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DECEMBER 27, 2020

*Simeon said,
“Now, Master, you may
let your servant go in peace,
according to your word,
for my eyes have
seen your salvation.”*

Luke 2:29-30

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100 people max

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6:30 pm English

8:30 pm Spanish

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11 am - English * 12:30 pm - Spanish * 2:00 pm -Vietnamese

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Tuesday thru Friday 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by
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Por favor llame a la oficina
para más información .

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ROSARY - 5:45 PM

<https://dsj.zoom.us/j/98136992865> - Meeting ID: 981 3699 2865

ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY - 6:00 PM

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

READING 1

[SIR 3:2-6, 12-14](#)

God sets a father in honor over his children;
a mother's authority he confirms over her sons.
Whoever honors his father atones for sins,
and preserves himself from them.
When he prays, he is heard;
he stores up riches who reveres his mother.
Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children,
and, when he prays, is heard.
Whoever reveres his father will live a long life;
he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old;
grieve him not as long as he lives.
Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him;
revile him not all the days of his life;
kindness to a father will not be forgotten,
firmly planted against the debt of your sins
—a house raised in justice to you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

[PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.](#)

R. (cf. 1) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,
who walks in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
your children like olive plants around your table.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Reading 2

[COL 3:12-21](#)

Brothers and sisters:
Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and
patience,
bearing with one another and forgiving one another,
if one has a grievance against another;
as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.
And over all these put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.
And let the peace of Christ control your hearts,
the peace into which you were also called in one body.
And be thankful.
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,
as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another,
singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs
with gratitude in your hearts to God.
And whatever you do, in word or in deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husbands,
as is proper in the Lord.
Husbands, love your wives,
and avoid any bitterness toward them.
Children, obey your parents in everything,
for this is pleasing to the Lord.
Fathers, do not provoke your children,
so they may not become discouraged.

Gospel

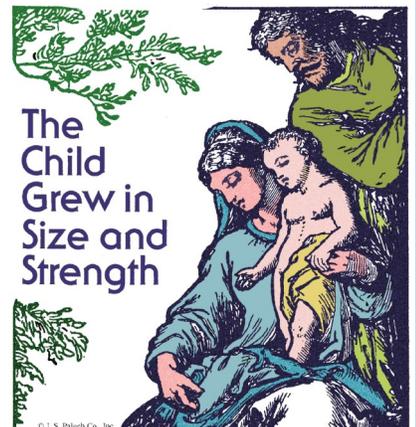
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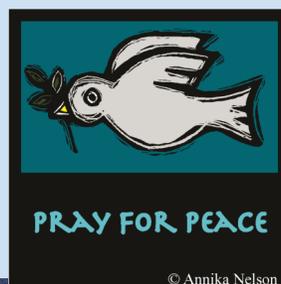
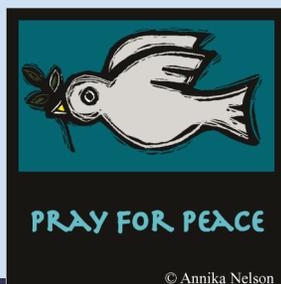
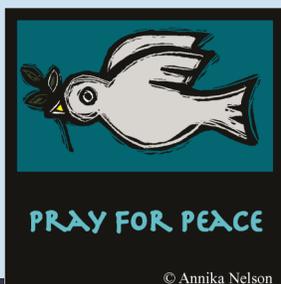
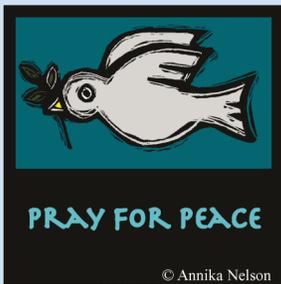
When the days were completed for their purification
according to the law of Moses,
They took him up to Jerusalem
to present him to the Lord,
just as it is written in the law of the Lord,
*Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to
the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of
a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,*
in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was
Simeon.

This man was righteous and devout,
awaiting the consolation of Israel,
and the Holy Spirit was upon him.
It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit
that he should not see death
before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.
He came in the Spirit into the temple;
and when the parents brought in the child Jesus
to perform the custom of the law in regard to him,
He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:
"Now, Master, you may let your servant go
in peace, according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in sight of all the peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel."
The child's father and mother were amazed at what was
said about him;
and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,
"Behold, this child is destined
for the fall and rise of many in Israel,
and to be a sign that will be contradicted
—and you yourself a sword will pierce—
so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

There was also a prophetess, Anna,
the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.
She was advanced in years,
having lived seven years with her husband after her
marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.
She never left the temple,
but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer.
And coming forward at that very time,
she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child
to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.
When they had fulfilled all
the prescriptions
of the law of the Lord,
they returned to Galilee,
to their own town of
Nazareth.
The child grew and
became strong, filled with
wisdom; and the favor of
God was upon him.





