

## STAFF & ORGANIZATIONS

### PARISH AND SCHOOL STAFF

Mr. Bogdan (Don) Pieniak, Parish Administrator  
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 Mr. David Krakowski, Director of Liturgy and Music  
 Mrs. Denise O'Reilly, St. Stanislaus School Secretary  
 Mr. Fred Mendat, Maintenance & Social Center Manager

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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### PARISH PRIESTS

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 Rev. Camillus Janas, OFM, Associate Pastor  
 Rev. Placyd Kon, OFM, Associate Pastor

### DIRECTORY

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### PARISH WEBSITE

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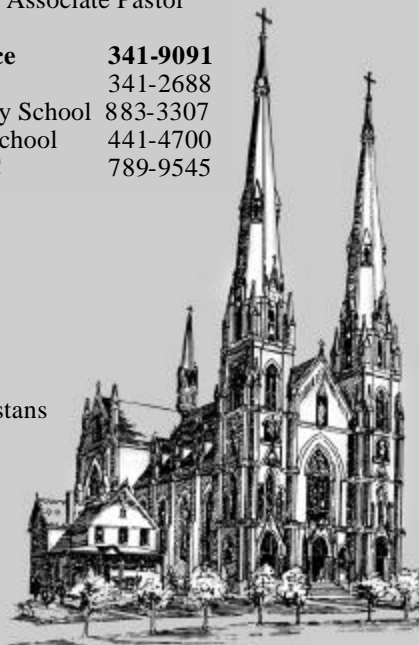
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### PHOTO ALBUM

[www.picturetrail.com/saintstans](http://www.picturetrail.com/saintstans)

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: 7:55 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: Refer to Schedule  
 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

Church is open daily 30 minutes before and after all Masses. For tours or private prayer please call the rectory.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS MARY AND JOSEPH

*December 30, Grudnia 2007*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+Lottie & Fraank Zackowski
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Parishioners of St. Stanislaus
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Harrier Markiewicz
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Karen Buranek

*1:00 PM Baptism of Hope Elizabeth Sherman*

### Mon Dec 31 Vigil of Christmas

**7:00 AM** +Walter Newdome  
**8:30 AM** +William P. Adams

### Tue Jan 1 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

**10:30 AM** +Evelyn & Albin Bielawski

### Wed Jan 2 St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen

**7:00 AM** +Wawrzyniec Staron  
**8:30 AM** +Peter, Mary, Alexandra, Papa

### Thu Jan 3 Christmas Weekday (Holy Name of Jesus)

**7:00 AM** +Władysław and Stanisław Klik  
**8:30 AM** +Jean Dardzinski

### Fri Jan 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

**7:00 AM** +Veronica Gnatowski  
**8:30 AM** +Jean & Joe Dardzinski

### Sat Jan 5 St. John Neuman

**8:30 AM** +Clarence and Delores Kozlowski

### EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*January 6, Stycznia 2008*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+Lottie Depta
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Joseph Ziegler
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Harriet (Jadwiga) Markiewicz
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Florence Galicki

## MUSIC – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

### ENGLISH MASS

Processional: O Come All Ye Faithful #297  
 Presentation: Holy Family Song #322  
 Communion: O Lord of Light #307  
 Recessional: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #282

### POLSKA MSZA ŚWIĘTA

Procesja: Bóg się rodzi #16  
 Ofiarowanie: Śliczna Panienska #28  
 Na Komunię: Nie było miejsca dla Ciebie  
 Zakończenie: W dzień Bożego Narodzenia #30

**SING TO GOD WITH JOYFUL HEARTS! PRAISE THE LORD FOREVERMORE!  
 SPIEWAJMY PANU RADOSNYM SERCEM! CHWALMY PANA NA WIEKI!**

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**Mon** Parish Offices Closed  
**Tue** HAPPY NEW YEAR — One Mass, Polish & English, 10:30 AM  
**Wed** Parish Offices Closed  
**8:00 PM** A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.  
**Thu** 3:00 PM Church Cleanup Crew works until 5:15.

