

**THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
**JANUARY 8, 2023**  
**LOW MASS**

**12 SUNDAYS OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL: WEEK 10**

*Priest & People:* WE FLY to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not thou our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

*V.* Pray for us, Our Mother of Good Counsel.

*R.* That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

*Priest:* O HOLY VIRGIN, to whose feet we are led by our anxious uncertainty in our search for and attainment of what is true and good, invoking thee by the sweet title of Mother of Good Counsel, we beseech thee to come to our assistance, when, along the road of this life, the darkness of error and of evil conspires towards our ruin by leading our minds and our hearts astray. O Seat of Wisdom and Star of the Sea, enlighten the doubtful and the erring, that they be not seduced by the false appearances of good; render them steadfast in the face of the hostile and corrupting influences of passion and of sin. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

*Priest & People:* LORD JESUS CHRIST, / Who lovest all Catholic homes / and hast imprinted in our hearts / a deep affection / for our own dear family, / bless, I beseech Thee, / all the members of my family, / and keep them safe in Thy friendship / and Thy grace. / Have mercy on us, / each one, dear Lord, / according to our needs and prayers. / Keep peace among us / and mutual love, / so that our home may resemble / Thy holy home at Nazareth. / Give us more and more / love and kindness, / one for the other. / Make us forgiving, / dutiful, / patient, / and true. / May true piety / and truly Catholic culture / pervade the atmosphere of our home, / and of every home / throughout the world. / Amen.

*V.* Jesus, Mary and Joseph, *R.* Bless our families.

*V.* Sacred Heart of Jesus, *R.* Protect our families.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

*Priest & People:* ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, / defend us in battle; / be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. / May God rebuke him, we

humbly pray, / and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, / by the power of God, / cast into hell, Satan, and all the evil spirits, / who wander about the world, / seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

*V.* Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, **R. Have mercy on us.**

*V.* Holy Child Jesus, Doctor of the Sick, **R. Have mercy on us.**

*V.* Our Lady of Consolation, **R. Pray for us.**

*V.* Immaculate Heart of Mary,

**R. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death.**

*V.* Pure Heart of St. Joseph, **R. Pray for us.**

*V.* May the Divine assistance remain always with us,

**R. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:**

**WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE**

**1. We three kings of Orient are;  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star.**

**REFRAIN: O Star of wonder, star of night.  
Star with royal beauty bright.  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to thy perfect light.**

**2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
Gold I bring, to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never,  
Over us all to reign.**