

December 27, 2020 Sunday Mass – Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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Mass Livestream Prompts:

5:00 pm Frank Tassielli+ By Charlie & Geri Barcellona Sunday,
December 27th

8:00 am For the People of IHM Parish

10:00 am Joan D’Andrea & Gemma D’Andrea+ By the Carlino Family

12:00 pm James Henry Lissemore+ By the Lundgren Family

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Welcome to our Livestream of the Sunday Mass - **please feel free to share this with your friends on Facebook and invite people to attend the online Mass.**

Today is December 27, 2020 - **Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

Good Morning

Announcement:

The Church has reopened and daily mass has resumed with 7 am and 8:30 am - appropriate social distancing must be followed and masks must be worn at all times - no exceptions. 8.30 am mass will continue to be livestreamed.

Weekend masses are open as well but require advance signup – please see website for details. 10 am Sunday mass will also continue to be livestreamed.

The Church is open for private prayer from 6.45 am to noon on weekdays. Please follow social distancing protocols. Masks must be worn at all times.

Also, please note that you will need to reserve in advance for attending weekend masses - details for sign-up posted on the website

For those of us who continue to celebrate Mass in our homes virtually it is good to remember that Jesus is truly present whenever 2 or 3 are gathered in his name, even if at a distance. There is also the idea of the “Domestic Church”, an understanding that is born of baptism that the family is the first and perhaps most encountered way of living out our lives of faith. Both of these ideas have taken on greater prominence these last few months.

Let us now take a moment to greet each other online.

Music: <https://ihmparish.net/s/Feast-of-the-Holy-Family-2020-year-B.pdf>

Amen
Lord have mercy;
Christ have mercy;
Lord have mercy;

Glory to God in the Highest

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Amen

Reading 1

SIR 3:2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children;
a mother's authority he confirms over her sons.
Whoever honors his father atones for sins,
and preserves himself from them.
When he prays, he is heard;
he stores up riches who reveres his mother.
Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children,
and, when he prays, is heard.
Whoever reveres his father will live a long life;
he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old;
grieve him not as long as he lives.
Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him;
revile him not all the days of his life;
kindness to a father will not be forgotten,
firmly planted against the debt of your sins
—a house raised in justice to you.

or

[Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3](#)

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying:

“Fear not, Abram!

I am your shield;

I will make your reward very great.”

But Abram said,

“O Lord GOD, what good will your gifts be,

if I keep on being childless

and have as my heir the steward of my house, Eliezer?”

Abram continued,

“See, you have given me no offspring,

and so one of my servants will be my heir.”

Then the word of the LORD came to him:

“No, that one shall not be your heir;

your own issue shall be your heir.”

The Lord took Abram outside and said,

“Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can.

Just so,” he added, “shall your descendants be.”

Abram put his faith in the LORD,

who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.

The LORD took note of Sarah as he had said he would;

he did for her as he had promised.

Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age,

at the set time that God had stated.

Abraham gave the name Isaac to this son of his

whom Sarah bore him.

Thanks be to God

Response: I Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.

R. (cf. 1) Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,

who walks in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;

blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
your children like olive plants
around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.
Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

or

[Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9](#)

R. (7a , 8a) The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.

Sing to him, sing his praise,
proclaim all his wondrous deeds.

R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Glory in his holy name;
rejoice, O hearts that seek the LORD!
Look to the LORD in his strength;
constantly seek his face.

R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

You descendants of Abraham, his servants,
sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He, the LORD, is our God;
throughout the earth his judgments prevail.

R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

He remembers forever his covenant
which he made binding for a thousand generations
which he entered into with Abraham
and by his oath to Isaac.

R. The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Reading 2

COL 3:12-21

Brothers and sisters:

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience,
bearing with one another and forgiving one another,
if one has a grievance against another;

as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.

And over all these put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.

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

And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,

as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another,
singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs
with gratitude in your hearts to God.
And whatever you do, in word or in deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husbands,
as is proper in the Lord.
Husbands, love your wives,
and avoid any bitterness toward them.
Children, obey your parents in everything,
for this is pleasing to the Lord.
Fathers, do not provoke your children,
so they may not become discouraged.

Or

[Col 3:12-17](#)

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Or

[Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19](#)

Brothers and sisters:

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place
that he was to receive as an inheritance;
he went out, not knowing where he was to go.
By faith he received power to generate,
even though he was past the normal age
--and Sarah herself was sterile--
for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy.
So it was that there came forth from one man,
himself as good as dead,
descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky
and as countless as the sands on the seashore.