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The new schedules for the first quarter of 2008 are available. Please pick them up in the sacristy after Mass.

### The Story Behind The Sanctuary Christmas Trees

So, it all started last Christmas—the big 'monster' tree idea seemed to be less important in the grand decorating scheme of things. So, a new idea came to me in the midst of all the frenzy: Next year why not have the schoolchildren make ornaments for a new set of trees which I was able to purchase at "Gale's Garden Center" (for \$7 each)? The idea seemed great and during one of the first meetings I had with the new Grade School principal, Mrs. Deborah Martin, I passed it by for her reaction. When she said she thought it could work, the fresh decorating scheme was set.

In November I sent Mrs. Martin a memo regarding the project so that the teachers and children could allow their imaginations to wander and formulate their approach to the suggested theme. I presented them with a list of a number of 'quotes' from some of their favorite songs sung at their daily liturgies: "The light of my life is Jesus," "You are the light of the world," "This little light of mine," "Shine, Jesus, shine." Light was going to be the theme! The children could use whatever symbols they chose, whatever words they found enlightening, whatever pictures they found representative of a light in the darkness.

The results of their efforts now decorate the nine trees in the front section of the sanctuary. There you see mainly stars—stars with photographs of many of the children, stars with names stars with dreams and hopes, stars with prayers and poems, stars with various colors and shapes, stars which sparkle and stars which shout "LOOK AT ME...I'M FULL OF LOVE AND I'M SHINING!!!!"

They do shine, all 250 of them, brighter than all the lights which cover the trees. Their faces and voices grace our church every week. Their energy would compete with any real star. They are all treasures and they are all reflections of God. Thanks to our school they will someday brighten the city in ways we can only imagine. While in our care, Jesus takes a special place in their lives. He lights a path for them through the teachers in the classroom and He gently directs them in the church through the prayerful example of some parishioners. They are thirsty for love and light, and we try to provide that for them in so many ways.

This Christmas season, remember to keep our little stars in your prayers. They will shine all the more because of our care, attention and love...and slowly come to know Jesus, the most powerful Light!

*David Krakowski*



## SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

*Epiphany of the Lord, January 6 Stycznia, 2008*

**Sat 5:00 PM** Lector — Tom Krol  
 Euch. Min. — Connie Aliff, Stan Witezak, Chris Wisniewski, Mike Wilks

**Sun 8:30 AM** Lector — Nancy Mack  
 Euch. Min. — Adeline Nadolny, Chris Luboski, Yolanda Kane, Marilyn Mosinski

**10:00 AM** Lector — Beata Cyraneck  
 Euch. Min. — Tom Monzell, Marcy Sladowski, A. Jankowski, Ewalina Ejsmont

**11:30 AM** Lector — Mike Leahy  
 Euch. Min. — Frank Greczanik, Diane Bulanda, Joanne & Ron Grams

## PARISH SUPPORT

5:00 PM .....	\$1,403.00
8:30 AM .....	\$2,168.00
10:00 AM .....	\$1,129.00
11:30 AM .....	\$1,288.45
Mailed in .....	\$2,477.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,440.45</b>

## THANK YOU

## The HOLY Family



On October 21, 1921 Pope Benedict XV introduced the feast of the Holy Family into the liturgical calendar of the universal church. The purpose of this feast was to focus on family life, that essential unit of society. The end of the 19th century, family life and morality were in a state of crisis. Laws concerning marriage were undergoing

change. The state assumed more responsibility. Legal requirements regulating civil marriage were made independent of the Church. Divorce was sanctioned.

By focusing on the primary social unit called family, the Church hoped to focus on the **biological** family, from which the **faith** family, the Christian family, was to grow. Just as *eros* love is to reach its maturity and perfection in *agape* love, (according to Pope Benedict XVI) so too the **biological** family unit is to reach its maturity (perfection) in the **faith** family. The **faith** family (the Church) is to be the start and the destiny toward which the **biological** family is to grow. The hope is that the **biological** family is to become a **faith** family, whose life, desires, decisions and destiny are based on faith in God.

