TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD PARISH

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37 Plainfield Avenue
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Vision Statement

The vision of Transfiguration of the Lord Parish is to have an enlightening and transforming experience of God through a greater faith and knowledge of Jesus.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

St. Paul the Apostle
Sunday – 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
Daily Mass: Mon. Wed. and Fri. – 8:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance By Appointment

Guardian Angels
Saturday Vigil–4:00 p.m. Sunday – 8:30 & 11:15 a.m.
Daily Mass: Tues. Thurs. and Sat. 9:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance Saturday 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION AS ANNOUNCED IN BULLETIN
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, Wednesday, St. Paul's
Novenas for Miraculous Medal and St. Jude: Tuesday at 9 a.m. Mass, Guardian Angels

Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Guardian Angels

Rev. Abraham Lotha, PhD, Pastor
Deacon Edward Krupa
Carol Terzino, Administrative Assistant
Parish Office Hours—Monday through Thursday—9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday—9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

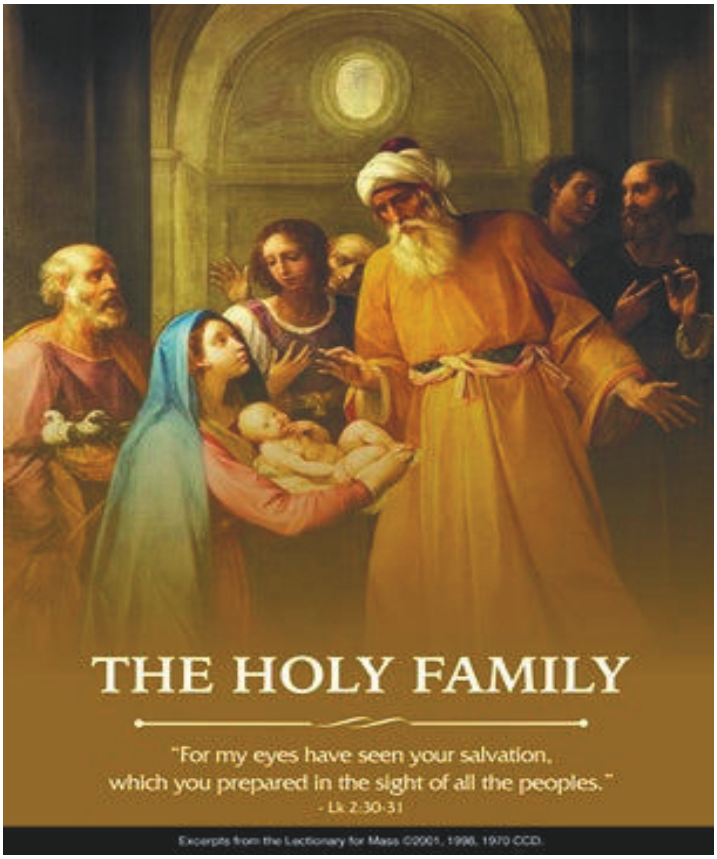
Parish Membership: We welcome new members to our Parish family and request you register in the Parish as soon as possible. Active membership is determined by registration, faithful participation and giving of one's time, talent and resources to this community of faith. **The parish cannot issue certificates of eligibility for sacramental sponsorship, give recommendations or character references if a person is not an active parishioner.**

The Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism is the celebration through which a child is brought into the faith of the Catholic Church. Parents must be registered and practicing members of the parish. Parents and sponsors are required to attend a pre-baptismal class. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics in good standing and able to obtain a certificate of eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Matrimony: The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual, intellectual and emotional preparation. Couples should arrange with the Parish Office one (1) year prior to the wedding date. Please call the parish office for an appointment with the pastor prior to making any other wedding plans.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Anyone who feels called by God to become a member of the Catholic Church participates in the RCIA Program. A series of instructions and liturgical ceremonies designed to give total formation in the Catholic Faith.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Any parishioner who is sick, aged or incapacitated may receive the Eucharist at home. Please contact the Parish Office to have a priest visit you at home or in the hospital.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 28
St. Paul's Church
8:00 a.m. **Edith Futz†**

Tuesday, December 29
Guardian Angels Church
9:00 a.m. **Sr. Anthony Mary Cillo, SSND**
And Sr. Frances Smith, S.C†

