

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT****March 1, 2020**

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE.** Jesus faced real temptations in the desert and he had to make some hard choices. During these weeks of Lent, look at the choices that are facing you. Pray, deliberate and ask, "What will be life-giving to me and my family?" Be open to a new direction from the Lord, for "not by bread alone shall you live, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

**ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT.** All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for **EVERYONE** 14 years of age and older. Meat is considered the flesh of any warm-blooded animal.

**LENTEN FISH FRIES.** Join us in the parish hall for one of Cleveland's best fish fries. Baked cod, fried ocean perch, shrimp, crab cakes, homemade macaroni & cheese and combo dinners are served from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Included in the dinner is Slovenian potatoes or French fries, coleslaw and homemade apple strudel. A different homemade Lenten soup is also served each week. Our portions are substantial so you won't leave hungry!!

**LENTEN CLUSTER MASSES AND SOCIAL.** Every Monday of Lent, our Collinwood Catholic parishes will gather for prayer and fellowship. Our first gathering will be on Monday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jerome Church, 15000 Lake Shore Blvd. Homilist is Fr. Don Dunson. Subsequent Cluster Masses will be at Holy Redeemer on March 9th, St. Casimir on March 16th and here at St. Mary's on March 23rd. The Lenten Communal Penance Service will be at St. Jerome on Monday, March 30th.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS.** A reminder that during Lent, we pray the Stations of the Cross in English on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. and on Sundays in Slovenian at 2:00 p.m.

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY** will be prayed in the sacristy on Wednesday, March 4th at 6:15 p.m., followed by Mass.

**COLLINWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION** will meet in the school cafeteria on March 4th at 7:00 p.m.

**CONVERSION - THE CALL OF CHRIST**, is the title of our Lenten series featuring the DVD's of Bishop Robert Barron. This presentation and discussion is on every Tuesday of Lent, beginning March 3rd, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Please call the rectory office at 216-761-7740 to register. Cost is \$25, which includes the study guide and refreshments for all sessions.

**TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:****"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned."****Last Sunday's Offering: \$4,741.00**

**Pew & Floor Renovation:** \$200 from Vince & Martha Rozman; \$250 from Chris Russ; \$300 from Fr. Kumse; \$200 from Esperanza Pekar; \$200 from Zachary & Maria Bruner; \$200 from Patricia Malnar; \$200 from Edward & Anna Marie Zalar; \$200 from Ana Mihelich; \$200 from Florian & Pat Osredkar; \$200 from John & Mary Brinovec; \$200 from Marlene Sondergard; \$200 from Fayak Family; \$200 from M/M Frank Dolinar & Family; \$200 from Mike & Linda Floran; \$200 from Amalija Rajk; \$200 from Terezija Zelko; \$100 from Dominic & Mary Ilc; \$100 from David & Denise Proboski; \$50 from John Koren; \$200 anonymous

**Church Needs:** \$100 in memory of parents, Andrew & Josephine Fajdiga, sister, Lillian Goryance and husband Nick from Josephine Sovich; \$100 in memory of Josie Rus from M/M Paul Kosir; \$10 in memory of Josie Rus from Vida Jakomin

**Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!**

**CATHOLIC MISSION AID SOCIETY (MZA) ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER** will be next Sunday, March 8th with serving in the parish hall from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donation for the chicken/roast pork dinner is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children. Donations for the Bake Sale would be greatly appreciated. There will also be a Maček v žaklju (Cat-in-theBag) raffle. For tickets or more information, please call 216-531-3413. All proceeds of this dinner are used to support Slovenian missionaries in their work for the Gospel. Plan to attend and lend your support to our missionaries.

**DIOCESAN WIDE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.** On Wednesday, March 11th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., every church in the diocese will be open for the Sacrament of Confession. If it's been months or years since you last received this healing sacrament of Christ's mercy, take the opportunity to go to the church of your choice. Our Lord Jesus invites you to be reconciled with Him and with his Church.

**ON CHARITY** (St. Maximus the Confessor, also known as Maximus the Theologian, the most important Byzantine writer of the 7th century, defended orthodox teaching of the human and divine will of Christ, and because of the Emperor of Constantinople's opposition to his teaching, in 661 had his tongue torn out and his right hand cut off, so he could no longer preach nor write. He died in exile in the Caucasus Mts. in the present day Georgia). "A charitable mind is not displayed simply in giving money; it is manifested still more by personal service. For Jeremiah warns us "Do not say: We are the Lord's temple." Neither should you say "Faith alone in our Lord Jesus Christ can save me." By itself, faith accomplishes nothing. For even the devils believe and tremble. Faith must be joined to an active love of God which is expressed in good works."

**Masses for the Week of March 2-8, 2020**

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>(3/2) LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Josephine Manning (Daughter, Gina)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>(3/3) ST. KATHARINE DREXEL (Virgin)</b>
7:45 a.m.	Jurij Trstenjak (30 Day)
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>(3/4) ST. CASIMIR</b>
7:45 a.m.	Martina Simičak (Martina Stepec)
7:00 p.m.	Herman Doerfer
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>(3/5) LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Mary Kruse (30 Day)
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>(3/6) LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Members of Grajciar and Ferkul Families (Cirila Grajciar & Stanley Ferkul)
6:30 p.m.	Stations of the Cross/English
7:00 p.m.	Kiyan Harrell (Judith & Christine Grozdanik)
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>(3/7) STS. PERPETUA AND FELICITY (Martyrs)</b>
7:45 a.m.	Karl Krosel (30 Day)
5:00 p.m.	Frank Zagorc (Nada Manieri)
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>(3/8) SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Anton & Helena Nemeč
12:00 noon	Ann Stefancic (Tony & Barb Hren)
2:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross/Slovenian

