

The deepest human problems are connected with the family. It constitutes the primary, fundamental and irreplaceable community for man. 'The mission of being the primary vital cell of society has been given to the family by God himself', the Second Vatican Council affirms. (AA, II). The Church wishes to bear a particular witness to that too during the Octave of Christmas, by means of the feast of the Holy Family. She wishes to recall that the fundamental values, which cannot be violated without incalculable harm of a moral nature, are bound up with the family. Material perspectives and the 'economic-social' point of view often prevail over the principles of Christian and even human morality. It is not enough, then, to express only regret. It is necessary to defend these fundamental values tenaciously and firmly, because their violation does incalculable harm to society and, in the last analysis, to man. No experience of the different nations in the history of mankind, as well as our contemporary experience, can serve as an argument to reaffirm this painful truth: that it is easy, in the fundamental sphere of human existence in which the role of the family is decisive, to destroy essential values, while it is very difficult to reconstruct these values.

What are these values? (...) two fundamental values which fall strictly into the context of what we call 'conjugal love'. The first of them is the value of the person which is expressed in absolute mutual faithfulness until death: the faithfulness of the husband to his wife and of the wife to her husband. The consequence of this affirmation of the value of the person, which is expressed in the mutual relationship between husband and wife, must also be respect for the personal value of the new life, that is, of the child, from the first moment of his conception.

The Church can never dispense herself from the obligation of guarding these two fundamental values, connected with the vocation of the family. Custody of them was entrusted to the Church by Christ, in such a way as leaves no doubt. At the same time, the self-evidence of these values—humanly understood— is such that the Church, defending them, sees herself as the spokesman of true human dignity: of the good of the person, of the family, of the nations. While maintaining respect for all those who think differently, it is very difficult to recognize, from the objective and impartial point of view, that anyone who betrays conjugal faithfulness, or who permits life conceived in the mother's womb to be wiped out and destroyed, behaves in a way consistent with true human dignity. Consequently, it cannot be admitted that programmes which suggest, which facilitate, which admit such behaviour serve the objective well-being of man, the moral well-being, and help to make human life really more human, really more worthy of man; that they serve to construct a better society.

(St John Paul II, Excerpts from his homily on the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday December 31st, 1978)

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English Anticipatory

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English

7:00 p.m. en Español

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. English

11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. Español

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

8:00 a.m. English

Thursday 6:30 p.m. Spanish

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7:00 p.m. Anticipatory, Bilingual

8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Sunday after Masses

Silent Adoration

Wednesday 6 pm - 7 pm

1st Friday of the month 6 pm - 12 am

MASS OFFERINGS

Saturday, December 30, 2023

5:00 Sotero C Queddeng † By his Family

Sunday, December 31, 2023

9:00 Francis & Cathryn Engert †

By Suzanne Engert and Family

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

8:00

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

8:00 For the Intentions of Lucila Hover By a Friend

Thursday , January 4, 2024

6:30

Friday, January 5, 2024

8:00

Saturday, January 6, 2024

5:00 Rev. Angelo Ossino † By a Friend

Sunday, January 7, 2024

9:00 Allen Willet † By his Family

Maria de Jesus Guevara † By the Macias Family



We pray for all those who are sick or in need of our prayers:

Deanne Aquino, Lucila Hover, Kelly Moose, Karen Gross, Judy Byrnes, Steve Ruddick

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Erasmo Morales



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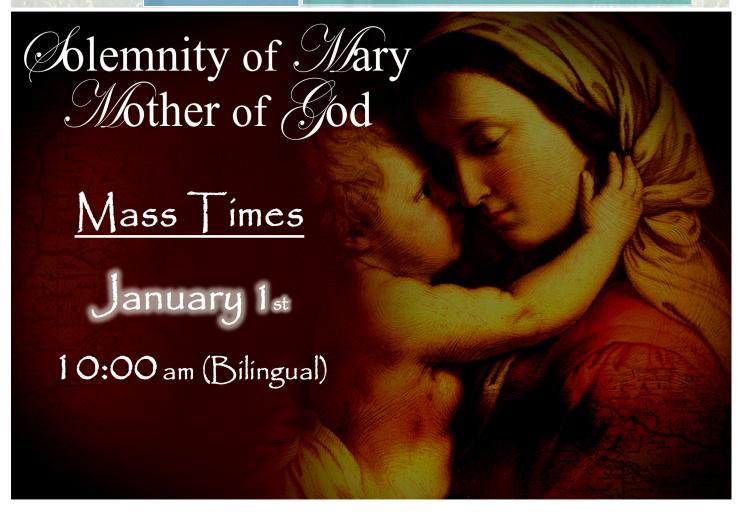
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Happening this Week at StPiusX

	Monday	8:00 am - Pray the Rosary for Vocations
N.	Tuesday	8:00 am - Daily Mass 9:00 am - Grupo de Intercesión (Spanish) 7:00 pm - RICA Program
	Wednesday	8:00 am - Daily Mass 8:30 am - Pray the Rosary 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm ~ Adoration 6:00 pm - Confessions 7:00 pm - RCIA Program
	Thursday	6:30 pm - Misa en Español 6:30 pm - Confirmation Program / Youth Group 7:00 pm - Prayer Group (Spanish)
	Friday	8:00 am - Daily Mass 8:00 am - Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	Saturday	10:00 am - Baptisms ~ 2nd & 4th ~ (Spanish) 12:00 pm & 2:00 pm ~ Weddings & Quinceañeras 2:00 pm - Escuela de la Fe (Spanish) 5:00 pm - Baptisms ~ 2nd ~ (English)





OLIVE WOOD SALE JANUARY 6 & 7

Religious handicrafts made out of olive wood from the Holy Land will be on sale in the Narthex after all Masses.

These hand made products are high quality carvings from trimmings of the olive trees, carved by Christian artists in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Enjoy shopping and choosing from Crucifixes, rosaries, statues, Christmas ornaments and Nativities.

This is a way you can help give support to the Christians that live in the Holy Land.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 10122 Fundraiser!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join us Sunday, January 7th

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

\$10 Donation for a Meal

The breakfast includes pancakes, eggs and sausage, orange juice or coffee

The funds will be donated to the Seminarian Programs