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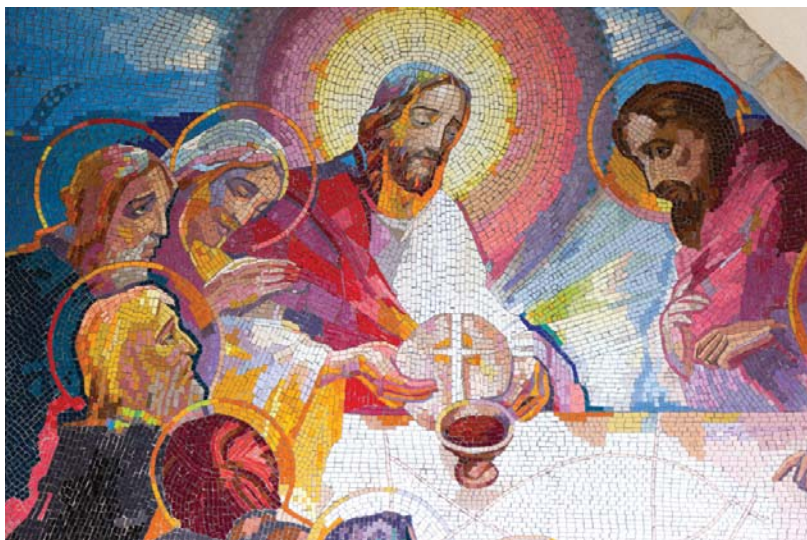
In **SAN DIEGO** the next Holy Mass will be March 10th.

In **LOS ANGELES** our Holy Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 18th of February at 1:15pm, in the St John Paul II Polish Center, 3999 Rose Drive, Yorba Linda 92886. After Mass a delicious meal will be served. A donation of \$10.00 is requested, \$5.00 for parky.

In **SAN FRANCISCO** the next Holy Mass will be April 8th.

Mark your calendars for next Mass:

SD March 10th - LA March 18th (Dance Party) - SF April 8th



The 2018 Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, for Latin-rite Catholics with Easter Sunday on April 1.

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to sacrifice self-control through fasting. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

Lent is a favourable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ."-- Pope Francis

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

The key to fruitful observance of these practices is to recognize their link to baptismal renewal. We are called not just to abstain from sin during Lent, but to true conversion of our hearts and minds as followers of Christ. We recall those waters in which we were baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

*More resources are available on the article's web page at:
<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/index.cfm>*

Source: www.usccb.org

National Marriage Week USA, World Marriage Day Promote Gift of Marriage as School of Life and Love

January 31, 2018

WASHINGTON—National Marriage Week USA and World Marriage Day are opportunities “to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family,” wrote Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., chairman of the Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in a letter to his brother bishops.



February 7-14 marks the annual celebration of National Marriage Week USA. World Marriage Day is celebrated annually on the second Sunday of February. This year, World Marriage Day is Sunday, February 11, coinciding with the World Day of the Sick.

The USCCB offers resources to the faithful for the promotion and defense of marriage as a lifelong union of one man and one woman through its dedicated websites ForYourMarriage.org, PorTuMatrimonio.org, and MarriageUniqueForAReason.org. Additional resources specifically for the celebration of National Marriage Week, including a homily resource, bulletin insert, poster, and prayer intentions, can be found on the USCCB website: www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/national-marriage-week.cfm.

Starting February 7, a daily virtual marriage retreat for couples will be made available on the ForYourMarriage.org website and via the For Your Marriage social media channels on Facebook and Twitter. The seven-day retreat will focus on the theme “Marriage: School of Life and Love.” A rosary for engaged and married couples and for families in need of healing will be live-streamed from the chapel at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, DC via the USCCB Facebook page and Twitter feed on Friday, February 9 at 3:00 pm EST.

A wide array of prayer cards, books and pamphlets on marriage and family can be ordered online through the USCCB store.

