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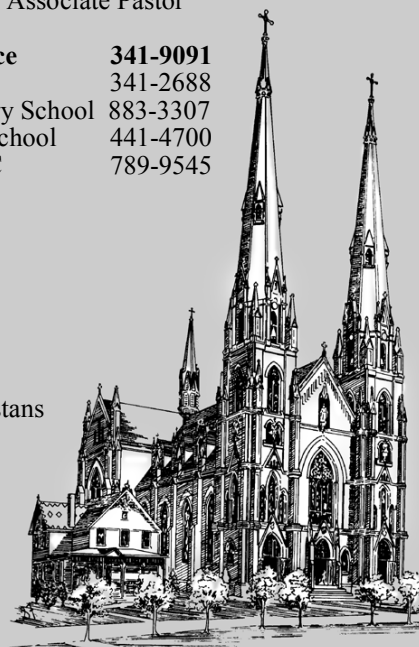
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The artist's sketch on the right depicts the original building with the spires. Corner Stone laid in 1886, and church dedicated in 1891.



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM (no 7:00 on Sat.)
 Daily Morning Prayer: 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

EASTER SUNDAY

March 23, Marca 2008

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| Sat | Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil |
| | 8:30 PM Sp. Int. Catechumens and Candidates |
| Sun | 6:30 AM +Franciszek & Maria Grygorcewicz |
| | 8:30 AM +Veronica Gnatowski |
| | 10:00 AM +Celia Kopec |
| | 11:30 AM +Henry Stachowicz |

Mon Mar 24 Easter Monday

8:30 AM +Joseph And Clement Kozlowski

Tue Mar 25 Easter Tuesday

8:30 AM +Frances Sekula

Wed Mar 26 Easter Wednesday

8:30 AM +Teresa Swierczek

Thu Mar 27 Easter Thursday

8:30 AM +Monica Krakowski

Fri Mar 28 Easter Friday

8:30 AM +Joseph Bobowski

Sat Mar 29 Easter Saturday

8:30 PM +Daniel Nagorski

1:00 PM Baptism of Veronika Amelia Witkowski

DIVINE MERCY — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

March 30, Marca 2008

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| Sat | 5:00 PM | +Stanley Luboski |
| Sun | 8:30 AM | Intention of Parishioners |
| | 10:00 AM | +Sabina Monzell |
| | 11:30 AM | Sp. Int. Melvin Honsayer |
| | | <i>1:00 PM Baptism Isabel Elise Butkowski</i> |
| | 2:00 PM | Int. of Homebound Parishioners |

MUSIC – EASTER SUNDAY

ENGLISH MASS

Processional: Jesus Christ is Risen Today #293
 Presentation: All You on Earth #288
 Communion: Ye Sons and Daughters #287
 Recessional: Alleluia! The Strife is O'er! #289

POLSKA MSZA ŚWIĘTA

Procesja: Wesoły nam dziś dzień nastał #38
 Ofiarowanie: Wesel się ludu strapiony (chór)
 Na Komunię: Alleluja! Bije dzwoń (chór)
 Zakończenie: Zwycięzca śmierci #10

“The Lord is risen, Alleluia...Sing out and praise the Lord, Alleluia!”
“Chrystus zmartwychwstał, Alleluja...Śpiewajcie Panu, Alleluja!”

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sun 6:30 AM Rezurekcja, then normal Sunday Schedule
Mon Parish Office Closed
Tues 7:00 PM Parish Finance Council meets in the rectory.
Wed 8:00 PM A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.
Thu 3:00 PM Church Cleanup Crew until 4:15 then fellowship in the rectory.
 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council meets in the rectory.
Sat 6:30 PM Night at the Races (social center)
Sun ALL MASSES 2:00 PM Second Collection for St. Vincent DePaul.
 Mass for the Homebound with Anointing of the Sick, in church.

Thank You!

Many parishioners, guests, and friends have been extraordinarily generous with their Easter parish offerings. Times are hard for so many, and parish expenses are not immune to the shocks of increases.

