



December 10, 2017 - 10. prosinca 2017.



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

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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

Posjeti 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

TELEPHONES

Hrvatski katolički radio Chicago subotom od podne do 12:30 poslije podne na 750 AM

Croatian Catholic Radio Chicago Saturday: noon - 12:30 p.m. on 750 AM

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Monday, December 11 - Ponedjeljak, 11. prosinca

7:30 a.m.

++ Sisters from <i>Mother of Sorrows</i> convent	olanta
For intentions of Richard Jalovec	WZG

Tuesday, December 12 - Utorak, 12. prosinca Our Lady of Guadalupe – Gospa Guadalupska

7:30 a.m.

+ Kathy Byers (birthday remembrance)	<i>Dee</i>
+ Maria Strmečki /	Mary and Debbie

Wednesday, December 13 - Srijeda, 13. prosinca

St. Lucy – sv. Lucija

7:30 a.m.

+ George Spolec	<i>D. and Ed</i>
+ Rose Krolo	Diane Krolo

Thursday, December 14 - Četvrtak, 14. prosinca St. John of the Cross – *sv. Ivan od križa*

7:30 a.m.

+ Camille Kristich	
++ Marko and Tona Čondić	Duško
8:05 a.m.	
PRO POPULO – For all Parishioners – Z	la župljane

6:30 p.m.

Ordination for diaconate of Br. Antonio Musa Dakonsko ređenje fra Antonia Muse

Friday, December 15 - Petak, 15. prosinca

7:30 a.m.

+ Judith Ruglio	 Jolanta
+ Slavko Renko	 Carol and Frano Marasovich

Saturday, December 16 - Subota, 16. prosinca

7:30 a.m.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION IZVANREDNI POSLUŽITELJI SV. PRIČESTI

Sunday, December 17 - Nedjelja, 17. prosinca 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 3. NEDJELJA DOŠAŠĆA

7:30 a.m.

+ Dominick Marino family
+ Irene Grubisic family
† Anastasia Kavalauskas Cathy LoCoco
++ Čondić brothers and sisters Duško
For intentions of Thursday Adoration attendees WZG
9:30 a.m.
+ Joe Bozich wife and family
+ Filip Majić Majić family
† John Zekich Ken, Jan and John Zekich
Mary Budich Ann and Jeff Wentz
+ Vera Bozich ONIAC Women's Alliance
+ Vjeko Cudina Anthony and Matthew Scalise
† Maria Strmečki Joan Sipich
+ Charles McKnight Scalise family
++ August and Bernardette Walters family
++ of Sorich family Sorich family
Special intentions (in thanksgiving) Ginni Vulich
11 a.m.
† Lovro Rudman Bože Guvo
+ Dado Brašić Ivica Golub i obitelj
+ Josip Armić obitelj Armić
+ Theresa Nagy Blago i Ivanka Planinić
+ Rosa Galić
+ Tanco Tancev
+ Lucija Žakman sin Ivan
† Dragica Požek obitelj Žignić
† Iva Kosir Stipe Tokić i obitelj
† Antun Rudman Duško i Jadranka Kraljević
† Iva Erkapić <i>Tomislav Erkapić i obitelj</i>
† Mirko Dukić Luka Bajić i obitelj
† Vjeko Bajić Luka Bajić i obitelj
 Marija Lisnich Stephens
+ Josip Lisnich
t + Stanko i Joe Vuković kum Ilija i obitelj
t† Stipan i Dragica Hrkać
t† Ivan i Ana Mlinarić Ivan i Vesna Mlinarić
++ Andrija i Tuna Štrbić <i>kći Vesna Mlinarić i obitelj</i>
t Mate i Ana Popović
tt iz obitelji Čondić
tt iz obitelji Novak
tt iz obitelji Belan i Kralj <i>Ivan i Ljubica Belan</i>
Na čast Gospe

