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December 31st, 2017 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (p60 in Red Missal)
Extraordinary Form: Sunday in the Octave of Christmas (p212 in Black Missal)

Father Illo was unable to write his laptop this week during our busy Christmas schedule. So in its stead is an article by Bishop Robert Barron on the Family in honor of this week's Feast, *The Holy Family*.

"God Joins Our Dysfunctional Family"

The Gospel reading for the Mass of Christmas day is taken from the prologue of John's Gospel, and it includes what is probably the best-known line of the New Testament: "and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." God's Word became flesh, entering into the temporality, finitude, muck and mud of our human condition. This incarnation of God is the hinge on which the whole of Christianity turns. To get a further feel for the texture of it, I would suggest that we turn from the prologue of John to the prologue of Matthew. The opening lines of Matthew's Gospel—and hence the first words that one reads in the New Testament—are a listing of the genealogy of Jesus, the 42 generations that stretch from Abraham to Christ. If the Word truly became flesh, then God had, not only a mother, but also a grandmother, cousins, great-aunts, and weird uncles. If the Word truly dwelt among us, then he was part of a family that, like most, was fairly dysfunctional, a mix of the good and bad, the saintly and the sinful, the glorious and the not so glorious. And this is such good news for us.

Let me highlight just a few figures from Jesus' family tree. Matthew tells us that the Messiah was descended from Jacob, a great patriarch and hero of Israel, and also a man who wrestled with God. In a lyrical passage from the 32nd chapter of the book of Genesis, we hear that Jacob struggled all night with the Lord and was wounded permanently in the process. I imagine that there are some reading these words who have wrestled all their lives with God, questioning, doubting, wondering, struggling mightily with the Lord, perhaps even bearing spiritual wounds as a conse-

quence. Well, the Messiah came forth from Jacob and was pleased to be a relative of this fighter. Matthew's genealogy informs us that Ruth was an ancestor of the Lord. Ruth was not an Israelite, but rather a Moabite, a foreigner. She married into an Israelite family, and even after her husband died, she remained loyal to her mother-in-law, returning with her to the town of Bethlehem, where she eventually married Boaz and became the mother of Jesse, who in turn became the father of King David. I would be willing to bet that there are some reading these words who have felt all their lives like outsiders, not part of the "in" crowd, perhaps looked at askance by others. Well, the Messiah came forth from Ruth the foreigner and was pleased to be her relative.

And we should say a word about Ruth's famous grandson, who is mentioned prominently in the genealogy. David was, it could be argued, the greatest figure in the Old Testament. He was the slayer of Goliath, the king who united Israel and formed her into a great power, a man of intense prayer and piety, the composer of psalms, and an incomparable warrior. But he was also a murderer and an adulterer. Re-read that devastating account of David's seduction of Bathsheba from the second book of Samuel to get the details. I'm sure that there are some reading these words who feel a bit like David. Perhaps you're a person of great success, power, and influence...who harbors a secret sin. Perhaps you've abused your power in order to freeze out someone who was threatening you or to demean someone whom you envied. Maybe you've done worse. Well, the Messiah came forth from David and was pleased to be a relative of that deeply ambiguous character.

If preserving Jesus' respectability was Matthew's goal, he would certainly have found a way to eliminate the name of Rahab from

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Our mission statement:
*to evangelize God's people
beginning with the gift of the
Holy Eucharist.*

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Office: M-F 8:30am-4:00pm.
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for Mass.

Weekend Masses

Sat Vigil 4:30pm, Sun 8am,
9:30am, 11:30 am (Latin),
5pm (Latin), 7:30pm

Adoration

Tues. 8:30am 'til Saturday
4pm, Tuesday 7-8pm, Every
2nd Sunday 3:15-4:15pm

Daily Masses

Monday to Friday
7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon
Saturday 8:30am

Social Events

Parish BBQ: First
Sundays Young Adults
Tuesdays 7pm

Holy Day Masses

7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon,
5:30pm, 6:30pm (Latin
with choir)

Devotions to Jesus

Sacred Heart First
Friday after Noon Mass,
Divine Mercy Saturday

Confessions

15 Minutes before every
Mass, Saturday 3:15-4:15 or
by appointment

Devotions to Mary

Perpetual Help Wednesday
after Noon Mass. Fatima First
Saturday after 8:30am Mass

NEWS

- Bishop Barron's article continued from the front page -

the genealogy. As you recall from the book of Joshua, Rahab was a prostitute living and working in Jericho at the time of the Israelite conquest of the promised land. When Joshua sent spies into the city, Rahab hid and protected them. As a consequence, when the entire city was destroyed and the people put to the sword, Rahab and her family were spared. Are there people reading these words who feel like Rahab? Who think that their whole lives have been sunk in sin, who have become unrecognizable to themselves? Well, the Messiah came forth from Rahab the prostitute, and he was pleased to be her relative. And Matthew mentions Abiud, Zadok, and Azor as ancestors of Jesus. Who were they? No one really knows. Their identities and accomplishments are lost in the mists of history. I'd be willing to bet that there are some reading this article who feel like those forgotten figures: unsung, unaccomplished, unknown. Well, the Messiah was pleased to become a member of those nobodies Abiud, Zadok, and Azor.

