

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 12, 2020

GET TWO OR THREE SLOVENIANS TOGETHER AND YOU HAVE A CHOIR. I remember our choirs at Sacred Heart in Barberton, the children's choir, of which I was a member and the adult Slovenian choir. Even as a child, the harmony of the beautiful Slovenian songs, would make the hair stand up on the back of my neck. As children, the first Slovenian songs we learned were "Lepa si, Lepa si" and "Je Angel Gospodov," although the melody we used was a more livelier version than used here at St. Mary's. It was a treasure of our Slovenian heritage that we felt privileged to share in. At parish picnics there were always groups of men singing over by the bar. Singing just seemed to strengthen the bonds of togetherness. Unfortunately, singing doesn't seem to be an important part of our culture any more. (Just look at the people around you in church...the sounds of silence). It has often been said that in the ethnic community, music holds on the longest and the strongest. But I wonder, how long will it be part of our community? Can our younger generation sing at least one Slovenian church song? Do they know any of our folk songs? Do they even care? Because if music and song is the strongest glue to hold together our ethnic communities, we need a lot more glue. "Zapoj veselo, o kristjan"...in church and by the bar, too.

SPECIAL "THANK YOU" to Jim & Denise Pulver who have been coming early every morning for the last two weeks and assisting with weeding and care of the gardens around the church, and to Maria Sedmak and Sebastian Sedmak for helping with planting and mulching. We truly appreciate their hard work and dedication in keeping the parish grounds looking good.

ATTENTION ST. MARY STUDENTS ATTENDING CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL. If you are a registered parishioner of St. Mary's and active in the life of the parish, we are happy to offer scholarship grants to students who are presently attending Catholic High School or who will begin in this Fall. Applications may be obtained in the rectory office. Deadline for returning completed forms is July 31, 2020.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday, July 14th at 7:30 p.m. in the Slovenian Room. Upcoming events will be discussed.

TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:

**"The seed that falls on good ground
will yield a fruitful harvest."**

Last Sunday's Offering: \$4,746.00

Church Needs: \$200 from M/M Robert Tuma; \$200 from Jim & Madeline Debevec in memory of Dorothy and John Urbancich for the Hot Meals Program; \$1,000 from Lynne Szanyi in memory of her parents, Frank & Frances Zupon

Pew Refurbishing: \$200 from Patricia Amigoni

Scholarship Fund: \$5,000 in memory of Frank & Frances Zupon from family

Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!

SUMMER PICNIC RAFFLE. Next weekend we will have available our raffle tickets. They may be picked up in the new side entrance of the church near the priest's sacristy. We kindly ask that you either buy or sell all of the tickets in the amount of \$30.

ANNUAL PARISH HALL KITCHEN CLEANING. We are asking for help in doing a thorough cleaning of the parish hall kitchen on Saturday, July 18th. This will involve cleaning shelves and organizing kitchen equipment, as well as cleaning walls, stoves and ceiling panels. We especially ask those who use the kitchen regularly to offer their assistance. The more good volunteers we have, the easier the workload for everybody. Maria Sedmak will again coordinate the cleaning.

PAINTING DISPLAY. Next Sunday, July 19th, the family of Frank Kristoff will have his paintings displayed after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Lausche Atrium for anyone who may be interested in them. For those who remember the old church hall, Mr. Kristoff had painted folk scenes of life in Slovenia that were on the walls of the hall. He also did the murals on the front exterior of the Waterloo Slovenian Workmen's Home.

THE FEST - A DAY OF HOPE AND FAMILY WHEN WE NEED IT THE MOST. The FEST 2020 is not cancelled. It will be live-streamed to the comfort of your own home with messages of faith and inspiration, songs from national Christian bands, and while watching the FEST ONLINE, you can also visit Marc's Moms Relaxation Center, the Man Cave, Vendor Row, Kids Activity Area, the Rosary tent and family Blessing Tent. Stay tuned to www.theFEST.us for more information.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS via Zoom will be on Monday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. Sr. Mary McCormick, Professor at Ursuline & St. Mary Seminary will be helping in sorting out our prayer life questions. This is based on the question of "How do I pray?" The program is limited to a computer audience of 90. Registration is required in advance at www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west. This is a fellowship program and promises to be a fabulous discussion for adults 40 & over.