ALTAR SERVERS - MINISTRANTI

5:30 p.m. - Victoria Luna, Matthew McCormick

7:30 a.m. – Juliana Caruso, Koki Murray

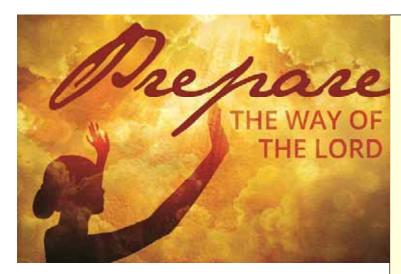
9:30 a.m. – Victoria Duncan, William Ruich

LECTORS - ČITAČI

5:30 a.m. – Brian Kenny

7:30 a.m. – Luanne Munizzi; 9:30 a.m. – Diane Krolo

11 a.m. – Mara Kosir, Kristina Hrvojević, Vedran Jurjević



2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him. John the Baptist commanded quite a crowd. What was the attraction? Was it his unusual appearance-clothed in camel's hair? Perhaps it was his bizarre eating habitsfeeding on locusts and wild honey. Or maybe people were captivated by the Baptist's remarkable humility in the face of such huge popularity - I am not worthy.

Unlike our modern fascination with standing in the presence of superstars, the crowds who flocked to John weren't looking for a thrill. They weren't lining up for autographs. They were lining up for baptism. And they were acknowledging their sins at the same time. John was proclaiming *a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins*. And people came because they were longing to experience the freedom of that forgiveness.

John called them to conversion. To convert means to turn, in this case to turn away from sin. And the crowds were anxious to do so in order to prepare the way of the Lord. For these first-century Jews, the imminent approach of the Messiah came with a call for conversion and they took this call very seriously.

Now, for us, as 21st century Christians, the Church, like John the Baptist, calls us to prepare and repent during this season of Advent. Will we take the call seriously? Will we examine the areas of our lives that need to change? Will we pray for God's help to overcome our habitual sin and to make choices based on generosity instead of selfishness? Now is the time to heed the message. Now is the time to prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

2. NEDJELJA DOŠAŠĆA

Kroz liturgijska čitanja provlače se dvije teme: pustinja kao početak novoga stvaranja te potreba imati skrušeno srce. U pustinji je došlo spasenje iscrpljenom narodu. To je zapravo paradoks kršćanske nade - ona se usred, čini se, nemoguće situacije još odlučnije pokazuje. Nadati se stoga znači biti otvoren za iznenađenja. Iznenađujuće je da Bog ni na koji način nije ograničen. Otvorenost iznenađenju zahtijeva srce koje može vidjeti i neočekivano. Na taj način uključuje krhkost i rizik. No rizik ima svoje utemeljenje u nadi; u vrsti nade kakvu je Ivan u pustinji naviještao. To je nada koja vjeruje da iz nemogućeg Bog može načiniti novo. Oni koji su došli k Ivanu u pustinju bili su raskajana srca. Samo je raskajano srce otvoreno za nadu. U toj otvorenosti i spremnosti raskajano srce se preobražava u novu stvarnost. I tu se uočava paradoks došašća. Usred pustinje Bog čini nemoguće u onima čija su srca otvorena za nadu. Bog tvori zajednicu koja zna zahvaljivati jer zna da sve dobro dolazi od Boga.

Ivan Krstitelj traži obraćenje radi oproštenja grijeha i taj poziv upućuje svima a ne samo određenoj grupi ljudi. Velik broj ljudi koji dolazi Ivanu samo pokazuje čovjekovu duhovnu glad. Neki su od njih možda došli i iz radoznalosti, no čuvši poruku, nisu mogli ostati ravnodušni. Bili su oduševljeni Ivanom, no on pogled usmjeruje prema onom koji je važniji i jači od njega, onoga koji dolazi nakon njega. Ivan je bio prenositelj Božje poruke, i on je bio svjestan svoje uloge. Nije bio onaj očekivani, nego onaj koji je pripravljao put za Očekivanog. A taj Očekivani samo što nije došao. I ta je činjenica mogla biti razlog zašto su mnogi ljudi napustili svoja sela i gradove i došli u pustinju slušati Ivana. Oni su žudili za spasenjem koje je došlo u njihovu blizinu.