Death and Resurrection

It all changed about two millenia ago, give or take a few years: Death lost its sting. Theoretically, one might say that Jesus was the last person that needed to die on this earth, for with His death and resurrection the situation of mankind was forever changed. In the gospel which tells us the story of the death and rising of Lazarus, we heard Jesus proclaim the ‘New World Order’ as he told the grieving Martha: **“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die! Do you believe me?”** (John 11) Yet even when Jesus was confronted with this intimate reality during His earthly life He responded as anyone would having lost a close relative or friend — He wept! The human loss and condition is a part of the reality of our human condition.

The current process of clustering, merging and closing of local churches similarly gives rise to these human feelings associated with death as well as the faith in resurrection. As with human death, the people of the Diocese of Cleveland will all go through the traditional stages of the total human experience, especially those who will lose their parishes completely. The reasons for the closings are obvious and irreversible, but those facts will not alleviate the pain of those experiencing their loss. The stages of **denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance** are pretty well assured. Some Catholics may even find themselves stuck in one or another of these stages, including that of anger at God, even carrying that burden with them to their final breath, refusing to attend **any** church, letting their faith be suffocated in hatred. Others will follow through the process and with the grace of God see the words which Jesus spoke to Martha as their only comfort and hope in this time of loss.

The promise of Jesus **must** carry us through the upcoming ordeal. The promise of our own resurrection **must** bind us together in faith, a **living** faith which transcends time and space, ornate or plain church walls, societies and clubs, statues and windows, memories and never to be fulfilled dreams. It is because of the resurrection of Jesus that we **must** look forward without being afraid! It will be His Holy Spirit who will remain with us in our sorrow and loss and guide us into new life. The upcoming cluster/merging/closing ordeal will feel like a death in the family, **because it involves humans, not just property, bank accounts and buildings.** But, because of our faith, that death will not triumph; it will not deprive us of the life which Jesus won for us. Jesus will be there to weep with those who will experience the loss of their cherished churches and those of us who remain will need to be His instruments of comfort and hope to those in mourning. With faith in God and the strength of His Holy Spirit, may we together **‘take the stone away’** and continue to build the city of God within our city of Cleveland.

Jezu, ufam Tobie.....Jesus, I trust in YOU!

David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

Second Sunday of Easter, March 29 Marca 2008

Sat 5:00 PM Lector — Tom Krol
 Euch. Min. — Marge & Andy Flock, Marilyn Mosinski, Connie Aliff
Sun 8:30 AM Lector — Nancy Mack
 Euch. Min. — Ray Tegowski, Adeline Nadolny, Marcia & Don Stech
 10:00 AM Lector — Teresa Cyranek
 Euch. Min. — Marcy Sladewski, Ewelina Ejsmont, Tom Monzell, W. Sztalkoper
 11:30 AM Lector — James Seaman
 Euch. Min. — Angela Revay, Larry Wilks, Terry Kopania, Stanley Koch

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Sunday's Collection

5:00 PM (110).....\$1,880.00
 8:30 AM (113).....\$1,874.87
 10:00 AM(80).....\$1,147.50
 11:30 AM(101).....\$1,660.53
 Mailed in (62).....\$1,482.00
Total (468 envelopes) **\$8,044.90**
Palm Sunday (144) **\$1,229.00**
Easter Flowers (187) **\$1,354.00**

WHERE IS GOD?



There is an old joke: A bunch of teenage guys is terrorizing the neighborhood, but one day they decide to make amends and go to confession. The first guy goes to the priest, confesses to stealing, vandalizing, and bullying. The priest thunders back, "Where is God?" The penitent is frightened, but keeps on with his confession, and is interrupted again by the priest, who is even louder, "Where is God?" The kid runs out of the confessional and meets his buddies, who ask him, "Well, how did it go?" He says, "Not so well. God is missing, and the priest thinks we stole Him!"

We can barely imagine the emptiness of the hearts of Jesus' followers after his public execution. They had placed such great hope in him. And after three days, even his body is gone. In our own lives, we experience dashed hopes; we are let down by those we love; and we ourselves can disappoint people who trust in us. *Where is God?*

A neighbor's house is broken into. (Where? Richfield? Slavic Village? Parma? Anywhere?) Everything is strewn about, things are missing, the door and window are broken, the police are slow in coming. The sense of violation is palpable, sleep is hard to come by. *Where is God?* Perhaps in the hand of a friend who holds you, another who welcomes you, another who helps you rebuild.

