

# Holy Family Retreat for all Men and Women

Saturday, January 12, 2019  
9 am - 4:30 pm in Campbell Hall

Cost \$10 per person

Breakfast 9 am  
Lunch is included  
Mass at 4:30pm

We invite you to a day of deeper reflection and learning led by **Andrew Watson** as he teaches how to live out our Catholic Faith with more holiness through the roles of Mary, Joseph & Jesus.

Register at: <https://squareup.com/store/Caritas/>

Childcare available. RSVP by 1/4/19 to: [b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net](mailto:b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net)

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**REGULAR HOURS:**

Tues. - Sat. 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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**REGULAR SUNDAY LITURGIES**

Saturday Anticipatory Mass : 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

**WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM

**CONFESSION TIMES:**

Saturdays: 8 - 8:30 AM or until the line ends, and

3 - 4 PM, Sundays: 7:30 - 7:55 AM &amp; 10:00 - 10:25 AM

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**PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS****Baptism of Infants**

Prior to the birth of your baby, we invite you to visit our website at [blessedsacrament.net](http://blessedsacrament.net) then go to Sacraments/Baptism & click on the link for pre-baptismal forms. Please email Bonnie Corcoran to register for the class at [b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net](mailto:b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net).

**Marriage**

Please contact the parish office at least eight months in advance to arrange a meeting with either Fr. Jeff or Deacon Kevin to discuss the marriage preparation process. The easiest way to reach either of them is to email them.

**Communion to the Homebound**

Please call the parish office, if you or a loved one is not able to join our parish community at our Eucharistic Celebrations on Sunday, and would like to receive Communion at home.

**Anointing of the Sick & Last Rites**

If you or a loved one have a serious sickness or are preparing for surgery, please call the parish office to have a priest come and celebrate the Anointing of the Sick or if someone is near death you may ask for Last Rites. (cf. James. 5:14 -15)

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:**

**The Parish Office will be closed  
December 24th - January 1st.**

**The School Office will be closed  
December 24th - January 4th.**

**Preschool Falcon's Nest will be open  
January 2-4 only.**

## Feast of the Holy Family

This is a painful feast for so many Catholics, I think. How many of us have the kind of “holy” family we imagined existed a few decades ago (but never really did, in some ways)?

That “holy” family included mom, dad, at least a few kids, and, oh yes, everyone was happily in church on Sunday. The kids went on to marry other Catholics, and those families bore children who were contentedly growing up in the faith.

Somehow we thought that model—whether it was actually working or not—would weather all the cultural upheavals of our lifetimes. It didn't, of course. Is there a person today who can say that his/her family has followed this path perfectly?

I know a parish that can break your heart. The scattering of adults who make up the early morning Sunday congregation are as devout and educated as any community you could find. The choir has sung together, consistently, since the sixties.

They are wonderful lectors and religious educators. They've graduated from the Catholic Biblical School and Catechetical School. They've maintained prayerful and loving, lifelong marriages. And yet there isn't a family that doesn't have an adult child on the street, lost amid the homeless population, due to the scourge of drugs and alcohol.

Suicide is at least a monthly event there. Grandparents weep for their unbaptized grandchildren, whom they are raising because their own children are lost.

These are extreme examples of the pain that some Catholic families experience, of course. The challenge for the “average” Catholic family is to trust that God is living and active in the lives of all our loved ones, despite how “active” their faith lives may be.

*What are the most holy and happy aspects of your family?*

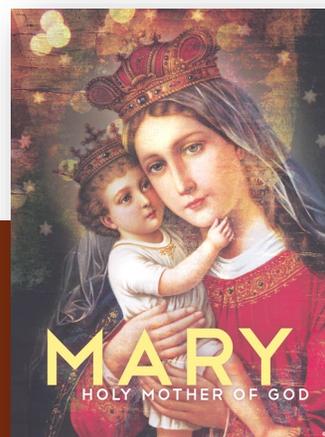
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### Question:

What do we know about Joseph, Mary, and the rest of Jesus' relatives?

