

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 14) - - SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY - - APRIL 8, 2018
Rectory Office: 822-0818

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 8, 2018

- Saturday, April 7: 5:00 P.M. = dec:** Joseph Klemenich (Death anniversary) by wife Mary Ann and family.
(Vigil Mass for Sunday) 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.
(Divine Mercy Sunday) Clark Petre by family and friends.
(+ 2nd Mass October 19 at 7:30 a.m.)
- 10:15 a.m. = dec:** Ivan i Marica, Anda, Milka, Jela, Pero Jozić by the Stipo Jozić family
- Monday, April 9: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Raj Kaul (Death anniversary) by Robert Barone.
(The Annunciation of the Lord)
- Tuesday, April 10: 7:30 a.m. = :** For all our parishioners.
(Easter Weekday)
- Wednes. April 11: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Living and deceased members of Schenck and Hanslick families by grandson
(St. Stanislaus, Bp. & Martyr) Gregory Schenck.
Edward and Monique Piotrowski by Matt and Shirley Siuda.
Steffie Pecaric by daughter Anne and Shawn Pecaric-Cohan.
(+3rd Mass April 26, 7:30 a.m.)
- Thursday, April 12: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Janet Hayes by Vince and Janet Dragone and family.
(Easter Weekday) Clark Petre by family and friends.
- Friday, April 13: 7:30 a.m = dec:** Lucija Gojevic by famuily and friends.
(St. Martin 1, Pope & Martyr) Milrad Tomasic by Vlado and Perka Kresic.
Steve Petrinec by family.
- Saturday, April 14: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Walter and Esther Wilk (Wedding remembrance) by the Wilk family.
(Easter Weekday)
- (Vigil Mass for Sunday) **5:00 P.M. = dec:** In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Elizabeth and Steve Miletic.
Arlene Dycha by Marie Grgas.
Elizabeth (Betty) Glasnovic by son Jerome and wife Toni.
(+ 2nd and 3rd Mass December 11 and December 18 at 7:30 a.m.)
- Sunday, April 15: 9:00 a.m. = dec:** Theresa Klink by Linda and Christopher Duncan.
(3rd Sunday of Easter)
- 10:15 a.m. = :** Special intention.

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

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

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 10: Parish Council meeting at 7:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Bible Study Group will meet at 6:30 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Second collection will be for our utilities.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS: \$25.00 from Jerome and Toni Glasnovic. \$40.00 from Rose and Bruce Styn in memory of deceased members of Zak family. We are very grateful for your donations.

TODAY : 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER: The Evangelists describe the Risen Christ faithfully and clearly: "He, Jesus, showed them (His apostles) His hands and His side." **"Put your fingers here and see My hands, and bring your hand, put it into My side, and do not be unbelieving but believe."** After His Resurrection Jesus had a real body, not an illusory body. Jesus' glorified body was the same body that suffered the horrific passion and finally the body that was crucified on the Cross. However, His body was "different" than the body He had while living on earth. We must not imagine the Resurrection to be some kind of return to life as was the body of Lazarus whose dead body came to life. Christ's glorified body was, in a way, a new creation of God's almightiness. His body was freed from all earthly conditions for life. His body was not subjected to any earthly laws, nor the consequences of sins. His body was not limited by time nor space. He could allow others to see Him, hear Him and touch Him. He could go through closed doors because after the Resurrection He is present everywhere. In the case of Thomas, we see how faith in the Risen God grew from unbelief ("I won't believe") to the belief ("MY Lord and my God"). The twelve apostles did not become witnesses of the Resurrection of Jesus because they saw Him, but because they believed. They saw signs and they believed in the One that these signs represented. Thomas saw the wounds and believed in God. The same Christ who is now invisible to us humans is calling all to believe in Him. These are His words: **"Blessed are those who do not see but believe!"** Evangelist John writes to us of the guaranteed eyewitnesses who saw the Lord. And we, too, are called to believe those who saw Him.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Spring is a time of hope. If you or someone you is struggling with addiction, we can help. **Catholic Charities Chemical Dependency Treatment Program** in Buffalo has immediate openings. The outpatient program is New York State OASAS licensed and aims to treat addiction with a combination of therapy and medicine. More information on the program can be found at www.ccwny.org/services/outpatient-clinic. To begin the referral process, call Central Intake at 716-895-1033. Also, counseling for individuals and families is always available at our neighborhood offices across WNY. **"Love your neighbor." Gal. 5:14. APPEAL 2018 IS STILL ONGOING.**

Donate at www.ccwny.org/donation. Or Mail your donations to our rectory or deposit them in our weekend collection baskets.

DANAS: 2. NEDJELJA PO USKRSU: *Evangelisti opisuju uskrsnulog Isusa veoma zorno i realno. "Pokaza im ruke i rebra". "Primesi prst svoj ovamo i pogledaj mi ruke! Prinesi ruku svoju i stavi je u rebra moja i ne budi nevjeran nego vjeran!" Isus je nakon svog uskrsnuća imao pravo, ne prividno tijelo. Gospodinovo proslavljeno tijelo bilo je ono isto, koje je pretrpjelo silne muke i konačno bilo raspeto na križu. O ono je ipak bilo "drugačije" nego za vrijeme njegova zemaljskog života. Ne smijemo dakle zamišljati uskrsnuće kao neki povratak u život kao na primjer Lazara poslije oživljenja. Kristovo je proslavljeno tijelo na neki način novo stvaranje Božje svemoći. Oslobođeno je svih zemaljskih uvjeta za život. Ne podliježe Temaljskim zakonima niti posljedicama grijeha. Nije vezano ni vremenom niti prostorom. On može dopustiti da ga drugi vide, čuju, dapače i dotiču, ali "dolazi" kroz zatvorena vrata, jer je poslije uskrsnuća posvuda prisutan. Kod sv. se Tome najbolje vidi kako je vjera u Krista uskrsnuloga kod apostola rasla od nevjere ("Neću vjerovati") do vrhunca vjerovanja (Gospodine moj Bože moj!). Dvanaestorica nisu postali svjedoci uskrsnuća samo zato, jer su vidjeli, već i zato jer su vjerovali. Vidjeli su znakove i vjerovali u Onoga, koga su ti znakovi predočavali. Zato piše Toma Akvinski: "Vidio je rane i vjerovao u Boga!" Isti Krist, sada nevidljiv ljudima, sve poziva da vjeruju u Nj. Njegove su riječi: **"Blaženi koji ne vidješe, a vjeruu!"** Ivan piše drugoj generaciji, koja je prisiljena da vjeruje zajamčenim svedocima, koji su vidjeli Gospodina. Na isti smo način i mi pozvani, da vjerujemo onima, koji Vidješe.*

- - - UPCOMING PARISH EVENT - - -

The Youth Group of our parish is having a "MEAT RAFFLE" on Friday, May 18, 2018 at Cardinal Stepinac Hall at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.00. Admission includes Beer, wine, soda, pizza/sandwiches and snacks. Huge grand prize - 50/50 -- Basket auction -- door prize and more. For information and tickets call the parish office at 716-822-0818 or Shawn and Annie at 716-860-1461. Table reservations available. More information in future bulletins.

+++ VOCATIONS +++

There is an unspeakable blessing that flows with boundless mercy from our Lord, a mercy that forgives even the deadliest of sins. We should never forget this or take it for granted. Can God be calling you to make His mercy known? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND:

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

LECTORS APRIL 14 & 15:

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