

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, December 15th/16th

- 4:00 Darlene Turek - 8th Ann.
- 9:00 Bishop Edward Pevec - 4th Ann.
For our Parishioners
- 10:30 Milan & Paula Dolinar

MONDAY, December 17: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Joseph & Antonia Mihevc - Chapel

TUESDAY, December 18: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Frances Coberly - Chapel

WEDNESDAY, December 19: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Sajovec & Starin Families - Chapel

THURSDAY, December 20: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Janez Sever - Chapel

FRIDAY, December 21: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Mary Baznik - 30 Day - Chapel

SATURDAY, December 22: Late Advent Weekday

- 4:00 Anthony Grdina - 1st Ann.

SUNDAY, December 23: Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 9:00 Rihtar & Cerar Families
- 10:30 Anton Teskac - 12th Ann.
For our Parishioners

PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Velik je med vami Izraelov Sveti.

LECTORS/BRALCI --- December 22nd/23rd, 2018

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Anna Marie & Ron Luzar
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Andrea & Greg Plassard
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Metod Ilc

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - December 22/23rd, 2018

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



COMING HOME - As Jesus invited other people to join Him, so we encourage you during Advent to think of, and pray for each day, inactive Catholic family members, friends, neighbors, etc. This week before Christmas invite them to come to Mass with you at St. Vitus.

COLLINWOOD CLUSTER ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

- will be at St. Mary's Church, 15519 Holmes Ave., Cleve., Ohio 44110, this Monday, Dec. 17th, at 7:00 p.m. All the priests of the Cluster will be available for the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for the celebration of Christmas.

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.



- THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT -

Today the Church begins the second part of the Advent season, the time of the immediate preparation for Christmas. During the week, the events preceding the birth of Christ will be recalled in the Gospel passages. Our lives must give testimony to our belief that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, just as John testified that Christ the Savior was truly coming. We have cause for spiritual rejoicing, that we are called to spread the "good news" of Jesus' saving work.

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL - which is traditionally used by Slovenian families observing the Christmas Eve tradition of blessing homes and families are available this weekend in the main vestibule of the church. The packets consist of two halves of one charcoal piece and grains of incense. A larger grain of incense is large enough to fill an entire room with the sweet smelling fragrance. These packets are made available one to a family. Free will offering may be placed in the "Poor Box".

Thank you to members of the St. Vitus Holy Name Society for preparing and donating items for the packets!



* ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT *

The St. Vitus Christmas Choir will present its annual Christmas Concert at St. Vitus Church on Sun., December 30th, after the 10:00 a.m. all-parish Mass, and at St. Mary's Church in Collinwood on Fri., Dec. 28th at 7:00 p.m. The choir's repertoire includes traditional carols in English, Slovenian, Latin and Italian. Admission is FREE but donations will be most welcome. A social will follow in parish Auditorium. Please mark your calendars and join us for this very special Christmas treat!

DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Every year St. Vitus Church is beautifully decorated for Christmas and the days following the Birth of Christ. We invite parishioners to use the December envelope designated for the "Christmas Flowers". In this way every donor is included in the decorations in honor of the Holy Infant!



"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.

LIVE NATIVITY - Presented by St. Aloysius Church, 10932 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44108, - on Thursday, Dec. 20th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Live characters and live animals: donkey, sheep, goats, and camel. Music will be supplied by the students of St. Aloysius School. Neighborhood hospitality will provide refreshments of cookies, cocoa, hot cider and coffee. For additional information, call 216-451-3262.





– “Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2018 Fall Campaign of **40 Days for Life**. God blessed the campaign. We know 592 babies, mothers and families were spared from abortion, including the 2 babies in Cleveland/Painsville. There were 4 more abortion workers converted and 3 more abortion facilities that closed. Cumulatively, over the 11 years of **40 Days for Life**, there have been 15,235 babies lives spared from abortion, 181 converted abortion workers, and 99 abortion facility closures. Praise God! We look forward to praying with you from March 6 to April 14 in the 2019 spring campaign. **God bless you and thank you.**”

John Noall, Campaign Director
40 DFL/Cleveland/Painsville

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER/DANCE – at St. Mary's Parish, 15519 Holmes Ave., Cleveland, OH 44110, on Monday, Dec. 31st. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. – dinner served at 7:00 p.m. The evening will include a delicious meal (with appetizers), music by **Veseli Godci**, a champagne toast when the clock strikes twelve and a midnight snack. Tickets are \$45. per person. For reservations and/or more information, please call Ursi (Wein) Prosen, 216-233-3689. On-site babysitting services are available at a fee and must be requested when making reservations. Welcome in 2019 with great food, fun and friends!

