

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## FOR THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH /YEAR A



**DECEMBER 28, 2025**

**Readings in *Worship* hymnal # 1017**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: LK 2: 16**

The shepherds went in haste,  
and found Mary and Joseph  
and the Infant lying in a manger.

**READING I: SIR 3:2-6, 12-14**

The text offers traditional wisdom  
about the way children should care  
for their parents, but it concludes with  
the promise that behavior toward  
parents will be judged by God;  
it shapes our union with God.

**PSALM RESPONSE: PS 128**

This wisdom psalm suggests that  
fidelity to God will be rewarded in a  
happy family life. While this does not  
always seem to come true, it points  
out the more basic belief that our faith  
is connected to our daily behavior.

**READING II: COL 3:12-21**

After a set of basic instructions on  
how to behave as believers and within  
the community, Paul tells wives to  
“be subordinate.” This was routine  
advice in his time.  
The next piece of advice— “Husbands,  
love your wives”—was not routine,  
because wives were only slightly better  
off than slaves or small children in that  
society. Paul, in effect, was trying to  
blindside Christian men into a new  
way of behavior.

**GOSPEL: MT 2:13-15, 19-23**

Matthew is explaining why Jesus, born  
in Bethlehem and thought to be a

Entrance Hymn ..... Once in Royal David’s City | # 440  
..... ( Sun. 5pm) Joy to the World | # 424

Gloria ..... From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius  
..... (Inside Hymnal back cover)  
.....( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 257

Responsorial Psalm ..... Psalm 128 | G. Grisi

G.G.

Bless - ed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Responsorial Psalm ..... Psalm 128 | M. Haugen

Blest are those who love you, hap - py those who  
fol - low you, blest are those who seek you, O God.

Gospel Acclamation ..... | Vulpius

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 454

Preparation of the Gifts ..... Look Up and Count the Stars | P. Latona

1. Look up and count the stars if ye may, Thus  
2. We are the stars from God's own hand re -  
3. Now gaze u - pon the in - fant child with  
4. Grant Lord we pray the grace to be The  
5. So gaze u - pon the stars on high, sing  
6. Praise God the Fa - ther, God the Son and

God to Ab - ram did de - clare So shall all your de -  
flec - tions of his own true love, the beau - ty of God's  
Jo - seph and the Vir - gin nigh may all our fam - lies  
shi - ning splen - dor of God's love His ra - diant light of  
praise to God with sin - gle voice Ac - cept His gift and  
Ho - ly Spi - rit with them one. We pray they bless our

scen - dents be for now and all e - ter - ni - ty.  
heav'n - ly plan, th'e - ter - nal gift from heav'n a - bove.  
be like them in peace and joy and u - ni - ty.  
truth and hope from hea - ven down to earth be - low.  
guard it well and let his will be our hearts' choice.  
fam - lies now and through-out all e - ter - ni - ty.

.....( Sun. 5pm) What Child is This | # 454

descendant of David, wound up living in Nazareth and saying nothing about his royal connections. On a human level, it was the fear of the Herodian dynasty that caused this, but even that fearful decision fulfilled the prophecies.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

**BAR 3: 38**

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

Preface Acclamation..... From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius  
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Memorial Acclamation ..... From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius  
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 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 261

Great Amen ..... From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius  
 ..... (Inside Hymnal back cover)  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 264

Fraction Rite ..... From Mass in Honor of St. Ignatius  
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 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) from Storrington Mass | # 265

Communion Procession ..... Away in a Manger | # 437  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) The First Nowell | # 449

Meditation Hymn ..... Come, sing a Home and family | # 439  
 ..... Parish Choir: Ecce Fidelis Servus – G. Faure’  
 ..... ( Sun. 5pm) Love Song (Midnight Clear)

Concluding Hymn ..... Angels We Have Heard on High | # 417  
 ..... ( Sun 5pm) Hark! The Herald Angels Sing | # 414

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**SATURDAY**

5:00 pm A. Krimitzas, C. Krimitzas, B. Burgess

**SUNDAY**

8:00 am M. Baker, D. Driscoll, M. Driscoll

10:00 am W. Walker, L. Walker, M. Walker

12:00 pm M. Almy, **2 Servers Needed**

5:00 pm R. Ugoh, V. Ugoh, **1 Server Needed**



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