



December 31, 2017 - 31. prosinca 2017.



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

2823 S. Princeton Ave. • Cardinal Stepinac Way Chicago, IL 60616

Croatian Franciscan Friars

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

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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

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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, January 1 - Ponedjeljak, 1. siječnja MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

BDM BOGORODICA

7:30 a.m. †† of Botica and Hanson families
In thanksgiving
PRO POPULO – For all Parishioners – Za župljane
Tuesday, January 2 - <i>Utorak, 2. siječnja</i> Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen sv. Bazilije Veliki i Grgur Nazijanski
7:30 a.m.† Concetta MarnellSharon, Gina and Bill† Ivan BabichValeria Babich
Wednesday, January 3 - Srijeda, 3. siječnja
7:30 a.m.Mom and Dad† Laurie HarzichMom and Dad† John CarusoMatt and Chris Pesce
Thursday, January 4 - Četvrtak, 4. siječnja St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – sv. Elizabeth Ann Seton
7:30 a.m. † Maria Strmečki
Friday, January 5 - Petak, 5. siječnja
St. John Neumann – sv. John Neumann
7:30 a.m.† Stefka KiossevaPaško and Iva Jakelja†† Čondić godparentsfriend
Saturday, January 6 - Subota, 6. siječnja
7:30 a.m. † Salvatore Nisivaco
† Debbie Alberico Thome (60th birthday rememberance)

Sunday, January 7 - Nedjelja, 7. siječnja THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

BOGOJAVLJENJE (TRI KRALJA)

7:30 a.m.
† Steve Bilandic Heather Black
† Vera Bozich Chris and Matt Pesce
† Gene Dengler Gene and Pauline Dengler
†† Čondić brothers and sisters
9:30 a.m.
† Steve Bilandicnephew Michael Bilandic
† Mary Budich Kay Siani
† Vera Bozich John and Laura Perseghin
† Maria Strmečki Michael Bozich
† James Tavolino Mark Gusich and Gina Plomino
† John "Ish" Botica Gen and family
† Anthony Heneghan Link family
† Ellen Rago Link family
†† of Zaninovich and Vulich families Toni Zaninovich
11 a.m. † Lovro Rudman <i>Božo i Mirila Jurlina</i>
† Theresa Nagy Joann Trbovic
† Marko Dugandžić Zdravko i Luca Šego
† Marija Strmečki Jadranka Jurić
† Josip Flanjak
† Antun Rudman Duško i Jadranka Kraljević
† Pavao Tabar Andrea Hasaka
† Mile Lovrić obitelj Ćosić
† Ana Grah Bože Guvo i obitelj
† Miroslav Vujeva obitelj Vujeva
† Stefka Kiosseva Dragan i Janice Subašić
++ Mirko i Mara Šušnjara Iva Šipić i obitelj
†† Josip i Anica Torlak sin Ante Torlak
†† Franjo i Venka Boras Ante i Danica Čuvalo
†† Anto i Dragica Ljubas kći Jela
†† Božo i Manda Bajić Luka Bajić i obitelj
++ Krsto i Magda Trajkov obitelj Golubov
†† Blagoj i Borjana Golubov obitelj Golubov
†† Ljubo i Dumica Tanfara djeca
†† Frank i Maria Cecchini Bruno i Jasna
++ iz obitelji Čondić
†† iz obitelji Bizam Marko i Maria Pavlin
†† iz obitelji Erceg
ALTAR SERVERS - MINISTRANTI

5:30 p.m. - Matthew McCormick, Koki Murray

7:30 a.m. – V. Duncan, O. Mangan; 9:30 a.m. – V. Luna, W. Ruich

11 a.m. – Marina Hostićka, Matea i Michael Toromanović, Sofia Zoko

LECTORS - ČITAČI

5:30 a.m. – Robert Cannatello Jr.