CHURCH CALENDARS – Beautiful church calendars will be distributed at the Masses next weekend, December 22nd/23rd. They are compliments of the **Zevnik/Cosic Funeral Home** in Willoughby Hills. Many thanks!



“MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANION” – This is the title of a very helpful Advent preparation booklet which was made available on the first weekend of Advent. 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.

COULD WE ASK FOR YOUR GENEROSITY?—St. Vitus parishioners have always been very generous, especially for the holidays. We know the economy is tight, but could we ask for your continued financial support with end of the year donations, especially for Christmas? We really depend on the holidays to help us meet our ever increasing expenses in operating our parish. Thank you for your help and understanding!

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$4,569.00 **Feast of the Immaculate Conception:** \$955.; **Retirement Fund for Religious:** \$900.; **St. Vitus Bldg. Fund:** \$200.–M/M Greg & Lisa Dolinar in mem. of Milan & Paula Dolinar; \$40. – Friends in memory of Mrs. Marilyn Genovese; **St. Vitus Endowment Trust:** \$400.–In memory of Mrs. Mary (Arko) Napoli from Family. **Sincerest thank you to all!**

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$4,569.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. **Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!**



– **TRETJA NEDELJA V ADVENTNU** –

Danes pričinja cerkev drugi del adventnega časa, to je čas priprav tik pred Božičem. V evangelijskih berilih ta teden se bomo spominjali dogodkov, ki se so zgodili tik pred Kristusovim rojstvom. Naše življenje mora potrjevati našo vero, da je Jezus Kristus, Sin božji, prav tako kot je Janez pričeval, da je prihod Kristusa Odrešenika zares blizu. Vzrok našega duhovnega veselja je v tem, da smo poklicani, da razširimo “veselo sporočilo” o Jezusovem rešilnem delu.

SPOKORNA POBOŽNOST COLLINWOODSKIH ŽUPNIJ – je pri fari Marije Vnebovzete, 15519 Holmes Ave., Cleve., Ohio 44110, ta ponedeljek ob 7:00 zvečer. Vsi duhovniki teh župnij bodo navzoči za Zakrament spovedi v pripravi božičnega praznovanja.

VSAKOLETNI BOŽIČNI KONCERT – Letos bo naš **“Božični pevski zbor”** podal svoj božični koncert v nedeljo, 30. decembra pri Sv. Vidu po skupni sv. maši, ki bo ob 10:00 dop. in v petek, 28. decembra, pri Mariji Vnebovzeti ob 7:00 zvečer. Ta koncert je posebno darilo članov obeh cerkvenih zborov in nekaterih drugih pevcev. Vstopnine ni, vendar je vsak dar dobrodošel. Koncertu sledi običajno srečanje v farnem avditoriju. Vsi lepo vabljeni! Prosim, nikar ne zamudite tega dragocenega božičnega darila.



KADILO IN OGLJE – smo pripravili za ta vikend. Zavoji so namenjeni po enega na osebo ali družino. Kdor želi kaj darovati, naj to stori v **“Poor Box”**, ki je nastavljena na običajnem kraju.

Najlepša Hvala članim **St. Vitus Holy Name Society** da so darovali potrebne stvari in pripravili te pakete!

DAROV ZA BOŽIČNO OKRASITEV – Vsako leto je cerkev Sv. Vida za Božič in v dneh po Kristusovem rojstvu lepo okrašena. Farane smo povabili, da uporabijo posebno decembersko kuverto za **“okrasitev cerkve za Božič”**. Na ta način je vsak darovalec vključen v okrasitev v čast Božjega Deteta. **Najlepša hvala!**



SILVESTROVANJE – V župnijski dvorani Marije Vnebovzete v ponedeljek, 31. dec. Vrata bodo odprta ob 6ih zvečer. Ponudili bodo gala večerjo s plesom v pozdrav 2019. Za ples bodo igrali Veseli Godci. Dar je \$45 za osebo. Za vstopnice in informacije Kličite Urši (Wein) Prosen, 216-233-3689.

CERKVENI KOLEDARJI – Prihodnji vikend, 22./23. dec., bomo delili koledarje, ki jih je podaril **Zevnik/Cosic** pogrebni zavod v Willoughby Hills. Prav lepa jim hval!

WELCOME! – If you are new to St. Vitus Parish or have been attending here but have not yet registered as a parishioner, we are happy to have you as a member of our parish family. We also invite our young adults who have finished college to register in their own names.

NAME: _____ Phone: _____
ADDRESS: _____
EMAIL: _____