



HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Doveton

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Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil.... 6.30pm

Sunday..... 9.30am

.....11.00am

Healing Mass.....7.00pm

Spanish Mass

4.30pm Saturday.

Weekday Masses

Monday..... 9.15am

Tuesday..... 9.15am

Wednesday..... 7.00pm

Thursday..... 9.15am

Friday..... 9.15am

Saturday..... 9.15am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.45-10.15am

.....6.00- 6.25pm

Tuesday 9.45- 10.15am

Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament:

Every Tuesday after Mass

Every Thursday at 8.00am

Every First Friday all day

Novena to Our Lady

Wednesday.....7.00pm

Prayer Meeting:

Tuesday.....7.30pm

Baptisms, Marriages:

Speak with Fr. Michael.

Church weddings only.

No Parks or reception centres.

In other Catholic churches

For practising parishioners only

Funerals

We do our best to fit in with

your wishes. We prefer not to

Have viewings in the church.

Hall may be available for

hire on Sunday afternoons.

For cost, and availability

ring parish office.

Parish-website

holyfamilydoveton.org.au.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH 29th DECEMBER 2019

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

On this, the Sunday within the Octave of Christmas, we honor the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In honoring them, we also honor all families, big or small. And in honoring all families, we honor the family of God, the Church. But most especially, we focus in on the hidden, day-to-day life of the Holy Family of Nazareth.

What was it like to live day in and day out in the household of St. Joseph? What was it like to have Jesus for a son, Mary as a wife and mother, and Joseph as a father and husband?

Their home would have certainly been a sacred place and a dwelling of true peace and unity.

But it would have also been so much more.

The family home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph would have been, in numerous ways, just like any other home. They would have related together, talked, had fun, disagreed, worked, eaten, dealt with problems, and encountered everything else that makes up daily family life.

Of course, the virtues of Jesus and Mary were perfect, and St. Joseph was a truly "just man."

Therefore, the overriding characteristic of their home would have been love.

But with that said, their family would not have been exempt from daily toil, hurt and challenges that face most families. For example, they would have encountered the death of loved ones, St. Joseph most likely passed away prior to Jesus' public ministry. They would have encountered misunderstanding and gossip from others. They would have had to fulfill all daily chores, earn a living, put food on the table, attend gatherings of family and friends and the like. They would have lived normal family life in every way.

This is significant because it reveals God's love for family life. The Father allowed His Divine Son to live this life and, as a result, elevated family life to a place within the Trinity. The holiness of the Holy Family reveals to us that every family is invited to share in God's divine life and to encounter ordinary daily life with grace and virtue.

Reflect, today, upon your own family life. Some families are strong in virtue, some struggle with basic communication. Some are faithful day in and day out, some are broken and deeply wounded. No matter the case, know that God wants to enter more deeply into your family life just as it is right now. He desires to give you strength and virtue to live as the Holy Family. Surrender yourself and your family, this day, and invite the Triune God to make your family a holy family.

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This Week

Euch: Lynette Francis, Gerald D'Cruz, Bernadette

Reading: Lynette F, Larissa B, David Naidoo Jnr, David Naidoo Snr,
Sachin P, Priyanka P

Readings: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Next Week

Danny McCormick, Michael D'Costa, Lindsay Sant

Mavis B, Cathy M, Phillip P, David Naidoo Snr,
Andrew R

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3; Mt 2:1-12

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NOTICES

Healing Mass:

Every Sunday evening at 7.00pm.

Catechism Classes

For State school children on Thursdays at 4.00pm in the Small Hall.

Legion of Mary:

Every Tuesday at 10:45am
Venue: Small hall

Youth Group

Fridays 7.00pm in the small hall.

Parish Prayer Group

Meets every Tuesday at 7.00pm -8.30pm in the Big Hall. New parishioners are always welcome.

New Year Services:

31st Dec. Thanksgiving Adoration 11PM
01st Jan. New Year Mass 12AM
01st Jan New Year Mass 10AM

Christmas break:

The Parish office will be closed from the 24th of December to the 2nd January. Kindly note that the emails will still be accessed incase you need to get in touch.

Email: doveton@cam.org.au

Saturday Mass:

There will not be Saturday morning Mass on the following dates:

Dec 28th & Jan 4th

Healing Masses:

There will not be Sunday 7pm healing Masses from **Jan 5th to Feb 9th, 2020.** There will be a special Mass and healing service held on **Jan 19th at 7pm.**

READINGS

MONDAY

1 Jn 2:12-17;
Lk 2:36-40

TUESDAY

1 Jn 2:18-21;
Jn 1:1-18

WEDNESDAY

**MARY the Holy
MOTHER OF
GOD**

Num 6:22-27;
Gal 4:4-7;
Lk 2:16-21

THURSDAY

**Sts Basil the
Great
And Gregory**

1 Jn 2:22-28;
Jn 1:19-28

FRIDAY

1 Jn 2:29-3:6;
Jn 1:29-34

SATURDAY

1 Jn 3:7-10;
Jn 1:35-42

SUNDAY

**The
EPIPHANY
Of the LORD**

Is 60:1-6;
Eph 3:2-3, 5-6;
Mt 2:1-12

Novena Prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bless me and grant me the grace of loving Holy Church as I should, above every earthly thing, and of ever showing my love by deeds.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bless me and grant me the grace of openly professing as I should, with courage and without human respect, the faith that I received as your gift in holy Baptism.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bless me and grant me the grace of sharing as I should in the defense and propagation of the Faith when duty calls, whether by word or by the sacrifice of my possessions and my life.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bless me and grant me the grace of loving my family and others in mutual charity as I should, and establish us in perfect harmony of thought, will, and action, under the rule and guidance of the shepherds of the Church.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, bless me and grant me the grace of conforming my life fully as I should to the commandments of God's law and those of His Holy Church, so as to live always in that charity which they set forth.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I ask in particular this special favor:
(Mention your favor).

Dedication of One's Family:

Most loving Jesus, by Your sublime and beautiful virtues of humility, obedience, poverty, modesty, charity, patience, and gentleness, You blessed with peace and happiness the family which You chose on earth. In Your mercy look upon my family. We belong to You, for we have received Your many blessings over many years and we entrust ourselves to Your loving care.

Look upon my family in Your loving kindness, preserve us from danger, give us help in time of need, and grant us the grace to persevere to the end in imitation of Your holy Family, so that having revered You and loved You faithfully on earth, we may praise You eternally in heaven.

Mary, dearest Mother, to your intercession we have recourse, knowing that your Divine Son will hear your prayers. Glorious patriarch, Saint Joseph, help us by your powerful prayers and offer our prayers to Jesus through Mary's hands. Amen.

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