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The artist's sketch on the right depicts the original building with the spires. Corner Stone laid in 1886, and church dedicated in 1891.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM (no 7:00 on Sat.)
 Daily Morning Prayer: 8:00 AM (exc. Sunday)
Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday English Masses: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Sunday Polish Mass: 10:00 AM
 Holy Day English: 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM
 Holy Day Polish: 5:30 PM
 National Holidays: 9:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

The parish office is open from Monday through Friday, 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 PM or upon arrangement with any of the priests.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ordinarily on Sundays at 1:00 PM. Alternate times must be arranged with a parish priest. Pre-Baptism instructions are necessary in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

All arrangements must be made with one of the priests of the parish six months in advance.

GODPARENT AND SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Those who wish to be sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Catholic Church. If you attend St. Stanislaus but you are not registered, please contact the parish office so that you can be listed as a parishioner here.

FUNERALS

Arrangements are usually made in coordination with the funeral home of your choice.

INQUIRY CLASSES

(R.C.I.A.): Contact any member of the Pastoral Team.

CHURCH HOURS

The church is open 1/2 hour before and after services. For tours or private prayer please call the rectory.

MASS INTENTIONS

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT November 27 Listopada, 2005

Sat	5:00 PM	Sp. Int. John & Mary Zajac
Sun	8:30 AM	+Andrew Jaye
	10:00 AM	+Klemens Malaczewski
	11:30 AM	+David & Lewis Zackowski

Mon	Nov 28	Advent Weekday
	7:00 AM	+Cies ³ awa Milewska
	8:30 AM	+Lottie Budzinski
Tue	Nov 29	Advent Weekday
	7:00 AM	+Stefania & Jerzy Walewski
	8:30 AM	+Alfred Pasterkiewicz
Wed	Nov 30	St. Andrew, apostle
	7:00 AM	Sp. Int. of the Parish
	8:30 AM	+Josephine Garczewski
Thu	Dec 1	Advent Weekday
	7:00 AM	+John Paul II
	8:30 AM	+Tadeus Czarnecki & Family
Fri	Dec 2	Advent Weekday
	7:00 AM	+Herman Panienti
	8:30 AM	+Stella Olbrys
Sat	Dec 3	St. Francis Xavier, priest
	8:30 AM	+Franciszek Greda

2:00 PM Wedding of Thomas Kroll And Tracy Pfeiffer

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT December 4 Grudzien, 2005

Sat	5:00 PM	+Raymond Pietrzak
Sun	8:30 AM	+Alex Zuchowski
		<i>Welcome, Knights of Columbus Council 3222</i>
	10:00 AM	+Mitchell Popek
	11:30 AM	+Frank & Lottie Zackowski

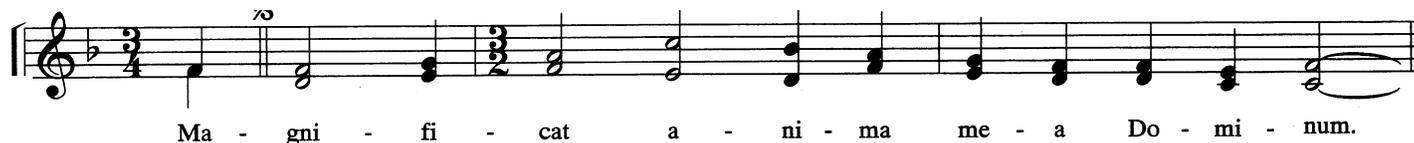
MUSIC – FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

ENGLISH MASS

Processional: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v.1,2) #308
 Offertory: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light #251
 Communion: Awake, O Sleeper #202
 Recessional: Proclaim the Joyful Message #185

POLSKA MSZA ǪWIĘTA

Procesja: O przyjdŹ na Ǫwiat (chór)
 Ofiarowanie: M¹droŹci która #21
 Na Komuniê: PrzyjdŹ Jezu mój #141
 ZakoŹczenie: SpuŹcie nam na ziemskie niwy #26



