

## The Holy Family

When we talk about the Holy Family we are talking about Jesus and his mother Mary and his foster-father, Saint Joseph. Mary became the mother of Jesus when she was betrothed (formally engaged) to St. Joseph, and Jesus' real father was God the Father Himself. So Saint Joseph acted as the Father of Jesus on earth.



Saint Joseph was a carpenter and worked hard to provide for his family. Mary loved Jesus and Joseph and cooked and cleaned for them. When Jesus was old enough Saint Joseph trained Him to be a carpenter as well. Because they all loved each other with generosity and selflessness they were really the happiest and holiest family that ever lived.

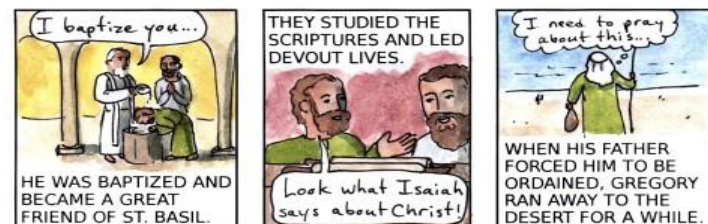
We can imitate the Holy Family by loving our parents and siblings and putting others before ourselves. What can you do today to make your family happier and holier?



Answer to puzzle on front: the Mother of God.

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## Saint Gregory Nazianzen January 2



SAINT GREGORY LIVED A LIFE OF SACRIFICE AND PENANCE, AND THOUGHT NOTHING OF ALL WORLDLY RICHES AND PLEASURES. HE WROTE AND TAUGHT ABOUT THE FAITH SO ELOQUENTLY THAT MANY WERE BROUGHT BACK TO THE FAITH. BECAUSE OF ALL HE DID TO TEACH THE FAITH HE IS CALLED A DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.

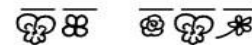
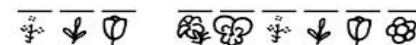
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## The Kids' Bulletin

December 31st, 2023: Feast of the Holy Family  
January 1st, 2024: Feast of Mary the Mother of God



Mary,



Under what title do we honour Our Lady on January 1st?  
Use the code to find out!



## Holy Family Word-Find

L G O D S E L F L E S S  
O M H V J E F A E J A C  
C O O P E R A T I O N A  
H T L C S L M H S S H R  
I H Y H U E I E H E L P  
L E O O S A L R A P O E  
D R T M A R Y H R H V N  
H O M E H N J A E E E T  
F A I T H R O P E A C E  
F O S T E R Y P P O O R  
P E R F E C T Y C A R E



See if you can find all these words about the Holy Family in the puzzle!

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

CARE  
CARPENTER  
CHILD  
COOPERATION  
FAITH  
FAMILY  
FATHER  
FOSTER

GOD  
HAPPY  
HELP  
HOLY  
HOME  
JESUS  
JOSEPH  
JOY  
LEARN

LOVE  
MOTHER  
MARY  
PEACE  
PERFECT  
POOR  
SELFLESS  
SHARE

The best way to be like the Holy Family:

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Tuesday to Thursday  
9:30am – 3:15pm  
(12:15pm - 1:00pm Lunchbreak)  
Rector's Office is located at the residence on the north side of the church.

**Website:** stisidoreparish.ca  
with links to St. Thérèse

**Sunday Mass**  
**Messes du Dimanche**  
Breynat – Sunday 9 am  
Plamondon - Sunday 11 am

**Daily Mass**  
**Messes du Chaque Jour**  
Plamondon – Tues to Fri 9am  
Rosary begins 8:40 am

**Adoration & mass**  
Plamondon – Every first  
Friday of the month at 7pm



December 31, 2023 &  
January 7, 2024

Holy Family & Epiphany  
of Our Lord



## A Happy and Holy Family

Our family is our “little world” – the place where we feel at home. It is the environment where we first feel loved and where we learn to love and care.

Unfortunately, in our days, in far too many cases, the dream of a happy and faithful family has been shattered by selfishness, jealousy, pride, irresponsibility.

Our celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family reposes to all of us both the attractiveness of the dream of a united and happy family and the means to make it a reality by living out the message of God's Word.

May the example of Mary Most Holy and Joseph and the teaching of St. Paul be our inspiration in making our families what we dream of and what God wants them to be.

## Homage to the Savior of All Nations!

Epiphany is the manifestation/revelation of Jesus as the King and Savior not just of the Jews, but also of all human beings.

Today's feast reminds us that God loves all nations and cultures of the earth, and that He communicates with us in many, often unforeseen ways – through internal inspirations, through external events, through people, and through His Word. Many times, these factors are combined in an interplay that becomes clear only in hindsight. The challenge is for us to “decipher” God's message and respond to it with faith, persevering generosity and courage, just as the Magi did.

