

AVVIŻI : 5 TA' FRAR 2012

Kummissjoni Liturġija

(Il-Ħadd) Illum fl-10.15.am. issir il-Laqqha tal-Kummissjoni Liturġija fis-Sala tal-Knisja.

Laqqha tal-Ġenituri tat-tfal ta' Year 5 u Year 6

Nhar it-Tnejn fis-Sala Sant' Anna fis-6.45.pm. issir il-Laqqha tal-Ġenituri tat-tfal subien u bniet ta' Year 5 u Year 6.

Help Age Group

Nhar it-Tlieta fid-9.15.am. fis-Sala San Ġwakkin, issir il-Laqqha ta' l-anzjani ta' Help Age Group minn kelliemi barrani.

Kummissjoni Familja

Nhar it-Tlieta fis-7.00.pm. fis-Sala Sant' Anna issir il-Laqqha għall-mexxejja tal-Gruppi tal-Familja biex flimkien jiffassal il-programm għas-Seminar għall-Familja li se jsir nhar is-Sibt, 18 ta' Frar.

Festa ta' San Pawl

Nhar il-Ġimgħa l-Knisja Maltija tiċcelebra l-Festa ta' San Pawl. Hi festa bl-obbligu tal-Quddies. Għaldaqstant, il-Quddies tal-Ħamis filgħaxija li jgħodd għall-obbligu tal-Festa, ikun fil-5.15.pm., fis-6.30.pm. u fit-8.00.pm. Il-Ġimgħa l-Quddies ikun bħal ta' nhar ta' Ħadd.

Iż-Żgħażaġh ta' I-M.T.G.

Iż-Żgħażaġh ta' I-M.T.G. fil-Week-End li ġej se jorganizza Live-In fiċ-Ċentru tal-Knisja tax-Xagħjra.

Kunċert

Fit-22 ta' Frar, l-Orkesra Nazzjonali se ttella' Kunċert Mużikali fl-okkażjoni tal-Bidu tar-Randan Imqaddes fil-Knisja Parrokkjali tagħna fis-7.00pm. taht it-tmexxija tal-Maestro Michael Laus mill-Parroċċa tagħna.

Fuljett

Dawk li s-soltu jgħassmu l-Fuljett Parrokkjali, jidhlu fis-Sagrestija għal-Pakkett tax-xahar ta' Frar.

... and now read this ...

PhD holders are causing confusion in Africa. People call them doctors and when simple village folks hear it, they flock to them with all their health problems. These “doctors” find themselves in a serious predicament as they try to explain that even though they are called doctors they do not cure the sick. Nobody seems to give a satisfactory answer to the question of the village folks: “If they do not cure the sick, why do people call them doctors?”

In the gospel, Jesus finds himself in a similar predicament. Jesus came as saviour of the world. The prophet Isaiah had said of him that by his bruises we are healed and made whole (Isaiah 53:4). True to type, in the synagogue he heals a man with an unclean spirit. From the synagogue he goes to Peter's house and heals his mother-in-law who has a fever. “That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.... And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons” (Mark 1:32-34). Then, very early in the morning he escapes to a quiet spot to pray. Before he could finish his morning prayers his disciples hunt him down and inform him that an even larger crowd has gathered with their sick and infirm and that everyone is looking for him. You would expect Jesus to say, “Great, now we are in business. Now they

are coming. Our strategy is working.” But what does he say? He says no, “Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do” (Mark 1:38).

Excuse me! Proclaim the message? What message is greater than healing the sick and restoring to them their human dignity that has been disfigured by sickness and poverty? Isn't that essentially what Jesus came for? Well, not exactly. Jesus came to bring good news to the poor (Luke 4:18). This good news is spiritual and material just as the human person is soul and body. But when it comes to order of priority, the spiritual comes first, then the material. This order is brought out in Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount: “Seek you first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well” (Matthew 6:33).