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sun	10:00 AM	RCIA meets in the rectory.
	3:00 PM	Godzinki
	6:00 PM	Solemn Vespers
Mon	7:00 PM	Gift Shop Volunteers meet in the rectory.
Tues	7:00 PM	Finance Council meets in the rectory.
Wed	4:00 PM	Good Shepherd Preschool Religious Instr. in old convent.
	6:00 PM	Próba chóru w koŹciele
	7:00 PM	English Choir Rehearsal in church.
	7:00 PM	Parish Historical Committee meets in the rectory.
	8:00 PM	A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.
Thu	3:30 PM	Church Cleanup Crew works until 5:15.
Fri	All Day	FIRST FRIDAY Communion visits to the homebound
Sun	9:00 AM	CYO Pancake Breakfast until 1:00, in the Social Center.
	10:00 AM	RCIA meets in the rectory.
	3:00 PM	Godzinki
	6:00 PM	Solemn Vespers
	6:00 PM	Lil Bros meeting, starts with Vespers, then to the rectory.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Twice a year, Christmas and Easter, there are special envelopes for donations toward flower decorations in the church. We budget to receive \$2,500 each time. In the past few years, the flower collections have dropped to about \$1,700 each time. Each year, we spend more for flowers and decorations than we receive in flower donations. This will have to change in a tight budget year, when we have to prepare for a larger heating bill. A handful of people volunteer many hours to decorate our church. Let's all do our part by making sure there is enough for them to work with!



Thomas Kroll & Tracey Pfeiffer (II)
Richard G. Wilson & Jacqueline Sprungle (II)

"God Is Coming"

Those were the closing words of the Thanksgiving Psalm sung by cantor Damian Henri at last Sunday's Eucharistic Day Vesper Service: "God is coming!" We ended the old liturgical year with a wondrous celebration filled with music and flowers and children and bells. These were joined in the procession by our parishioners, guest priests and sisters, relics and icons. The communion of Saints paraded around the church, all the saints and all those who have already fallen asleep in Christ. Fr. William and Fr. Alcuin were there in procession as were all those souls mentioned in our "Book of the Dead." (They filled what looked like 'empty seats' in the church). The guest of honor, the King and Lord, Jesus, must have had a huge smile on His face as he saw all the loving faces in the congregation. Thus, we ended the liturgical year in our typically elegant style.

Today we begin another year. The Advent wreath is suspended over our heads with its four candles, the same candles which adorn the tomb of Jesus on Good Friday. Today we see the narcissus bulbs planted throughout the church, representing the pregnancy of Mary, the Mother of God. Today we see the winter colors of blue and purple and gray blending together to permit us to see the flickering candles trying to light up what are the longest nights of the season. All of this is but a prelude for what is to come on December 25..."God is coming!"

Four weeks from now we will see light and decorations and celebration and excitement as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Four weeks from now we will sing "Joy to the world, the Lord is come!"

May this Advent season help us all to prepare a beautiful place for Him in our lives.

David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

Second Sunday in Advent, December 4 Grudzien 2005

Sat	5:00 PM	Lector — Gabriella Trybus
		Euch. Min — Mike Potter, Connie Aliff, Chris Wisniewski, Bill Russin
Sun	8:30 AM	Lector — Karen Neuman
		Euch. Min. — Marcia & Don Stech, Debbie Ziss, Sharon Kozak
	10:00 AM	Lector — Teresa Cyranek
		Euch. Min. — R. Drewnowski, W. Sztalkoper, Matt Sladewski, Tom Monzell
	11:30 AM	Lector — Bill Bobowicz
		Euch. Min. — Joanne & Ron Grams, Frank Greczanik, Marie Ostrowski

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Sunday's Collection

5:00 PM.....	\$1,010.00
8:30 AM	\$1,338.60
10:00 AM.....	\$1,053.00
11:30 AM.....	\$1,328.00
Mailed in.....	\$1,210.00
Total (389 envelopes)	\$6,485.85
Children's Collection (2)	\$3.00
Flowers (92)	\$543.25



JUST YOU WAIT AND SEE!

