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THE CHILD GREW
AND BECAME STRONG,
FILLED WITH WISDOM;
AND THE FAVOR OF GOD
WAS UPON HIM.

LUKE 2:40



THE HOLY FAMILY

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 27, 2020

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BAPTISMS

PARENTS MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHIONERS FOR THREE MONTHS BEFORE SCHEDULING A BAPTISM. PARENTS AND GODPARENTS MUST ATTEND A BAPTISM CLASS PRIOR TO THE CHILD'S BAPTISM. **THE NEXT BAPTISM CLASS WILL BE ON THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020 AT 7:00PM IN THE PARISH HALL.** BAPTISMS ARE HELD ON THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 2PM.

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At various times in a Catholic's life, it is beneficial that you be able to show that you are a "practicing Catholic."
This is possible by confirming your parish registry.
Here are some of the situations to which this may apply:
Marriage in the Church
Baptism of a Child
School Registration of a Child
Becoming a Godparent or Sponsor
We urge you to:
Register at the Rectory
Inquire about using your talents for the good of the parish
Use your Sunday envelopes so that your generosity can be recorded.
Msgr. Terry



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FAMILY

On this feast of the Holy Family, we want to offer all families blessings. “Family” may have a lot of different connotations these days. In the United States, the “father, mother, child” family is less common now, and large Catholic families are not as common as they once were. The concept of family is more fluid with many forms of blended families due to second marriages, multigenerational households, and other living arrangements. In a recent survey by the Pew research center, four in ten babies are born to single mothers. Other children are being raised by grandparents or foster parents. In today’s Genesis story, Abraham was ready to concede to another form of family, making the child of one of his servants his heir. The reading from Hebrews reiterates the story of Genesis, and “your descendants will be more numerous than the stars.” The Gospel relates the story of the presentation in the temple.

POWER IN PRESCRIBED RITUALS

Joseph and Mary presented Jesus in the temple at eight days old, as was prescribed by Mosaic law. For many Catholic families, baptismal gowns were handed down through generations, and a baptism was a time of great celebration. Sadly, in our culture, baptisms continue to decline. There are many reasons for this: fewer practicing Catholics, more interfaith marriages, more secular weddings, fewer weddings by clergy, and problems or misunderstandings that turn people away. Many have left the church altogether because of the way they were treated. For some the parish is not a welcoming place. For others baptism has become just a ritual they go through for the sake of the grandparents.

EXAMPLES IN OUR ELDERS

When someone does present a child for baptism, it can become too easy for others to pass judgment because the parents don’t know the rubrics well, or aren’t dressed better, or “why is that single mother having her baby baptized during Mass?” Notice that the Gospel says nothing about the priests of the temple and how they received Jesus. Rather it talks about Simeon and Anna. They are worth a study in themselves. Simeon is a devout man who is there waiting for a particular sign, and it is fulfilled when he see the Christ Child. Anna is just in the temple praying, as is her custom. After the presentation of Jesus, she does what she does best—she goes back to praying in the temple. Perhaps these readings teach us how we as a faith community can see the sacredness in those families presenting their children for baptism, and welcome them as did Anna and Simeon. May we all learn from their wisdom!

TODAY’S READINGS

Genesis 15:1–6; 21:1–3
 Psalm 105:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 8–9
 Hebrews 11:8, 11–12, 17–19
 Luke 2:22–40 [22, 39–40]

First Reading

Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins.
(Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) or Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

Psalm

Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.
(Psalm 128) or Psalm 105

Second Reading

Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus.
(Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) or Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Gospel

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom.
(Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40])

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of Dec.28, 2020 - Jan. 3, 2021

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Monday: The Holy Innocents

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

Tuesday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket

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

Wednesday:

Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Thursday:

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord;

St. Sylvester I;

New Year's Eve

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

Friday:

The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord;

Mary, the Holy Mother of God;

World Day of Prayer for Peace;

New Year's Day; First Friday

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

Lk 2:16-21

Saturday:

Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen;

First Saturday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Sunday:

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

Mt 2:1-12



We have been living in unprecedented times with COVID changing many aspects of our lives. These changes have caused many challenges to families, but they have also affirmed our commitment to safeguarding our children and young people. As the year comes to an end we are reminded of the resiliency exemplified by the Holy Family in their Advent journey – the love Mary and Joseph had for their son, Jesus Christ, and the many ways in which they nurtured His Spirit as a model for our families. Join the Holy Family's call by taking time to nourish your own family's spirituality. Click link to download the Take-Home Resource for Families: ***[The Holy Family – Nourishing your Spirituality and Well-Being.](#)***



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Healing...

Roben Bustos
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Aida Tomines
Stacey Seablade Hoskins
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MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, December 27th

8:00 am

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 Isabel Sagedao †
 Dymphna Dungca
 Carlo Dungca †
 Eduardo Baltazar †
 Rafoncila Baltazar †
 Myra Acoba †
 Manuela Respicio †

9:45 am

Ana Domingo †
 Fermina Bautista †
 Rudy & Toni Bernaldo †
 Fortunato Lagmay †
 Baby Fernandez †
 Bayani M. Jamias †
 Ramon Mijares †
 Olympia Azul †
 Beatrice Azul †
 Salvador Azul †
 Hermoso Azul †

Wed., December 30th

Manuel Venturina †

Friday, January 1st

8:00am

Jesus A. Calleja Jr. †
 Erlina R. Calleja
 David R. Ines †
 Hortensia C. Ines †
 Leonor Dungo Bravo †
 Rufino Paroni Bravo Jr. †
 Yoan Koh
 Herman Alis
Saturday, January 2nd
 Magdalena Chung †



IN MEMORIAM

Santos Angeles
Andrew Fenady
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Judy Francisco Herrera
Maria Sol Elazegui
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David Ines
Hortensia Ines
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Caroline Laquer
Jacqueline Cavanagh
Yelba Chilingar
Lucy Torroba
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Lauro Tecson Jr.
Roberta Stuppy

Notre Dame High School in Sherman Oaks
 invites all interested
 parents and students to
 attend an Open House on
 Sunday, January 10, 2021 from
 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. For
 more information,
 please visit our
 website
www.ndhs.org.





May the coming year be one of increased riches of grace—
hearing His voice more clearly,
knowing His heart more deeply,
resting in His love more fully,
trusting His care more completely,
walking His pathway more peacefully,
knowing His presence more intimately,
blessed by His goodness more abundantly.