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Feast of the Holy Family

THE HOLY FAMILY



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

December 27th—January 2nd

Monday, December 27th

No Mass

Tuesday, December 28th

7:00pm

Wednesday, December 29th

7:00pm

Thursday, December 30th

7:00pm—Bibina Espique

Cora Nastor

Elena Famatigan

Friday, December 31st

(Mass Intention—Pro Populo)

5:00pm

8:00pm

12:00 Midnight

Saturday, January 1st

(Mass Intention—Pro Populo)

9:00am

10:30am

12:00noon

Sunday, January 2nd

10:00am

12:00Noon

5:00pm

THE HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary and Joseph....



On the last Sunday of the year, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. On this day we offer our own families and all the members of our community on the altar for God's blessing from the Holy Family. The feast of the Holy Family reminds us that as the basic unit of the universal Church, each family is called to holiness. The Holy Family is the name given to the family unit of Jesus: The Divine Son of God Jesus, his mother Mary, and his foster-father Joseph. We

know very little about the life of the Holy Family through the Canonical Scriptures. They speak of the early years of the Holy Family, including the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem, the flight into Egypt, the finding of Jesus in the temple and their life at Nazareth. By celebrating the Sunday following Christmas as the Feast of the Holy Family, the Church encourages us to look to the Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph for inspiration, example and encouragement. They were a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other, and took good care of their Child so that he might grow up not only in human knowledge but also as a Child of God.

The Feast of the Holy Family is not just about the Holy Family, but about our own families too. This Feast aims to present the Holy Family as the model for all Christian families, and for domestic life in general. Our family life becomes sanctified when we live the life of the Church within our homes. The Holy Family feast is a good time to remember the family unit and pray for our human and spiritual families. We also may take this feast to reflect on the value and sanctity of the family unit, and to evaluate our own family life. We also consider our role to promote the value of the family in the world and to imitate the Holy Family that is Jesus, Mary, and Joseph particularly in our own cultures, neighborhoods, and communities. We pray to the Holy Family to inspire into our hearts the mutual love necessary to build a harmonious family. *May God continue to bless our families!*



Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.



Thank You for Your Financial Support

If you are unable to join us for mass at this time please consider the options of either through our [Pre-Authorized Giving Program](#), or an electronic donation by credit card through the "Donate Now" button at the top right corner of the Archdiocese of Toronto [website](#). For information, Please call the parish office at 416-787-4547.



BOILER DONATION NEEDED!

Christmas time is on the air and once again, we celebrate this wonderful event of the birthday of Jesus. We will observe our traditional giving and exchange of gifts. This year, as Christmas is approaching, you might want to consider adding OLA Church in your list. As you all know, we are replacing our Boiler and it will cost us **\$246,568**. We wish to ask for your financial donation of any amount. We hope that you will grant us this simple request and the Lord will bless you with your good deeds.

Thank you and God bless!

Total cost of the Boiler project—\$246,568.00

Total donation up to date: \$23,0755.00

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Friday, December 31st, 2021

- 5:00pm—Filipino Mass (Tagalog)
(Livestreaming)
- 8:00 pm—Family Mass (English)
- 12:00am—Midnight Mass (English)
(Livestreaming)

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Saturday, January 1st, 2022

- 9:00am— Mass (English)
- 10:30am—Mass (English)
(Livestreaming)
- 12:00Noon—Mass (English)

(No 5:00pm Mass)

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Sunday, January 2nd, 2022

- 10:00am— Mass (English)
(Livestreaming)
- 12:00Noon—Mass (English)
- 5:00pm—Filipino Mass (Tagalog)
(Livestreaming)

(No 7:15pm Mass)



SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR!



So, as we celebrate the birth of Christ this Christmas, let joy be born in our hearts not just this Christmas day, but our whole lives. Let us inspire this world, that seem so lost in darkness, with the light of Christ with the light of our joy. Let us welcome family and friends. Let us welcome one another, strangers and travelers, the poor in our midst, greet them with a welcoming smile and gracious hospitality those like Mary and Joseph, who are seeking room in the inn.

As your pastor, I have been touched by your generosity— sharing your talents, time and resources throughout the year. I thank you also for your generous gifts to the parish this Christmas.

Many thanks to our different ministries (Choirs, Organists, Cantors, Sacristans, Altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers decorators, Counters) who worked so hard this year and specially during the Christmas season.

A big thank you to those who donated flowers for our sanctuary during this Christmas.

My thanks to all of you who have been faithful parishioners, for all you do even through the tough times. It is with humble joy that we give thanks for the honor of serving as your Pastor. Thank you for all your support and prayers.

“Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the City of David a Savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: You will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angels praising God and saying: “Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.” (Luke 2:10-14)

May Jesus, born in the silence of this night at Bethlehem, bless you and your loved ones with His love and peace!



Christ's Joyful Peace & Love,

Fr. Lorenzo Salandanan



2022 Offertory Envelopes/ Pre-Authorized Giving

Thank you for your continued support of our parish during these challenging times, especially through your use of offertory envelopes and/or Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). Offertory envelopes for 2022 are now available in the parish hall. Please observe social distancing in picking up your envelopes before or after mass. Thank you for picking up your offertory envelopes as soon as possible!

We give a heartfelt welcome to all new parishioners! In order for us to better serve you, especially at the time of baptism, marriage, or funerals, it is most helpful if you are registered and attending mass regularly here with our parish community. This is especially IMPORTANT for marriage and baptism preparation.

All parishioners especially those who live outside of our parish boundaries are expected to complete the Parish Registration and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. If you are already a registered member, but you need to update your registration information, please email your full name along with the changes to olaparishtoronto@rogers.com. If you're interested in becoming a registered member of the parish, please complete and submit the form available at the foyer or please call the parish office at 416-787-4548..

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