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac,
and he who had received the promises was ready to offer
his only son,
of whom it was said,
“Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name.”
He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead,
and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

Thanks be to God

Alleluia

COL 3:15A, 16A

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Or

[Heb 1:1-2](#)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Before Gospel

P: “The Lord be with you.” All: “and with your spirit.”

P: “A reading from the Gospel according to Luke” All: “Glory to you Lord.”

Gospel

LK 2:22-40

When the days were completed for their purification

according to the law of Moses,

They took him up to Jerusalem

to present him to the Lord,

just as it is written in the law of the Lord,

Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,

and to offer the sacrifice of

a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,

in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon.

This man was righteous and devout,

awaiting the consolation of Israel,

and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit

that he should not see death

before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.

He came in the Spirit into the temple;

and when the parents brought in the child Jesus

to perform the custom of the law in regard to him,

He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go
in peace, according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in sight of all the peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel.”

The child’s father and mother were amazed at what was said about him;
and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,

“Behold, this child is destined
for the fall and rise of many in Israel,
and to be a sign that will be contradicted
—and you yourself a sword will pierce—
so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”

There was also a prophetess, Anna,
the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.

She was advanced in years,
having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage,
and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.

She never left the temple,
but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer.

And coming forward at that very time,
she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child
to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions
of the law of the Lord,
they returned to Galilee,
to their own town of Nazareth.

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him.

Or

[Lk 2:22, 39-40](#)

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After Gospel

P: “The Gospel of the Lord.” All: “Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.”

Today’s Readings; <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/122720.cfm>

Reflection December 27 2020 : https://www.dailyscripture.net/daily-meditation?ds_year=2020&date=dec27

USCCB Reflection Video: <https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/video/2020-12-27-reflection-17>

Audio Podcast: <https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/audio/2020-12-27-usccb-daily-mass-readings>

Amen

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Please pray for an end to the current COVID-19 pandemic and all who are impacted by it, especially those who are ill and those who have lost their lives. Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving as well for those who risk their own health to help others.

May the Holy Spirit come upon all and continue to inspire us.
Please pray for peace around the world.

We also pray for the children of the parish who had their First Communion in September, and for the children received the sacrament of Confirmation in October.

We also pray for the students that are home for the Christmas break.

Back to School Prayer

Dear God, with a new school year upon us, we pray for our students and teachers, that You would ease their anxiety about going back to school amidst the pandemic. We pray for safety for those returning to in-person classes, and for the needed technology, self-discipline, and adult oversight for those learning online. We pray that every child has enough to eat, a supportive network of friends and family, and perseverance to face every challenge with Your strength. *Amen*

Let us pray for a safe and blessed Christmas season.

May the Holy Spirit come upon all and continue to inspire us. Please pray for peace around the world. Please pray for the safe reopening of the Church.

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Offertory:

At this time we would have our weekly collection. We ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation through our online, text to give or parish envelope options. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Giving:

<https://www.parishgiving.org/index?e=876D52DCC9C937F21282F9D33E7E517ED8C94E18D7AF78A1>

Go Fund Me:

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/immaculate-heart-of-mary-scotch-plains>

Text to Give option by texting a dollar amount to (908) 224-3545

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.

Amen

And with your spirit ;

We lift them up to the lord ;

It is right and just;

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic prayer:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,

FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU
R: My Lord and my God

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.
R: My Lord and my God

Memorial Acclamations (pick the one that is sung)
[Priest]

The mystery of faith.

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.
2. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.
3. Save us, Savior of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

Amen

Our Father

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is
in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and forever

Amen

Peace be with you all.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof; but only say the word and my soul shall be
healed.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I
desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually
into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me
to be separated from You. Amen.

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Prayer after Communion:
Amen

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Announcements:

Please see the website for all latest announcements and updates.

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Please visit the website ihmparish.net for announcements including mass schedules and sign-up for New
Year's eve and New Year's day masses and other events through this Christmas Season.

Virtual Wine and Cheese on Tuesday December 29, 2020 @ 7:30 pm – email

Engagingdisciples@ihmparish.net

Virtual men's prayer group on Saturday January 2, 2021 @ 9:15 am - email Engagingdisciples@ihmparish.net

Please note there will be a livestream broadcast of the mass at 8:30 am tomorrow.

Please check website for all details regarding masses and other announcements.

Dismissal

And with your Spirit

Amen

Thanks be to God

Merry Christmas!

Have a blessed week!