

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, December 1st/2nd

4:00 Justina, Stefan & Stefan Jr. Duh
 9:00 Jurlina & Malnar Families
 For our Parishioners

10:30 Jože, Francka & Fran Gazvoda

MONDAY, December 3: St. Francis Xavier

5:00 Joseph & Josephine, Sr. Perpar – Chapel

TUESDAY, December 4: Weekday

5:00 Anthony Grdina – 1st Ann. – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, December 5: Weekday

5:00 Rudy Kozan – Chapel

THURSDAY, December 6: Weekday

5:00 Stanley Hribar – Chapel

FRIDAY, December 7: Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass

4:00 Marilyn Genovese - 30 day – Church

SATURDAY, December 8: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

9:00 For our Parishioners – Church

4:00 John & Dorothy Kirk

SUNDAY, December 9: Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 Slak & Likozar Families
 10:30 Pavle, Antonia & Paul Dolenc
 For our Parishioners



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To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

K tebi, Gospod, dvigam svojo dušo.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- December 8th/9th, 2018

Sat. 4:00 P.M. David Fink
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Paul Ferkul/Don Kern
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Kati Cup-Likozar

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – December 8th/9th, 2018

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Michelle & Matt Plecnik
 Sun. 9:00 A.M. Mary Ann Janout/Jim Szymanski
 Sun. 10:30 A.M. Nevia Avzlahar/Mario Perčič

ST. VITUS HOLY NAME SOCIETY – monthly corporate Mass and Holy Communion will be next Sunday, Dec. 9th, 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.

ST. VITUS KSKJ #25 MEETING & CHRISTMAS PARTY – is next Sun., Dec. 9th, 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!

ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS – Christmas decorating of the inside & outside of St. Vitus Church will begin Sat., Dec. 8th. If interested in helping, please call the parish house, (216) 361-1444. **Please note:** December 8th is the *Feast of the Immaculate Conception*, a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. in church. The work will begin following the Mass and should finish about 12:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.



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!



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – The great Marian feast day of the Immaculate Conception is Sat., Dec. 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. Parish Masses will be on Friday at 4:00 p.m. and on Saturday at 9:00 a.m., both in church.

HELPING RETIRED RELIGIOUS MEN AND WOMEN – The annual collection for helping the retired religious men and women is next weekend, Dec. 8/9. 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?

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. 9th**, at 11:30 a.m. in the 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.

ANNUAL AMLA CHRISTMAS PARTY – The AMLA Lodges' Christmas Party will be at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. next **Sun., Dec. 9th**, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



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. Maybe during this Advent Season, you or your family might feel called to pay a visit and deliver the “gift” to one of them on December 15th & 16th. If you would like to participate, or need more information, please call Sr. Mary Avsec at (216) 432-9179. Baked good are needed for the care packages to the homebound. If you can help with this, please call Sr. Mary Avsec. The baked goods have to be at the parish house by Dec. 14th. Drivers can pick up the packages for delivery around 10:45 a.m. on the 15th in the church hall. **Thank you!**

DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY – In anticipation of Christmas, may we ask for monetary donations for canned and non-perishable food items for St. Vitus Food Bank. Please place your donation in a sealed envelope marked **“FOOD BANK”** and drop it into the collection basket.

“MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANION” – This is the Advent preparation booklet we have made available for several years. Many parishioners find it very useful. The booklets have been placed in the entrances of the church. Following the Mass today, please take **ONE** for yourself. Next weekend, you may take one more to give to someone else. This Sunday, however, we want to make certain that parishioners get a copy first. Please read it faithfully during Advent.

ST. VITUS HOLY NAME – is sponsoring an Advent time for prayer. You are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to prepare for Christmas in a special way. **Advent Luncheon** – *“Walking in Advent with Mary of Nazareth,”* Mon., Dec. 10th, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd., Parma, Ohio. Cost is \$30.00. Call 440-884-9300, ext. 310 or visit jrhcleveland.org for registration and additional information. The presenter will be Sr. Kathleen Glavich, S.N.D., who is an author, editor and international speaker. The presentation “will draw three practices that strengthen our relationship with God and prepare us for His coming – listening, trusting and loving.”

CHRISTMAS CONCERT – with the *Daughters of St. Paul Choir* – on Fri., Dec. 12, at 7:00 p.m., at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 1007 Superior Ave., Cleveland. The concert is free and open to all! No tickets or reservations required. Free parking in surface lot on Rockwell Ave., or in the Cathedral Plaza Garage on Rockwell Ave. & E. 9th St. For more information call 216-696-6525 or email gheisman@dioceseofcleveland.org. or x5510.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$3,654.00 **St. Vitus Endowment Trust:** \$5,000.–Anon.; **St. Vitus Bldg. Fund:** \$250. –Anon. \$140. –Miss. Elizabeth Dolinar; \$50. –M/M Vic & Bonnie Brezavscek in memory of father, Alojs Brezavscek, \$50.–M/M James & Madeline Debevec in mem. of Mrs. Marilyn Genovese; \$50.–M/M Stan & Marge Kuhar in memory of Mrs. Marilyn Genovese; **St. Vitus Food Bank:** \$100.–M/M Willard & Gwen Washington.

Sincerest thank you to all!



ADVENTNI ČAS – Osrednja misel vsega adventa je pričakovanje Gospoda, vzeto pod različnimi vidiki. Predvsem je to pričakovanje Stare zaveze, ko je izvoljeno ljudstvo neprestano hrepenele 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!



PRAZNIK BREZMADEŽNEGA SPOČETJA – Ne pozabite, da je ta velik Marijin praznik v soboto, 8. dec. Marija z naslovom Brezmadeža Spočeta je zavetnica Amerike. Za Katoličane je **zapovedan praznik**, ki obvezuje, da se udeležimo maše. Sv. maše za ta praznik bodo v petek ob 4:00 popoldne in v soboto ob 9:00 zjutraj v cerkvi.

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, 8./9. dec.

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, 9. dec., ob 11:30 dop. v Avditoriju. Vse članice, prosimo, pridite na to lepo skupno praznovanje!

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

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,654.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti si oglejte angleški del oznanila.

Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!

“POOR BOX” – Thank you for remembering the people in need. You can place your contributions in the **“POOR BOX”**, located just inside the church’s main entrance. May the Good God bless you for remembering His needy sons and daughters.