

Parish Bulletin

Župni Vjesnik

January 4, 2015 - 4. siječnja 2015.



St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Parish
Hrvatska katolička župa sv. Jeronima

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Croatian Franciscan Friars

Fr. Ivica Majstorović, OFM - Fr. Stipe Renić, OFM



Mass schedule • Raspored misa

Saturday • Subota

5:30 p.m. English

Sunday • Nedjelja

7:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. English

11 a.m. Hrvatski

Weekdays • Kroz tjedan

7:30 a.m. English

Posjeta bolesnicima – uvijek

Sick calls – at any time

Krštenja – po dogovoru

Baptisms – by appointment

Ispovijedi – pola sata prije mise

Confessions – before Masses

Vjenčanja – najaviti 6 mjeseci ranije

Weddings – arrange 6 months in advance

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Hrvatski Katolički Radio

Glas župe sv. Jeronima

Subotom od 10 do 11 sati (750 AM)

Croatian Catholic Radio

Voice of St. Jerome's

Saturday, 10 to 11 a.m. on 750 AM

Monday, January 5 - Ponedjeljak, 5. siječnja

St. John Neumann – sv. John Neumann

7:30 a.m.

†† of Čondić Godparents *Duško*
 †† souls in Purgatory *Nelica*

Tuesday, January 6 - Utorak, 6. siječnja**7:30 a.m.**

† Ray Fisher *Catherine and Nick Parisin*
 † Mary Bratincevic *friend*
 † Stephen Ellison *mother Darlene*
 † John Naumczik *daughter Darlene Ellison*

Wednesday, January 7 - Srijeda, 7. siječnja**7:30 a.m.**

† Sofija Pastuović *Veselka and Robert Rajić*
 Private intention *Zoran and Slavica Hrgota and family*

Thursday, January 8 - Četvrtak, 8. siječnja**7:30 a.m.**

† Luka Markotić *Matt and Chris Pesce*
 Private intention *Duško and Jadranka Kraljević and family*

8:05 a.m.

PRO POPULO – For all Parishioners – Za župljane

7 – 9 p.m.Eucharistic Adoration – *Euharistijsko klanjanje***Friday, January 9 - Petak, 9. siječnja****7:30 a.m.**

† Lilian Geoghegan *Jim and Mary Ann Saracco*

Saturday, January 10 - Subota, 10. siječnja**7:30 a.m.**

† Greg Sergo *Broerman family*
 † Luka Markotić *Blagica Bešlić and family*
 † Linda Catino *Kay Siani*

5:30 p.m.

† Mary Doria *Pete and Sandy Schurla*
 † Mike Kamenjarin *Pivac family*
 † Raymond Sanchez *Cathy Amato*
 † Charles „Bolts“ Catino *Len and Mary Traficanto*
 † Frank Ursetta *Mary Fratto*

**Sunday, January 11 - Nedjelja, 11. siječnja****THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD****KRŠTENJE ISUSOVO****7:30 a.m.**

† Charles Catino *John Parrilli*
 † John Basso *Louis and Mary Scalise*
 †† Evelyn, Sr. Bernardine and Jozo Čondić *Duško*

9:30 a.m.

† Marilyn Scardino *Mark Gusich and family*
 † Marie Bajić *Mark Gusich*
 † Theresa Bujas *Kay Siani*
 † Mary Doria *Rose Marie Sestito*
 † James Bagnola *Ron Ropke*
 † Pasquale Cimaglia *James Saracco*
 † Mate Babich *Eleanor Drozd*

11 a.m.

† Karmila Knezović *Franjo Luburić*
 † Josip Armić *obitelj Armić*
 † Mare Žgela *Ivan i Iva Karačić*
 † Vinka Bradarić *Milica Lukin i obitelj*
 † Joso Uremović *obitelj Šulentić*
 † Sofija Pastuović *Olga Puljić*
 † Luka Markotić *Michael i Mary Ann DiVito*
 † Štefa Šego *Luca i Zdravko Šego*
 † Bisera Tomić *obitelj Tomić*
 † Ružica Cokarić *Nelica*
 † Nevenko Varvodić *Agnes Rodich i obitelj*
 † Nevenka Mulc *Bože Guvo i obitelj*
 † Ana Grah *Bože Guvo i obitelj*
 † Tomislav Falak *Ivica Grepo i obitelj*
 † Josip Lisnić *Marija i obitelj*
 †† Mate i Ivača Mikulić *Milena Runac i obitelj*
 †† Nikola i Mara Lugonjić *Milena Runac i obitelj*
 †† iz obitelji Čondić *Duško*
 †† iz obitelji Jenjić *obitelj Drobinić*
 †† iz obitelji Tokić i Maroš *Ivan i Iva Maroš*
 †† iz obitelji Lisnić i Projić *Marija Lisnić i obitelj*
 Na nakanu *Vicko Glunčić*