Although most people profess some belief in God, many are unsure about what that actually means. People leave the churches in which they are raised. Since the Catholic Church is the largest single denomination, therefore it experiences the largest exodus. *Where is God?* Perhaps in the young adults who, at our Easter Vigil, boldly proclaim their "I do!" to the questions that start with, "Do you believe..."

A massive snow storm snarls traffic, closes businesses, and sends people out with shovels and snow-blowers. Two friends of the parish, men in their sixties, die unexpectedly from shoveling snow. The baby daughter of a young woman, herself a child of the parish, succumbs to a virulent cancer. The eyes of spouses, families, and friends are sore and red from constant tears. *Where is God?* Perhaps in a liturgy that recalls the tears of Jesus when his friend died, and the dead man's sister still being able to say, "Yes, Lord, I have come to believe."

A country built on the backs of immigrants — voluntary and forced — once again turns sour on the idea of taking in the "tired, the poor, the huddled masses yearning to breathe free." Economic stress rips open the scabs covering the old sores about race and immigration, poverty and wealth. *Where is God?* Perhaps in a parish that holds to tradition, welcomes all who come, sustains an integrated school where race is not a problem, and serves immigrants without checking for green cards.

The fact that you are in church right now, or that you even bothered to read this bulletin because it was mailed to you or you picked it up on line, means that you have a searching heart. A heart that seeks God has already begun to find Him. "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here. He has arisen!" *Alleluia!*

Fr. Michael

Zmartwychwstanie Jezusa drogą do życia wiecznego



W biblijnej księdze „Pieśni nad Pieśniami” czytamy takie słowa: *Polóż mię jak pieczęć na twoim sercu, jak pieczęć na twoim ramieniu, bo jak śmierć potężna jest miłość, a zazdrość jej nieprzejednana jak Szeol, żar jej to żar ognia, płomień Pański* (PnP 8, 6). „Jak śmierć potężna jest miłość”. To zdanie zajmowało mój umysł przez dłuższy czas i tak jest do dzisiaj. Co właściwie oznaczają te słowa?

Każdy człowiek przychodząc na ten świat przynosi ze sobą pragnienie nieśmiertelności, pragnienie życia wiecznego. Jego życie jest niejako wy kierowane na przyszłość. Aż nazbyt dobrze przed wielu latu udało się pewnemu redaktorowi pracującemu w rozgłośni radiowej przedstawić w sposób realny katastrofę zakończenia świata. Wynik tego był straszny: wielu słuchaczy myślało, że to rzeczywiste wydarzenie i popełniło samobójstwo. Ci ludzie targnęli się na swoje życie, aby ... nie musieć umierać; popełnili samobójstwo, ponieważ nie widzieli przed sobą przyszłości. Wniosek: każdy człowiek potrzebuje nadziei, aby żyć. Jeżeli komuś zabiera się nadzieję przyszłości, pozbawia się go sensu życia, więcej - pozbawia się go życia jako takiego.

To pragnienie życia, które się nie kończy, dało się poznać w historii narodów w podwójny sposób. Najpierw jako kontynuacja życia w przodkach. Kiedy człowiek ma dzieci, to jakaś jego cząstka żyje w nich. Jednakże bardzo łatwo odkryć, że jest to tylko namiastka dalszego życia. Dzieci, wnuki żyją swoje życie. I tak musi być; i tak jest dobrze.

Dlatego doznawszy rozczarowania ucieka on w ideę sławy, która ma uczynić go nieśmiertelnym. „Non omnis moriar” (*Nie wszystek umrę*) - napisał Horacy wierząc, że jego sława przetrwa jego samego. I rzeczywiście miał rację. Ale nawet autor tego powiedzenia musiałby przyznać, że to nie on sam żyje, ale raczej pamięć o nim jest wciąż żywa. Musiałby więc przyznać, że nie jest to życie w sensie właściwym, jakie każdy pragnie, bowiem człowiek pragnie żyć w sobie samym. Sława okazuje się więc raczej echem życia, a nie samym życiem.

