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**Monday—Saturday: Morning Prayer 7:30 AM.**

**Monday—Saturday: Mass 8:00 AM (English)**

**Saturday: 5:30 PM (English)**

**Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM &**

**11:30 AM (English)**

**1:30 PM (Spanish)**

**Holy Days:** The schedule will be announced

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :**

**Saturday, 4:30 PM**

## **SACRAMENTS:** Visit Our Website for information

**Tuesdays, 5:00 - 6:00 PM:** Prayer Hour for Peace.

**First Fridays, 8:30-10:00 AM:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour for Vocations, Benediction.

**Fridays, 7:00-8:00 PM (Spanish):** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour, Benediction.

**First Saturdays, 8:30-9:15 AM:** Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima (Rosary and meditation on the mysteries).

**Sundays, 12:30 PM:** Flame of Love Rosary

## Sunday, December 26, 2021 — The Holy Family

### THE FAMILY OF NAZARETH

How much can we find about the Holy Family in the Gospels? For now we share this passage from Gospel according to Saint Luke:

*"Each year his parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ...*

*When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." ...*

*He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced [in] wisdom and age and favor before God and man." (Lk 2:41-43.48.51-52)*

On the Sunday immediately following the celebration of the birth of Jesus, the Church invites us to celebrate the Holy Family. This year we have not had the opportunity to have a longer period of time between one celebration and another.

Why celebrate the Holy Family? Why not? It is simply the opportunity to reflect together, from the word of God, the mystery of the Family.

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The Family of Nazareth is presented to us as a family ideal, as a Christian family reference. In this Family of Nazareth each and every one has a special and personal relationship with God. To each one God has shown his will and his need to count on them for a special mission. In the Family of Nazareth everyone cares about the welfare of the other. In the Family of Nazareth there are sacrifices for the highest possible good of the other. In the Family of Nazareth there are no selfishness. In the Family of Nazareth God is always first. In the Family of Nazareth each one fulfills his role. In the Family of Nazareth the measure of all things is love. In the Family of Nazareth the Son grows up secure, trusting in the love of his parents, respecting and loving them. ...

Are our families today like the Family of Nazareth?

Fr. Carlos A. Flores H. OSA

### LA FAMILIA DE NAZARETH

¿Qué tanto podemos encontrar sobre la Sagrada Familia en los Evangelios? Por lo pronto compartimos este pasaje del Evangelio según San Lucas:

*"Los padres de Jesús iban todos los años a Jerusalén para la fiesta de la Pascua. Cuando Jesús cumplió los doce años, subió también con ellos a la fiesta, pues así había de ser. Al terminar los días de la fiesta regresaron, pero el niño Jesús se quedó en Jerusalén sin que sus padres lo supieran. ...*

*Sus padres se emocionaron mucho al verlo; su madre le decía: «Hijo, ¿por qué nos has hecho esto? Tu padre y yo hemos estado muy angustiados mientras te buscábamos.» ...*

*Jesús entonces regresó con ellos, llegando a Nazaret. Posteriormente siguió obedeciéndoles. Su madre, por su parte, guardaba todas estas cosas en su corazón.*

*Mientras tanto, Jesús crecía en sabiduría, en edad y en gracia, ante Dios y ante los hombres." (Lc 2, 41-43 .48. 51-52)*

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El domingo inmediato a la celebración del nacimiento de Jesús, la Iglesia nos invita a celebrar la Sagrada Familia. Este año no hemos tenido la oportunidad de contar con un espacio de tiempo mayor entre una y otra celebración.

¿Por qué celebrar la Sagrada Familia? ¿Por qué no? Simplemente es la oportunidad de reflexionar juntos, desde la palabra de Dios, el misterio de la Familia.

La Familia de Nazareth se nos presenta como un ideal de familia, como un referente cristiano de familia. En esta Familia de Nazareth todos y cada uno tiene una relación especial y personal con Dios. A cada uno Dios le ha mostrado su voluntad y su necesidad de contar con ellos para una misión especial. En la Familia de Nazareth todos se preocupan por el bienestar del otro. En la Familia de Nazareth hay sacrificios por el mayor bien posible del otro. En la Familia de Nazareth no hay egoísmos. En la Familia de Nazareth Dios siempre es primero. En la Familia de Nazareth cada quien cumple con su rol. En la Familia de Nazareth la medida de todas las cosas es el amor. En la Familia de Nazareth el Hijo crece seguro, confiado en el amor de sus padres, respetándoles y amándoles. ...

¿Son hoy nuestras familias como la Familia de Nazareth?

P. Carlos A. Flores H., OSA

**Readings for the Week:**

**December 27 – January 2**

**Sundays: Year C — Weekdays: Year II**

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12;  
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 124:2-3,4-5,7b-8;  
Mt 2:13-18

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

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a,8b-9,10;  
Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2,11-12,13;  
Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8;  
Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Parish Office Closed,**

The Parish Office will be closed from **December 27th-December 31st** for the Christmas Holiday.

**St. Patrick's  
CENTENNIAL CORNER: # 9**

Dear fellow parishioners. Two additional historical facts.

**FACT #13:** On January 1, 1925, the pastoral administration of St. Vincent and St. Patrick parishes was "swapped". St. Vincent's became diocesan under Fr. Ashe, and Fr. Healy, OSA became St. Patrick's first official Augustinian pastor.

