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Feast of the Holy Family

NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 New Year's Eve: Mass at 7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 1, 2020: New Year's Day: Mass at 10:00AM

Please note...

There will be no morning Mass on December 31



Whether you are young or old, married or single, engaged, widowed, or divorced, may Pope Francis' words strengthen you, refresh you, and illuminate the pages of your own life story. Here are some suggestions he offers to do just that. All words below are from the pope.

- **1. Say These Three Words.** In order to have a healthy family, three words need to be used. And I want to repeat these three words: *please, thank you, sorry.*
- **2. Do the Little Things.** A little gesture is sufficient, a caress, a smile, an encouraging word.
- 3. Keep Dreaming!
- 4. Make Time to Play.
- 5. Pray Together.
- 6. Accept Your Imperfections.
- 7. Be Patient.
- 8. Look to Our Elders.
- 9. Set an Example.
- 10. Light the Way.

The future passes through the family. So protect your families! See in them your country's greatest treasure and nourish them always by prayer and the grace of the sacraments. Families will always have their trials, but may you never add to them! Instead, be living examples of love, forgiveness and care. Be sanctuaries of respect for life, proclaiming the sacredness of every human life from conception to natural death. What a gift this would be to society, if every Christian family lived fully its noble vocation! So rise with Jesus and Mary, and set out on the path the Lord traces for each of you.

We need simplicity to pray as a family: simplicity is necessary! Praying the Our Father together, around the table, is not something extraordinary: it's easy. And praying the Rosary together, as a family, is very beautiful and a source of great strength! And also praying for one another! The husband for his wife, the wife for her husband, both together for their children, the children for their grandparents... praying for each other. This is what it means to pray in the family and it is what makes the family strong.

Using envelopes for 2020...

Hope you have picked up your envelopes for 2020. Kindly write your name and address in the first four/five envelopes as some numbers have changed.

You can always sign up for Pre-Authorized giving. Its easy and convenient for both you and the parish.

You can also donate through our parish website using your credit card.

Thank you for your generosity towards St. Joseph

Saying Farewell to Fr. Sunil...

Fr. Sunil has been with us for the last six months. He has brought a lot life to our parish through his ministry and presence. We invite you to join us for a potluck lunch after 10:00am Mass on January 5, 2020. You will have a chance to say goodbye to him. Fr. Sunil is assigned to go to St. Kevin's parish in Welland. We wish him all the best very best in his new ministry in Canada.

Thank you to all those who work so hard in so many ways to make our parish life enriching. May God bless your generosity. May you all have a wonderful, grace filled, happy and healthy New Year 2020.

MASS INTENTIONS +

Sunday, December 29

10:00 am Holy Family

Req. Alfredo Costa

Monday, December 30

9:00 am † **Mr. Hemmer**Req. Gloria and Family

Tuesday, December 31

7:00 pm † **Mr. Hemmer**Req. Gloria and Family

Wednesday, January 1

10:00 am † **Mr. Hemmer**Req. Gloria and Family

Thursday, January 2

9:00 am **St. Joseph and St. Andre** Reg. Alfredo Costa

Friday, January 3

7:00 pm **Christmas Weekday Mass**

Saturday, January 4

5:00 pm **Community of St. Joseph**



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