

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, December 14th/15th

- 4:00 Marge & Henry Szymanski
- 9:00 Milan Dolinar – 28th Ann.
- 10:30 Slak & Likozar Families
For Our Parishioners

MONDAY, December 16: Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Joseph & Antonia Mihevc Family – Chapel

TUESDAY, December 17: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Tony Colnar – Ann. – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, December 18: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Jože & Ljudmila Lekan & sin Jože – Chapel

THURSDAY, December 19: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Rihtar & Cerar Families – Chapel

FRIDAY, December 20: Late Advent Weekday

- 5:00 Štefan Nemec – 30 Day – Chapel

SATURDAY, December 21: Late Advent Weekday

- 4:00 Darlene Turek – 9th Ann.

SUNDAY, December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 9:00 Bishop Edward Pevec – 5th Ann.
For Our Parishioners
- 10:30 Alojs & Marija Kornik

PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Lord, come and save us.
Gospod, pridi, da nas rešiš!

LECTORS/BRALCI --- December 21st/22nd, 2019

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – December 21/22nd, 2019

- Sat. 4:00 P.M. Rick Jaksic
- Sun. 9:00 A.M. Sr. Mary Avsec/Linda Baznik
- Sun. 10:30 A.M. Jim Szymanski/Mike Rutar

VISIT TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND AT ANYTIME – If someone in your family is no longer able to attend Mass, we would be more than happy to bring the Holy Eucharist to the home at their convenience. Please call the parish house and Father Boznar or Sr. Mary Avsec, S.N.D. will be happy to visit your family member.

COLLINWOOD CLUSTER ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

– will be at **St. Casimir Church**, 18022 Neff Rd., Cleve., Ohio 44119, this Monday, Dec. 16th, 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.

CHURCH CALENDARS – Beautiful church calendars are available in the vestibules this weekend. They are compliments of the **Zevnik/Cosic Funeral Home** in Willoughby Hills.

Many thanks!



– **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** –



Today the Church begins the second part of the Advent season, the time of 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.

ADVENT SPEAKER – The **St. Vitus Young Adult Ministry** welcomes all parishioners and friends to join them this Sunday following the 9:00 a.m. Mass to hear Mr. Marty Dybicz speak about preparing for Christmas in the secular world. Mr. Dybicz is an educator, a prolific writer and speaker, currently serving as the principal at St. Rocco Parish School. He is also author of *The Fullness of Life* and monthly column for *Catholic Stand*, and is passionate about our Catholic faith and theology. Coffee and donuts will be served immediately after the Mass. "Young **Vitus**" t-shirts will be available for sale \$10.



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.



*** ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT ***

The St. Vitus Christmas Choir will present its annual Christmas Concert at St. Vitus Church on Sunday, December 29th, after the 10:00 a.m. all-parish Mass. 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 the parish Auditorium. Please mark your calendars and join us for this very special Christmas treat!

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!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS – 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 for "Christmas Flowers". In this way every donor is included in the decorations in honor of the Holy Infant!





“Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2019 Fall Campaign of **40 Days for Life**. God blessed the campaign. We know 738 babies, mothers and families were spared from abortion, including 4 babies in our communities, and 5 more abortion workers converted. Cumulatively, over the 12 years of **40 Days for Life**, there have been 16,742 babies spared from abortion, 196 converted abortion workers, and 104 abortion facility closures. Praise God! We look forward to praying with you from February 26 to April 5 in the 2020 spring campaign.

God bless you and thank you.”

John Noall, Campaign Director
40 DFL/Cleveland/Bedford Hts/Painsville

“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!



HAPPY NEW YEAR! **NEW YEAR’S EVE AT ST. MARY’S** – St. Mary’s Church will be hosting a New Year’s Eve celebration to ring in 2020 on December 31st in their parish hall. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00. 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. Cost is \$45. for adults and \$15. for children. Reservations must be made by calling Ursi Prosen, (216) 233-3689. Welcome in 2020 with great food, great fun, and great friends!

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

JOSEPH HOUSE OF CLEVELAND, INC. – is kindly requesting donations of winter coats for men, women and children. Please call (216) 431-7200 for the times and days to drop off the items at Joseph House, 6108 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44103. Thank you for your kindness!

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$4,126.00
Retirement Fund for Religious: \$805.; **Military Service Fund:** \$356; **St. Vitus Building Fund:** \$10,000.00 – Anon.; \$500. – Anonymous. **Sincerest thanks to all!**



TRETJA NEDELJA V ADVENTNU – Danes pričinja cerkev drugi del adventnega časa, to je čas priprav tik pred Božičem. V evangeljskih 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.

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!

SPOKORNA POBOŽNOST COLLINWOODSKIH ŽUPNIJ – je pri fari **St. Casimir**, 18022 Neff Rd., Cleve., Ohio 44119, **ta ponedeljek** ob 7:00 zvečer. Vsi duhovniki teh župnij bodo navzoči za Zakrament spovedi v pripravi božičnega praznovanja.

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!**



– VSAKOLETNI BOŽIČNI KONCERT –



Letos bo naš **“Božični pevski zbor”** podal svoj koncert v nedeljo, 29. decembra pri Sv. Vidu po skupni sv. maši, ki bo ob 10:00 dopoldne. Po koncertu sledi običajno srečanje v farnem avditoriju. Vsi lepo vabljeni!

Ta koncert je posebno darilo članov obeh cerkvenih zborov in nekaterih drugih pevcev. Vstopnine ni, vendar je vsak dar dobrodošel. Prosimo, nikar ne zamudite tega dragocelega božičnega darila.

SILVESTROVANJE – V župnijski dvorani Marije Vnebovzete v torek, 31. decembra. Vrata bodo odprta ob 6:00 zvečer z predjedjo in ob 7:00 bo večerja. Za ples bodo igrali **Veseli Godci**. Ob polnoči bodo nazdravili s šampanjcem, bo tudi lahek prigrizek. Vstopnice so \$45.00 za odrasle in \$15.00 za otroke. Rezervacije so nujne, kličite Urši Prosen, (216) 233-3689.

CERKVENI KOLEDARJI – Lepe cerkvene koledarje, ki jih je podaril **Zevnik/Cosic pogrebni zavod** v Willoughby Hills., OH, lahko dobite pri vhodih v cerkev. Prosimo, postrežite si sami ali povprašajte za koledarje enega rediteljev.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$4,126.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. **Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!**

