

October 9, 2016

A Sabbath Thought

A family is a community where everybody's rights are recognized and honored, where happiness and lasting relationships rest on mutual respect. An authentic family is much more than a biological unit: It is organized in the spiritual service of Christ.

About Today's Bible Readings

SIRACH 3:11-16

It is wisdom to realize that respect, honor and mutual recognition of rights makes for longevity in relationships, especially within families.

Psalm: 128:1-2,3,4-5

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

COLOSSIANS 3:12-21

Dress up to stay at home because you will need the best of clothes: shared suffering, kindness, humility, gentle mannerisms and patience. Let love be the crown you wear around the house.

LUKE 2:41-52

Jesus' own family gave him a place to grow - in strength and wisdom and God's favor. Every organized relationship of human persons has to provide that opportunity for each other.

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Solemnity of the Christian Family

ENTRANCE RITE - 1 Timothy 5:8; Galatians 6:10

- V. Whoever does not provide for relatives and especially family members has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.
- R. So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE GOSPEL – LUKE 2:41-52

Each year his parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – Oct. 9th Solemnity - Christian Family 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY – Oct. 16nd 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Heritage Sunday 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Christian Family Breakfast

Today we will hold our annual breakfast commemorating the Solemnity of the Christian Family. It will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM. Tickets are:

ADULTS = \$10.00

CHILDREN (Under 12) = \$3.00

The Solemnity of the Christian Family serves to remind us of just how important the family unit is to the concept of God's Kingdom on earth. I hope that all of you will attend and that you will encourage all of your family members and friends to do so as well.

Seniorate Meeting

The biannual meeting of the Philadelphia Seniorate will be held on Saturday, October 15th. It is our turn to host it here, at Our Savior Parish. I hope that all Seniorate representatives and/or alternates from Our Savior will be in attendance to take part in this important exercise of our democratic church principles.

INTENTIONS:

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health and wellbeing of Howard Friedman, Tim Dulin, Jules Nagy, Raymond Priester, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Victor McAlanis, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Erica Franta, Anne Rossetti, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Marty Ruane, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Michael Pivovarnick, Tim Fischer, Dennis Fagan, Bernice Biroscak, Kathy Glaus and Walter Schilling. **Our Father...**

Today's Hymns

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Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books in the pews.

> **Opening Hymn** #1 – Hymn Of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit #144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn #160 – We Kneel Before You

Post Communion Hymn #151 – O Ever Holy Sacrament

Recessional Hymn #231 – The Church's One Foundation