

OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN
(Week no. 18) - - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - - MAY 6, 2018
Rectory Office: 822-0818

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MAY 6, 2018

Saturday, May 5: 5:00 P.M. = dec: Gary Schmidt by his sister Carol Boljkovac and family.
 (Vigil Mass for Sunday) Ray Matwijko (Wedding anniversary remembrance) by wife Peggy and children.
ALSO: A special intention for Mr. & Mrs. Bruce and Rose Styn, celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary, by sister Katherine and David Bartolucci. (+ 2nd & 3rd Mass January 16 and January 23 at 7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, May 6: 9:00 a.m. = dec Domenica and Donato Suffoletta by Guy and Delia Ianarelli.
 (6th Sunday of Easter) Sister Clarissa Zbodulja by Mrs. Donna Marie Chmiel and Divine Mercy of Mother Mary. (+2nd Mass Jan. 9 at 7:30 a.m.)

10:15 a.m. = dec: For all souls in Purgatory.

Monday, May 7 7:30 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.
 (Easter Weekday)

Tuesday, May 8: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Lucija Gojevic by family and friends.
 (Easter Weekday) Ivanka Cesar by brat Ivan and Đurda Garić.

Wednes. May 9: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Joseph Szychowski and John Bahun by Anne Szychowski-Bahun and family.
 (Easter Weekday) Clark Petre by Vince and Janet Dragone.

Thursday, May 10: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Jack and Terry Evans by Sandy Evans.
ASCENSION OF THE LORD 10:15 a.m. = : For all our parishioners.
7:00 P.M. = dec: For all souls in Purgatory.

Friday, May 11: 7:30 a.m = dec: Souls in Purgatory.
 (Easter Weekday)

Saturday, May 12: 7:30 a.m. = dec: Irene Chmielowicz by Rita and Lou Violanti.
 (Ss. Nereus, Achilleus ad Pancras, Martyrs)

(Vigil Mass for Sunday) **5:00 P.M. = dec:** Mary Boljkovac, Eleanor Schmidt and Janice Mackiewicz by Boljkovac family.
 Mary Pitillo by Peggy Matwijko and family.
 (+ 2nd Mass January 30 at 7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, May 13: 9:00 a.m. = dec: Lillian Manka (Mother's Day remembrance) by daughter Linda, Karl, Christopher and Stacy Kovacs.
 Katherine Barbic (Mother's Day remembrance) by daughters Joanne and Lorraine and grandchildren.
 Charles Barone Jr. (Birth remembrance) by son Robert.
 (+ 2nd & 3rd Mass February 6 & February 13 at 7:30 a.m.)

10:15 a.m. = dec: Blajburške žrtve i sve domoljube koji su bilo gdje dali svoje živote za Hrvatsku by David Krezić.

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

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

TUESDAY, MAY 8: Meeting at 7:00 p.m. for further discussion about our Meat Raffle which is being held on May 18th.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9: Bible Study Group will meet at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 8: ASCENSION OF THE LORD.
(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION). MASS SCHEDULE: English Mass at 9:00 a.m. Croatian Mass at 10:15 a.m. English Mass this evening at 7:00 p.m. Please try to come to one of these Masses. It is our obligation as Catholics. _

NEXT SUNDAY: Second collection will be a combined collection is for Church in Latin America and Church in Africa.

NEXT SUNDAY: (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION): The following young child will receive Jesus for the first time on Sunday, May 13th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass: **Aliyah Rozwood Levinson.**

YOUTH GROUP MEAT RAFFLE
WHERE: CARDINAL STEPINAC HALL
WHEN: FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2018

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Raffle starts at 7:00 p.m.
Tickets \$5.00 per person. Or: reserve a table of 8 for \$35.00.
Ticket includes Beer, Pop and Roast Beef Sandwich.
Tickets are sold at the door, or to reserve, call the parish office at 822-0818 or contact Shawn/Annie Cohan at 860-1461 or Lou/Anne Vertino at 796-7311.
Don't forget:
\$1 bills for raffles* snacks* and a cooler for your winnings
**SPREAD THE WORD, AND COME HAVE FUN,
AND SUPPORT THE PARISH!**

SAVE THE DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018

TOLTON, FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST, a touring St. Luke Production of the life of America's first black Catholic priest will be presented in our Cardinal Stepinac Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23rd. Performed live by Jim Coleman. Admission: Free-Will Offering. Tickets and information: call our rectory at 822-0818. Sponsored by Paul & Susan Santandreu and the Diocese of Buffalo. Recommended for age 10 and up. Seating is limited to 375. Doors will open at 5:30 PM. Groups of 10 or larger please call Shawn 716-860-1461 to reserve seats.

