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Feast of the Holy Family

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#### **DECEMBER 28,2025** HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

#### REFLECTION

#### THE PATHWAY TO GOD

It is in the cradle of a family where a child learns the meaning of love. He or she experiences in a physical and emotional way the feeling of being loved, protected, cared for, treasured. This is the first step that the child takes in his or her discovery of God, because God is love. The love of the father and mother prepares the child to meet the God of love. In the gentle voice and tender touch of the parents, the child is touched by God.

Every time you smile at your child, hold them in your arms, feed them, change their diapers or put fresh, clean clothes on them, comb their hair or wash their face - every time you show them your care and tenderness, you are teaching them about the caring and tender God.

The way you interact with one another in your family will be the model you set for all human relationships. As you show respect, forgiveness, kindness, gentleness and encouragement to one another, you will be fulfilling your role as a teacher of what is means to be human. What a great calling every parent has! You are the first teachers of your children in the ways of faith and love. Every parent has the beautiful and awesome responsibility of setting their children on the pathway to the experience and knowledge of God.

As your children grow in their experience of being loved, you then need to help them come to know what it means to love others. They will observe how you interact with other people. What you say to your children about love is important, but what you do with your love is even more important. If you as a family cultivate a spirit of welcome towards others, your children will come to know that it is a good thing to open your home and your heart to others.

Go in peace to love and serve our God.

#### **READINGS:**

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10–14 Psalm: Psalm 24 Second Reading: Romans 1:1–7 Gospel: Matthew 1:18–24



#### DECEMBER 27th 2025 to January 3rd 2026

Gaudencio Birondo Jr. † Sat Dec 27th 5:00pm -

Sun Dec 28th 7:30am - Stephanie Shayne †

9:00am - People of the Parish

10:30am - Dionisia Barretto †

12:00pm - Ricarido Palencia †

Mon Dec 29th 8:30am - Mrs. Blanche Jeanne Marr

Cartwright †

Tue Dec 30th 8:30am - All Souls in Purgatory

Wed Dec 31st 5:00pm -(New Year's Eve)

In thanksgiving for all the blessings received

for the Lopez Hernandes family

Thur Jan 1st (New Year's Day) 10:30am - Thanksgiving for the

9:00am - People of the Parish

Lugos family

12:00noon - Open

Fri Jan 2nd 7:30pm -Open

Sat Jan 3rd 8:30am -

Thanksgiving for the Lugos family; Hilda Martyn †; Victor Martyn † ; Crofton Martyn +; all deceased members of the Martyn family; and Marcelina and Apolonio Amores †

**OUR SICK:** 

Fausto Tomasi, Marybel Irwin, Margaret Horvath, Daniel D'Alimonte, Magdalene Trotman, Holly Macinnis,

Inacia Rodrigues, Carol Morra, Edna Zetazate, Tonya Medelkowski, Ray Acayan, Romeo Florentino, Anne Dyer, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Anunciacion Chang, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Cheryl Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, Mary Foulkes, Jean Griffin Davis, Shirley Eccleton, Ursula Solomon, Kathleen Copeland, Giacomina Genova, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jensifor Veraga, Lima Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Lima Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Matthews, Benjana Jose Jr. Jrone Bithin, Jensifor Veraga, Ling Jr. Jrone Bithing, nifer Young, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Marie Dignum, Stephanie Solomon, Ofelia Magat.

## PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

With Fr. Alex Osei, CSSp, Pastor St. Boniface Church, Scarborough Tour Coordinator-Theresia Sisca 416-731-8252

### November 8 –16, 2026 – 9 days - \$4,390.00 (Toronto dep. incl. all taxes and tips)



Nov.8 Afternoon departure from Toronto to Tel Aviv. Nov.9

Afternoon arrival in Tel Aviv. Upon meeting our guide, we are transferred to our hotel in Galilee. Mass. Time for rest, dinner and overnight. Nov.10 After breakfast, we depart for Tiberias. We travel by boat on the Sea of Galilee, visit



Capernaum, home of St. Peter and the site of Jesus' preaching, on to Tabgha to see the Church of the Multiplication with its beautiful 5th century fish mosaic. We also visit the Church of the Primacy and celebrate Mass on the Mount of the Beatitudes. On our way back to the hotel we stop at the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. This morning, we start our tour in Cana - the site of Jesus' first miracle. Here we Nov.11

celebrate a marriage renewal ceremony. We move on to Nazareth where we celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Annunciation and we visit Mary's Well and St. Joseph's Carpentry Shop. In the afternoon we ascend Mount Tabor - the Mount of the Transfiguration. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.



Nov.12 Today, we depart Galilee for Judea and the area of Jerusalem. En route we visit Haifa and Mt. Carmel, the Stella Maris Monastery, the "burning place" where Elijah called fire down to confound the prophets of Baal. Here we celebrate Mass. We continue via Caesarea by the Sea to Judea for our dinner and overnight.

Nov.13 After breakfast, we visit Bethlehem - where Jesus was born, celebrating Mass in one of the grottos. We visit the Manger, the Crusaders' Cloister and the Grotto of St. Jerome - Shepherd's field. In the afternoon, we continue our visit of Jerusalem's Mount Zion with the Upper Room (Room of the Last Supper) and the Church of St. Peter's in Gallicantu, Ein Karem, Dormition Abbey, Chapel of Ascension. Dinner and overnight.



Nov.14 This morning, we leave for a full day excursion to Masada, the Dead Sea, Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947, and Jericho. Time for swimming on the dead sea before transferring to hotel in Jerusalem for Mass, dinner and overnight.

Today's journey takes us to the ancient city of Jerusalem: St. Ann's Church, Pool of Bethesda, Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Chapel of the Flagellation and the Arch of Ecce Homo, the convent of the sisters of Zion. We continue with the Stations of the Cross - Via Dolorosa to the Holy Sepulchre. Mass will be celebrated in one of the many churches of Jerusalem. In the afternoon, we visit the Western Wall, also called the "Wailing Wall". We see the place of the Mosque of Omar and El Aksar and move on to the Church of Pater Noster and the Garden of Gethsemane. Transfer to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Nov.16 After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport for a flight to Toronto. Evening arrival.

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#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE - WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31ST** 5:00 PM



(No 7:30pm Mass)

**NEW YEAR'S DAY** THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST

9:00AM, 10:30AM AND 12:00PM (No 8:30AM MASS)



#### Catholic Women's League of St. Boniface Parish (CWL)

#### **Coffee Sunday:**

Please join us for our next Coffee Sunday on Sunday, January 4th, 2026 after all Masses.



Thank you.





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