Wednesday, December 30
St. Paul's Church
8:00 a.m. **Ben Andrulewich†**
Requested by: Ray & Kathleen Joraskie

Thursday, December 31
Guardian Angels Church
9:00 a.m. **John Butler†**

Friday, January 1—Holy Day—Mary, Mother of God
St. Paul's Church
8:00 a.m. **Dan Simone**
Requested by: Mike & Cathy White
Guardian Angels Church
9:00 a.m. **Art Ford†**
Requested by: wife, Janet
11:15 a.m. **Brian Mathews†**
Requested by: Ed & Kim Krupa

Saturday, January 2 - Sts. Basil and Gregory
Guardian Angels Church
9:00 a.m. **Shelly Halliwell†**
Requested by: Kim & Ed Krupa
4:00 p.m. **William Kollmer†**
Requested by: Joe & Joyce Bilello

Sunday, January 3 - Epiphany of the Lord
St. Paul's Church
10:00 a.m. **Barbara Bilinski†**
Requested by: Mary Naratil
Eddie Antonio Vega†
Requested by: Ron & Nelly Sorensen
12:30 p.m. **People of the Parish**
Guardian Angels Church
8:30 a.m. **Christine Suchanek†**
Requested by: Family
11:15 a.m. **Sonny M. Manlapig†**
Requested by: sister, Gloria Rada

Sanctuary Lamp

This week's Sanctuary Lamp at Guardian Angels is offered in memory of O'Connell & Garvey Families by Cathy McComiskey

† - Rest in Peace - Jacqueline Ann Conover
May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please pray for all victims of the coronavirus, doctors, nurses, medical staff, first responders, grocery store workers and families with loved ones suffering from this illness.

Prayers for Military Personnel

Rear Admiral David G. Manero, Navy
Sgt. Kevin Klemick, Marines
Captain Hayes Cozza, Marines
First Lieutenant Santino Cozza, Air Force
Corporal Thomas G. Monahan, Marines
SPC. Brandon D'Souza
Airman Tamari Bailey, Air Force
Captain Michael Asprocola, Marines
Sgt. Preston Zalek, Army
Chief Petty Officer Joseph M. Zalek, Navy
SR Cullen McArdle, Navy
Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member serving in the Armed Services & would like to be included.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE
Guardian Angels Worship Site

Saturday, January 2, 2021	**4:00 p.m.**
Lector:	Due to early submission
Eucharistic Minister:	information not available
Ushers:	R. Marlow, T. Cherepon, M. Cherepon
Sunday, January 3, 2021	**8:30 a.m.**
Lector:	Due to early submission
Eucharistic Minister:	information not available
Ushers:	A. Damone, J. Markano, C. Suzberic
Sunday, January 3, 2021	**11:15 a.m.**
Lector:	Due to early submission
Eucharistic Minister:	information not available
Ushers	P. Weir, J. Virrey, T. Sinker

St. Paul the Apostle Worship Site

Sunday, January 3, 2021	**10:00 a.m.**
Lector:	Due to early submission
Eucharistic Minister:	information not available
Ushers:	G. Emmett, J. Adadevoh, J. Swamy

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
January 1, 2021
Holy Day of Obligation - Mass Schedule
8:00 a.m. St. Paul the Apostle Church
9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Church

Feast of the Holy Family
Jesus, Mary and Joseph Pray for Us

Please pray for the sick and homebound,

Peggy Abecker
Ruth Bach
Dorothy Baum
Rita Beckhorn
Alfred Broderick
Carol Byrne
Charles Byrne
Steven Dempsey
Migdalia Diaz
Dee Donnelly
Felipe Elimanco
Ed Firgau
Martha Gutierrez
Kevin Hoey
Mark Iannacone
Sr. Donna Kane
Brittany Knapp
John Kriegl
Kathy Lamela
Nicholas Lawrence
Anthony Lepore
David Lightener
Adam Lubonski
Donovan Mak
Joan McArdle
Paul Millar
Dolores Neumann
Stephanie P.
Paul Pachucki
Ellen Pelosi
Kathy Young Phillips
Antonia Sacristan
Dolores Sadowski
Olga Santiago
Robert F. Santoro
Jack Santos
Mickey Schiavone
Marge Shirley
Camille Silverman
Joseph Skalla
Cathy Roesinger Sloane
Steve & Alice Marie Sloss
Christina Stevenson
Helen Szaranowski
Jean Toth
Frank Valendo
Joe Valendo
William B. Zalek

