

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

**September 19, 2021**

**30 YEARS AND COUNTING.** In the vast scheme of things 30 years is a relatively short period of time. But in the history of the Slovenian people, 30 years as a sovereign, independent nation is still worth celebrating. The Slovenian people have always been a small nation, living for centuries primarily as a part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. In its strategic location, there was tremendous pressure put on the people to Germanize, Italianize, Magyarize and even Balkanize. But there was a resilience and steadfastness in the Slovenians to preserve their own unique language, their customs, their music, their culture, oftentimes with the support and determination of the native clergy.

Declaring her independence in 1991, Slovenia fought a short 10-day war that turned a dream into reality. The dream of freedom is a powerful dream. It is that dream that we celebrate here in Cleveland today, along with our dignitaries from Slovenia. It was a dream that was supported and fought for in the political arena by so many American-Slovenians, especially here in Cleveland. It is a dream that is still necessary to defend and strengthen from complacency and false nostalgia. Today we thank God for the courage that gave birth to a nation 30 years ago, and we beseech Almighty God for that same fortitude to continue the journey of freedom with a greater openness to God's blessings of wisdom and right judgement. May greater respect, appreciation, reconciliation, and peace be God's gift to Slovenia and its people for many years.

We truly thank Dr. Helena Jaklitsch, Minister for Slovenians Living Abroad, Slovenian Ambassador to the U.S. Tone Kajzer, Dr. Zvone Žigon, and Slovenian General Consul Alenka Jerak for being with us today for this important celebration.

**30/60 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT SLOVENSKA PRISTAVA IS TODAY** at Slovenska Pristava on Brandt. Rd. A stuffed pork loin dinner (\$15) or čevapčiči dinner (\$13) will be served beginning at 1:30 p.m. There will be a cultural program at 3:00 p.m. and awards ceremony. Music by Veseli Godci. Free entrance. This event is sponsored by the Slovenian Consul General Alenka Jerak to celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Slovenian independence and the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Slovenska Pristava. Our Slovenian dignitaries from Slovenia will also be in attendance.

**MAY GOD'S HOLY ANGELS LEAD US AND GUIDE US.** Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> is the feast day of the Holy Archangels Michael (Who is like God), Gabriel (The Strength of God) and Raphael (God's Remedy). Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of the Guardian Angels. "Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen."

**Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,613.**

**Church Needs:** \$20 in memory of Danetta Kozel from Matt & Mary Ann Hozjan.

**High School Scholarship Fund:** \$100 anonymous.

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

**KROFE SALE.** Altar Society will have a Krofe Sale on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the parish hall.

**ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY BENEFIT DINNER** will be served in our parish hall on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donation for the roast pork/breaded chicken dinner is \$17 for adults and \$8 for children. The dinner also includes soup. There will also be a bake sale in conjunction with the dinner. Tickets may be purchased from Altar Society members, in the rectory office and at the door on the day of the dinner.

**REVERSE RAFFLE,** sponsored by St. Mary Slovenian School will be in the parish hall on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Beginning at 6:00 p.m. a weiner schnitzel/chicken paprikash dinner will be served. Open bar and dessert included. Mainboard tickets, including two dinners are \$75. For more information or tickets, please contact Kristina Sedmak at 216-882-2790, or parents of Slovenska Šola.

**CALLING ALL SINGERS!!!** Our St. Mary 10:00 a.m. Mass Choir will begin regular practice on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We are always looking for new members, especially among our younger parishioners, and invite you to come and sing with us. We have a wonderful tradition of beautiful Slovenian music in the parish, but we need our younger people to keep that tradition strong and vibrant.

**OKTOBERFEST.** Slovenska Pristava invites you to join in the fun of Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The weiner schnitzel, bratwurst dinner will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Gottscheer Blaskappelle begins performing at 5:30 p.m. Dinner tickets must be reserved by calling Ursi Prosen at 216-233-3689 or email [ursulaprosen@gmail.com](mailto:ursulaprosen@gmail.com). There is a \$5 entrance fee for non-Pristava members. All are welcome! Gemutlichkeit!!

