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**Mass Times** 

Weekend

Saturday - 4:00 PM

**Sunday - 9:00 AM** 

Weekday-

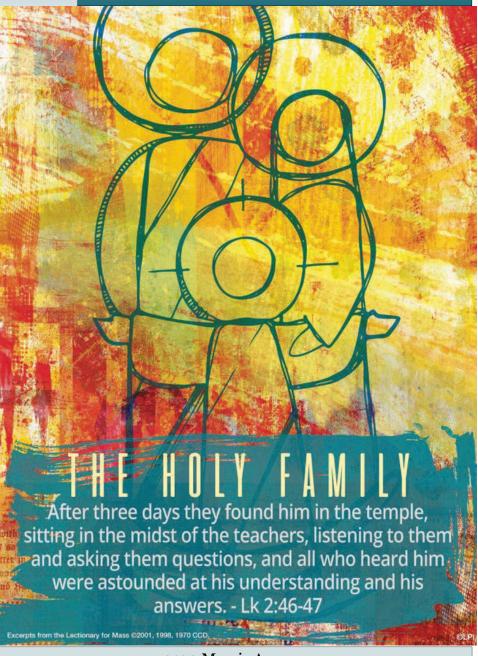
Tuesday - Friday -12:00 Noon

**Adoration** 

Tuesday-Friday-11:00 AM

**Confession** 

Saturday-2:30-3:30 PM



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# The Holy Family

St. Pius X Catholic Women's Group will not be meeting over the holidays. Please join them on Monday, January 17, 2022 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the parish hall. Ascension Press is offering a new DVD series on the Mass by Dr. Edward Sri which we will be starting at our next meeting. For more information please contact Vivian at coloradohiker@comcast.net

### 2021 Financial Statements

Financial Statements will be available after January 21st. If you would like a copy of your statement, please call Pat at the parish office-719-542-4264

## All in the Family

At first glance, we can often find the image of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the Christ Child intimidating — who are we to aspire to that level of discipleship? How could we ever hope to conform ourselves to that mold? Sometimes, it can even be painful — perhaps we hail from a broken family or struggle with a broken relationship within our family, or perhaps we long to be a mother or a father ourselves and that state in life has eluded us.

But the image of the Holy Family is, in reality, a beautiful invitation to us all, no matter our vocation or our state in life, and the example of Mary, Joseph and Jesus is rich with the symbolism of stewardship.

You need not be a biological mother who has carried a child in her womb to be a mother in spirit. Who in your world needs you to love them with the heart of a mother?

The same goes for fatherhood. The Church and the world are crying out for the courageous witness of Christian men like St. Joseph. Who can you love with the steadfast, selfless protection of a father?

Who in your life needs you to love them with the faithful, unconditional love of a son? Who needs your gentle and constant love as a daughter?

We are the Body of Christ, friends. Those of us rejoicing in heaven, those of us suffering in purgatory, and those of us struggling here on earth. We are the great family. Let us love each otherwell.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

# Mass Intentions for the week

### Saturday, December 25-Christmas Day

9:00 AM- People of the Parish

4:00 PM-†Stanley Mena By Family

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### Sunday, December 26

9:00 AM- For the People of the Parish

### **Tuesday**, December 28

12 Noon- †Tonie Orozco By Susie & Bill Thompson

### Wednesday, December 29

12 Noon- †Stanley Mena By Family

### Thursday, December 30

12 Noon- †Dr. Sylvia Mangahas By Servants of the **Blessed Sacrament** 

### Friday, December 31

4:00 PM- People of the Parish

### Saturday, January 1

4:00 PM-†Stanley Mena By Family

### Sunday, January 2

9:00 AM- People of the Parish



Dave Armenta-12/26 Patricia Woods-12/29 David Avila-12/27 Josiah Martinez-12/30

Montsenat Avilla-12/27 Olivia Nufer-12/27

Sadie Padilla-12/27

Linda Welte-12/31 Jonathon Martinez-12/29 Jonnie Valdez-Silva-12/31

Glenna Plane-12/29 Isaiha Torres-12/29

Frank Guerrero-12/31

Elifonso Nava-12/31

Steven Sartoris-12/31

Sue Gonzalez-12/31

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### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spiritrobbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

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### Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/ Lk 2:41-52

**Monday:** 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/ Tuesday:

Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/ Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/ Jn 1:1-18

**Saturday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

**Next Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



Margo Ayala, Sadie Montelongo, Susan McDonough, Ted Bueno, Jimmy Sanchez, Debra

Lopez, Susie Sisneros, Frank Kinnaird, Joe Mando Reyes, Norbel Gilbertson, Frank Lucero, Nanci Welte, Linda Welte, Cloedean Stringfellow, Ivan & Louise Roush. Melinda Esposito, Bette Mantelli, Rodney Metz, Connie Lopez, Matthew Smith, Isabel Bueno, Mary Ann Niccoli, Jean Scoles.





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