

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, January 15: Weekday

4:00 Frances & Andrew Zadell & Donna Zadell Joseph

SUNDAY, January 16: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 Ken & Anne Tomsick
10:30 Minka & Ivan Cugelj

MONDAY, January 17: St. Anthony, Abbot

5:00 Louis & Nettie Malnar – Chapel

TUESDAY, January 18: Weekday

5:00 Eleanor Jeannette Quinn – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, January 19: Weekday

5:00 James A. Sustar – Chapel

THURSDAY, January 20: Weekday

5:00 Max & Francka Stanonik – Chapel

FRIDAY, January 21: St. Agnes

5:00 Joan Krukowski – 30 Day – Chapel

SATURDAY, January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

4:00 John & Ann Stempihar & Uncle Joe Jarc

SUNDAY, January 23: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 Nežka Vidmar – 4th Ann.
10:30 Ann Tavčar

PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Pripovedujte med narodi o Gospodovih čudovitih delih!

LECTORS/BRALCI --- January 22nd/23rd, 2022

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Mia & Bob Graf
Sun. 9:00 A.M. Jean Kendzierski
Sun. 10:30 A.M. Paulina Rudmann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – January 22nd/23rd, 2022

Sat. 4:00 P.M. Joe Hocevar
Sun. 9:00 A.M. Margie Lavrisha
Sun. 10:30 A.M. Mary Ann Janout/Milan Rihtar



ST. VITUS SLOVENIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL – has its monthly gathering this Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Afterwards, everyone is invited to the parish hall for the Coffee & Donuts Social!

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH – St. Vitus Parish will continue to collect funds for the next two to three weeks for Frank and Majdi Lavrisha who lost their home and everything they possessed in the Colorado fire. The first week of donations amounted to \$7,950. by the following donors: Peter & Karen Hauptman, Rudi & Vika Kolaric, Tom & Sonja Kolaric, Pavle & Cilka Kosir, Stane & Marge Kuhar, Mary A. Petelin, John Rihtar, Dale & Mary Anne Zadell Scafe, and Bob & Rhonda Zakrajsek. Donations may be made to "St. Vitus Church – FML Fire –" Please place in the weekend Mass collection or mail to St. Vitus Rectory, FML Fire, c/o 6019 Lausche Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44103.



WORD OF GOD FOR THIS SUNDAY – How can we, mere humans, express in words God's strong and tender love for mankind. Many Old Testament prophets used the imagery of nuptial love of newly married to describe God's all-consuming friendship and love for His people. Thus, we hear in the first reading: "As a young man marries a virgin, so shall your maker marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you." The New Testament takes up the allegory again, giving it a deeper and more concrete meaning. By becoming man, the Son of God is wedded to human nature, and joins it to himself in a personal and indissoluble way.

In the context of Jesus' first miracle at the wedding in Cana, the action of Jesus recalls the inexpressible reality of the relation of love, intimacy, and communion which the incarnate Son of God came to establish with humanity. Not only Israel or Jerusalem but the whole mankind is called to participate in this nuptial union with God. The price for this privilege will be paid for by Jesus on the cross on Calvary.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING – is this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the new parish hall.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – will be bestowed by the Most Rev. Martin J. Amos at St. Vitus Church on Wed., May 4th, 2022, for students in the 8th grade and older along with adults. More information to follow regarding the scheduling of preparatory lessons. Those who are interested in receiving the sacrament, please call the parish rectory at (216) 361-1444.



RIGHT-TO-LIFE ANNIVERSARY – The Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion in our country took place 49 years ago on Monday, Jan. 22nd. Every year, in memory of this shameful decision, a **Right-to-Life March** takes place in Washington, D.C., which will be this **Friday, Jan. 21st**.

Tens of thousands "**Respect Life**" supporters from all parts of the United States will gather to affirm that abortion of children is wrong and sinful, and that every person from conception to death, has the right to protection by the laws of this country. Please pray for the millions of children who have died as a result of this terrible decision and that God's grace moves the hearts of every person to the law of God. Please be a voice for the voiceless!

*"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you" ...
Jeremiah 1:5*

PRISTAVSKA NOČ CELEBRATION! – which was scheduled for this **Sat., January 22nd**, has been postponed until April 30th, due to the increase in Covid cases. Thank you for understanding. We hope to see you in April!

BEAUTIFUL CHURCH CALENDARS – We still have some available at the entrances of the church. Please help yourself. Many thanks to the **Zevnik/Cosic Funeral Home** for purchasing them for St. Vitus Parish!



BISHOP BARAGA ANNIVERSARY – January 19th marks the anniversary of death of Venerable Bp. Frederic Baraga, the founder of the Marquette Diocese and one of the greatest missionaries among the American Indian Nations in the 19th century. The long running cause for his beatification is probably nearing the end in the not-too-distant future. Please pray for miracles through the intercession of Bishop Baraga.

“HEART OF A SHEPHERD” – Our parish is a proud supporter of the *Heart of a Shepherd Campaign*. This campaign seeks to encourage vocations and support the life of our seminarians. The Seminary in Wickliffe is already undergoing much needed renovation of the seminarians’ living quarters and chapel.

We are among the last group of parishes to take up this \$30 million campaign, with over \$26 million already pledged diocesan wide. Our parish goal is \$90,000 over the course of three years with half of that coming back to the parish.

