

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 25, 2020

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE. Today Jesus tells us love of God and neighbor are two parts of the greatest commandment. Loving families do both. They express their love of God as a family, especially by prayer, knowing that this will help them love each other. What energizes their love? Loving God through loving people. How are we loving one another through the strains and difficulties of this pandemic?

FINANCE COUNCIL will meet this Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the Slovenian Room.

POPPY SALE. The Poppy Sale sponsored by the St. Vitus Catholic War Veterans scheduled for this weekend has been postponed to the weekend of November 14th and 15th. All proceeds will help purchase Christmas gifts and care for the needs of homeless veterans at the Cleveland Veterans Hospital.

A LETTER FROM ABBOT GARY HOOVER OSB. "It was my pleasure to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at your parish. I pray these young adults, who were confirmed, will continue to spread their faith and their talents to all they encounter in order to bring Christ to them through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It was a very memorable day for me to be the major celebrant of this sacrament at your parish this year. May the Holy Spirit continue to touch the hearts of your parishioners, especially the young, in service to the Kingdom of God. I thank you for your leadership in guiding your parish of St. Mary on the journey of life. Peace, Abbot Gary"

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF SLOVENSKA PRISTAVA PENSIONERS will be here at St. Mary's on Wednesday, October 28th at 1:00 p.m. All pensioners are welcome to attend.

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY. Today is a special day for the Church in the United States to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, and to reflect on the impact our priests make in our lives as Catholic Christians. Too often we naturally expect a priest will always be there for us, especially to offer the Sacrifice of the Mass, to be available whenever we need him to visit and bring hope to our sick, to offer the comfort and grace of the sacraments, to educate our children, and to oversee and lead our parishes. It is the Church that calls men to share in the priesthood through the Sacrament of Holy Orders to be "alter Christus" to be "in the person of Christ" among God's people.

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Last Sunday's Offering: \$4,520.00

Mission Sunday Collection: \$1,221.00

Church Needs: \$20 in memory of Toncka Berkopeč from Branko & Sylvia Pisorn; \$20 in memory of Martin Merela from Branko & Sylvia Pisorn; \$25 in memory of Alexander Ferrazzoli from Anne Nemec

The Following in Memory of Ani Zajec: \$100 from Sunset Industries, \$50 from Charles Grosel & Family, \$50 from Stan & Jamie Zalar, \$40 from Patrick & Elizabeth Garin, \$50 from Jim & Cathy Poznik, \$50 from Tony & Vida Hauptman, \$100 from Carl & Mary Ann Rispoli, \$40 from Mira Kosem Borstnik, \$20 from Branko & Sylvia Pisorn

The Following in Memory of Paul Borstnik: \$25 from Martin & Maria Marsic, \$100 from Peter & Sue Osenar, \$40 from Kenneth Pepera, \$30 from Slovenska Pristava Pensioners, \$30 from Metod & Michelle Ilc

High School Scholarship Fund: \$100 anonymous

Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!

(continuation of Priesthood Sunday)

The call to priesthood is not a call to the perfect, because only Jesus, the Great High Priest is perfect. Throughout salvation history God has called men with their strengths and their weaknesses, with their talents and their flaws, from the outgoing to the reserved in personality, from those gifted with great intellect to those who struggled with their studies, from the charismatic to the quiet worker to serve his people. We see the servants of God like Moses who had difficulty speaking in public, Jeremiah the prophet who was ready to give up, the impetuous St. Peter, the hot-headed St. Jerome, the gentle, prayerful and pastoral St. John Vianney, the charismatic Pope John Paul II, and many others who enriched the Church with their "yes" to God, as imperfect "earthen vessels." Not only do we offer our gratitude for the priests who have baptized us, given us the Eucharist, offered the forgiveness of Christ in Confession, offered advice and shared in our struggles and joy, but we pray that God may continue to bless our Church, our parishes, with young men open to God's invitation to serve Him as new priests. The harvest is great, but the laborers are few.

"Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests.

Through them we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation.

Set their souls on fire with love for you.

Grant them wisdom, understanding and strength they need to follow the footsteps of Jesus.

Give them the words they need to spread the gospel.

Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments of divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns as Eternal Priest. Amen"

TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:
"I love you, Lord, my strength."

Masses for the Week of Oct. 26-Nov. 1, 2020

Monday:	(10/26) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Elaine Krause (Ethel & Michele Barbish)
Tuesday:	(10/27) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Louis Mole (Daughter, Arlene)
Wednesday:	(10/28) ST. SIMON AND JUDE (Apostles)
7:45 a.m.	Alberta Jarc (Elsie Jacobs)
1:00 p.m.	Deceased Slovenska Pristava Pensioners
Thursday:	(10/29) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Paul Borstnik (30 Day)
Friday:	(10/30) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Tonci Nekic (Sevda Zrelc)
Saturday:	(10/31) BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
7:45 a.m.	Michael Heile (30 Day)
5:00 p.m.	Jože & Zora Kumše
Sunday:	(11/1) ALL SAINTS DAY
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Altar Society
12:00 noon	Deceased Members of Spinnler and Vadnal Families (Suzanne Vadnal)

Please Pray for Our Sick: Maria Nitsche,
 Rev. William Jerse, William Tomsick, George Rozman,
 Brenda Prebevsek, Tom McNulty, Zdravko Novak,
 Tim Petric

May He Rest in God's Peace:
 +Bruno Lesica



STRUDEL SALE sponsored by St. Jerome Altar & Rosary Society. Frozen strudels in eight flavors may be ordered for the holidays. The deadline to order is November 2nd. Orders may be placed securely online at stjeromecleveland.churchgiving.com. Please call Pat Bakaitis at 216-486-0415 for additional information.