What are some of the ingredients of a good and wholesome **biological** family life which ought to blossom into a **faith** family?

Today's second reading (Col. 3: 12-21) can be helpful. St. Paul speaks about "*the mystery of Christ.*" In each of us there is the sacred, the divine, the holy, the unique and totally other, which we call God. This God—Trinity of persons and unity of being—continues to create, redeem and sanctify each and all of us through His Holy Spirit, which is in each of us and in the world.

Believing this, we can relate to one another better and thus become a family unity, where respect is based upon "*the mystery of Christ*" within each and all of us. We can relate with hope toward each member of the family that God will complete in each of us what He has begun. We are not finished products but are tending to reach the glory which God prepared for each and all of us. That is why we need to "*put on*" as St. Paul writes, "*heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. If one has a grievance against another, as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.*" Then, there is need to "*put on love, that is the bond of perfection.*" There is also need for "*the peace of Christ .. to control our hearts, the peace in which we have been called to be one body.*" Finally, there is need "*to do everything in the name of the Lord, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*" This is a recipe of a wholesome and holy family life which St. Paul gives.

Instead of complaining how **biological** families are breaking up and **faith** families are not living up to what they profess to believe, why not resolve personally and as a family to put into practice what we have heard in our second reading about "*the mystery of God,*" which is Jesus the Christ, "*the hope of glory*" in us. That is the basis of a *holy* family life.

*Peace and Good!*

*Fr. Cam*

## "Nowy Rok bieży..."

Nowy, tzn. 2008! Wydaje się, że to wczoraj weszliśmy w nowy wiek i tysiąclecie. Podając datę, jeszcze nie za bardzo przyzwyczailiśmy się do pisania „2” na początku, a już trzeba nam się przestawić na „8” na końcu liczby oznaczającej kolejny rok.

Jak zwykle patrzymy na ten rozpoczynający się czas zarówno z nadzieją jak i z pewną obawą. Co ten Nowy Rok nam przyniesie? - wielu zadaje sobie takie pytanie. Nie wiemy i nie chcemy bawić się w proroków, którym wydaje się, że wiedza i czynia pewne przepowiednie.

Łatwiej jest powiedzieć, co nam przyniósł rok mijający. Dla nas, Polaków, ma duże znaczenie, że od 21 grudnia obywatele Polski mogą podróżować bez pokazywania paszportu czy innego dokumentu tożsamości przez granice krajów Unii Europejskiej. Jeśli chodzi o wydarzenia w życiu Kościoła, to jednym z najważniejszych wydarzeń tego roku jest encyklika papieska „*Spe salvi*”, czyli „*O chrześcijańskiej nadziei*”. O ile pierwsze ze wspomnianych wydarzeń jest źródłem nadziei „doczesnej”, tzn. ekonomicznej czy związanej ze statusem Polaka w Europie, o tyle wspomniana encyklika papieska mówi o nadziei właściwej chrześcijanom.

Pod hasłem związanym z nadzieją, a dokładnie mówiąc „*Chrystus nasza nadzieja*” będzie zapowiedziana na kwiecień 2008 rok wizyta pasterska Ojca świętego Benedykta w Stanach Zjednoczonych. Czytanie i rozwiązywanie encykliki papieskiej będzie dobrym sposobem na przygotowanie się do tej wizyty. Można ją znaleźć i przeczytać po polsku i po angielsku w Internecie ([www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)), a pewnie też już ukazała się w wydaniu książkowym.

Ojciec święty mówi o nadziei wskazując na jej źródło; tym źródłem jest spotkanie z Bogiem. Na początku swego pisma cytując św. Pawła i jego list do Efezjan. Apostoł przypomina adresatom, że zanim spotkali Chrystusa, byli poganami „nie mającymi nadziei ani Boga na tym świecie”. To spotkanie z Bogiem jest źródłem naszej nadziei. Czas Bożego Narodzenia, który właśnie przeżywamy, uświadamia nam, że jest to „Bóg z nami”, czyli Bóg, który w swoim Synu stał się Człowiekiem.

