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**THE HOLY FAMILY
OF JESUS, MARY
AND JOSEPH**

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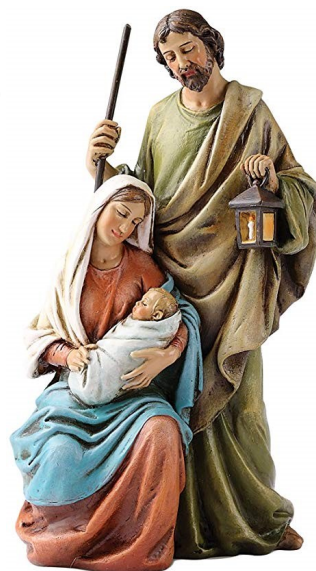
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Blagor vsakomur, ki se boji Gospoda.

V današnjem evangelijskem odlomku o begu v Egipt se štirikrat ponovi naročilo: »Vstani, vzemi dete in njegovo mater!« Vabilo je namenjeno Jožefu, ki zbere svojo družino in se odpravi na pot. Veliki slikar Murillo je Sveto družino upodobil v močno spremenjeni podobi. Bujna ljudska domišljija apokrifnih evangelijev, ki so jih napisali prvi kristjani je dopolnila in s tem spremenila Matejeve zapise. V spisih namreč pišejo, da so pred Jezusom, še otrokom, poklekli roparji, leopardi, pošasti in levi. Upognil je palme, da bi se Sveta družina najedla datelnov in odpočila v njihovi senci; pomnožil je drevesa in izvire potočkov ter družino zaupal skrbnemu in mirnemu Nilu.

Nasprotno pa evangelist Matej prikaže Jezusa in njegove starše kot preproste ubežnike, pripadajoče neskončni verigi žrtev, ki so v zgodovini prehodile negostoljubna ozemlja, puščave, tuja, nepoznana mesta. Sveta družina so bratje vseh beguncev. Sveta družina, ki jo je Guttuso naslikal v Kapeli bega v Egipt na Sveti gori v mestu Varese, je upodobljena kot prestrašena in izgnana družina palestinskih beguncev, prepuščena sama sebi; ljudje pa so do nje nezaupljivi. Na prizoru, ki ga opisuje Matej, »visi« krvavi spekter nasilja in divje moči. Jezus se zato že od malega postavi na stran slabotnih in zadnjih, da je lahko čim bližja najpreprostejšim in revnim. On je šibki Bog, ki postavi svoj šotor v begunskih taboriščih, v barakarskih naseljih, v popolni revščini; je Bog, ki se odloči biti revnejši kot njegova bitja, kajti: »Lisice imajo brloge in ptice neba gnezda, Sin človekov pa nima, kamor bi glavo naslonil« (Mt 8, 20). Je Bog, ki deli svojo usodo z begunci; ki je preganjen iz svoje vasi in bo križan in vržen izza varnega in mirnega obzidja



svojega mesta. Zanj so zaprta vrata bogataških hiš; presiti in zadovoljni ljudje njegove besede ne potrebujejo.

Med mnogimi fantazijami vsebujejo apokrifni evangeliji tudi nekatere dragocenosti, kot je Jezusov stavek, zapisan v Tomaževem evangeliju: »Prišel sem na svet in se prikazal ljudem kot njih meso, našel sem jih pijane; med njimi nihče ni bil žejen in moja duša je nemirna zaradi človeških sinov, kajti v svojem srcu so slepi in pijani: prazni so prišli na svet in prazni želijo iz njega oditi.«

Osvobodimo torej praznik Svete družine retorike in cenenosti. Znan je stavek Dietricha Bonhoefferja, mučenika v nacističnih koncentracijskih taboriščih: »Mi kristjani ne bomo mogli izreči zadnjih besed, če najprej ne izrečemo predzadnjih.« Seveda je naloga Cerkve, da izreče »zadnje besede«, to je, da napove Kraljestvo, upanje, popolno odrešitev; toda ta napoved ni popolna in pristna, če ni podprta z učinkovitim prizadevanjem za »predzadnje« realnosti, vsakdanje, tiste, ki zadevajo pravičnost, napredek narodov, življenja in človeškega dostojanstva.

Obhajanje svete maše in evharistično opravilo zunaj nje predpostavlja živo zavest o Kristusovi resnični navzočnosti. Skrbeti moramo, da to izpričujemo tudi z glasom, s kretnjami, gibanjem in celotnim vedenjem. Enako velja za češčenje Najsvetejšega.

