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# 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,  
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 hear our prayer.

## AMEN

*Franciscus*

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