.

I thank God every day for the privilege and joy it's been to be called- **your mom**.

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