

## January, Month of the Divine Infancy and the Holy Name of Jesus

In 1629, the Carmelite convent in Prague received the gift of a statue of the Holy Infant. The little Lord is in the guise of a King, His left hand holding a globe surmounted by a Cross, symbol of His universal Kingship; His right raised in the act of blessing. On presenting the statue to the prior, the pious donor said to the Prior, "I offer you, dear Father, what I love most in this world. Honor this Child Jesus and be certain that as long as you venerate Him you will lack nothing."

Prague was overcome and pillaged by Saxon armies in 1630. The Carmelites fled, and the mercenaries who occupied the monastery knocked the statue of the Holy Infant into a pile of wreckage behind the main altar. When a truce was accomplished and the Carmelites returned to their monastery, they completely forgot about the statue of the Holy Infant. In 1637 Father Cyril, one of the refugees, was reassigned to the Carmelite Monastery in Prague. He sought, and after some time found the statue in a heap of rubble. Overjoyed, he again placed the statue in the oratory. Gazing upon the simple statue of the Child Jesus, the good religious contemplated the most marvelous event in the history of the world, the Incarnation. He was filled with awe and wonder as he prayed to the God Who became a child for love for us.

Suddenly, the statue spoke to him. Father Cyril was stunned as he heard these words of promise:

*"HAVE MERCY ON ME AND I WILL HAVE MERCY ON YOU.  
GIVE ME HANDS AND I WILL GIVE YOU PEACE.  
THE MORE YOU HONOR ME, THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU."*

Startled, Father Cyril examined the statue, and drawing aside its robe, he found that both hands of the statue were broken off. He did not know how to repair it himself, nor could the monastery afford to commission an artist for the task. Fr Cyril appealed to the Blessed Mother to provide the necessary funds for fixing the Infant statue. His prayer was answered one day when the Divine Infant spoke to him again: *"Place Me near the entrance of the sacristy and you will receive aid."* Fr Cyril did so and in a few days' time, a benefactor offered to take care of the repairs.

Though civil conflicts have arisen in Prague time and again, the church and the Infant Jesus chapel have been miraculously protected, and the devotion has spread throughout the entire world.

See a more complete history at  
<https://www.americaneedsfatima.org/Our-Lord-Jesus-Christ/the-little-king-infant-of-prague.html>

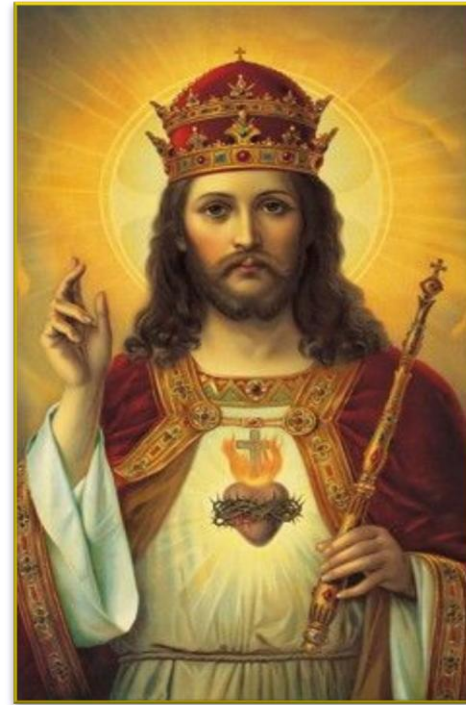


## Sacred Heart of Jesus Traditional Catholic Church

1245 AR-5, Mountain View, Arkansas 72560

Offering exclusively the Traditional Roman Catholic Mass and Sacraments.

**Sunday, January 7**  
Holy Family Sunday



*"All the faithful should be aware that to participate in the Mass is their chief duty and supreme dignity." Pope Pius XII*

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Month of the Divine Infancy and the Holy Name

### Sunday, January 7

9:00 AM  
2:00 PM in Roland

**Holy Family Sunday** / St Lucian, M  
Jason and Kristy Kordsmeier  
Pro Populo

### Monday, January 8

*no Mass*

Feria / St Apollinaris, BC  
Private Intention

### Tuesday, January 9

7:00 AM

Feria / Ss Julian & Basilissa, Mm  
Private Intention (Maria Gotera)

### Wednesday, January 10

7:00 AM  
6:00 PM

Feria / St William, BC  
Patrick and Linda Kordsmeier  
Parish Rosary

### Thursday, January 11

7:00 AM

Feria / St Hyginus, PM  
SHJ Altar Servers

### Friday, January 12

*no Mass (Paducah, KY)*

Feria / St Aelred, Ab  
SHJ Cleaning Guild

### Saturday, January 13

*no Mass (Bismarck, MO)*

Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord  
SHJ Maintenance / Repair Guild

### Sunday, January 14

9:00 AM  
2:00 PM in Roland

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany** / St Hilary, BCD  
SHJ Altar Flower Guild  
Pro Populo

*If you would like to have a Mass offered for a specific intention, the intention may be submitted to the Priest. If it is for a person, please specify whether the person is living or deceased, and whether or not the person is Catholic. The customary stipend for offering the Mass is \$25.00.*



“For from the rising of the sun even to the going down, my name is great among the Gentiles, and in every place there is sacrifice, and there is offered to my name a clean oblation: for my name is great among the Gentiles, saith the Lord of hosts.” *Malachi 1:11*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I give Thee my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, may I breathe forth my soul in peace with thee.

*Seven years for each invocation. Plenary indulgence once a month.*



On this feast of the Holy Family, advice from Saint John Bosco for parents and educators:

“If you want to be loved, you must make it clear that you love. Jesus Christ made Himself little with the little ones and bore our weaknesses. He is our Master in the matter of the friendly approach.

“How many conversions have been brought about by a few words whispered in the ear of a youngster while he is playing. One who knows he is loved loves in return, and one who loves can obtain anything, especially from the young. .... Hearts are opened, needs and weaknesses made known. This love enables superiors to put up with the weariness, the annoyance, the ingratitude, the troubles that youngsters cause. Jesus Christ did not crush the bruised reed nor quench the smoldering flax. He is your model.”

Happy we who thus united, join in cheerful melody,  
Praising Jesus, Mary, Joseph, in the Holy Family!  
Jesus, whose almighty bidding all created things fulfil,  
Lives on earth in meek subjection to His earthly parents will.



Jesus, Mary, Joseph, help us, that we ever true may be  
To the promises that bind us to the Holy Family!

Mary, thou alone wert chosen to be Mother of thy Lord;  
Thou didst guide the early footsteps of the great Incarnate Word.  
Joseph, thou wert called the Father of thy Maker and thy Lord;  
Thine it was to save thy Savior from the cruel Herod's sword.

*Holy  
Family  
Sunday*



### **Pray for the living:**

Catholics and Clergy of Brazil, Charlie Blake, Jayashri Smallwood, John & Bonnie Freddi, Ted Jones, Molly Buggy, Amaranta Torres Rodriguez, Natalie Pauley, Zlata Babac, Gil Credeur, Dawn Swiercz and family, Lucy Sheahan, Polly Emry, John & Debbie Pawlowski.

**Pray for the faithful departed:** LuAnn Zender, Mateus Angelo, Tia Nilda, Melvin Whitsett, Maria Eugenia, Delia Vila, James & John Emry, Pauline Letourneau, Maureen Ives-Capaldo, Mary O'Brian, Bill Meis, Gary Petzinger, Bp. Daniel Dolan, Fr. Anthony Cekada

### Monthly Collection

October 2023: \$7,404

November 2023: \$3,419

December 2023: \$5,218