

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH TATURA

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We acknowledge the Yorta Yorta nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, as they have occupied and cared for this country for many generations. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of this region.



Readings
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Weekday Year 1

Parish Pastoral Council

In recess until further notice 2018

As Christ's disciples our mission is:

- to be inspired by Christ
- to actively live out Christ's message and the Gospel values by respecting, celebrating and honouring our Catholic traditions
- to provide welcome and sanctuary for all
- to foster a sense of social justice and to protect, nurture and support our Catholic community and the wider community by respecting life, self, others and the environment.

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH 30-12-2018



Family is where progress in the Christian life, the way of ordinary holiness, can find its raw material. Whether we choose to respond to grace - and develop the eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts to accept the hidden invitations to learn to love beneath the surface of that daily stuff - is all wrapped up in the mystery of human freedom. Our choices not only affect the world around us, they make us become the people we will become.

CHESAPEAKE, Va. (Catholic Online) - During the Octave (eight days) of Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. The significance of the Feast becomes much more meaningful when we consider the deeper truths it reveals. Yes, it teaches us about Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. But it also speaks to each one of us how to live differently in our own families, make Jesus Christ the center of our life together.

Through our Baptism, we are invited to live our lives in Jesus Christ by living them in the Church - which is the Risen Body of Christ, continuing His redemptive mission. The Church is the place where we learn, as the Apostle Paul reminded the Colossian Christians, to "put on love, that is, the bond of perfection". (Col. 3:14)

The Church, as sacrament and sign, mediates and reveals the Lord's life to us, in the Word proclaimed and the Sacraments communicated. Jesus has been raised from the dead. The head and the Body cannot be separated. He continues his ministry through His Church. As the Catechism states with such simplicity and profundity "The Church in this world is the sacrament of salvation, the sign and the instrument of the communion of God and men." (CCC# 780)

<https://www.catholic.org/news/national/story.php?id=53708>

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	31 Dec	No Mass
Tuesday	1 Jan	No Mass
Wednesday	2 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Thursday	3 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Friday	4 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Saturday	5 Jan	6:00 pm Mass
Sunday	6 Jan	9:30 am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	5 Jan	11:30 am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes before Weekday Mass	
DECEMBER/JANUARY DIARY DATES		
Mon	31 Dec	
Tue	1 Jan	Mary, Mother of God
Wed	2 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Thur	3 Jan	Holy Name of Jesus 9:15 am Mass
Fri	4 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Sat	5 Jan	6:00 pm Mass
Sun	6 Jan	Epiphany of Our Lord 9:30 am Mass
Mon	7 Jan	
Tue	8 Jan	
Wed	9 Jan	9:15 am Anointing Mass 5:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting
Thur	10 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Fri	11 Jan	9:15 am Mass
Sat	12 Jan	6:00 pm mass
Sun	13 Jan	Baptism of Christ 9:30 am Mass

Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Counter
5 th Jan Sat 6:00 pm	Mary Gale	Shelia Gregg	Doreen Corrigan	Hutchinson Family	J Webster A Ciavarella A Hutchinson	Gwen Ranson
6 th Jan Sun 9:30 am	Lou Kerrins	Maria Spedding	Debbie Turvey	Paul & Ella Kerrins	G Ranson S De Lai J De Lai	

1 Sam 1:20-22,24-28 or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Isaiah 60:1-6



Readings for this week:
1 John 3:1-2,21-24 or Colossians 3:12-21
Luke 2:41-52



Readings for next Sunday
Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6
Matthew 2:1-12



Liturgical Jottings

Holy Family Hymns

The Sunday between Christmas and New Year is the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. It is one of the feasts of Christmas, so singing carols is appropriate. Hymnals specify a few hymns for this Feast, namely: "Once in Royal David's City"; "Child of Mercy"; (David Haas, 1991 GIA) and "He Came Down" (traditional Cameroon hymn, arranged by John Bell).

Hymns and carols for the feast of the Epiphany are more numerous, "The First Nowell", "We Three Kings" (important to sing all the verses, lest a gift gets left behind); "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; and "Song of the Epiphany" (Brian Moors OCP). Other hymns that express the Light of Christ, and All Nations are also well suited.

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Looking at the Readings

The optional readings for the feast of the Holy Family provide us an opportunity to reflect on 'family values' in a slightly different way. Here the pivotal theme is the union that we enjoy with God, a union of love that makes us children of God, members of the family of God. All other families find meaning and inspiration in this fundamental gathering. The stories of Hannah, Elkanah, and Samuel as well as Mary, Joseph and Jesus are examples of how the plan of God unfolds within the everyday occurrences of family life.

It is out of love that we are called to be children of God. As children of God, we are also joined to God's own Son, who has commanded us to love one another as God has loved all. If we are faithful to that commandment, Christ remains in us. We are bound to Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The human family plays a significant role in the fashioning of the broader family of God. The larger family that God initiates is specified in unique historical families, as strange and as complex as those family relationships may be, with their joys and sorrows, their barrenness and their fruitfulness. There is no way of separating this human family and the broader people of God. The plan of God does not unfold in a vacuum, but in the everyday family situations that include separation and misunderstanding as well as joy and celebration. © Dianne Bergant CSS.

Quote for the Day

The home of Nazareth is the school where we begin to understand the life of Jesus – the school of the Gospel. The first lesson we learn here is to look, to listen, to meditate and penetrate the meaning – at once so deep and so mysterious – of this very simple, very humble and very beautiful manifestation of the Son of God. Perhaps we learn, even imperceptibly, the lesson of imitation. *by St Pope Paul VI given at Nazareth 6 January 1964*

On a Lighter Note

One night a boy asks his father a question: "Daddy, how much do you make an hour?" The father is surprised and says: "Don't bother me now." But he persists. The father finally replies: "\$50." "Okay, Daddy," the boy continues, "Could you loan me \$25?" The father yells at him: "No, go to sleep and don't bother me again!" The father, feeling guilty, goes to his son's room. "Sorry I spoke to you harshly, here's the money you asked for earlier," The boy says. "Thanks, Daddy! I now have \$50! Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?"



