# QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

# THE MESSENGER

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# Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

3:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

## **Daily Mass**

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

## **Holy Days**

Please see The Messenger



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

# First Saturday to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Mass 9:00 am

# First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration 10:30 am-11:15 am (Benediction follows) Confessions 10:35 am-11:15 am Mass 11:30 am

# **Confession**

Sat. 2:00 to 3:00 pm or by appointment

# **Baptism**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month Contact Fr. Timothy

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#### The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619.442.4357

# STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT



# GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 26, 2020-JANUARY 3, 2021

		DAT	<u>E</u>	<b>TIME</b>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Sunday: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Next Sunday:	Lk 2:22-40 Mt 2:13-18 Lk 2:22-35 Lk 2:36-40 Jn 1:1-18 Lk 2:16-21 Jn 1:19-28 Mt 2:1-12	Saturday, Sunday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Saturday, Sunday, Sunday,	Dec 26 Dec 27 Dec 27 Dec 28 Dec 29 Dec 30 Dec 31 Jan 1 Jan 2 Jan 2 Jan 3 Jan 3	3:30 pm 8:00 am 10:30 am 8:00 am 7:30 am 8:00 am 8:00 pm 9:00 am 9:00 am 3:30 pm 8:00 am 10:30 am	For the People Hal Andreoli & Family †Harold & Marie Bispham †Frank Plotnik Rosary †Mary Plotnik †Rita Plotnik Bob Ferrier & Family Moira Malley †Harold & Marie Bispham †Joan Deluca For the People



## Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.

Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, It shall be granted to them by my heavenly father. Matthew 18:19



# For Healing

Erika Allen Norman Banks Kelly Barker Karsen Beron Nela Contreras Luke Hayworth June Hill Joan Hoffman Carmen Holt Katie Larson Rufus Moore Joan Smith Victoria Thrift Kailyn & Charis Whaley Aimee Wolf



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# **Deployed Military**

LT Meagan Abad Rebekah Meyer, USN HM3 Jacob Tweed Mattison Underhill, USN



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

Church Visitation Hours The Church will be open for person- Please Note: The parish office will be closed Monal prayer and visitation as follows:

Weekdays - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Saturday - 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm; Reconciliation will be available during this time as well.

Please remember to follow the San Diego County guidelines when visiting church. Thank you.

Religious Education Schedule Following is the schedule for classes during the Christmas holiday:

#### 1st-5th Grade:

**December 27: No class** January 3: No class **January 10: Class resumes** 

**Journey/Formation: December 30: No class** January 6: Class resumes



day, December 28, 2020-Friday, January 1, 2021. We will reopen on Monday, January 4, 2021. We would like to wish all of our parishioners a Happy New Year!

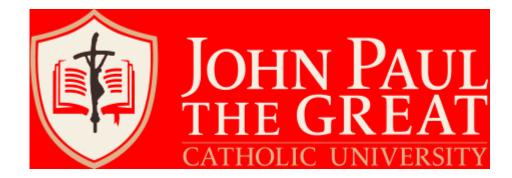
Special New Year's Day Mass Please join us for a special Mass, on Friday, January 1, at 9:00 AM. All are welcomed to usher in the New Year.



First Saturday to Honor the **Immaculate Heart of Mary** 

9:00am—Mass





# CATHOLIC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

John Paul the Great Catholic University in San Diego County is offering a number of scholarship opportunities to assist local families here in Southern California, many of whom are dealing with financial hardship from the events of this past year.

They want to do what we can to keep a quality Catholic education affordable and reachable for these families - some of parishioners might even be eligible to have their full college tuition covered at J.P.Catholic.