Donations for Memorial & Intentions 2021

Thank you to all the donors for the following items for our parish for 2021:
Breaking Bread Hymnals - $1,980 - Garlatti Family
Celebremos (Spanish Hymnal) - $312-Herrera Family
Wine—$500 - Minerva Brizuela & Lourdes Lindaya
Hosts—$1,000—$500 In Memory of William & Arlene Eichler and $500 anonymous
Hosts (Low Gluten)-$75.00-anonymous
Palm Leaves—$250—anonymous
Candles & Candle Oil—anonymous

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Dear brothers and sisters,
Merry Christmas to you and your families!

I've been thinking about Christmas experiences that people have in unlikely places or different Christmas traditions. For example, in our parish, we remember our loved ones with the beautifully lit Christmas trees around our churches. Such experiences kindle the spirit of Christmas in a different way.

The shepherds had a unique Christmas experience. An angel told them the good news, God's glory shone around them, they heard the host of angels singing, and they saw baby Jesus wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger (Lk. 2:8-20). Under a starry night, in a stable on the outskirts of a village, the shepherds had quality time with God's Son, Mary and Joseph.

This year many of you may celebrate Christmas only with your immediate family members out of an abundance of caution to reduce the spread of covid19. Many will miss the company of a loved one at the Christmas dinner. God continues to reach out to us with love even at this difficult time. Perhaps this Christmas can be an opportunity to have quality time with your immediate family members and a one-on-one experience with God that can become a source of spiritual maturity.

May you have unhindered joy, love and spirit of Christmas. My prayers for all of you. God bless
Fr. Abraham

Light of the World: Keeping Christmas Alive

The birth of Jesus Christ brings great joy and light, even amidst the difficult times in which we are all living. This Christmas season, we invite you to joyfully welcome Christ into your lives and celebrate His birth, not just on Christmas day, but throughout the Christmas season. To celebrate the birth of our Savior, priests from around the Diocese of Metuchen will share their personal reflections on how we can celebrate the miracle of His birth and keep Christmas alive throughout the entirety of this joyous season. For more information or to sign-up to receive these reflections, which will be delivered straight to your email inbox everyday throughout the Christmas season, visit lightingheartsonfire.org.

Religious Education Virtual Christmas Pageant

The 3rd and 4th grade children of our parish's religious education program are putting together a virtual Christmas pageant for all to enjoy! The pageant will be prerecorded and then posted on our parish website beginning on Saturday, December 19th, until Sunday, January 3rd. Be sure to include on your Christmas activity list to watch our students' play about the real reason for the season!

CHRISTMAS TREES WISHES AND MEMORIAL

We wish to thank all who responded to our parish Christmas Tree Project. Our churches will be surrounded by beautifully illuminated trees from 3:45 pm to 11pm during the Advent and Christmas Season. Thank you.

Trees Ordered - 100	Trees Taken - 105
Expenses - $3,020	Income - $16,352

OFFERINGS

Sunday Offertory **12/13/20**—$4,828
ShopRite - **12/13—**$1,815-$91
Bring a Dollar - **12/13 -** $112
Retirement Fund Religious **12/13**—$789
Immaculate Conception-$747-Our Lady of Guadalupe-$174

Total Guardian Angels Stove Project To Date- $9,927

Due to the ongoing pandemic, we will not be able to use the kitchen stove for the next few months. We are temporarily suspending collections for the stove project. Instead our next project will be for snow removal. Thank you for your generosity.

Snow Removal

As of 12/13/20

Shop Rite:	$ 774
Bring a Dollar to Church	1,737
Movie Night	250
Donation	25
Total	$ 2,786

Due to early submission of the bulletin, this chart will be updated next week.

TOGETHER IN CHARITY COLLECTION

On the weekend of January 2/3, 2021 the annual "Together in Charity" collection will be taken up at all Masses. The proceeds of this collection helps to fund Catholic Charities' Parish Assistance Program, which provides 24 hour / seven-day-a-week assistance to parishes faced with individuals and families with serious and urgent financial, housing or medical needs.

