

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**  
**CYCLE B**  
**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** The family of Nazareth inspires us to imitate the virtues of holiness and piety. With this ideal before us, we ask The Lord to hear our prayers on our family day.

Our response is: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. For the family of the Church, that we may give respect and dignity to all God's children. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For the family of people and nations, that the rights of all will be upheld to establish peace, justice and harmony. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For all our families, and those away from their family circle, for broken families, that all may find acceptance reconciliation and love. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For all parents, that they may love their children warmly and sincerely. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For all nations and rulers, especially for the United Arab Emirates, our President - His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan; the vice-president and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai - His Highness Sheik Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed forces - His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan and all those in authority, that they may be blessed to lead the country to prosperity and peace. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Father in heaven, by subjecting himself to Mary and Joseph, your Son sanctified home life in Nazareth. As we offer our prayers, help us to follow his example, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: *Amen*