

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 13) - - EASTER SUNDAY - - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - - APRIL 1, 2018
Rectory Office: 822-0818

MONTH OF APRIL IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

EASTER GREETINGS FROM FATHER CHRIS

"SRETAN USKRS AND A VERY BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER " to our parishioners, friends, neighbors and benefactors. We are very grateful to all who made this year's Holy Week celebrations beautiful: Decorators, Choir members, Altar Servers and Lectors. Our sincere thanks to all who devotedly followed Jesus from Palm Sunday through Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. Our Lord's greeting: **"PEACE BE WITH YOU. DO NOT BE AFRAID"** should be our solace and comfort in this life, for it means that Jesus is with us, and when He is with us we need not fear. Christ's Easter message is: **LIFE, LIGHT, PEACE AND HOPE.** He bids us to put away fear and anxiety."

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

MONDAY, APRIL 2: "Happy Dyngus Day" to all our Polish parishioners
and an Easter greeting: W E S O L E G O ALLELUJA!

MONDAY: No CCD classes today.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4: Bible Study Group **will not** meet today.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6: First Friday. Rosary, Litany and Benediction at 7:30 a.m. Mass.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7: First Sat. Special prayer at 7:30 a.m. Mass: "Act of Reparation for Blasphemies Against the Blessed Virgin Mary".

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS: Vince and Janet Dragone: Patricia Bartokvich: James and MaryAnn Carr: Ann Bahun: Marie and Joseph Grgas: Barbara and Alex Druzbiak: in memory of parents Sylvester and Edith Kolenko, and Alexander and Genevieve Druzbiak Sr. We are very grateful to all of you for your donations.

TODAY: EASTER SUNDAY: The essential information about Jesus' resurrection is His empty tomb. Mary Magdalene and two other women testified to this when they arrived at the tomb early in the morning. Their testimony is confirmed by two apostles: Peter and John, who at Mary Magdalene's insistence, came to the tomb where they were convinced that the tomb was truly empty. The other disciple whom Jesus loved in a special way entered the tomb and saw the wrappings laying down and folded neatly. This made him believe that the Lord is risen. "He saw and believed" the Scripture says about him. Later they saw Jesus many times - He was sitting and eating with them. They touched Him, placed their hands into His wounds, and none of them, not even Thomas had any doubts that Jesus was truly raised up. The open empty tomb and the huge stone which was moved from the entrance of the tomb are proof that death is conquered, that its chains are broken, and that life is victorious.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 8: The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed during the 9:00 a.m. English Mass. Please join us for the recitation of the Chaplet.

Also, as part of their Works of Mercy, the Youth Group of our parish is asking for donations of dry food, canned food and paper products to help the Food Pantries in our area. Please bring these items with you on April 8th and place them in containers located in the vestibule of our church. Thank you for helping the Youth Group of our parish in their Works of Mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday.

DANAS: BLAGDAN USKRS: Bitan je podatak u navještanju uskrsnuća da je Isusov grob nađen prazan. To svjedoči najprije Marija Magdalena koja je zajedno s drugim ženama rano u zoru prva došla do groba. Njezino iskustvo potvrđuju i dvojica apostola: Petar i Ivan, koji su na Marijin poticaj i sami došli grobu i uvjerali se da je doista prazan. "Drugi učenik" koga je Isus posebno ljubio ulazi u grob i "ugleda povoje gdje leže i ubrus koji bijaše na glavi Isusovoj"... Njemu to postade znakom koji ga dovodi do uvjerenja da je Gospodin uskrsnuo. Za nj je pisano: "Vidje i povjerova". Apostolima je dakle polazišna točka njihove vjere u uskrsnuće Gospodinovo otvoren i prazan grob. No posebno su utvrđeni u toj vjeri kad im se sam uskrsnuti opetovano ukazuje, sjedi s njima, blaguje s njima. Oni ga se dotiču, pipaju njegove rane i više nitko (čak ni Toma) ne sumnja da je Isus doista uskrsnuo. Otvoren i prazan grob, odvaljeni grobni kamen govore da je smrt pobijedena, da su da su njezini okovi somljeni, da je pobijedio život.