Z eno besedo, nujno je, da imajo bogoslužni sodelavci in drugi verniki do evharistije kar največje spoštovanje. Jezusova navzočnost v tabernaklju mora biti privlačen kraj za vedno večje število duš, ki ga ljubijo in jim ni težko dalj časa ostati z njim, poslušati njegov glas, tako da skoraj slišijo bitje njegovega srca. »Okusite in glejte, kako dober je Gospoda (Ps 34,9). (Apostolsko pismo Ostani z nami, Gospod, 18)

For Canadians in the present day, the ministry and message of reconciliation in a specific way impacts on Indigenous realities, on questions relating to earth as our common home, and on the indignities done to human life and the human person. Jesus was placed in a manger at birth, a sign of how throughout his mission and ministry the world did not know him, his own people did not accept him, and he had no place to lay his head. In the midst of all the division, exploitation, marginalization and rejection, the Word became flesh and lived among us. It is the lesson of Christmas. Jesus' birth brought great joy to the entire world. We all share in the excitement of knowing about this great event of reconciliation.

Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your loved ones.

December 9, 2019



THE HOLY FAMILY

Response:

Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in his ways.

First Reading Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6. 12-14

It is in the family that we first live out our baptismal calling to love.

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-21

Let the message of Christ, in its richness, find a home with you.

Gospel Matthew 2:13-15. 19-23

Jesus is called out of Egypt to form a new people of God.

"Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt."

Illustration

Some of the most harrowing images of our age are of families fleeing conflict and violence. We see people huddled together with others in small, overcrowded boats in the Mediterranean. They will have paid huge amounts of money to traffickers to try to flee from conflict and seek a better life. When family members leave like this, the mobile phone is the only way that their families at home know they are alive. Keeping a signal is a priority for communication. These people are vulnerable and desperately looking for safety and sanctuary. Other images show families trekking over mountain passes and finding their way to refugee camps from where their future is uncertain. Some remain in refugee camps for decades, not being able to find a country to welcome them. Family is the only source of comfort and security in the midst of the unknown and in the face of possible violence.

In our Church there are many family members who have left home, travelled abroad and now work in this country. They support their families generously back at home. They come from a rich diversity of nations and are a gift to the Church as they share their faith and traditions of prayer and family. Such migration also brings its own burden of pain; distance from one's family is a heavy cross to carry. Many others work on ships and spend months away from families in order to seek an income and provide for the family. Such is the love to be found in families as well as the struggle and trials. We welcome our families and thank God for the gifts that they bring to our parish. Families are our future.

Gospel Teaching

Today's Gospel provides two accounts of important journeys. The Holy Family flee for their lives to Egypt because of the persecution of King Herod who is about to slaughter the Holy Innocents. Joseph shows his trust in God when he listens to the angel who appears to him in a dream and takes action to protect his family. Mary and Joseph, with their vulnerable child, Jesus, head south by the coastal road towards Gaza, the desert and Egypt. Parents will be able

to imagine the fear of Mary for her child. Their future is unknown and they can depend only on each other and God. Their example serves to encourage and strengthen families who flee for their lives. Later they travel back to Nazareth, the home town of Mary. Life is to be more stable and Joseph will work as a carpenter. Perhaps he worked as a carpenter on the large Roman construction site at Sepphoris near Nazareth. He would be like so many of the people in the Church who have travelled to find work in the building trade and on construction sites. Faithfully Mary and Joseph handed on the Jewish faith to Jesus who learnt his prayers and celebrated the feasts of his faith.

The flight into Egypt is a reminder that Joseph, the dreamer and man of the multicoloured coat, was sold into slavery by his brothers and found a new life in the kingdom of the Pharaohs. Although this Joseph was a victim of betrayal in his family, God protected him and later reunited his family around him. As God brought Moses and his chosen people out of the slavery of Egypt, so God will lead Jesus and his family back to Nazareth. There he will grow and mature to become the one who will proclaim the kingdom of God and form a new people of God around him, later the Church. As the baptised, we are called into his family and to serve, love and build our families in faith and prayer.

Application

Today's feast is an invitation to give thanks to God for the gift of our families, especially when the family is scattered by distance and circumstance. God is working in our families to help us grow in faith. We pray for our families.

The family is the first school of love. Such love can be difficult when children are to be looked after, elderly parents cared for, and events bring tragedy into family life. The example of the first Joseph promises the hope of reconciliation when there is betrayal or division. The Holy Family can inspire our actions. We entrust our families to the care of the Holy Family.

