

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 20, 2022

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY. Council met on Tuesday, February 8th at 7:30 p.m. It was a rather productive meeting. Fr. Kumse mentioned that since we are not having Maškarada, and a number of people said they would still like to have some sort of pre-Lenten celebration, he asked Council if having Koline or rice and blood sausage dinner would be feasible. Council agreed. Price for the dinner will be \$20. We will look into entertainment and a possible jam session.

Bob Frederico reported that plans for the Lenten fish fries are full steam ahead, but because of inflation all prices for food and paper products have increased, some dramatically. As an example, cooking oil went from \$27 for five gallons to \$42. Because of that, the price of dinners will have to increase. Cod dinners will be \$13. Ocean Perch and Combo dinners will be \$12. Shrimp and Crabcake dinners will be \$11. Homemade soup will be \$4. Both sit down dining and take-outs will be available. We will need a good number of helpers for the fish fries.

Church roof repairs were completed on the westside of the church. On inspecting other parts of the roof, Ohio Roofing also discovered damage by the chimney, which required rotted wood and deteriorated flashing to be replaced.

Our Maintenance man Jovo Mejak reported that the school boiler is on its last leg and will have to be replaced. The present boiler is over 30 years old. Fr. Kumse contacted the Facilities Office of the Diocese of Cleveland to offer recommendations for qualified firms to do the work. We will also look into the possibility to change the system from steam to hot water, which will be more efficient. We are also looking into a new stove ventilation hood being installed in the hall kitchen to handle the extra stove and friers. Council approved looking at some repainting in the church and Fr. Kumse will contact Conrad Schmitt Studios for feasibility. It was mentioned that many of the sidewalks around the church property are badly cracked. We will contact the city about whose responsibility it is to replace them.

The pastors of the Collinwood Cluster parishes met and because of some fearfulness on the part of some, we will again not have our Cluster Masses and socials. We will, however, have a Cluster Penance Service on Monday, April 4th, and that will be here at St. Mary's at 7:00 p.m. Since our parish is still offering Lenten devotions, such as Stations of the Cross and Adoration, we will extend an invitation to the other parishes to join us in solidarity.

The reduction in the number of Masses on Sunday will be a change and a challenge for everyone and nobody likes change. There are 2 proposals which will be presented to the parish: 8:30 a.m. English and 10:00 a.m. Slovenian or 9:00 a.m. English and 10:30 a.m. Slovenian. Keeping the status quo is not an option. Mass schedule change would not take effect until September, 2022. (continued in next column)

Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,197

Church Needs: \$100 from Slovenska Pristava; \$615 in memory of Eugene Kogovsek from family and friends.

The following in memory of Ann Zakacs: \$30 from Vida Omahen, \$20 from Marija Bajc

High School Scholarship Fund: \$100 anonymous

Your generosity to the parish is appreciated!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL. This weekend, throughout the Diocese of Cleveland, we have the opportunity to "Be the Light" to so many who turn to us in their time of need. It is Christ our Lord who uses us to bring the light of faith and generosity to nearly 400,000 people each year through 150 services and 60 locations in our eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland. For more than 100 years, Catholic Charities has provided help and given hope to the most vulnerable in society: the elderly, the homeless, children, the handicapped, the mentally and emotionally challenged, the poor. Please respond generously today if you have not done so already through Bishop Malesic's appeal letter. With EVERYONE doing his or her fair share, we can easily reach our goal of \$34,721. Don't be afraid to let your light shine in the darkness!!

FAT TUESDAY SAUSAGE DINNER. On Fat Tuesday, March 1st, the evening before Ash Wednesday, we will have a rice, blood and fresh sausage dinner in the parish hall from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Donation is \$20. We ask that you call the rectory office to make your choice of sausage and reservations at 216-761-7740 ASAP.

IT'S FISH FRY TIME! We will be serving both in-hall and take-out dinners on the Fridays of Lent (No Fish Fry on Good Friday). Dinners will be served from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We are in need of helpers for set up on Thursdays and especially for waiting tables on Fridays. We could really use the help of our younger adults, as well as our junior high and high school students.