**FACT #14:** Formalizing and verifying this transfer was the acquisition by Bishop Cantwell of a "beneplacitum apostolicum", a church document that guarantees a religious order the care of a parish in perpetuity. Such proof became important in 1939 when the first bishop of the Diocese of San Diego, Bishop Charles Francis Buddy, sought St. Patrick's as his cathedral parish.

**HECHO # 13:** El 1 de enero de 1925, la administración pastoral de las parroquias de San Vicente y San Patricio fue "intercambiada". San Vicente se convirtió en diocesano con el P. Ashe y el P. Healy, OSA se convirtió en el primer pastor agustino oficial de San Patricio.

**HECHO # 14:** Formalizar y verificar esta transferencia fue la adquisición por parte del Obispo Cantwell de un "beneplacitum apostolicum", un documento de la iglesia que garantiza a una orden religiosa el cuidado de una parroquia a perpetuidad. Tal prueba se volvió importante en 1939 cuando el primer obispo de la Diócesis de San Diego, el obispo Charles Francis Buddy, buscó a San Patricio como su parroquia catedralicia.



**December 27 — January 1**

Mon. 8:00 AM	Chris Springer † Ray & Amy (Page) Baksh †
Tues. 8:00 AM	Paul E. Dato † Otilia Angulo †
Wed. 8:00 AM	Art & Dee Specht † Socorro Cazares Hunt <b>HB</b>
Thurs. 8:00 AM	Intentions of the Meador Family Otilia Angulo †
Fri. 8:00 AM	Olive Kohmescher † Robert Frazier
Sat. 8:00 AM	Mary, The Holy Mother Of God Gerald R. Lapointe †

† Rest In Peace **HB** Happy Birthday **HA** Happy Anniversar

## THAT FIRST CHRISTMAS

“While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.” (Lk 2: 6-7)

Christmas time has come and I allow myself to ask two questions: What meaning does Christmas have for the world today? And what does Christmas mean for Christians?

The world celebrates the Christmas Holidays with apparent joy, with lights, colors, gifts, ornaments and traditional dishes typical of the time. And this joy seems to be contagious. Many of us propose to live certain values that we have associated with Christmas: to be more compassionate, to reconcile with loved ones, to spend time with the family, to express that we love those around us. But is the root of this joy and this celebration still that event of that First Christmas?

That first Christmas night, there was nothing but the lights of the stars that adorned the sky, and the silence interrupted by the singing of the angels sent by God, so that together heaven and earth could celebrate God's compassion and mercy.

The Christmas we celebrate is not about giving or receiving gifts, it is about all of us being given a gift: that child in the manger; He is the fulfillment of the promises made by God to his people. That child will tell us about the Kingdom of God and will show us the Kingdom of God with his life; life given to the end.

Let us not allow the deep meaning of this merry Christmas event to be forgotten or supplanted. As Christians we have more than reasons to celebrate how big Christmas has come. As Christians, let us show the world how to contemplate with gratitude and love the mystery that is revealed to us today in the tenderness of a child wrapped in swaddling clothes.

Fr. Carlos A. Flores H., OSA

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**January 2 – Hogar Infantil:** Help us care for the orphans in Hogar La Gloria in Tijuana.



## AQUELLA PRIMERA NAVIDAD

“Mientras estaban en Belén, llegó para María el momento del parto y dio a luz a su hijo primogénito. Lo envolvió en pañales y lo acostó en un pesebre, pues no había lugar para ellos en la sala principal de la casa.” (Lc 2, 6-7)

Ha llegado el tiempo de la navidad y me permito hacer dos preguntas: ¿Qué sentido tiene la navidad hoy día para el mundo? Y ¿Qué significa la navidad para los cristianos?

El mundo celebra las Fiestas Navideñas con aparente alegría, con luces, colores, regalos, adornos y platos tradicionales propios del tiempo. Y esta alegría parece ser contagiosa. Muchos nos proponemos vivir ciertos valores que hemos asociado a la navidad: ser más compasivos, reconciliarnos con los seres queridos, pasar el tiempo en familia, expresar que amamos a los que nos rodean. ¿Pero la raíz de esta alegría y de esta fiesta sigue siendo aquel acontecimiento de aquella Primera Navidad?

Aquella primera noche de navidad, no hubo más que las luces de las estrellas que adornaban el cielo, y el silencio interrumpido por el canto de los ángeles enviados por Dios, para que juntos el cielo y la tierra celebraran la compasión y misericordia de Dios.

La navidad que celebramos no se trata de dar o recibir regalos, se trata que a todos se nos ha dado un regalo: aquel niño en el pesebre; Él es el cumplimiento de las promesas hechas por Dios a su pueblo. Ese niño nos hablará del Reino de Dios y nos mostrará el Reino de Dios con su vida; vida entregada hasta el extremo.

No permitamos que el sentido profundo de este feliz acontecimiento de la navidad sea olvidado o suplantado. Como cristianos tenemos más que motivos para celebrar a lo grande que ha llegado la navidad. Como cristianos mostremos al mundo cómo contemplar con gratitud y amor el misterio que hoy se nos revela en la ternura de un niño envuelto en pañales.

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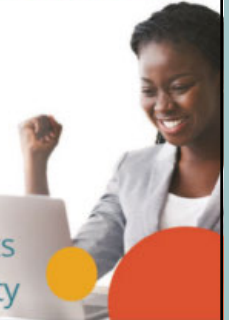
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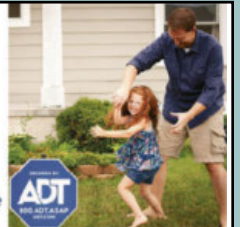
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