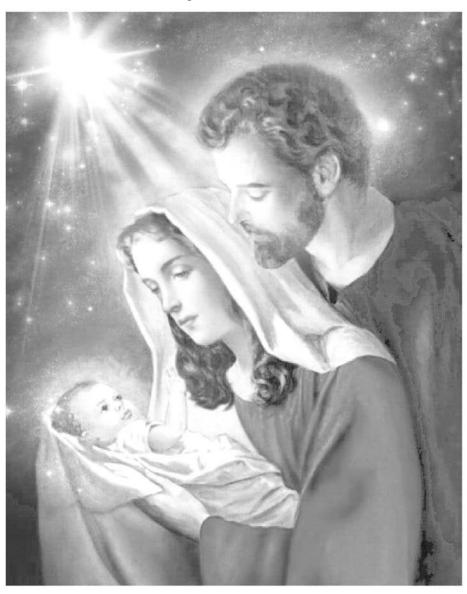
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Feast of the Holy Family



DECEMBER 29- JANUARY 4, 2026

Monday, December 29th

No Mass

Tuesday, December 30th

7:00pm - Katherine Yokota

Wednesday, December 31st

7:00pm Tagalog - Pro Populo

10:30pm English-Pro Populo

Thursday, January 1st

10:00am English - Pro Populo

12:00pm English— Pro Populo

5:00pm Tagalog - Pro Populo

Friday, January 2nd

Church and office are closed.

Saturday, January 3rd

5:00pm-+Teodorica Mercado

Sunday, January 4th

10:00am-Pro Populo

12:00Noon- Pro Populo

5:00pm (Tagalog Mass) - Pro Populo

7:00pm-Pro Populo

Let us pray!

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the forgotten members in our community and those who love and minister to them.



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Sunday Reflection.....

In a dream, God tells Joseph to flee to Egypt to protect Jesus from King Herod (Matthew 2:13-15,19-23)

Today we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. As we do so, our Gospel invites us to

consider Joseph's protection of Jesus in the face of danger. Just as in the announcement of Jesus' birth, an angel appears to Joseph in a dream. The angel warns him of Herod's plans to harm Jesus. Joseph follows the command of the angel and takes Joseph and Mary to Egypt, returning only after receiving word in another dream that it was safe to do so.

This feast is part of the Christmas season, so we should look at today's Gospel in the context of what Scripture tells us about Jesus' birth. Today's reading is found in the Gospel of Matthew, following the story of the visit of the Magi. Recall that Matthew's story about the birth of Jesus makes Joseph the primary character. Among Matthew's themes in this infancy narrative is Jesus as the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies about the messiah. Indeed, the story of the Holy Family's flight to Egypt recalls the story of Moses in the Book of Exodus.

It should also be noted that today's reading omits the verses that recount Herod's order of the massacre of the infant boys in and around Bethlehem. We mark this event on the Feast of the Holy Innocents on December 28.

These events remind us of the difficult reality of Jesus' birth. While the story of the Magi's visit will be recalled in our liturgy on the Feast of the Epiphany, our Christmas celebration is made more sober by the recollection that not everyone received Christ's birth with joy or obedience. Herod's jealousy and malice contrast with Joseph's obedience to the words of the angel. The Holy Family's escape to Egypt and the massacre that Jesus is saved from remind us of the struggles and sacrifices that are required as preparation for God's salvation.



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



NEW YEAR'S EVE

Wednesday, December 31st, 2025

7:00 pm - Filipino Mass (Tagalog) 10:30pm - Mass (English)

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CHURCH/ OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, January 2nd, 2026

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NEW YEAR'S DAY

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025

10:00 am—Mass (English) 12:00 Noon– Mass (English) 5:00pm— Filipino Mass (Tagalog) (No 7pm Mass)

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EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Sunday, January 3/4, 2026

Regular Sunday Mass Schedules





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The devotees of Black Nazarene are inviting everyone to join us as we celebrate

THE FEAST OF BLACK NAZARENE

On Sunday January 11, 2026

Procession will start at 4:30 pm inside the church followed by Tagalog mass at 5pm.

Food will be served after the mass



Closing Mass for the Holy Year of Jubilee



St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, December 28, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. **All are most welcome!**

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