

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**March 7, 2021**

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE. In watching Jesus drive the money changers and the merchants from the temple, his disciples remember the verse from the book of Psalms: “Zeal for your house consumes me.” In John’s Gospel, the cleansing of the temple is at the beginning of the Gospel instead of near the end. He purifies the temple, lest the people forget that the temple is the dwelling place of God who is all Holy. Each person is also a temple of God, the dwelling place of the Most High. Do we keep the temple of our soul clean through the reception of the sacrament of Confession? Do we as families make it a priority that everyone who is old enough to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation does so regularly? Parents, when was the last time you asked your child when he or she went to Confession? Children, when was the last time you asked your parents when they went to Confession? Be holy, for the Lord your God is holy.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. Finding silence and spending quiet prayer time with Jesus is a hallmark of our Lenten devotions. Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We also have a Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Friday evening concluding with Night Prayer, Litany of the Sacred Heart and Benediction. Even a few minutes with our Eucharistic Savior is a tremendous source of grace and peace.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are prayed in English on Fridays at 6:30 p.m. and in Slovenian on Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

LENTEN PRAYER TO ST. EMPHREM. “O Lord and Master of my life, drive from me the spirit of indifference, despair, lust for power, and idle chatter.

Instead, bestow on me, Your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience, and love.

Yes, O Lord and King, let me see my own sins, and not judge my brothers and sisters, for You are blessed, now and forever, Amen.”

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY PRODUCE TO THE PEOPLE will begin monthly distribution of vegetables and fruits this Saturday, March 13th in the parking lot next to the rectory. Volunteers to help with the distribution are always welcome.

STARA MAMA’S TABLE. The new cookbook by Toni Srsen, featuring the recipes from St. Mary and St. Vitus parishioners is now available in the rectory office. Cost is \$25. Call the rectory office at 216-761-7740 for orders or more information.

Today’s Psalm Response:

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Last Sunday’s Offering: \$7,475

Church Needs: \$75 in memory of Dušan Maršič, Marica Lavriša & Edi Gobetz from Suzanne Vadnal; \$50 in memory of Milka Skale from Ursula Stepec; \$20 in memory of Milka Skale from Victor Stepec, \$50 in memory of Ani Zajec from Doris Zajec

The following in memory of Ivanka Volčjak: \$50 from Victor & Anna Kmetich, \$20 from Edi Veider, \$50 from Mira Kosem, \$75 from Clement & Frances Hren, \$50 from Rudy & Mary Ann Hren, \$40 from Anthony & Theresa Rus.

Your generosity to the Parish is appreciated!

BIBLE STUDY ON THE CRUCIFIXION NARRATIVES. Even though many parishes are beginning to have in-person small group Bible Study, at this time we will have a Zoom presentation on March 16th and March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. If you wish to participate, please call Marie Kushner at 440-257-7799, or email at mjkushner@att.net.

ATTENTION EUCHARIST MINISTERS, LECTORS AND SERVERS. During the time of the pandemic, we had not scheduled anyone to these three ministries. Lectors who assisted at the weekend Masses did so voluntarily. We would like to once again begin to schedule 1 Eucharistic Minister, 1 Lector and 2 Altar Servers for our Masses. If you are willing at this time to once again help with our liturgies, please either call the rectory office (216-761-7740) or stop in the sacristy after Mass and let us know at which Masses you would be willing to offer your help. We would begin the weekend of March 20-21.

KROFE SALE. During this month of March, there will be 2 Krofe Sales, by order only, on Friday March 12th and Friday, March 26th. Orders may be placed by calling Tillie Spehar at 440-585-2299.

EASTER FLOWERS. Special envelopes for Easter flower donations in memory of your loved ones are by all the entrances of the church. Please feel free to take as many as you need.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday, March 9th at 7:30 p.m. in the Slovenian Room. Possible Fish Fries and preliminary plans for the Summer Picnic will be on the agenda.

BRINGING AMERICA BACK TO LIFE, PRO-LIFE CONVENTION. The 12th Annual Pro-Life Convention will be at the Embassy Suites, Independence, Ohio on Friday and Saturday, March 12th and 13th. This event, with Bob Frantz, host of the Bob Frantz Authority Program on 1420 AM, will be the emcee. This two-day event features local, national, and international speakers addressing the challenges and opportunities facing the growing Right to Life Movement. Register online at www.bringingamericabacktolife.org/registration/ or call 440-458-6240. You are welcome to participate in the entire 2-day event or choose speakers only for either day. All are welcome.

Masses for the Week of March 8-14, 2021

Monday:	(3/8) ST. JOHN OF GOD (Religious)
7:45 a.m.	Anthony Mihelich (Wife Dolores & Family)
Tuesday:	(3/9) ST. FRANCES OF ROME (Religious)
7:45 a.m.	Eleanor Pavsek (son)
Wednesday:	(3/10) LENTEN WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Katica Dreu (M/M Jeff Randlett)
Thursday:	(3/11) LENTEN WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Stanley & Edward Skufca (Donna Strainer)
Friday:	(3/12) LENTEN WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Poor Souls
7:00 p.m.	Elaine Vadnal (Chris & Judy Grozdanik)
Saturday:	(3/13) LENTEN WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Deceased Members of Hren Family (Paul & Josephine Hren)
5:00 p.m.	Miško Maslač (Wife, Amalija)
Sunday:	(3/14) FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Drago Androjna (Družina)
12:00 noon	Lojze & Mici Mohar (Emil Knez Family)

Please Pray for Our Sick: Rev. William Jerse, Terezija Zelko, Mladen & Dušanka Lengel, Brenda Prebevsek, Robert Menart, Tom McNulty, Veronika Udovič

May He Rest in God's Peace:

+ Paul Janc

**ŠTUDIJ SV. PISMA NA PRIPOVED KRIŽANJA.**

Čprav veliko župnij je začelo, da imajo v osebi majhne skupine študija Sv. Pisma, za ta čas mi bomo imeli Zoom predstavitev 16, in 26. marca ob 7:00 zvečer. Če želite sodelovati, prosimo kličite Marie Kushner na 440-257-7799 ali email na mjkushner@att.net.