The good news of Christmas is that God himself pushed into the dysfunctional and ambiguous family of man. And he continues to join us, even though we, like so many of his Israelite ancestors, are unworthy of him. Like them, we are flawed, compromised, half-finished. But he becomes our brother anyway. That's the amazing grace of the Incarnation.

By Bishop Robert Barron, January 22, 2009

Eucharistic Adorer

"Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament we shall accomplish nothing"

- St. Peter

Eucharistic Adoration is open from 8am on Tuesdays - 4pm on Saturdays. Adoration is in the Church during the day from 8am - 5pm and reposed during Masses. All other hours Jesus is exposed in the side Chapel. Please visit our Adoration information table outside the Chapel in the West Entrance of the Church and consider signing up for a weekly hour. All are welcome!

2018 Choir Rehearsals

Mondays (weekly)
6-6:45 pm - Children's Choir

7-8 pm - Latin Men's Schola
(Men Only)

8-9:30 pm - Latin Mixed Schola / 5pm Latin Mass

Tuesdays (weekly)
7-9 pm - Latin Mixed Schola

Thursdays (every other week)
7-9 pm - Latin Mixed Schola

Fridays (weekly)
5:45-7 pm - English Mixed Schola

Sundays (weekly)
1-1:45 pm - Children's Choir

3:30-4:45 pm - Latin Mixed Schola / 5pm Latin Mass



PSR Christmas Pageant

New Year's Eve Ball

Come celebrate the new year and dance the night away! December 31st 7pm - 1am. Tickets are \$12, children 10 and under free. Open to all parishioners and friends. Tickets will be sold after the 11:30am Mass, or please come by the Parish Office. For more information email oliviar421@gmail.com

Walk for Life-Speaker Series

Get ready for January BIG events!

This year's 14th Annual West Coast Walk for Life will be held on Saturday January 27 at 12:30pm, beginning downtown at the Civic Center. Do not miss this opportunity to see community in the streets of San Francisco. It is a peaceful and inspiring walk to see so many come out every year to support women. Afterwards we will have a **Free BBQ** at 5:00pm in Auditorium, followed by this season's: **Star Speaker Series** given by the **Sisters of Life**. Their talk will be held at 6pm, in the Church, with a **Holy Hour** at 7pm.

Want to Know More about Being Catholic?

Come to our RCIA classes every other Monday at 6:30pm in the Parish Offices. Our next class will be on January 8th after the Holidays on The Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. We have light refreshments and fellowship before all classes.

Communion and Liberation

Communion and Liberation (CL) is an ecclesial lay movement whose purpose is to educate and develop Christian maturity, and to collaborate in the mission of the Church in all the spheres of contemporary life. CL meets on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the Saint Francis Room. Contact: Maria Elena Monzani: monzani@gmail.com

PRAYER

12/15	Time	Intention
Sat 12/30	8:30am 4:30pm	+William R. Whelan Int. of Celestino & Sonia Calupad (50th wedd. anniv) +Eugene Sallaberia
Sun 12 /31	8am 9:30am 11:30am	+Frank Josefix, Jr. Int. of Francis & Jenny Chow Int. of Celia Puff for Carmen Luque
Mon 1/01	8:00am 9:30am 11:30am	+Pedro & Virginia Martin Int. of Susan & Linda Tam Int. of President Trump & Family +Manuel J. Suarez
Tue 1/02	7:30am 12Noon	Int. of Mary Jenkins +Jeannot Zago
Wed 1/03	7:30am 12Noon	Int. of Mary Jenkins Int. of Holy Name Society +Eleonora Sarinas
Thu 1/04	7:30am 12Noon	Int. of Mary Jenkins +Luigi Dreon
Fri 1/05	7:30am 12Noon	Int. of Mary Jenkins +Eleonora Sarinas
Sat 1/06	8:30am 4:30pm	Int. of Puri Abesamis Int. of Francis & Jenny Chow Int. of Larry Crandall

