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Dear Parish Family,

The Sunday after Christmas and before the feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1, the church designates as the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. We recognize a very special and unique family who lived more than two thousand years ago. They were not rich or popular, but they were known for their love for each other. They prayed, worked, and played together. Theirs was a true family, worthy of our praise. Their example still speaks to us in our own time because of the virtues they lived - faith, generosity, compassion, and hope. These virtues never go out of style.

The Holy Family is presented to us today for our reflection and emulation. Perhaps in the coming year we can try to participate more frequently in prayer and in the celebration of the Sacraments as a family. May we can commit to attend Mass together, go to confession regularly as a family, pray the rosary at home, and just spend quality time together. I am sure this would make our families spiritually strong, peaceful and loving!

May the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph continue to intercede for us!

Peace!

Fr. Dwight