### Answer:

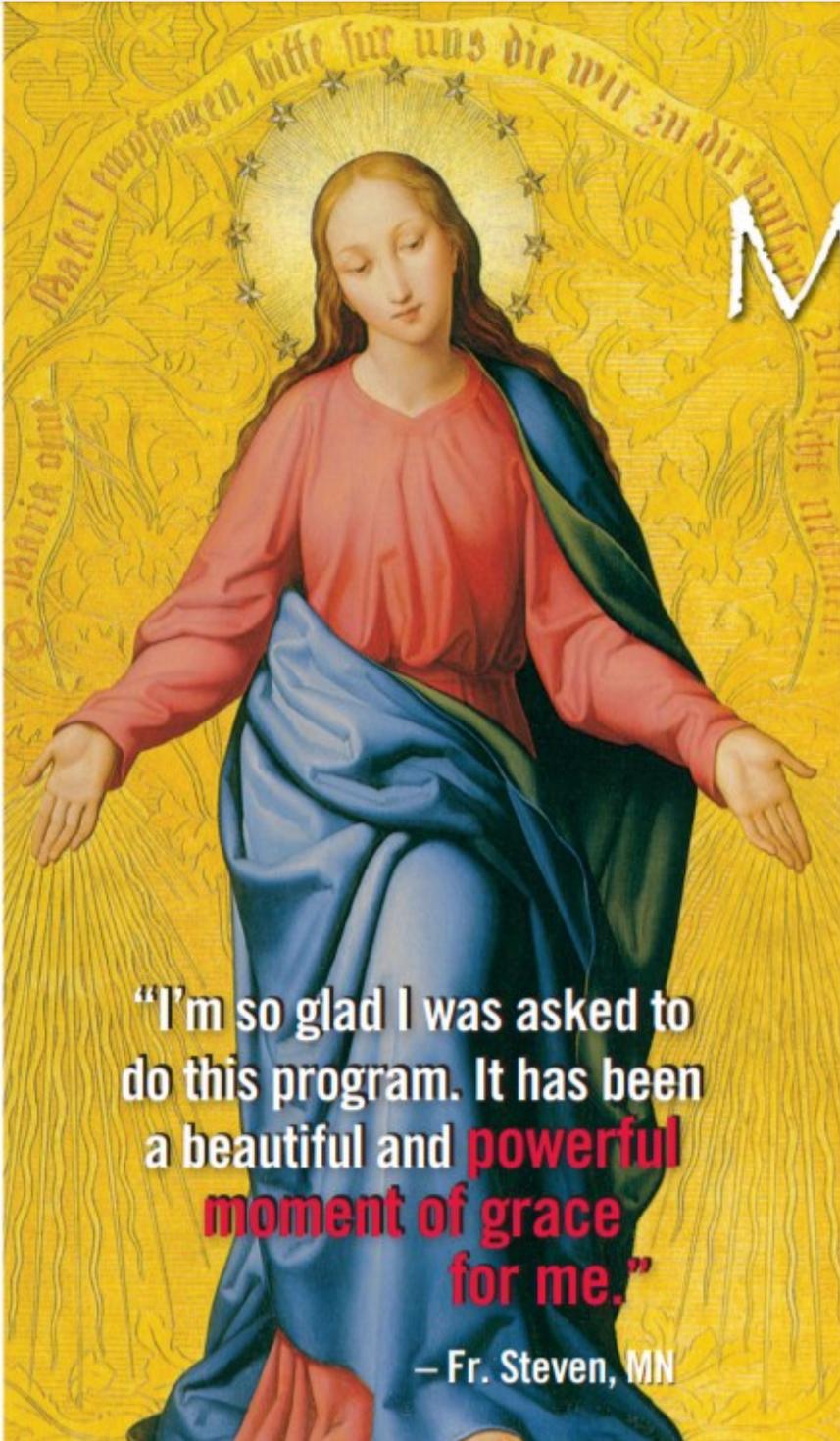
You may see pictures of Joseph, Mary, and a young Jesus on the feast of the Holy Family. What we do know of them has been treasured throughout the ages. Both Joseph and Mary came from the tribe of Judah and were distant descendants of King David. Tradition gives us the names of Mary's parents - Anne and Joachim - and we venerate them as saints. Joseph was a carpenter, and he taught Jesus his trade. We know that St. Elizabeth was related to Mary, and we call St. John the Baptist Jesus' "cousin." In the Bible, we also see references to Jesus' "brothers and sisters." Who were these people? The most likely theory rests in the language of the time period. The Hebrew people spoke Aramaic. This language had no words for specific family roles. All male relatives were "brother" and all female relatives were "sister." Like many people of his day, Jesus had a large family! So large that he got lost and needed to be found in the Temple. When you think of the Holy Family, remember that Jesus probably had quirky uncles, nosy aunts, doting grandparents, and cousins to play with, just like us!



