

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, January 28th/29th

4:00 Andrew Zadell & Donna Zadell Joseph
 9:00 Tony Srsen – 3rd Ann.
 For Our Parishioners
 10:30 Franc Krištof – 1st Ann.

MONDAY, January 30: Weekday

5:00 Jože Lekan, Jr. – Chapel

TUESDAY, January 31: St. John Bosco

5:00 Dec. Stempihar & Jarc Families – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, February 1: Weekday

5:00 Julka Smole-Florea – Chapel

THURSDAY, February 2: Presentation of the Lord

5:00 Peter Sterk – Chapel

FRIDAY, February 3: Ss. Blaise & Ansgar

5:00 Mira Erdani – Chapel

SATURDAY, February 4: Weekday

4:00 Jeanette Polomsky

SUNDAY, February 5: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 Frank (3rd Ann.) & Antonia Šega
 10:30 Liv. & Dec. Members of St. Vitus KSKJ Lodge #25
 For Our Parishioners



PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Blessed are the poor in spirit;
 the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
 Blagor ubogim v duhu.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- February 4th/5th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. David Fink
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Andrea & Greg Plassard
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Metod Ilc

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – February 4th/5th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Joe Hocevar
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Linda Baznik/Mary Ann Janout
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Sr. Mary Avsec/Mario Perčič



COFFEE & DONUTS – in the lower church hall after the Sunday Masses until Lent. Please join us!

ST. VITUS KSKJ LODGE #25 – Annual Family Mass is next Sunday, Feb. 5th, at 10:30 a.m., followed by a luncheon in the parish auditorium. Members, please make the luncheon reservations with one of the lodge officers.

ST. VITUS ALTAR SOCIETY – will have its monthly Mass and Holy Communion next Sun., Feb. 5th, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Meeting will follow in the Village Slovenian Room.

ST. VITUS SLOVENIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL & ST. VITUS PARISH – will have a joint benefit brunch on Sunday, Feb. 26th, in the St. Vitus Parish Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. to Noon! Cost for the brunch will be \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. Tickets may be purchased from Slovenian School parents, at the Rectory or at the door on the day of the brunch.



All invited!



– WORD OF GOD FOR THIS SUNDAY –

From the very first Gospel accounts about Jesus, we are shown that He came to save and transform those, who in the estimation of the worldly were lowly and unimportant. For starters, Jesus was born to a humble Jewish couple who never-the-less had notable ancestors. Jesus was born in a stable and revealed not to important people of Bethlehem but to the poor shepherds. Later, the Magi came searching for Jesus at the royal palace in Jerusalem, but they finally discovered Him in the humble home of Mary and Joseph in Bethlehem. Coming from the town of Nazareth did not help Jesus either. When He began his public life, people noticed that He associated and even welcomed the so called “public sinners”, especially tax collectors, soldiers and women of ill repute. Important people saw this and held it against Him. He healed people of physical infirmities to show his human compassion and forgave sins to show the Divine compassion. Time after time Jesus had to repeat the purpose of His coming to offer heavenly hope to those who nearly lost hope in Divine justice. With this in mind, we can better understand today’s readings and especially the Beatitudes. Can we hear ourselves mentioned in the glorious list of those who Jesus calls “blessed”?

CANDLEMAS – Feb. 2nd, is the feastday of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. According to tradition, candles for church and home use are blessed on this day, and will take place next Sat., Feb. 4th, at the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass. We will have various candles available for sale for home use near the Marija Pomagaj Chapel. Prices will be noted and donation may be placed in usual container for candle donations by the statue of St. Vitus. Parishioners wishing to donate towards the purchase of candles used in church throughout the year can use the special envelope (CANDLEMAS) in the January packet.

BLESSING OF THROATS – The feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, is observed Friday, Feb. 3rd. There will be blessing of throats on this day at the 5:00 p.m. Mass in The Village Chapel and after the Masses next weekend, February 4th/5th. Please receive it with faith in the power of prayer of the entire Church.



ON THE MEND – Some time ago Father Frank Godic, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church on Superior Ave., had a fall at the rectory and broke his leg in two places. He would greatly appreciate a kind word of encouragement and a promise of prayers for a speedy recovery. Get well cards may be sent in his name to: Immaculate Conception Church at 4129 Superior Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44103.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$3,000.00 **Add. Solemnity of Mary:** \$100.; **Add. Christmas:** \$100. – Mrs. Gertrude Prelog; **St. Vitus Endow. Trust:** \$500. – Mrs. Michelle Simpkins in memeory of Larry & Jason Simpkins; \$100. – Mr Frank & Milan Rihtar in mem. of Anton Babnik.

Sincerest thank you to all!



PREŠEREN DAY – sponsored by the *Slovenian American Times*, will honor both Slovenia's greatest poet, France Prešeren, and the 100th issue of the *Slovenian American Times*. This will occur on Sunday, Feb. 12th, in St. Mary Parish Hall. The festivities will begin with a benefit dinner at 11:30 a.m. to help SAT defray the cost of producing this monthly newspaper. Following the dinner, *Folklorna Skupina Kres* will perform Prešeren's ballad "*Povodni mož*" – "*The Water Man*". Tickets for the dinner and performance are \$30.; and may be purchased at either St. Mary or St. Vitus Rectories; or by contacting SAT Office, 440-833-0020.

SACRAMENTAL DATES - This year *First Holy Communion* will be on Sunday, May 7th. At the moment we have three parish children signed up, and we invite other parish children to avail themselves of this special occasion. Please contact Fr. Boznar for more information at 361-1444.