LECTORS - ČITAČI

5:30 p.m. – Joseph Magyar

7:30 a.m. – Emmett Turney; 9:30 a.m. – Diane Krolo

11 a.m. – po dogovoru

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**IZVANREDNI POSLUŽITELJI SV. PRIČESTI**

5:30 p.m. – Jan Ferro; 7:30 a.m. – Ellen O'Donnell

9:30 a.m. – Eva Mossman; 11 a.m. – Domagoj Paraga

ALTAR SERVERS - MINISTRANTI

5:30 p.m. – Kylee Kuzniar, Matthew and Molly McCormick

7:30 a.m. – Michael Passarelli, John Zekich

9:30 a.m. – Francesca Bertucci, Angelina Caruso,
Monica Matual

11 a.m. – po dogovoru

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

We have a special feast of Epiphany to celebrate the visit of the magi. Why is that? It is because the visit of the magi is an eye-opener. The shepherds learnt of the birth of Jesus through a direct revelation from angels appearing in the midnight sky. This is direct and supernatural revelation. Many of us have no problem with that. The magi, on the other hand, learnt of the birth of Jesus by observing a star. The star did not say anything to them. They had to interpret this natural sign of the star to know what it meant and where it led. If we remember that the magi or the three wise men were nature worshippers, people who divined God's will by reading the movements of the stars and other heavenly bodies, then we can see how the visit of the magi challenges some of our popular beliefs.

People of different situations came to know that the Son of God was born. The shepherds who were regarded as unclean and could not take part in Temple worship without undergoing purification came to know through a direct vision of angels. The magi knew through a reading of the stars. And King Herod's scribes came to know through searching the scriptures. Visions, stars, scriptures - different ways of arriving to the truth. Of course this does not mean that any religious tradition is just as good as the other. Notice how Matthew indicates that when the guiding star got to Jerusalem its light failed and the magi had to consult the scriptures to direct them to Bethlehem. Over and above the natural light of the star the magi still needed the supernatural light of scripture to finally get to Jesus.

Yet the crucial question remains: Who actually got to find Jesus? Herod and his scribes who had the scriptures failed to find Jesus but the magi who followed the natural light of the stars were able to find him. Why? Because the Jewish authorities, even though they possessed the shining truth of revealed scriptures, did not follow it. They did not walk in the light of the scriptures. The magi, on the other hand, who enjoyed only a star light, followed its guidance. It is not the possession of the truth that matters, it is how prepared we are to walk in the light of the truth that we possess.

BOGOJAVLJENJE - SVETA TRI KRALJA

U bogojavljenjskoj poruci glavna je stvarnost novorođeni kralj Isus Krist, na čijem se vanjskom obličju ne vide tragovi kraljevskoga dostojanstva. On stanuje u seoskoj kolibi među siromašnim ljudima. On je kralj koji nema svečanih primanja, on je skriven, gotovo stavljen u stranu. A ipak je njegovo rođenje navijestila zvijezda te dovela mudrace s Istoka s darovima, da mu se poklone. Oni su tu ne radi sebe, već da svrate pažnju na novorođenoga Kralja, koga i oni naviještaju. On se objavljuje kao obećani Mesija, Spasitelj svih naroda. On se i danas kao Bog, čovjek i Spasitelj, želi objaviti svakome narodu i svakome pojedinome čovjeku preko svoje poruke u Evanđelju, želi se objaviti i preko nas kršćana, ali to će biti moguće samo u tolikoj mjeri u kolikoj smo prihvatili njegovu poruku i koliko je proživljavamo. Naša pomoć njegovu objavljivanju bit će i naš najbolji dar koji mu možemo dati.

Uoči Bogojavljenja običava se blagosloviti voda kojom se onda škrope ljudi, predmeti i prostori prigodom blagoslova. I naše obitelji svojim životom morale bi objavljivati Krista. Blagoslov kuća morao bi biti vanjski znak da će se u obitelji živjeti kršćanskim, to jest Kristovim životom, po načelima Evanđelja. Raspelo na vidnom mjestu u stanu morali bi na vanjski način pokazivati kome obitelj pripada i tko je njezin Gospodar i Učitelj.