**Lectors/Extraordinary Ministers (Weekend of March 7/8th)**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Jeanne Matuch/Lou Drasler/ Paul Lipold
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Mary Louise Daley/Tim Daley
	10:00 a.m.	Sylvia Pisorn/Tom Kastelic/ Suzi Hamilton
	12:00 noon	Andrew Liptak/MaryAnn Ojnik

**Please Pray for Our Sick:** Chris Chermely, Helen Jecic, Josephine Strle, Robert Klancher, Rev. William Jerse

**May She Rest in God's Peace:**

+Alice Poremba



**HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS.** Cleveland Holy Name Society will sponsor the National Convention of the Holy Name Society in mid-September. To help cover the cost of this event, the Holy Name Society is selling raffle tickets for 9 cash prizes from \$1,000 to \$100. Donation per ticket is \$5. Drawing will be on July 23, 2020. For tickets, please contact Vic Nemeč at 216-502-5719.

**DANES JE PRVA POSTNA NEDELJA.**

**DRUŽINSKA PERSPEKTIVA.** Jezus se sooči težko skušnjava v puščavi in mora narediti izbire. V tednih Posta, pogledajte na izbire ki vas čakajo. Molite, pomislite in vprašajte, "Kaj bi bilo pozivljajoče zame in mojo družino?" Bodite odprti novim smerem od Gospoda, zato "ker ne morete živeti samo od kruha, ampak na vsaki besedi, ki pride iz Božjih ust."

**ZDRŽEK OD MESA.** Vsi petki v postu so dnevi zdržka od mesa za VSE od 14 leta naprej. Meso se smatra od toplo krvne živali

**KRIŽEV POT.** Spominjamo vas, da v Postu molimo Križev pot v angleščini vsak petek ob 6:30 zvečer in vsako nedeljo v slovenščini ob 2:00 popoldan z blagoslovom.

**DOBROTA.** Sv. Maksim, tudi znan kot Maksim teolog, Najbolj pomemben bizantinski pisec 7. stoletja je zagovarjal pravoverni nauk o človeški in božanski volji Kristusa in zato ker je Carigrjski cesar nasprotoval njegovemu nauku, so mu leta 661 odrezali jezik in njegovo desno roko, da ne bo več pridigal in tudi ne pisal. On je umrl v izgnanstvu v Kavkaškem hribovju. (V sedanji Gruziji) "Dobrodelnost ni dovolj samo da daješ denar; je bolj osebno služenje. Jeremija nas svari Ne reci: Mi smo Gospodov tempelj. Niti ne moreš reči: Vera sama v našega Gospoda Jezusa Kristusa lahko nas reši. Vera sama ne dovrši nič. Zato še hudiči verujejo in se tresejo. Vera mora biti spojena v aktivno ljubezen Boga, katera je izkazana v dobrih delih."

**ŠKOFIJSKO OBHAJANJE ZAKRAMENTA SPOVEDI.** V sredo 11. marca od 5:00 do 8:00 zvečer bo vsaka cerkev v škofiji odprta za zakrament spovedi. Če so meseci ali leta odkar ste prejeli ta ozdravljiv zakrament Kristusovega usmiljenja. Vzemite priložnost in pojdite v cerkev po vaši izbiri. Naš Gospod vas vabi da se spravite z Njim in njegovo Cerkvijo.

**POSTNE MAŠE COLLINWOODSKIH ŽUPNIJ.** Vsak ponedeljek v Postu naše Collinwoodske župnije se bodo zbrale za molitev in družabnost. Naše prvo srečanje bo ob 7:00 zvečer pri Sv. Hieronimu na 15000 Lake Shore Blvd. Pridigal bo Fr. Don Dunson. Naslednje bodo: 9. marca pri Holy Redeemer, 16. marca pri Sv. Kazimirju in 23. marca pri Mariji vnebovzeti. Postna spokojna pobožnost bo pri Sv. Hieronimu v ponedeljek 30. marca.

**VEČERJE Z RIBAMI.** Pridružite se nam v župnijsko dvorano za eno najboljšo večerjo z ribami v Clevelandu. Pečene ali pohane ribe, shrimp, crabcakes, testenine s sirom in combo večerje so servirane od 3:00 do 7:00 zvečer. Priloge so prazen krompir ali pomme frites, zeljnata solata in domači jabolčni zvitek. Tudi postne juhe so vsak petek. Porcije so obilne, ne boste odšli lačni.

**KOSILO ZNAMKARSKE AKCIJE (MZA)** bo naslednjo nedeljo 8. marca v župnijski dvorani od 11:00 do 1:00 popoldan. Dar za piščanca/svinjsko pečenko je \$15 za odrasle in \$8 za otroke. Hvaležno bomo sprejeli darovano pecivo. Imeli bodo tudi Mačka v žaklju žrebanje. Za vstopnice kličite 216-531-3413. Ves dohodek gre v pomoč slovenskim misijonarjem, ki delajo za Evangelij. Pridite in podprite naše misijonarje.

**NOVICE NAJSVETEJŠEGA IMENA.** Clevelandsko društvo Najsvetejšega Imena bo sponzoriral Narodno Konvencijo Najsvetejšega Imena v septembru. Za pomoč kriti stroške za ta dogodek, društvo prodaja srečke za 9 dobitkov od \$1,000 do \$100. Srečka je \$5. Za srečke pokličite Vic Nemeč 216-502-5719

**ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:**

**USMILI SE NAS, O BOG, KER SMO GREŠILI.**