Parish council meeting summary (cont.)

Response to the Lenten Bible Study on the Gospel Luke via Zoom has been very good.

Our Community Hot Meals Program has been getting great reviews from the people attending. The kitchen crew is not only creative, but hard working and dedicated to what they are doing. The added attention to menu and presentation, is both rewarding to those preparing the meals and greatly appreciated by those being served.

Council approved purchasing new table cloths for the parish hall and also looking into a new laundry service for our linens.

TODAY'S PSALM RESPONSE:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Masses for the Week of February 21-27, 2022

Monday:	(2/21) ST. PETER DAMIAN (Bishop and Doctor of the Church)
7:45 a.m.	Poor Souls
Tuesday:	(2/22) THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE
7:45 a.m.	Rudolph Kozan (Simoncic Family)
Wednesday:	(2/23) ST. POLYCARP (Bishop & Martyr)
7:45 a.m.	Ann Zakacs (30 Day)
Thursday:	(2/24) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Katerina Jereb (Cvetka Gabrič)
Friday:	(2/25) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Josephine Berkopec (30 Day)
Saturday:	(2/26) WEEKDAY
7:45 a.m.	Walter Majer (A.K.)
5:00 p.m.	Lojze Mohar (Family)
Sunday:	(2/27) EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Matija, Marija in brat France Golobič (Matija & Nežka Golobič)
12:00 noon	Sophie Matuch 98th Birthday (Matuch Daughters)

Lectors/Extraordinary Ministers
(Weekend of February 26th/27th)

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Jeanne Matuch/Cindy Smith
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Mary Louise Jesek/Tim Daley
	10:00 a.m.	Urška Pišorn/Frank Zalar
	12:00 noon	Joanna Pope/Marie Kushner

Please Pray for Our Sick: Mary Umek, Tom McNulty, Ted Jenda, Donna Strainer, Mladen & Dušanka Lengel, Baby Dylan Hoffart, Janelle Hoffart

May He Rest in God's Peace:
+Stanley Ferkul



LETNA KAMPANIJA KATOLIŠKE DOBRODELNOSTI. Ta konec tedna je po vsej Clevelandski škofiji priložnost, da "Bodite luč" mnogim, ki se obrnejo na nas v času stiskah. Kristus, naš Gospod, nas uporablja, da vsako leto prinesemo luč vere in velikodušnosti skoraj 400,000 ljudem preko 150 agencij in 60 lokacij v naših osmih okrožjih Clevelandске škofije. Katoliške dobrodelne organizacije že več kot 100 let nudijo pomoč in dajejo upanje najbolj ranljivim v družbi: ostarelim, brezdomcem, otrokom, invalidom, duševno in čustveno prizadetim, revnim. Prosim, da se danes velikodušno odzovete, če tega še niste storili s pismom škofa Malešiča. Ko VSI naredimo svoj delež, lahko z gotovostjo dosežemo svoj cilj \$34,721. Ne bojte se, da vaša svetloba sije v temi!!

ČAS JE ZA RIBJE VEČERJE! V petkih v postu bomo postregli večerje z ribami (samo na Veliki petek ne). Večerje bodo na voljo v dvorani ali za vzeti domov od 3:00. do 7:00 zvečer. Potrebujemo pomočnike za pripravo ob četrtkih predvsem pa ob petkih v dvorani za čiščenje miz. Rabimo pomoč naših mlajših odraslih, kakor tudi naših študentov.

DANES JE 7. NAVADNA NEDELJA

PUSTNI TOREK KOLINE. Na Pustni torek, 1. marca, večer pred pepelnično sredo, bomo imeli Pustne Koline v župnijski dvorani od 5:30 do 7:30 zvečer. Cena je \$20. Prosimo da pokličete župnijski urad na 216-761-7740 čim prej za rezervacije. **POROČILO PASTORALNEGA SVETA.** Svet se je sestel v torek, 8. februarja, ob 7:30 zvečer. Bil je precej produktiven sestanek. Ker ne bomo imeli Maškarade in ker je kar nekaj ljudi reklo, da bi vseeno radi imeli kakšno predpustno praznovanje, je g. Kumše vprašal če bi imeli večerja s Kolinami. Svet se je strinjal. Cena večerje bo \$20. Preučili bomo za zabavo in morebitni "jam session."

Bob Frederico je poročal, da načrti za postne ribje večerje napredujejo, vendar zaradi inflacije so cene hrane in papirnih izdelkov zvišane, nekatere tudi dramatično. Na primer, cena za pet galonov olja se je dvignila od \$27 do \$42. Zaradi tega se bodo morale cene večerje povišati. Večerje s pečeno ribo bodo \$13, ocvrte ribe (Ocean Perch) in combo večerje bodo \$12, shrimp in crab cakes pa bodo \$11. Domača juha bo stala \$4. Večerje bodo na voljo vzeti domov ali v dvorani. Potrebovali bomo veliko pomoči.

Popravilo cerkvene strehe je bilo končano na zahodni strani cerkve. Pri pregledu drugih delov strehe je Ohio Roofing odkril tudi poškodbe pri dimniku, ki je zahtevala zamenjavo gnilega lesa.

Naš hišnik Jovo Mejak je sporočil, da je šolski kotel na zadnji nogi in ga bo treba zamenjati. Sedanji kotel je star več kot 30 let. g. Kumše se je obrnil na Clevelandski škofijski urad "Facilities Office", če bi lahko priporočili sposobna podjetja za opravljanje dela. Preučili bomo tudi možnost zamenjati sistem iz pare na toplo vodo, kar bo bolj učinkovito. Preiskujemo tudi nova ventilacijska naprava za peč, ki bi bila napeljana v župnijski kuhinji za ravnanje z dodatno pečico. Svet je odobril da prebarvamo cerkev v prezbiteriju in g. Kumše bo kontaktiral Conrad Schmitt Studios glede možnosti. Omenjeno je bilo, da je veliko pločnikov okoli cerkvenega posestva zelo razpokanih. Stopili bomo v stik z mestom, čigava je odgovornost jih je zamenjati.

Župniki Collinwoodskih župnij so se srečali, in zaradi strahu nekaterih, letos spet ne bomo imeli skupnih postnih maš in srečanj. Bomo pa imeli skupno spokorno pobožnost v ponedeljek, 4. aprila, in to bo tukaj pri Mariji vnebovzeti ob 7:00 zvečer. Ker ima naša župnija še vedno postne pobožnosti, kot sta križev pot in češčenje, bomo povabili tudi ostale župnije, da se nam pridružijo v solidarnosti.

Zmanjšanje število maš v nedeljo bo sprememba in izziv za vse in nihče ne mara sprememb. Obstajata 2 predloga ki bosta predstavljena župniji: 8:30 zjutraj angleška in ob 10:00 zjutraj slovenska ali ob 9:00 zjutraj angleška in ob 10:30 zjutraj slovenska. Pustiti tako kot je zdaj ni možnost. Sprememba mašnega urnika se ne bo začelo pred septembrom 2022.

Odziv za postni študij svetega pisma po Luku preko Zooma je bil zelo dober.

Naše tople večerje prejemajo odlične ocene obiskovalcev. Kuhinjska ekipa ni samo kreativna, ampak je pridna in predana temu, kar dela. Dodatna pozornost k jedilniku in predstavitvi, je tako zadovoljiva za tiste, ki pripravljajo obroke, kot tudi za tiste, ki jim postrežejo.

Svet je odobril nakup novih prtov za župnijsko dvorano in preučil tudi novo firmo za pranje naših prtov.

ODPEV DANAŠNJEGA PSALMA JE:
Gospod je milostljiv in usmiljen.