

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

## *The Joyful Family*

Sts. Peter and Paul Church

December 30, 2018

### GOOD NEWS!

In *Rest on the Flight Into Egypt, The Holy Family*, Francesco Mancini painted realistic details that make the scene as ordinary as any family playing with their child in a park. Mary has a bowl of water in her hand, perhaps ready to offer a drink to Jesus after he tastes a strawberry. A silver bowl of food for the baby rests on a white baby blanket. Perhaps it was just placed there by Joseph, for Jesus has finished his vegetables and now Dad offers dessert! A traveling basket sits in front of a water jug. These instruments show that they are travelers, and the Egyptian obelisk in the background indicates their destination.

The circumstances are precarious yet joyful, even playful, in their following of God's path. This was just one of the trying times for the Holy Family, which would eventually include losing the Child Jesus in the temple. As their whole focus in this painting is on Jesus, imagine their fear when they can no longer find the heart of their family.

This is a fantastic image of the joys and challenges of family life. There is joy in having Jesus in our midst, and no sacrifice is too great when he is present. But when he is lost from the center, fears and anxieties enter.

The words of Colossians sum up this attitude, making one think that Paul had a good idea of what virtues family life require! Let's work in our families to have Jesus at the center, and once he is there, to "put on" all the virtues that his presence inspires

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

*For Reflection:*

*Does one of the virtues mentioned by St. Paul catch my attention?*

*Should I pray for and practice that virtue a little more?*

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### **Reading I - Sirach 3:2—6, 12—14 or I Samuel 1:20—22, 24—28**

The lovely story of Hannah and Samuel is an example of the goal of parenting – to give your children back to God. Samuel, at the correct age, was presented to the Temple and remained there under the supervision of Eli.

### **Reading II - Colossians 3:12—21 or I John 3:1—2, 21—24**

We are called God's children. Ultimately the goal of our growth as children of God is to become like the model of our humanity, Jesus Christ.

### **Reading III - Luke 2:41--52**

Every family member is exceptional in some way. Every child should be helped to pursue his or her own individual destiny.

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

*The Epiphany of the Lord*

*1st Reading— Isaiah 60:1-6*

*2nd Reading – Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6*

*Gospel - Matthew 2:1-12*



## **DECEMBER Prayer Intentions from**

### **Pope Francis**

#### **Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith**

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.



### **WHAT DOES THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY MEAN?**

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is a liturgical celebration observed on January 1<sup>st</sup>. It is a holy day of obligation for Catholics, meaning that Mass attendance is required (the Mass obligation is waived in the Diocese of Honolulu).

The use of the word “Solemnity” here is not a statement about Mary’s personality. It is a designation used for certain days within the liturgical (church-based) calendar of the Church. Solemnities are the highest rank of liturgical celebration, higher than feast days or memorials. By celebrating a solemnity dedicated to Mary’s motherhood, the Church highlights the significance of her part in the life of Jesus, and emphasizes that he is both human and divine.

Though New Year’s Day may seem more like a day for football and hangovers than for Mary, there’s a beautiful spiritual significance in celebrating her during the heart of the Christmas season. Pope Paul VI, in his apostolic exhortation *Marialis Cultus* (1974), called the Solemnity of Mary “a fitting occasion for renewing adoration of the newborn Prince of Peace, for listening once more to the glad tidings of the angels (cf. Lk 2:14), and for imploring from God, through the Queen of Peace, the supreme gift of peace.”

By Ginny Moyer Jan 2011, BustedHalo.com (a website for Catholic Youth)

