COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Invitation: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

I confess to almighty God, and to you, here present, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, here present.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Amen.

Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has taught us:

Lord's Prayer:

Communion:

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to His supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof.,

but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The body of Christ.

Prayer after Communion:

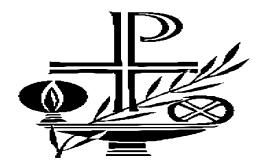
Let us pray.

Father,
may the food we receive in the
Eucharist
help our eternal redemption.
Keep within us the vigour of Your
Spirit
and protect the gifts You have
given to Your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord

Amen

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen**



29.12.2019 The HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH



Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



"An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to all"

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus

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The Lord honours the father in his children.

and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons.

Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins.

he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune.

Whoever respects his father will be happy; with children of his own,

he shall be heard on the day when he prays.

Long life comes to him who honours his father,

he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord.

My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life.

Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy,

do not despise him in your health and strength;

for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten

but will serve as reparation for your sins.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm.

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

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. R.

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. R.

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life! R.



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

After the wise men had left, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you, and escape into Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, because Herod intends to search for the child and do away with him.' So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead. This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken through the prophet:

I called my son out of Egypt.

After Herod's death, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother with you and go back to the land of Israel, for those who wanted to kill the child are dead'. So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, went back to the land of Israel. But when he learnt that Archelaus had succeeded his father Herod as ruler of Judaea he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he left for the region of Galilee. There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the words spoken through the prophets were

He will be called a Nazarene. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

