

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, October 17th/18th

4:00 Dec. Members of Slemc Family

9:00 Dorothy & Frank Zitko
For our Parishioners

10:30 France Sever – 6th Ann.

MONDAY, October 19: Ss. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues

5:00 Joseph Jernejcic – Chapel

TUESDAY, October 20: St. Paul of the Cross

5:00 Minka Cugelj – Chapel

WEDNESDAY, October 21: Weekday5:00 Frank & Ann Klopčič
& Vida Shiffrer – Chapel**THURSDAY, October 22: St. John Paul II, Pope**

5:00 Marie & Ed Kotar – Chapel

FRIDAY, October 23: St. John of Capistrano

5:00 Vinko Kaplan – 30 Day – Chapel

SATURDAY, October 24: Weekday

4:00 Mark C. Malensek – 21st Ann.

SUNDAY, October 25: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time9:00 Living & Deceased Members of St. Vitus Alumni
& St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655

10:30 For our Parishioners

PSALM RESPONSE * ODPEV PRI PSALMU

Give the Lord glory and honor.

Priznajte Gospodu moč in slavo.



II Emily Matejka

Alexander Lukic

I Michelle Marko

Mark Srsen (St. Vitus)

NATIONAL ELECTION 2020 - In two weeks, Americans will be going to the polls to choose political candidates to the highest leadership positions in the land. It matters greatly that voters choose leaders wisely. Catholics represent at least 20% of eligible voters in this country, but as a voting bloc, Catholics get little respect by many political leaders, who just presume on Catholic support (bad old habit) and proceed to bristle like angry porcupines, when Catholics in turn demand support of policies which are important to Catholic voters!!!

American Bishops, including Bishop Edward Malesic understand the present political complexity and wish to help Catholic voters reach a truly informed Catholic conscience on voting day. The Bishop's letter to Cleveland Catholics is the insert in this week's bulletin. His teaching is clear and simple. Please take and read.

TOUR OF NEW PARISH HALL – Parishioners, friends, and parish benefactors will be able to tour and see the progress of the new parish hall on the weekend of October 24/25th **AFTER** the 4:00 p.m. Mass and **AFTER** the 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Masses.

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WORD OF GOD FOR THIS SUNDAY – Any artist painting a person's portrait knows what the finished work will look like because he is the artist. One observing the artist at work does not know what is in his mind. Gradually, as the portrait emerges under the artist's paint brush, the observer learns something of the artist's mind; not totally, but enough to have a better appreciation of his talent.

In the same way, it takes the better part of our life to learn and appreciate the active role of God in it. Generally, as we grow older, we are able to glance back and recognize God's guiding hand in events which at the time seemed mysterious. Even in the darkest moments in our lives, we often recognize that God meant it to be for our good, though at the time we failed to grasp its full importance.

Today's first reading speaks about the mysterious workings of God in the life of the chosen people. A pagan ruler by the name of Cyrus permits the chosen people to return home from exile. He never dreamt that he was an instrument of God helping to rebuild the land of Israel. Also, in today's gospel Jesus teaches that while on earth, we have important responsibilities towards the community as well as toward God. Hence His saying, *"Give to God what is God's"*.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – is **this weekend**. We pray for our American and Slovenian missionaries serving the gospel throughout the world. May Christ, the Good Shepherd, guide and protect their lives wherever they may be. May He bless their efforts with many converts to the Holy Faith. And, not the least of all, may we assist them financially in order that they may accomplish great things for God.

POPPY SALE – St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans Post 1655 will be distributing "Poppies" before and after the Masses on the weekend of Oct. 24 & 25th. Donations will be gratefully accepted. All the funds raised will be used to provide activities and Christmas gifts for the homeless veterans at the homeless veterans facility at the Cleveland Veterans Hospital complex. Please help us remind our veterans in need that they are not forgotten. Wear the poppies proudly in honor of the men and women who served our country. **Thank you!**

On Sun., Nov. 8th, St. Vitus CWV Post 1655 will celebrate its annual Memorial Mass at 9 a.m. at St. Vitus Church.

APPEAL TO ST. VITUS PARISHIONERS OCTOBER MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

Sundays in October, parishes are counting the number of people attending Masses. All parishioners are reminded of the importance of coming to Mass to their parish instead of going to other churches. St. Vitus' future is truly in every parishioner's hands.

We need everyone's active participation!

Please know that COVID-19 guidelines and precautions are being followed: social distancing, wearing of masks and sanitizing!





DIOCESAN 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – “Happy golden anniversary!”

Pope Francis says that marriage is the most beautiful thing that God created because the couple reflects God's love and image as two become one. In 50 years of marriage, you have shared countless blessings and grace-filled moments as a couple and with all those who are part of your lives. You are witnesses of God's love.”

Every year, the 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration takes place at The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Unfortunately, the coronavirus pandemic has greatly disrupted these plans. At this time, bringing together couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary is not possible. To honor all couples married in 1970, the Diocese of Cleveland would like to mark the special occasion by sending a memorial certificate as a keepsake of your anniversary. All jubilarians are asked to complete the form at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/parish-life/marriage-and-family-ministry. Couples or families who would like to receive a Papal Blessing may do so via the website of the Office of Papal Charities.

If circumstances change and make it possible for us to safely gather for a Mass to celebrate the 50th anniversary of couples married in 1970, we will notify all those who complete the form.