BOŽIČNICA PRI DRUŠTVU SV. JOŽEFA

V torek, 17. decembra so se, po večerni maši, člani društva sv. Jožefa zbrali na vsakoletni Božičnici. Nancy je skuhala dobro večerjo. Pri delitvi so pomagali še Dan, Peter in Aranka. Ob koncu večerje pa smo izžrebali še dobitnike »božičnih zvezd«. Izkupiček pa je društvo podvojilo in namenilo za potrebe cerkve. Na koncu je bila vso zelo lepa, \$600. Branko Pouh je še zaigral, kot le on zna, na svoje orgle in vzdušje je bilo res enkratno. Hvala g. Jerryju Ponikvarju in odboru za lepo organizacijo večera.







V petek, 20. decembra popoldne pa je bila božičnica za stanovalce Ville Slovenije. Tudi tokrat so se povešili skupaj v prostorih društva sv. Jožefa.





Slike: Zlatko Berkovič

BOŽIČNI VEČER PRI SV. GREGORIJU VELIKEM - MAŠA OB 6H ZVEČER in »POLNOČNICA« ob 10h ZVEČER.

Pri prvi maši so sodelovali otroci in angleški zbor z instrumentalisti, pri drugi maši pa župnijski mešani pevski zbor in prav tako instrumentalisti





Slike: Boris Lukežič





Sluke: Dan Labricciosa



OBVESTILA - ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOGODKI V BLIŽNJI PRIHODNOSTI

- ♦ 31. dec.: **St. Gregory the Great & Slovenski Park** - New Year's Eve Celebration
- ♦ 1. jan. 2020: **Lipa Park** - New Year's Day Luncheon
- ♦ 1. jan. 2020: **Sava** - New Year's Day Luncheon
- ♦ 12. jan.: **Sava** - Mass 12:00 noon
- ♦ 12. jan.: **London** - Mass 4:00 p.m.
- ♦ 19. jan.: **Bled** - Koline
- ♦ 26. jan.: **Bled** - AGM
- ♦ 26. jan.: **Lipa Park** - Koline - Kulturni dan
- ♦ 26. jan.: **Sava** - AGM & Elections, 1:00 p.m. Lunch

GIFT BEARERS - DAROVE PRINAŠAJO

- ♦ 29. dec. 9:30 a.m.: Jožica Vegelj & Eva Erzetič
- ♦ 5. jan. 9:30 a.m.: Maks in Jožica Pavličič
- ♦ 12. jan. 9:30 a.m.: Družina Dundek
- ♦ 19. jan. 9:30 a.m.: Družina Čule
- ♦ 26. jan. 9:30 a.m.: Jožica Vegelj & Eva Erzetič

OGNJIŠČE

Prosimo vse naročnike, da čimprej povedo ali bodo naročeni na revijo OGNJIŠČE tudi v letu 2020. Naročnina za leto 2020 je **88 kanadskih dolarjev**. Hvala.

LETNE KUVERTE

V veži so letne kuverte. Vzemite si jih in če je kakšna napaka v naslovu, prosim, da mi to sporočite, da popravimo.

Če morda kdo ni našel svojega zavoja kuvert naj mi tudi sporoči in ga mu bomo pripravili. Koledar Niagarske Koordinacije pa je še v pripravi. Pride kmalu!

CWL - KŽZ

CWL initiated Food Drive for the month of December.



At this time of year our minds turn to thinking of the less fortunate. In the spirit of the Christmas season we are inviting everyone to donate non-perishable food items for those in need. Consider donating items such as canned fish/meat, canned/dry soup, pasta/ rice, sauce, canned vegetables and baby food.

A donation box has been placed in the church foyer.

We thank you for your support.

DAROVI - DONATIONS

Za gradbeni sklad so darovali:

- \$50 Janošević
- \$250 Jožef Lovrenčec
- \$150 Jakob in Lucija Truden z družino
- \$50 Štefka Eržen
- \$1000 Kazimir in Anna Žižek

V spomin na pokojne sorodnike je Marija Žvan darovala \$50 Oltarnemu društvu za rože.

Slomškoveu Oltarnemu društvu je za rože darovala \$50 Manja Erzetič.

Hvala vsem za vašo velikodušnost in podporo naše župnije.

Diocesan Newsletter

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PRVI PETEK V JANUARJU

Ta teden je tudi prvi petek v mesecu januarju. Obiskoval bom bolnike, zvečer ob šestih bo priložnost za spoved, molitev pred Najsvejšim in ob sedmih sveta maša.