When we were kids, these were the kind of words we did not want to hear from Mom and Dad. "Just you wait and see, young man!" This usually meant trouble, and it was coming soon.

The idea of waiting has a bad reputation in our culture. We go to the store, and we want lots of cashiers available so that we don't have to wait

in line. "Ten registers open — no waiting!" When the traffic light changes from red to green, God help the person in front who hesitates a second or two. Cell phones insist that we answer immediately, no matter who is calling, or what else is going on. "Why did you send me to voice mail?" If you have the Internet available on your computer, is it dial-up, DSL, or cable? We want it fast...

How many families eat meals together? Dinner in the car after the drive-through at a fast food place is not really a meal, it is only a fueling stop. During the Lil Bros monthly meetings, we make sure to have a meal together, and we take our time with eating and enjoying conversation. It takes a while for some of the kids to get into the habit of relaxing at the table, instead of moving on to the next thing. The meal itself is the event, all on its own, not just something to get out of the way.

Talk to people about shopping for Christmas gifts, and notice how many use phrases like, "I got it out of the way; I try to get it done early; Give me a list so I can take care of it; I've *got* to get something for so-and-so." People wake up early to get to the stores for the mad rush opening on "Black Friday," the day after Thanksgiving — but how many of those would get up for church? The strength of the national economy is judged on how well the Christmas shopping season goes. Yet Americans are more heavily in debt than ever, and personal bankruptcies are on the rise. People too poor to pay for heat and food still have cable TV, the latest video game system, NIKE shoes, and cell phones. The shopping mall has become the new temple...

God has given our parish a great gift in the many elderly parishioners who still go out of their way to be with us. They walk slowly, many with canes and walkers. Their bones and joints ache with every step, yet here they are every week. More than most people, the elderly know what it means to wait. It's not just because they lived in a slower, more deliberate era, or that their bodies forces them to slow down. They also have seen many friends and loved ones pass along to eternal life, and they themselves are waiting for the time when the Lord says to them, "Come, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

Advent is here. It's not Christmas yet. We have to wait. We *will* wait. Advent is a time to learn patience again, to yield to the hope in what we cannot yet see, to be joyful in our expectation, to announce with our lives the nearness of the Lord. This Advent, try to do something to make the four weeks before Christmas feel a bit different. Come to Vespers. Attend Mass during a weekday. Pray with the "Little Blue Book." Give to the Saint Vincent DePaul Society.

Hurry up and wait...

Fr. Michael

ADWENTOWE CZUWANIE

Co roku Adwent uswiadamia nam, ze znowu za bardzo przywiazalismy sie do tego swiata i zagniezdilismy sie zbyt w terazniejszosci, ze próbujemy zapomniec, iz ten swiat bedzie miał swój kres i ze nic nie pozostanie takie, jak jest. Adwent kaze nam spojrzec w przyszosc, która jest tak samo jak terazniejszosc pełna i swiatla, i ciemnosci. Ale nasza przyszoscia jest Jezus Chrystus! On jest Tym, który przyszedł i który przyjdzie powtórnie; On jest Tym, który nieustannie przychodzi. A chrzescijanie czekaja na Jego dzien, Jego Adwent.

Adwent to znaczy: przyjście, przyjście Boga do człowieka. Bóg wychodzi nam naprzeciw: daje nam terazniejszosc, czas obecny jako czas laski, jako droge w przyszosc.

Adwent przypomina, ze chrzescijanie to ludzie pełni wdziecznosci i błogosławionej niecierpliwosci. Jak mówi sw. Pawel, mamy byc wdzieczni za dary Ducha: za wiare i nadzieje na "objawienie sie Pana naszego Jezusa Chrystusa". Jego przyjscia winnismy niecierpliwie wyczekiwac, Jemu mamy wyjść naprzeciw, do Niego wytrwale zdazac.

