

The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph
December 26, 2021

FAITH @ HOME

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First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21 or
3:12-17
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52
[Full Readings can be found here!](#)

1. HEAR

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading.
Don't have one? You can find the text [here](#).

To see a video of the Gospel, [click here](#).

To see a video of the Gospel for children, [click here](#).

2. PRAY

In today's Gospel we hear the story of Jesus in the temple. We witness the deep love and devotion of Mary and Joseph for Jesus as they journey back to Jerusalem in search of Jesus. We hear this same reading on the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which reminds us of the perfect love of our Blessed Mother Mary.

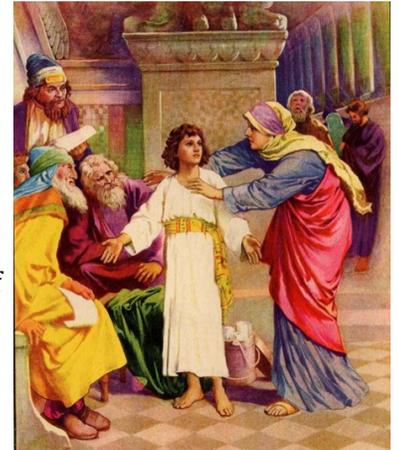
Consider praying with the last stance of the Gospel:

*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.*

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

What can we learn of Mother Mary and her Immaculate Heart?

We can learn that she continually pondered the great mystery of the life of her Beloved Son, Jesus. We witness her attentive, consoling, and tender love for Jesus. She had pure, perfect love for her son, Jesus.



Let us pray and ask Mother Mary to intercede for us to live our lives always striving to emulate that pure and perfect love to Jesus and strive to love all those around us with that same compassionate love.

3. TALK

Gather with a family member or friend. Share with one another a way you can show compassion and love to someone you know that is sick, lonely, depressed or who feels alienated.

After your sharing, pray for the people you talked about and consider praying the passage from the 2nd Reading today:

*And let the peace of Christ control your hearts,
the peace into which you were also called in one
body.
And be thankful.
AMEN.*