Support My Church and Save on My Taxes?

Want a way to boost your tax saving beyond the newly increased standard deduction? If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can use your IRA to make a gift to your parish, school, diocese or ministry. However, federal tax law now allows you to make a distribution of up to $100,000 each year from your IRA to a qualifying charity and it is not subject to federal income tax. By making a "qualified charitable contribution" (QCD) from your IRA, you can give to your parish, and it also counts toward your IRS's annual required minimum distribution.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act

Did you know the CARES Act can help our local Church?
What is the CARES Act? On Friday, March 27, Congress passed and the President signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This is a $2 trillion economic stimulus package legislated to provide immediate relief for nonprofits, businesses, individuals and state and local governments.
How does the CARES Act benefit donors to nonprofit organizations? The CARES Act incentivizes charitable giving from individuals and corporations by increasing tax deductions for charitable donations.
What are individual donor benefits? All taxpayers (both those who itemize and those who use standard deduction) can deduct up to $300 of total charitable contributions in 2020. Prior to the CARES Act, those who use standard deduction could not deduct any charitable giving.
What are the additional benefits for those who itemize their taxes? The law lifts the existing cap on annual contributions for those who itemize their taxes, significantly raising it from 60% of adjusted gross income to 100% of adjusted gross income.
What are charitable giving incentives for corporations? The CARES Act raises the annual limit of charitable giving that corporations can deduct from 10% of taxable income to 25% of taxable income. Food donations from corporations are raised from 15% of taxable income to 25% of taxable income.

Nuestra Visión Parroquial

La visión de la Parróquia de la Transfiguración del Señor es vivir una experiencia de Dios que nos ilumine y nos transforme a causa de un mejor conocimiento de Jesús y una fé mayor en Él.

Coordinatores

Lectores: Tony Martin
Ministros eucarísticos: Maria Pinelo
Servidores de altar: Elizabeth Martinez

El sacramento del bautismo

El bautismo es la celebración a través de la cual un niño es llevado a la fe de la Iglesia Católica. Los padres deben estar registrados y practicando miembros de la parroquia. Los padres están obligados a asistir a una clase pre-bautismal. Los padrinos deben ser católicos practicantes y poder obtener un certificado de elegibilidad de su parroquia.

Membresia Parroquial

Nuevos residents de la comunidad son bienvenidos a registrarse como feligreses. Tambien les pedimos que cualquier combio de direccion, correo electronico o numbero de telefono sea sometido a la oficina de la parroquia con prontitud.

RCIA

Cualquiera que se sienta llamado por Dios para convertirse en miembro de la Iglesia Católica participa en el programa RICA. Una serie de instrucciones y ceremonias litúrgicas diseñadas para dar buena información en la fe católica.

Cuidado pastoral de los enfermos

Cualquier feligrés que esté enfermo, envejecido o incapacitado puede recibir la eucaristía en casa. Por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia.

Misa Intención Especial

Favor de tener presente que usted puede ofrecer una misa para sus seres queridos o una intención especial. Vea el boletín para las fechas disponibles en abril.

Educación Religiosa

La clases se reunen de 11:00 am a 12:10 pm en el centro de la parroquia aquí en Highland Park. Se requiere asistencia consistente.

From the Pastor:

¡Durante este tiempo de incertidumbre, la Transfiguration of the Lord necesita su apoyo ahora más que nunca! Quiero presentarles una forma nueva y segura de apoyar nuestro ofertorio parroquial y nuestras segundas colecciones: Faith Direct. Faith Direct permite a los feligreses hacer sus contribuciones a la Iglesia, incluso cuando no puede asistir a la iglesia. Ahora, a través de débito directo de su cuenta corriente / de ahorro o de su tarjeta de crédito / débito. Puede aplicar la conveniencia del débito directo a las ofertas de su parroquia de la misma manera que ahora puede usarlo para hacer sus pagos de hipoteca, automóvil o matrícula.

