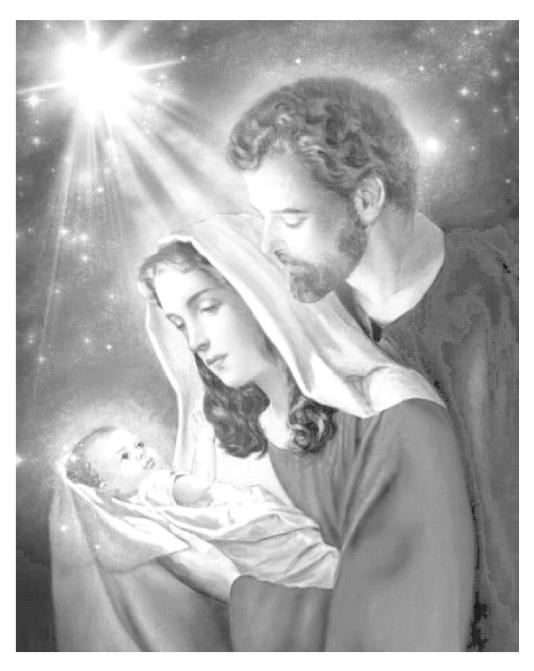
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Feast of the Holy Family

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The Feast of The Holy Family reminds us of the importance of family life and the values that strengthen it.

Honoring Family Despite Imperfections

The first reading today emphasizes honoring parents. To honor someone means to desire their good, even when relationships are difficult. Family life is often complicated. It is possible to honor a parent or sibling without ignoring past hurts. Honoring does not mean accepting harmful behavior. It means seeking what is best for them while maintaining healthy boundaries.

Families are not perfect. There are misunderstandings and conflicts. But by honoring each other, even in imperfect situations, we follow the example of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Their trust in God and commitment to each other show us how to live faithfully within the realities of family life.

Building Harmony with Compassion

The second reading today calls for compassion, kindness, and patience. These virtues are essential for building harmony within families. Compassion means being sensitive to each other's struggles. It means listening and offering support without judgment. Kindness is about choosing to be gentle in words and actions, even when conflicts arise.

In the Feast of The Holy Family, Joseph shows great patience and understanding. He responds to God's message without anger or frustration. He accepts his role with humility, protecting Mary and Jesus even when the path is uncertain. His patience and kindness preserve peace within his family.

Trusting God's Guidance

Trusting God's guidance is not always easy. It often involves stepping into the unknown, just as Joseph did when he fled to Egypt. It means letting go of our own plans and allowing God to lead. This requires courage and humility. It challenges us to believe that God's ways are better than our own.

The Feast of The Holy Family reminds us that God is always present in our lives, even when we cannot see the full picture. Like Joseph, we are called to listen and respond to God's call with faith. This trust builds strong families rooted in God's love and wisdom.

Today's reflection is attributed to young-catholics.com



Saturday, Dec. 27, 2025 St. John, Apostle

8:00am Thanksgiving for 30th Wedding
Anniversary of Rita & Srinivas Rajgopal
6:00pm Thanksgiving for Kiaan Chaurasia

Sunday, Dec. 28 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:30am + Josephine Bortolotto

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm + Francesca Turchiaro

4:00pm + Audrey & Owen Rose

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, Dec. 29 St. Thomas Becket

8:00am Thanksgiving for Wedding Anniversary of Sony & Santhosh D'Souza

7:00pm + Ernesto Arrizza

Tuesday, Dec. 30

8:00am + Kiryakos Kiryakos & Julia Mamo 7:00pm Thanksgiving from Usha Jeyapaul

Wednesday, Dec. 31 St. Sylvester I

8:00am Special intentions for Ava Shui

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

7:15pm ADORATION of Blessed Sacrament

8:00pm + Nicolangelo Cacciacarro

Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026 Mary, Mother of God

8:30am + Rod & Jeanne Gaudette

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm Deceased and Living of Rimbao & Fermin

Family

Friday, Jan. 2 Sts. Basil & Gregory

8:00am + Josefina Larios - 1st year death anniversary 7:00pm + Joaquim Silva

7:30pm ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, Jan. 3 Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:00am + Fausta Gazzola

6:00pm Thanksgiving for Sister Yadira Cano

Sunday, Jan. 4 Epiphany of the Lord

8:30am Thanksgiving from Leo Cletus & family

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm Thanksgiving from Ransom Guerra

4:00pm + Matthew Aleks

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Agradecemos profundamente a todos quienes ofrecieron su tiempo, servicio y generosidad durante la Novena y las celebraciones de Navidad. Gracias por sus pensamientos, oraciones, donaciones y regalos, signos concretos de amor y fe compartida. Que el Señor recompense abundantemente cada gesto y que la alegría del Niño Dios siga iluminando nuestros hogares y comunidades.

"FAMILIA MISIONERA". Estas reuniones se suspenden durante el mes de Diciembre 2025 y la primera semana de Enero 2026.

"RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA". Estas reuniones se suspenden durante el mes de Diciembre 2025 y la primera semana de Enero 2026.

"MISA EN ESPAÑOL DE FIN DEL AÑO 2025". Los invitamos a participar en la Santa Misa de Fin del año 2025 el Miércoles 31 de Diciembre a las 6:00 pm en el Templo.

"MISALES EN ESPAÑOL PARA EL AÑO 2026". Ya están a la venta (\$12) en la oficina parroquial y los domingos al final de la Santa Misa en Español de las 6:00 pm. ¡No te lo pierdas!

"SANTO ROSARIO Y EUCARISTÍA". Todos los domingos a las 5:30 pm. rezaremos el Santo Rosario y a las 6:00 pm participaremos en la celebración eucarística en la Iglesia.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

<u>FELICE ANNO NUOVO</u>

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<u>MANIGONG BAGONG TOAN</u>

to all

from Fr. Gabriel, Fr. Van, Fr. Naddi, Deacon Roy and the staff

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who offered their time, service, and generosity during the Christmas celebrations. We are especially grateful to those who continue to serve our parish family through the various ministries, making our community a living witness of faith and love. Thank you for your prayers, donations, support, gifts, and every act of kindness. May the joy of the Baby Jesus bless your families and homes and inspire us all to keep building a community of hope, peace, and unity.

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>January</u> 1st, Masses at 8:30am – 10:00am - 11:30am – 1:00pm The Church will close at 2:00pm.

FIRST FRIDAY on January 2nd. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day. After the 7:00pm Mass there will be a holy hour of Adoration

<u>CHILDREN'S ROSARY</u> on Saturday, January 3rd at 11:00am in Zanon Hall.

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