FAMILY

On this feast of the Holy Family, we want to offer all families blessings. “Family” may have a lot of different connotations these days. In the United States, the “father, mother, child” family is less common now, and large Catholic families are not as common as they once were. The concept of family is more fluid with many forms of blended families due to second marriages, multigenerational households, and other living arrangements. In a recent survey by the Pew research center, four in ten babies are born to single mothers. Other children are being raised by grandparents or foster parents. In today’s Genesis story, Abraham was ready to concede to another form of family, making the child of one of his servants his heir. The reading from Hebrews reiterates the story of Genesis, and “your descendants will be more numerous than the stars.” The Gospel relates the story of the presentation in the temple.

POWER IN PRESCRIBED RITUALS

Joseph and Mary presented Jesus in the temple at eight days old, as was prescribed by Mosaic law. For many Catholic families, baptismal gowns were handed down through generations, and a baptism was a time of great celebration. Sadly, in our culture, baptisms continue to decline. There are many reasons for this: fewer practicing Catholics, more interfaith marriages, more secular weddings, fewer weddings by clergy, and problems or misunderstandings that turn people away. Many have left the church altogether because of the way they were treated. For some the parish is not a welcoming place. For others baptism has become just a ritual they go through for the sake of the grandparents.

EXAMPLES IN OUR ELDER

When someone does present a child for baptism, it can become too easy for others to pass judgment because the parents don’t know the rubrics well, or aren’t dressed better, or “why is that single mother having her baby baptized during Mass?” Notice that the Gospel says nothing about the priests of the temple and how they received Jesus. Rather it talks about Simeon and Anna. They are worth a study in themselves. Simeon is a devout man who is there waiting for a particular sign, and it is fulfilled when he see the Christ Child. Anna is just in the temple praying, as is her custom. After the presentation of Jesus, she does what she does best—she goes back to praying in the temple. Perhaps these readings teach us how we as a faith community can see the sacredness in those families presenting their children for baptism, and welcome them as did Anna and Simeon. May we all learn from their wisdom!

TODAY’S READINGS

Genesis 15:1–6; 21:1–3
Psalm 105:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 8–9
Hebrews 11:8, 11–12, 17–19
Luke 2:22–40 [22, 39–40]

SOMOS LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE DIOS

Las lecturas de Israel están repletas de relatos de parejas estériles a quienes Dios les concedió el milagro de tener hijos. Sin duda el relato más conocido es el de la primera lectura de hoy: Lucas se inspiró en este relato para contar el milagroso nacimiento de Juan Bautista, hijo de Zacarías e Isabel, y el nacimiento aun más milagroso de Jesús, hijo de María y José. En ambos casos, vemos ejemplos o modelos a seguir de personas que confiaron en Dios. Más que ser ejemplos de personas que confiaron, son modelos de entrega incondicional de sí. Abandonaron sus propios preconceptos y prejuicios sobre el funcionamiento del mundo y entregaron sus vidas a creer en un Dios que puede hacer que haya vida en lugares en donde era inconcebible que la hubiera; un Dios que puede convertir la muerte en una vida nueva e inimaginable; un Dios que puede, hoy, tomar a un niño de padres humildes en un pueblo insignificante y convertirlo en una luz para el mundo entero. Esto es a lo que se nos llama a hacer cada día como Sagrada Familia de Dios: confiar no sólo en nosotros mismos y en la manera en que pensamos que deberían ser las cosas, sino a abrirnos y entregarnos en fe a un Dios de promesa infinita.

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HÍJOS DE LA ETERNIDAD

Ustedes son hijos de la eternidad. Sus coronas inmortales los están esperando, para recompensarlos por el cumplimiento de su deber y su amor. Pueden ciertamente sembrar aquí en lágrimas, pero pueden estar seguros que cosecharán allá en alegría. - Sta. Elizabeth Ann Seton

TIEMPO

No malgastes tu tiempo, porque es lo que constituye la vida. - Benjamín Franklin

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Los que honran a sus padres recibirán bendiciones y pagarán sus pecados (Sirácide 3: 3-7, 14-17) ó Génesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.

Salmo — Dichoso el que teme al Señor, y sigue sus caminos (Salmo 128 [127]) ó Salmo 105 (104).

