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## *Feast of the Holy Family*

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



### Masses For The Week

#### HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

**Saturday December 27, 2025**

5:00 p.m. +Repose of the Soul of Vittoria Rinaldi  
by the Rinaldi Family  
+Repose of the Souls of  
Donald and Isabel Charbonneau  
by the Family

**Sunday December 28, 2025**

9:00 a.m. +Repose of the Souls of  
Lucille Kelly-Nolan and  
deceased Members of her Family  
by Cheryl Kelly  
+Repose of the Soul of Ida Serrao  
by Her estate

11:00 a.m. -Resurrection of our Lord Parishioners

#### WEEK DAY MASSES

**Tuesday December 30, 2025**

9:00 a.m. +Repose of the Souls of  
Louise Marie and Idallino Serrao by  
the estate of Nancy Marie Serrao

**Wednesday December 31, 2025**

9:00 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory by  
the Abraham Family

#### MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**Wednesday December 31, 2025**

5:00 p.m. - Mass

**Thursday January 1, 2026**

10:00 a.m. +Repose of the Soul of Ida Serrao  
by Her estate  
+Repose of the Soul of Anne McDivitt by  
the McDivitt Family

**Friday January 2, 2026**

8:00 a.m. -Intention for the good Health of the  
Knapik-Sztramko Family  
by Richard and Maria

**Saturday January 3, 2026**

12:01 a.m. NICODEMUS MASS

#### NEW YEAR'S MASSES SCHEDULE

##### HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Saturday 27th - 5:00 pm

Sunday 28th - 9:00 am and 11:00 am

##### THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

(World Day of Peace)

Wednesday 31st - 5:00 pm

Thursday 1st - 10:00 am

#### New Year's Day Mass in the Morning

will be Celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

#### This week Tuesday and Wednesday

Morning Masses will Celebrated be at 9:00 a.m.

#### FIRST FRIDAY

##### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

Friday, January 2, 5:00 pm to midnight  
(confessions will be heard: 7:00 - 9:00 pm)

~ followed by ~

Nicodemus Mass

Saturday, January 3, 12:01am

#### Confessions

Saturdays 4:00pm to 4:30pm

Fridays 8:30am to 9:30am

(as well as by appointment)

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays 8:30am to 9:30am

#### Confessions By Appointment

When the need arises for Confession outside of the usual times, the day before, call the parish office to make an appointment for this. It will avoid the situation (for example after Mass) when Fr. Robert has another appointment and it causes a misunderstanding. Fr. Robert always welcomes a request for the sacrament of Reconciliation.

~ WE REMEMBER THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY ~ ✦

Alan Jane, ✦ Elaine Jane, ✦ Grazynka Daszczyński, ✦ ✦ ✦  
Butch Arquines ✦ Theresa MacDonald, ✦ Greg Cameron, ✦  
Carmen Arquines, Lark Herbert, ✦ Gabrielle Etter, ✦ ✦ ✦  
✦ Karen Lobo-Etter, ✦ Andy Refama, ✦ Greg Campbell ✦  
✦ Norman Connolly, ✦ Emelita Tolentino ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦.

**Big Thank You!**

**Thank you** so much to the people who participated in preparing the church for Christmas - decorating, donating flowers, those who helped the Children prepare for the pageant, everyone who participated in the Liturgy, and contributed your *Time, Talent, and Treasure*, in any and every way. Thanks so much for the personal wishes and cards. It is always nice when you as parishioners are thinking of me. God's blessings and many wishes for the New Year!

**Fr. Robert, SDS**

**Thank you!** Our parish donated 371 lbs. of food to the Food Bank just before Christmas. God bless everyone for donating and giving back so much. We have a beautiful community. The Ottawa Food Bank thanked our parish for supporting its Holiday Food Drive. Our generosity helped fill fridges with healthy and nutritious food for families in need during Christmas. Wishing us joy and peace throughout the new year. Blessings!

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**Our parish Prayer Shawl Ministry:** gifts the warmth and comfort of a prayer shawl to those who are sick, infirm or in distress. Each shawl is prayerfully knitted or crocheted by a member of our ministry and is blessed by Deacon Yves Trottier. If you or someone you know would like the gift of a prayer shawl, please contact the parish office. You can arrange to pick it up at the parish office or have it delivered.

**Please Continue to Pray for the Families** of our Children preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. The Children have been given a solid start on their way to being prepared by our Catechists in the classes they attended during the months of October, November, and December, this pastoral year.

Classes will begin again at the end of January in anticipation of the day of the Sacraments in the late Spring / Early Summer of the year to come (2026).

**The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph** came about in the early 1800's within Canada to show the Holy Family of Nazareth as "the true model of life" and was eventually extended to the Universal Catholic Church (by \*Pope Benedict XV in 1921). It is usually celebrated on the Sunday after Christmas.

Depictions of the Holy Family hold a special place in our country's heritage, bringing much comfort. Personal devotion to the Holy Family must have been a well-travelled road in the daily lives of families making promises to God for their protection.

The earliest Canadian depictions of the Holy Family are understood to trace back to Quebec, encouraging families to imitate the virtues of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, at a time when life was very hard for them.

The experience of the family of Nazareth cannot but make us think of many families today – those families forced to leave their homes and their own land in search of peace, serenity and work, but also families who started out here and have lost everything – living with the apprehension and anxiety of not making ends meet, of unstable marital situations, the fear of illness...

Like the Holy Family, many of the young and old must leave behind everything they have built up and believed to be secure. The things families thought they could rely on came up empty when faced with what life has to present.

Even now, 200 years after The Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph came about, the Holy Family is our guide for Family life.

**Prayer to the Holy Family.** Jesus, Mary and Joseph, watch over our home, protect us from evil, and keep us united in your Divine Love. Help us to follow your example of humility, obedience, and hard work, so our family may be a beacon of faith in Canada. **Amen.**

\*Pope Benedict XV's pontificate (within the struggles for peace brought about by WWI) began on September 3, 1914 when he was elected, and ended with his death on January 22, 1922.

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