JOSEPH HOUSE OF CLEVELAND, INC. – is kindly requesting donations of winter coats/jackets for men, women & children and bedding. 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!

PARISH OFFERING – Last Sunday amounted to \$3,064.00 **St. Vitus Endow. Trust:** \$144. – Various Individuals; **Poor Box** – \$50.; **On-line Donations:** \$ 175. – 10/9 to 10/12/20
ST. VITUS ENDOWMENT TRUST-FOR NEW PARISH HALL:

- \$5,000. – (\$50,000. Pledge) – Anonymous
- \$5,000. – M/M Peter & Sue Osenar
- \$5,000. – Slovenian Franciscan Fathers-SVS
- \$5,000. – Estate of Mr. Anthony L. Petkovsek
- \$1,000. – Miencorp Masonary Inc. (masonary subcontractor to Drake Construction for the new St. Vitus Parish Hall plus \$4,896.25 worth of donated materials for future use)
- \$1,000. – (\$2,000. Pledge - Final pymt.) M/M Gregory & Elaine Mersol
- \$1,000. – (\$1,000. Pledge) – Mr. Joey Tomsick in memory of Mr. Tony Petkovsek
- \$ 200. – (\$1,000. Pledge) – M/M Nadia & Erik Kobal
- \$ 100. – Anonymous
- \$ 100. – (\$3,000. Pledge) – M/M David & Ann Bloom
- \$ 100. – (\$1,000. Pledge) – M/M Alex & Allison Spinos
- \$ 100. – M/M Paul & Cilka Kosir in memory of Mr. Thomas Jarc
- \$ 50. – (\$5,500. Pledge) – M/M Stane & Marge Kuhar
- \$ 85. – Friends in memory of Mrs. Vida Oblak

Sincerest thanks and blessings on everyone!

Please stay safe and healthy and continue to pray for one another!



BOŽJA BESEDA ZA TO NEDELJO – Umetnik, ki slika potret ve, kakšen bo njegov končni izdelek, ker on je umetnik. Kdor ga opazuje pri delu, ne pozna njegovih misli. Postopoma pa, ko se portret oblikuje pod umetnikovim čopičem, opazovalec odkriva umetnikove misli. Ne more ga popolnoma razumeti, vendar dovolj, da bolje ceni umetnikov talent.

Podobno tudi mi rabimo precejšen del svojega življenja, da spoznamo in cenimo vlogo Boga v svojem življenju. V poznejših letih se radi ozremo na svoje preteklo življenje in spoznamo, kako nas je vodila božja roka, česar tedaj nismo opazili. Tudi v najtemnejših trenutkih našega življenja pogosto vidimo, da nam je Bog želel dobro, čeprav tega tedaj nismo razumeli.

Današnje prvo berilo govori o skrivnostnem delovanju Boga v življenju izvoljenega ljudstva. Tu je poganski vladar Cir, ki dovoli izvoljenemu ljudstvu, da se vrne domov iz izgnanstva. Nikdar se mu ni sanjalo, da je on orodje v Božjih rokah, ki obnavljajo Izraelovo deželo. V današnjem evangeliju nas Jezus uči, da imamo v času svojega življenja na zemlji dolžnosti do skupnosti in do Boga. Zato pravi: ***"Dajte cesarju, kar je cesarjevega in Bogu, kar je božjega."***

SVETOVNA MISIJONSKA NEDELJA – je ta vikend. Molimo za Ameriške in slovenske misijonarje raztresene po vsem svetu. Naj



On blagoslovi njihove napore z mnogimi spreobrnjenji k sveti veri. Najmanj kar lahko storim je, da jim finančno pomagamo, da bodo mogli izpolniti velika dela za Boga.

VABILO FARANOM – ŠTETJE PRI MAŠAH V OKTOBRU – V nedeljah v oktobru štejemo udeležence pri nedeljskih sv. mašah. Vsi farani se morajo zavedati, da je zelo važno, da pridejo k sv. maši v svojo faro in ne v druge cerkve. Bodočnost naše fare je resnično v rokah vsakega farana.

Potrebujemo aktivno sodelovanje vsakogar!



PRODAJA MAKOVIH CVETOV – bo na vikend, 24. in 25. oktobra, pred in po vseh mašah. Dohodek te prodaje porabijo Katoliški veterani sv. Vida #1655, za svoje dobrodelne namene v veteranskih bolnicah. Nosite makove cvete v spomin na naše moške in žene, ki so služili v naših oboroženih silah in so mnogi dali svoja življenja za svojo domovino. V nedeljo, 8. nov. ob 9:00 dopoldne se bo darovala sv. maša v njihov spomin. ***Naj počivajo v miru!***

FARNA NABIRKA – od pretekle nedelje je znesla \$3,064.00 Za vse druge podrobnosti in imena darovalcev si oglejte angleški del oznanila. ***Vsem prav prisrčna hvala!***

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – Through Nov. 1st, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion and to stand and peacefully pray between 7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm, 12000 Shaker Blvd., 44120, Planned Parenthood, 25350 Rockside Rd., Bedford Hts. 44146, or Family Planning, 54 South State St., Painesville, 44077. For more details or to help, call parishioner Milan Rihtar, 440-944-5309, John Noall, 216-245-9744 or clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com.