4th Sunday of Advent December 18th, 2022

FATTH @ HOME

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First Reading: Responsorial Psalm: Second Reading: Gospel: Isaiah 7: 10-14 Psalm 24: 1-2,3-4 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-24

Full readings can be found here!

1. HEAR

To find the Gospel reflection click <u>HERE</u>

If you prefer, you can watch this video of the Gospel reading click <u>HERE</u>

If you have children, you might prefer to watch this video of the Gospel reading <u>HERE</u>

2. PRAY

In today's Gospel reading in Matthew, we read about how the birth of Jesus came about and Joseph's role in it. After reading the Gospel, take some time to



think about what the angel is telling Joseph to do because what Joseph is being told to do for Mary is not what he was intending to do.

Now in silent prayer, ask God to open your heart and mind that you would always pray first so as to hear and know the will of God in your life so that you would be able to make the right decision in difficult situations.

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

3. TALK

Sometimes we are faced with very difficult situations in our lives, and we might feel pushed into making a decision, either by our feelings or by what we think others will think. Can you remember a time when this happened to you? What was the outcome of your hasty decision?

If you feel comfortable, share this situation with your family or group.

Now, can you think of a time when you did have a difficult decision to make but you took the time to pray about it and think it through before making the decision-what was the outcome, that time? If you feel comfortable, share this with your family or group. Discuss the different outcomes in both these situations. End your time together by praying the Our Father.



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