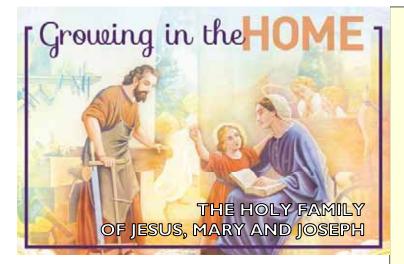
7:30 a.m. - Rosemary Brcich; 9:30 a.m. - Jan Zekich

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

IZVANREDNI POSLUŽITELJI SV. PRIČESTI

5:30 p.m. – Nino Folino

7:30 a.m. – Ellen O'Donnell; 9:30 a.m. – Mary Beth Insalaco 11 a.m. – Tomislav Šulentić



When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned ... to their own town of Nazareth. Mary and Joseph were faithful Jews who followed the norms of their religion. Today's Gospel describes the event we call The Presentation. Jesus' parents, like every Jewish family, presented their infant son to the Lord in a formal ceremony at the temple in Jerusalem. Having done what their religious rites required (and having heard the prophetic words of Simeon and Anna), Mary and Joseph returned home. It was back in their native region of Galilee, amidst the daily routine of domestic life, that Jesus grew and became strong, filled with wisdom.

As Christians, we too consecrate our children to the Lord when we have them baptized in the Church. Seeing our children receive this sacrament of initiation is always a moment of great joy and hope as we anticipate the life that lies ahead for them, both on earth and in eternity. But the baptism of a baby is only the beginning of this journey towards heaven. In truth, the little daily details, the simple living of family life in our own home paves the way for our children to reach their eternal home.

And so it was with the Holy Family. Jesus' childhood, his formation and development took place not primarily amidst the public drama of the temple, but in the quiet privacy of his home. How important this home was, where his parents raised him in their faith and helped him live in such a way that "the favor of God was upon him." May we too, in our homes and our families, remember that although our mission may be lived out in very small moments, taken together they have an eternal significance.

SVETA OBITELJ ISUSA, MARIJE I JOSIPA

Crkva ove nedjelje slavi Svetu Obitelj i želi ju staviti kao uzor drugim obiteljima. Sin se Božji rodio kao čovjek, te se njegov Nebeski otac pobrinuo da ima ono što ljudima najviše treba: obitelj. I to običnu radničku obitelj koja je možda imala i više problema nego druge obitelji u okolini. Unatoč svojoj teškoj situaciji, ta je obitelj u svakom trenutku poštivala Božju volju jer je naslućivala da sudjeluje u nečemu velikom, u Božjem planu koji se ostvaruje s ljudima. Po tome je dostojna da se postavi za uzor. Dobro, reći će netko, ali ta je obitelj imala pomoć: Sveto pismo nam više puta govori kako je anđeo govorio Mariji i Josipu što činiti. Mi teško možemo računati na takvu intervenciju odozgo. Pitanje je bi li tko poželio takvu pomoć. Pokušajmo se sjetiti kada se anđeo javlja Mariji i Josipu. Prvi put kada Mariji kaže da će začeti sina. Nositi dijete kojemu okolina ne zna oca bila je velika sablazan i moglo je završiti kamenovanjem. Zatim, anđeo od Josipa traži da uzme za ženu djevojku koja nosi dijete koje nije njegovo. Zatim su anđeli prisutni kod rođenja. Ipak, ako malo sklonimo ono romantično ruho kojim je ta priča ogrnuta, vidjet ćemo da događaj i nije romantičan. Ta obitelj nije imala mjesto za prenoćiti, nego su otišli u jednu od spilja u kojima su građani Betlehema držali životinje. Teško da bi netko danas htio takvu romantiku. Opet se anđeo javlja Sv. Obitelji kad Herod traži djetetovu glavu. I ponovno traži tešku stvar: idite u izbjeglištvo u Egipat, u zemlju koju su Izraelci shvaćali kao zemlju ropstva i poniženja, bez rodbine i prijatelja!

Ovi su primjeri spomenuti da se sjetimo da iza svetopisamskih pripovijesti, koje mi ponekad i neozbiljno shvaćamo, stoji težak život.

LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Rosemary L. Stephens, 90. Wife of +Frank V.; mother of Janice (+James) McCloskey, Frank J. (Nancy), Bobby, Richard (Irene), James, Debbie (Mike) Segvich and +Sharon (Stanley) Kroll; grandmother of 10 and great-grandmother of 16; aunt of many nieces and nephews. She was buried on Saturday, December 30, at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Alsip, IL.

