

## The Feast of the Holy Family



## The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God



*Entrusting Our Families to God's Care: Mary, Mother of God - Bless our Families  
Happy New Year*

## Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 28, 2025

### St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Lakeport & St. Peter Mission, Kelseyville

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#### Mass Schedules:

##### St. Mary Immaculate Church, Lakeport

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm (English)  
Sunday 10:00 am (English) & 12:00 pm (Spanish)  
Wed, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am (English)

##### St. Peter Mission, Kelseyville

4085 Main St. Kelseyville, 95451  
(Mail and telephone to St Mary's office)  
**Mass Schedule:** Sunday 8:30 am & Tuesday at 9:00 am  
(English)

#### Reconciliation / Confesiones:

Saturday/Sabado from 3:30 pm till 4:15 pm

**Parish Registration:** If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please fill out the form below and return it during the offertory collection or mail it to the parish office.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

**Entrusting Our Families to God's Care  
Feast of the Holy Family • Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God • New Year Message**

As we stand at the doorway of a New Year, the Church invites us to pause and look not first at our calendars or resolutions, but at a family—the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. In their simple home in Nazareth, God chose to dwell. Faith was lived quietly, love was practiced daily, and God's plan unfolded through ordinary family life (Luke 2:51-52).

Saint John Paul II, in *Familiaris Consortio*, called the family "the domestic Church," the first place where faith is learned, love is practiced, and God is encountered. Before we belong to parishes or institutions, we belong to families. What happens around the family table shapes what happens at the altar (Deute 6:6-7). The Holy Family was not perfect or free from hardship. They faced uncertainty, migration, fear, and sacrifice. Yet their home was centered on God. Joseph trusted even when he did not fully understand. Mary pondered God's word in her heart. Jesus grew "in wisdom, age, and grace" within the safety of family love (Luke 2:52). Their example reminds us that a Christ-centered family is not one without challenges, but one where God is welcomed into every moment—joyful and difficult alike.

On January 1st, we honor Mary, Mother of God, and place the New Year under her care. Mary teaches us how to begin again—with trust, humility, and hope. When families entrust themselves to her, they discover strength in weakness and peace amid uncertainty. As we begin this New Year, let us renew our commitment to building homes where:

- \* Prayer is natural and frequent (1 Thessa 5:16-18)
- \* Forgiveness comes more easily than blame (Col 3:13)
- \* Faith is lived, not just spoken (James 2:17)
- \* Love is patient, faithful, and generous (1 Cor 13:4-7)

Strong families build strong parishes. Strong parishes build strong communities. And a world longing for peace begins with Christ-centered homes. May this New Year be a year of renewed love in our families. May the Holy Family of Nazareth inspire us. May Mary, Mother of God, watch over every home. And may Christ, the Prince of Peace, reign in our hearts, our families, and our parish. Happy New Year! May God bless our families and keep us in His care.

**Pre-Baptismal Class**

Pre-baptismal instruction class will be held on Thursday January 8th, 2026 at 6:00 PM in St. Mary's Parish Hall. For more information, contact the office (707) 263-4401.

**Weekly Collections:**

**December 20 & 21 2025**

First Collection	\$3,528
Second Collection (CF)	\$1,904

Mass Intentions: 5:00 pm Mass **for + Ray and + Marilyn Sommerfield**

**A Daily Prayer for Families –  
Feast of the Holy Family**

As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, We invite all families to pray this prayer every day, entrusting your home, your loved ones, and your daily life to God's care through the intercession of the Holy Family.

**Heavenly Father,**

Bless our families as You blessed the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Fill our homes with love, patience, and understanding.

Guide our hearts to follow Your ways, forgive one another, and serve one another with joy.

May we grow in faith, hope, and charity, reflecting Your presence in our family life.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family, protect us from harm and lead us always closer to You. Amen.

**Parish News:**

**Sunday Collection Envelopes**

The Sunday Collection Envelopes for the year are now available. Parishioners are kindly asked to please pick up their envelopes.

If you are a newly registered parishioner and do not yet have envelopes, please contact the parish office, and we will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued generosity and faithful support of our parish.

◆ The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God ◆

\* December 31 – 5:00 PM Bilingual Mass, St. Mary's, Lakeport

\* 10:00 AM – Mass in English, St. Mary's, Lakeport

\* 12:00 Noon – Mass in Spanish, St. Mary's, Lakeport

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will." – Luke 2:14

**Attention!!!!**

Do you know of a homebound parishioner who would like to receive communion? Please contact Carol Dvorak @ (707) 489-9425

**Thank Jesus Day – First Friday, January 2nd**  
**New Year, New Heart: Let the Sacred Heart Renew Us**

☐ *Pause. Pray. Begin Again.*

As we begin a New Year, we invite everyone to “**Thank Jesus**” — a day to pause from our busy lives, pray before the Blessed Sacrament, and begin again with the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**Day Schedule:**

- 9:00 AM -10:00 AM – Mass & Confessions
- Throughout the day – Eucharistic Adoration
- 5:30 PM – Confessions & Benediction
- 6:30 PM – Mass in Spanish

- ☐ Come for a few minutes or stay as long as you are able.
- ♥ Bring your gratitude, your burdens, and your hopes for the year ahead.



**Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> Devotion to Our Lady Immaculate**

- 3:45 PM – Confessions
- 4:30 PM – Mass

**After Mass** – Act of Consecration to Our Lady & **Anointing of the Sick**

Join us in honoring **Our Lady Immaculate**, entrusting yourself and your family to her loving care. Pray, make reparation, and grow closer to Jesus through Mary’s intercession.

**Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**

Next weekend, we celebrate the **Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**, remembering how the Magi followed the star to adore the newborn King, Jesus.



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