

**Prayer of the Faithful
Feast of the Holy Family
December 26, 2021**

Presider: With care and concern for the entire human family, we lovingly turn to our God in petitionary prayer.

Lector:

For the Church, that with Mary and Joseph we may search diligently for Christ, recognizing the One we seek within and among us, we pray

For the family of nations, may we work together for the common good and human flourishing of all peoples, we pray

For children and the unborn throughout the world on this Feast of the Holy Family, may they always be treated with dignity, respect and loving care and concern, we pray

For families struggling because of physical and mental illnesses, addictions or ongoing trials of any kind, may they be fortified and blessed with God's special love and favor, we pray

For those who are alienated or estranged from their family, may they be reunited and reconciled to begin their family life anew in Christ, we pray

For our St. Ignatius community, may we continue growing as parish family supporting one another and our Church both spiritually and materially, we pray

For the sick and those who have asked for our prayers, may they find the healing they long for and the harmony God wills for them, we pray

For all of our beloved dead, among them James R. Parker, Michael MULLowney and Francis Xavier Downey, Carol Generoso, may they know the joy and peace of God's eternal home, we pray

Presider: God of all compassion, may your peace control our hearts filling us with gratitude for your answer to our prayers in the name of Jesus our Lord. AMEN.