Segunda lectura — Vivan una vida de amor sincero, sean agradecidos, hagan todo en el nombre del Señor Jesús (Colosenses 3:12-21) ó Hebreos 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.

Evangelio — María y José llevan a Jesús al templo para consagrarlo al Señor (Lucas 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

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Mass Intentions

intención de misa

Dec. 26 to Jan. 2

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Jesus Doctolero†

Jose Andrade†

Mary – INT.

John – INT.

Mary Garcia

Nancy Cordova - Bday

Jimmy Kang – Bday

Yasuharu Koike† - RIP

Ben Munoz†- 40th Death Anniv.

Esmyrna de la Cruz†-88th Bday Memorial

Eulogio Dacua Sr.† - Death Anniv.

Brandon Nathaniel Alejo – 8th Bday

FIESTA DE LA FE

Los rituales

Los rituales son acciones que separamos de lo ordinario para significar con ellas algo extraordinario, algo que va más allá de nuestras propias emociones y palabras. De hecho, los rituales no se explican, se experimentan y en esa experiencia se agotan las explicaciones porque no son necesarias. En lugar de definirlos, invitamos a las personas a que experimenten, no tanto lo que hemos experimentado nosotros, sino lo que el ritual ha hecho en nosotros. Los rituales son acciones sagradas que llevan en sí mismas todo lo que las palabras no son capaces de transmitir. De hecho, la experiencia del ritual nada tiene que ver con palabras, sino con acciones concretas de participación mediante nuestros sentidos y nuestra disposición interior. Con esto no es posible afirmar que el ritual es algo mágico, sino más bien un espacio de la vida en el cual la gracia de Dios se hace presente, evidente y transparente; nosotros nos disponemos a que esa gracia transforme nuestra vida por completo, incluyendo nuestras emociones.

La Eucaristía es un "ritual de rituales". Ahí hay palabras y acciones, la palabra misma es sagrada y las acciones van más allá de nuestras palabras. Este ritual nos sumerge en el tiempo de Dios de una manera sensible.

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1. Head to confession

What a better way to celebrate a new year than with a clean soul? Check out the local confession times in your area and make a plan to make a good confession before Christmas comes.

Advent is a great time to find yourself in the confessional line. "With all that's going on, we want to be absolutely ready to receive that little Infant Jesus," Retired Auxiliary Bishop Louis A. DeSimone once said. "When I go to holy Communion on Christmas, I want to go as white and pure as I can."

2. Take time for daily reflection

The first part of this Catholic new year is a season of preparation for Christmas. Advent invites us to pause, despite the holiday rush, and spend time in reflection.

Resolve to not give into the hustle and bustle of the upcoming holidays and simply abide with the Lord in this time, preparing your heart to receive him as a little baby born in Bethlehem.

3. Give generously

Dr. Seuss famously wrote, "Maybe Christmas doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more!" We each have special gifts (charisms!) that we can give others, and they aren't gifts that we can pick up off of the shelf at Target.

Target is wonderful, but it only has so much.

This year, donate your time with an organization that you're passionate about. Maybe you have a gift of teaching. Spend time at an after school program in your area and invest in the kids of your community and parish.

Regardless of what your gifts and talents are, there is a way to share them (and your time!) with the world and your community. Spend time researching the options out there for you and commit to one during this new year!

4. Ask a saint to walk the journey with you

Need some special help for the (Catholic) new year? Maybe you're looking ahead to major life changes, new jobs, or trips.

Perhaps this upcoming year will be full of opportunities to trust the Lord.

Regardless of what your new year will look like, you don't have to go at it alone. You're surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, and the saints are an incredible source of help. Pick a patron for your upcoming year and start getting to know them and including them in your daily prayer.

Don't know which saint to pick? Check out Jennifer Fulwiler's [Saint Name Generator](#) for great suggestions.

5. Pray the rosary

Looking for some Heavenly help, protection against temptation, and an opportunity to receive an indulgence? Look no further than adding a Rosary to your daily prayer life this new year!

Read more: [5 Reasons Why You Should Pray a Daily Rosary](#)

Already pray the Rosary on a daily basis? That's awesome! This year, resolve to invite others to pray the Rosary with you, or teach others to pray the Rosary.

6. Take a look at your media

It can be easy to think that what we consume on social media, television, and our smart phones won't affect our relationship with the Lord, but we'd be fooling ourselves to think that the media we consume doesn't make a difference in our lives.

This new year's, take a good long look at your Netflix queue, Spotify playlists, iTunes podcasts, and the social media accounts you're following. Do they lead you closer to the Lord?

If the answer is "no," replace them with media choices that inspire you to grow deeper in your relationship with God.

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