

OUR LADY OF OSTRABRAMA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST - MASS

Weekdays: 8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday, Saturday
Saturday Evenings: 5:30 pm
Sundays: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am
Holy Days Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm
Day: 8:30 am; 7:00 pm (Polish)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or at other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Each Sunday during Mass at 11:00 am. Call earlier to the Rectory to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Marriages are to be scheduled at least six months in advance by interview with a parish priest. Pre-Cana conferences are required (online trainings are invalid).

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: During Mass at 8:30 am on First Saturday of the Month.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to be brought to the home.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Last Thursday of the month 7pm; First Friday, 9:00 am;

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass at 8:30 am

The Holy Family

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple,
sitting in the midst of the teachers,
listening to them and asking them questions.

Luke 2:46

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, December 25th THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



8:00am+Christmas Novena; Cynthia Steposky
9:30am (Polish)Christmas Novena
11:00am (Family Mass)Christmas Novena

5:30pmChristmas Novena

SUNDAY, December 26th THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8:00am +Christmas Novena
9:30am(Polish) Christmas Novena
11am (Family Mass) +Christmas Novena; For Parishioners & Benefactors

MONDAY, December 27th *St John, Apostle & Evangelist* 8:30am +Christmas Novena

TUESDAY, December 28th *The Holy Innocents* 8:30am +Christmas Novena



WEDNESDAY, December 29th No Mass

THURSDAY, December 30th 8:30am +Christmas Novena

FRIDAY, December 31st 8:30am +Christmas Novena

FIRST SATURDAY, January 1st THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

New Years Day
8:00am +Christmas Novena
9:30am Christmas Novena
11:00am Christmas Novena
5:30pm +Christmas Novena



SUNDAY, January 2nd EPIPHANY

8:00am + Christmas Novena
9:30am (Polish) Christmas Novena
11am (Family Mass) Christmas Novena

The child
grew to maturity



and was
filled with wisdom

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Hannah gives her son Samuel back to the LORD, leaving him in the temple at Shiloh: "As long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD" (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28)

Psalm — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord (Psalm 84)

Second Reading — We are children of God when we believe in the name of God's Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us(1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24)

Gospel — Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions (Luke 2:41-52).

Reflection question:

How can I imitate the Holy Family this week?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. amen

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

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Jesus said to his parents,
“Why were you looking for me?
Did you not know that I
must be in my Father’s house?”

Luke 2:49



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It wasn't at all what Mary and Joseph expected their life to be like. Almost from the beginning, there were indications that something extraordinary was at work: Mary's angelic annunciation; Joseph's strange dream; the puzzling words of Simeon and Anna in the Temple. And now this: during Mary and Joseph's annual Passover journey to Jerusalem, the discovery that their son Jesus was lost—and even when he was found, they didn't totally recognize their twelve-year-old boy. Today's feast of the Holy Family reminds us of the perplexities and promise of family life. The mystery of “the Word made flesh” becomes very tangible indeed in the routines and foibles of family life—our Christmas gatherings were likely unmistakable reminders of that! From the pure flesh of a newborn child to the wizened flesh of a beloved grandmother, families are ground zero for glimpsing the wondrous mystery of the Incarnation.

DID YOU NOT KNOW?

A child's first words are usually a source of excitement and joy for family members. Today we hear the first words of Jesus in the Gospel according to Luke. And they are challenging ones. “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?” The words *astounded*, *astonished*, and *great anxiety* are used to describe Jesus' extended visit to the Temple. How familiar those emotions are to most parents! Had Jesus' parents forgotten the angel Gabriel's words or the prophecy of Simeon? In Luke's Gospel this passage foreshadows Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem where he will experience his own Passover and again be “lost” for three days. The story of Hannah in the first reading confirms the need and nature of trusting in God's activity in our lives. It seems clear that faithful attention to a family's spiritual life is no guarantee that life will be free from hardship.

EMMANUEL: GOD IS WITH US

Could Tolstoy have gotten it wrong when he wrote that all happy families are alike and that unhappy families are each unhappy in their own way? It seems that the opposite is equally true. Because happy families foster the unique talents and interests of each member, each person shines according to their own lights. A happy family's faith, goals, and challenges will be uniquely their own. Unhappy families, on the other hand, might look very similar in their woundedness, their fears and confrontations, and their tendency to give negative interpretations to another's actions.

It is tempting to conclude that family life today is more problematic than ever. It might be reassuring to learn that the feast of the Holy Family was added to the Church's universal calendar because of Pope Leo XIII's concern for the state of family life—one hundred years ago! During this season of Christmas when families are everywhere, we welcome Emmanuel—the God who has pitched his tent among us. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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FIRST SATURDAY JANUARY 1ST ANNOINTING OF THE SICK AT 8:30AM MASS

The Essential Elements of Devotion—With the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart, we are asked to:

1. Go to confession (Can be within 8 days before or after the First Saturday)
2. Receive Holy Communion (If there is no Saturday Mass or
3. Pray five decades of the Rosary
4. Keep Our Lady company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary.
5. Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.



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