VEČNA LUČ

V mesecu januarju bo večna luč svetila po namenu Majde Lukežič za pokojnega moža Toneta Lukežiča.

POKOJNI

V ponedeljek, 16. decembra 2019 je v 81. letu starosti, v bolnici v St. Catharines, umrla naša faranka **Marija Veličević** (Sneler). Pokojna je ležala v Patrick J. Darte Funeral Chapel - St. Catharines. Pogreb pokojne je bil v St. Mary of the Assumption cerkvi v ponedeljek, 23. decembra. Pokojna Marija počiva na Victoria Lawn Cemetery. Iskreno sožalje možu Alojzu in družini. Njej pa večni mir in pokoj.

20. decembra 2019 je umrla tudi **Maria Pozojevič** (Hrovat), v svojem 96. letu starosti. Pokojna je ležala v Smith-LeRoy Funeral Home v Woodstocku. Pogrebna maša je bila 28. decembra v Holy Trinity župniji. Pogreb pokojne bo spomladi. Iskreno sožalje otrokom, pokojni Mariji pa večni mir in pokoj.

V soboto, 21. decembra 2019, je Bog poklical k sebi **Stanka Kuzma**. Pokojni Stanko se je ponesrečil v hribih v bližini Tržiča, star komaj 64 let. Stanko je sin že pokojnih staršev Marije in Jožeta Kuzma in je bil sedmi od devetih otrok. Poleg staršev je pokojni tudi brat Metod.

Za njim žalujejo žena Marija, hči Anita z družino in sin Anže.

Sestre: Marija, Anka in Jožica z družinami; bratje: Toni, Joško, Alojz in Ciril z družinami.

Pogreb pokojnega bo v ponedeljek, 30. decembra 2019 v Tržiču. Za pokoj njegove duše bomo darovali sveto mašo v naši cerkvi v ponedeljek, 30. decembra, zvečer ob 7:00h.

Iskreno sožalje družini in vsem sorodnikom in prijateljem, pokojnemu Stanku pa večni mir in pokoj.

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DON BOSCO

od 29. 12. 2019
do 05. 01. 2020

SVETE MAŠE - MASSES

SVETA DRUŽINA THE HOLY FAMILY

29. DECEMBER

David, kralj

Za žive in rajne župljane
† Štefan Dundek
†† Stane in Frančiška Napast
† Viktor Doma
† Ed Kodarin
†† Štefan in Verona Prša, obl.

9:30 A.M. -----

Aranka Dundek
Družina Pinter
Družina Mramor
Ned Sejranič

11:00 A.M. Joe in Kathy Prša

PONEDELJEK - MONDAY

30. DECEMBER

Vincencija, red. ustanov.

† Alojz in Angela Kocmut
† Stanko Kuzma

7:00 P.M. Hči Elizabeth Gimpelj
Sestra Jožica Vlašič z družino

TOREK - TUESDAY

31. DECEMBER

Silvester I., papež

Po namenu

5:30 P.M. N.N.

SREDA - WEDNESDAY

1. JANUAR

NOVO LETO

Marija, Božja Mati

† Marija Matko
† Ante Čule
† Alojzij Slobodnik
† Edy in Alex
† Theresa Drvarič
† Franc Marič
† Franc Marič
† Franc Marič
† Marija Kuzma

11:00 A.M. Družina Čule
Žena in družina
Družina Klanfar
Družina Pučko
Sestra
Sidonia Poppa z družino
Pevski zbor
Amalija in Mirko
Hči Jožica Vlašič z družino

ČETRTEK - THURSDAY

2. JANUAR

Bazilij in Gregor, šk-uč.

† Eileen MacKenzie

7:00 P.M. N.N.

PRVI PETEK FIRST FRIDAY

3. JANUAR

Ime Jezusovo

Jože in Marija Zelko
Terezija Bohar in Jože Kučan
Marta Žalik
Zdene Vižintin

7:00 P.M. Bernarda Milosavljevič
Bernarda Milosavljevič
Matilda Prša
Manja Erzetič

SOBOTA SATURDAY

4. JANUAR

*Angela, redovnica
Elizabeta Redovnica*

† Marija Bukvič
† Marija Granič-Jerič
†† Angela in Ivan Ferdian
†† Za duše v vica

5:30 P.M. Družina Bukvič
Olga Čulig
Družina Miklavčič
Marija Košir

GOSPODOVO RAZGLAŠENJE

5. JANUAR

David, kralj

† Ed Kodarin

Za žive in rajne župljane

9:30 A.M. Ned Sejranič

11:00 A.M. - - - -