

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, March 11th/12th

- 4:00 John, Anna & John J. Hocevar
- 5:00 Stations of the Cross – Eng.
- 9:00 Anthony & Albina Pozelnik
For Our Parishioners
- 9:45 Stations of the Cross – Eng.
- 10:30 Mimi & Štefan Rezonja
- 11:30 Stations of the Cross – Slov.

MONDAY, March 13: Lenten Weekday

- 5:00 Dec. of Rose Leskovec Family &
Dec. of Rudy & Anna Lovko Family – Chapel

TUESDAY, March 14: Lenten Weekday

- 5:00 Maria & Mirko Stupnik – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, March 15: Lenten Weekday

- 5:00 Mary Marinko – Chapel

THURSDAY, March 16: Lenten Weekday

- 4:30 Stations of the Cross – Slov. – Chapel
- 5:00 Marija Lipovec – Chapel

FRIDAY, March 17: Lenten Weekday

- 2:00 – 5:00 Exposition & Adoration of Bl. Sacrament–Chapel
- 5:00 Jožica & Valentin Benedik – Chapel

SATURDAY, March 18: Lenten Weekday

- 4:00 Družina Ščančar, Masle, Ahlin & Kovač
- 5:00 Stations of the Cross – Eng.

SUNDAY, March 19: Third Sunday of Lent

- 9:00 Ken & Anne Tomsick
- 9:45 Stations of the Cross – Eng.
- 10:30 Mihaela & Janez Zakrajšek
For Our Parishioners
- 11:30 Stations of the Cross – Slov.



PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place out trust in you.
Tvoja dobrota, Gospod, naj bo nad nami.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- March 18th/19th, 2017

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Sr. Mary Avsec/Pat McKibben
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Mia & Robert Graf
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Slovenian School

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – March 18th/19th, 2017

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Carolyn & Roger Mallik
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Sr. Mary Avsec/St. Stan Kuhar
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Mario Perčič/David Turk

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE – Before each weekend Mass, there will be a confessor available to hear confessions. Please do this Easter duty well in advance of Holy Week.

EXPERIENCE GOD’S MERCY – Join us on Wed., March 15th, for the annual diocesan-wide “Evening of Confession.” All churches in the diocese will have confessors available from 5:00–8:00 p.m. Experience God’s loving mercy. In the words of Pope Francis, “God never tires of forgiving us.” This is an excellent Lenten practice as we prepare for Easter.



LORD JESUS CHRIST, send your Holy Spirit upon your people this Lenten season that we might faithfully take up our cross each day and follow you. Help us to die to all that is false in our lives, all that is worthless, all that is sinful. Confident in your abundant mercy, may we face the truth about ourselves without fear. Freed from all that keeps us from joyfully living our baptismal promises, may we join with all Christians in the Easter celebration of your resurrection.

ST. VITUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY – monthly group Mass and Holy Communion is this Sunday at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The usual meeting & breakfast (coffee & donuts) will follow in The Village Slovenian Room. Members, please attend!

PLEASE NOTE: During Lent Stations of the Cross will follow the Mass. The Rosary for Right to Life will resume in May.

PANCAKES & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST - Next Sunday after both Masses in the lower church hall. Donation is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Please join us!



SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING – Every year we give parishioners an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Holy Anointing of the sick and infirm. This will happen at all the Masses on the weekend of March 25th/26th.

SLOVENIAN MISSION AID SOCIETY ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER – this Sunday at St. Mary Parish Hall. The chicken & roast pork dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Donation is \$15. for adults and \$8. for children. All invited!

FRIDAYS OF LENT – Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held in The Village Chapel from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 5:00 p.m. in Eng. language. Parishioners are invited to the adoration during the day and then to the concluding Mass. Parishioners can gain access to the Chapel on Fridays by ringing the bell at The Village entrance marked “Chapel bell”. Otherwise, Rudy Sterk, The Village Manager, will open the door for you.

+++ IMPORTANT LENTEN DEVOTIONS +++

1. Stations of the Cross – Thursdays – 4:30 p.m. (Slov.)
Stations of the Cross – Saturdays – 5:00 p.m. (Eng.)
Stations of the Cross – Sundays – 9:45 a.m. (Eng.)
Stations of the Cross – Sundays – 11:30 a.m. (Slov.)
2. Fridays of Lent – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Village Chapel from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 5:00 p.m. in the English language.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat, (2 small meals & one regular meal), and **ALL FRIDAYS** of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics over 14 years of age. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th year until the completion of their 59th birthday. These Lenten penitential rules are few and ought to be observed as much as possible.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$4,689.00
St. Vitus Bldg. Fund: \$100. – Anonymous; **St. Vitus Endow. Trust:** \$500. – Mr. Lawrence Sterk; **St. Vitus Food Bank & Hot Meal Program:** \$150. – Mr. Lawrence Sterk; **Winter Heating:** \$90. *Sincerest thank you to all!*



SACRAMENTAL DATES – First Holy Communion will be on Sun., May 7th. Currently we have five parish children signed up. We invite other parish children to avail themselves of this special occasion. Please contact Father Boznar for more information at 361-1444.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be bestowed on Sun., November 19th, with Bishop Roger Gries, O.S.B., officiating. **Children must currently be attending 5th grade to be eligible for Confirmation.**

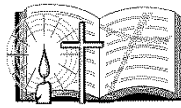
Any parish adult or other individual who has not received one or both of the sacraments is invited to do so by personally speaking with Father Boznar in order to do the preparation work. Otherwise, parents please register your children for First Holy Communion and Confirmation no later than **March 18th** by calling Rectory, 216-361-1444.