More information with added details has been mailed to Parishioners, Friends, and Benefactors. I pray that soon we will again see a Nova Maša here at St. Vitus!

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS – are being prepared & mailed out as they are completed. If anyone needs their statement now, please call the secretary for it. Also, we ask parishioners to review their contribution statements carefully, and if there is anything amiss, please inform us so that we can rectify the matter.

PARISH OFFERING – last Sunday amounted to \$4,138.00
Add. Christmas Donations: \$500. – M/M Mark & Michelle Srsen; \$200.–Mrs. Lojzka Sever; **PayPal On-line Donations (1/16/21 to 1/10/22)** \$350.; **Winter Utilities:** \$320.; **Maintenance Fund:** \$45.

HEART OF A SHEPHERD/CHURCH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND: \$2,500. – Anon. Family; \$350. – M/M Christy & Tony Mihelich; \$150.–Mr. Tom Percic; 100.– M/M Derek & Olivia Mogilnicki in honor of Baptism of daughter Gabriella Olivia; \$75. – M/M Albert & Dorothy Tusek

ST. VITUS ENDOWMENT TRUST – FOR NEW PARISH HALL

\$500.00 – Mr. John Oblak in memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Oblak, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. George Buncic, Ms. Josephina Primovic, Mr. & Mrs. John Primovic, & Mr. Frank Urbania

\$300.00 – M/M Michael & Erin Baznik

\$100.00 – Anonymous – in mem. of Mrs. Antonia Dolenc

\$ 95.00 – Anonymous

\$ 90.00 – M/M Joseph & Mary Vavpetic

\$ 50.00 – Mrs. Vida Omahen in mem. of Ivanka Stupica

Sincerest thanks to our generous parishioners, benefactors & friends, and many blessings on everyone!

BEGIN AGAIN

“So often we ask God for a fresh start, to start afresh the tasks He has assigned us. And faithfully, lovingly He gives us each a new morning throughout the year, an unsullied page on which to write. May we be ever thankful for this daily gift of new-ness, treasuring the opportunity to begin again, fresh in His grace and love.”



BOŽJA BESEDA TE NEDELJE – Kako z besedami opisati, usmiljeno in nežno ljubzen Boga do človeštva? Hebrejski preroki niso našli za to pomenljivejše podobe kakor je zakonska ljubezen. Pod tem vidikom prikazujejo zavezniške in prijateljske odnose med Bogom in Izraelom kakor tudi njegovo delo za rešitev Jeruzalema. "Kakor se poroči mladenič z devico, tako vzame tebe v posest tvoj graditelj. In kakor se ženin veseli neveste, tako se tebe veseli tvoj Bog."

To podobo povzame tudi Nova zaveza v stvarnejšem pomenu, namreč, ko se Božji Sin učloveči, se poroči s človeško naravo ter jo osebno in neločljivo združi s seboj. Zato Jezusov čudež na svatbi v Kani spominja na čudovite odnose ljubezni, domačnosti in povezanosti, ki jih je učlovečeni Božji Sin upostavil z ljudmi. Vse človeštvo je zatorej poklicano, da ima delež pri tej poročni zvezi s svojim Bogom. Plačilo za to pravico mu bo Jezus odštel na križu, ko pride ura na Kalvariji.

SLOVENSKA ŠOLA PRI SV. VIDU – vljudno vabi vse, da se jim pridružijo v farni dvorani za kavo in krofe po polenajsti sv. maši to nedeljo!

PASTORALNI SVET SV. VIDA – imata sestanek to sredo ob 6:30 zvečer v novi farni dvorani.

ŠKOF FRIDERIK BARAGA – V sredo, 19. jan. je obletnica smrti škofa Friderika Barage, ki je umrl na ta dan l. 1868 v Marquette, MI. Škog Baraga je bil en najpomembnejših katoliških misijonarjev 19. stoletja med ameriškimi Indijanci. Njim je posvetil 38 let svojega življenja. Umrl je sredi hude zime 19. jan. 1868. Njegovo telo so položili v grobnico stolne cerkve, kamor še danes verniki od blizu in daleč pridejo molit na njegov grob. Prosimo Boga, naj nam da milost čudežov na priprošnjo Friderika Barage, da bo kmalu prištet med svetnike katoliške cerkve.

OBVESTILO O LETNIH PRISPEVKIH – so v pripravi in bodo kmalu razposlana. Če kdo to obvestilo potrebuje že zdaj, naj pokliče tajnico. Prosimo vas tudi, da prejeta poročila skrbno pregledate in nas opozorite, če je morda potreben popravek.

FARNA NABIRKA – pretekle nedelje je znesla \$4,138.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. ***Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!***

REMINDERS TO THOSE COMING TO MASSES – With the increased number of COVID cases in Cuyahoga County, hospital systems in northeast Ohio have pleaded for help in preventing the spread of COVID-19. These healthcare workers are on the frontline of this pandemic and are overwhelmed and inundated with patients. Out of compassion and gratitude for their selflessness, please follow the guidelines set forth by the CDC and strongly recommended by the Catholic Diocese to prevent the spread of this virus.

Hand sanitizers and masks are available by the main and west entrance of the church. All are kindly asked to wear masks at Mass, keeping 6 feet apart in church and when receiving Holy Communion.