BAPTIZED

In our parish was baptized: **Santino Raymond Yarus** (Erik Yarus and Deanna DeGrazia)

May God's abundant blessing be always with our newly baptized, his parents and sponsors!

ADVENT GIVING TREE

We have an Advent Giving Tree in our church. That is a wonderful opportunity for St. Jerome Parish families to reach out and extend a hand to the poor in our midst who without our help would not have Christmas



gifts for their children. Please, read the cards carefully to see the due date and whether gifts should be wrapped or not. Would you volunteer and help in delivering these pre-

sents? Please, talk to one of our priests.

ZVJEZDICE (LITTLE STARS) GIRLS CHOIR CONCERT IN OUR CHURCH

"Zvjezdice" Girls' Choir is one of the most representative music ensembles in Zagreb and Croatia. It was founded in 1985 and forms part of the Youth Music Centre in Zagreb. The members of the choir are all outstanding students of primary and secondary schools in Zagreb. They will visit Chicago as a part of their USA Tour. Last time they visited us was 7 years ago. Today, December 10, they will have a concert in our church at 12:15 p.m. Bring family and friends to this concert of the most beautiful Advent and Christmas music in various languages.

YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING

Once a month our youth and young adults gets together to pray, sing, reflect on the Bible and discuss the different topics. Gathering is held today in the Upper Small Hall starting at 12:15 p.m. and ends by 1:15 p.m. Upcoming dates: January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8.

VISITING SICK AND HOMEBOUND

We would like to visit our sick and homebound parishioners before Christmas. Let us know if there is someone at home, in hospital or somewhere else who desires the Sacraments, so that we can visit them.

INVITATION FROM CROATIAN FRANCISCANS

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, Croatian Franciscan Custody of the Holy Family joyfully invites us to attend the ordination of **Br. Antonio Musa**, **OFM** for the sacred order of diaconate, through the imposition of the hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by Most Reverend **Alberto Rojas**, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago. Ordination for diaconate will be celebrated on Thursday, December 14, at 6:30 p.m. in our church. Reception will follow in the Big Hall. Please, let us know if you will join us for this joyous celebration. Send email to: stjeromecroatian@gmail.com, or call: (312) 842-1871.

PARISH CONFESSIONS

On Sunday, December 17, at 6 p.m. we will have several priests available for the sacrament of reconciliation. They will hear confessions in a quiet, peaceful atmosphere ideal for examining our conscience. Amid all our preparations for Christmas, we should not forget the priority of preparing our souls.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation in memory of your loved ones or in thanksgiving for special events in your live, please, see Mary and Louis Scalise, Jan and Kenny Zekich or call our Parish Office.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Soon you will be able to take your box of envelopes for year 2018. They will be prepared in the entrance area of the church. Please, let us know if you are regular parishioner but without offertory envelopes.

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUALITY SERIES

We continue with the 6-part Franciscan Spirituality Series. The third session titled *Birth of the Lord - St. Francis celebrates Christmas* will be on Wednesday, January 3, at 7 p.m. in the St. Jerome Small Hall. The presenter will be Fr. Lawrence Frankovich, OFM - West Allis, WI.

ST. JEROME CAPITAL CAMPAIGN "PROUD OF OUR PAST – BUILDING FOR OUR FUTURE"

We are starting with a capital campaign to raise funds to a multipurpose space, renovate and add classrooms, and renovate our parish hall. Our goal is to keep everyone well informed and aware of everything that is taking place. Please, pray for the success of this campaign!

WEDDING BANNS NAJAVA VJENČANJA

I) Thomas M. Rosenak & Cara M. Suglich

PREMINULI

Ovih je dana u Domovini preminuo:

• u Pribiću kraj Jastrebarskog, u 58. godini života, **Mijo Jurčić**. Za njim ostaju u Hrvatskoj: supruga Marija i dvoje djece te sestre Karmen i Božica; u Chicagu ostaju sestre Ana Makarić i Ljerka Borgstrom sa svojim obiteljima.