Called to be the light of world, let us include in our intention all the peoples of the world and especially those who are working hard to bring about harmony and cooperation among all human beings.

ANNOUNCEMENT CORNER!

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2024

Envelopes for 2024 have arrived and are displayed in the gathering room. PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT USE YOUR 2023 ENVELOPES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE MADE IN 2024. • If you decide to make contributions and would like to have a new box of envelopes, please be sure to write clearly your name, full address and phone number as TAX RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED FOR ANY DONATIONS.

We encourage everyone to have a pre-authorized debit to your bank account. It’s simple, worry-free way to give to our parish. Let’s start the year 2024 with spirit of giving!

If you have any questions, please contact: Rowena (780) 798-3760 (Tue - Thurs. 9:30 am - 3:15 pm) Thank you so much for your support and generosity!



Prayer Chain

We recommend to your prayers the healing & recovery of:  
Laurette Casavant, Donna Ulliac, Rosemarie Menard, Muriel Richard McKay, Keith Young, Rose Simonelis, Michelle Amiot and Raymonde Menard

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To add to the prayer chain, contact the Parish Office at 780-798-3760.



YOUR 2023 DONATION AND INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

PLEASE NOTE: All contributions for the 2023 tax year MUST be received no later than December 31, 2023. Contributions received after that date will be included in the 2024 contribution records. Thank you so much!

Merci! Thank you!

Thank you all for your generous Christmas gifts, heartfelt prayers, and warm greetings. Your thoughtfulness has truly enriched my celebrations

As we step into the dawn of a new year, I want to extend my warmest wishes to each one of you. May the upcoming year be a time of spiritual growth, community strength, and boundless joy for our parish.

Happy New Year! Here's to a year filled with grace, prosperity, and the joy of serving our Lord together.

In Christ's love,  
Fr. Adrian

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION:  
THE POPE FRANCIS LIST

1.

Don't gossip.

2.

Finish your meals.

3.

Make time for others.

4.

Choose the 'more humble' purchase.

5.

Meet the poor 'in the flesh'.

6.

Stop judging others.

7.

Befriend those who disagree.

8.

Make commitments, such as marriage.

9.

Make it a habit to 'ask the Lord'.

10.

Be happy.

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Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intentions- January

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Weeks of December 31 & Jan 7– Semaine du 31 Decembre et du 7 Janvier

Sun/Dim	Dec 31 <sup>st</sup>	11:00 am	[Plamondon]
		6:00 pm	[Breynat] for Our Lady’s intentions and in thanksgiving of prayers answered (offered by a parishioner) for + Pedro Lorenzo (offered by Mr. and Mrs. Artemio Samson and Family)
Mon/Lun	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:00 am	
Tues/Mar.	Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00am	
Wed/Mer.	Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00am	for the holy souls in purgatory and in thanksgiving for prayers answered (offered by a parishioner)
Thurs/Jeudi	Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	for Our Lady’s intentions and in thanksgiving of prayers answered (offered by a parishioner)
Fri/Vend.	Jan 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	for the holy souls in purgatory and in thanksgiving for prayers answered (offered by a parishioner)
Sun/Dim	Jan 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	[Breynat] for Our Lady’s intentions and in thanksgiving of prayers answered (offered by a parishioner)
		11:00 am	[Plamondon]

Parish Volunteers

Date	Lector	Extra Ordinary Minister	Welcoming	Collection
Dec 31, Sun 11 am English	Caroline Giammarioli Lori Girard	Lori Girard	Margo Haxby & Family	Hal Pressling Alex Richard
Jan 1, Mon 10am Bilingual	Caroline Giammarioli Bonita Marchand	Rena Braund	Taya & Anita Gauthier	Leon Ulliac Lucien Cote
Jan 7, Sun 11am English	Paulette Pressling Kathy Plamondon	Sylvia Cote	Annette & Leonard Lemay	Hal Pressling Steve Plamondon
Jan 14, Sun 11am French	Crystal Plamondon Rena Braund	Bonita Marchand	Toni & Denis Lord	Anna & Leonard Plamondon
Jan 21, Sun 11am English	Luisa Piontek Guy Lambert	Franco Giammarioli	Annette Tol Geraldine Plamondon	Gerald Dube Joel Girard
Jan 28, Sun 11am French	Etienne Vaillancourt Franco Giammarioli	Lori Girard	Margo Haxby & Family	Conrad Girard Cletus Girard

In the spirit of giving, we thank you for your generosity!



“Giving is more than a responsibility – it is a privilege; more than an act of obedience – it is evidence of our faith.”

Collections

	St. Theresa	St. Isidore
December 17, 2023	\$ 190.00	\$ 2,044.10
December 24, 2023	\$ 480.20	\$ 1,644.10

Pre-Authorized (month of December) \$ 4,161.00 including Special Collection

Pre-Authorized Debit to your bank account is a simple, worry-free way to give to your parish. Ask us how.