## **PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK**

### *Please pray for the sick in our Parish*

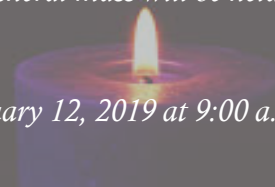
Rose & Fidel Adamos	Brady Metcalf
Kiana Rose Adams	Thomas Mistysyn
Vanessa Alcova	Robert Mistysyn
Isaac Alajado	Edwin Munalem
Loranzo Alota	Betty Ann Nault
Becky Alota	Patrice Nielsen
Darlene Amaroso	Felicitas R. Noland
Tony Bacani	Jean Obara
Michael Bartolome	Ray M. Olis
Ho Lun Big	Lourdes Olis
Olivia Mia Blake	Berry Oloday
Maniko Brady	Maria Oloday
Arthur Cababa	Judy Orlando
Wini Chow	Nancy Pang
Teresita M. Custodio	Joannita Pangelinan
Avon Czerwinski	Yvonne S. Pangelinan
Regina Czerwinski	Ephrem Perez
Blanche DeConte	Josefina Perez
Azarias D Dosdos	Anella Rabauliman
Shirley Dungo	Bregida R. Reyes
Tessie Dungo	Maggie Rotelo
Charles Goo	Victoriana Santiago
Blanche Hansen	Ingo Rafael Sharez
Florence Henson	Oliver Shilling
Stanley Ho	Myong Soon Sim
Shirlene Iwai	Joseph Anthony Sullivan
Maria Elena Jencks	Dolores Suredam
Jack Jucewicz	Lolita A. Sutton
Christopher Jucewicz	Edwin Tagura
Michelle Keely	John Testado
Charlene Lau	Yolanda Trejo
Pat Low	Myrna Vallespin
Magdalin Lutero	Arlyn P. Valmoria
Bona M. Macabare	Lydia Velasquez
Charita A Mabon	Ho Chun Wah
John M. Masunaga	Ho Shiu Yan
Craig McCrea	Theresa Yu
Hilda Mendoza	Janleen Maria Xymoon

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of*

*Lawrence Wong.*

*His funeral mass will be held on*

*January 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.*



# STEWARDSHIP

## TIME – TALENT – TREASURE

### TREASURE

*Mahalo for your generous contributions  
and Faithful Stewardship.*  
The Collections for **December 22—23, 2018**  
are as follows:  
**\$12,729.25**

Envelopes & Loose Collections	\$ 8,583.62
Mass Intentions	330.00
Electric Votive & Candles	<u>505.01</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 9,418.63</b>

### ENVELOPES

<b>IDENTIFIABLE</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>UNIDENTIFIABLE</b>	<b>58%</b>
Building Fund	\$ 656.00
Outreach	26.52
Donation	495.10
Immaculate Conception	15.00
All Souls	2.00
Christmas	737.00
Christmas Flowers	200.00
Altar Arrangement	<u>150.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,281.62</b>

### Special Collections:

World Mission	\$ 5.00
Retired Religious	20.00
Campaign for Human Development	2.00
Catholic Charities	<u>1,002.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,029.00</b>

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

We will have the 2nd Collection for our Building Fund this weekend, **December 29—30**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated, as we are continuing to improve and repair our Parish Church. Mahalo.

### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017—2018

The Parish Financial Report is available in the office. Thank you for your generosity and support of the ministry of Christ in Ala Moana. If you would like a more detailed report, please call the office. Mahalo to our Finance Council for their diligent work.

### This Week's Events December 30, 2018—January 5, 2019

*M – Main Church, U–Upstairs Parish Conference Room,  
R – Reception room, B - Blue room, G - Green Room,  
C – Courtyard*

#### Sunday December 30 ***THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH***

6:15 am – Choir Practice (B)  
6:15 am – Rosary (M)  
8:15 am — Youth choir practice (B)  
~~10:15 am — R.C.I.A.~~

#### Monday December 31 ***7th day within the Octave of Christmas St. Sylvester, Pope***

~~6:30 pm — Charismatic Prayer Group (M)~~

#### Tuesday January 1 ***Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Office closed Day of Prayer for World Justice and Peace***

8:00 am Mass ONLY  
~~6:10 am — Rosary (M)~~  
~~11:15 am — Rosary (M)~~  
~~7:00 pm — Centering Prayer (M)~~

#### Wednesday January 2 ***St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors of the Church***

6:10 am – Rosary (M)  
7:30 am – Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help (M)  
11:15 am – Rosary (M)  
1:00 pm – Legion of Mary, Queen of Peace (R)  
~~6:00 pm — RCIA (B)~~  
~~6:30 pm — Scripture Study (R)~~

#### Thursday January 3 ***The Most Holy Name of Jesus***

6:10 am – Rosary (M)  
11:15 am – Rosary (M)  
5:15 & 6:00 pm – Choir Practice (M)

#### Friday January 4 ***St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious***

6:10 am – Rosary (M)  
7:40 am - Eucharistic Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion  
10:00 – 11:30 am Confession and Spiritual Direction  
10:45 am – Divine Mercy Devotion & Chaplet  
11:15 am—International Rosary  
11:45 am—Benediction  
6:30 —8:30 p.m. Youth Christmas Party

#### Saturday January 5 ***St. John Neumann, Bishop***

11:15 am – Rosary  
3:30 – 4:30 pm – Confessions (M)

## AROUND THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

### HELP SUPPORT THE CARMELITE MONASTERY

Hawaii's Carmelite Monastery was established in 1973 on the slopes of the Pali Highway. Join them as they welcome five new members from the Philippines in the historical refounding to continue St. Therese of Liseaux's mission of love and prayer for all.