PRODAJA MAKOV, ki jo sponzorirajo Katoliški vojni veterani Sv. Vida Post 1655, ki je bila določena za ta vikend je odpovedana in bo v vikendu 14-15 novembra. Ves dohodek bo pomagal nabaviti božična darila za naše brezdomske veterane v Clevelandski veteranski bolnici.

SESTANEK FINANČNEGA ODBORA je v torek 27. oktobra ob 7:00 zvečer v slovenski sobi.

UPOKOJENCI SLOVENSKE PRISTAVE, imajo Spominsko mašo za pokojne člane tukaj pri Mariji vnebovzeti v sredo 28. oktobra ob 1:00 uri popoldan. Vsi upokojenci ste dobrodošli.

Bog je že od samega začetka videl, da "ni dobro za človeka, da je sam." Ustvarjeni smo bili kot družabna bitja, ki jih izpolni samo ljubezen - do Boga in do bljižnjega. (Benedikt XVI)

DANES JE 30. NAVADNA NEDELJA.

DRUŽINSKA PERSPEKTIVA. Danes nam Jezus govori ljubezen Boga in bljižnjega sta dva dela velike zapovedi. Ljubezne družine storijo oboje. One izražajo svojo ljubezen Boga kot družina, posebno z molitvo zavedajoč se, da to bo pomagalo njim ljubiti drug drugega. Kaj okrepi njihovo ljubezen? Ljubiti Boga po ljubezni ljudi. Kako mi ljubimo drug drugega po napetosti in težavah te pandemike?

NEDELJA DUHOVNIŠTVA. Danes je poseben dan za Cerkev v ZDA, da molimo za rast poklicev duhovništva Jezusa Kristusa in da pomislimo na vtip, ki ga naši duhovniki naredijo v našem življenju kot katoliški kristjani. Velikokrat mi naravno pričakujemo, da duhovnik bo vedno pripravljen za nas, posebno darovati mašo, da je na voljo kadarkoli ga potrebujemo da obišče in prinese upanje našim bolnikom, da nudi tolažbo in milost zakramentov, uči naše otroke in nadzira in vodi našo župnijo. Cerkev je, ki kliče može da delijo v duhovništvu po zakramantu Sv. Posvečenja, da je "alter Christus," namestnik Kristusa med Božjim ljudstvom. Klic v duhovništvo ni klic za perfektne, zato ker samo Jezus, Veliki duhovnik je perfekten. Skozi odrešujočo zgodovino Bog je klical može z njihovo močjo in njihovimi slabostmi, z njihovimi talenti in njihovimi napakami, od prijazne do rezervirane osebnosti, od tistih nadarjenih z velikim intelektom do tistih, ki se trudijo s študijem, od karizmatikov do tihega delavca, ki služi svojemu ljudstvu. Mi vidimo Božje služabnike, kot Mojzes, ki je imel težave govoriti pred ljudstvom, Jeremija, prerok, ki je bil pripravljen vse opustiti, buren Sv. Peter in vročekrvni Sv. Hieronim, ljubezni, pobožen in pastoralen Sv. Janez Vianej in nadarjeni papež Janez Pavel II, in mnogo drugih, ki so obogateli z njihovim "DA" Bogu kot nedovršena "lončene posode." Ne samo, da mi izkažemo našo hvaležnost duhovnikom, ki so nas krstili, dali nam Euharistijo, delili nam odpuščanje Kristusa pri spovedi, nudili nasvet in delili z nami v naših težavah in veselju, toda molimo, da naj Bog nadalje blagoslovi našo Cerkev, naše župnije z mladimi možmi odprtimi Božjemu vabilu, da mu služijo kot novi duhovniki. Žetev je velika, toda delavcev je malo.

"Usmiljeni in ljubeznivi Bog, zahvalujemo se za dar naših duhovnikov. Po njih mi doživljamo tvojo navzočnost v zakramentih. Pomagaj našim duhovnikom, da bodo močni v njihovem poklicu. Zaneti njihove duše v ogenj ljubezni za tebe. Podeli jim modrost, razumevanje in moč, ki jo potrebujejo slediti Jezusovim stopinjam. Daj jim besede katere rabijo za širjenje Evangelija. Dopusti jim doživljati radost v njihovi službi. Pomagaj jim, da postanejo inštrumenti božanske milosti. Mi prosimo to, po Jezusu Kristusu, ki živi in kraljuje kot Večni duhovnik. Amen."

OPAT GARY HOOVER OSB, PIŠE: "Bil sem vesel podelitek zakrament birme v vaši župniji. Jaz molim za te mlade odrasle, ki so bili birmani, da bodo nadaljevali širiti njihovo vero in njihove talente vsem katere srečajo, da prinesejo Kristusa njim po vodstvu Sv. Duha. Bil je zelo nepozaben dan za mene biti glavni delivec tega zakramenta v vaši župniji letos... Naj se Sv. Duh nadalje dotika src vaših župljanov, posebno mladih v služenju Božjega kraljestva. Zahvaljujem se za vaše vodstvo župnije Marije vnebovzete na poti življenja. Mir, Opat Gary."

ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:
PRIZNAJTE GOSPODU MOČ IN SLAVO.