Dopiero Zmartwychwstanie Jezusa przyniosło to, co żaden człowiek nie może sam z siebie. Zmartwychwstanie Jezusa objawiło, co to znaczy, że miłość jest mocna jak śmierć, a właściwie ukazało, że MIŁOŚĆ jest silniejsza od śmierci. Dlatego Kościół śpiewa, niejako naśmiewając się ze śmierci: „O śmierci, gdzie jest twój oścień; o śmierci, gdzie jest twoje zwycięstwo?”

Przez zmartwychwstanie Jezusa wszyscy bez wyjątku otrzymaliśmy szansę wiecznego życia wraz z Nim i w Nim. W Nim, a więc jednak nie w sobie? W Nim wypełnia się to starodawne pragnienie ludzkiego serca. Jeśli wierzymy w Niego i w tym życiu żyjemy w Nim, nasza śmierć jest w rzeczywistości przejściem z życia do Życia. A jest to życie we właściwym tego słowa znaczeniu, ponieważ w Bogu jest pełnia życia i miłości, ponieważ On jest Miłością, która nie gwałci wolnej woli człowieka, ponieważ On jest Miłością, która jest silniejsza od śmierci.

o. Placyd

Happy Easter

**From the St. Stanislaus
Pastoral Staff**

Fr. Michael Surufka, OFM

Fr. Placyd Koń OFM

Fr. Camillus Janas, OFM

**Pan prawdziwie zmartwychwstał!
NA CZAS NAJRADOŚNIEJSZYCH
ŚWIĄT ZMARTWYCHWSTANIA
PAŃSKIEGO WSZYSTKIM GOŚCIOM
I PARAFIANOM DOBRA, POKOJU I
RADOŚCI
Życzą duszpasterze**



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**MASTER SINGERS TO PREMIERE NEW "REQUIEM"
AT THE SHRINE CHURCH OF ST. STANISLAUS**

Master Singers, Inc. will premiere *REQUIEM* by the noted Welsh composer, Wayne Davies, and there will be a special premiere performance of "*Zdrowas Mario*" (*Ave Maria*) written by the acclaimed Ohio composer, Jason Metheny and sung in Polish. Other dedication works include "*The Vatican Magnificat*" and "*Pie Jesu*" by British composer, J.J. Hutchings. Also appearing will be the Master Singers Chamber Orchestra and guest soloists.

Sunday, April 6, 2008 3:00 PM

\$10 (for those who are able)

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

At the beginning of the twentieth century most of the Poles living in the City of Cleveland were located in the Warszawa neighborhood around St. Stanislaus Church. Fleet Avenue was the main business section. There were many Polish owned businesses on Fleet Avenue along with single and multi-family dwellings. At this time Warszawa's boundaries went east to Broadway Avenue, west to East 55, south to Lansing Avenue, and north to Heisley Avenue. From 1900-1914 Poles were the second most numerous ethnic group (Italians were the largest group) coming to Cleveland. The neighborhood continued to grow and soon the two communities of Warszawa and Krakowa (Sacred Heart of Jesus) met along the ravines on Worley, Ottawa, and Indiana Avenues to form one joint area of settlement.

**DONATIONS TO THE INFANTS/TODDLERS
OF SLAVIC VILLAGE**

Winners of the \$20.00 Gift Certificates to Seven Roses:

1. Florence Stevens 2. Ann Greczanik 3. Alice Klafczynski
Congratulations And thank you for your contributions

You too can win!!! Bring a donation of food (peanut butter, jelly, canned ravioli, fruits, vegetables, boxes of cereal etc.) clothing (spring and summer articles new or used), toys, blankets. Leave your articles in the baskets, fill out your name and phone number on the slips provided and deposit in the entry box.

Next Drawing — Sunday, April 20th 1:00PM

1st prize — \$25.00 Manna Gift Card of your choice!

2nd prize — 2 lbs. Fresh Kielbasa plus 1 lb beef smokies

3rd prize — 2 lbs fresh kielbasa (Jaworski's Meats/ Strongsville)

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Parish Pastoral Council will be holding its annual election May 10-11. It's not too early to begin considering if you or someone you know would be able to serve the parish on this Council. To be eligible for membership on PPC, you must be at least 18 years of age, be a registered parishioner for at least two years at the time of nomination, and be a parishioner in good standing. Meetings are held in the evening on the third Tuesday of each month from September through June. Nomination forms will be available at all weekend Masses beginning March 29-30 and continuing through April 12-13. If you have any questions, please call Susan Halamek at (216) 573-1243.

