

## Monday

DECEMBER 29 Octave of Christmas 1 Jn 2:3–11 Lk 2:22–35

### Tuesday

DECEMBER 30 Octave of Christmas 1 Jn 2:12–17 Lk 2:36–40

### Wednesday

DECEMBER 31 Octave of Christmas 1 Jn 2:18–21 Jn 1:1–18

#### **Thursday**

JANUARY 1 Mary, the Holy Mother of God Nm 6:22–27

Gal 4:4–7 Lk 2:16–21

## Friday

JANUARY 2
Sts. Basil the Great
and
Gregory Nazianzen,
Bishops and
Doctors of
the Church
1 Jn 2:22–28
Jn 1:19–28

## Saturday

JANUARY 3 Christmas Weekday 1 Jn 2:29—3:6 Jn 1:29–34

#### Sunday

JANUARY 4
Epiphany of
the Lord
Is 60:1–6
Eph 3:2–3a, 5–6
Mt 2:1–12

# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

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hen we were married, my husband and I gradually worked out and grew in our relationship. Four of the characteristics St. Paul mentions in today's reading from Colossians were particularly helpful for us: patience, forgiveness, love, and gratitude. They helped us overcome the challenges of building a life together, and each of our children gave us ample opportunity to practice them over and over again.

By God's grace and with hard work, we've been together more than thirty years. Sometimes I think, "How did we do it?" We did it together, and we did it with God, and I'm so grateful for my husband and for two wonderful daughters who come back home at Christmas and call just to say hello.

So it makes sense that we dedicate one Sunday to the Holy Family. We don't know a lot about Jesus' childhood, but today's gospel tells us that, as unusual as the circumstances were, Mary and Joseph worked with each other and with God to do the right thing for Jesus. They followed the prescribed law, they listened carefully to the prophecies and rejoicing of Anna and Simeon, and they raised God's Son to adulthood—when he showed the world who he was.

Even after that, Mary was with him, loving and grieving for him even at the end. What parent would have done less?

The Holy Family undoubtedly practiced love, patience, forgiveness, and gratitude with one another, even as the Lord taught us to do. We honor them by doing the same.

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Sir 3:2–6, 12–14 or Gn 15:1–6; 21:1–3 Col 3:12–21 or 3:12–17 or Heb 11:8, 11–12, 17–19 Lk 2:22–40 or 2:22, 39–40



# The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



# December 28, 2014

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30
a.m. to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by
Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family

St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions Sat 4:00 pm Our Parish Family Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family Mon 8:00 am +Edna Moran Tues 8:00 am +Fr Pete (spec int) Wed 4:00 pm +Fr Pete (spec int) Thu 9:00am +Fr Pete (spec int) Fri 8:00 am +Fr Pete (spec int)

## From Father Khoa's Desk...

## Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today the Church celebrate the feast of the Holy Family we ask God to teach us the sanctity of human love by showing us the value of family life and by helping us to live in peace and harmony with one another. This feast of the Holy Family reminds us that it is in the intimate companionship with others, especially in a family context, that we become truly human in the sense of how the Bible describes a human being. It is in the daily interactions through ongoing relationships that we learn to be sensitive to the presence, needs, and rights of other human beings. It is also through these same interactions that we come to understand ourselves as persons with rights and responsibilities. Simply stated, it is in and through such mutual interactions in the give and take of ordinary family life that we learn to love and be loved. This fact remains so no matter how much society and the form of family life may change over the years. The point is that family life is a precious and unique setting that enables us to grow as sensitive, caring, and loving human beings.

At the end of the Gospel account today St. Luke tells us that after the presentation of the child Jesus in the temple, Joseph and Mary returned to their home in Nazareth and "the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him." We must all take note of the fact that to grow as a family takes real effort and genuine commitment. One of the greatest challenges facing anyone who lives in the company of others either as a family, a religious community, etc. is to arrange one's life so that there is quality time for the gathering of the members of the family or community. When other concerns, no matter how important and noble they may be, begin to leave no time to be with members of the family or community, it is time to do some soul searching

and examine our priorities. Family life is meant by God's design to provide us with the environment that enables us to become mature human beings capable of making life-giving choices. Jesus spent thirty years doing just that. That time in Nazareth brought about our salvation just as much as his next three years of public life and ministry. The Holy Family was no accident, and neither should ours. Let us take time in the coming year to treasure our shared life with family and community.

