

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, December 2nd/3rd

4:00 Dec. Members of Dejak Family
 9:00 Dorothy & Frank Zitko
 For Our Parishioners

10:30 Jože, Francka & Fran Gazvoda

MONDAY, December 4: Advent Weekday

5:00 Justina, Stefan & Stefan Duh, Jr. – Chapel

TUESDAY, December 5: Advent Weekday

5:00 Peter & Anne Sterk – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, December 6: Advent Weekday

5:00 Olga Belay Conway – Chapel

THURSDAY, December 7: St. Ambrose

5:00 Ivo & Štefka Kermavner – Chapel – **Vigil Mass**

FRIDAY, December 8: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

10:00 St. Martin de Porres H.S. Mass – Church

6:30 FOR OUR PARISHIONERS – Church
 Maria Lipovec – Ann.



SATURDAY, December 9: Advent Weekday

4:00 John (30th Ann.) & Dorothy Kirk

SUNDAY, December 10: Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 Don Slapnik
 10:30 Milan & Paula Dolinar
 For Our Parishioners

PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Razjasni svoje obličje in rešeni bomo.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- December 9th/10th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Anna Marie & Ron Luzar
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Paul Ferkul/Don Kern
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Mojca Slak/Neja Turk

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – December 9th/10th, 2017

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Joe Hocevar/Rick Jaksic
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Carolyn & Roger Mallik
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Nevja Avzlahar/Mario Perčič



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The great Marian feast day of the Immaculate Conception is Fri., December 8th. The Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Immaculate Conception, is the patroness of our country.

This is a holy day of obligation for Catholics to attend Mass. The parish Mass will be on Friday at 6:30 p.m. in church. St. Martin de Porres High School Mass will be on Friday at 10:00 a.m. in church.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION –

During Sundays of Advent one priest will be available for confessions one half hour before Masses. Please take advantage of these opportunities to make a good confession before Christmas.



SEASON OF ADVENT – Today we

begin anew the liturgical calendar with the holy season of Advent. The central theme of Advent is the coming of the Lord, understood in several ways. First, we see the expectation of the Old Testament, which is constantly directed toward the coming of the Messiah. The Old Testament prophecies all speak to us of the Lord's coming in such a way as to awaken in our hearts that deep desire and need of God as expressed by the ancient prophets. At the same time they invite us to thank God for the great gift of salvation, already fulfilled by the coming of Jesus Christ over 2000 years ago. The Redeemer has come; in Him the hopes of the Old Testament have been fulfilled and those of the New Testament opened up.

ST. NICHOLAS VISIT – St. Nicholas is visiting the St. Vitus Slovenian Language School **this Sunday at 3:00 p.m.** in parish auditorium. The program will begin with a short play performed by the Slovenian School students, followed by a visit from St. Nicholas. Parents are welcome to stop by and speak to St. Nicholas before the program, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Room. Admission is \$6 for adults & free for children. Refreshments and Krofe will be sold. Everyone is welcome to attend this wonderful holiday event and enjoy this rich Slovenian tradition!



ST. VITUS ALTAR SOCIETY – has its monthly Mass and Holy Communion this Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. No meeting this month. The Annual Christmas Party will be next Sun., Dec. 10th, at 11:30 a.m. in parish auditorium. All members are invited to come and share this special time together. It is a wonderful time of friendship, hospitality and the awaiting of our Savior's birth!

NO KROFE SALE – in December & January. Advise others.

ST. VITUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY – monthly corporate Mass and Holy Communion will be next Sunday, Dec. 10th, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Meeting/breakfast will follow in The Village Slovenian Room.



ROSARY FOR RIGHT TO LIFE – The Holy Name Society invites everyone to join them in praying the Rosary next Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please bring a rosary and join in asking for Our Lady's help. Afterwards, please join in for coffee/donuts at The Village Slovenian Room. **Remember to wear your "Respect Life Rose".**

ST. VITUS KSKJ #25 MEETING & CHRISTMAS PARTY – is next Sun., Dec. 10th, in the lower church hall. Meeting at 1:00 p.m. followed by party at 2:00 p.m. Members please come and have a wonderful time!

ADVENT SERVICES – The Collinwood Cluster will gather in St. Jerome Church, 15000 Lakeshore Blvd., this Mon, Dec. 4th, at 7:00 p.m. for Advent Vespers and Mon., Dec. 18th, at 7:00 p.m. for a Communal Penance Service.



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE OF OUR HOME-BOUND PARISHIONERS – As in past years, our parish family will remember the homebound with a visit and a token gift. During this Advent

Season, you or your family might feel called to pay a visit and deliver the “gift” to one of them on Dec. 16th & 17th. If you would like to participate, or need more information, please call Sr. Mary Avsec at (216) 432-9179. Baked goods are needed for the care packages to the homebound. These have to be at the parish house by Friday, Dec. 15th. Drivers can pick up the packages for delivery around 10:45 a.m. on the 16th in the church hall. **Thank you!**

HELPING RETIRED RELIGIOUS MEN AND WOMEN – The annual collection for helping the retired religious men and women is next weekend, Dec. 9/10. Please use the special envelope in the December packet. Generations of St. Vitus parishioner children were served well by the Sisters of Notre Dame and succeeded in life because of the education received at St. Vitus. They gave all they could. Can YOU now help a little?