May she rest in peace.

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 gift of another year.

We would like to thank everyone for participation and contribution in making St. Jerome a beautiful community. We thank you for the financial, spiritual, and moral support that you give to the parish.

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May the good Lord continue to bless and reward you.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

WITH LOVE FROM YOUR FRANCISCAN FRIARS Fr. Ivica & Fr. Stipe

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxes of offertory envelopes for year 2018 are in the entrance area of the church. Please, pick up your boxes as soon as possible. Thank you for your financial support through the year. Please, let us know if you are regular parishioner but without offertory envelopes.

CALENDARS FOR 2018

St. Jerome wall calendars for 2018 will be available soon in the entrance area of the church thanks to Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home.

THANK YOU

FOR ADVENT GIVING TREE PRESENTS

Dear parishioners of St. Jerome Croatian Parish!

You have blessed so many families of St. James Parish. Thank you! Words of thanksgiving are really not enough. Families cried happy tears. Families sighed deep relief. You have lightened hearts and lifted spirits. Please, know your generosity is greatly appreciated. May you all have a peaceful Christmas Holidays and blessed New Year! God bless You!

Cathy Moore St. James Social Care

WEDDING BANNS NAJAVA VJENČANJA

III) Tomislav P. Pavljašević & Ariel C. Kallas

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.

WELCOME BACK

We welcome back our school teachers, students and the entire St. Jerome School staff for the second part of this school year. We wish them much success. Classes will resume on Monday, January 8.



YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING

On the second Sunday of month young adults of our parish get together to pray, sing, reflect on the Bible, discuss the current topics and plan future activities. Gathering is held in the Parish Office starting at 12:15 p.m. Upcoming dates: January 14, February 11, March 11.

ST. BLAISE FEAST (FESTA SV. VLAHA)

Dubrovnik Club is organizing the celebration of their patron saint - the feast of St. Blaise, on Saturday, February 3 in the School Hall. Door will be open at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. There will be music and entertainment. Welcome! Holy Mass in honor of St. Blaise will be celebrated on Sunday, February 4 at 11 a.m. in Croatian. Blessing of the throats will take place on all Masses that Sunday.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 31

New Year's Eve Celebration at Croatian Cultural Center (2845 W. Devon Ave.)

• Monday, January I

New Year's Day - Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Masses at 7:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m.)

Wednesday, January 3

Franciscan Spirituality Series

• Saturday, January 27

Croatian School bowling party

• Sunday, January 28

Young adults mini-retreat

PREMINULI

Ovih je dana preminuo:

• u 87. godini života, **Jakov Uremović**. Za njim ostaju: supruga Otilija (Marjanović) Uremović; kći Jackie (Peter) Anderson; sin Peter (Jamie) Uremović; unučad: Alan Jakov (A.J.) i Nicholas Anderson; Jessica, Kaya, i Mia Uremović; sestra Jelena (Uremović) Kotarski; mnogi nećaci i nećakinje te ostala rodbina. Pred njim su u vječnost već pošli roditelji Petar i Milka (Kokotović) Uremović. Tijelo +Jakova je pokopano u petak 29. prosinca, na groblju Queen of Heaven, Hillside, IL.

Neka ga Gospodin obdari svojim mirom.



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 2017. godinu od srca vam žele vaši franjevci

fra Ivica i fra Stipe

BLAGOSLOV OBITELJI

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

ŽUPNE OMOTNICE

Župne omotnice za 2018. godinu se nalaze na dnu crkve. Molimo, uzmite ih ovih dana. Ako postoje kakve tehničke pogreške ili možda još nemate svoje župne omotnice, javite se u naš župni ured.

KALENDARI ZA 2018. GODINU

Zahvaljujemo pogrebnoj kući "Michael Coletta Sons" i ove godine na sponzorstvu zidnih kalendara za 2018. godinu. Možete ih uzeti na dnu crkve.

