



THE HOLY FAMILY



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 2:51-52

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WEEKLY CALENDAR | CALENDARIO SEMANAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH

Regular Sunday Mass times

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

Office Closed

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28TH

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29TH

Office Closed

No 6:30 pm Mass

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30TH

Office Closed

No 7 pm Mass

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

Office Closed

6:30 pm Mass with live stream

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1ST NEW YEARS DAY

Confessions 3:00 pm

4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass with live stream

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:

4:30 pm (English)

SUNDAY:

8:45 am & 11:00 am (English)

1:15 pm (Spanish)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 25th

10:00 amMissa Pro Populo

Sunday, December 26th

8:45 am..... +Servando Franco

11:00 amMissa Pro Populo

1:15 pm..... +Innocente Enriquez

Wednesday, December 29th

6:30 pm..... No Mass

Thursday, December 30th

7:00 pm..... No Mass

Friday, December 31st

6:30 pm.....Missa Pro Populo

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PARISH INFORMATION

DIocese of FORT WORTH



DAILY PRAYER LIST FORT WORTH SEMINARIANS 2020-2021

A Prayer for a Seminarian

God our Father,
Thank you for calling [name] to prepare for the priesthood. Grant him the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help him form his personality as a credible witness to others. Bless him while he studies Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give him a generous heart to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen.

Day of the Month	Thank you for your support and generosity. Please pray for the following seminarians:
1	Deacon Joseph Moreno, Deacon Thomas Jones
2	Deacon Brett Metzler, Deacon Samuel Maul
3	Deacon Jason Allan, Deacon Linh Nguyen
4	David LaPointe
5	Ed Hopkins
6	Brandon LeClair
7	Austin Hoodenpyle
8	Eric Flores
9	Benjamin Grothouse
10	Jacob Daniell
11	Austin Evans
12	Isaac McCracken
13	Diego Soto Deniz
14	Joseph Hoffschwelle
15	Kyle Lange
16	Blake Thompson
17	Trent Barton
18	Bryar Ferguson
19	Miguel De La Torre
20	Paul Trinh
21	Brandon Woolums
22	Quang Nguyen
23	Michael Marincel
24	Javier Escutia
25	Isaac Acuña
26	Jesus Segura
27	Jacob Zimmerer
28	Leo Kaiser
29	Brogan Lane
30	Peter Nguyen
31	For an increase in vocations to the priesthood

UPCOMING HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

December 31/January 1

Because the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God falls on Saturday January 1 it is automatically dispensed (this year it is not a Holy Day of obligation). However, this celebration is important in the life of the Church. Mass will be celebrated on **Friday December 31 at 6:30 pm in English.**

The Vigil Mass of the Epiphany will be celebrated on Saturday January 1, at 4:30 pm.

CALLED TO BE COMMUNITY

A guide to living a spirituality of communion

How can we live our calling as Christians in the twenty-first century?

Going to God through others

Christmas is drawing nearer, the Lord is about to arrive and the liturgy invites us to prepare the road for him: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" (Mk 1:3).

He who entered history two thousand years ago wants to enter our lives, but the road in us is cluttered with obstacles. We need to flatten the hills, remove the blocks. What are the obstacles that can obstruct the road for Jesus?

They are all the desires not in conformity with God's will that well up in our soul. They are the attachments that cling to it: miniscule desires to speak or keep silent when we ought to do the opposite; desires for affirmation, for respect, for affection; desires for things, for health, for life... when God does not want them; then there are the more evil desires of rebellion, judgment, revenge...

They all well up in our soul and invade it completely. We have to extinguish these desires decisively, remove these obstacles, put ourselves back in God's will and so prepare the way of the Lord.

We must, as the phrase says, make his paths straight. Our desires lead us off the path. If we extinguish them, we put ourselves back on the ray of God's will, and we find our way again.

But there is a method for being sure of walking along the straight way, which takes us with certainty to our goal — to God. It has an obligatory route, namely our neighbor.

This Christmas let us dive once again into loving every person we meet during the day. Let us light up in our hearts that most ardent and praiseworthy desire which God most certainly wants: the desire to love every neighbor, making ourselves one with him or her ... with a love that is without self-interest and without limits.

Love will revive relationships and persons, and will not allow selfish desires to spring up. In fact, it is the best antidote to selfishness.

We could prepare for Christmas like this — as a gift for Jesus who comes — offer him this rich and succulent fruit, along with our hearts all aflame with a consuming love.

Chiara Lubich (1920–2008), founder of the Focolare

For information about the Focolare Movement, please see <https://www.focolare.org/en/> or <https://livingcitymagazine.com>

For information, questions, etc. please feel free to contact Coletta Maksimik 817-294-0625

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY AND JOSEPH

God, Our Father, loving and merciful, bring together and keep all families in perfect unity of love and mutual support.

Instill in each member the spirit of understanding and affection for each other.

Keep quarrels and bitterness far from them, and for their occasional failures instill forgiveness and peace.

May the mutual love and affection of parents set a good example.

Instill in children self-respect that they may respect others and grow in mature independence.

May the mutual affection and respect of families be a sign of Christian life here and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Amen.

LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESUS MARIA Y JOSE

Padre Celestial, nos has dado un modelo de vida en la Sagrada Familia de Nazaret Ayúdanos, Padre amado, a hacer de nuestra familia otro Nazaret, donde reine amor, la paz y la alegría. Que sea profundamente contemplativa, intensamente eucarística y vibrante con alegría.

Ayúdanos a permanecer unidos por la oración en familia en los momentos de gozo y de dolor.

Enséñanos a ver a Jesucristo en los miembros de nuestra familia especialmente en los momentos de angustia. Haz que el corazón de Jesús Eucaristía haga nuestros corazones mansos y humildes como el suyo y ayúdanos a sobrellevar las obligaciones familiares de una manera santa.

Haz que nos amemos más y más unos a otros cada día como Dios nos ama a cada uno de nosotros y a perdonarnos mutuamente nuestras faltas, como Tú perdonas nuestros pecados.

Ayúdanos, oh Padre amado, a recibir todo lo que nos das y a dar todo lo que quieres recibir con una gran sonrisa.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, causa de nuestra alegría, ruega por nosotros. Santos Ángeles de la Guarda permaneced a nuestro lado, guiadnos y protegednos.

Amén.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

Sunday 26th Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21;
 Lk 2:41-52

Monday 27th Feast of Saint John, Apostle and evangelist
 1 Jn 1:1-1; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a & 2-8

Tuesday 28th Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs
 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday 29th
 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Thursday 30th
 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

Friday 31st
 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2., 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18

Saturday January 1st The Octave Day of Christmas Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
 Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



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