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The Month of THE HOLY FAMILY

The Church dedicates the month of February to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The Holy Family is given to us as the perfect example of the family. But more than that it is also a reminder to us of the incarnation of God—that God was made man and was born into a family.

The family has been the will of God since the beginning of the world. With Adam and Eve we have

the first family—our first parents and from whom all families flow, even the Holy Family. The Gospel of Luke gives the family line of Jesus and traces His ancestry to Adam.

So important is the family in the will of God that although our Lord was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary He desired that His Son be given a father on earth and so gave to Him St. Joseph.

And from this the Church holds the family to be a domestic Church, living in service of one another.

So in this the month of the Holy Family, when the very idea of family is threatened in our world, let us pray that Our Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother, and St. Joseph will intercede for our families and guard them and protect them from the assaults of the Devil and bind us to one another.

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Rosary

Rosters

Altar Society

Readers

8:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Counters

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Holy Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Traditional Latin Mass

Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass

Second and last Sunday of the month,
11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Children's Liturgy

Rosters

Church Cleaning

Readers

Vigil

10:00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy

Counters

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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Attard family, Axiak family, Badwi Barakat, Bonello family, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Dick Cahill, Gwen Cahill, Vince Cahill, John Lawrence Denmeade, Assaad Esber, Maria Gambin, Joe Gatt, Frank Gillian, Warren Gillian, John Graham, Peter Ha, Tony Haynes, Kelvin Huitt, Nouhad Khoury, Ofimia Malkoun, Yaacoub Malkoun, Maryse Mariasson, Jack McIntyre, Charles Micallef, Giovanni Molinaro, Joseph Nammour, Jack Newell, Dennis O'Brien, Neville O'Sullivan, Doris Pickering, Sheila Pidgeon, Peter Robertson, Saliba family, Michael Succar, Maria Thi Bay Tran, Mershed Wehbe, Yesmine Wehbe, Dib Zaiter.

N O T I C E S

First Collection and Second Collection Contributions

With the current public health restrictions we are unable to take up our usual collections during Mass. Because of this, we have placed two boxes by the doors of the church for the first collection and the second collection. Your support of these collections is greatly appreciated.

The money raised in the first collection supports some of the works of the diocese. The money raised in the second collection directly supports the works of the parish and helps us to meet our expenses and to continue to meet the costs and expenses of operating the parish.

Thank you, especially, to those who are a part of the planned giving programme and use their envelopes to contribute each week to the parish. Your regular contributions are a great support.

You can also financially support the parish by arranging a direct debit. If you would like to set up a regular contribution, or even a one-off contribution, let us know and we will be happy to assist you with this. Or, if you would like to be part of the planned giving programme, we will be pleased to arrange a set of envelopes for you for regular contributions which greatly assist the parish in planning the work we carry out.

The Reception of Holy Communion Whilst Using Face Masks

The compulsory use of face masks in church makes the reception of Holy Communion difficult. We want to ensure that all are safe but we also need to ensure that Holy Communion is received with the utmost respect and reverence.

To assist with the worthy reception of Holy Communion, the following suggestions are made: (i) just before receiving Holy Communion and when standing in front of the Priest, lower your mask by using one of the ear-loops or straps, then receive the Host and consume the Host whilst standing in front of the Priest, and then replace your mask; or (ii) leave your face mask on, receive the Host appropriately in your hand and then step to one side and, whilst facing the altar, use one hand to remove your mask and then consume the Host, and then replace your mask.

The diocese requests that those who prefer to receive on the hand come forward first and then those who prefer to receive on the tongue follow on.

Please do not walk away from the altar without consuming the Host.

If you step to one side, please face the altar and consume the Host before returning to your pew.

Thank You to Gleam



We extend our thanks to Gleam Chemicals for their assistance to the parish in providing us with hand sanitiser and soap required by the parish for use at the churches. We are grateful to Gleam and the Chiha and Leatherby family for their ongoing and very generous support of the parish.

N.S.W. Government Restrictions on Places of Worship

The N.S.W. Government has issued revised public health orders concerning places of worship. The revised restrictions mean that there is a limit based on the capacity allowed under the 4 square metre rule and that face masks must be worn inside the church by all those over 12 years old (unless exempted). Additionally, all those attending Mass are asked to maintain 1.5 metre distance between themselves and those not of their household, both inside and outside the church. The pews have been marked to assist with maintaining physical distancing.