Masses for the Week of July 13-19, 2020

Monday:	(7/13) ST. HENRY
7:45 a.m.	Roy Sankovic
Tuesday:	(7/14) ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA (Virgin)
7:45 a.m.	Katica Dreu
Wednesday:	(7/15) ST. BONAVENTURE (Bishop & Doctor of the Church)
7:45 a.m.	Frank Urankar (KSKJ #169)
Thursday:	(7/16) OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL
7:45 a.m.	Robert & Jane Hozjan (Janet Hozjan & Family)
Friday:	(7/17) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Members of Grajciar and Ferkul Families (Cirila Grajciar & Stanley Ferkul)
Saturday:	(7/18) ST. CAMILLUS DE LELLIS (Priest)
7:45 a.m.	Lojze Bajc (Family)
5:00 p.m.	Janez, Maria & Teresa Špec (Jim Omahen)
Sunday:	(7/19) SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of Maučec and Hozjan Families (Rozalija Hozjan)

Please Pray for Our Sick: Rev. William Jerse,
Ivanka Turk, Chris Chermely, Brenda Prebevsek,
Louis James Prebevsek

LETNO ČIŠČENJE KUHINJE V DVORANI. Prosimo pomoč za temeljito čiščenje kuhinje v župnijski dvorani, v soboto 18. julija. To vsebuje čistiti police, organizirati kuhinjsko orodje, in tudi umiti stene, peči in strop. Posebno prosimo tiste, ki redno rabijo kuhinjo da pomagajo. Več dobrih prostovoljcev imamo, lažje je delo za vse. Marija Sedmak bo sporedila čiščenje.

POZOR, ŠTUDENTJE MARIJE VNEBOVZETE, ki hodite v katoliško višjo šolo. Če ste registrirani župljani Marije vnebovzete in aktivni v življenju župnije, mi z veseljem nudimo štipendijo študentom, ki hodijo sedaj v katoliško višjo šolo ali bodo začeli v jeseni. Formular za štipendijo dobite v župnijskem uradu. Formular mora biti izpolnjen in vrnjen v župnijski urad do 31. julija 2020.

RAZSTAVA SLIK. Naslednjo nedeljo, 19. julija, bo družina Franka Kristoff imela razstavo njegovih slik v Lauschetovem Atriju, za vsakega če se zanima za nje. Tisti, ki se spomnite stare cerkvene dvorane, g. Kristoff je naslikal kmečke prizore življenja v Sloveniji, ki so bile na stenah dvorane. On je tudi naredil slike spredaj na zunanji steni Slovenskega Delavskega doma na Waterloo Rd.

DANES JE 15. NAVADNA NEDELJA.

ČE IMAŠ DVA ALI TRI SLOVENCE SKUPAJ, IMAŠ PEVSKI ZBOR. Spomnim se na naše pevske zборе pri Srcu Jezusovemu v Barbertonu, otroški zbor pri katerem sem pel in odrasli slovenski zbor. Še kot otroku, melodija lepe slovenske pesmi so mi šli lasje pokonci. Kot otroci, prva od slovenskih pesmi, ki smo se naučili je bila "Lepa si, Lepa si" in "Je Angel Gospodov" dasi melodija je bila bolj živahna verzija, kot jo pojemo tukaj pri Mariji vnebovzeti. Bilo je bogastvo naše slovenske dediščine, da smo se čutili privilegirani deliti v tem. Na župnijskem pikniku so bile vedno skupine moških, ki so prepevali pri šanku. Petje je zgedalo, da krepi povezavo skupnosti. Na žalost, petje ne zgleda več, da je važen del naše kulture. (Samo pogledjte ljudi okrog vas v cerkvi...glas tišine). Velikokrat je bilo rečeno, da v narodni skupnosti glasba drži naprej najdalje in močnejše. Toda jaz ugibam kako dolgo bo to del naše skupnosti. Ali nasi mladi znajo katere naše cerkvene ljudske pesmi? Ali oni to marajo? Zato če muzika in petje je najmočnejše lepilo da drži skupaj našo narodno skupnost, mi potrebujemo veliko več lepila, "Zapoj veselo o Kristjan," v cerkvi in tudi pri šanku.

PASTORALNI SVET IMA SESTANEK v torek 14. julija ob 7:30 zvečer v slovenski sobi. Razgovarjali se bomo o prihodnjih dogodkih.

SREČKE ZA POLETNI PIKNIK. Naslednji vikend bomo imeli pripravljene naše srečke za žrebanje. Lahko jih pobere v novem stranskem vhodu v cerkev zraven zakristije. Lepo prosimo, da jih sami kupite ali prodaste v vsoti \$30.

ISKRENA HVALA, Jimu in Denise Pulver, ki prideta zadnje tedne zgodaj zjutraj vsak dan in pomagata pleti in skrbita za vrtove okrog cerkve in Mariji Sedmak in Sebastianu Sedmak za pomoč saditi in z nasteljenjem. Mi smo res hvaležni za njihovo požrtvovalno delo in voljo vzdrževati župnijsko zemljišče, da lepo zgleda.

FEST-DAN UPANJA IN DRUŽINE KADAR GA NAJBOLJ POTREBUJEMO. FEST-2020 ni odpovedan. Bo live-streamed v udobnosti vašega doma z verskimi poročili in navdih, glasbo z narodnimi krščanskimi orkestri in medtem ko gledate FEST online lahko obiščete Marcove mame relaxation center, Moško votlino, vrsto stojnic otroški aktivni prostor, šotor rožnega venca in šotor družinskega blagoslova. Ostanite povezani z www.theFEST.us za več informacij.

ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:**SEME JE PADLO V DOBRO ZEMLJO.**