

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, February 18th/19th

4:00 Joseph Jarc, John Jalovec & Stempihar Families
 9:00 Dec. of Stupnik & Hurley Families
 10:30 Dec. of Osenar & Pograjec Families
 For Our Parishioners

MONDAY, February 20: Weekday

5:00 Paula Dolinar - Chapel

TUESDAY, February 21: Weekday

5:00 Olga Belaj-Conway - Chapel

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 22: Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

5:00 Paul Dolenc, Sr. - Chapel

THURSDAY, February 23: St. Polycarp

5:00 Joseph Rudolf - Ann. - Chapel

FRIDAY, February 24: Weekday

5:00 Angela Hribar - Chapel

SATURDAY, February 25: Weekday

4:00 Frank & Mary Modic

SUNDAY, February 26: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 Margaret & Anthony Pecjak
 For Our Parishioners
 10:30 Matija Plečnik - 10th Ann.



PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

The Lord is kind and merciful.
 Gospod je milostljiv in usmiljen.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- February 25th/26th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. David Fink
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Mia & Robert Graf
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Slovenian School

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - February 25th/26th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Rick Jaksic
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Linda Baznik/Mary Kaplan
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Michelle & Matt Plecnik



COFFEE & DONUTS - Please join us for one more Coffee & Donuts Social **this Sunday** in the lower church hall after both Masses!

PLEASE NOTE - NO Coffee & Donuts next Sunday. Instead, walk over to the Auditorium and enjoy the **St. Vitus Slovenian School & Parish Benefit Brunch**.

ST. VITUS ALUMNI - Invites one and all to its annual meeting in the lower church hall **THIS SUNDAY** at 10:00 a.m., after the 9:00 a.m. and before the 10:30 a.m. Masses. We would like your input. Enjoy some Pre-Lenten coffee and donuts in the lower church hall just prior to the meeting.

PALM BRANCHES - Please remember to bring in your blessed palm branches next weekend. We will burn them to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.



POPE FRANCIS QUOTES

"Jesus keeps knocking on our doors, the doors of our lives. He doesn't do this by magic, with flashing lights and fireworks. Jesus keeps knocking on our door in the faces of our brothers and sisters, in the faces of our neighbors, in the faces of those at our side."

- Pope Francis, Cuba/U.S. Visit - LifeTeen...

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL - "You Did it for Me" - Sincere thank you to all who took the time last weekend to make a pledge to Catholic Charities. We will give an opportunity to do the same on the weekend of May 20th/21st to anyone who may **NOT** have been at St. Vitus Church last week. This will be conclude this aspect of the Annual Appeal.

ST. VITUS SLOVENIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL AND ST. VITUS PARISH - will have a joint benefit brunch next Sun., February 26th,



in the St. Vitus Parish Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. to Noon! On the menu: **Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Fried Potatoes, Fruit, Pastry, O.J., Coffee and Milk.** Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. Tickets may be purchased from Slovenian School parents, at the Parish House Office (216) 361-1444 or at the door on the day of the brunch.



PARISH HOT MEAL PROGRAM: CORPORAL WORK OF MERCY - St. Vitus Parish has operated a monthly "hot meal" program the past seven years in cooperation with the St. Pascahl

Baylon Helping Hands Ministry. Our parish provides either the Auditorium Social Room or lower church hall as a site for this work of mercy as well as providing all the "dry supplies" needed to have a dignified hot meal each month. Any individual is welcome to the hot meal and fellowship. Approximately 60 to 70 meals are served each month excluding the month of July. This means that over 700 meals are provided on an annual basis to any individual; and over 5,000 meals since the start of this program. We are grateful for our partners in this endeavor, St. Pascal Baylon Helping Hands Ministry. SPBHMM is under the direction of Lois Heil. Our Parishioner, Frančišek Kuhar, has been a part of this ministry work for several years; and Ivan, Debbie & Johnny Cugel have also helped the past few years.

MAŠKARADA DINNER DANCE - St. Mary's Parish, 15519 Holmes Ave. Cleveland, Oh. 44110 Collinwood will host a Dinner/Dance on Fri., Feb. 25th, at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Donation is \$25. for adults and \$14. for children ages 7 to 18, children age of 6 and under have free admittance. Music by Veseli Godci. For reservations, call the rectory office, 216-761-7740.



ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY BENEFIT DINNER – will be held on **April 9th, 2017** in St. Vitus Auditorium. Dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Take-outs will be available in the Social Room. Cost is \$15. for adults & \$10. for children 12 yrs. or younger. On the menu: homemade soup, roasted chicken or roast beef, potatoes, vegetables, salad, bread & butter, homemade pastry, coffee and soft drinks. Dinner tickets may be reserved by calling the Rectory at 216-361-1444 or from members of the above mentioned societies. Direct donations for this event are to be made to **“St. Vitus Church-JHCI,” c/o 6019 Lausche Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44103.**

St. Vitus KSKJ Lodge #25 and Christ the King KSKJ Lodge #226 are sponsoring the dinner as a **“KSKJ Matching Grant”** event. The St. Vitus Altar and Holy Name Societies are also participating. Designated charities are the **Joseph House of Cleveland Inc. (JHCI) and Migration & Refugee Services, Cleveland Catholic Charities.** The primary mission of JHCI is to resettle immigrants in Cleveland. Its secondary mission is to provide clothing to the immigrants and neighborhood residents. The goal is to raise \$20,000. in donations: \$10,000. for ongoing support and \$10,000 for remodeling purposes. JHCI is located at 6104 St. Clair Ave., in the commercial building formerly owned by the Slapnik Family on E. 61st. St. and St. Clair Ave.

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 Pevec. 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.

The Pastor will seek advice from Bishop Gries concerning this matter and others pertaining to Confirmation. Until Bp. 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.

ASSISTANCE FORMS – are available on the table by main church entrance: **Energy Reduction & Public Utility Forms** – based on income. **Homestead Exemption Forms** – based on age/disability, plus owning and living in the house.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$3,671.50 **St. Vitus Endowment Trust:** \$500. – Ms. Leanne Sterbank Budde in memory of Mrs. Lillian Ribarich; **St. Vitus Food Bank:** \$150. – Anonymous; **Winter Heating:** \$215.

Sincerest thank you to all!



NABIRKA KATOLIŠKE DOBRODELNOSTI – Iskrena hvala vsem našim faranom, ki so preteklo nedeljo obljubili svoj dar Katoliški dobrodelnosti. Na vikend 20./21. maja bodo imeli možnost narediti isto vsi, ki niso bili pri Sv. Vidu preteklo nedeljo. S tem bomo zaključili ta del naše letne nabirke.

DOBRODELNI “BRUNCH” SLOVENSKE ŠOLE IN FARE SV. VIDA – bo prihodnjoo nedeljo, 26.



februarja v Avditoriju. Postregli bodo od 9:30 dopoldne – 12:00 opoldne. Na voljo: **umešana jajca, klobase, pražen krompir, sadje, pecivo, O.J. kava in mleko.** 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!

MAŠKARADA Z VEČERJO IN PLESOM – bo v petek, 25. feb. ob 6ih zvečer v župnijski dvorani Marije Vnebovzete. Vstopnice so \$25.00 za odrasle in \$14.00 za mlade od 7–18 leta. Otroci 6 let in mlajši imajo vstop prost. Rezervacije so potrebne zato kličite župnišče na (216) 761-7740. Za ples in zabavo bodo igrali Veseli godci.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,671.50 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – March 1st–April 9th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 days for Life–40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Also, to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside **Preterm**, 12000 Shaker Blvd., 44120, **Planned Parenthood**, 25350 Rockside Rd., Bedford Heights 44146, or **Family Planning**, 54 S.State St., Painsville, 44077. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. For additional information and to volunteer to help, call our parishioner, Milan Rihtar, (440) 944-5309, John Noall, (216) 245-9744, or his email clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com



REVERSE RAFFLE – The St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655 in partnership with the St. Vitus Alumni Association is holding its Annual Reverse Raffle on Tuesday, April 18th, 2017, at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Avenue. 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 at \$25. 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, Ohio 44131.