OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN (Week no.51) --- THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH --- DECEMBER 31, 2017 Rectory Office: 822-0818

MONTH OF JANUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY CHILDHOOD

REMINDER: Solemnity of Mary is tomorrow, January 1st. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation since it falls on a Monday._

Monday, Jan. 1: No CCD classes. Classes will resume Jan. 8th.

Wednesday: Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. and Prayer Group.

Thursday: Medjugoje Prayer Group meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Friday: First Friday of the month. Rosary, Litany and Benediction at 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Saturday: First Saturday of the month. Special prayer at 7:30 a.m. Mass: "Act of Reparation for Blasphemies Against Blessed Virgin Mary."

Saturday: Singing practice at 1:00 p.m.

TODAY: FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH: The family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph was a happy family . . . an example for our families. We all want to be part of a happy family and in order to be part of one we must be a holy family from the very beginning. When our young people prepare themselves for life like St. Joseph and his Blessed Mary, with holy seriousness and exulted consciosness, they will create a family sanctuary formed with God's blessing and glorifying their God. God's abundant blessings will lead them along life's paths through all difficulties and hardships. They will experience the effects of the Sacrament of Matrimony when they profess their love at the Altar. Every child born to them would be a new Baby Jersus for whom they will live and to whom they will dedicate their love, because as Jesus said: "Whoever receives one child like this in my name, receives Me." And: "Whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did it for Me."

DANAS: BLAGDAN SVETE OBITELJI: ISUSA, MARIJE I **JOSIPA:** Danas je blagdan svete i sretne obitelji Isusa, Marije i svetog Josipa. Sveta obitelj će uvijek bit uzor našim obiteljima. Svi mu želimo imati takovu obitelj. Da bi jedna obitelj mogla biti sretna, ona mora biti sveta u svom nastanku i početku. kad bi se naši mladi spremali za život poput sv. josipa i presvete njegove Marije, kad bi ih u obiteljsko svetište vodila sveta ozbiljnost i uzvišena svijest odgovornosti, da bi svoj život započeli s Božjim blagoslovom želeći u svom braku proslaviti Boga, svakako da takva obitelj ne bi mogla biti nesretna. Nju ćema svim životnim putovima, u svim zgodama i nezgodama pratitit obilati Božji blagoslov. Upravo će osjetno doživjeti učinke sakramenta svete ženidbe koji će ih medjusobno jos više združiti i posvećivati. Svako će nihovo dijete biti novi mali Isus, za koga će živjeti i kome posvećivatisvoju ljubav. Ta Isusove su riječi: "**Tko prima** jedno takvo dijete u moje ime, mene prima" . . . Ili: "Štogod ste učinili jenome od moje najmanje braće, meni ste učinili!"

DECEASED: Genevieve (nee Jarlinski) Klemenich, wife of Michael Klemenich, died December 21st. Mass of Christian

Burial was celebrated at our church December 27th. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH: Tony and Sandra Ciko:

Joe

and Jean Matesic: We are very grateful for your donations.

BLESSING OF HOMES: Father Chris is blessing homes now. Call the rectory if you want Father to come at a certain time or day.

I wish all our parishioners, friends and benefactors a happy, healthy New Year 2018.

MESSAGE FROM MEDJUGORJE DECEMBER 25:

"Dear children! Today I am bringing to you my Son Jesus for Him to give you His peace and blessing. I am calling all of you, little children, to live and witness the graces and the gifts which you have received. Do not be afraid. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the strength to be joyful witnesses and people of peace and hope. Thank you for having responded to my call." BVM

PORUKA. 25. PROSINAC: "Draga djeco! Danas vam nosim mog sina Isusa da vam da svoj mir i blagoslov. Sve vas pozivam, dječice, da živite i svjedočite milosti i darove koje ste primili. Ne bojte se! Molite da vam Duh Sveti da snage da budete radosni svjedoci i ljudi mira i nade. Hvala vam što ste se odazvali mome pozivu." BVM

+++VOCATION THOUGHT DEC. 31+++

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is not only our model for family life, but shows how to support each other in doing God's will. What is God's will for you? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

Sat. January 13: Roe vs. Wade Observance Mass at St. Bernadette Church, 5930 South Abbott Rd, Orchard Park at 5:00 p.m. Bishop Malone is the Main Celebrant.

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND: 5:00 p.m. Richard Moretti

9:00 a.m. Jim Carr 10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric LECTORS JANUARY 6 & 7:

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MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF DECEMBER 31 2017

Saturday, Dec. 30: 5:00 p.m. = dec: Albin Schenck by wife Theresa and family.

John (Death anniversary) and Christine Burkowski by family. Rev. Joseph Trawinski OFM Conv., Sister Mary Valerie, and Eleanor Trawinski by niece Dorothy and Henry Widlak.

(+ Sept. 5 & Sept. 14, 7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, Dec. 31: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Sylvester Kolenko (St. Sylvester) by daughter Barbara and Alex Druzbik and

family.

10:15 a.m.= dec: Marija Mikić by Andrijević family.

Monday, Jan. 1: 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners. For all souls in Purgatory. Tuesday, Jan. 2: 7:30 a.m. =dec:

Wednesday Jan. 3: 7:30 a.m.= Leonard Manka by niece Joanne Barbic.

Robert Levulis by Joanne Barbic and Lorraine Vuich. Robert Urban by daughter Janet Dragone and family.

(+ 3rd Mass January 24 at 7:30 a.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 4: 7:30 a.m. = dec: For all souls in Purgatory. 7:30 a.m. = dec: For all sous in Purgatory.

Friday, Jan. 5: (FIRST FRIDAY)

Saturday, Jan. 6: (FIRST SATURDAY) 7:30 a.m. = Special intention by Kujawski family.

(Vigil Mass for Sun.) 5:00 p.m.= dec: Michael Sarick (Death remembrance) by wife Cristine and family.

Steve Stmad (Death anniversary) by family and children.

Genevieve Klemenich by niece and nephew Marie and Joseph Grgas. (+ 2nd and 3rd Mass Sept 19 and Sept. 26 at 7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, Jan. 7, 9:00 a.m. = dec: Amerstina C.Liberta by Clara Masella.

10:15 a.m. = dec: Ilija i Bozica i sve pokojne obitelji Davida Krezic by David Krezic i obitelji.