The *Sacrament of Confirmation* will be bestowed on Sun., Nov. 19th, with Bishop Roger Gries, O.S.B., officiating. The last time we had a parish Confirmation was four years ago with the late Bishop Edward Pevce. We have had regular Confirmations every three years which enabled us to have classes of 20-30 confirmandi. Also, previously for pastoral reasons unique to St. Vitus Parish, the Pastor had some discretion in allowing children just under the customary age for Confirmation to receive this sacrament.

For this Confirmation, the Pastor will seek advice from Bishop Gries concerning this matter and others pertaining to Confirmation. Until Bishop Gries returns from an assignment in the second week of February, we cannot say for certain what the age of some candidates will be this year.

REVERSE RAFFLE – St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655 in partnership with the St. Vitus Alumni Association is holding its Annual Reverse Raffle on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with dinner served at 7:30. Main Board tickets are \$60.00 per person. Dinner only tickets are also available @25.00 per person. ONLY 200 tickets will be sold. Tables of 8 or 10 can be reserved. For reservations, please call John Kirk, 216-432-1199, Frank Zitko, 440-488-8284 or Mia Graf, 440-442-1635. Tickets are also available at the Vets Post after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass. Make checks out to St. Vitus CWV Post 1655 c/o John Kirk, 1093 E. 64th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44103 or St. Vitus Alumni c/o Andrea Plassard, Treas., 6625 Great Oaks Parkway, Independence, OH 44131.

PRIREDITEV SLOVENSKE ŠOLE IN FARE SV. VIDA

– Slovenska šola in Fara Sv. Vida bo imela dobrodelni "**Brunch**" v nedeljo, 26. februarja v Avditoriju. Postregli bodo od 9:30 dop. do 12ih opoldne. Cena za odrasle je \$10. za otroke pa \$7. Nakaznice lahko kupite pri starših šolskih otrok, v župnišču ali pri vratih na dan prireditve. Vsi prisrčno vabljeni!



BOŽJA BESEDA TE NEDELJE – Evangelij od vsega začetka poroča, da je Jezus prišel za odrešenje človeštva, ter za upanje vsem ubogim in malim tega sveta. Za začetek: Jezus je bil rojen ponižnemu judovskemu paru, ki je pa imel slavne prednike. Rodil se je v revnem hlevčku in razodel ubogim pastirjem. Kasneje so Modri prišli iskat Jezusa v Jeruzalem, kraljevo mesto, pa so bili napoteni po zvezdi v skromni dom Jožefa in Marije v Betlehem. Ko je prišel javno življenje so rekli, da je Nazarečan, in to ni prispevalo k Jezusovem ugledu. Družil se je z "javnimi" grešniki, posebno davkarji, vojaki in ženskami na slabem glasu. Ugledni ljudje so Mu to očitali. Ozdravljaj je ljudi vsakršnih bolezni in nadlog. Oznanjal je odpuščanje grehov in odpuščal grehe. Vedno je naglašal, da je prišel iskati grešnike in oznanjat božje usmiljenje. S temi mislimi bomo lažje razumeli današnja berila, zlasti blagare. Ali smo tudi mi med temi, ki jih Jezus imenuje "blagoslovljeni"?

SVEČNICA – Letos je praznik Jezusovega darovanja v templu v četrtek, 2. feb. Že od nekdaj so na ta dan blagoslovili sveče za cerkev in domove. Letos bo blagoslov sveč prihodnjo soboto pri sv. maši ob 4:00 pop. v cerkvi. Sveče za dom bodo na razpolago za nakup bliz kapele Marije Pomagaj. Cene bodo označene in denar zanje naj se da v nabiralnik pri kipu sv. Vida, kamor po navadi daste darove za sveče. Farani ki želite darovati za nakup sveč katere bodo uporabljene skozi vse leto v cerkvi pa lahko rabite posebno kuvert to za Svečnico, katera je v januarskem paketu kuvert.

BLAGOSLOV GRL – Praznik sv. Blaža, škofa in mučenca, je v petek, 3. februarja. Blagoslov grl bo v petek pri maši ob 5:00 popoldne v kapeli St. Vitus Village in pri vseh mašah za vikend 4./5. februarja.

DRUŠTVO SV. VIDA ŠT. 25 KSKJ – ima vsakoletno družinsko mašo prihodnjo nedeljo, 5. feb., ob 10:30 dopoldne. Tej bo sledilo kosilo v farni dvorani. Člane prosimo da rezervirajo kosilo pri enem od odbornikov društva.

OLTARNO DRUŠTVO – bo imelo skupno mesečno mašo in sv. obhajilo prihodnjo nedeljo, 5. februarja ob 10:30 dop. Po maši bo sestanek v Slovenski sobi v St. Vitus Village.

PREŠERNOV DAN – bodo sponzirali *Slovenski Ameriški Časi* v nedeljo, 12. feb. v farni dvorani Marije Vnebovzete. Počastili bodo največjega Slovenskega pesnika Franceta Prešerna in praznovali 100 izvod časopisa *Slovenski Ameriški Časi*. Proslava se bo začela s kosilom ob 11:30 dop. Nato bo *Folklorna Skupina Kres* predstavila Prešernovo balado "*Povodni mož*".



Kosilo bo v podporo SAT za tiskanje in razpošiljanje tega lista. Kartice za kosilo so \$30. in jih lahko dobite v župnišču fare Marije Vnebovzete in Sv. Vida ali pa kličite SAT pisarno, 440-833-0020.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,000.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!