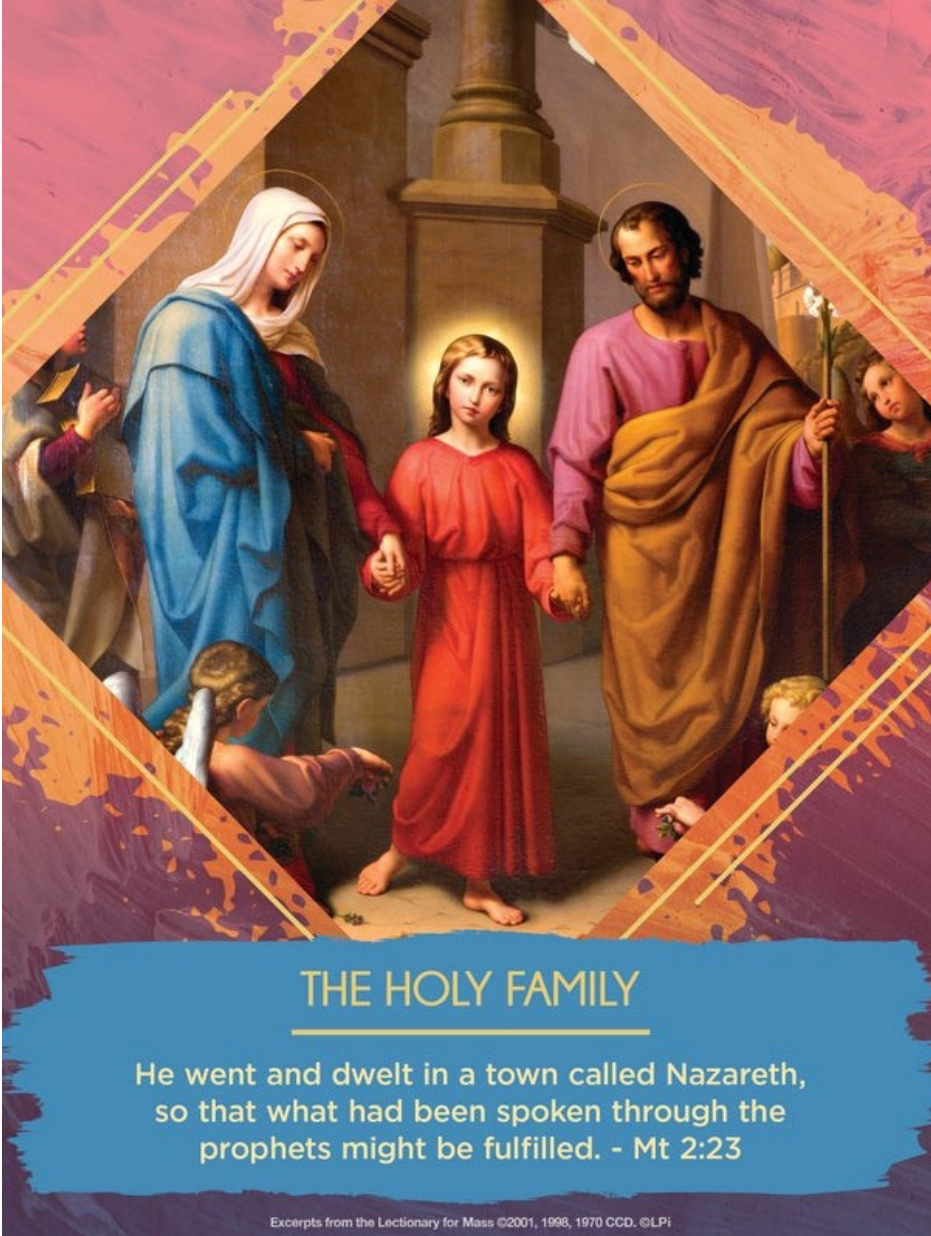


ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

DECEMBER 28, 2025

"FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS"



MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday & Friday | 8:30 am

St. Joseph

Tuesday & Thursday | 8:30

St. Francis

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's

Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis

10:30 am St Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's

Sunday | 8 am St Francis

Or by appointment

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We, the Roman Catholic community
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ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday (Dec. 27)**

MaryLou Lockyer +By Christine Lockyer
 Clara Walendziak +By Cassidy Von Steppins
 Helen Pawling +Ann Sargalis

Sunday (Dec. 28)

James Migil +By Theresa Migil
 Diane LaDue +Cheryl & Richard Palmer
 Kathleen & Joseph Weaken +Tony & Terry Russell

Monday (Dec. 29) No Mass

Friday (Jan. 2) No Mass

Saturday (Jan. 3)

Parish Family of St. Joseph

Sunday (Jan. 4)

Bill Herba +Gary & Pat Herba

The red Sanctuary Candle burns all week to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize our candle at either parish for a week for a deceased loved one, a living person or a special intention. The Intention and Donor's names will be published in our weekly bulletin.

The suggested donation for the 7-day candle is \$20.

All submissions must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the week you are requesting to accommodate bulletin printing deadlines. Please call the office for scheduling requests.

ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday (Dec. 28)**

Lucille Javino &
 Deceased members of
 Howell family +Margaret Howell

Tuesday (Dec. 30)

Jose Maria Segura +Fr. Jun Segura

Thursday (Jan. 1)

Parsh Family of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (Jan. 4)

Parish Family of St. Francis of Assisi

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE: December 28, 2025

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20). First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear. May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence. @LPi

Readings for the week of December 21, 2025

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/

Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Observances for the week of Dec. 21, 2025

Sunday: The Holy Family

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve

Thursday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace

Friday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord
 ©LPi

HOLY FAMILY

St. Joseph

Mass Intentions:

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by stopping into or calling the office. Mass cards are available for the living, deceased & for healing; Masses provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of special occasions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary
 1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary
 1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
 1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 1 pm Rosary Society Meeting
 Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall
 2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
 Jan. 1 Thursday—Mass SF 8:30 AM; SJ 10:30 AM
 Jan. 2, 2026, Mar. 6, 2026: Adoration, SF at 6:00 PM
 Jan.31 ~ Filipinos Sponsored Gathering: Mass 11am,
 pot luck to follow.
 July 16, 17, 18 2026 ~ SJ Annual Summer Festival

Fr. Jun will be in the Philippines for home vacation from December 10 to January 15, 2026(Weekday Masses will be livestreamed if WiFi will be available)

St. Francis

Pastoral Care:

If you know of someone who is ill & needs to have communion at home or in hospital, please call the office, so a pastoral minister knows to visit them.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

God's GPS Never Fails

I use GPS wherever I go, and it serves me well most of the time. However, sometimes it leads me to a place that does not exist. Then there are those times when I am about to turn, and the man inside my phone shouts out, "GPS signal lost!" or "Rerouting!" The problem is, when the area is unfamiliar to me, I have no choice but to listen. I could try to get where I am going by simple intuition or by pulling over to look at a paper map, but I don't trust my sense of direction. And I haven't bought a paper map in close to a decade!

Many people move through life without any direction. They find themselves constantly rerouting and wondering when they will ever get to a satisfying final destination. What they need is a compass and a companion for the journey. Yet they have no idea how to get either.

Prayer can serve as a compass, and it connects us to a companion for the journey. Stewardship living is impossible without prayer. If we count on our own will and believe we can become fruitful without daily contact with the Divine, we can find ourselves looking for directions more than moving toward a destination. God, through prayer, will help us see all we have as a gift. God, through prayer, will lead us away from materialism and selfishness and toward freedom and generosity. Even when we fall to sin, the path back is clearer. God's GPS signal is never really lost.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

SF:8:30 AM

SJ: 10:30 AM

New Year's Day Mass

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July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

*"Remember where your treasure is,
 your heart is also."
 Matthew 6:21*

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12/13& 12/14

SJ 4 / 10:30

SF 8:30

Attendance

50/ 98

118

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MARY, MOTHER
OF GOD



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