

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH





[Jesus] went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.
LUKE 2:51

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All in the Family

So many family-oriented television programs today feature the antics of dysfunctional families. They're often so well produced that we laugh at the blundering exploits, thus giving them credibility. The readings for today's feast show us what a real family looks like. Parents worry about the security of their children (Luke); brothers and sisters are told to be compassionate, kind, humble, gentle, and patient (Colossians); elders are respected and cared for in their need (Sirach). Even the psalm response sketches the profile of a flourishing family as understood at that time.

We can only guess what the Holy Family must have been like. There is no indication that their neighbors saw them as anything more than an average family. Jesus learned Joseph's trade and, most likely, would take over the business after he died. Instead, he launched out as an itinerant preacher. Even that does not seem to have been so exceptional for that time. Nor was Mary's widowhood reason for him to stay home. The Gospels indicate that she was part of a protective family unit. This did not appear to be an exceptional family. But how exceptional it was!

The lesson is that even an average family has the potential to be a holy family. What we should do is pattern our lives after Paul's exhortation to the Colossians. If we live like this, we will discover that holiness is all in the family.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * What might you do to make family life easier for those with whom you live?
- * Do you show gratitude to your family for their respect and care of you?

Dear Padre,

I've been trying to teach my children about the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Any advice?

It's easy to teach young children about the works of mercy if you keep it simple and call their attention to what they're doing.

When they set the table and pour drinks, tell them they're feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty. When they bring homework to a sick classmate, they're visiting the sick. If they go to a funeral, they're helping bury the dead. When they make up with their siblings after a fight, they bear wrongs patiently and forgive all injuries. Siblings who help each other with their homework are instructing the "ignorant."

A child who soothes someone who's been hurt is comforting the sorrowful. Praying for anyone, living or dead, is a spiritual work of mercy. Listening when someone confides in them is counseling the doubtful. Talking a friend or sibling out of doing something wrong is admonishing the sinner.

As your children get older, volunteer as a family with organizations that build homes for low-income families and help the children of prisoners.

Performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, whether for each other or with each other, will bring you closer as a family as well as closer to God.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Calendar

Monday

DECEMBER 27

St. John,
Apostle and Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4

Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday

DECEMBER 28

The Holy Innocents,
Martyrs

1 Jn 1:5-2:2

Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday

DECEMBER 29

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 2:3-11

Lk 2:22-35

Thursday

DECEMBER 30

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 2:12-17

Lk 2:36-40

Friday

DECEMBER 31

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 2:18-21

Jn 1:1-18

Saturday

JANUARY 1

Blessed Virgin Mary,
the Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27

Gal 4:4-7

Lk 2:16-21

Sunday

JANUARY 2

Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Mt 2:1-12e

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The works of mercy reawaken in us the need, and the ability, to make the faith alive and active with charity. I am convinced that, through these simple, daily actions, we can achieve a true cultural revolution...If every one of us, every day, does one of these, this will be a revolution in the world!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, OCTOBER 12, 2016

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Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José (C)
Eclo 3:2-6, 12-14 o 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28
Col 3:12-21 o 3:12-17 o 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24
Lc 2:41-52



[Jesús] bajó con ellos, vino a Nazaret y vivía sujeto a ellos. Su madre conservaba cuidadosamente todas las cosas en su corazón.
LUCAS 2:51

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Todo en familia

Hoy en día, muchos programas de televisión orientados a la familia presentan las travesuras de familias disfuncionales. A menudo están tan bien producidos que nos reímos de sus torpezas, dándoles así credibilidad. Las lecturas de la fiesta de hoy nos muestran cómo es una familia real. Los padres se preocupan por la seguridad de sus hijos (Lucas); a los hermanos se les dice que sean compasivos, amables, humildes, gentiles y pacientes (Colosenses); a los ancianos se les respeta y se les cuida en sus necesidades (Eclesiástico). Incluso la respuesta del salmo esboza el perfil de una familia floreciente tal y como se entendía en aquella época.

Sólo podemos adivinar cómo debía ser la Sagrada Familia. No hay indicios de que sus vecinos los vieran como algo más que una familia normal. Jesús aprendió el oficio de José y, muy probablemente, se haría cargo del negocio después de su muerte. En cambio, se lanzó como predicador itinerante. Ni siquiera eso parece haber sido tan excepcional para aquella época. Tampoco la viudez de María fue motivo para que se quedara en casa. Los Evangelios indican que formaba parte de una unidad familiar protectora. No parece que fuera una familia excepcional. Pero ¿qué excepcional era!