VRNITI AMERIKO NAZAJ V ŽIVLJENJE, ZA ŽIVLJENJE KONVENCIJA.

12 letna Za-življenska konvencija bo v Embassy Suites, Independence, Ohio v petek in soboto, 12. in 13. marca, vodil bo Bob Frantz od Bob Frantz Authority Programa na 1420 AM. V teh dneh bodo lokalni, narodni in mednarodni govorniki, ki bodo govorili o problemih in priložnostih, ki se sooča naraščajoč Right to Life Movement. Registracija je online www.bringingamericabacktolife.org/registration/ ali kličite 440-458-6240. Vsi ste dobrodošli k sodelovanju v obeh dneh ali če izberete samo govornike.

POSTNA MOLITEV SV. EFREMA. O Gospod in gospodar mojega življenja, preženi iz mene duha brezbriznosti, obupa, sla po moči in nesmiselnega čenčanja. Namesto, daj tvojemu služabniku duha popolnosti, ponižnosti, potrežljivosti in ljubezni. Da, Gospod in Kralj, pomagaj mi, da vidim moje lastne grehe in ne sodim moje brate in sestre, ker si blagoslovljen zdaj in vekomaj. Amen.

DANES JE TRETJA POSTNA NEDELJA.

DRUŽINSKA PERSPEKTIVA. V gledanju Jezusa, ki je izganjal menjalce in prodajalce iz templja se njegovi učenci spomnijo verza iz knjige Psalmov: "Gorečnost za tvojo hišo me razjeda." V Janezovem Evangeliju, očiščenje tempelja je v začetku Evangelija namesto proti koncu. On očisti tempelj, da ne bi ljudje pozabili, da je tempelj bivališče Boga, ki je Vse Sveti. Vsaka oseba je tudi Božji tempelj bivališče Najsvetejšega. Ali mi držimo tempelj naše duše čist po prejemu zakramenta spovedi? Ali mi kot družine naredimo to prednost, da vsak, ki je dovolj star prejme zakrament spovedi in to redno? Starši, kdaj je bilo zadnjič, ki ste vprašali vašega otroka kdaj je bil zadnjič pri spovedi? Otroci, kdaj je bilo zadnje ko ste vprašali vaše starše, kdaj so bili zadnjič pri spovedi? Bodite sveti, kot Gospod vaš Bog je sveti.

POZORNOST, Evharistični delivci, bralci, ministranti. Med časom pandemije mi nismo razporedili nobenega za te tri službe. Lektorji, ki so pomagali pri nedeljskih mašah so storili prostovoljno. Mi bi radi spet začeli razpored za 1. evharističnega delilca, 1. bralca in 2. ministranta za naše maše. Če ste pripravljeni spet pomagati pri naših liturgijah prosimo, pokličite župnijski urad na 216-761-7740 ali se po maši ustavite v zakristiji in povejte, pri kateri maši bi radi pomagali. Mi bi začeli za vikend 20.-21. marca.

KRIŽEV POT, molimo v angleščini v petek ob 6:30 in v slovenščini v nedeljo ob 2:00 popoldan.

EVHARISTIČNO ČEŠČENJE. Najti tišino in preživeti čas z Jezusom je znak pristnosti naše postne pobožnosti. Prosimo, pridružite se nam za Evharistično češčenje ob četrtkih od 2:00 do 6:00 ure zvečer. Imamo tudi sv. uro pred Najsvetejšim po maši v petek zvečer z zaključkom večerne molitve, litanijami Srca Jezusovega in blagoslov. Tudi nekaj minut z našim Evharističnim Odrešenikom je ogromen vir milosti in miru.

PRODAJA KROFOV. V mesecu marcu bodo 2 prodaji krofov, samo prednaročila in to v petek 12. marca in petek 26. marca. Za naročila kličite Tillie Spehar na 440-585-2299.

PASTORALNI SVET ima sestanek v torek 9. marca ob 7:30 zvečer v slovenski sobi. Na sporedu je možnost za večerje z ribami in uvoden načrt za poletni piknik.

VELIKONOČNO CVETJE. Posebne kuverte za darovanje velikonočnega cvetja v spomin vaših pokojnih so pri vseh vhodih v cerkev. Vzemite jih, kolikor jih rabite.

PRIDELEK ZA LJUDI-MOBILE FOOD PANTRY, bodo začeli deliti zelenjavo in sadje to soboto 13. marca na parkirišču zraven župnišča. Prostovoljci za pomoč pri razdelitvi so vedno dobrodošli.

**ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:
HODIL BOM PRED GOSPODOM V DEŽELI ŽIVIH.**