

The Flight into Egypt of the Holy Family

Egypt is situated to the southwest of Judea, and is distant from Bethlehem perhaps about 60 miles. It was at this time a Roman province. There were many Jews there, who had a temple and synagogues (see the notes at Isaiah 19:18), and Joseph, therefore, would be among his own countrymen, and yet beyond the reach of Herod.

The jurisdiction of Herod extended only to the River Sihon, or “river of Egypt,” and, of course, beyond that Joseph was safe from his designs. For a description

of Egypt, see the notes at Isaiah 19. It is remarkable that this is the only time in which our Saviour was out of Palestine, and that this was in the land where the children of Israel had suffered so much and so long under the oppression of the Egyptian kings. The very land which was the land of bondage and groaning for the Jews, became now the land of refuge and safety for the new-born King of Judea.

God can overturn nations and kingdoms, so that those whom he loves shall be safe anywhere.

SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD



Icon of the Flight into Egypt -- Matthew 2:13-23

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Sunday – December 27, 2020

Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever

Sunday Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Platform: <https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/>

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES

Sunday December 27 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday after the Nativity of Christ (Blessings for Rose and Michael from Family) (For the Parish)
Wednesday December 30 9:00 a.m.	(+John Fedkiw from Kucharvy Family)
Thursday December 31 9:00 a.m.	(+Roman Mac from Family)
Friday January 1 10:30 a.m.	Circumcision – St. Basil – New Year 2021 (Blessings for Christina from the Curtis Family)
Sunday January 3 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday before Theophany (+Helen Caldwell from Friend) (For the Parish)

A NOTE ON 2020 CARES ACT TAX DEDUCTIBLE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Previously, charitable contributions could only be deducted if a taxpayer itemized their deductions. The Cares Act allows taxpayers who do not itemize deductions to take up to \$300 charitable deductions for contributions made in 2020 to a qualifying organization. Your parish qualifies for this charitable deduction. Please consider making an additional donation to your parish, and don't forget to TAKE the Deduction this Tax Season. Your donation will be deductible up to \$300 even if you do not itemize your deductions for 2020.

ST. PHILIP'S FAST CHARITY PROJECT 2020

Please bring a new unwrapped baby item to donate to the Front Royal Pregnancy Center. We invite everyone to purchase and donate **NEW, UNOPENED BABY ITEMS**. The pregnancy center will accept anything that could be used by babies and mothers, including bottles, clothing, strollers, car seats, "pack and plays," and knitted hats and jackets. But the following items are especially needed:• Diapers (Sizes: Newborn, 4, and 5)• Baby Formula Similac Sensitive Powder Formula (8 or 12 oz. cans) Similac Pro-Advance Powdered Formula (8 or 12 oz. cans) Maternity Clothes Pants and Skirts (Sizes: L and XL) Dresses (Sizes: S, M, L, and XL) **PLEASE PLACE YOUR DONATIONS IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE NO LATER THAN JANUARY 10, 2021**

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Fr. Frank Avant, Susan Avant, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Damian Fedoryka, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, 1LT Catherine Hetmansky Hayes (Active Duty Iraq), Julia Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Oksana K, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Michael Joseph Little, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, James Salandro, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta Andrew, Gerald Stasko, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Jarrelyn Trusen, Cindy Turchek, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Jennifer Wilson, Michael Zabych.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

Wishing all of you a Joyous and Blessed New Year!

Happy 2021!

Christ is born! Glorify Him!

Fr. Robert