

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

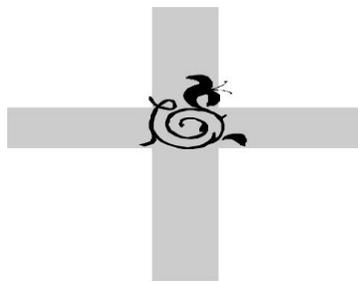
Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas! And remember that Christmas has an Octave, meaning that the feast lasts a whole week! Christmas Day ends on the New Year's Day, which is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. The Solemnity of Mary is also a Holy Day of Obligation; therefore, St. Joseph parish will offer Mass for the Solemnity on the 31st at 7pm, and on the 1st at 12:10pm and 7pm. On Friday the 4th is the memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, so consider stopping by her Church downtown, right by Battery Park.

At New Year's many people make resolutions that include undoing the consequences of all the feasting around Christmas- new diets, new exercise regimes, etc. Don't forget to consider you soul as well as your body. Use the New Year as a time to refocus on Jesus, to update your prayer routines, and to recommit yourselves to the Lord. Make 2019 a year of great spiritual growth. God has great plans for you- allow Him to lead you to the holiness He calls you to.

Have a blessed Solemnity of Mary, and in this new year may God abundantly bless you.

Fr. Boniface Endorf, O.P.
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Pastor



Weekly Collection

Due to the holiday production schedule collections for Dec 23rd & Dec 30th will appear in the January 6th bulletin

FAITHSTREET

To give effortlessly online, just click the "Give Online" button on the home page of our website - www.stjosephgv.nyc

WESHARE

To create online giving account, please visit stjosephgv.churchgiving.com and click "Give Online".

PRAYER REQUESTS



Please pray for:

Anne Darrow
Eileen Fleming
Paul Gallagher
Barbara Parazzo
Zoila Vallo
Charles Mark Vazzana

If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names.

Names on the prayer list will be on for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, Weekdays 9AM - 5PM.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

12:10 pm Frank Santos (living)

5:30 pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00 am Robert Tuttle

11:30 am People of the Parish

6:00 pm

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

Saint Sylvester I, Pope

12:10 pm

7:00 pm

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

12:10 pm

7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

*Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen,
Bishops and Doctors of the Church*

12:10 pm

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

12:10 pm

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

12:10 pm Robert Stone

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UPDATE PARISHIONER INFORMATION

If you have not updated your parishioner information in the last two years, please log onto our website and update your information. Please be sure to include your sacraments and family information as well. We have a number of registered parishioners with outdated or no important information. If you are not sure you have registered as a parishioner, please call the office or email secretary@stjosephgv.nyc to check your status.

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SECOND COLLECTION

The Catholic University of America
January 5th & 6th

The Catholic University of America is unique among universities in the United States – even among Catholic universities. Established by Pope Leo XIII and the U.S. bishops in 1887, it is the national university of the Catholic Church. Through its 12 schools and 23 research centers located in the nation's capital, every year the University provides an education grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition to almost 7,000 students. More than 12,000 of our alumni are serving the church as priests, sisters, or in other religious vocations throughout the country and world.

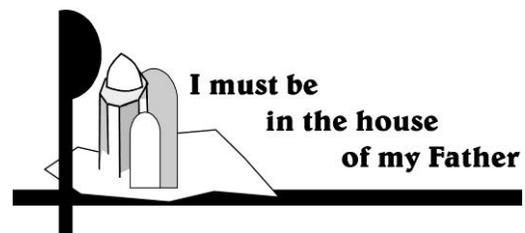
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS SCHEDULE

Please note that this year's Holy Day of Obligation Mass times will be as follows:

<u>NEW YEAR'S EVE</u>	<u>NEW YEAR'S DAY</u>
12:10 PM (DAILY MASS)	12:10 PM (DAILY MASS)
7:00 PM (VIGIL MASS)	7:00 PM

RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Rectory office will be closed Monday December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st



**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY AND JOSEPH
SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Sirach emphasizes the importance of honoring one's parents. He explains that spiritual riches will come to those who are kind to their mother and father.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Paul advises us to treat each other with kindness and mercy and to forgive as God forgives us. His words remind families to always love and respect one another and let Christ's peace reign in their hearts and in their homes.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

When Jesus was twelve years old, the Holy Family traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast. Jesus did not return with the company. Instead, he stayed in Jerusalem, sitting among the teachers while amazing them with his understanding and questions. When found by his concerned parents, Jesus reminded them that he must be in the house of his Father. Returning together, Mary kept these things in her heart.

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
DAILY READINGS**

Sunday

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24;
Lk 2:41-52

Monday

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Wednesday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Thursday

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34

First Friday

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

First Saturday

1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS



HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 30, 2018**

"Because you are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another; forgive whatever grievances you have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you. Over all these virtues put on love, which binds the rest together and makes them perfect... Joseph went to the region in Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth."

We are still admiring the many gifts of Christmas. The packages have been opened and their contents displayed. There are gifts you still have to be shared with others. You did not deliver them yet. They are the virtues enumerated by St. Paul in his letter. Surely there is someone waiting to receive your gift of patience, humility and kindness. It is not too late to make sure they receive it. The gift of love is the gift wrap, bow or ribbon to bring everything together.

Can't you see the Holy Family, settling down after their journey from Bethlehem to Egypt, happy to take a few minutes to relax and be glad that they have a home. As this special family began to accustom themselves to a new experience, they surely must have been glad the infant Son was with them. As we settle, as we approach a new year, may we find the same Lord as the center of our attention with our family in our home.