Please pray for ...
Fr. John
McDermott, Ron
Howes, Leoni
Pryor, Billy
Kennedy, Jenny &
Francis Chow,
Blanca Barahona,
Valerie Chicas,
Valerie Abejuro
Miller, Raquel
Pasco, Sis. Theresa
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Talpas, Matthew
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Manuel Sequeira, Evelyn Gan, Tessie So, Mary Guy,
Beradi Wang, Suzane Wang, Rosa Lee, Tina Sanchez,
Janice Alden Tom Schatz, Luz King, Connie Abordo, Jean
Brock, David Glennon, Jennifer Bolla, Dave Vanskiver

Mass Schedule

New Years Eve:

11:30-12:30am Holy Hour with Benediction

Solemnity of The Mother of God Masses (Jan. 1)

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am Latin

First Saturday Devotions

We will be devoting ourselves as a parish every 1st
Saturday of the month. The devotion consists of these 4
points:

- Confession
- Holy Communion
- Rosary
- 15 minute Meditation

Come January 6th to 8:30am Mass and stay for the rosary
afterwards.

EVENTS

Sunday December 31, **New Years Eve Holy Hour** 11:30pm - 12:30am in the Church

Sunday December 31 **New Years Eve Party** 7pm-1am in the Auditorium

Monday January 1, **Solemnity of the Mother of God**

Tuesday January 2, **Bible Study** at 3:00pm at the Parish Office. Call (650) 660-4546 to RSVP

Tuesday January 2, **Holy Hour** at 7pm in the Church to pray for the intentions of everyone at the parish and school

Tuesday January 2, **Young Adults Fellowship** after 7pm Holy Hour in the West Entrance of the Church and then to a local pub to be determined.

Thursday January 4, **Pro-Life Group** at 7pm prays outside Planned Parenthood on Valencia St.

Friday January 5, **Communion and Liberation** at 7pm in the St. Francis Room

Saturday January 6, **First Saturday Devotions** 8:30am

Saturday January 6, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Sunday January 7, **The Epiphany of the Lord**

Monday January 8, **RCIA Class** 6:30pm in the Parish Office.

Tuesday January 9, **Young Adults Fellowship** after 7pm Holy Hour in the West Entrance of the Church and then watch the movie "The Desire of the Everlasting Hills" in the St. Francis Room.

Saturday January 13, **Slavic Winter Fest Concert** 8pm in the Church \$20 tickets

Monday January 15, **Office Closed - MLK Day**

Saturday January 20, **Mother's Group** meet after the 8:30am Mass in the Parish office.

Monday January 22, **RCIA Class** 6:30pm in the Parish Office.

Saturday January 27, **West Coast Walk for Life** 12:30pm, downtown Civic Center

Saturday January 27, **Free BBQ**, 5:00pm in Auditorium

Saturday January 27, **Star Speaker Series - Sisters of Life**, 6pm, Holy Hour at 7pm in the Church

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is a way of life, a life of accountability and responsibility acknowledging God as Creator and Giver of all. **Stewardship** involves responsible management of our God-given resources of **Time** (that is, time spent in prayer before God), **Talent** (our God-given abilities), and **Treasure** (our God-given wealth). Stewards as disciples of Jesus Christ see themselves as caretakers of all God's gifts.

Bible Study

Don't know a lot about the Bible? Come be inspired by the very academic Mary Ann Eiler every Tuesday class at 3:30pm in the Parish Office.

Mother's Group

Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month after the 8:30am Mass in the Parish Office. Come meet other moms who want friendship, advice and spiritual growth.

Office Closed

The Office will be closed Monday, January 1. Happy New Year! and Monday, January 15th.

Steward Stats



Time: 9 Masses were said last weekend. Plus an added night of adoration on Christmas



Talent: 340 sandwiches were made for the homeless by the Junior Legion of Mary and PSR.



Treasure: \$7,381 given in Offertory. \$12,400 for the Christmas Offertory.

Estate Planning: Help our work live on. Please remember us in your will. For information on estate planning, please contact Martin Ford at the parish office.



Serving the Homeless with the MCs

Knights of Columbus

Join our fellowship for men at Star of the Sea. They meet monthly. For more information contact Bud Fera at budzilla885@yahoo.com

Apply to Star

Star of the Sea School is currently accepting applications for 2018-2019 school year! Please visit or contact Principal Theresa Poon for more information. 415.221.8558

Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Archdiocese of San Francisco will offer our annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on February 3, 10:00am, at the Cathedral. All couples celebrating '5 year anniversaries' (5 years, 10, 15... 35, 40) or over 40 years, in 2018, are invited to celebrate with us. Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will be the principal celebrant. Register at www.anniversarymass.net

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Parishioner Registration

Please place this in the offertory basket

- ☐ New Parishioner
- ☐ New Information

Name

Phone

Email

☐ FULL ☐ ASSOCIATE