ANNUAL EASTER MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Do miracles still happen? We as Christian believers have hope that God in his merciful goodness would help us in our time of greatest suffering and need. St. Stanislaus and the Lil Bros have made it an annual tradition to have a special Easter Mass for our "homebound" parishioners. We will celebrate this special Liturgy, including anointing of the sick, the Sunday after Easter, **March 29, at 2:00 PM**. If there are any parishioners that need assistance in getting to church please call the rectory.

MSZA ŚW. WIELKANOCNA DLA CHORYCH

W drugą Niedzielę Wielkanocną czyli 29 Marca w naszej parafii będzie odprawiona uroczysta Msza św. Wielkanocna dla chorych i wszystkich tych, którzy nie mogą regularnie uczestniczyć w obchodach Wielkanocy. Msza św. rozpocznie się o godz. 2:00 po południu; podczas tej Mszy zostanie udzielony sakrament Namaszczenia Chorych, a na zakończenie uroczyste błogosławieństwo. Warto skorzystać z okazji i umożliwić udział w tej szczególnej Mszy św. tym wszystkim, którzy nie mają możliwości regularnie uczestniczyć w tego.

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Scott Skiba, baritone

Hristo Popov, violin, Opera Circle concertmaster

Jacek Sobieski, piano

Saturday, April 5, 2008 8:00 PM

Tickets for each concert (available at door):

\$55.00 Reserved Sponsor, \$15.00 General Admission, \$5.00 Students

OUR ACADEMIC CHALLENGE CONNECTION

Tune in to WEWS, TV5 on Saturday, March 29th at 7pm to watch Academic Challenge. Magnificat High School is appearing and one of their coaches is our Parish Council Chairperson, Betty Dabrowski. The girls are outstanding in a very exciting competition. One of Magnificat's team members is the niece of Betty's teammate when they competed for Lumen Cordium 40 years ago!

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Brrrr... It's been cold, and our heating bills confirm how cold it has been these last few weeks. Forecasters say that we are in for a cold winter! In times like these, energy assistance becomes critical to families in Cuyahoga County who cannot afford the higher cost of fuel. **The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** is the federally funded program that can offer assistance with your winter heating bill. HEAP is available to homeowners and renters of all ages who meet specific income guidelines. Completed applications must be accompanied by proof of income for the last 12 months and a copy of your most recent utility bills. Deadline for filing energy assistance applications is March 31, 2008. If you need an application or request eligibility information, call the County Auditor's Community Services Dept. 216-443-7050

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is Sunday, April 13, 2008. Let us pray for Catholic priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, married and single people. Let us come together at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, as a diocese, from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM. Benediction, songs, prayers for vocations, hear vocation stories, and hear young people witness to the value of Catholic vocations. Sunday Liturgy at the Cathedral will begin at 5:30 PM

ST. STAN'S DADS CLUB will present "*A Night At the Races*" at St. Stan's Social Center on Saturday, March 29. Doors will open at 6:30 PM, dinner will be served at 7:00PM and the first of 10 great races will begin at 7:30 PM. There will be a featured Auction Race after the regular races. Tickets are \$15.00. Included with your ticket will be dinner with all the trimmings, beer, pop, wash, and snacks. NO BYOB. Call John Sklodowski (chairman) 216-641-7624, or John Heyink 216-341-2019 for more information.



ST. STANISLAUS SHRINE SHOPPE

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Saturday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

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PEACE GARDEN MEMORIAL BRICKS

What a great way to make a permanent memorial to someone, living or deceased! The donation for memorial bricks is \$100.00 each. Order your brick in time for a summer 2008 installation by contacting the rectory. If you previously donated a brick, you may find it by taking a stroll in the garden.

2008 MASS DATES AVAILABLE

We still have many available weekday Mass dates for the latter part of 2008. You may mail your Mass intentions or drop them into the collection basket along with the customary stipend and your requested dates. Office Hours are from 9:00AM to 5:00 PM.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next class will be at St. Stanislaus on April 6, 2008 at 1:00 PM. Call 216-341-9091 for more information.