



## Prayer to the Holy Family

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
in you we contemplate  
the splendour of true love,  
to you we turn with trust.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,  
grant that our families too  
may be places of communion and prayer,  
authentic schools of the Gospel  
and small domestic Churches.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,  
may families never again  
experience violence, rejection and division:  
may all who have been hurt or scandalized  
find ready comfort and healing.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,  
may the approaching Synod of Bishops  
make us once more mindful  
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,  
and its beauty in God's plan.*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
graciously bear our prayer.*

*Franciscus*

Icon kept in the chapel of the Pontifical Council for the Family.  
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