Adwent nawołuje nas do czujnosci: "Uwazajcie i czuwajcie, bo nie wiecie, kiedy czas ten nadejdzie" - głosi dzisiejsza Ewangelia. Czuwac, to znaczy: widziec jasno rzeczywistosc, w której zyjemy i rzeczywistosc, ku której zmierzamy. Jest nia Chrystus, który juz teraz przebywa posród nas w swoim słowie, w sakramencie i w bliznim.

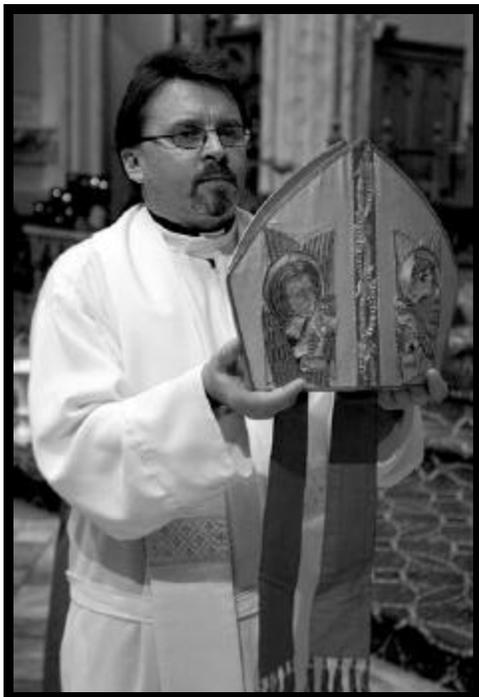
Czas Adwentu wzywa nas do powrotu na Boze drogi, azeby przychodzacy Pan nie zastal nas zblakanych na bezdrozjach, w ciemnych zaułkach i ślepych uliczkach. Przychodzi w tej chwili, tu, gdzie teraz jestem, do tego, co teraz robie - o ile moje serce czujne jest na Jego sposoby przychodzenia. Chrzescijanin jest ciagle na czatach, oczekujac na osobiste odwiedziny Pana, ale jest takze uwazny na znaki czasu, na zmierzanie swiata do tego wielkiego dnia, jest człowiekiem bedacym stale w pogotowiu. Nawet noca? - Szczególnie noca!

W Pismie Swietym noc jest symbolem swiata ziemskiego, jako przeciwienstwo swiata, który nadejdzie i który bedzie swiatem jasnosci. Stwierdzenie, ze mamy czuwac noca oznacza, ze cale nasze istnienie tu, na ziemi, rozgrywa sie w pewnego rodzaju nocy. Jezus wydziera nas nocy, ale wówczas jesli za Nim chcemy isc. Dlatego nie wolno nam przespac czasu.

Spimy - w sensie duchowym - kiedy tracimy stopniowo nasze chrzescijanske odruchy. Doskonale widzimy, ze nalezaloby sie zaangazowac tu, nie pozwolic, by wciagnieto nas tam, ale dajemy soba kierowac, poddajemy sie powierzchownym pogladom, pogloskom, nastrojom. Mówimy sobie: „Ludzie modla się coraz mniej, dlaczego ja mam robic inaczej”; nic wiec z tym nie robimy. Myslmy: „Powiniennem bardziej zaangazowac sie w zycie mojej parafii”. Albo: „Staje sie egoista... jestem klótlivy...”. Ale brak nam jakiegokolwiek prawdziwej checi zmiany. Stopniowo swiatlo Ewangelii blaknie, wygasa, zyjemy „tak jak wielu”, w ciemnosci - tak jakby Chrystus nigdy nie przyszedł. Zacheta, by odnowic swoja wiare i lepiej nia zyc, lepiej ja przekazywac - to Jego glos. On moze dac sile, Jego przyjście jest darem. „Czuwajcie! Macie tylko jedno zycie.”

ks. Jerzy





This Year's Eucharistic Day Liturgy and celebration was especially meaningful with the addition of Pope John Paul II's mitre to the procession of significant relics of the saints that the parish is fortunate to have. The relics include one of St. Stanislaus, bishop and martyr given to the parish by Cardinal Carol Wojty'a before his election as our Holy Father and Pope. Thank You to all participants.