You can view the scholarship details here: https://ipcatholic.edu/scholarships/ga-alpine



# **PASTOR'S PAGE**

# When we reflect upon the Holy Family we should understand what the terms mean.

Family We know what "family" means in the Judeo-Christian ethic, namely one man and one woman joined together in a union that is faithful, fruitful, and permanent. Faithful, that is, to God and to one another; fruitful, that is, at least open to life with each conjugal embrace; and permanent, meaning until death do they part. Such a union as described is a great sacrifice, hence, a true union of spouses needs God's blessing, which is why the marital union of two baptized Christians is a Sacrament of The Church as established by Christ Himself "What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder." [Mk 10:9; Mt 19:6]. Thus we see on the one hand, for the Christian, that marriage, children, and family go together. On the other hand, all those men and women who have children without religious or even civil marriage may be family in the world's sense, but they are not a Christian family, nor are they a civilized family. They may be fruitful, but they lack faithfulness, permanence, and holiness, because they lack the blessing of God. So we can say that "family" as the Judeo-Christian understands, and as Western Civilization for centuries has understood, is one man and one woman joined together in a union that is ordered toward a faithful, fruitful, and permanent union. Anything less than this is an artificial social construct.

Holy Now, because Christian marriage is a Sacrament of The Church, we would expect every Christian marriage to be holy, but holiness is another thing altogether. What IS holiness? What does it mean to be "Holy"? Who better to ask than a saint? Mother Teresa of Calcutta said that "Holiness consists in doing the Will of God, with a smile." That is, to be holy means doing the Will of God willingly, and not begrudgingly. This is, after all, what Our Lord did. Mt 12:50 "For whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother." Mt 26:39 "He . . . fell prostrate in prayer, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this chalice pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will." Mk 14:36; Lk 22:42. Jn 4:34 "Jesus said to them, "My food [my very sustenance] is to do the Will of the One who sent Me and to finish His work." Hence, if we put the two terms together "Holy + Family" it means that they – in the case of Mary & Joseph – attained holiness within ordinary family life by embracing willingly the Will of God as they knew it.

Now many people may think, "Well it was easy for Mary and Joseph to be a 'holy' family because God blessed them and therefore everything went great for them". Such a thought as this however is not the reality of their lives together as a holy family. In point of fact, as Simeon had foretold in the Jewish Temple at the time of the circumcision, the Virgin Mary's heart was destined to be pierced ("...and a sword will pierce through your soul also" Lk 2:34). So what chosen by God meant was that Mary and Joseph would have to embrace trial and tribulation and their own crosses in life. Let us consider their 'blessed' lives.

First of all, the Annunciation to the Virgin Mary really meant, at face value, a death sentence. This because the generation of the child Jesus was 'by The Holy Spirit'; she would be seen as 'with child', but without a husband, this meant stoning to death. It points out in Sacred Scripture that it was only because Joseph had such a high estimation of his betrothed that he failed to expose her to the Jewish Law [Mt 1:19]. But Mary did not know this. She had to accept by faith that she would not be exposed to the Law.

Next we see that, at the time of Mary's delivery of baby Jesus, it was at the exact time of the Roman census, which meant traveling in her last days of pregnancy to Bethlehem. And what's more, when they finally get to Bethlehem, there is no room for them in the inn, so they have to lodge in a smelly stable. Now most of us would think: "Wait a moment, if God is in charge of everything, why didn't He appoint a better moment in time for the baby's delivery? Why didn't God at least make reservations at the inn??? Of course, we can all see in hind-sight that this was to fulfill a prophecy of the Messiah [Mt 2:5], but Mary and Joseph probably didn't know that.

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Next thing, before you know it, Jesus is born in Bethlehem. So it's time to go back home, right? Wrong. King Herod was seeking to destroy the new-born king of the Jews, so instead of going home the 'holy family' had to go into hiding in a foreign country, Egypt, and remain there a couple years! Again, this was to fulfill a prophecy [Mt 2:15], but Mary and Joseph probably didn't know that one either. Coincidently, Joseph and Mary most likely heard about the killing of the holy innocents martyred in Bethlehem [Mt 2:17] another prophecy, so merely their presence there was the reason for the murder of so many children. Finally, when old Herod the great croaked, they were able to go back to Palestine. However, they could not ever go back to their original home because Herod 'Archelaus' was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod 'The Great'. So, because Joseph had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth (the armpit of Palestine [Jn 1:46]), again the reason being – you guessed it – to fulfill another prophecy [Mt 2:23]! So every time there is a prophecy to fulfill God chooses somebody to be the lucky ones!

