

PASTOR'S CORNER

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY: IMPETUS TO COUNTERATTACK

My Dear Faithful,

In a remarkable little work about marriage and the family, Fr. Alain Delagneau, SSPX, points out, "The sacrament of marriage is ordained to the propagation of the Mystical Body of Christ, to the increasing of the number of the adorers of the Blessed Trinity. The family is the basic unit of Christian society, which has for its mission co-operation in the formation of the Catholic city of heaven." Such is the sublime dignity and purpose of the Christian family.

Knowing that holy marriages and holy families are crucial for the building up of the Church and of Christ's reign in civil society, Satan has launched a brutal attack against the sacrament of matrimony and the Christian home. It is no exaggeration to say that never has the sanctity of the marriage bond and the sacred duties of parents and children been under a more grievous attack. "For more than forty years, all the forces of evil have combined to corrupt and destroy Christian society from beginning to end. In order to do so, they have attacked...the Christian family. ...The family, since 1968, has lost its traditions, its Christian focal point, in married life as well as in the upbringing and education of children. This is why divorce or separations are rampant, and children are steeped in the liberal and sensual spirit in which they are plunged."

Such a consideration gives special context to the Feast of the Holy Family, celebrated on January 10. On occasion of this feast, Catholic families must take impetus for a counterattack. The first step in our offensive is to develop a clearer understanding of the duties and ideals involved in establishing a Catholic home. For this, I recommend Fr. Delagneau's book, *Advice for Successful Families* (available from Angelus Press). Two chapters I wish to point out in particular are those on family virtues (page 43) and the spiritual life of the home (page 79).

The counterattack cannot remain in the realm of ideas, though. The virtues that Fr. Delagneau explains and the ideals for the family's spiritual life that he offers, must be incarnated in the home. For that, the special assistance of grace is needed and there is no better way to obtain it than by consecrating your homes to the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart. A beautiful formula is found at the back of Fr. Delagneau's book. The enthronement of the home to the Sacred Heart according to the method of Fr. Mateo Crawley is another essential step for the sanctification of the home. If your family's home has not yet been enthroned to the Sacred Heart, it is time to do so; if it has been enthroned but the enthronement has not born fruit, it is time to renew your efforts to live out that consecration more faithfully.

Taking impetus from the Feast of the Holy Family for a counterattack, let each of us do our part to help form holy Catholic homes. Even the unmarried may participate in this work by their prayers for Catholic spouses and families. None of us can excuse himself from this fight, for never has the cliché phrase "the future depends on it" been truer.

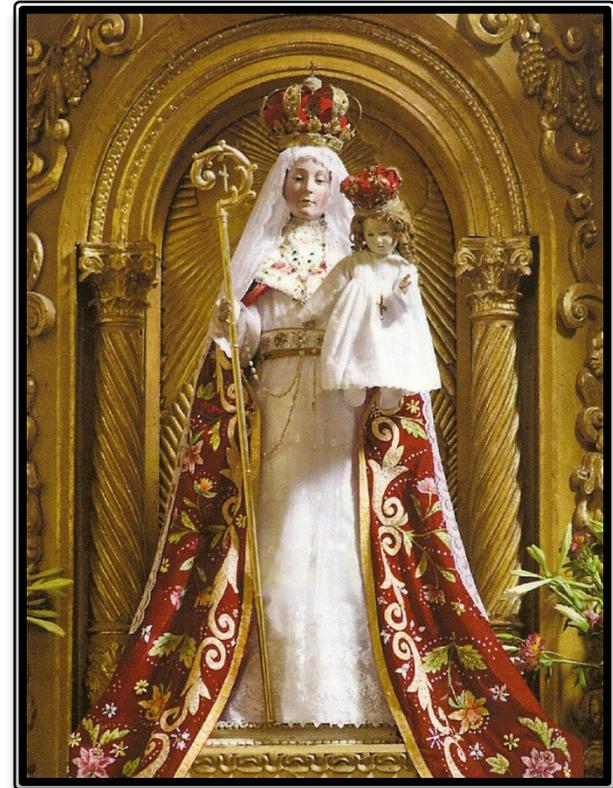
O Lord, grant us many holy Catholic families, like unto your own!