DISPENSATION FROM LENTEN ABSTINENCE – on Friday, March 17th. Out of pastoral solicitude, Bp. Daniel Thomas has formally dispensed the faithful of the Diocese of Cleveland from the obligation to abstain from meat on Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop, which will be observed this year on Friday, March 17th. Those who choose to partake of meat on that day are encouraged to undertake another penance that day in the form of a corporal or spiritual work of mercy. In this way, a faithful Catholic still keeps the penitential spirit of a Friday in Lent and unites oneself more closely with the suffering Christ and His Church.

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 at \$25.00 per person. Tables of 8 or 10 can be reserved. For reservations, please call Frank Zitko at (440) 488-8284 or Mia Graf, 440-442-1635. Make checks out to St. Vitus Alumni c/o Andrea Plassard, Treas., 6625 Great Oaks Parkway, Independence, OH 44131.

The St. Vitus Alumni mission is to award annual scholarships to deserving 8th grade students desiring to further their education at a tuition paying Catholic High School. The St. Vitus War Vets continuously, throughout the year, service our deceased soldiers and military families with various outreach programs. Among them are; tirelessly place wreaths and flags at All Souls, Holy Cross, All Saints and Calvary cemeteries, visitation to veterans in hospitals, in November create “goodie bags” and gift certificates for veterans for use at the “canteens” at Stokes VA Hospital.

SLOVENSKA PRISTAVA'S ANNUAL REVERSE RAFFLE – will be Sat., Apr. 1st, beginning at 5:01 p.m. in the Lausche Lodge. A chance at over \$5,000 in total prizes includes the main board prize of \$2,500 and sideboard prizes. Ticket price of \$50 includes main board ticket and dinner. Extra dinner tickets are \$25. All proceeds for operating expenses of Slovenska Pristava. For reservations, call Nadia Kobal at 440-477-1489 or email nadiakobal1@gmail.com



BOŽJA BESEDA TE NEDELJE – Postni čas nas opozarja na več stvari. Prva je, da nam je Post dan v našo dobrobit. Vsak poskuša v tem času, da poglobi in utrdi svojo vero in se tako približa Bogu. Postni klic nas opominja, da se odpovemo grehu in da se v vsakdanjem življenju ravnamo po božjih razpovedih. To delamo s tem, da pogosteje in več molimo, da poslušamo in razmišljamo, kaj nam Sv. pismo pripoveduje v tem času in da tudi osebno žrtvujemo nekaj, kar nas bo duhovno dvignilo pa tudi prizadelo bolj kot kakšna vsakdanja nevšečnost.

Druga stvar, na katero nas Postni čas opominja pa je, da ne pozabimo na materialne in duhovne potrebe naših bližnjih. Naša ljubezen do Boga mora vključevati vse ljudi okoli nas in to lahko pokažemo, na primer s tem, da obdarujemo potrebne. Z drugimi besedami povedano, Postni čas je čas, da poživimo duhovno rast in poglobimo našo vero.

SPOVED – Vsak konec tedna v postu bo pred vsako sv. mašo na razpolago spovednik. Prosim, opravite svojo velikonočno dolžnost pred Velikim tednom.

MISIJSKO DOBRODELNO KOSILO – je to nedeljo, od 11h dop. do 1h pop. v farni dvorani Marije Vnebovzete v Collinwoodu. Dar za kosilo je \$15 za odrasle, \$8 za otroke. Karte za kosilo lahko dobite pri vhodu v dvorano. Vsi prisrčno vabljeni!



DRUŠTVO NAJSVETEJŠEGA IMENA – ima mesečno mašo in sv. obhajilo to nedeljo ob 9:00 zjutraj. Redni sestanek in zajtrk sledi v Slovenski sobi v St. Vitus Village.

ZAKRAMENT SV. MAZILJENJA – Vsako leto damo našim faranom priliko, da prejmejo zakrament sv. maziljenja. To bomo storili pri sv. mašah na vikend, 25./26. marca.

PETKI V POSTU – Češčenje Najsvetejšega v petkih v postu bo v kapeli St. Vitus Village od 2h-5h pop., nakar bo sledila sv. maša ob 5h v angl. jeziku. Vsi farani so povabljeni k češčenju Najsvetejšega in k zaključni sv. maši. Vsak faran lahko pride v kapelo, če pozvoni zvonec z napisom “Chapel bell”. Vrata pa bo odprl Rudy Sterk, upravitelj St. Vitus Village.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$4,689.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!



LENTEN FISH DINNERS – FRIDAYS OF LENT
Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave.

Serving **5:00 to 8:30 PM** – Baked/Fried Fish \$10.; Shrimp \$11.; Combo \$12.; Pierogi \$9. All dinners include: clam chowder, bread and butter, french fries or home fries, coleslaw, dessert & coffee. Take-outs also available. A \$2. Club membership is required and available at the door.

St. Mary's Parish, 15519 Holmes Ave. – in parish hall, 3:00 to 7:00 PM – Fried Ocean Perch, Baked Cod, Shrimp, Crab Cakes or Combo Meals – \$10. and includes Slovenian potatoes or French fries, coleslaw and strudel. Macaroni & cheese dinners – \$6. A different homemade Lenten soup will be featured each Friday for \$3.00. All invited!