PODZIEKOWANIE ZA DZIEŃ EUCHARYSTYCZNY

Serdeczne **Bóg zapłać** skądaj¹ duszpasterze naszej parafii wszystkim, którzy w³¹czyli się w przygotowanie i przebieg uroczystości Eucharystycznych w naszym kościele Św. Stanisława w minion¹ niedzielę. Najpierw, dzięki zaangażowaniu licznej grupy muzyczno-liturgicznej kierowanej przez organistę Davida Krakowskiego, dane nam było wielbić Chrystusa w Najświętszym Sakramencie we wspólnej modlitwie. Liczna obecność zarówno naszych parafian jak i gości w uroczystościach napawa radością; także cieszył udział zarówno sióstr zakonnych jak i kapłanów. Warto także podkreślić udział w nabożeństwie polskich dzieci i młodzieży w pięknych strojach, jak również weteranów, ministrantów i przedstawicieli innych grup. Podziękowania kierujemy ku kaznodziejom, szczególnie ku misjonarzowi z Kazachstanu - ks. Stanisławowi Kowalskiemu. Wiele osób włożyło dużo wysiłku, by te uroczystości wypadły jak najlepiej. Wszystkim jeszcze raz serdecznie **Bóg zapłać** za piękne religijne przyżycie.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING. The St. Stanislaus Historical Committee will have a meeting in the rectory on November 30, 2005 at 7 PM. Those attending the meeting will see the historical items that are currently a part of the Parish's collection as well as plan for future activities.

ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT. In 1914 Father Wenceslaus Krzycki, OFM proposed the idea of a Parish band. The original purposes were wholesome recreation and to enhance religious and civic celebrations in the community. Father Krzycki turned the band over to Father Protase Kuberek, OFM. The first public appearance was leading the First Communicants to Church. The Band made numerous appearances throughout the community including Cleveland Public Hall, in City parks, and baseball stadiums.

SHARE IN THE CARE

Help our Religious spend their retirement in dignity. A special Collection will be taken on Dec. 10 - 11 at all the Masses. Every year the people of the Diocese responded very generously. The funds collected will be distributed to the religious communities of our Diocese and to others across the country. It is important that we offer our Promise, Commitment, and Impact to support this appeal to alleviate the retirement needs of our Religious

2006 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

Those who wish to reserve Masses for wedding anniversaries and anniversaries of deaths in 2006 can do so in person on Thursdays and Fridays, from 9:30 AM until 4:30 PM. Because of the time necessary to produce our weekly bulletin which must be completed by Wednesday every week, we ask that you come to the office with your Mass intentions on Thursday and Fridays only. You may also mail your Mass intentions or drop them into the collection basket along with the customary stipend and your requested dates. *Please do not phone as we cannot accept phone reservations.* We will make every effort to reserve the dates you choose, but if your requested date is not available, we will accommodate your request with the closest date possible. The amount of Masses may be limited per person, so that others may also have an opportunity to reserve dates.

ADVENT VESPERS

Each Sunday of Advent we will have our traditional Vesper Service at 6PM. Not only are all welcome to attend, but also to actively participate as Presidents and Homilist (reflection on the reading). This is an opportunity for us to openly share our personal faith experiences with others in our community. Give it a try!

WATCH FOR THE OPENING OF OUR GIFT STORE
December 3!

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS — Congratulations to the following high school students from Saint Stanislaus who have achieved academic honors. We are proud of you!

Trinity

Christopher Neiger (10) Second Honors
Megan Schaefer (9) First Honors

Saint Joseph Academy

Elina Irizarry (10) First Honors

**Cleveland Central Catholic
Summa Cum Laude**

Nicole Byrge
Tomasz Ejsmont
Ewelina Ejsmont
Sarah Saunders

Magnum Cum Laude

Kristina Perry
Latasha Ward
Amanda Boedicker

Devin Perry

Cum Laude

Sha'Vonna Clark
Kristina Davis
Grace Herrera
Fatrina Nicholson
Samira Rhodes
Kayla Zavage
Ashley Saunders

CELEBRATION OF JOHN PAUL II. There will be a special Mass of Thanksgiving for the life and gift of Pope John Paul II on November 27, 2005 at St. Casimir Church on Sowinski Avenue in Cleveland at 10:30 AM. All are invited to gather in the Parish Hall until 3 PM where an exclusive Papal Collection of hand blown, Polish glass ornaments will be for sale. There will also be Papal memorabilia, traditional Polish foods and desserts, and raffles. Proceeds will benefit St. Casimir Parish.