**KOLINE.** Slovenska Pristava Pensioners will have their annual Koline or Sausage Dinner on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> here in our St. Mary parish hall. The rice or blood sausage, fresh garlic sausage, Slovenian potatoes, sauerkraut, and dessert dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Donation is \$17. For more information, please contact Frank Vidmar at 440-478-3254. Reservations are not necessary, and everyone is welcome.

**TAROK TOURNAMENT** will be at Slovenska Pristava on Sunday, October 2 at 2:30 pm. All players are welcome.

**TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:**

**The Lord upholds my life.**

**Masses for the Week of September 20-26, 2021**

- Monday:** (9/20) STS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GON (Priest) & PAUL CHONG HANG & COMPANIONS (Martyrs)  
7:45 a.m. Margaret (Peggy) Ponikvar (30 Day)
- Tuesday:** (9/21) ST. MATTHEW (Apostle & Evangelist)  
7:45 a.m. John Kotarski (30 Day)
- Wednesday:** (9/22) WEEKDAY  
7:45 a.m. George Pope (Wife, Joanna)
- Thursday:** (9/23) ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (Priest)  
7:45 a.m. Danetta Kozel (30Day)
- Friday:** (9/24) BLESSED ANTON MARTIN SLOMŠEK  
7:45 a.m. Pavle Boršnik (Wife, Mira)
- Saturday:** (9/25) WEEKDAY  
7:45 a.m. Jože Tominc (Daughter, Mary)  
5:00 p.m. Mary Ferrazzoli (Son, Edward)
- Sunday:** (9/26) TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
8:00 a.m. Parishioners  
10:00 a.m. Anton Gorshe (Wife & Family)  
12:00 p.m. Mici Mohar (Family)

**Please Pray for Our Sick:** Joseph Gorn, Norah Konrad, Anica Knez, Rezi Ferkul, Branko Pišorn, Tom McNulty, Mladen & Dušanka Lengel, Marie Ogrinc, Ted Jenda, Fred Brown

**May She Rest in God's Peace:**  
+Frances Ruzic



**Lectors/Extraordinary Ministers  
(Weekend of September 25th/September 26th)**

- Saturday 5:00 p.m. Jeanne Matuch/Paul Lipold  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Florian Osredkar/Kathleen Spilar  
10:00 a.m. Metka Zalar/Tom Kastelic  
12:00 p.m. Andrew Liptak/Mary Ojnik

**NAJ BOŽJI SVETI ANGELI VODIJO IN VARUJEJO NAS.**  
V sredo, 29. septembra je praznik svetih nadangelov, Mihael (ki je kakor Bog), Gabrijel (moč Boga), in Rafael (Božje zdravilo). V soboto, 2. oktobra je praznik naših Angelov varuhov. "Sveti angel, varuh moj, bodi vedno ti zmenoj: Stoj mi noč in dan ob strani, vsega hudega me brani! Prav prisrčno prosim te, varuj me in vodi me. Amen."

**REVERSE RAFFLE**, ki ga sponzorira Slovenska šola Marije Vnebovzete bo v soboto 16. oktobra. Začetek je ob 6:00 zvečer. Servirali bodo svinjski dunajski zrezek in piščančji paprikaš. Odprta točilnica in slaščica je vključeno. Mainboard srečke in dve večerji so \$75. Za več informacij, prosimo kličite Kristino Sedmak na 216-882-2790, ali starše Slovenske šole.

**OKTOBERFEST.** Slovenska Pristava vas vabi na zabavno Oktoberfest v soboto, 2. oktobra. Weiner Schnitzel/bratwurst večerja bo servirana od 5:30 do 7:30 zvečer. Gottscheer Blaskappelle bodo začeli igrati ob 5:30 zvečer. Večerjo je nujno rezervirati, zato kličite Urši Prosen na 216-233-3689 ali po email na ursulaprosen@gmail.com. Za nečlane je vstopnina \$5. Vsi ste dobrodošli. Gemutlichkeit!!