La lección es que incluso una familia media tiene el potencial de ser una familia santa. Lo que debemos hacer es modelar nuestras vidas según la exhortación de Pablo a los colosenses. Si vivimos así, descubriremos que la santidad está en la familia.

Hna. Dianne Bergant, CSA

PARA Reflexionar

- * ¿Qué podrías hacer para facilitar la vida familiar de las personas con las que vives?
- * ¿Muestras gratitud a tu familia por el respeto y el cuidado que te brindan?

Querido Padre,

He tratado de enseñar a mis hijos las obras de misericordia corporales y espirituales. ¿Algún consejo?

Es fácil enseñar a los niños pequeños las obras de misericordia si lo haces de forma sencilla y les llamas la atención sobre lo que están haciendo.

Cuando pongan la mesa y sirvan bebidas, díales que están dando de comer al hambriento y de beber al sediento. Cuando ayudan a los deberes a un compañero enfermo, están visitando a los enfermos. Si van a un funeral, están ayudando a enterrar a los muertos. Cuando se reconcilian con sus hermanos después de una pelea, soportan los agravios con paciencia y perdonan todas

las heridas. Los hermanos que se ayudan mutuamente con los deberes están instruyendo a los “ignorantes”.

Un niño que alivia a alguien que ha sido herido está consolando a los afligidos. Rezar por cualquier persona, viva o muerta, es una obra de misericordia espiritual. Escuchar cuando alguien se confía es aconsejar al dudoso. Convencer a un amigo o a un hermano de que no haga algo malo es amonestar al pecador.

A medida que sus hijos crecen, sean voluntarios en familia con organizaciones que construyen casas para familias de bajos ingresos y ayudan a los hijos de los presos. Realizar las obras de misericordia corporales y espirituales, ya sea para los demás o con los demás, los acercará como familia y también a Dios.

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UN MENSAJE DEL *papa Francisco*

Las obras de misericordia despiertan en nosotros la necesidad, y la capacidad, de hacer que la fe sea viva y activa con la caridad. Estoy convencido de que, a través de estas sencillas acciones cotidianas, podemos lograr una verdadera revolución cultural... ¡Si cada uno de nosotros, cada día, hace una de ellas, será una revolución en el mundo!

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Calendario

Lunes

27 DE DICIEMBRE
San Juan,
Apóstol y Evangelista
1 Jn 1:1–4
Jn 20:1a, 2–8

Martes

28 DE DICIEMBRE
Los Santos Inocentes,
mártires
1 Jn 1:5–2,2
Mt 2:13–18

Miércoles

29 DE DICIEMBRE
Día de la semana
de Navidad
1 Jn 2:3–11
Lc 2:22–35

Jueves

30 DE DICIEMBRE
Día de la semana
de Navidad
1 Jn 2:12–17
Lc 2:36–40

Viernes

31 DE DICIEMBRE
Día de la semana
de Navidad
1 Jn 2:18–21
Jn 1:1–18

Sábado

1 DE ENERO
Santísima Virgen María,
Madre de Dios
Nm 6:22–27
Gal 4:4–7
Lc 2:16–21

Domingo

2 DE ENERO
Epifanía del Señor
Is 60:1–6
Ef 3:2–3a, 5–6
Mt 2:1–12e



Announcements

Mark your Calendars!

Upcoming Parish Retreat on the "Eucharist."
January 8, 2022, from 8 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Retreat will be both in English and Spanish.

More details to come.

New Year's Day Mass at Holy Family

Saturday, January 1st

New Year's Day Mass

9:30 AM - Bilingual

SILVER & GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS CELEBRATION

Those blessed by celebrating 25 or 50 years of
Sacramental Marriage are invited to attend
a special Silver & Golden Wedding Anniversary
Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Mulvey

Sunday, February 13, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

Corpus Christi Cathedral

505 N. Upper Broadway

A light reception will follow in

St. Joseph's Hall at the Cathedral

Register at:

<http://www.diocesecc.org/anniversarymass> or call
the Family Life Office at 361-882-6191
registration deadline: February 1, 2022

Anuncios

¡Marca tus calendarios!

