

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY February 10th/11th**

- 4:00 Frances Coberly
- 9:00 William A. Modic  
For our Parishioners
- 10:30 Terry Rihtar

**MONDAY, February 12:**

- 5:00 Ivana & Polde Pretnar – Chapel

**TUESDAY, February 13:**

- 5:00 Wencel Frank – Chapel

**WEDNESDAY, February 14: ASH WEDNESDAY**

- 10:15 St. Martin de Porres H.S. Prayer Service – Church
- 11:00 Conversion of Sinners – Chapel
- 6:30 Conversion of Sinners – Church

**THURSDAY, Feb. 15: Thursday after Ash Wednesday**

- 4:30 Stations of the Cross – Slov. – Chapel
- 5:00 Pevac & Jerse Family – Chapel

**FRIDAY, Feb. 16: Friday after Ash Wednesday**

- 3:00 – 5:00 Exposition & Adoration of Bl. Sacrament – Chapel
- 5:00 Genevieve V. Drobnic – Chapel

**SATURDAY, Feb. 17: Saturday after Ash Wednesday**

- 3:45 Sorrowful Mysteries – Eng.  
Intention: God’s Blessing on our Beautiful Country
- 4:00 Joseph & Jean Jernejcic

**SUNDAY, February 18: First Sunday of Lent**

- 9:00 Dec. Members of St. Vitus School Class of 1968
- 9:45 Stations of the Cross – Eng.
- 10:30 Pavle Žakelj – 25th Ann.  
For our Parishioners
- 11:30 Stations of the Cross – Slov.

**PSALM RESPONSE \* ODPEV PRI PSALMU**

I turn to you, O Lord, in time of trouble.  
Gospod, ti si moje zavetje.

**LECTORS/BRALCI --- February 17th/18th, 2018**

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Anna Marie & Ron Luzar
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Jean Kendzierski
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Neja Turk

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – February 17/18th, 2018**

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Carolyn & Roger Mallik
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Mary Kaplan/Rick Jaksic
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Michelle Plecnik/Mario Perčič

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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** – During Lent a confessor will be available to hear confessions before the 4:00 p.m. Sat. Vigil Mass and after the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Please do this Easter duty well in advance of Holy Week.

**ST. VITUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY**—monthly group Mass and Holy Communion is this Sunday at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

**ROSARY FOR RIGHT TO LIFE** – The Holy Name Society invites everyone to join them in praying the Rosary this Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please bring a rosary and join in asking for Our Lady’s help. Remember to pray for peace in our world.



**COFFEE & DONUTS** – in the lower church hall after both Sunday Masses until Lent. **Join us!**



**ST. MOTHER TERESA QUOTE**



“The Worst Disease – I have come more and more to realize that being unwanted is the worst disease that any human being can ever experience. Nowadays we have found medicine for leprosy and lepers can be cured...But as for being unwanted, unless we find willing hands to serve and open hearts to love, I don’t think this terrible disease can be cured.”

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL**  
“Your Mercy: Transforming Lives & Communities.” – The first of this year’s two In-Pew Appeals is **this weekend**.



After the homily, pledge envelopes for the appeal will be distributed. They will have to be filled out in church, not taken home. The Pastor will help parishioners with this part of the work from the pulpit. If you have already made a donation or pledge, simply indicate this on the envelope. Our parish goal this year is \$35,007.00. We pray that every parishioner will be able to make a sacrificial offering this year to Catholic Charities.



**LENT AND ASH WEDNESDAY** – Wed., February

14th, is Ash Wednesday and the first day of the holy season of Lent. On this day, faithful Christians have their foreheads signed with ashes in the form of the cross. In Sacred Scriptures, ashes symbolize human mortality and repentance for the sins committed against God. Parish Masses will be at 11:00 a.m. at The Village Chapel and at 6:30 p.m. in church. St. Martin de Porres H.S. will have a prayer service at 10:15a.m. All parishioners are invited to begin the Lenten season of prayer and penance.

*“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”*

**FRIDAYS OF LENT** – Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held in The Village Chapel from 3:00 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.

**LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE** – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast, (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.

+++ **IMPORTANT LENTEN DEVOTIONS** +++

**Please refer to the weekly Mass Schedule for the days and times of the Lenten Devotions.**

**LENTEN SPIRITUAL READING** – St. Vitus Parish has again purchased copies of *“The Magnificat Lenten Companion”*, daily meditations, helpful in keeping the spirit of Lent. The booklets will be made available in baskets at the entrances of the church. Also, you may wish to take an extra copy to an adult member of your family or a homebound friend.



**MASS OF THANKSGIVING** – will be next Sunday, Feb. 18th, at 9:00 a.m. The Mass is in gratitude for the alumni and teaching staff of St. Vitus School (1902-2003). The **Class of 1968**, consisting of 77 graduates will be especially remembered as it is its **50th Year Anniversary**. We will specifically pray for and remember 12 deceased members of the class. Following the Mass join us for coffee & donuts in the lower church hall.

**ST. VITUS SLOVENIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL BENEFIT BRUNCH – Sun., Feb. 25th**, in St. Vitus Parish Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. to Noon! **Menu:** French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, pastry, fruit cup, orange juice, milk and coffee. Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$6. for children 12 yrs. old or younger. Tickets may be purchased from Slovenian School parents or at the door on the day of the brunch. Net proceeds benefit St. Vitus Slovenian School. **All invited!** For additional information, please contact markcelestina@gmail.com.



