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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 29th 2024



The Holy Family Prayer

*Holy Family of Nazareth, make our family one with you.
 Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love,
 strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the
 weaknesses and trials through which our families
 sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center
 of our hearts and homes until we are all one family,
 happy and at peace in our true home with you. — Amen*

— prayer from Missionaries of the Holy Family

Our mission : We joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith. May our parish be a sanctuary of peace for you as we journey together to the Father's house.

Parish Hours

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 am
 FRIDAY 7:00 pm
 SATURDAY 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm | 7:00 pm

HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm
 SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
 or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 SUNDAY 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

The Holy Family is a source inspiration. Through contemplative prayer, imagine their lives. Fleeing to Egypt and living in poverty. They suffered loss and uncertainty, yet always trusted in God. Humble and loving, they always fulfilled God's will.



The gospel of the family

... in the Gospel we find the way to live a beautiful life on the personal and familial level, a way that is certainly challenging, but attractive and all-embracing. It is a way that still deserves to be trusted and undertaken after the example and through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth itself. There are happy and sad, serene and difficult moments in every family. This is life. To live the "gospel of the family" does not exempt us from experiencing difficulties and tensions, of encountering moments of pleasant fortitude and painful weakness. Families who are wounded and marked by weakness, failure, difficulty...can rise again if they learn how to draw from the font of the Gospel. There, they can rediscover new possibilities of starting over.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/liturgical-holidays/feast-of-the-holy-family-of-jesus--mary-and-joseph-.html>



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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 30 DECEMBER

9:00 AM S.I. APRIL MCDONALD
+ MARGARITA CHEN
+ DEPARTED SOULS OF THE CORREIA
FAMILY

TUESDAY, 31 DECEMBER

9:00 AM NO MASS

New Year's Eve

5:00 PM + CELINE BERESFORD
+ LOU & JESSIE D'SILVA
+ SIMON D'CRUZ & BERNARD ROSARIO

WEDNESDAY, 1 JANUARY *New Year's Day*

10:00 AM + ANTHONY & PHYLLIS MANUEL AND
DECEASED MEMBERS OF MANUEL FAMILY
+ JOHN & JANET SOARES AND DECEASED
MEMBERS OF THE SOARES FAMILY

11:30 AM + ALLY HOOSAIN
+ NENETTE PASIGAN

1:00 PM S.I. CELINE, MARIA & AMELIA DI NOVA
S.I. CHAD & ERNA DI NOVA AND FAMILY
S.I. BONNIE BAYES AND FAMILY

THURSDAY, 2 JANUARY

9:00 AM S.I. MICHAEL ARBOUR
S.I. GARY BROWN AND FAMILY
+ INNOCENCIO & JOSEPHINE PACHECO

FRIDAY, 3 JANUARY

9:00 AM S.I. JOSEPH AND JULIE GALEA
S.I. RUDY DI NOVA AND FAMILY
S.I. LEN, BETTY AND FAMILY

SATURDAY, 4 JANUARY

9:00 AM S.I. FOR THE HEALING OF PAUL LAGROIX
+ JOHNNY COUTINHO
+ MARITA SALVOSA

5:00 PM S.I. SHARON QUINTAL
S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE SUREN
AND JOSHAN FAMILY
+ JOHN COUTINHO

SUNDAY, 5 JANUARY

8:30 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH
10:15 AM S.I. PRAYERS FOR WORLD DAY OF PEACE
S.I. VERONICA JONES
+ MARIA & MANUEL CHAVES AND FAMILY
12:00 PM + CATHY KERELUIK
+ FELICIDAD PARAISO
7:00 PM AVAILABLE



Please note, Mass on Friday January 3rd will be at 9am. The parish office will also be closed from December 23 to January 5 for the Christmas holidays. We will re-open on January 6. See you in the new year!



NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Tuesday, December 31st at: 5 p.m.

Wednesday January 1st at: 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m.

The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics in Canada. To fulfill this obligation, you must attend Mass on either New Years Eve or New Years Day.

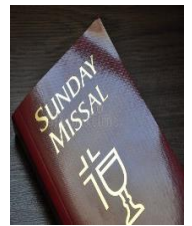
A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE

May your heart be lifted in praise this Christmas for the wonderful gift of Jesus and the joy He brings to our lives. On behalf of Fr. Derek, Deacon Alban and the rest of our pastoral staff, I would like to thank you all for your gifts and prayers graciously given to us not only at this time of the year but from the past twelve months. May the wonder of that first Christmas, the joy of God's abundant blessings and the peace of Jesus' presence be with you always. God Bless, Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Fr. Joseph Singh

2025 SUNDAY MISSALS

We're so glad so many of you have picked up a Missal for this year! **Unfortunately, we are not able to use old missals from previous years so you are invited to simply recycle them at home.** May the new missal for the year help you enter ever deeper into the Mysteries of our Faith!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Join the Knights of Columbus Council 6161 for an unforgettable Niagara Falls Bus Trip! Experience the magic of Niagara Falls with our exclusive bus trip on Saturday, January 4th 2025.

We will depart at 9:30am from St. Francis de Sales Parish, Ajax. This trip includes a delightful visit to the renowned Magnotta Winery Store, a chance to try your luck at Falls View Casino, and experience the mesmerizing Festive of Lights. Tickets are available to purchase for \$50 per person. This includes \$35 in casino credits. Don't miss out on this incredible adventure!

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PILGRIMS OF HOPE - JUBILEE 2025

Father in Heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will share eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

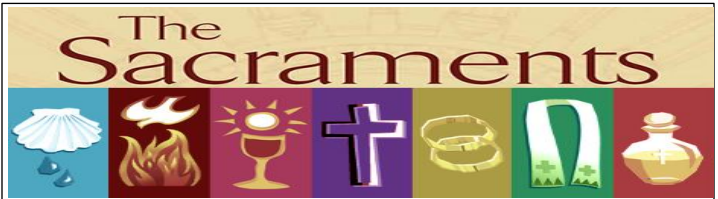
PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
In you we contemplate the splendor of true love;
To you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
Grant that our families too may be places of
communion and prayer, authentic schools of the
Gospel,
And small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
May families never again experience violence,
rejection, and division; may all who have been hurt or
scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
Make us once more mindful of the sacredness and
inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's
plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.
Amen.



Merry Christmas! We wish all the children, their families and our sacramental team a beautiful Christmas full of hope, peace, joy and lots of love. We pray for great health and safe journeys as you enjoy each special moment of this Christmas season. We are looking forward to seeing all of the children in January when we begin our grade 2 class visits at our 6 Parish schools. The Confirmation preparation classes will also begin January 12/13 at the Parish. We are looking forward to getting to know your children, as they prepare for their special sacraments. **Please don't forget, you also need to attend Mass on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day.**

Christmas Blessings, Dawn Selda and Noah Aquino

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! It has been so nice to see all of the children preparing for their sacraments at Mass throughout the Christmas Season. The children will continue to prepare for their 2 very special sacraments in January. Please see below for the class start dates and please review the sacramental schedule on the back of your child's passport for their upcoming First Reconciliation date and 2nd passport review.

First Reconciliation/Communion Preparation classes at our 6 Parish schools:

These classes will begin the week of January 19th. Please note that Mrs. Selda will be preparing all of the grade 2 children in our 6 Parish schools in class.

RCIC Classes at the Parish:

Classes will resume on Saturday January 25th at the Parish, for all of the children attending Public/Private/Other Catholic Schools and for the children in grades 3-6.

God Bless,
Mrs. Selda

Let us pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.





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