Neka ga Gospodin obdari svojim mirom.

OBLJETNICA PREMINUĆA DR. FRANJE TUĐMANA

PRVOG PREDSJEDNIKA REPUBLIKE HRVATSKE

Uz obljetnicu preminuća dr. Franje Tuđmana, prvog predsjednika Republike Hrvatske (10. prosinca 1999.), želimo se sjetiti i ostalih hvatskih velikana koji su, od stoljeća 7. do danas, radili i žrtvovali se za slobodu i samostalnost našeg hrvatskog naroda. Upalimo danas jednu svijeću za sve njih i preporučimo ih milosti i pravdi Božjoj.

DJEVOJAČKI ZBOR ZVJEZDICE U CHICAGU

Djevojački zbor 'Zvjezdice' jedan je od najreprezentativnijih glazbenih predstavnika Zagreba i Hrvatske. Osnovan je 1985. godine, a djeluje pri Glazbenom centru mladih u Zagrebu. Članice zbora su odlične učenice zagrebačkih osnovnih i srednjih škola.

'Zvjezdice' će posjetiti Chicago u sklopu svoje američke turneje. Zadnji put su bile u našoj zajednici prije 7 godina. Danas, u nedjelju 10. prosinca, su s nama na hrvatskoj sv. misi te će nakon sv. mise održati koncert adventskih i božićnih pjesama.

SUSRETI MLADIH

Jednom mjesečno mladi naše župe imaju svoj redoviti susret u Gornjoj maloj dvorani. Susret se održava danas u 1 sat poslije podne. Nadolazeći susreti su: 14. siječnja, 11. veljače, 11. ožujka, 8. travnja.



ĐAKONSKO REĐENJE FRA ANTONIA MUSE

Hrvatski franjevci Kustodije Svete Obitelji radosno pozivaju na sv. misu pod kojom će **fra Antonio Musa, OFM** primiti Sveti red đakonata po polaganju ruku mons. Alberta Rojasa, pomoćnog čikaškog biskupa. Đakonsko ređenje će biti u našoj crkvi u četvrtak 14. prosinca u 6:30 sati navečer. Nakon obreda slijedi večera i veselje u Velikoj dvorani. Ako se planirate pridružiti našem slavlju, molimo, najavite se na stjeromecroatian@gmail.com ili na (312) 842-1871.

HRVATSKA ŠKOLA

BOŽIĆNA PRIREDBA - U subotu 16. prosinca Hrvatska škola priređuje Božićnu priredbu u Velikoj dvorani. Vrata se otvaraju u 6 sati a božićni program počinje u 6:30 sati navečer a potom slijedi večera.

ADVENTSKI BOR

U crkvi imamo adventski bor i na njemu kartice s imenima stvari - darova potrebnih djeci iz siromašnih obitelji. Molimo, uzmite kartice, kupite dar koji je napisan i vratite ga za u crkvu ili župni ured. Siromašnoj djeci ćemo tako uljepšati ovogodišnji Božić.



BOŽIĆNO CVIJEĆE

Želite li darovati cvijeće u spomen na svoje pokojne tako da možemo lijepo ukrasiti crkvu za Božić i božićne dane, molimo, javite se Louisu ili Mary Scalise, Kenu ili Jan Zekich te Ivanu ili Vesni Jureta.

PREDBOŽIĆNA SV. ISPOVIJED

Najbolja priprava za Božić je po sakramentu pomirenja. Biti katolik znači barem se jednom godišnje ispovjediti i pričestiti. Župna ispovijed s više hrvatskih svećenika na raspolaganju će biti u nedjelju 17. prosinca u 6 sati navečer. Neka nam predbožićna užurbanost ne poreme^[] duhovnu pripravu za Božić.

