

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Third Day of the Octave of Christmas

Simeon and Anna rejoice in seeing the long-awaited Messiah! Joseph and Mary remain faithful to their heritage, presenting their first-born as was the custom. The Holy Family revered today helps all of us to reflect on that important mission of the domestic church. Families are the foundation of all societies. Our model of the Holy Family encourages us to live in simplicity, as they did, doing every day and menial tasks with love and joy. Happiness is a gift from God and we can experience that joy anywhere when we allow God into our lives. Jesus was welcomed by both Mary, in her “fiat” to the angel Gabriel; and Joseph, in his response to the angel. May we keep Jesus at the center of our lives as they did!

Merry Christmas!

God Love You!

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