

# **ST. ANN PARISH**

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*Feast of the Holy Family*

# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: December 31, 2023



Saturday, December 30 at 5 p.m. Mass  
*Victoria Montifar – +*

Sunday, December 31 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the  
Parishioner of St. Ann  
Holy Family (F)  
Galicia – Year-end Thanksgiving*

Sunday, December 31 at 12:30 p.m.  
*Natives People's Mass – All are welcome*

Sunday, December 31 at 6 p.m.  
*New Year's Eve: New Year's Vigil Mass*

Monday, January 1 at 10:30 a.m.  
*New Year's Mass  
Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God*

Tuesday, January 2 at 8 a.m. Mass  
*St Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen*

Wednesday, January 3 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, January 4 at 8 a.m. No Mass

Friday, January 5 at 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour,  
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, January 6 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, January 7 at 10:30 a.m. Mass *for the  
Parishioner of St. Ann  
St. Andre Bessette (M)*

Sunday, January 7 at 12:30 p.m.  
*Native People's Mass – All are welcome*

Sunday, January 7 at 6 p.m.

## Feast of the Holy Family

Reflection  
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**On this First Sunday after Christmas, the Church invites all of us to reflect on the beauty of the Holy Family.** It is through meditating on the Holy Family that we begin to learn how we are called to live in our own homes. St. John

Paul II says that “the Holy Family is the beginning of countless other holy families.”

The Holy Family teaches us how to work towards

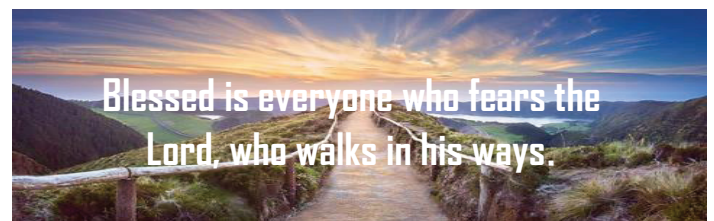
holiness through our daily family life. They led a life that was to all appearances, the same as that of their neighbours, a life that was important, not because of the material things they did but because of the love that they put into these things.”

Essentially, the Holy Family did ordinary things with extraordinary love. They too had to work, cook meals, clean the house, and wash their clothes and every other regular activity that we too perform. Yet, endowed with love for one another, these seemingly minute tasks became great sources of sanctification. We too should look to be stewards in our own homes by using our time and gifts to serve our family. One tangible thing we can avoid is complaining about performing house chores but rather strive to see them as an opportunity to love our family members, and by extension, love Christ. As we strive to be stewards in our parish communities, let us also follow the model of the Holy Family and be stewards in our own homes and, by extension, our parish communities as well.

### Summary

It is through meditating on the Holy Family that we begin to learn how we are called to live in our own homes. The Holy Family had to work, cook meals, clean the house, and wash their clothes and every other regular activity that we too perform, yet they did all these ordinary things with extraordinary love. We too should look to be stewards in our own homes by using our time and gifts to serve our family members with great love and sacrifice.

*-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto*



## Offertory Collections

Weekend of **December 16/17**

Envelopes (56 ) \$ 1,344.00

Loose \$ 392.50



## Praise & Worship

### ADORATION

Please join us this first Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. for praise & worship and adoration, followed by 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist.



## Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: December 31, 2023

### The feast of St. Bro Andre, CSC

We celebrate the feast of St. Bro. Andre Bessette CSC, the First Saint of the Congregation of Holy Cross on **January 7, 2023**.

St. Bro. Andre is known as the Miracle Worker of Montreal, as he promoted the devotion of St. Joseph with Healing oil. Those who would like to be blessed with the Healing oil of St. Joseph, are most welcome to remain after the mass for individual blessing.



### The Holy Family Prayer



**JESUS**, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace, and mutual love that you found in your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

**MARY**, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

**JOSEPH**, Father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

**HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH**, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen.

### Parish Administration: Update your contact information

If you or any member of your household changed address or contact information for 2023, please inform the parish office at 4164662127. The tax receipt for 2023 will be issued only for the donations collected before December 31, 2023. Thank you for your support

and generosity to our parish.

### Thank you

The staff at the parish would like to thank you all for your donations towards the purchase of Christmas ornaments and Christmas flowers. Your generosity helped us to make our liturgical celebration more beautiful and meaningful for everyone who came to the church. Thank you for your contribution.



### Thank you for organizing the Christmas pageant

On behalf of the Parish community, I would like to thank Pat Cumming, Liz Calderhead, Melody & Nancy McMullan along with all the parents who help with the Christmas Eve, the Family mass and all the children who participate in dramatized the Nativity story. Thank you for all the support.



### New Year Schedule

**New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec 31 at 6 p.m.**  
**New Year's Vigil Mass**

**New Year's Day, Monday, Jan 01 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**New Year Mass**

### Happy New Year



Creator of life, help us enter the New Year reverently, having the confidence that you have endowed every creature and plant, every person and habitat with beauty and purpose. May we regard the world with tenderness. May we honour rather than destroy. As we enter into the New Year, I join you in prayer, asking God to pour out His abundant blessings upon your life and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful New Year. – Fr. Francis & Pastoral Team.



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