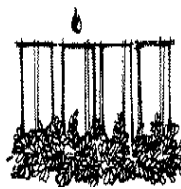
ANNUAL AMLA CHRISTMAS PARTY – The AMLA Lodges’ Christmas Party will be at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. next **Sun., Dec. 10th**, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

“MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANION” – This is the title of a very helpful Advent preparation booklet which was made available last weekend. There are still some copies left, please take one and read it faithfully during Advent. The booklets can be found in the entrances of the church.

ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS – The start of the inside and outside Christmas decoration work for St. Vitus Church will begin next Sat., Dec. 9th. If interested in helping, please call the parish house, 216-361-1444 or skuhar@hotmail.com. The work begins at 9:00 a.m. and should finish about Noon. Lunch will be provided.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$3,400.00
Parish Needs: \$100. – Mrs. Ivanka Štupica on occasion of Confirmation of grandchildren: Anja, Elizabeth & Dominik Štupica; **St. Vitus Endow. Trust:** \$150. – M/M Felix & Ana Kurboš on occasion of Confirmation of grandchildren: Anja, Ema & Blaž Kurboš-Cooper; (Correction – \$100. – M/M Dominik & Emily Štupica on the occasion of son Dominik’s Confirmation); \$100. – Anonymous – In memory of Frank & Gabriela Kuhel; **Winter Heating:** \$300. **Thank you all!**

POKOJNINSKI SKLAD ZA REDOVNICE IN REDOVNIKE – Ameriški katoličani že nekaj let zbirajo darove za upokojene redovnike in redovnice, od katerih je več ko polovico starih nad 70 let. V svojem času so ogromno prispevali k napredku katoličanov, kot na primer pri Sv. Vidu, kjer so redovnice vodile farno šolo skoraj sto let. V ovojnici cerkvenih kuvert je tudi kuverta za to posebno nabirko. Ta letošnja nabirka je zelo primerna in potrebna za tiste redovnike in redovnice, ki so vse svoje življenje posvetili delu za katoliške vernike. Ne smemo jih pozabiti v njihovi starosti in onemoglosti. Nabirka bo prihodnji vikend, 9./10. decembra.



ADVENTNI ČAS – Osrednja misel vsega adventa je pričakovanje Gospoda, vzeto pod raznimi vidiki. Predvsem je to pričakovanje Stare zaveze, ko je izvoljeno ljudstvo neprestano hrepenelo po Mesijevem prihodu. O tem govorijo prerokbe, ki jih v tem času bogoslužje ponuja vernikom v premišljevanje, da bi v srcih prebudilo tisto iskreno željo in potrebo po Bogu, ki se tako živo zrcali v preroških spisih. Hkrati je advent povabilo kristjanom, naj zahvalijo Vsemogočnega za brezmejni dar odrešenja. Odrešenik je prišel in z njim se je izpolnilo upanje Stare zaveze. Za kristjane je tole novo pričakovanje: Zveličar mora priti v srce vsakega človeka, da more živeti na tem svetu kot kristjan in nekdo, ki hrepeni po Kristusovem drugem prihodu ob koncu časov.

MIKLAVŽEVANJE – Tradicionalna prireditve Sv. Miklavža pod pokroviteljstvom Slovenske šole pri Sv. Vidu je **to nedeljo** ob 3:00 pop. v farni dvorani. Starši se bodo lahko pogovorili s Sv. Miklavžem od desete ure dalje v društveni sobi. Pri prireditvi bodo tudi prodajali krofe. Vstopnina je \$6. za odrasle, za otroke pa prosto. Vsi vljudno vabljeni!



OLTARNO DRUŠTVO SV. VIDA – ima skupno sv. mašo in obhajilo to nedeljo ob 10:30 dop. Sestanka ta mesec ne bo. Letna božičnica bo prihodnjo nedeljo, 10. dec., ob 11:30 dopoldne v Avditoriju. Vse članice, prosimo, pridite na to lepo skupno praznovanje!

PRODAJA KROFOV – NE BO v decembru in januarju. Prosimo, obvestite tudi druge!



PRAZNIK BREZMADEŽNEGA SPOČETJA – Ne pozabite, da je ta velik Marijin praznik v petek, 8. dec. Marija z naslovom Brezmadeža Spočeta je zavetnica Amerike. Za Katoličane je **zapovedan praznik**, ki obvezuje, da se udeležimo maše. Farna sv. maša za ta praznik bo v petek ob 6:30 zvečer v cerkvi. St. Martin de Porres gimnazija bo imela sv. mašo ob 10:00 dop. v petek.

DRUŠTVO NAJSVETEJŠEGA IMENA – bo imelo skupno mesečno mašo in sv. obhajilo prihodnjo nedeljo, 10. dec., ob 9ih zjutraj. Redni sestanek in zajtrk sledi v Slovenski sobi v St. Vitus Village.

KSKJ DRUŠTVO SV. VIDA #25 – bo imelo svoj sestanek in božičnico prihodnjo nedeljo, 10. dec., v cerkveni dvorani. Sestanek bo ob 1:00 pop., božičnica pa ob 2:00 popoldne. Člani, pridite na to lepo skupno praznovanje!

ZAKRAMENT SPOVEDI – vse nedelje v adventu bo duhovnik spovedoval pol ure pred začetkom maš. Prosimo, da porabite to priliko za dobro spoved pred božičnimi prazniki.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,400.00. Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. **Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!**