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Our Lady of Divine Love
Pray for Us



**Prayer Of Pope Francis to Our Lady of Divine Love
to Protect the World
During the Coronavirus Pandemic**

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain,
keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection.
Under your protection, we seek refuge,
Holy Mother of God.
Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial,
but deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

TEMPORARY SUNDAY MASS TIMES

SATURDAY
VIGILS

Holy Family Church 4:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity Church 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAYS

Holy Family Church 7:30 a.m.

Holy Family Church 8:30 a.m.

Holy Trinity Church 10:00 a.m.

Holy Trinity Church 3:00 p.m.

Holy Family Church 5:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays, Holy Family Church 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays, Holy Trinity Church 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.



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Saints & STUFF

St. JUDE

St. Jude, known as Thaddeus, was the brother of St. James the Less, and one of the twelve Apostles. He is often depicted with the attributes of a flame above his head, meaning that he was present at Pentecost, and holding an image of Christ. Biblical scholars agree St. Jude was a son of Clopas and his mother Mary was the Virgin Mary's cousin. He preached the Gospel in Judea, Samaria, Idumaea, Syria, Mesopotamia, and Libya, and returned to Jerusalem in the year 62, and assisted at the election of his brother, St. Simeon, as Bishop of Jerusalem. Most scholars agree St. Jude was martyred either in Armenia or Beirut. His bones are interred now in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. He is devoutly honoured by Catholics as the patron of difficult cases, because of his encouragement to perseverance in his epistle (the Letter of St. Jude). Moreover, both St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Bernard, had visions from God asking them to accept St. Jude as "the Patron Saint of the Impossible." So let us honour St. Jude and his generous intercession before the throne of almighty God, that he may pray for us and help us in our needs, and that, by the grace of God, we will persevere in faith in all difficulties.

CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ways of Coming to Know God

33 The human person: with his openness to truth and beauty, his sense of moral goodness, his freedom and the voice of his conscience, with his longings for the infinite and for happiness, man questions himself about God's existence. In all this he discerns signs of his spiritual soul. the soul, the "seed of eternity we bear in ourselves, irreducible to the merely material", can have its origin only in God.

34 The world, and man, attest that they contain within themselves neither their first principle nor their final end, but rather that they participate in Being itself, which alone is without origin or end. Thus, in different ways, man can come to know that there exists a reality which is the first cause and final end of all things, a reality "that everyone calls God".

35 Man's faculties make him capable of coming to a knowledge of the existence of a personal God. But for man to be able to enter into real intimacy with him, God willed both to reveal himself to man, and to give him the grace of being able to welcome this revelation in faith.(so) the proofs of God's existence, however, can predispose one to faith and help one to see that faith is not opposed to reason.

CATHOLIC Trivia

Protestant Preacher Admits Catholics Have Most Miracles

A video is being shared around on social media (<https://youtu.be/VvYeXh3JHco>) of Pentecostal preacher Benny Hinn telling a Pentecostal audience that Catholics experience more miracles than Pentecostals.

Amazingly, he credits this to the Catholic belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, which Hinn says he also affirms (at least a version of it). He also credits the fact that Catholics don't "church hop" (or jump from church to church) as much as Pentecostals.

Hinn tells his audience, "They just released a study that more people are healed in a Catholic church than in Pentecostal churches... Because Catholic people revere the Eucharist."

And he adds, "There's healing in the Catholic churches because these people are devoted and show up every Sunday. They don't church hop. We hop, they don't. That's why we're sick, and many of them are healed."

Maybe we should appreciate a little more the fullness of truth given to us by the Catholic Church...



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The Readings

Introit (Ps 94:6-7)

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading The Book of Job (7:1-4, 6-7)

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more
than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'
Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 146:1-6. R. v. 3)

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving;
to him our praise is due. R.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. R.

Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. R.

Second Reading The First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (9:16-19, 22-23)

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a
duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I
did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might

have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a
responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you
know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be
able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the
rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made
myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I
could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself
all things to all men in order to save some at any cost;
and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a
share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation (Mt 8:17)

Alleluia, alleluia!
He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering.
Alleluia!

Gospel of Mark (1:29-39)

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and
John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now
Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and
they told him about her straightaway. He went to her,
took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever
left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who
were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The
whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured
many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or
another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not
allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left
the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed
there. Simon and his companions set out in search of
him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is
looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to
the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach
there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all
through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and
casting out devils.

Communio (Cf. Ps 106:8-9)

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.