Chrystus pokazał nam trudną drogę; On sam stał się dla nas Droga, ale jest to droga, która budzi nadzieję, dlatego że ma ona swój cel. Droga, która prowadzi donikąd, nie ma racji istnienia. Posiadanie celu w życiu jest pierwszym warunkiem, aby ludzkie życie miało sens.

Nowy Rok uświadamia nam, że nasze życie przemija, że z każdym rokiem stajemy się starsi, ale zarazem bogatsi o nowe doświadczenia. Rok 2007 już nie wróci. Rok 2008 przyniesie nam nowe radości, nowe spotkania, nowe wyzwania. Nie wiemy, jaki on będzie. Ale wiemy z całą pewnością, że idzie z nami Chrystus, który stał się dla nas Droga i jest naszym celem, bo w nim jest pełnia życia, a nie tylko życie zamknięte w granicach czasu i przestrzeni.

Niech On nam błogosławi na drogach naszego życia roku 2008. Niech nasze ludzkie spotkanie będzie spotkaniami z NIM, i niech umacniają nasza NADZIEJE, że nigdy nie jesteśmy sami i że wszystko ma sens.

*o. Placyd*



# HAPPY NEW YEAR & THANK YOU

To all who have been so generous to our Church and School. To all our volunteers who have given their time and talent, and to all our parishioners and friends who contribute in so many ways to our faith community — May God bless all of you and keep you safe and healthy during this coming year.

# SZCZĘŚLIWEGO NOWEGO ROKU!

## WELCOME!

To all our friends visiting our church during this Joyous Christmas Season. The parishioners of St. Stanislaus pride themselves in our outreach and service to our diverse neighborhood peoples. If you can find it in your means, please be generous in your support of the many good works of our Parish. St. Stanislaus depends upon the regular support of its membership and the generosity of those who visit here. Please look upon your financial gift or sacrifice as a way of giving praise to God along with the many from earlier generations who have worshiped and prayed here for 135 years.

## THANK YOU FOR THE MANNA

We appreciate all those who have purchased Manna Cards this past year. With your participation the program will continue for 2008. You may order cards after the holidays for pick up on January 6th.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERY ONE!

### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS.

The next class will be at Holy Name Church on January 6, 2008 at 1:00 PM. Call 216-271-4242 for more information.

## BÓG ZAPLAC!

Serdeczne podziękowania dla wszystkich, którzy przyczynili się do wspaniałego przeżycia Świąt Narodzenia Pańskiego. Za głęboką modlitwę, piękne dekoracje kościoła, śpiew koled, obsługę uroczystości przez wszystkie służby, także za świąteczne donacje. Dla wszystkich Parafian i Gości - serdeczne Bóg zaplac! Wraz ze słowami podziękowania płyną serdeczne życzenia: Radosci i Pokoju, Dobra i Pomysłowości na Świąteczny Okres Bożego Narodzenia i Nowy 2008 rok!

### BLESSING OF HOMES

Fr. Michael, Fr. Placyd and Fr. Camillus are available to bless your homes during the season of Epiphany. Please call the rectory anytime during business hours, 9:00-5:00 PM to schedule a visit. Keep in mind that any head of household or adult family member may bless their home without the presence of a priest. Packets containing chalk, incense and a blessing prayer will be available next week in the church. If you already have chalk, you may use the following prayer and ritual to bless your own home:

**All:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

**Leader:** Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace.

**All:** Blessed be God for ever.

#### Scripture Reading

*Luke 19:1-8 or Psalm 72 or Psalm 127:1-8*

**Leader:** The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon him.

**ALL:** Stay with us Lord!

**Leader:** Lord, Jesus Christ, the Magi presented their gifts to You in praise and adoration. Grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory. We pray in Jesus name, now and forever. AMEN.