**January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

Masses will be at 8 am on January 1st.

**and at 6:30 pm that evening.**



# 33 Days to Morning Glory

Small-Group  
Retreat

Join us for a 6-week small-group retreat in preparation for Marian Consecration. This retreat is based on the popular book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, *33 Days to Morning Glory*.

Gain new insights into Marian Consecration, learn how key saints and blessed lived it out, and discover how you can live it out as well.

Easy as 1-2-3!

1. Read  
Read the select readings in the Retreat Book.
2. Ponder  
Ponder the daily reading and questions in the Retreat Companion.
3. Meet  
Meet regularly with your group.

“I’m so glad I was asked to do this program. It has been a beautiful and **powerful moment of grace for me.**”

— Fr. Steven, MN

January 3rd - February 7th, 2018 Thursdays 6:30 - 8 pm in Campbell Hall

Marian Consecration February 11th, 2018 Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

RSVP [b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net](mailto:b.corcoran@bscs-denver.net), 303-355-7361 ext. 5

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church 4900 Montview Blvd, Denver

Bring book & Retreat Companion to sessions



Thank you for your generous donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Over \$6,000 was collected through the Thanksgiving envelopes. These contributions will allow us to help more families in the coming year.

You will make a big difference in so many lives. We visit with families who are one paycheck away from homelessness, or where the children and parents have no beds or furniture. For some families a \$50 King Sooper's card means the difference between eating two meals today or one meal. Because many apartment complexes in Denver are refusing to accept Section 8 vouchers and continuing to raise rents, many of our calls come from families who are on the verge of homelessness. We visit with families whose utilities have been shut off for more than a month. Multiply these stories by 200 and that is what your contributions will help with all year long for your neighbors.

We help families with rent, utilities, bus transportation, food, clothes, furniture and prescriptions. In most cases we help a family once a year. We will continue to work with a few families long term on their road to self-sufficiency. We could not do this work without your support. Thank you for your continued generosity and donations.

We are grateful for the wonderful Blessed Sacrament parishioners who continue to support this ministry. We need your support all year long. We are proud to represent Blessed Sacrament Parish in this community through this outreach ministry.

All the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Blessed Sacrament Church wish you a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. Thank you from Judy Angerer, Patty Clark, Rob Deline, Jeanette Issaeff, Carolyn Luebbers, Jim Mauck, Theresa McCoy, Colleen McKinley, Rosemaree Moran, Paulette Obrigewitch, Peter O'Connell, Chris Perak, Melody Pobjecky, Molly Randol, Nancy Ricketts, Ann Stevenson and Bob Trommeter.

If you are interested in joining or learning more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please contact Patty Clark at [pbclark10@comcast.net](mailto:pbclark10@comcast.net) or Carolyn Luebbers at [cluebbers@gmail.com](mailto:cluebbers@gmail.com).

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**We are still working on getting the link on our  
website so you can sign up.**

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