POHOD BOLESNIKA

Prije Božića želimo pohoditi naše stare i bolesne župljane koji su u bolnici, staračkom domu Ili kod kuće. Javite nam kada je najbolje da ih obiđemo.

DOČEK NOVE GODINE U HRVATSKOM CENTRU

Hrvatski Kulturni Centar poziva na doček nove 2018. godine u nedjelju 31. prosinca. Za dobru zabavu će se pobrinuti glazbeni sastav *Lidija & Band* iz Clevelanda. U cijenu od \$110 je uključeno piće, predjelo, otmjena večera, šampanjac za zdravicu, zakuska u ponoć. Ulaznice su u pretprodaji a nakon Božića će biti \$130. Ulaznica za djecu od 6 do 13 je \$40. Ulaznica za mlade od 14 godina naviše te za studente s iskaznicom je \$70. Rezervirajte svoj stol već sada. Za sva pitanja nazovite Hrvatsku centar (773-338-3839).

QUEEN OF HEARTS

ST. JEROME SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

This raffle is a weekly 50/50 split the pot. If your ticket is drawn and your number reveals the Queen of Hearts on the board, you are a winner. If no one wins, new tickets are purchased and the pot rolls over. Drawing is held every Sunday at 8 p.m. at Turtle's Bar & Grill (238 W. 33rd St.). Winner need not be present. Tickets are 6 for \$5. They can be purchased at Turtle's Bar & Grill or at our school.



FEAST DAY OF ST. LUCY PATRON SAINT OF SANTA LUCIA PARISH

On Wednesday, December 13, the feast day of St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr is celebrated. There will be a vigil Mass at Santa Lucia church on Tuesday, December 12, at 7 p.m. Since St. Lucy is patron saint of those who are praying for the health of their eyes, there will be a special celebration of the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.



There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient. The Sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after the anointing but becomes ill once again, or if, during the same illness, the person's condition becomes more serious. A person should be anointed before surgery when a dangerous illness is the reason for the intervention. Old people may be an-

ointed if they are in weak condition even though no dangerous illness is present.

On Wednesday, December 13, the feast day of St. Lucy two Masses will be celebrated: 8:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.

NUT AND CANDY HOLIDAY SALE

AT SANTA LUCIA

Santa Lucia Parish and School are hosting a Superior Nut and Candy Holiday sale in Maratea Hall (school hall) until December 12. The shop will be open on Saturday from 1-6 p.m., on Sunday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and on December 12 from 3-6 p.m.



FRANJEVAČKA DUHOVNOST

Nastavljamo sa serijom susreta/predavanja o franjevačkoj duhovnosti. Različite teme će nam predstaviti fra Lawrence Frankovich, OFM - West Allis, WI. Treći susret pod temom *Gospodinovo rođenje - Božić za sv. Franju* (Birth of the Lord - St. Francis celebrates Christmas) će biti u srijedu 3. siječnja u Maloj dvorani u 7 sati navečer.



MLADIFEST 2018

Šesti susret hrvatske katoličke mladeži SAD-a i Kanade će biti od 29. lipnja do 1. srpnja u Hrvatskoj župi Hrvatskih mučenika u Mississaugi, ON. Očekuju se mladi iz Kanade, SAD-a i Hrvatske.

JOIN US IN OUR WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES

FIT TRAINING - If you want to get in shape and have fun - join Fit Training every **Tuesday** in the Big Hall from 7 to 8 p.m.

BOOK CLUB - Advent Party will be on Wednesday, December 13, at 7 p.m. in Lower Small Hall.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every **Thursday** from 7 to 8 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

• Sunday, **December 10**

'Zvjezdice' concert

- Wednesday, **December 13** Book Club Advent Party
- Thursday, **December 14** Ordination for diaconate of Br. Antonio Musa
- Saturday, December 16 Croatian School Christmas Program
- Wednesday, **December 20** St. Jerome School Christmas Program in church
- Monday, December 25

Nativity of the Lord - Christmas