

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 41) --- TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME --- OCTOBER 22, 2017
Rectory Office: 822-0818

NOTE: The 7:30 a.m. Mass will not be celebrated on October 23, 24, 25 and 26. Fr. Chris will be at Retreat. Father will have the 7:30 Mass on Friday, October 27. **ALSO:** No Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday, October 24.

TODAY: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. This collection helps support more than 1000 mission dioceses throughout the world to care for Christian communities. Through the work of these Churches, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please be generous in this second collection.

MONDAY CCD classes from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 24: NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION TODAY.

WEDNESDAY: The Divine Heart of the Child Jesus Prayer Group and Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. in the Class Rooms of the Rectory.

100th ANNIVERSARY HISTORY BOOKS

Souvenir History Books are being sold in the vestibule of our church after all weekend Masses, and at the rectory. Price of one book is \$15.00, and has much information about the beginning of our parish in 1917 to this year 2017.

DONATION TO OUR PARISH: \$ _____ from Dimitrije Ajvaz. Thank you for your donation.

TODAY, 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: By His teaching, Jesus drew many Jews to Himself. Their faith was strengthened by the Teacher of Nazareth. They lived their life with the Lord. But not all accepted Jesus. Others were against Him. The followers of the pagan Herod were very close to the occupational Roman power and the Pharisees who remained faithful to tradition and who wanted freedom for Israel. Both groups were looking at Jesus as their enemy and wanted to remove Him from their midst. They tried to trick Jesus with a question about taxes. First, they flatteringly state that Jesus is a "truthful man" and that he teaches the way of God in accordance with the truth. After that, they posed a shrewd question: *"Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?"* For the faithful Jews, at that time, the paying of taxes to the pagan Caesar was not only political but also a deep religious question. If He answers that it is allowed, the Pharisees would say that He is sinful and a friend of the hated foreigners. By saying that it is OK to pay taxes, one would recognize the Roman power over Israel, where only God can rule over the Chosen people -- Israel. If He would say that it is unlawful to pay taxes, the followers of Herod might accuse Him: *"The Teacher of Nazareth instigates the people to declare war against Roman power"* Jesus surprised all who were present by saying: ***"Show me the coin that pays the census taxes."*** Then He continued: ***"Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and give to God what belongs to God."*** One has to submit to lawful government as well as fulfill his religious duty toward God.

NOVEMBER 2: (ALL SOULS DAY) *"The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed"*. Extra All Souls Day envelopes are in the vestibule. If you wish to donate for your dearly departed, list their names on the envelope and deposit it in the collection baskets.

THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19: The Bake Sale will be held at our Cardinal Stepinac Auditorium. Once again, we ask all our wonderful female and male bakers of our parish to bake something for this event to help us make it another successful event for our parish.

Sept. Bingo Report: 4 Bingos. Receipts \$ _____ Expenses \$ _____ Profit \$ _____

DANAS: 29. NEDJELJA KROZ GODINU: Isus je svojim naučavanjem mnoge pridobio za sebe. U njima je sve više rasla i jačala vjera u Učitelja iz Nazareta. Oni su svoj život vezali zauvijek s Gospodinom. No svi ga nisu prihvaćali. NaLazimo čak čije skupine koje se dižu protiv Njega. Tu su najprije Herodovci koji su držali s poganskim Herodom i bili pristalice okupacione rimske vlasti te farizeji, koji u ostali vjerni Predaji i pod svaku cijenu željeli slobodu Izraela. Začudo! Kad su se radilo o Isusu, obadvije su se stranke složile i u njemu su gledali zajedničkog neprijatelja. Postavljaju mu stupice, kušaju ga i žele pod svaku cijenu da ga uklone iz svoje sredine. Ovaj puta pronalaze novac kao predmet diskusije. Najprije laskavo tvrde, da je Isus "istinit te po istini uči, a iza toga mu postavljaju lukavo pitanje: "Je li dopušteno dati porez caru ili nije? "Ako Isus odgovori, da je dopušteno, mogli bi mu farizeji predbaciti da je i sam bezbožan i prijatelj omraženih stranaca. Za pobožne je Izraelce u ono vrijeme pitanje plaćanja poreza poganskom caru u Rim bilo ne samo političko pitanje, nego i duboko religiozno. Time se priznavala rimska vlast nad Izraelom, nad kojim samo Bog može vladati. Ako li pak Isus reče da nije dozvoljeno plaćati porez, mogli bi ga pred rimskom vlašću optužiti Herodovi prijatelji, koji su s Rimljanima surađivali. Optužba bi bila teška: Učitelj iz Nazareta poučava narod protiv državne rimske vlasti. Isus je svojim odgovorom sve prisutne iznenadio. On, kojem su poznate sve tajne ljudskih srdaca, dobro zna što njegovi neprijatelji drže i svojim džepovima. Farizeji su mrzili Rimljane i isticali da su vjerni Zakonu. U isto su vrijeme radili s rimskim novcem, jer je imao veću vrijednost nego njihov hramski novac. Ništa ih nije smetalo niti grizla savjest što kod sebe nose taj omraženi rimski novac sa slikom poganskog cara. Na Isusove riječi: "Pokažite mi porezni novac", oni vade iz svojih džepova rimski denar. Već su se tom činjenicom blamirali. No još ih je više iznenadilo što im je Isus rekao: "Podajte carevo caru, Božje Bogu." Duhovno i svjetovno kraljevstvo dva su različita svijeta, koji se ne mogu poistovjetiti. Treba vršiti svoje dužnosti prema zakonitoj vlasti, ali kod toga ne smije se zaboraviti na svoje dužnosti prema Bogu.

++VOCATION THOUGHT++

Ministry is always a privilege. The work of ministry does not originate with us, but only through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. Are you open to let the Holy Spirit work through you? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND

5:00 p.m. David Petrus
9:00 a.m. Jim Carr
10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric

LECTORS OCT. 21 & 22:

5:00 p.m. Richard Moretti
9:00 a.m. Jim Carr
10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 41) - - - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - - - OCTOBER 22, 2017
Rectory Office: 822-0818

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF OCTOBER 22, 2017

Saturday, Oct. 21: 5:00 p.m. = dec: Edward Manka (Death remembrance) by daughter Deanna Zak and family.

Sunday, Oct. 22: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Robert Levulis by niece Joanne Barbic.

10:15 a.m. = dec: Lucija Gojevic by family and friends. Slavka Konta by Vlado and Perka Kresic.
(+ 2nd Mass March 18 at 7:30 a.m.)

THE FOLLOWING MASSES WILL BE OFFERED BY FATHER CHRIS AT HIS RELIGIOUS RETREAT:

Monday, Oct. 23: 7:30 a.m. = : Living and deceased members of Barone family by Robert Barone.

Tuesday, Oct. 24: 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.

Wednes. Oct. 25: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Sandy Ficzero (Death anniversary) by brother Steve Ficzero.

Thursday, Oct. 26: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Kenneth Petre by Bowen family. Rosina Gineli by Bingo workers.
Sister Clarissa by Peggy Matwijko and son.

Friday, Oct. 27: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Paul Cohan by son Shawn and Annie Pecaric-Cohan. Living and deceased memvers of Reisch family by Phyllis Petre.

Saturday, Oct. 28: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Ed Krypel by Chris and Linda Duncan. Sister Clarissa by 'Mikey' and family.

(Vigil Mass for Sunday) **5:00 p.m. = dec:** Sister Clarissa by Helen levulis.

Sunday, Oct. 29: 9:00 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.

10:15 a.m. = dec: Lucija Gojevic by family and friends.