

**OUR LADY OF BISTRICA PARISH BULLETIN**  
**(Week no. 36) - - TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORINARY TIME- - -- SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**  
**Rectory Office: 822-0818**

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**MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**

- Saturday, September 7 : 5:00 p.m. =dec:** Marion and Robert Habicht by Phyllis Petre.  
*(Vigil Mass for Sunday)* A Special intention for Davis Podkulski by Margaret Bueme.  
*(+ 2nd Mass Oct. 19, 7:30 AM)*
- Sunday, September 8 : 10:00 a.m. =dec:** Nada Jelenović by Mary Ann Klemenich.  
*(23rd in Ordinary Time)*
- 11:30 a.m.=dec:** Anne Salemi by Dominic and Tina Salemi.  
Steve Tobias by Charlotte Gentile and children.  
*(+ 2nd Mass Nov. 30, 7:30 AM)*
- Monday, September 9 : 7:30 a.m. = :** For all our parishioners.  
*(St Peter Claver, Priest)*
- Tuesday, September 10 : 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Karlo Petrinc by Alex and Barbara Druzvik.  
*(Weekday)* Elio Liberta by Ida Liberta.
- Wednesday September 11 : 7:30 a.m. =dec:** Betty Pickett by Gloria and Tony Passmore- DiPronio.  
*(Weekday)* Rose Cervoni by Peggy Matwijko.
- Thursday September 12 : 7:30 a.m = dec:** Living and deceased members of the Reisch family by Phyllis Petre.  
*(Most Holy Name of Mary)*
- Friday September 13: 7:30 a.m. = dec:** Hildegard Galanti by the family.  
*(St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Dr of the Church)*
- Saturday, September 14: 7:30 a.m.= :** A Special intention of the Kujawski family.  
*(The Exaltation of the Holy Cross)*
- (Vigil Mass for Sunday)* **5:00 p.m. = dec:** Edward and Catherine Manka by daughter, Deanna Zak and family.  
Jo Ann Mierzwa by Vincent and Janet Dragone and family.  
*(+ 2nd Mass Dec.17, 7:30 AM)*
- Sunday, September 15: 10:00 a.m. = dec:** Barbara Druzvik by Joseph Jelenovich.  
*(24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*
- 11: 30 a.m. = dec:** Hildegard Galanti by Tom and Jane Mead.  
Louis Violanti by the Croatian Creation Tamburitzans.  
*(+ 2nd Mass Dec.26, 7:30AM)*

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**TODAY:** Second Collection for Christ the King Seminary

**TUESDAY:** Come to rectory at 6 PM to view DVDs of Medjugorje Youth Festival.

**NEXT WEEK:** Second Collection for our Utilities.

**PARISHIONER INFORMATION:** Last week's collection: \$. **This is useful because our annual insurance payments are due at over \$ .** Weekly target amount for basic expenses has been about \$. Thank you to the 74 families who used their envelopes, those who donated without envelopes and those who have increased their donations by even a little.

**TODAY 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** Jesus clearly announced the coming of God's Kingdom. He is that kingdom. His grace is offered to all. To prepare for accepting that Kingdom, one must remove the obstacles encountered on the way. One who wisely want to open himself to the Kingdom must make a decision. If a man is building a house, he first figures out the design, cost of materials, and compares options before he begins. If a king wishes to wage war, he must assess his military power and odds of victory. Similarly each of us must plan out our decision to follow Jesus, accepting His Kingdom which is demanding and without compromise. Once the decision is made, one must be ready to sacrifice even if it means giving up family. We have to love God more than our mother, wife, children, brothers, or sisters. Only the ones who place the love of God above any human love are worthy to be Jesus' followers. This does not come without a cross.....but there is no other way.

**DECEASED:** *Frances Mach*, parishioner and member of the Altar Society since 1997 died on August 30. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in our church on Tuesday, September 3 at 9:30 PM. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

**VOCATIONS:** Knowing what we are created for also means knowing what we are not created for. Deceiving ourselves to believe that our vocations are not from God would be utter foolishness, and leave us unfulfilled. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

**USCCB-Word of Life:** Within the 'people of life and the people for life,' the family has a decisive responsibility. This responsibility flows from its very nature as a community of life and love, founded upon marriage, and from its mission to 'guard, reveal and communicate love.'

**DANAS: 23. NEDJELJA KROZ GODINU:** Isus je jasno najvestio dolazak Božjeg kraljevstva. To je zapravo On sam i njegova milost koja se svakome nuđa. Treba se dakle pripremiti za prihvaćanje tog kraljevstva i na vrijeme ukloniti sve zapreke, koje mu stoje na putu. Sam čovjek, koji se želi kraljevstvu otvoriti, mora biti mudar, mora znati što hoće i mora dobro promisliti na što se odlučuje. Kao što čovjek, koji želi graditi kuću, najprije dobro promisli što želi i koji su troškovi gradnje i to usporedi se svojim financijskim mogućnostima i tek dobro promislivši donosi svoju odluku i započinje gradnju. Slično je i s kraljem, koji neće ući u rat, ako nije dobro odmjerio snage i ako nije siguran u svoju pobjedu. Jednako tako mudro mora postupiti svaki čovjek, koji se odluči da slijedi Gospodina i da prihvati njegovo kraljevstvo, koje je zahtjevno i zathjeva da ga beskom promisno prihvatimo. Čovjek voljan početi za Isusom mora biti odrešit i spreman na svaku žrtvu i svako odricanje. Čak i na odricanje, koje je spojeno s velikim ranama u srcu : ako treba birati između Krista i roditelja, između kraljevstva i obiteljskih veza, koje nas koče da ga prihvatimo, onda pravi kršćanin zna što mu je činiti: Boga valja ljubiti više nego oca ili majku, ženu ili djecu, braću ili sestre. Samo onaj, koji je svoju ljubav prema Bogu izdigao iznad svake druge ljudske ljubavi, dostojan je da bude Isusov učenik. Istina je, da to ne ide bez križa, ali drugog puta nema!

**Southern Erie Life Chain:** Have you ever been curious about a "Life Chain"? A Life Chain is intended to promote a respect for life, especially the unborn. Peaceful volunteers hold signs with a respect for life message along the road for a period of 1 hour. Our Lady of Victory Basilica will host a "Life Chain" on **Sunday September 29 from 1-2 PM**. The event will take place on South Park Avenue and Ridge Road. Gather at **Our Lady of Victory Basilica**, 767 Ridge Road at **12:45 PM**. *Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the church at the same time for those who would prefer to spend time in prayer.*

**Ladies of Charity "Dress for Less" Style Show, Luncheon & Theme Basket Raffle** on **Saturday, September 28** at **Columns Banquets**, 2221 Transit Rd., Elma. Doors open at **11 am** for browsing the Boutique and to purchase basket and quilt raffle tickets. This year's commentator is Mary Alice Demler of Channel 2 News. Please consider supporting the Ladies of Charity and its ministries. For additional information, contact the Ladies of Charity at 716-895-4001.

**LECTORS Sept. 7 & 8**  
5:00 PM Gregory Schenck  
10:00 AM Zdenka Juric  
11:30 AM Linda Duncan

**LECTORS Sept 14 & 15**  
5:00 PM David Petrus  
10:00 AM Zdenka Juric  
11:30 AM Linda Duncan