National Marriage Week USA, launched in 2010, is part of an international event seeking to mobilize individuals, organizations, and businesses in a common purpose to strengthen marriage in communities and influence the culture. For information and resources, visit: NationalMarriageWeekUSA.org. . . . World Marriage Day was started in 1983 by Worldwide Marriage Encounter.



Pope Francis' Intention of the Month



MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Theme: Say “No” to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Czech catholic mission in Los Angeles

INVITES YOU TO A **DANCING PARTY**

Sunday, March 18th 2018 from 3:00pm to 7:00pm
(after a mass, which starts at 1:15pm)

In Polish Center
3999 Rose Dr. Yorba Linda CA 92886

COME AND HAVE FUN WITH LIVE CZECH AND SLOVAK MUSIC



Music will be provided by **VV BAND, Ivana a Vladimír Váchovi** from Czech republic.

Food & drinks will be available for purchase. Dinner will be provided by Dana Leimberger (Schnitzel with potato salad, hot dogs, pastry).

Admission is Free!

if you can, please
bring a desert to
share.

**Meals are limited so please call
818-448-1716 (Anna) to reserve your
meal.**

“Lent is like a long ‘retreat’ during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual ‘combat’ which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism.”

Pope Benedict XVI

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS: February 2018



9. +Miloslav Mářík – manželka Edith
10. +Agnes & Stanley Brozek - Peter and Paul Brozek and families
11. +Jaroslava Eliaš (+in Czech Republic at age 80)- dcera Maria Peterka
13. + Estela Barcarcel - John Krato
15. +Michael and Anna - John Krato, father and husband
16. + Monika & Ferdinand Stachura
17. za živé a zemřelé členy české síně Karlín - Joe Kocáb
20. + Raymunda Dvorského - manželka Marie
21. + Jiřinu Jordánovou - manžel Pavel Jordán
22. +Tomíka Šachu (+3/8/2010) – matka Dagmar
24. +Karel Novak – dcera Irene

ANNUAL REPORT Czech Ministry 2017

DONATIONS

Collections and Mail	25,963
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OTHER INCOME

Interest	844
Transfer from Endowment Fund	30,000
Gift from Bishop	10,000

TOTAL INCOME	70,831
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RECURRING EXPENSES

Stipends	23,400
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Bishop	12,000
Vestnik Editor	5,500
Chef/Kitchen	4,400
Social media	1,650

Rent for Churches	3,750
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Car Travel for Ministry	2,980
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Vestnik printing and mailing	5,617
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Printing	2,342
Envelopes,etc	1,010
Postage	2,264

Office	477
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Geek Squad	169
Printer/ink	308

Household	10,758
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Utilities	4,655
Insurance	914
Maintenance	4,725
Taxes and Fees	888
Loan payments	12,000

Total	59,426
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Balance	11,504
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January 2018

We will publish, according to the practice of Catholic parishes, the amount of the collections, not distinguishing between the separate Masses, and also the amount received by mail that month. There will no longer be a monthly report of expenses. The balance sheet is published annually in our February Vestnik. If anyone has questions please call Bishop Esterka at 714 524 0092 and leave a message.

Mass collections: \$543; Mail: \$1,670

May God reward you for your generosity.

Please take care to make out your checks so that they will match the names on our accounts: 1. Velehrad California Czech Catholic Mission or VCCCM. Our bank will no longer accept checks without the legal title Velehrad or VCCCM on the payable-to line. 2. If you wish your donation to go to the North American Pastoral Center for Czech Catholics: Make it out to NAPCCC.

OUR MISSION WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST ONLY AS LONG AS WE SUPPORT IT FINANCIALLY.

YOUR TRUST OR WILL: Please remember Czech ministry in your trust or will. Our legal title is: North American Pastoral Center for Czech Catholics, 344 Koch Avenue, Placentia, CA 92870. For information call Bishop Esterka, 714 524 0092.

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