Mudrace s Istoka, o kojima govori sv. Matej, ne spominjući im ni imena ni broja, kasnija je predaja pretvorila u kraljeve dajući im i imena: Gašpar, Melkior i Baltazar. Poslije smrti tih triju kraljeva njihove relikvije su bile donesene u Carigrad, a odande u Milano, odakle su 1164. godine prenesene u Köln. Nad tim je relikvijama podignuta veličanstvena katedrala koja je još i danas najveći ures grada Kölna, u kojem se veoma razvilo njihovo štovanje.



THANK YOU

Dear parishioners, friends and benefactors!

We would like to congratulate each one of you as we celebrate the gift of the New Year. After the gift of nativity of his son Jesus, God has given us another gift of the New Year.

We would like to thank everyone for participation and contribution in making St. Jerome a welcoming and beautiful parish. We thank you for the financial, spiritual, and moral support that you give to the parish. May the good Lord continue to reward you.

**Happy New Year
with love from
your Franciscan friars**

Fr. Ivica and Fr. Stipe



WELCOME BACK

We welcome back our school teachers, students and the entire St. Jerome School staff for the second semester of this school year. We wish them a very successful second part of the year.

VICARIATE III WELCOME MASSES WITH ARCHBISHOP BLASE J. CUPICH

Our new Archbishop Blase J. Cupich will visit each of the six vicariates of the Archdiocese for a Mass and reception in the coming weeks. Archbishop Cupich will visit Vicariate III, our Vicariate, on Monday, January 12, at 7 p.m. The Mass will be celebrated at St. Aloysius Parish (2300 W. Le Moyne St.) Immediately following each Mass, there will be a reception with an opportunity to meet and have a photo taken with Archbishop Cupich.

MARIAN SOCIETY ALL MEMBER MEETING

The Marian Society all member meeting will be on Sunday, January 25, at 12:30 p.m. in the Big Hall. All members are invited as well as ladies that might join this Society.

"KUNA" CROATIAN HUNTERS CLUB DINNER

Members of "Kuna" Croatian Hunters Club are organizing their annual dinner in our Big Hall on Saturday, January 31, at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased in advance from members of this club or by calling Zdravko at 773-908-2364.

CALENDARS FOR 2015

St. Jerome wall calendars for 2015 are available in the entrance area of the church thanks to Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

You can take your box of envelopes for year 2015. They are prepared in the entrance area of the church. Please, let us know if you are regular parishioner but without offertory envelopes.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

If you are not registered with our parish, this is the time. Just drop us a note through email or stop by. It is a gift to belong to such a wonderful faith community of St. Jerome.

HOLY MASS PARTICIPATION SHEETS

Goal of Catholic school is to help children to live Catholic teachings as part of their daily lives. Mass is the center of our life and of religious formation, as well. Starting with the New Year, students of St. Jerome Catholic School will be using the Holy Mass Participation Sheets. While attending Sunday Mass, students will ask the priest or lector to sign proper form.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS TO THE ALTAR

If you would like to present the gifts to the altar, please, see one of our ushers before the Mass, especially if a Mass is being celebrated for your deceased loved ones or for your personal intention.

JOIN US IN OUR WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

ZUMBA - Get in shape and have fun - join Zumba every **Tuesday** and **Thursday** in the Big Hall from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

CROATIAN SCHOOL FOR ADULTS - Learn Croatian - join Croatian School every **Tuesday** in the Upper Small Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. For more info contact Miro at miromarcikic@gmail.com or at 224-436-0255.

BOOK CLUB - Book Club will have next meeting on **Wednesday**, January 14, at 7 p.m. in Lower Small Hall. They are reading "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand. All are welcome.

AA - Meetings are held every **Wednesday** at 7:30 p.m. in Upper Small Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every **Thursday** from 7 to 9 p.m. It is a time of prayer and reflection.

SAVE THE DATE

- **Wednesday, January 7**
Parish Council Meeting
 - **Monday, January 12**
Vicariate III Welcome Mass with Archbishop Cupich
 - **Sunday, January 25**
Marian Society all member meeting
 - **Saturday, January 31**
"Kuna" Croatian Hunters Club Dinner
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- **Saturday, February 7**
Festa Svetog Vlaha - St. Blaise celebration
 - **Sunday, February 15**
Stepinčevo - Bl. Cardinal Alojzije Stepinac celebration

ZAHVALA

Svima vama, dragi župljani, prijatelji i dobročinitelji iskreno i srdačno zahvaljujemo na vašoj duhovnoj, moralnoj i novčanoj pomoći i suradnji u protekloj godini. Hvala svima!