**DANES JE 25. NAVADNA NEDELJA**

**30 LET IN ŠTEJEMO.** V velikih načrtih stvari je 30 let relativno kratka doba časa. Toda v zgodovini Slovencev, je 30 let kot svoboden narod še vedno vredno praznovati. Slovenci so vedno bili majhen narod stoletja v glavnem kot del Avstro-Ogrskega cesarstva. V svoji ugodni lokaciji je bil velik pritisk na ljudi, da se ponemčijo, poitalijanščijo, pomadžarijo in celo pobalkanijo. Toda bila je prožnost in stanovitnost v Slovincih, da ohranijo njihov edinstven jezik, njihove šege, njihovo glasbo, njihovo kulturo velikokrat s podporo in odločnostjo njihovih duhovnikov. Proglasitev njene neodvisnosti v 1991, se je borila Slovenija v 10 dni kratki vojni, ki je obrnila sanje v resničnost. Sanje svobode so močne sanje. In so te sanje, ki jih mi obhajamo danes tukaj v Clevelandu z našimi dostojanstveniki iz Slovenije. Bile so sanje, ki so bile podprte z borbo v politični areni mnogih Ameriških-Slovencev, posebno tukaj v Clevelandu. So sanje, da je še vedno potrebno, da jih branimo in okrepimo od samozadovoljstva in zmotene nostalgije. Danes se zahvaljujemo Bogu za pogum, ki je dal rojstvo narodu pred 30 leti in mi prosimo Vsemogočnega Boga za isto trdnost, da se nadaljuje pot svobode z večjo odprtostjo Božjemu blagoslovu, strpnosti, modrosti in pravičnega sveta. Naj večje spoštovanje, vrednotenje, sprava in mir bo Božji dar Sloveniji in njenemu ljudstvu še mnogo let. Mi se iz srca zahvaljujemo dr. Heleni Jaklitsch, Ministrici za Slovence po svetu, Veleposlaniku v ZDA Tonetu Kajzer, dr. Zvonetu Žigon in Slovenski Generalni Konzulatki Alenki Jerak, da ste danes z nami za to pomembno praznovanje.

**30/60 OBLETNICE PRAZNOVANJA NA SLOVENSKI PRISTAVI JE DANES.** Kosilo bo nadeta svinjska pečenka (\$15) ali čevapčiči (\$13), ki bo servirano ob 1:30 popoldan. Ob 3:00 uri popoldan bo Kulturni program in nagrade. Za zabavo bodo igrali Veseli godci. Ta dogodek sponzorira Generalna Konzulatka Alenka Jerak za praznovanje 30. obletnice Slovenske neodvisnosti in 60. obletnice ustanovitve Slovenske Pristave. Naši gostje, dostojanstveniki bodo tudi navzoči. Vstopnine danes ni.

**KROFI.** Oltarno Društvo ima prodajo krofov v soboto 25. septembra. Začetek je od 8:30 zjutraj v župnijski dvorani.

**OLTARNO DRUŠTVO MARIJE VNEBOVZETE IMA KOSILO** v nedeljo od 11:00 dopoldne do 1:00 popoldne v župnijski dvorani. Servirali bodo juho, svinjsko pečenko in pohanega piščanca. Dar je \$17 za odrasle in \$8 za otroke. Imeli bodo tudi prodajo peciva povezano s kosilom. Vstopnice dobite pri članicah društva, v župnišču ali pri vratih na dan kosila.

**KOLINE.** Upokojenci Slovenske Pristave bodo imeli njihovo letno kosilo s Kolinami tukaj pri Mariji Vnebovzeti v nedeljo 10. oktobra s serviranjem od 11:30 dopoldne do 2:30 popoldan. Kosilo je riževa ali krvava klobasa, pečenice, pražen krompir, kisló zelje, sladica in kava. Dar je \$17. Za več informacij, prosimo kličite Franka Vidmar na 440-478-3254. Rezervacije niso potrebne.

**KLIČEMO PEVCE!!!** Naš cerkveni pevski zbor pri maši ob 10:00 uri bo začel s pevske vaji v sredo 6. oktobra ob 7:00 zvečer. Mi vedno gledamo za nove pevce in pevke, posebno med našimi mlajšimi župljani, in povabimo vas, da pridete in požete z nami. Imamo lepo tradicijo lepe slovenske glasbe in petja v župniji, toda, mi potrebujemo naše mlajše ljudi, da držimo tradicijo močno in zvenečo.

**TAROK TURNIR** bo na Slovenski Pristavi v nedeljo 2. oktobra ob 2:30 popoldan. Vsi igralci lepo vabljeni.

**ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:**  
**To je dan, ki ga je naredil Gospod.**