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Feast of the Holy Family

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Good morning from the Catholic Centre, this last Sunday, <sup>of the year of the 70's</sup> [last day of 1972]. In a few moments we will be beginning the Mass for today, which being the Sunday within Christmas week is observed as the Feast of the Holy Family. For you who are listening to this broadcast because you're ill today or cannot join with your fellow-Christians in community celebration this morning, we hope that being able to join in spirit with the people here will be a help to you and a consolation. Whatever your faith, or none, <sup>at</sup> on this <sup>ending of</sup> last day of the year | here's an invitation to think over the year that's just ending in your life, with gratitude to God. The readings of scripture in the first part of the Mass for today come from the O.T. Book of Ben Sirach, from the N.T. letter of St Paul to the Colossians, and from St Luk's gospel -- there's a common theme of family life and the growing together of a community of faith, hope and love. But before we hear the scriptures, there's an introductory rite of prayer, repentance and praise of God, in which the message of Christmas also is recalled. This preparation begins now, with the singing of an Entry Song as the priest and his assistants approach the altar and made a reverence.

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Intro.: Kyrie: Gloria: ORATIO

The Asembly Prayer for today's celebration and Festival. Everyone now sits down to listen to the first, O.T., reading; and this is followed by a mediation prayer from Ps 128.

**CREED.** After listening to the word of God in scripture, and the homily given by Fr <sup>John Russell</sup> Harold Naylor, celebrant of this Mass, all now stand to recite together a profession of faith in God, the Nicene Creed. <sup>A.J. Deignan</sup>

**OFFERT.** The Prayers of General Intercession <sup>family prayer of the level,</sup> conclude the first part of the Mass, which has been centred around the Word of God. Now at the altar the priest begins the preparation for the second part of the Mass, the Eucharist, with the Offertory rite: he takes the gifts of bread and wine, with a prayer and blessing over them., preparing them for the action and sacrament of the Eucharist, the Thanksgiving in which we recall and celebrate the great gift of God's love to us

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**PREFACE:** That formal Prayer over the Gifts ends the Offertory rite; and now begins the action and prayer of the Eucharist -- we will hear the special Preface for Christmastime, and the of the 4 Eucharistic Prayers.

**PER IPSUM:** That offering of prayer, worship and praise ends the Prayer of the Eucharist: now we begin the preparation for the sacrament of the Eucharist, reciting the Lord's prayer ~~along~~ together.

**COMMUNION:** At the altar, the priest receives the sacrament of the Eucharist, taking the Body and Blood of Christ in the sacred Host he eats and the chalice from which he drinks. After a few moments he'll come to the altar-rail to give Holy Communion to those of the congregation here who wish to receive and are now filing up to the front of the chape.

During the giving of Holy Communion, which will take some minutes, there is time for personal prayer and reflection; and you may like to join in spirit with the people here returning to their places with gratitude for the gift of God's love. [Meanwhile, a hymn for communion time]

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Comfort those who have no home, especially children who must live without father or mother. Lord, hear us.

May the families of this parish become like Christ and grow in maturity, wisdom and grace by living for each other. Lord, hear us.

**PRIEST :** Almighty God, you are the Father of all men and you want us to live together as a family. Help your people to love one another and to be patient with each other. May Christ's message of peace become a reality within our homes. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **ALL :** Amen.

#### Prayer Over the Gifts

**P.** Lord, accept our gifts, and through the prayers of Mary, the virgin mother of God, and of her husband Joseph, bring security and understanding to our families. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **ALL :** Amen.

#### Communion Song

**READER :** Our God appeared on earth. He lived with us.

**ALL SING :**

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1 A Boy is born in Beth-le-hem, al-le-lu-ia! Your

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King has come, Je-ru-sa-lem, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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Let grate-ful hearts now sing a song of joy and

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ho-ly praise to Christ our new-born King!

#### Prayer after Communion

**P.** Let us pray.

Father, we want to live as Jesus, Mary, and Joseph did, in peace with you and one another. May this communion strengthen us to face the troubles of this world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **ALL :** Amen.

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## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

(Sunday in the Octave of Christmas)

#### Entry Song

**READER :** The shepherds went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger.

**ALL SING :**

1. Praise to God in heav-en's heights. Peace on earth

2. Beth-le-hem, be glad and sing with the choir

3. See, the stars are shin-ing bright o'er the Son

4. Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace, Is-ra-el's

5. On the men of gen-tle will, peace He pours

1. and bless-ing, for to us a child is born,

2. of ang-els, for to-night the King of kings

3. of glo-ry. Shep-herds hear the heav'n-ly songs

4. own glo-ry, Christ, the ev-er-last-ing Lord,

5. and just-ice. On the path of right-eous-ness,

1. this night of great re-joic-ing. Praise to God in

2. is rest-ing in your man-ger. Beth-lè-hem, be

3. and ha-sten to the sta-ble. See, the stars are

4. Re-deem-er, long a-wait-ed. Hail, the heav'n-born

5. He leads them to the King-dom. On the men of

1. heav-en's heights. Peace on earth and bless-ing.

2. glad and sing with the choir of ang-els.

3. shin-ing bright o'er the Son of glo-ry.

4. Prince of Peace, Is-ra-el's own glo-ry.

5. gen-tle will, peace He pours and just-ice.

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### Opening Prayer

P. Let us pray.

Father, help us to live as the holy family, joined in respect and love; bring us to the joy and peace of our eternal home. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ALL : Amen.

### First Reading

**A reading from the Book of Sirach (3:2-6, 12-14)**

The Lord honoured the father above the children, and he confirmed the right of the mother over her sons. Whoever honours his father atones for sins, and whoever glorifies his mother is like one who lays up treasure. Whoever honours his father will be gladdened by his own children, and when he prays he will be heard. Whoever glorifies his father will have long life, and whoever obeys the Lord will refresh his mother. O son, help your father in his old age, and do not grieve him as long as he lives; even if he is lacking in understanding, show forbearance; in all your strength do not despise him. For kindness to a father will not be forgotten, and against your sins it will be credited to you. — This is the word of the Lord.

ALL : Thanks be to God.

### Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 128)

LEADER : Blessed is every one who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways! You shall eat the fruit of the labour of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall be well with you.

ALL : Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

LEADER : Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

ALL : Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

LEADER : Lo, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord. The Lord bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!

ALL : Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

### Second Reading

**A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians (3:12-21)**

Brethren: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the

peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as you teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. — This is the word of the Lord.

ALL : Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia (All stand)

READER SINGS : (Alleluia, Alleluia) ALL : (repeat)

READER : May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; and the fullness of his message live within you. ALL : (sing alleluia)

### Gospel

**A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke (2, 22, 39-40)**

ALL : Glory to you, O Lord.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. And when they had performed everything according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him. — This is the gospel of the Lord.

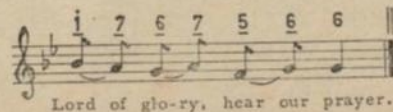
ALL : Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### General Intercessions

PRIEST : My dear friends, Jesus lived for all men, but he grew up in a family with Mary and Joseph. Let us ask God that we may know what it is to become a family and what it means to live as Christians.

READER : Through the love that we have for one another, may your church become for the world a sign of family-living. Lord, hear us.

ALL SING :



Help the men and women of our time to form a human family which works hard to overcome war, poverty and hunger. Lord, hear us.