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PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
DECEMBER 27, 2020

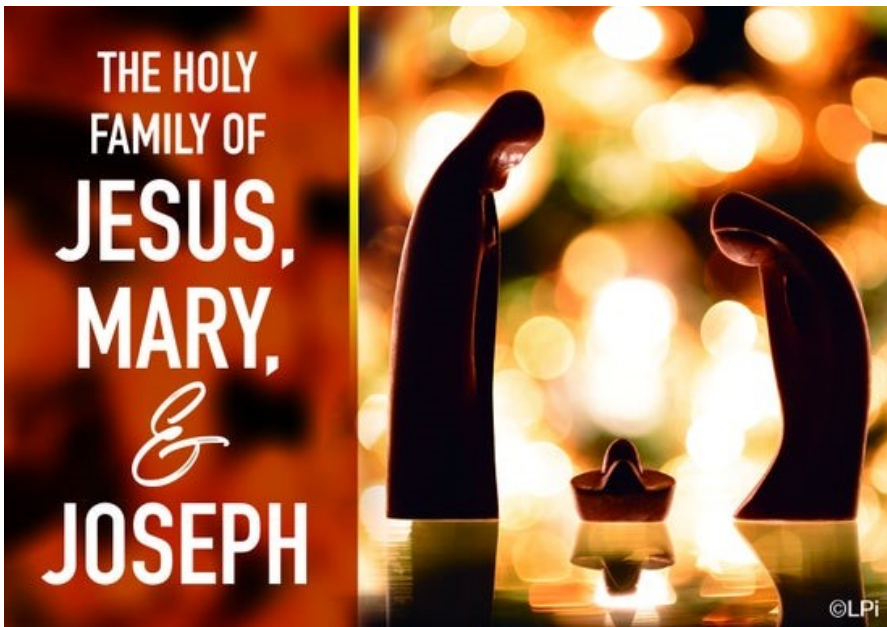
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PRAYER DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

*O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary,
We, your children of every nation, turn to you in this pandemic.
Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great.
Grant that we might deposit them at your feet,
Take refuge in your Immaculate Heart,
And obtain peace, healing, rescue, and timely help in all our needs.
You are our Mother. Pray for us to your Son.
Amen.*



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Sunday, December 27

Feast of the Holy Family

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

Monday, December 28

1 Jn 1:5—2:2
Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29

1 Jn 2:3-11
Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday, December 30

1 Jn 2:12-17
Lk 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31

1 Jn 2:18-21
Jn 1:1-18

Friday, January 1, 2021

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Nm 6:22-27
Gal 4:4-7
Lk 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2, 2021

1 Jn 2:22-28
Jn 1:19-28

Sunday, January 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTION
Sunday, December 27th

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF

Antonio Hernandez

Requested by Melanie Holland

† PRAYER LIST †

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We apologize for anyone's birthday that was overlooked these past few months. Our 'Birthday Card Elf' has been out of commission and has certainly been missed. Starting in January, names will appear in the bulletin who are celebrating during each of the coming months.

May you have many blessings and the best things in life. We wish you Faith, Hope, Love & Happiness. Happy Belated Birthday!!

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

ST. SCHOLASTICA

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

4:30 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

12:00 NOON

ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE CHURCH
AND WILL ALSO BE LIVESTREAMED

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

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." (Gn 15:5)

PSALM:

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever. (Ps 105)

SECOND READING:

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. (Heb 11:8)

GOSPEL:

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. (Lk 2:40)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

- Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
- Monday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- Tuesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
- Thursday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
- Friday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace
- Saturday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
- Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week



REFLECT

FIRST READING

The story of Abram and Sarah and their struggle to have a family centers on Abram's faith in the Lord. When have you needed to rely on faith when it comes to your family?

SECOND READING

The author of Hebrews holds up Abraham as a model for the faith. When have you had to unconditionally trust in the Lord?

GOSPEL READING

Only Luke records the presentation in the Temple of the baby Jesus. Simeon reveals to Mary and Joseph insights into Jesus and his destiny. How do you imagine Mary and Joseph understood Simeon's words?

THE GIFT OF FAMILY

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—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

I'VE SEEN PEOPLE HANG ROSARIES OVER THE REAR-VIEW MIRRORS IN THEIR CARS AND A FEW OF THEM WEAR THEM AROUND THEIR NECKS. IS IT OK TO DO THAT?

The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals).

An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be

mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions?



One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the

communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.

Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



Love God and trust him with your life. Then you will want to do what God asks. Simeon listened to God. Anna served God for many years in the temple. Mary and Joseph did everything God asked them to do for Jesus. Everyone in the temple knew that Jesus was sent by God to be their Savior. They trusted God with Jesus' precious life.

PRAYER

God, help me to love you enough to do all that you ask me to.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus belonged to God. Look up the word "belong" in the dictionary. Thank God that you are his child, too.

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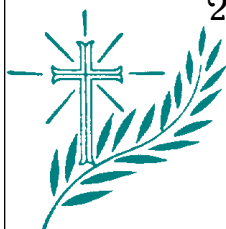
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**CATHOLIC RESOURCES**

† Ave Maria Radio - 990 am

† Catholic Connection—Teresa Tomeo
Monday-Friday 8am-10am† Christ is the Answer-Fr. John Riccardo
Monday-Friday 11am† Kresta in the Afternoon-Al Kresta
Monday-Friday 4pm-6pm† EWTN Global Catholic Radio Open Line
Monday-Friday 3pm† Catholic Answers
Monday-Friday 6pm-8pm
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