With my prayers for you and your families,
Fr. Nicholas McManus

OUR LADY OF GOOD SUCCESS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Society of St. Pius X
Traditional Latin Mass



JANUARY 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	FEAST	SCHEDULE*
Saturday, Jan. 9	Our Lady on Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 10	The Feast of the Holy Family	1:00 PM
Saturday, Jan. 16	St. Marcellus I	<i>5:00 PM Mass in Mandan</i>
Sunday, Jan. 17	Second Sunday after Epiphany	1:00 PM
Saturday, Jan. 23	St. Raymond of Peñafort	5:00 PM
Sunday, Jan. 24	Third Sunday after Epiphany	1:00 PM
Saturday, Jan. 30	St. Martina	<i>5:00 PM Mass in Mandan</i>
Sunday, Jan. 31	Septuagesima Sunday	1:00 PM
Saturday, Feb. 6	First Friday, St. Agatha	<i>6:00 PM Mass in Mandan</i>
Saturday, Feb. 6	First Saturday	<i>8:30 AM Mass in Mandan</i>
Sunday, Feb. 7	Sexagesima Sunday	1:00 PM
* Confessions begin one hour before every Mass		

DONATION INFORMATION

To donate by check or money order, please mail your donation to the address below:

***Our Lady of Good Success Church
P.O. Box 1873
Dickinson, ND 58602-1873***

You may also donate online by visiting
www.olgsdickinson.org/donate
and clicking on the yellow "Donate" button.

COLLECTIONS

First Collection	Operating expenses for OLGS.
Second Collections	<i>Please write the purpose of your donation on the memo line on your check</i>
-Sunday, Jan. 3	St. Isidore's Priory
-Sunday, Jan. 17	OLGS Building Fund

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Holy Name Society** will be inaugurated at Our Lady of Good Success today, Sunday, January 3, the Feast of the Holy Name. Please pray for the men who will be inducted, that they may become active members and may be sanctified by their membership.
- **Prayer of the Mothers of Lu** will be recited after Mass on Sunday, January 3.
- **Blessed Epiphany chalk and blessing** will be available in the vestibule Sunday, Jan. 10.
- **Eucharistic Crusade.** The intention for January is "To thank God for the graces received by the SSPX over the past fifty years". Fr. McManus will give a meeting to the children after Mass on Sunday, January 17. Parents whose children are interested in joining the Eucharistic Crusade may sign their children up on the sheet posted in the vestibule.
- **Christmas Decorations.** Thank you to all those who dedicated their time to help decorate the church for Christmas. Your further assistance is requested to remove the decorations after Mass on Sunday, January 17. We will have a potluck before we start. Many hands make light work!
- **Visiting Priest.** Please give a warm welcome to Fr. Paul Robinson who will be visiting on Sunday, January 24. Coffee and cookies after Mass.
- **The Feast of Our Lady of Good Success – The Feast of the Purification**, which is a First Class Feast for our parish, is on Tuesday, February 2. The Novena to **Our Lady of Good Success** begins on January 24 and ends on the Feast of the Purification. The entire Parish should share in this Novena!
- **Adult Catechism Class.** Please join us in the church basement after Mass on Sunday, January 31 for a potluck followed by adult catechism.
- **Parish Mission.** Fr. Alphonsus will be preaching a Lenten Mission at OLGS, beginning on Friday, February 19 and ending on Sunday, February 21. A mission is a unique grace, so please make plans to attend. More information to follow.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

- Prayers are requested for all the sick, suffering, and deceased of the parish. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Br. Gabriel, SSPX, who passed away on December 22.
- If you would like to request prayers for sick, suffering, or deceased family members or friends by name in the bulletin, please notify Mr. Stephan Kershisnik.

A copy of this bulletin is available online at www.olgsdickinson.org/schedules. Please check the website for changes to the Mass schedule due to weather.