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Feast of the Holy Family

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



Prayer for the Family

Lord God, from You every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. Father, you are love and life. Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, born of woman, and through the Holy Spirit, the fountain of divine charity, grant that every family on earth may become for each successive generation a true shrine of life and love.

Grant that Your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all families in the world. Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love.

Grant that love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family.

We ask this of You, who is life, truth and love with the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



Wishing you & your family a Prosperous and Joyful

2020

May the Lord draw you all deeper into His love.

Be transformed. Stay transformed. In His Holy Name

It's 1st Friday on the 3rd!

Let's Meet, Celebrate, and Praise

Family Rosary, Holy Mass
Adoration & Benediction
Praise & Worship
Talk and Fellowship



Mark your Calendar!

Friday, January 3rd
6:30-9:30pm

Speaker: Fr. Edwin Gonsalves

All are welcome!

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS PARISH PRAYER GROUP

RESERVATIONS

CHURCH

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| Fri | Jan 3 | 1st Friday Community Rosary, Holy Mass, Adoration & Benediction, Praise & Worship, Talk, and Fellowship 6:30-9:30pm |
| Sat | Jan 4 | Children's Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am |
| Sun | Jan 5 | Baptism 2:00pm |

NESSINGER HALL

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| Sat | Jan 4 | Lay Carmelite Meeting 9:00am-4:00pm |
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READINGS OF THE WEEK

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| Mon | Dec 30 | 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 |
| Tue | Dec 31 | 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18 |
| Wed | Jan 1 | Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21 |
| Thurs | Jan 2 | 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28 |
| Fri | Jan 3 | 1 John 2:29, 3:1-6; John 1:29-34 |
| Sat | Jan 4 | 1 John 3:7-10; John 1:35-42 |
| Sun | Jan 5 | Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12 |



MASS INTENTIONS

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| Mon | Dec 30 9am | 1. Thanksgiving intentions from Rak Family, requested by Bozene Rak 2. For the wedding anniversary intentions of Jude and Hemma Castro, requested by Jude and Hemma |
| Thurs | Jan 2 9am | 1. For the soul of Cesar and Jose Bukis, requested by Jobeth Bukis 2. Thanksgiving for the 38th Wedding Anniversary of Christine and Dominic Robson, requested by the Robson Family |
| Sat | Jan 4 5pm | 1. For the soul of Celia Stanislaus, requested by Bernadette 2. For the soul of Emma Taylo, requested by Alvin Endaya |

In Appreciation

Thank you!

Thank you to Donna Abalos and the Altar Society, and all who helped decorate our Church for Christmas. You have truly made everything look so beautiful.

Thank you to all of our VOLUNTEERS and to all of our MINISTRIES—Music, Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers—you made the Church Celebrations so meaningful.

Thank you to Gilbert Desouza and the volunteers who directed the traffic in the church parking lot.

Special thanks to everyone who donated for the Christmas flowers in memory of their loved ones.

May we continue to grow in the love of God.

*Fr. Joyson George O. Carm.
Pastor*

“Remember the past with gratitude.

Live the present with enthusiasm.

Look forward to the future with confidence.”

St. John Paul II



Parish Office is closed on:

Tuesday, December 31st, from noon
Wednesday, January 1, New Year’s Day

PARISH CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2019—2020

**FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD
(NEW YEAR’S EVE)**

VIGIL MASSES, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

**FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD
(NEW YEAR’S DAY)**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1st
10:00 AM and 12:00 PM

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

Enjoy your Christmas break!

**Next EDGE Night: Mon Jan 13th - IGNITED
WITHIN: Sacrament of Confirmation**

**Next LIFE Night: Fri Jan 10th - BELIEVE IT
OR NOT: Atheism**

Schedule & Registration @ www.jcym.ca



CHURCH YEAR END

If you would like your financial donations to be included on your 2019 tax receipt, please give them on or before Sunday, December 29.


Thank you for your generosity!

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES

As of January 1st, please use your 2020 Offering Envelopes. DO NOT USE any 2019 envelopes in 2020. Labeled Offering Envelopes are available for pick up. Labeled envelopes not picked up by mid-February will be taken out for re-use.

The Evening Musical of Song fundraising towards the new audio system in the church on December 15th generated \$2,950.
Thank you for your support!

Get your 2019—2020 Sunday Missal by the Parish Office, 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10



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