

Feast of the Holy Family

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How can we describe God? A question that has driven us to create as many analogies as the human mind can muster. How can we begin to understand Him?

Among the highest compliments we can give anyone is to declare that we consider him to be like family. This expression can be overused, but if we mean the bond and the warmth that it brings with it, we are extending the highest and closest relationship to someone that we can ever mean. In fact, so important and meaningful is this analogy that we have used it to describe the Trinity itself. So full of love and intimacy is the relationship of father and mother and child that it is the closest example we can use to describe the powerful relationship among the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Family on earth is the mirror image of the Holy Trinity in heaven. The bond of love among the members of the Holy Family is the bond of love that binds the Holy Trinity. It is the deepest meaning of the phrase that “God is Love.” It helps us understand the promise that He who abides in love abides in God and God in Him. We are members of this very “Family.” What a wonderful way to remember the divine nature of the season we are now celebrating!

What an honor we share while being members of God’s divine family.