Faith Direct también le ofrece tarjetas de ofertorio personalizadas para reemplazar sus sobres para la canasta de recolección para cuando finalmente podamos reunirnos nuevamente para la misa. Para esta forma de dar seguirá siendo una forma estable y efectiva para que la parroquia reciba sus regalos

Únase a mí para inscribirse respondiendo al correo electrónico que recibirá o visite faith.direct/NJ1058 para inscribirse de forma segura en línea. ¡Dios te bendiga! Rev. Abraham Lotha

ORACIÓN para la RENOVACIÓN de la CONSAGRACIÓN

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE, Madre de Dios y Madre de la Iglesia de Metuchen, tú quien fuiste escogida por el Padre Eterno, para ofrecer el fruto bendito de tu vientre, Jesucristo, como único sacrificio agradable a Dios; el mismo Hijo, que en el momento de su agonía te designó Madre de la Iglesia por siempre: escucha las plegarias de tus hijos que claman a ti, e intercede por nosotros ante tu Hijo en el cielo.

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE, hoy, renovamos nuestra consagración a ti, porque tú no abandonas a quienes aman a tu Hijo, Jesús, sino que acompañas al pueblo cristiano en el verdadero discipulado.

OH HERMOSÍSIMA VIRGEN, cada día nos confiamos y confiamos a nuestra diócesis a tu poderosa intercesión porque nunca has abandonado la oración de fe, y constantemente muestras a tu Hijo los dolores de tu corazón, para que Él otorge su favor a todos los que se vuelven hacia ti.

AYÚDANOS, MADRE ALEGRE, por medio de tu ejemplo a vivir el Evangelio, para proclamar fielmente que Jesucristo es el Salvador de nuestras vidas; y guíanos, por tu infinita gracia, para ir juntos al trono de tu Hijo; donde, contigo nuestra Reina y Madre, podremos compartir alegremente con Él y con todos los santos.

FINALMENTE, AYÚDANOS EN NUESTRA ORACIÓN AL PADRE, para que nosotros,la Iglesia de Metuchen, nos renovemos como discípulos misioneros,encendámos nuestros corazones en nuestra Diócesis de Metuchen y que,el mundo pueda llegar a conocer el amor de Cristo que transformará a todos. Madre de las Américas y Estrella de la Nueva Evangelización, ruega por nosotros.

Oración para bendecir el Nacimiento
(Papa Benedicto XVI)

Dios y Padre nuestro, tanto has amado a la humanidad
que enviaste a Jesús, tu Hijo único, nacido de la virgen María, para salvarnos y reconducirlos a ti.Te pedimos que con tu bendición estas imágenes de Jesús, próximo a hacer presencia entre nosotros, sean signo de tu cercanía y amor en nuestro hogar. Padre bueno, bendícenos también a nosotros, a nuestros familiares y amigos. Abre nuestros corazones para que podamos recibir a Jesús con alegría, a cumplir lo que El pide de nosotros, y a verlo en todos aquellos que viven necesitados de tu amor. odo esto te lo pedimos en el nombre de tu Hijo,que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

SCUELA CATÓLICA 2021-2022 ASISTENCIA DE MATRÍCULA
PROCESO DE APLICACIÓN EN LÍNEA ABIERTO

Las familias interesadas en solicitar asistencia con la matrícula para acudir a una escuela primaria o secundaria elegible de la Diócesis de Metuchen, pueden presentar su solicitud en línea ahora a través FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment en la dirección electrónica https://online.factsmgt.com/aid . Las solicitudes en línea deben completarse (incluida toda la documentación requerida) antes del 31 de Marzo de 2021. Las solicitudes están disponibles en inglés y en español. Las familias que necesiten ayuda para completar la solicitud en línea o necesiten acceso a una computadora para postularse deben comunicarse directamente con su escuela.

Question for Children: If you were to tell someone one thing about Jesus' mother, Mary, what would you say?
Question for Youth: Gabriel's greeting to Mary was, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." This is God's greeting to each of us – he loves us just as we are. What are some of your personal strengths that God rejoices in?
Question for Adults: Name one area of your life where God has surprised you with love, abilities, or even a pregnancy. How is God's Spirit upon you in this dimension of life?

Youth Ministry

Transfiguration youth group meets on Wednesday for any high school age students! Meetings will be held virtually via Zoom and begin at 7:00 pm. A link to the meeting will be sent out weekly. If you would like to participate please email Sean O'Brien, Youth Minister, at smv.obrien@gmail.com, with your name, grade and school. We will continue to monitor the situation and update everyone when meetings are able to be held in-person.

