

**OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN**  
**(Week no. 9) - - - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - - - - MARCH 4, 2018**  
**Rectory Office: 822-0818**

**MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 4, 2018**

**Saturday, March 3:** 5:00 p.m. = dec: Janet Hayes by Vince and Janet Dragone and family. Clark Petre by family and friends.  
(+2nd Mass April 12 at 7:30 a.m.)

**Sunday, March 4:** 9:00 a.m. = dec: Joseph Gawlak (Death anniversary) by wife Sally. Peter Doyle by Ron & Nancy Gawronski.  
(+2nd Mass October 23 at 7:30 a.m.)

**10:15 a.m. = dec:** Vlado Slat by brother parents.

**Monday, March 5:** 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.  
(Lenten Weekday)

**Tuesday, March 6:** 7:30 a.m. = dec: Living and deceased members of Reisch family by Phyllis Petre.  
(Lenten Weekday)

**Wednes. March 7:** 7:30 a.m. = dec: Rita Dudczak by Jack and Mary Panczykowski.  
(Ss. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs)

**Thursday, March 8:** 7:30 a.m. = dec: Lucija Gojevic by family and friends. Slavka Konta by Vlado and Perka Krešić.  
(St. John of God, Rveligious)

**Friday, March 9:** 7:30 a.m. = : Special intention by Kujawski family.  
(St. Frances of Rome, Religious)

**Saturday, March 10:** 7:30 a.m. = dec: Virginia Millspaugh (Birth remembrance) by Tom and Jane Mead.  
(Lenten Weekday)

(Vigil Mass for Sunday) **5:00 p.m. = dec:** Ann Grgas by husband Steve Grgas.

**Sunday, March 11:** 9:00 a.m. = dec: Clara Ficzer by son Steve. Christine Klemenich (13 year death anniversary) by husband Peter and family. Robert Baartokvich (Death remembrance) bywife Patricia, children and grandson Michael.  
(4th Sunday in Lent)

**10:15 a.m. = dec:** Na nakanu Davida Kežica.

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**MONTH OF MARCH IS DEDICATED TO ST. JOSEPH**

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

**MONDAY:** CCD classes from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. First Communion class starts at 5:30 p.m.

**TUESDAYS (DURING LENT):** Confessions every Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m. Also, confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3 to 4 p.m. and before weekend Masses.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 6:** Parish Council meeting at 7:15 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7:** Bible Study Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. and will meet every other week on Wednesdays.

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT:** Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

**RCIA Confirmation classes** will be on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. or Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

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

**NEXT WEEKEND:** *Daylight Saving Time* begins Sunday, March 11. Please set your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday.

**DECEASED:** Parishioner John Bozich died February 26th. He is the son of Ann Bozich and husband of Diane Bozich. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in our church Thursday, March 1st. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** Pledge cards have been mailed to all parishioners. Return your pledge cards and donations to help Catholic Charities provide assistance to all needy families. You may drop your donations in our weekend collection baskets. Thank you for your support of all Catholic Charities' programs.

**TODAY: 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT:** Entering into the Jerusalem temple, Jesus acts as the promised Messiah. The prophet Malachi says: "*Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of Hosts!*" (Mal. 3, 1). In the book of the prophet Zechariah we read: "*There shall no longer be a trader in the house of the Lord of hosts on that day.*" (Zech. 14, 21). The zeal for the Lord's temple made Jesus do what He did. And making a whip of the cords, He drove the oxen and sheep out of the temple; and He poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. In His holy anger He said: "*Take these things away. You shall not make my Father's house a house of trade.*" No one confronted Him because His disciples remembered that it is written: "*Zeal for your house will consume me.*" The temple was a place for holy prayers, meditation, 'let in' for the sacrifices and they desecrated it by trading and inappropriate behavior. Jesus could not allow the holiest place for every Israelite - - - which is the heart of the Holy Land, where good accepts and collects his people, undergo desecration. That's why Jesus reacted that way and showed all that the temple is a holy place, and that they desecrate it.

**DANAS: TREĆA NEDJELJA U KORIZMI:** Isus ulazeći u hram nastupa kao obećani Mesija. Za nj je napisao prorok Malahija: "Evo šaljem glasnika da put preda mnogom pripravi. I doći će iznenada u Hram svoj Gospod koga vi tražite i Andeo Saveza koga žudite!" (3, 1). Ili kod Zaharije (14, 21) čitamo: "I u dan onaj ne će više biti trgovaca u Domu Gospodina nad vojskama!" Revnosta za Dom nebeskog Oca učinila je svoje: ispleo je bič od užeta te istjerao iz hrama prodavače zajedno sa stokom i ovcama. Ispravnio je mjenjačima stolove i prosvao novac. U svetom je gnjevu govorio: "Nosite se odavde i ne pravite od kuće Oca mojega kuću trgovačku!" I nitko mu se nije usudio suprotstaviti, jer je revnovao za čast i slavu svetog mjesta: hrama Božjega, koji je bio mjesto svete molitve, sabranosti i žrtve, a oni su to mjesto svete Božje prisutnosti obeščastili trgovinom i nedoljčnim vladanjem. Isus nije mogao dopustiti da to najsvetije mjesto svakom Izraelcu, to srce Svete Zemlje, gdje Bog prihvaća i sabire svoj narod, trpi obeščastjenje. Zato je reagirao i svima pokazao da je sveto mjesto gdje se nalaze, a oni su ga u toliko mjeri ponizili i obezvrjedili.

**REPORT OF FEB. 25th HOLY NAME BREAKFAST**

Receipts: \_\_\_\_\_ Expenses: \_\_\_\_\_ Total profit: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thanks to everyone for helping the men of our parish. And thanks to the men who worked hard to make this a successful event. You did a great job!

**UPON THIS ROCK CAMPAIGN**

**Message from Father Chris:** "I am happy to announce that we received a check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ from the Diocese of Buffalo. WE receive a check twice a year because we met our quota. For your information, this check will be used toward roof repairs of our buildings. Thank you all for making this happen for our parish."

**AREA EVENTS**

St. Francis High School students present a musical called **The Addams Family**. DATES: March 16 and 17 at 7:00 p.m. and March 18 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available through the main of the school or online at [www.stfranchishigh.org](http://www.stfranchishigh.org). All seats are reserved so call or visit early for best selection. (627-1200).

**LECTORS THIS WEEKEND:**

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

**LECTORS MARCH 10 & 11:**

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