**Leader:** May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. AMEN

*Mark the door tops or frame with the blessed chalk:*

**20+C+M+B+07**

*The numerals consecrate the new year, the initials remind us of the legendary names of the Magi—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.*

### 2008 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

Those who wish to reserve Masses for wedding anniversaries, anniversaries of deaths, or other special intentions in 2008 can do so in person in the rectory from 9:30 AM until 4:30 PM. You may also mail your Mass intentions or drop them into the collection basket along with the customary stipend and your requested dates.

### ST. STAN'S HISTORICAL FACT by Rob Jagelewski.

Father Anton Kolaszewski was the Pastor of St. Stanislaus Parish from 1883-1892. He was born in Russian Poland in September of 1851. His family came to America. He studied for the priesthood at the Franciscan College in Teutopolis, Illinois and at St. Mary's Seminary here in Cleveland. Father Kolaszewski was ordained a priest in 1883 and he was made Pastor of St. Stanislaus Parish. After dealing with the Newburgh Rolling Mill strike of 1885 in which many of his Parishioners participated, he took on the task of constructing our present church. Work on building the church began in 1886. The church was completed in 1891 at the cost of \$250,000.

**PEACE GARDEN MEMORIAL BRICKS** are still available for \$100.00 each by contacting the rectory office. Order your brick in time for a spring 2008 installation. If you previously donated a brick, you may find it by taking a stroll in the garden.

## Catholic Charities Campaign Begins in January

# ST. STANISLAUS SHRINE SHOPPE

Tel: 216-206-4947

Saturday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Before or after Mass —  
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Items, Books, Pictures  
and much much more!  
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St. Stanislaus School Children must have been very good, because Santa made a special visit to them on Wednesday Dec 19, and distributed presents.

**GOOD YARN.** The *Warmup America Group* would like to thank all the people that donated yarn so generously. This is an ongoing project. So, if you would like to donate washable yarn, new or almost new (no wool or rug yarn), for making afghans for the needy, please bring the yarn to the rectory. If you would like to join this group, meetings are held at St. Columbkille Parish. For more information contact Donna Ciborowski at 216-398-9653.

Meetings of the **Gospel of Life** Committee will be held every **FIRST THURSDAY** of each month in the Rectory starting time: 6:00 PM. All interested parishioners are welcome!

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Spotkania Komitetu **"Ewangelia Zycia"** beda odbywac sie w kazdy pierwszy czwartek miesiaca, poczawszy od 6 grudnia. Poczatek 6:00 wieczorem. Zapraszamy wszystkich zainteresowanych!

## St. Stanislaus Alumni Association

Celebrate Catholic Schools' Week —Saturday, January 26th 2008

5:00 p.m. Mass at the Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus

6:00 p.m. Dinner at the Grade School, first floor

**PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE!**

Invite other alumni to attend. No RSVP required.

Questions? Call Rita at 330-649-3778 or email: [alumniststanislaus@yahoo.com](mailto:alumniststanislaus@yahoo.com)

## HARMONIA CONCERT

Sunday afternoon, January 27, 3:00 PM

The Cleveland Music School Settlement

University Circle

1125 Magnolia Drive

Cleveland, OH 44016

For information contact call 216.421.5806 or visit

<http://www.thecmss.org/>

**\*\*\* FREE ADMISSION! \*\*\***

Note: A demonstration and question and answer period will follow this concert  
About HARMONIA:

HARMONIA presents the traditional folk music of Eastern Europe, ranging from the Danube to the Carpathians. Its repertoire reflects the cultures of the region: Hungarian, Ukrainian, Slovak, Carpatho-Rusyn, Romanian, Croatian, Serbian and Gypsy (Rom). Performing on authentic folk instruments, Harmonia's music is drawn from both village and urban traditions of Eastern Europe. The ensemble's performances evoke the full range of human emotions; interspersing fiery, passionate virtuosity with soulful melancholy and nostalgic yearning