

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 23, 2020

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE.** Jesus challenges us to be generous in our love. Keeping score, getting even, holding grudges, being resistant and hating enemies are not routes to holiness and the fulfillment of life. Draw on God's limitless love for you to go the extra mile, seek the greater good, love your enemies and see what miracles God can work in your life. You can never give God more than He gives you.

**A TIME OF GRACE, SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND CONVERSION.** This Wednesday, February 26th, we begin our 40 day penitential season of Lent. Ashes will be distributed during Mass at 7:45 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. with the admonition to "remember that we are dust and unto dust we shall return" and how important it is to "repent, and believe in the Gospel." Lent is our PFA time: Praying, Fasting, Almsgiving. Make the most of this holy time by reading and praying the Scriptures, especially the psalms, making the sacrifice to pray the Mass during the week, participate in Lenten devotions, cut down on food consumption, think more of others who are less fortunate and make sacrificial donations for the care of the poor, and probably the most difficult thing to do...enjoy silence and let God touch your heart by turning off the TV, the radio, the internet and the phone. You will discover that it is possible to exist without checking your phone every five minutes. Clear away the weeds of sin through the Sacrament of Confession and cultivate a deeper, personal relationship with Christ Jesus your Savior. Remember that Lent is our acceptable time, the time to seriously think about our salvation. Use it wisely.

**DAYS OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE.** Remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of strict fast (no snacking or eating between meals, which should be more simple than usual) for everyone from the age of 18 to 60 years of age. Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from all meat and meat products from any warm-blooded animals for **EVERYONE** age 14 and older.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS.** In addition to our regular morning Masses, we will have evening Masses at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays. Rosary will also be prayed on Wednesdays of Lent at 6:40 p.m. Friday we will have Stations of the Cross in English at 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament will follow the Friday evening Mass, concluding with Night Prayer, Litany of the Sacred Heart and Benediction. Because of the work in church, Masses and Holy Hour will be in the sacristy. Slovenian Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 2:00 p.m. Sundays of Lent.

**TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:****"The Lord is kind and merciful."****Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,136.00****For the Needy: \$647.00**

**Church Needs:** \$100 in memory of Lillian Dolenc from Christine Dolenc; \$100 in memory of Ivanna & Matt Dolenc from Laura Dolenc; \$200 in memory of John & Mary Brodnick from Marija Brodnick; \$100 in memory of the Frank & Zabukovec Families from Lawrence & Louise Frank

**The Following in Memory of Mary Kruse:** \$50 from Edi & Milena Gobetz, \$15 from Ivan Turk, \$10 from Mari Celestina, \$10 from Peg Opaskar, \$20 from Helena Gorshe, \$20 from Veronica Petric, \$30 from Karl & Ani Zajec, \$30 from Mary Umek **Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!**

**CHURCH PEW AND FLOOR RENOVATION.** We kindly ask our parishioners to help with the expenses for the work being done. A donation of \$200 per family would be greatly appreciated.

**CONVERSION - THE CALL OF CHRIST,** is the title of our weekly Lenten Bishop Robert Barron DVD presentation. Every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., in the Slovenian Room, you are invited to listen to Bishop Barron's reflection on people from the Scriptures who have been called to personal conversion by Jesus Christ. Cost is \$25 and includes study guide and refreshments. Please call the rectory office to register (216-761-7740).

**KOLINE - RICE & BLOOD SAUSAGE DINNER** will be on Fat Tuesday, February 25th, with serving from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Patty C and the Boys will play for your listening and dancing pleasure. Donation for the dinner is \$14 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and younger. This dinner will benefit the Slovenian Cultural Garden on MLK Blvd. It is necessary to call the rectory office for dinner reservations (216-761-7740). Everyone is very welcome.

**PARISH COUNCIL NOTES.** The Parish Council met on Tuesday, February 11th. This was preceded by a short Fish Fry meeting. Bob Frederico is once again in charge. Prices will stay the same as last year. We are in need of workers on the floor during the fish fry to help our guests to carry trays, clear tables and serve coffee.

It is necessary to find a new company who can recycle the hall kitchen cooking oil. Council decided not to go with a firm out of Buffalo, New York that had offered a contact and we will look for a local company.

Council discussed our upcoming social events and the Bishop Barron DVD Series on Conversion during Lent.

Council members went to the church to inspect the work and progress being done on the pews and floors. They spent quite a bit of time thoroughly examining the work done, asking questions about the workmanship, offering their concerns and making constructive suggestions.

**IT'S FISH FRY TIME.** Every Friday of Lent from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., we will be serving our famous fish fry in the parish hall. Fried ocean perch, baked cod, shrimp, crab cakes, homemade macaroni & cheese, plus a different homemade Lenten soup will be featured each week. Meal includes Slovenian potatoes or French Fries, coleslaw and homemade apple strudel. Take-outs are also available.