NOVČANI IZVJEŠTAJ

Uskoro ćemo pripremiti novčani izvještaj o darovima u godini 2017. 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. Hvala za sve što činite za našu zajednicu.

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 \$130 je uključeno piće, predjelo, otmjena večera, šampanjac za zdravicu, zakuska u ponoć. Ulaznica za djecu od 6 do 13 je \$40. Ulaznica za mlade od 14 godina naviše te za studente s iskaznicom je \$70. Za više pojedinosti nazovite Hrvatski centar (773-338-3839).

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* će biti u srijedu 3. siječnja u Maloj dvorani u 7 sati navečer.

SV. MISA U ROCKFORDU

Jednom mjesečno okuplja se hrvatska zajednica u gradu Rockfordu i okolici. Sv. misa se slavi u crkvi sv. Brigite (600 Clifford Ave., Loves Park, Rockford) u 4 sata poslije podne. Slijedeća sv. misa će biti u nedjelju 7. siječnja. Pošto je to vrijeme blagoslova obitelji, organizirat ćemo i pohod svećenika obiteljima i zajedničku molitvu za Božji blagoslov. Za sve pojedinosti javite se Josipu Matoševiću (815-298-8218).

SUSRETI MLADIH

Jednom mjesečno mladi naše župe imaju svoj redoviti susret. Susret se održava nedjeljom u 1 sat poslije podne u Župnom uredu ili u Gornjoj maloj dvorani. Nadolazeći susreti su: 14. siječnja, 11. veljače, 11. ožujka, 8. travnja, 13. svibnja, 10. lipnja.

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. Sudjeluju mladi iz Kanade, SAD-a i Hrvatske.

What You Need to Know About the "Invest in Kids" Tax Credit Scholarships

Through the "Invest in Kids Act," Illinois children from low-income households who want to attend private schools will have access to new scholarships. The scholarships offered through this program could cover up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.* Below is more information about how to apply and details on eligibility requirements.

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Students from low-income households in grades K-12 have the opportunity to receive tax credit scholarships for the 2018/19 school year. These scholarships are funded by donors who receive a credit on their Illinois state income tax as a result of their donation.

APPLICATION PROCESS

You need to apply for tax credit scholarships through a scholarship granting organization (SGO), which will manage this process, instead of the Archdiocese or a school directly. There are several SGOs in Illinois. The Archdiocese of Chicago is working with two SGOs: Empower Illinois and Big Shoulders Fund.

The application process with Empower Illinois will be completed online at empowerillinois.org. The application process will open January 24, 2018.

The application process with Big Shoulders Fund will be completed online at bigshouldersfundsgo.org. The application process will open the second half of January 2018.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

Based on current information from the SGOs, families will need the following documents in order to apply for a tax credit scholarship:

- Copy of 2016 federal tax return, 1099, W-2 or year-end pay stubs
- Proof of Illinois residency (driver's license, state ID or utility bill)
- Documentation of student age (birth certificate, federal/ state ID or passport)
- If available, a letter of acceptance or enrollment at an eligible, participating, non-public school

HELP APPLYING

You will be able to get help applying for the scholarship in-person at a variety of events in your community in the coming months. The Archdiocese will share the dates and locations of these events as these details are finalized. For families whose first language is not English, we will have in-person resources available to help you through the application process.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting applications is still being determined. Scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis, so it is very important that when the application process begins, you apply early.

HOW TO QUALIFY

Eligibility to receive a scholarship is based on your family's household income. For example, a student could receive a scholarship if his/her family income is less than \$73,800 a year for a family of four. See chart below for more information on eligibility for tax credit scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

Your family could receive a scholarship that covers up to 100 percent of tuition and eligible fees for next school year.

See the chart below that shows how much you could receive to cover tuition based on your income for a family of four.

Household Income Per Year (Family of Four)	Eligible Scholarship Amount
Less than \$45,510	100 percent of tuition
\$45,510-\$61,500	75 percent of tuition
\$61,500-\$73,800	50 percent of tuition

To learn more, please visit archchicago.org/tcs or contact the Archdiocese at investinkids@archchicago.org or 312.534.5321.