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** – Feb. 14th–March 25th, 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., Painesville, 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** – St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655, in partnership with the St. Vitus Alumni Association will have their **Annual Reverse Raffle** on Tues., April 3rd at Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with dinner served at 7:30. Main Board tickets at \$60. per person. Dinner only tickets are available at \$25. per person. ONLY 200 tickets will be sold. Tables of 8 or 10 can be reserved. Tickets are available at the Vets Post after 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, or call John Kirk, 216-432-1199, Frank Zitko, 440-488-8284 or Mia Graf, 440-442-1635. Make checks out to St. Vitus CWV Post 1655 c/o John Kirk, 1093 E. 64th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44103 or the St. Vitus Alumni c/o Andrea Plassard, Treas., 6625 Great Oaks Parkway, Independence, Ohio 44131.



**PARISH OFFERING** – last Sunday amounted to \$3,012.00 **St. Vitus Building Fund:** \$200.–M/M Greg & Lisa Dolinar in mem. of Milan & Paula Dolinar; \$100. – St. Vitus Slovenian School in mem. of Nežka Vidmar; \$50. –M/M Matt & Breda Loncar in mem. of Nežka Vidmar; **Winter Heating:** \$150.

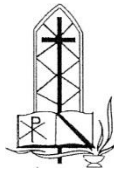
*Sincerest thank you to everyone!*

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**KAVA IN KROFI** – v cerkveni dvorani po obeh nedeljskih sv. mašah do posta. Pridite!

**FARNA NABIRKA** – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,012.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. **Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!**



**– BOŽJA BESEDA ZA TO NEDELJO –**

Mojzesova postava je predpisovala: “Gobavec naj prebiva ločen zunaj tabora” (3 Mz 13:-2, 44-46). To je bila trda postava, ki se da razložiti le s skrbjo, da se okužba ne razširi, in z judovskimi pojmovanjem, ki je v gobavosti videlo božjo kazen za grešnike. Zato so se gobavca vsi obali, ker so ga imeli za “nečiste-ga”, za prkletega, za nekoga, ki ga je Bog “udaril”.

Mark dostavlja, da je Kristus naredil čudez iz usmiljenja. Jezus z usmiljenjem gleda na gobavost, ki uničuje telesa, a še huje ga prizadeva gobavost, ki uničuje duše.

**PRIČETEK KATOLIŠKE AKCIJE** – Ta vikend je v naši župniji pričetek vsakoletne dobrodelne akcije. Naš farni delež je \$35,007. Tako kot prejšnja leta se bo prvi del akcije vršil med sv. mašo v cerkvi. Tokrat bodo župljani prejeli ovojnico na kateri bo vsak označil svoj denarni dar v podporo akcije.



Kdor je letos že obljubil svoj dar, bo na kuverto napisal: “Jaz sem svojo obljubljeno vsoto že sporočil Uradu Katoliške dobrodelnosti.”

Iskreno vabimo župljane, da se radodarno odzvajajo tej pomembni nabirki!

**DRUŠTVO NAJSV. IMENA** – ima skupno mesečno sv. mašo in sv. obhajilo to nedeljo pri 9:00 jutrajni maši.

**POSTNI ČAS IN PEPELNICA** – V sredo, 14. feb. je pepelnica, prvi dan svetega postnega časa. Na pepelnico sredo prejmemo na čelo pepel v obliki križa. V svetem pismu pepel predstavlja človeško umrljivost in kesanje grehov.



Na pepelnico bodo sv. maše ob 11:00 dopoldne v kapeli St. Vitus Village potem pa ob 6:30 zvečer v cerkvi. St. Martin de Porres šola bo imela molitve v cerkvi (ne sv. mašo) ob 10:15 dop. Vsi ste vabljeni, da skupno pričnemo postni čas molitve in pokore.

**SPOVED** – V postu bo spovednik na razpolago pol ure pred sobotno vigilijsko sv. mašo ob 4ih in po nedeljski sv. maši ob 9:00. Prosim, opravite svojo velikonočno dolžnost pred Velikim tednom.

**PETKI V POSTU** – Češčenje Najsvetejšega v petkih v postu bo v kapeli St. Vitus Village od 3:00 do 5:00 popoldne, nakar bo sledila sv. maša ob 5:00 v angleškem jeziku. Vsi farani so povabljeni k češčenju Najsvetejšega in k popoldanski zaključni sv. maši ob 5ih. Vsak faran lahko pride v kapelo, če pozvoni zvonec z napisom “Chapel bell”. Vrata pa bo odprl Rudy Sterk, upravitelj St. Vitus Village.

**DOBRODELNI “BRUNCH” SLOVENSKE ŠOLE**

**SV. VIDA** – bo v nedeljo, 25. feb. v Auditoriju. Postregli bodo od 9:30 dop. do 12ih opoldne.

**Na voljo bo:** “French toast”, umešana jajca, pečenice, pecivo, skodelica svežega sadja, pomarančni sok, kava in mleko. Cena za odrasle je \$10.00 za otroke 12 let in mlajše pa \$6.00. Nakaznice lahko kupite pri starših šolskih otrok ali pri vratih na dan prireditve. Za nadaljnje informacije e-mail markcelestina@gmail.com. Vsi vabljeni!