**Masses for the Week of Feb. 24-March 1, 2020**

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>(2/24) WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Ivan Berkopec (Mary & Anna Lunder)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>(2/25) WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Mici Prelog (Sister, Štefani Zidar)
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>(2/26) ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Poor Souls
7:00 p.m.	Christopher Friend (Family)
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>(2/27) THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Robert Hozjan (Bill & Diana Kozak)
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>(2/28) FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Members of Sterle Family
6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross/English
7:00 p.m.	Anthony Strle (Wife Josephine & Daughter, Helen)
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>(2/29) SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Amelia Tursic
5:00 p.m.	Mike Hodnichak and Louis & Mary Hitty (Dorothy & Diane Hodnichak)
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>(3/1) FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Altar Society
12:00 noon	Philomena Ferrazzoli (Nephew, Ed)
2:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross/Slovenian

**Lectors/Extraordinary Ministers  
(Weekend of Feb. 29th & March 1st)**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Judy Ferra/Kathy Spilar/ Cindy Smith
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Karen Spehar/Dr. Tony Ogrinc
	10:00 a.m.	Margie Zalar/Justi Novak/ Martha Rozman
	12:00 noon	Joanna Pope/Marie Kushner

**Please Pray for Our Sick:** Robert Klancher,  
Josephine Strle, Dusan Marsic, Chris Chermely,  
Helen Jecic, Carol Kausek

*Ako boš moral trpeti, le prosi Boga, naj te obvaruje trpljenja, vendar vselej dostavi, kakor je storil Jezus: Ne moja, ampak Božja volja naj se zgodi. Saj ne morem vedeti, kaj bo zame najboljšje. (Friderik Baraga)*

*Na težki poti Sin človekov pod križem tretjič obleži. Prenaša muke in bridkosti za večno srečo nas ljudi. A mi za bližnjega ne vemo, ko v stiski čaka pomoči. (Ljubka Šorli)*

**ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:  
GOSPOD JE MILOSTLJIV IN USMILJEN.**

**DANES JE 7. NAVADNA NEDELJA.**

**ČAS MILOSTI, DUHOVNE OBNOVE IN SPREOBRNITVE.** To sredo 26. februarja mi začnemo naš 40 dnevni spokorniški čas Posta. Pepelenje bo med mašo ob 7:45 zjutraj in ob 7:00 zvečer z opominom da se spomnimo, mi smo prah in v prah se povrnemo in kako važno je da verujemo v Evangelij. Post je čas molitve, posta, miloščine. Posvetite se v tem svetem času branju in molitvi Sv.Pisma posebno psalmov molite mašo med tednom, udeležite se postne pobožnosti, zmanjšajte obrok hrane, pomislite več na druge, ki niso tako srečni in žrtvujte dar za uboge in verjetno največja stvar... uživajte tišino in pustite Bogu dotakniti se vašega srca, ko odklopite TV, radio, internet in mobi. Odkrili boste, da je mogoče živeti brez gledanja na telefon vsakih pet minut. Odstranite stran plevel greha po zakramentu spovedi in gojite globji odnos z Jezusom Kristusom, našim Odrešenikom. Ne pozabite, da je Post naš sprejemljiv čas, čas da resno pomislimo o našem odrešenju. Modro ga uporabljajte.

**DNEVI POSTA IN VZDRŽKA.** Opominjamo, da Pepelnica in Veliki petek dva dneva strogega posta (nič prigrizka med obroki hrane, kar je bolj enostavno) za vse od 18 do 60 leta starosti. Pepelnica in vsi petki v postu so dnevi vzdržka od mesa in mesnih izdelkov od toplo krvnih živali za **VSE** od 14 leta naprej. **POSTNE POBOŽNOSTI.** Poleg naših vsakdanjih jutranjih mašah bomo imeli večerno mašo v sredo in petek ob 7:00 zvečer. Rožni venec bomo molili v sredo ob 6:40 pred mašo. V petek bo Križev pot v angleščini ob 6:30 zvečer. V petek bo po maši tudi sv. ura , večernice, litanije Srca Jezusovega in blagoslov. Zaradi dela v cerkvi bodo maše in sv. ura v zakristiji. Slovenski Križev z blagoslovom bo ob nedeljah ob 2:00 popoldan.

**POROČILO PASTORALNEGA SVETA,** ki se je sestel v torek 11. februarja, pred tem je bil kratek sestanek o ribjih večerjeh. Bob Frederico je spet sprejel vodstvo. Cene za večerje ostanejo kot lansko leto. Potrebujemo delavce v dvorani za večerje, pomagati našim gostom nositi večerjo, čistiti mize, servirati kavo. Potrebno je najti kompanijo ki lahko "re-cycle" olje od cvrenja v kuhinji. Svet se je odločil da ne vzamejo firme iz Buffalo, New Yorka, ki so ponudili pogodbo, bomo rajši gledali za lokalno kompanijo. Svet je pregledal naše prihodne dogotke in škofa Barrona DVD serije na Spreobrnitev v Postu. Člani sveta so tudi šli v cerkev na ogled dela in napredek dela na klopeh in tleh. Vzeli so precej časa in dobro pregledali izdelavo s vprašanji, izjavili njihovo skrb in dali konstruktne predloge.

**ZA OBNOVO CERKVENIH KLOPI IN TLA,** lepo prosimo naše župljane da pomagajo za kritje stroškov tega dela. Dar \$200 na družino bo hvaležno sprejet in cenjen.

**VEČERJA S KOLINAMI,** bo na pustni torek 25. februarja s serviranjem od 4:30 do 7:30 zvečer v župnijski dvorani. Patty C and the boys, bodo igrali za ples in zabavo. Dar za večerjo je \$14 za odrasle in \$7 za otroke 12 let in mlajše. Večerja je v pomoč Slovenskega Kulturnega Vrta na MLK Blvd. Rezervacije so potrebne zato kličite župnijski urad na 216-761-7740. Pridite. Vsi ste lepo vabljeni.

**VEČERJE Z RIBAMI.** Vsak petek v Postu od 3:00 do 7:00 zvečer bomo servirali naše okusne ribje večerje v župnijski dvorani, Pohane in pečene ribe, shrimp, crabcakes, domače testenine s sirom, in domače postne juhe. Priloga je pražen krompir, ali pomme frites, zeljnata solata in domač jabolčni zavitek. Večerjo lahko vzamete tudi domov.