TODAY: 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER: It is very beautiful to speak about love, but the question is: "What truly is love? What does TO LOVE mean? Does it mean not to speak evil against someone? Not to hurt anyone? To be polite to everyone?" Above all, TO LOVE TRULY means to keep God's commandments. Our Lord, who loved His Heavenly Father above everything and everybody, showed that to us. Jesus said: "***If you keep My commandments you will abide in My Love just as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His Love.***" (Jn 15,10). To love means to give your life for the person you love. There is no greater love than when one gives his life for his friends. A person truly loves if he is ready to sacrifice his life for the welfare of his loved ones. Maybe a total giving of life is not asked at once, but from day to day: one drop of blood at a time...the life we are trying to give to those whom we love. To love brings fruit that will remain; for example: *helping the poor, and other people with different needs.* Charity is important in our lives. We are to try to help others so that they might help themselves. ***We have to rebuild our relations with people and communities, with emphasis on the importance of the commandment of LOVE.***

DANAS:6. NEDJELJA PO USKRSU: Lijepo je govoriti o ljubavi, no postavlja se pitanje: "Što zapravo znači ljubiti? Da li to znači: ne govoriti ništa protiv koga? Ili možda čuvati se svake uvrede koja se može nanijeti drugome? Ili možda biti uljudan i otmjen prema svima? Što zapravo znači istinski i pravo ljubiti? . . . Ljubiti znači ponajprije i iznad svega držati Božje zapovijedi. To nam je najbolje pokazao sam Gospodin, koji je sigurno najviše i iznad svega ljubio svoga nebeskog Oca. Isusove riječi: "***Ostat ćete u mojoj ljubavi ako budete vršili moje zapovijedi, kao što sam i ja vršio zapovijedi Oca svog te ostajem u njegovoj ljubavi!***" (Iv 15, 10). LJUBITI znači dati svoj život za one koje ljubiš: "Nema veće ljubavi od ove da netko svoj život daruje za druge." . . . Ljubi istinski onaj, koji je spreman na totalnu žrtvu samoga sebe u korist ljubljenoga. Možda se još ne traži žrtva života, ali iz dana u dan kap svoje krvi i života darivamo drugima, onima, koje ljubimo. LJUBITI znači ***donositi plod, koji ostaje.*** Ne bi bila prava ljubav, koja bi se zadovoljila samo time, da ublaži časovito nečiju bijedu ili nevolju. Dobro je iz motiva ljubavi pomagati siromahe, ljude u najrazličitijim životnim potrebama. Karitativna djela nisu od male važnosti, po njima se mijenja situacija svijeta. Trebalo bi djela mijenjati ljude u nevolji na taj način pomoći da ih se osposobi da sami sebi pomažu i oslobađaju se nevolja koje su ih stisle. Nije dosta slati hranu gladnima nego ih naučiti da malo po malo sami sebi pomažu. Treba dakle prema ljudima i zajednici i naglasak staviti na tu prevažnu i zapravo jedinu zapovijed ljubavi.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Our annual Lawn Fete will be held on Saturday, July 21 and Sunday, July 22 this year. We will need a lot of help to prepare for it. We also ask for donations for Theme Baskets. We received the following items already from an anonymous donor: Toaster oven, Wet-Dry Vacuum, Queen size comforter, Lady's watch, Men's watch, Throw blanket, Sandwich maker, and Small fan. We are very grateful for your donations. We ask others to donate. Lottery tickets are a very popular item for the baskets. Let's make this another successful affair for our parish.

LECTORS THIS WEEKEND:	LECTORS MAY 12 & 13:
5:00 p.m.: David Petrus	5:00 p.m.: Richard Moretti
9:00 a.m. Jim Carr	9:00 a.m.: Jim Carr
10:15 a.m. Zdenka Juric	10:15 a.m.: Zdenka Juric