Amoris Laetitia: *Preparing engaged couples for marriage*

208. With the help of missionary families, the couple's own families and a variety of pastoral resources, ways should also be found to offer a remote preparation that, by example and good advice, can help their love to grow and mature. Discussion groups and optional talks on a variety of topics of genuine interest to young people can also prove helpful. All the same, some individual meetings remain essential, since the primary objective is to help each to learn how to love this very real person with whom he or she plans to share his or her whole life. Learning to love someone does not happen automatically, nor can it be taught in a workshop just prior to the celebration of marriage. For every couple, marriage preparation begins at birth. What they received from their family should prepare them to know themselves and to make a full and definitive commitment. Those best prepared for marriage are probably those who learned what Christian marriage is from their own parents, who chose each other unconditionally and daily renew this decision. In this sense, pastoral initiatives aimed at helping married couples to grow in love and in the Gospel of the family also help their children, by preparing them for their future married life. Nor should we underestimate the pastoral value of traditional religious practices. To give just one example: I think of Saint Valentine's Day; in some countries, commercial interests are quicker to see the potential of this celebration than are we in

E-giving: Faith Direct

During this time of uncertainty, we thank all parishioners who are mailing in or dropping off their weekly offerings. As we to continue to deal with this global pandemic, Transfiguration of the Lord needs your support now more than ever! Our parish has introduced a new and secure way for you to support our parish offertory and second collections: *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* enables parishioners to make your Church contributions even when you can't make it to church. Now, through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. You can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments.

Faith Direct also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket for when we are finally able to come together again for Mass. For this way of giving will continue to be a stable and effective way for the parish to receive your gifts.

Please join me in enrolling by responding to the email you will receive or visit faith.direct/**NJ1058** to enroll securely online.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2021-2022 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at https://online.factsmgt.com/aid. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2021. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

Year of St. Joseph

On December 8th, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis promulgated a Year of Saint Joseph to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of Pope Pius IX's placing the Universal Church under the patronage of Saint Joseph. In his apostolic letter, Patris Corde, Pope Francis identifies the many reasons why it is of great value for the Church now to reflect on the life of St. Joseph – especially during the coming year.

APOSTOLIC LETTER PATRIS CORDE OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF SAINT JOSEPH AS PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

WITH A FATHER'S HEART: that is how Joseph loved Jesus, whom all four Gospels refer to as "the son of Joseph".

Matthew and Luke, the two Evangelists who speak most of Joseph, tell us very little, yet enough for us to appreciate what sort of father he was, and the mission entrusted to him by God's providence.

We know that Joseph was a lowly carpenter (cf. Mt 13:55), betrothed to Mary cf. Mt 1:18; Lk 1:27). He was a "just man" (Mt 1:19), ever ready to carry out God's will as revealed to him in the Law (cf. Lk 2:22.27.39) and through four dreams (cf. Mt 1:20; 2:13.19.22). After a long and tiring journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, he beheld the birth of the Messiah in a stable, since "there was no place for them" elsewhere (cf. Lk 2:7). He witnessed the adoration of the shepherds (cf. Lk 2:8-20) and the Magi (cf. Mt 2:1-12), who represented respectively the people of Israel and the pagan peoples.

Joseph had the courage to become the legal father of Jesus, to whom he gave the name revealed by the angel: "You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Mt 1:21). As we know, for ancient peoples, to give a name to a person or to a thing, as Adam did in the account in the Book of Genesis (cf. 2:19-20), was to establish a relationship. (To be continued …)

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Church Humor:

What happened to the man who stole an Advent Calendar? He got 25 days!

Who delivers presents to baby sharks at Christmas? Santa Jaws!

What do they sing at a snowman's birthday party? Freeze a jolly good fellow!

What do Santa's little helpers learn at school? The elfabet!

What kind of motorbike does Santa ride? A Holly Davidson!

Why was the turkey in the pop group? Because he was the only one with drumsticks!

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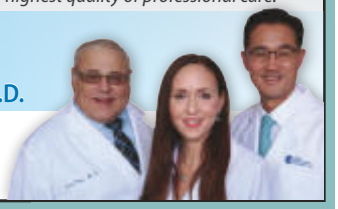

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