

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 12) - - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - - MARCH 25, 2018
Rectory Office: 822-0818

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 25, 2018

Saturday, March 24: 5:00 p.m. = dec: For all souls in Purgatory.
(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

Sunday, March 25: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Dennis Mead by Tom and Jane Mead. Robert Bartokvich by wife Patricia, children and grandson Michael. Joanne Krakowski by Rose Stewart. (+2nd & 3rd Mass November 20 and December 5.)

10:15 a.m. = dec: Jela and Anto Petrusic by children and grandchildren.

Monday, March 26: 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.
(Monday of Holy Week)

Tuesday, March 27: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Clark Petre by Henry and Dorothy Widlak.
(Tuesday of Holy Week)

Wednesday, March 28: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Stephen and Katherine Barbic by daughters Joanne and Lorraine and grandchildren. Robert Bartokvich by wife Patricia, children and grandson Michael.
(Wed. of Holy Week)

Thursday, March 29: 7:30 a.m. = : NO MASS AT 7:30 A.M.
(HOLY THURSDAY) 7:00 P.M. = dec: Anthony Kostempski by Choir members.

Friday, March 30: 7:30 a.m. = : NO MASS AT 7:30 A.M.
(GOOD FRIDAY)

Saturday, March 31: 7:30 a.m. = : NO MASS AT 7:30 A.M.
(HOLY SATURDAY) 8:00 P.M. = dec: Ivica Čačić by Elizabeth and Steve Miletić. Living and deceased members of the Dragone and Urban families by Dragone family. Clark Petre by family and friends.

Sunday, April 1: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Clark Petre by Linda and Chris Duncan. Felicia Redden by Tom and Jane Mead. Charles and Mary Barone by son Robert.
(EASTER SUNDAY)

10:15 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 27: Confessions from 6 to 7 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 29:
7:00 p.m.: Mass of the Last Supper.
(Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10:00 p.m.)

Good Friday, March 30:
2:30 p.m.: Stations of the Cross.
3:00 p.m.: Passion Readings.
6 to 7 p.m.: Confessions.
7:00 p.m.: Stations of the Cross in Croatian.

Holy Saturday, March 31:
3:00 p.m. Blessing of food baskets in the church.
8:00 p.m. Vigil Mass for Easter.

Easter Sunday, (Resurrection of the Lord), April 1:
9:00 a.m. English Mass.
10:15 a.m. Croatian Mass.

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

TUESDAYS (DURING LENT): Confession from 6 to 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28: Bible Study Group will not meet today.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30: *GOOD FRIDAY.* Collection is for the Holy Land.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS: from Ivan and Carol Boljkovac. from Petar and Lana Gavran. Thank you for your donations.

TODAY: PALM SUNDAY: The Jewish people tried to proclaim Jesus King many times. He refused that honor each time. Jesus hid Himself from people until He accepted that honor today. A crowd followed Him from Bethany to bring Him to Jerusalem. Jesus rode on a donkey, and the crowd that followed Him carried palms in their hands, and cried out "HOSANNA". Jewish kings had cloths placed in front of them as they entered Jerusalem on their crowning, and the same was done for Jesus. He was acknowledging that He is David's offspring. He decided to take a seat on the Kingly Throne. People accepted Him and cried out to Him with this Kingly greeting: "Hosanna to the Son of David". Why did Jesus accept those honors? He was entering Jerusalem to suffer and die, but that suffering and death is not born out of His weakness but of His free will. He did not die because the Jews hated Him, but because He loved them and all mankind with immense love. As the High Priest, He went to the Cross as though going to the Altar offering a sacrifice to God. As a great King, He was drawing all men to Himself. He lived to see His triumphal Kingly entrance into His own city Jerusalem. This is Jesus' crowning moment, and He solemnly proclaimed: "Yes, I am King".

MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE OF BUFFALO: *If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church....* Please believe in the possibility for hope and help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. Every arch/diocese/eparchy in the United States now has a **victim assistance coordinator** who is available to obtain support for your needs, to help you make a formal complaint of abuse to the arch/diocese/eparchy, and to arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, if you desire. The victim assistance coordinator for the Diocese of Buffalo is: **Ms. Jacqueline Joy, Catholic Charities, 495 Main St, Dunkirk, NY 14048.** You can also contact her at jacqueline.joy@ccwvny.org. **REPORT HOTLINE: (716) 895-3010.**

DANAS: CVJETNICA: Vec prije, nekoliko puta, kušao je židovski narod Isusa proglašiti kraljem. On je svaki put odbio kraljevsku čast. Skrio se od naroda. Danas je primio ponudu. Izšli su k njemu sve do u Betaniju, da ga dovedu u Jeruzalem. Pratili su ga s palmimim granama u ruci. A on je jašio na magarcu. Tako su židovski kraljevi ulazili u Jeruzalem, na dan svoje krunice. Jednako su pred nima prostrali haljine kao i danas pred Isusom. Jednako su im pjevali "Hozanna" kao i danas Isusu. Isus daje svemu svijetu na znanje, da je potomak Davida kralja, i da je odlučio zasjesti na kraljevsko prijestolje. Narod ga je kao takova primio i pozdravio dovikujući mu kraljevski pozdrav: "Hozanna sinu Davidovu". Zašto je Isus primio danas ove počasti, koje je prije toliko puta odbio? Razlog je očit. Isus ulazi u Jeruzalem da bude mučen i propet. Ali ta muka i smrt nije plod Isusove slabosti nego njegove slobode. Nije Isus umro zato, jer su židovi njega neizmjerio mrzili, nego zato jer je on i židove i sve ljude neizmjerio ljubio. Kao veliki svećenik pošao je na oltar, na kojem će prikazati žrtvu Bogu. Kao veliki kralj pošao je na križ, da od njega napravi prijestolje, s kojega će osvojiti i k sebi privući sav svijet. Zato je morao doživjeti ovaj kraljevski ulaz u svoj kraljevski grad. To je njegova kruničbena svečanost. Zato je upravo za vrijeme muke, pred Pilatom, kad je sav svijet njega sažaljavao kao "ljudsku bijedu", on proglasio svoje kraljevstvo: "Da, ja sam Kralj!"

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

This is the second weekend of Appeal 2018! Now is the perfect time to show love for your neighbors in your community and make a donation if you haven't done so already. Every day Catholic Charities is helping those in most need, and your donation continues that reality for so many across the Diocese of Buffalo's eight counties. Our services protected, strengthened and empowered the lives of nearly 153,000 people last year. Your gift makes that power of love known. Please return your pledge cards and donation by depositing them in our **weekend collection baskets** or mail them to the rectory.

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND:

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

LECTORS MAR. 29 to 31:

Thurs. 7:00 P.M.: As assigned.
Friday 3:00 P.M.: As assigned.
Sat. 8:00 P.M.: As assigned.

LECTORS APRIL 1

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