**Sretnu novu 2015. godinu
od srca vam žele vaši franjevci**

fra Ivica i fra Stipe

**ZAHVALA IZ SARAJEVA**

*Župa sv. Ignacija - Grbavica
Sarajevo, BiH*

Poštovani vjernici župe sv. Jeronima!

Srdačno vam zahvaljujem na daru koji ste namijenili za pomoć izgradnji župne crkve i pastoralnog centra sv. Ignacija na Grbavici u Sarajevu. Radovi dobro napreduju i sve ide kako smo planirali. Neka vas prati Božji blagoslov, zagovor blažene Djevice Marije i našeg nebeskog zaštitnika sv. Ignacija Lojolskog. Koristim priliku da vam od srca zaželim čestit Božić i blagoslovljenu novu 2015. godinu.

p. Krešimir Djaković DI, župnik

BOŽIĆNI KONCERT

Danas, u nedjelju 4. siječnja, imamo koncert božićnih pjesma u našoj crkvi. Koncert će započeti nakon hrvatske sv. mise a predstaviti će nam se Ivan Heler, Mario Romanović i gosti. Ulaz je slobodan.

101. ROĐENDAN FRA ČASTIMIRA MAJIĆA

Najstariji član naše Hrvatske franjevačke kustodije, fra Častimir Majić, u petak 9. siječnja će proslaviti svoj 101. rođendan. Sjetite ga se u svojim molitvama da ga Bog i dalje blagoslovi dobrim zdravljem.

**SV. MISA S NADBISKUPOM CUPICHEM
ZA VIKARIJAT III**

Nadbiskup Blase J. Cupich planira posjetiti svaki od šest vikarijata u nadbiskupiji, slaviti sv. misu te se susresti s vjernicima nadbiskupije. Nadbiskup Cupich će posjetiti naš vikarijat (vikarijat III) u ponedjeljak 12. siječnja. Sv. misa će biti u 7 sati navečer u crkvi sv. Alojzija (2300 W. Le Moyne St.). Nakon sv. mise bit će primanje u župnoj dvorani, susret s nadbiskupom te prilika za zajedničku fotografiju.

BLAGOSLOV OBITELJI

Škropljenje stanova i kuća prigodom blagoslova obitelji je vanjski znak da se u obitelji želi živjeti kršćanskim životom, po načelima Evanđelja.

S blagoslovom smo započeli ovih dana. U dogovoru s našim voditeljima, obavještavat ćemo vas i zvati unaprijed. Molimo, javite nam ako želite da dođemo i k vama, osobito, ako kod vas nismo bili duže vremena.

ZAHVALA

Hvala svim darovateljima za program Hrvatskog katoličkog radija: Božo i Stoja Kosir (\$100), Luka i Davorka Bečić (\$100). Hvala na daru, potpori i slušanju!

GODIŠNJI SASTANAK MARIJINOG DRUŠTVA

Godišnji sastanak svih članica Marijinog društva će biti u nedjelju 25. siječnja, s početkom u 12:30 sati u Velikoj dvorani. Pozivamo sve članice i one koji su zainteresirani za duhovni program na ovaj važan sastanak.

ŽUPNE OMOTNICE, KALENDARI I VJESNIK

Župne omotnice za 2015. godinu nalaze se na dnu crkve. Ako postoje kakve tehničke pogreške ili još nemate svoje župne omotnice, javite nam se.

Zahvaljujemo pogrebnoj kući "Michael Colleta Sons" na sponzorstvu zidnih kalendara za 2014. godinu.

Hrvatski zidni kalendari i Hrvatski franjevački vjesnici se nalaze na dnu crkve. U njima se nalaze mnogi zanimljivi izvještaji iz naše župe kao i iz drugih hrvatskih župa Kanade i SAD-a.

NOVČANI IZVJEŠTAJ ZA 2014. GODINU

Uskoro ćemo pripremiti novčani izvještaj o darovima u godini 2014. Hvala od srca za sve što ste učinili za našu župnu zajednicu. Hvala za sve vaše darove: župi, radijskom programu, za blagdane i Veliku Gospu, za siromašne te za ostale potrebe i događaje.

