

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 4) - - - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - - - JANUARY 28, 2018
Rectory Office: 822-0818

TODAY: Second collection is for **Catholic Relief Services**.

This collection funds six Catholic agencies that work to serve Jesus in the disguise of our brothers and sisters around the world. Please be generous.

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

THURSDAY, (New Day) Bible Study Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 1&15 and March 1&15. Easter break.

FRIDAY, FEB. 2: First Friday of month. Rosary, Litany and Benediction at 7:30 a.m. Mass.

SATURDAY, FEB. 3: First Saturday of month. Special prayer at 7:30 a.m. Mass: "Act of Reparation For Blasphemies Against Blessed Virgin Mary."

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

NEXT WEEKEND: We were notified by Bishop Malone that two Diocesan collections will be combined next weekend in order to reduce the number of collections. Therefore, the collection will be for **Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and for Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland**. Proceeds from this collection will be split evenly between the two beneficiaries.

TODAY: 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: "Possessed by an unclean spirit." . . . Are you able to drive evil spirits out of people? Does your presence among others cause a change in them for the better? Does it cause them to lose their fears? Does it make their anger, greed, jealousy and torpor wane? Does it trigger a renewed will to live? Do they await your coming with joy, because you bring optimism, peace, light, new ideas, because you widen their horizons, inspire them to creative endeavors because you give them new life? Or perhaps you drive evil spirits into people. Perhaps your presence demoralizes those around you, brings ferment, envy, intrigue in its wake! Perhaps your presence, your example paralyzes initiative, creates apathy toward human problems, neglect of duties, a shrugging of responsibility, a concentration on strictly personal affairs. Perhaps you are like Satan who delights in demoralization, stagnation, and decay. Perhaps you are glad when people are evil, ignorant, cowardly and crude. Perhaps you are pleased that they perpetually envy everybody everything. Perhaps you are happy to see people locked in combat, biting and clawing at each other. Are you able to drive the evil spirits out of people? Or perhaps you drive evil spirits into them.

DANAS: 4. NEDJELJA KROZ GODINU: "Opsjednut nečistim duhom"... Umiješ li iz ljudi istjerivati nečiste duhove? Utječe li tvoja pristnost na ljude tako, mijenjaju bolje, da se prestanu bojati, da se ostave zloće i neiskrenosti, da im se vrati životna radost? Očekuju li te s veseljem, jer donosiš mir, vedrinu, optimizam, nove ideje i horizonte, volju za stvaralačkim radom - jer unjima budiš novi životni duh! A možda nosiš ljudima zloduhe. Možda svojim prisutnošću obeshrabruješ okolinu, usaduješ ogorčenost, zavist i podmuklost. Možda upravo tvoja nazočnost drugima koči inicijative, otupljuje im volju za ljudsku nevolju, zavodi ih pa više ne vjeruju u mogućnost popravka. Možda si ti kriv da u njima nema odgovornosti, da se staraju još jedino za se i vlastiti boljitak. Možda sličiš sotoni koji se raduje malodušnosti, zdvojnosti i pokvarenosti. Možda se ti veseliš, ako su ljudi zli, glupi, lijeni, ako si međusobno zavide i jedni druge satire. Znaš li iz ljudi tjerati nečiste duhove, ili u njih tjeráš zloduhe?

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

First Holy Communion classes will start on Monday, February 5th at 5:30 p.m. in the rectory classrooms. If anyone would like

to have their children or grandchildren join us, please call Mrs. Anne Pecaric-Cohan at 716-860-1461 or 716-604-8998.

RCIA Confirmation classes will start on Sunday, February 4 at 10:00 a.m. **OR** Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. Anyone who is out of High School, has been Baptized and made their First Holy Communion has an opportunity to be Confirmed at the Easter Vigil. Eight sessions will be held and each session will last 1.5 hours.

ASH WEDNESDAY is on February 14. Family Stations of the Cross will start on Friday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. We are looking for families to participate in reciting the Stations, helping in the Choir and readings. If you or your family would like to help, please call Shawn or Anne at 860-1461 or 604-8998.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Date: Sunday, February 25, from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon. Scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns, corn bread, breakfast roll, coffee, tea, milk and juice. Presale tickets: \$7.00; tickets bought at the door of our hall: \$9.00. Tickets will be sold in the vestibule of our church after Mass on February 4, 11 and 18.

ST. GIANNA MOLLA BENEFIT BANQUET

The 7th Annual Benefit Banquet for the St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach Center will be held Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the Millenium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga,. Tickets are \$65.00 per person/students \$50.00. The deadline for reservations is February 19th. Forms are available in the vestibule of the church, or register online at www.buffalodiocese.org->Advocacy & Catholic Social Teaching->Pro-Life->St Gianna Molla Center. We would like to have a table for our parish, so if you are interested in going please contact Jane Mead (827-1923) to let her know.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

"I have never been so excited to learn in my life" said Victoria, a student in Catholic Charities' Tomorrow's Youth Today Program. Tomorrow's Youth Today is just one of many services offered through Catholic Charities. In the Program, students like Victoria are able to upgrade reading or math skill levels, prepare for the High School equivalency exam, gain job readiness skills and find paid work experiences and other employment preparation. Your donation to the Catholic Charities' 2018 Appeal helps us to continue to educate, monitor and set up young people for success. To make a donation today, call 716-218-1400 or visit www.ccnny.org/donation. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. "Love your neighbor." (Gal. 5:14)

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND:

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

LECTORS FEB. 3 & 4:

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

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MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2018

Saturday, Jan. 27: 5:00 p.m. = dec: For our Sister Clarissa by Alex and Barbara Druzvik.
(4th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Michael Klemenich (Birth remembrance) by daughter-in-law Mary Ann Klemenich and family. (+ 2nd Mass Oct. 17 at 7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, Jan.28: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Mary Ann and John Niziol by Mary Loncarevich.
10:15 a.m.= dec: Special intention by Lana Gavran sa obitelj.

Monday, Jan. 29: 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.

Tuesday, Jan.30: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Living and deceased members of the Petre family by Petre family.

Wednes. Jan. 31: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Lucija Gojevic by family and friends.
Posebna nakana na čast Majke Božje by Lana Gavran.

Thursday, Feb. 1: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Joseph and Mary Grgas by daughter and son Marie and Joseph.
Charles and Mary Barone by son Robert.
Robert Bartokvich by wife Patricia, children and grandson Michael.
(+ 3rd Mass July 12 at 7:30 a.m.)

Friday, Feb. 2: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Janette Ciambella (Death anniversary) by her sister Phyllis Petre.
FIRST FRIDAY

Saturday, Feb. 3: 7:30 a.m. = : Special intention by Kujawski family.
FIRST SATURDAY
(Vigil Mass for Sun.) **5:00 p.m. = dec:** For all souls in Purgatory.

Sunday, Feb. 4: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Dennis Yager by Mary Loncarevich.
(5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
10:15 a.m. = dec: Pava Bošnjak by Josip and Mirjana Pešo.

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