There were other things too that made caring for Jesus difficult, such as the presentation in the temple (Simeon's Prophecy), and the finding in the temple. In all this Mary and Joseph had to have an intense faith in God, that what was spoken to them would be fulfilled. So being a holy family does not come easy. Being chosen by God – which is what being a Christian means – means there is going to be a cross in your life. But the yoke is easy and the burden is light, for the cross ultimately leads to holiness and from holiness to the eternal presence of God in heaven!



Christmas Blessings,

Father Tim

Ε Α R S Ε Ν 0 L Ε Ε Ε C 0 0 K U D Ε Ε R Ε

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,

MARY & JOSEPH



ACCORDING	ASCERTAINED	BEEN
BETHLEHEM	CALLED	CHILD
CHILDREN	DREAM	FULFILLED
FURIOUS	HEARD	HEROD
ISRAEL	JEREMIAH	KILLED
LAND	MALE	MOTHER
PROPHET	RAGE	RAMAH
REGION	SENT	SPOKEN
THEN	TIME	TRICKED
VOICE	WAILING	WENT
WHEN	WISE	YEARS

# POPE FRANCIS DECLARES YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH (FROM DEC. 8, 2020 TO DEC. 8, 2021) abridged for brevity

December 10, 2020 denvercatholic.org By Joseph Pronechen

On Dec. 8, Pope Francis declared the beginning of a Year of St. Joseph.

The timing was perfect, coming on the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pius IX declaring St. Joseph as Patron of the Catholic Church and on the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Joseph's spouse. Along with the Pope's announcement in his apostolic letter *Patris Corde* ("Heart of the Father)" came a proclamation from the Apostolic Penitentiary about special plenary indulgences that are now available for this Year of St. Joseph....

All this year until Dec. 8, 2021, the decree from the Apostolic Penitentiary, which is in charge of indulgences, has established that the faithful "following his example can daily strengthen their life of faith in the full fulfillment of God's will." They will have "the opportunity to commit themselves, with prayers and good works, to obtain with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that today afflict the contemporary world."

What are these indulgences the Apostolic Penitentiary is bestowing in this Year of St. Joseph per the Holy Father's decree to "benefit the perfect achievement of the intended purpose?"

We can gain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions — sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the *Holy Father, "with a soul detached from any sin"* if we participate in the Year of St. Joseph in several specific ways that the Apostolic Penitentiary has established for us to gain the plenary indulgence.

As long as we're in the state of grace one sacramental confession suffices for gaining several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and separate prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father are required for each plenary indulgence. According to the most recent Church guidelines on the subject, "it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be carried out within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act." Yet "it is, however, fitting that Communion be received and the prayer for the intention of the Holy Father be said on the same day the work is performed."

Here are the many opportunities and ways throughout this Year of St. Joseph, from now until Dec. 8, 2021, for us to gain the plenary indulgence over and over. Fulfilling the above conditions along with performing one of the particular works determined by the Penitentiary office can be done daily. One plenary indulgence per day. Remember, the only living person we can apply it to is our self. And we can apply it to any soul in purgatory. Think how many souls you get help — from relatives to unknowns by asking St. Joseph and Mary to pick out the souls for you.

The plenary indulgence is granted (in each instance) if...

<u>First</u>, we meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Our Father, or be part of a "spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph."

Second, we carrying out a corporal or spiritual work of mercy.

Third, we pray the Holy Rosary "in families and between engaged couples."

Fourth, "who daily entrust their activities to the protection of St. Joseph and all the faithful who invoke with prayer" the intercession of St. Joseph the Worker "so that one who is looking for work can find a job and work [for] everyone is more dignified."

Fifth, we recite the Litany to St. Joseph

Sixth, we recite any legitimately approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph

This Year of St. Joseph is ready to draw down graces upon us through the intercession of St. Joseph.

 $READ\ FULL\ STORY\ AT:\ http://\ \textbf{denvercatholic.org}/what-the-year-of-st-joseph-means-and-how-to-gain-the-indulgences$ 



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