MAGNIFICAT EVENTS. Magnificat High School in Rocky River will host various events in the upcoming weeks. A **Breakfast with Santa** will take place on December 3 at 10 AM in the school cafeteria. The cost is \$5 per person with a maximum of \$20 per family. Reservations are preferred by calling 440-331-7227. The Magnificat School Band and Orchestra will present their Annual Christmas Instrumental Concert on December 8 at 7:30 PM in the Center for the Performing Arts on campus. The Magnificat High School Choirs their Annual Christmas Choral Concert on December 15 at 7:30 PM in the Center for the Performing Arts. Both the Instrumental and Choral concerts are free.

ST. STANS CYO BREAKFAST. The St. Stanislaus CYO Athletic Club will hold a Pancake Breakfast on December 4, 2005 from 9 AM– 1 PM in the Social Center. Tickets can be purchased from one of the athletes or at the door. The ticket prices are \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children 11 and under

MUZEUM i OBIADY W CENTRUM

Centrum Dziedzictwa Polskiego (róg ulic E.65-tej i Lansing) zaprasza do odwiedzenia muzeum kultury i dziedzictwa polskiego. Ekspozycje można oglądać w każdą niedzielę od 12:00 do 4:00 PM, jak również w piątki od 6:00 do 8:00 PM, zaś w innym czasie - po uzgodnieniu telefonicznym – 216-577-6485. Centrum Kultury zaś zaprasza na tradycyjne domowe obiady w każdą niedzielę od godz. 11:00 do 1:30 PM (bezpośrednio po polskich Mszach św.).

WYSTĘP ZESPOŁU „SLASK”

29 listopada będziemy mogli obejrzeć i usłyszeć znany polski zespół piosenki i tańca - „Slask”. Występ będzie miał miejsce w **The Magnificat Center** (20770 Hilliard Blvd.); początek o godz. 7:30 wieczorem. Bilety można nabyć, między innymi, w polskich biurach podróży.

**BLUE BOOKS
OF ADVENT MEDITATIONS
ARE AVAILABLE
AT THE CHURCH EXITS
Donation \$1.00**

SUPERBOWL PARTY The Fr. William Gulas Scholarship Fund Committee is planning a Super Bowl Party in the Social Center Sunday, February 5, 2006. Mark your calendars and mention it to family and friends you see during the holidays.

MANNA FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Be sure to stock up on your Manna cards for your Thanksgiving holiday shopping! Tops, Giant Eagle, Dave's, and Heinen's cards are all available so plan ahead. After all the hustle and bustle, preparation, and clean up of Thanksgiving, be sure to have a few cards on hand to relax at your favorite restaurant with family and friends. Maybe you enjoy Bob Evans, Cracker Barrel, Longhorn's, or Buca Di Beppo—you can order them all and more. Check the order form today, place your order, and sit back and enjoy the holiday with family and friends!

GARDEN CENTER BENEFIT. The Broadway Garden Center is sponsoring an Annual Benefit to profit the fine arts programs of our Elementary School on December 3 from noon till 4 PM. Any purchases you make will partially come back to the school. Many decorating and gift items can be found at the Garden Center. Please consider making your purchases at the Broadway Garden Center and help our school at the same time. Let them know that you are from St. Stan's so they can ring up your order on a separate register.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY The following parishioners are serving our country and ask for your prayers. **Paul Trickett** is with the National Guard serving in Baghdad, **Kevin Preseren** is serving with the Navy, Senior Airman **Christopher Bobak** is serving in Baghdad and **HM1 Lisa Murray-Baldenegro** is serving with the Navy.