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The Feast of the Holy Family, Year C



“Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?”

Luke 2:49

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intentions for December 2024 For Pilgrims of Hope.

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



Prayer for Families

Loving God,

We thank you for the gifts of families.

We ask your blessing on all families today and always.

Be with us in our daily life together.

Be our guide in times of challenge.

Be our strength in times of difficulty.

Be our joy in times of delight.

Help our families to grow

stronger in your love

And show us how to love one

another as you have loved us.

May we welcome Jesus as the

unseen guest in our home.

May we be his voice and hands,

respecting and caring of

those we meet.

May we look to the example of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as we strive to be the best family we can be.

Most Holy Family of Nazareth, pray for us.

Amen

Reflection....

On the Feast of the Holy Family we are invited to reflect on the importance of family in our lives as God’s children, and on the values that underpin and sustain it. Created in the image of a God who is Love-in-community (Trinity), the meaning of our lives is to be found in relationships. Our identity as human beings is inseparable from that network of relationships we call “family” - not just the family into which we are born and in which we grow up, but the wider family of friends and relations, of all humanity and, indeed, of all God’s creatures, with whom we are inextricably connected

Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit,
Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always. Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.
Be our Strength, our Courage and our Sanctifier.

May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us, a time of welcoming Your graces and gifts, a time for forgiving freely and unconditionally, and a time for growing in virtue and goodness.

Amen

Mass Times

New Year's Day

1 January 2025, Wednesday : 08h00

2 to 3 January (Weekdays) : 08h00

4 January (Saturday) : 17h30

5 January (Sunday) : 07h30 & 09h30 and 17h30

Confession Time

Saturday : 10h00- 11h00

Parish Notices

Repository : The Liturgical Calendars and the Springs of Carmel Diaries for 2025 are available in the Repository. The Bumper Christmas edition of the Southern Cross has arrived.

Preparation for Marriage. The next marriage preparation course will be held in January. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Happy New Year

Wishing you a
Happy New Year and
Blessed year ahead.
May God’s Light guide
your way in 2025.

Pope Francis officially declared 2025 a Year of Jubilee with a Papal Bull, titled “*Spes Non Confudit*,” meaning “Hope Does Not Disappoint.”

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday : 08h00

Tuesday : 08h00

Wednesday : 08h00

Thursday : 08h00

Friday : 08h00

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday : 17h30

Sunday : 07h30, 09h30, 17h30

CONFESSION

Saturday : 10h00 - 11h00

ADORATION CHAPEL TIMES

Daily : 07h00- 18h00