Thursday, January 1st is a Holy Day of obligation. Please follow mass schedule in the bulletin. The Liturgies of Christmas were so beautiful and inspiring. We extend our thanks to Altar Society; our Parish Staff, and our countless volunteers. Thanks for being a part of this family and for all that you do to love, serve and follow Christ among us. You are more appreciated than you can ever imagine. God Bless all of our families on this feast of the Holy Family. Thanks for being with us this weekend and have a blessed week.

...Fr. Khoa

# A Holy Day of Obligation January 1, 2015 Solemnity of Mary The Holy Mother of God Mass Times St Ann

Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> - Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> - Solemnity of Mary: 9:00 am

<u>Catholic Students</u> of our parish to receive subsidy are: James Estrada, Jacob Estrada, Ella Enroth, Taylor Enroth, Austin Scarengoas, Tammy Sarah Thomas, and Nicolas Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children or grandchildren are not on the list.

# **OUR LADY OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: \$295.00; Loose: \$113.00 Total: \$408.00.

\*\*Amount needed weekly <u>\$2,908.84.</u>
Thank you for your generosity.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Dec 27	Lisa Cuevas	Richard Dunlap, Doris	Katelyn Casey	Doug Ladner	Gerald & Kay
4:00pm		Snowden, Henrietta	Boots Moran	Gus Schone.	VanPelt
Dec 28 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Dec 28	Jason Necaise	Dale Babin, Carolyn	Carson	Robert	Pat & Robin
9am		Brewer, Robin Peterson	Kaison	Pat Leimer	Peterson Family
Sat Jan 3	Dr Lanny	Rita Acosta, Ellen West,	Katelyn Casey	Doug Ladner	Richard & Amy
4:00pm	Acosta	Kay Van Pelt	Boots Moran	Kermit	Dunlap
Jan 47:30 am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Jan4	Katelyn Moran	Chantel Crabtree, Helena,	Keegan	Robert	Robert &
9am		Kim Wood	Nicholas	David	Michelle Lizana

 ST. ANN
 STEWARDSHIP:
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 65
 Identifiable:

 \$1,428.00;
 Loose:
 \$1,141.00;
 Total:
 \$2,815.00;

 Children:
 \$8.00.
 Building
 Fund:
 \$141.91,

 Retirement
 Fund:
 \$83.00
 Solemnity
 of
 Mary:

 \$100.00,
 St
 Vincent
 Pharmacy:
 \$45.00,

 Immaculate Conception:
 \$5.00.

## ST. ANN ACTIVITIES

<u>Lizana Light:</u> Thank you Kathy Brogdon for serving Lizana Light for six years. For her own reason, she cannot continue to serve Lizana Light after Christmas. For that reason, I would like to invite whoever has the ability to serve in this position because the poor and the hungry still need us. This is our call as Catholics. If anyone who would like to do this, please contact the rectory. Thank you.

<u>Altar Society:</u> Meet on Second Sundays. For more information, please contact **Lenell King**.

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: Please contact Ellen West for more information.

**Bible Study:** We will study **Mary** beginning on Jan 8, 2015. Classes are on **Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, and on Thursday from 9-10:30am at CCD Building.** For more information, please contact **Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner. MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** You can have

Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

**RCIA:** RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Please contact Tim Brogdon at 344-5449. Thank you.

Parish Council: meet on third Sundays.

<u>CYO:</u> meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO on www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo or contact Katelyn Moran and Danielle Ladner.

**Project Hope and Compassion:** For more information, please contact the office.

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK</u>: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560 or in emergency, 234-6005.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

# PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Betty Pierce, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Annette Moran, Darlene Billingsley, Janet Thompson, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, and Julia Perronne.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.