Saturday, January 12, 2019

**10 am—2 pm @ Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa Parish Hall**

Features: Lunch, Silent auction, Door Prizes,  
Entertainment: The Singing Dominicans, the Dancing Doctors, Hula Halau and more.

For tickets please contact: Paula Manz 535-3322,  
pmanz@rcchawaii.org

### *Ecumenical Taizé Service*

*In observance of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*

Friday, January 18, 2019

7:00 pm

All are welcome! Join us for an hour of Sacred Music, Scripture and Prayer.

*"Justice and only justice you shall pursue."*

Deuteronomy 16:18—20

Newman Center—Holy Spirit Parish  
University of Hawaii—Manoa

Parking is available at St. Francis School.  
2707 Pamoia Rd. Honolulu, HI.

For more information contact the Office of Worship  
Ealmuena@rcchawaii.org or 808-585-3342

## Solemnity of Epiphany

In many countries the customary day to exchange gifts is the Feast of the Three Wise Men, **January 6th.**

Join your parish family and the Faith Formation children in the sharing of gifts and talents.

The children will practice during their classes and those with special talents will share their gifts after the **11:00 a.m. Mass next week.**

We have been delightfully surprised each year to see so many who have hidden talents in our midst.

Come offer your gifts to the Christ Child as so many have done throughout the year.

Call the office (941-0675) if you have a gift to share or would like to help with bringing food or setting up. No talent is too small to share.

Mahalo to all those who shared their gifts and talents to help make this Christmas truly a celebration of love for one another.



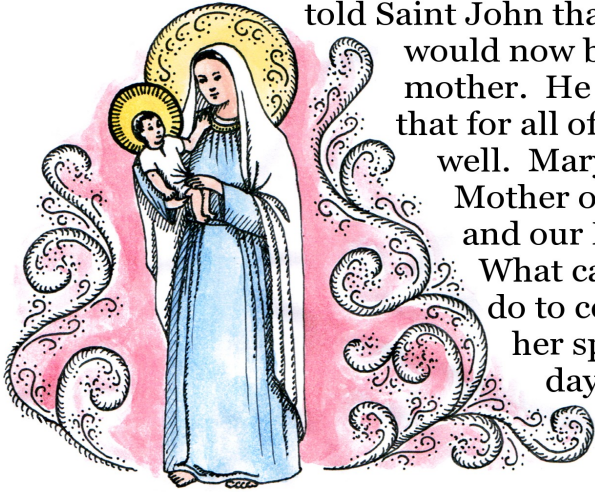
# Mary the Mother of God

## January 1

On the first day of the year we celebrate the feast day of Mary, the Mother of God.

If you didn't have a mother and God let you design your own mother, what would she be like? Well, God did get to make His own Mother! Can you even imagine how perfect she was?

When Jesus was dying on the Cross, he told Saint John that Mary would now be his mother. He meant that for all of us as well. Mary is the Mother of God and our Mother! What can you do to celebrate her special day?



Answers to Holy Family Puzzle: parents, Passover, Jesus, festival, Temple, Mary, find, searched, third, know, FATHER'S HOUSE, Nazareth, wisdom

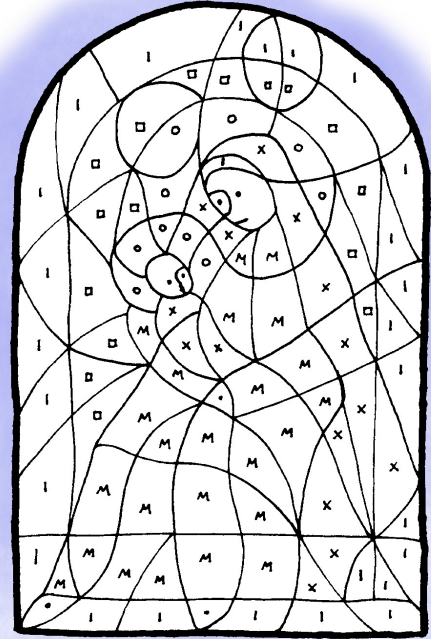
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# The Kids' Bulletin

Holy Family Sunday: December 30, 2018

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Mary the Mother of God: January 1st, 2019



The first day of the year is dedicated to the greatest saint in Heaven. Do you know who it is?

Use the code to colour the picture and find out!

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