IZBORI ZA PREDSDJEDNIKA RH

Raspisani su izbori za predsjednika Republike Hrvatske. Drugi krug će se održati **u nedjelju 11. siječnja 2015.** Kao hrvatski državljani dužnost nam je izaći na izbore i dati svoj glas onom kandidatu ili kandidatici za koje smatramo da će nas, Hrvate i vjernike katolike, najbolje predstavljati u sljedećih 5 godina. Izbori će se održati u Generalnom konzulatu RH u Chicagu (737 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1030) od 7 do 19 sati.

Glasovati mogu hrvatski državljani stariji od 18 godina koji borave u SAD-u i svi oni koji žele glasovati u Generalnom konzulatu RH u Chicagu a da su se prethodno registrirali. Za više detaljnijih informacija nazovite Generalni konzulat RH na broj telefona 312-482-9902.

**LOVAČKE VEČERE**

Hrvatsko lovačko društvo Srna organizira lovačku večer u dvorani župe Srca Isusova u subotu 17. siječnja.

Hrvatsko lovačko društvo Kuna priređuje lovačku večer i svoj godišnji banket u našoj dvorani u subotu 31. siječnja s početkom u 7 sati navečer.

NEW YEAR - NEW BEGINNINGS FOR THE CHRISTIAN STEWARD

The start of a New Year gives us the feeling of a fresh start, a new beginning, and new opportunities. It is a time when people feel that they can begin anew with their lives. Common New Year's resolutions are to lose weight, exercise more and eat healthier; or to spend more time with family. Still others include managing money better and being more organized.

Although there is nothing in the Bible or notable in Christian tradition about New Year's resolutions, many good stewards take advantage of this time of year to become closer to the Lord. They may recommit themselves to pray more, to read the Bible, or to attend Mass more regularly. If you are looking for some helps in your New Year's resolutions, here are a few ideas to get you started:

- **Practice gratitude** – Cultivating a grateful heart is the hallmark of a Christian steward. Every day, express thankfulness to the Lord and to others. Seeing the good in your life will allow you to keep your heart compassionate and loving.



- **Encounter the Lord each day** – Find time to be with the Lord each day, whether it be for an hour or ten minutes. Have a conversation with the Lord. Give your joys and worries to Him as well. Allow God's love to transform them. Our encounters will keep our eyes and ears open to the presence of Christ in our midst.

- **Be present to others** – There is much celebration and mourning, joy and sorrow in peoples' lives. What a blessing it is to be able to share those times and not let others experience them alone. The gift of your presence to others is much more valuable than you realize.

- **Resist overwork** – There is a pressure to produce, meet goals, be successful. But activities that lead us to overwork, constant fatigue and worry do not give glory to God. What God calls us to do we can do well. Be mindful that life requires balance, down time and letting go of unrealistic goals.

- **Nurture friendships** – Our friends are those we choose to be with, those with whom we spend our evenings, with whom we vacation, to whom we go to for advice. Friends are gifts from God who give us a greater appreciation of God's love for us. Friends need our time and love.



- **Give more** – Good stewards realize that everything they have is entrusted to them as gift to be shared. There is no better place to begin than sharing with the community that gathers around the Lord's table at Mass. Consider what you are giving to your parish and local diocese and commit to an even greater contribution as circumstances allow.

- **Make a difference in your parish community** – Believe it or not, your parish community can use your talents. Offering your talents to your faith community is one of the most effective ways to feel useful and connected to others, and it is a potentially life-changing New Year's resolution.

- **Consider living more simply** – We cannot find fulfillment in possessions. They add nothing to our self-worth. Jesus blessed the "poor in spirit" in his Sermon on the Mount; and Saint Francis of Assisi urged us to live with only what was necessary, for that is how we begin to find God.

- **Get healthy** – Studies show that most people in North America are accelerating their own decline into premature old age, owing to poor diet and lack of physical activity. Be a good steward of your body. Plan a complete overhaul of your diet and exercise habits.

- **Don't give up** – People give up their New Year's resolutions because of perfectionism and unrealistic expectations. So take it slow, be kind to yourself and keep trying. Resist the urge to throw your hands up and quit. You succeed through small, manageable changes over time.

- **Turn to the Lord** – Ask the Lord for guidance, strength and perseverance in achieving your resolutions. In his letter to the Phillipians, Saint Paul writes: "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength" (Phil 4:13). If God is the center of our New Year's resolutions, they have a better chance for success.day.