MESSAGE FROM MEDJUGORJE MARCH 25: "Dear children! I am calling you to be with me in prayer in this time of grace when darkness is fighting against the light. Pray, little children, confess and begin a new life in grace. Decide for God and He will lead you towards holiness; and the cross will be a sign of victory and hope for you. Be proud that you are baptized and grateful in your heart that you are a part of God's plan. Thank you for having responded to my call."

PORUKA: 25. OZUJAK: "Draga djeco! Pozivam vas da budete sa mnom u molitvi u ovom milosnom vremenu kad se bori tama protiv svjetla. Molite, dječice, ispovjedajte se i počinite novi život u milosti. Odlučite se za Boga i On će vas voditi prema svetosti i križ će vam biti znak pobjede i nade. Budite ponosni da ste kršteni i zahvalni u svome srcu da ste dio Božjeg plana. Hvala vam što ste se odazvali mome pozivu

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: It is not too late to return your pledge cards and donations to help Catholic Charities continue their work to help the needy etc. Please deposit your donations in our weekend collection baskets, or mail them to our rectory.

BINGO QUARTERLY REPORT: 11 Bingos. Receipts: Expenses:
Profit: Donated for church expenses: . . .

LECTORS MARCH 31:
Sat. 8:00 P.M.: As assigned.

LECTORS APRIL 1
9:00 a.m. Jim Carr
10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric

LECTORS APRIL 7 & 8:
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 APRIL 1, 2018

- Saturday, March 31: 8:00 P.M. = dec:** Ivica Čačić by Elizabeth and Steve Miletić.
(HOLY SATURDAY) Living and deceased members of the Dragone and Urban families
by Dragone family.
Clark Petre by family and friends.
(+ 2nd and 3rd Mass April 24 and June 22 at 7:30 a.m.)
- Sunday, April 1: 9:00 a.m. = dec:** Clark Petre by Linda and Chris Duncan.
(EASTER SUNDAY) Felecia Redden by Tom and Jane Mead.
Charles and Mary Barone by son Robert.
(+ 2nd & 3rd Mass May 31 & Aug. 10 at 7:30 a.m.)
- 10:15 a.m. = :** For all our parishioners.
- Monday, April 2: 7:30 a.m. = :** For all our parishioners.
(Monday within the Octave of Easter)
- Tuesday, April 3: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Joanne Nowak (Birth remembrance) by her mother Ann Bahun.
(Tuesday within the Octave of Easter)
- Wednes. April 4: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Lucija Gojevic by family and friends.
(Wednesday within the Octave of Easter) Ivanka Cesar by sister Jagica Turkalj & children.
- Thursday, April 5: 7:30 a.m. = :** For all our parishioners.
(Thursday within the Octave of Easter)
- Friday, April 6: 7:30 a.m = dec:** John Bozich by Henry and Dorothy Widlak.
(FIRST FRIDAY)
- Saturday, April 7: 7:30 a.m. = :** Special intention by Kujawski family.
(FIRST SATURDAY)
- (Vigil Mass for Sunday) 5:00 P.M. = dec:** Joseph Klemenich (Death anniversary) by wife Mary Ann and family.
John Bozich by Vince and Janet Dragone and family.
(+2nd Mass August 23 at 7:30 a.m.)
- Sunday, April 8: 9:00 a.m. = dec:** Domenico and Maria Ianarelli by Guy and Delia Ianarelli.
(SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) Clark Petre by family and friends.
(+ 2nd Mass October 19 at 7:30 a.m.)
- 10:15am dec:** Ivan i Marica, Anda, Milka, Jela, Pero Jozić by the Stipo Jozić family.

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