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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH - YEAR A

29TH DECEMBER 2019

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

29TH DECEMBER 2019

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY, AND JOSEPH**

FIRST READING: Sir 3:2-6. 12-14
Whoever fears the Lord honours his parents.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 127:1-5. R. see v.1
Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

SECOND READING: Col 3:12-21
Concerning the Christian life in the world.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mt 2:13-15. 19-23
Take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt.

Reflection

All of the major themes found in today's readings highlight the relational character of family life. In Sirach some of the dynamics of family living and responsibility as exercised in the ancient world unfold before our eyes. The rewards of faithfully observing these family codes are showcased in the responsorial Psalm. Paul directs our attention to the manner of relational living to which we are summoned as members of the family of God, a manner of living that flows from the bond of perfection that unites us. The gospel narrative paints a picture of a family that follows the directives of God.

So much has been said recently about family values. But what exactly are they? The specifics of family customs and roles played within the family may be culture-bound, but it seems that the values out of which they emerge and that inform them are not. They include mutuality, respect and service between wives and husbands, between parents and children, and between the young and the old.

Mutuality, respect and service become characteristics of the Church or the ecclesial family as well. What binds the family of God together are virtues that are as relational as are the ties that bind the members of the natural family together. It may be more challenging to live out these values within the church, for those who are called to put on Christ, bearing with one another in compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience must relate in this way with people who may be strangers.

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

5TH JANUARY 2019

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: Is 60:1-6
The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11
Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING: Eph 3:2-3. 5-6
The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

GOSPEL: Mt 2:1-12
We have come from the East to worship the king.



PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Rosh Barbagallo, Maureen Barrett, Pat Berry, Sue Berry, Maria Burgees, Jim Canty, James (Jimmy) Corben, Josh Corbett, Bev Crouch, Maree Dunne, Joan Edstein, Brendan Foster, Peter Hacksaw, Teddy Herrera, Trevor Holden, Camo Hyde, Terry Mason, Liza Mirabello, Riely McCain, Ross McDonald, Tom McIntyre, Brenda McIntyre, Robert McGregor, Martin Murphy, Judy Nies, John O'Keefe, John Rush, Janora Senders, Marie Stanford, Jim Smith, Rory Turnbull, Monica Walsh, Paul White, Tilby Marie Williams

ANNIVERSARIES: Carl McLennan, Chris Dodd, George Wisemantel

RECENTLY DECEASED:

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



PARISH CALENDAR

MONDAY 30TH DECEMBER

1.45 pm Prayer for Priests

TUESDAY 31ST DECEMBER

9.30 am H'ton Liturgy of Word + Com
10.00am Women's Prayer Grp-Old Lib
10.30-11.30 am OB Church Open for
Prayer & Rosary
9.30-11 am T&W Library Open
12.00 pm Men's Bible Study Grp
5.30pm Taree Mass

WEDNESDAY 1ST JANUARY

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

8.50 am T MMP Prayer for Priests
9.30 am Taree Mass

THURSDAY 2ND JANUARY

9.30 am Taree Mass
2.30pm Christian Meditation Group

FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY

**9.00 am Taree Liturgy of the Word
+Communion**
9.30 am Taree Exposition
3.00 pm OB Exposition & MMP

SATURDAY 4TH JANUARY

11am-12pm Taree Reconciliation
5.30pm Taree Rosary
6.00pm Taree Mass
6.00pm Harrington SCAE

SUNDAY 5TH JANUARY

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7.00 am Old Bar Rosary
7.30 am Old Bar Mass
6.50 am Wingham Rosary
7.00 am Wingham Reconciliation
7.30 am Wingham Mass
9.00 am Taree Rosary
9.30 am Taree Mass
6.00 pm Cundletown Mass



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ANNA'S WIDOWS GROUP will meet for lunch at 12 o'clock on Sunday, 5th January at the Sailing Club.

COUNT TEAM ROSTERS for 2020 have been prepared and available for collection from the sacristy.



*from Fr George,
Lorrie, and Jenny*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR 2019/2020

The office closes at 4.00pm on Friday 20th December and will reopen 9.00am to 12.00pm on Thursday 2nd January 2020.



Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
In you we contemplate the splendour of true love, To you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, Grant that our families too, May be places of communion and prayer, Authentic schools of the Gospel And small domestic Churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, May families never again Experience violence, rejection and division: May all who have been hurt or scandalised Find ready healing and comfort. Holy Family of Nazareth, Make us more mindful Of the sacredness and inviolability of the family And its beauty in God's plan.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE AND WINGHAM SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

2020: Parents or Carers of children turning 8 in 2020 or older who would like their children to make their Sacraments in 2020 are advised that the programme will commence on 27th February 2020 with an INTRODUCTION TO SACRAMENTS session for parents. This will be held on Thursday the 27th of February at 7pm in the Resource Centre next to the Catholic Church in Taree. Instruction for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion will proceed throughout the year and children can make all or some of the Sacraments during this time. Inquiries to Monica McMullen 65536271 OR 0402306819.

NEW YEARS DAY MASS Wednesday 1st JANUARY 2019

9.30am Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree