

**OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN**  
**(Week no. 2) - - - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - - - - JANUARY 14, 2018**  
**Rectory Office: 822-0818**

**TODAY:** Holy Name Society Sunday observed. Members are encouraged to go to Confession and receive Holy Communion.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 15:** Martin Luther King Holiday. No CCD classes tonight.

**WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. and Prayer Group.

**SATURDAY:** Singing practice at 1:00 p.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Second collection will be for our utilities.

**TODAY: 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** Today's Gospel records Andrew's reaction to John's calling Jesus **Lamb of God**. He rushed immediately up to our Lord and asked to speak to Him alone at the home where Jesus was staying. All Andrew needed was a few hours to make a permanent, irrevocable commitment to discipleship. Capernaum, Andrew's city, later became one of Jesus' favorite stops on His continuous journey to gather souls. In Andrew's story, as well as the Old Testament story of the prophet Samuel, we see the genesis anatomy of God's election. It comes to us through our baptism. We are reminded of the only response that matters: **commitment to a life in Christ in grace**. First, God's election follows sincere, humble curiosity; a holy curiosity about the mystery of life and death, our identity and goals. Like Andrew we must all put aside the distractions of this world and seek our interview with Christ living as our Risen Lord in our midst. Second, there is a need for contemplation. We must try to remain open to the Spirit; to say with Samuel: **"Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."** (This requires turning off media and putting aside the newspaper; shutting out the clamor of modern life.) Otherwise God's personal call to us cannot be heard. No Christian can live without prayer. God calls to us by name. We will hear Him if we occasionally halt our routine worldly pursuits and make contact with His living presence.

**FOR PARISHONERS INFORMATION**

**"MARCH FOR LIFE" PILGRIMAGE::** On Thursday, January 18th, folks traveling to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. by bus will park their cars on our church parking lot. The cars will remain there from early January 18 until very early on Friday, January 19 or early Saturday morning on January 20.

**+++VOCATION THOUGHT - - JAN. 14+++**

John the Baptist, when referring to Jesus, exclaimed: **"Behold the Lamb of God!"** This prompted Andrew and Simon Peter to follow Jesus. How is Jesus asking you to proclaim His name and make disciples for Him? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" series on our website:  
[www.buffalovocations.org](http://www.buffalovocations.org)!

**DANAS: 2. NEDJELJA KROZ GODINU:** U evanđelskom je odlomku na prvome mjestu Krstiteljev poziv: neposredno upućvatnije na Jaganjca Božjega. Taj izričaj podsjeća na pashalnoga Jaganjica su ga Židovi žrtvovali svake godine na uspomenu oslobođenja iz Egipta (Izl 12) i na Jaganje što ga "na klanje odvedoše . . . a on nije otvorio usta svojih" (Is 53.7) posljednji hvalospjev o služu

Jahvinu). Taj izričaj tumači i odražuje činjenicu da po Ivanu Isus umire upravo u trenutku kad su Židovi klali pashalnoga Jaganjca (u tome se upravo i razlikuje od sinoptika, usp. (Iv 19, 31-37) odraz toga poimanja nalazi se i u "zaklanom Jaganjcu" u Otk 5 6 (isti autor). Ivanono svejedočanstvo tumači dakle Isusov životni poziv i tome poziva da se slušatalji uključe u taj poziv. Taj je pak poziv pokrenuo dva Ivanova učenika te su pošli za Isusom. Jer pravi se njihov obrat dogodio u osobnom susretu i razgovoru s Isusom. Zovu ga *Rabbi...Učitelju*, što zacijelo znači da od njega očekuju tumačenje Pisma u pogledu tada važnoga pitanja o Mesiji. I umjesto tumačenja o Mesiji nalaze u njemu baš njega --- Mesiju samoga. Upravo to svjedoči Andrija bratu Petru: "*Našli smo Mesiju.*" (I 41). Isus i nastupa suvereno, baš kao Mesija, te Petru mijenja ime, tj. poziv, sadržaj života. Današnje nam je evanđelje putokaz za provjeravanje i življenje toga poziva. Učenicima je to putokaz prema Isusu. Prihvatanje pak Isusa kakvim se on očituje -- sam kakim ga očekuju --- dovodi do osobnog suočenja s njime i do promijenjenoga životnog usmjerenja, sadržaja, popoziva. Ali još će drugo oni treba biti u Isusovoj školi života dok to potpuno ne private i ostvare.

**AREA EVENTS**

**"Exploring the Caves of the Dead Sea" - -** a virtual tour and stories of Deacon Dave Rotterman's expedition that re-explored the Cave of Letters along the Dead Sea, on Monday, January 29 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Our Lady of Pompeii, 158 Laverack Ave, Lancaster.

Home-made pierogi sale at St. Francis of Assisi Social Center, 4263 St. Francis Drive, Athol Springs. Pierogi will be on sale on Wednesday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Beginning January 31 until March 24. Price per 1/2 dozen is \$5.00, and \$10.00 per dozen. Orders must be placed by March 1st, 2018 to ensure availability. For more information or to place an order call Geri Koss at 627-5680.

**THIS WEEKEND:**

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

**LECTORS JANUARY 20 & 21:**

5:00 p.m. Gregory Schenck  
9:00 a.m. Jim Carr  
10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric

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**MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2018**

<b>Saturday, Jan. 13: 5:00 p.m. = dec:</b> (Vigil Mass for Sunday)	<b>Stella Peričak (Birth remembrance) by daughter Diane Pokojski.</b> <b>Abalgiso Monaco by Carmela and Tony Monaco.</b> <b>Steve Stmad (Death anniversary) by wife Frances and family.</b> <b>(+ 2nd 3rd Mass October 3 and October 10.)</b>
<b>Sunday, Jan.14: 9:00 a.m. = dec:</b> (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)	<b>Mary Ann Niziol by Ronald and Nancy Gawronski.</b>
<b>10:15 a.m.= dec:</b>	<b>Mika i Josip Ledić by Nevenka Radoš.</b>
<b>Monday, Jan. 15: 7:30 a.m. = :</b> (Weekday)	<b>For all our parishioners.</b>
<b>Tuesday, Jan.16: 7:30 a.m. = dec:</b> (Weekday)	<b>For all souls in Purgatory.</b>
<b>Wednes. Jan. 17: 7:30 a.m. = dec:</b> (St. Anthony, Abbot)	<b>Melenie Seres by Robert Barone.</b>
<b>Thursday, Jan. 18: 7:30 a.m. = dec:</b> (Weekday)	<b>Joseph Pecaric by daughter Annie and Shawn Pecaric-Cohan.</b> <b>Living and deceased members of Petre family by the Petre family.</b> <b>Living intentions of Rev. Patrick O'Keefe by Margaret Anne.</b>
<b>Friday, Jan. 19: 7:30 a.m. = dec:</b> (Weekday)	<b>For all souls in Purgatory.</b>
<b>Saturday, Jan. 20: 7:30 a.m. = :</b> (St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr) (St. Sebastian, Martyr) (Bl. virgin Mary) (Vigil Mass for Sun.) <b>5:00 p.m. = dec:</b>	<b>Special intention by Kujawski family.</b> <b>Edward Peričak (Death anniversary) by daughter Diane Pokojski.</b>
<b>Sunday, Jan.21: 9:00 a.m. = dec:</b> (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)	<b>Sister Clarissa by Ron and Nancy Gawronski.</b>
<b>10:15 a.m. = dec:</b>	<b>For all souls in Purgatory.</b>