Próximo retiro parroquial sobre la "Eucaristía".
8 de enero de 2022, de 8 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
El retiro será tanto en inglés como en español.

Más detalles por venir.

Celebraciones de Año Nuevo en la Sagrada Familia

Sábado, 1 de enero

Misa de Año Nuevo

9:30 AM - Bilingüe

MISA DE CELEBRACIÓN PARA EL ANIVERSARIO DE BODAS DE ORO Y PLATA

Los bendecidos por la celebración de 25 o 50 años
de matrimonio sacramental están invitados a
asistir a una misa especial de aniversario de bodas
de oro y plata celebrada por el
obispo Michael Mulvey.

Domingo 13 de febrero de 2022, a las 9:30 a.m.

Catedral de Corpus Christi

505 N. Upper Broadway

Seguirá una recepción luminosa en el salón de San
José (St. Joseph's Hall) de la Catedral.

Regístrese en:

<http://www.diocesecc.org/anniversarymass>
o llame a la Oficina de Vida Familiar al 361-882-6191
Fecha límite de inscripción: 1 de febrero de 2022



"Holy Family
of Nazareth,
make us once
more mindful
of the
sacredness
and
inviolability
of the family
and its
beauty in
God's plan."

—Amoris Laetitia, 325

Sanctuary Light in the Church

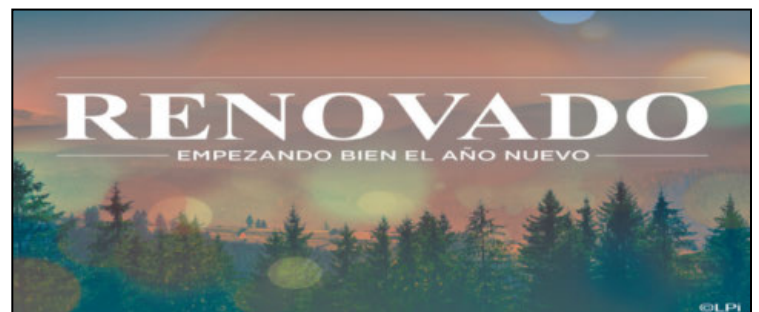
December 19 – January 1, 2022

Ida Gomez by Family

Sanctuary Light in the Chapel

December 19 – January 1, 2022

†**Guadalupe Torres** by Jesse Avitua & Family



PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 26, 2021

- 8:00 a.m.** †Victor Blanco Sr. "In Memory of his Birthday" by Family
- 10:30 a.m.** †Francisco Valadez Sr.
by David and Pat Valadez
- 12:30 p.m.** †Sarah Mata Juarez by Ramirez Family
†Josefa Cuellar and †Gilberto Cuellar
by Family
†Mike Davila "Anniversary Mass"
By Mother and Olga Davila
†Maria Rangel, †Rosarie Sieber, †Aurora Rodriguez, †Sonia Jimenez, †Paulo Rios, †Guadalupe Y. Torres, †Trinidad Zamora, and †Juanita Garcia by Asociación de Guadalupanos de Holy Family
†Fausta Gomez, †Salvador G. Mendez, †Gloria Gomez and †Albert García
by Rosie García
†Alfonso Jiménez by Family
†Sylvia Robles, and †Joe Robles Jr.
by Mary Elva Robles
†Fabian Garcia Jr. by Wife, Gloria Garcia
†Bertha Espinoza "1St Year Anniversary"
by Sons & daughter

Monday, December 27, 2021

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

8:00 a.m. †Ida Gomez by Family

Wednesday, December 29, 2021

8:00 a.m. †Enedina Huerta
by Guadalupe Huerta & Family

Thursday, December 30, 2021

8:00 a.m. †Charbel Elias Mtanous by Family

Friday, December 31, 2021

8:00 a.m. "People of the Parish"

Saturday, January 1, 2021

9:30 a.m. "People of the Parish"

6:00 p.m. For Our Deceased Love ones of the Riojas, Rodriguez, Ortiz, Vasquez, and Mendez Families by Family

Sunday, January 2, 2021

8:00 a.m. "Para los fieles de la Parroquia"

10:30 a.m. †Ramon Arispe Sr. by Wife & Children
Special Intention for the Families of Ovalle, Arispe, Hunt, & Deleon by Family

12:30 p.m. "Para los fieles de la Parroquia"

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SICK

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