EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Aug 5, Sierpnia, 2007

Sun        5:00 PM
Sp Int Henry & Charlotte Krnac

Congratulations Henry & Charlotte on your 40th Anniversary

PARISH PRIESTS
Rev. Michael Surufka, OFM, Pastor
Rev. Camillus Janas, OFM, Associate Pastor
Rev. Placyd Kon, OFM, Associate Pastor
Rev. Howard Stunek, OFM, in Residence

DIRECTORY
Rectory & Parish Office  341-9091
Parish Fax          341-2688
St. Stanislaus Elementary School  883-3307
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PARISH WEBSITE
www.ststanislaus.org
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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.

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.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Aug 12, Sierpnia, 2007

Sun 5:00 PM +Anne Kondziela
8:30 AM +Louis Siemborski
10:00 AM +Cecelia & Joseph Cwiek
11:30 AM +Kenneth Sprungle
When’s the last time you saw a ‘U-Haul’ attached to a hearse? Probably never. And yet doesn’t it seem as though we so often act as though our possessions are going to follow us after we assume room temperature? We buy and we store and we hoard and we build. We borrow and we sacrifice and we suffer and we exhaust our energies to acquire to spend and the sock away. Then we die.

Stuff—We all have it. It’s not going with us when we die. Yet how much of our day is spent making sure that we have more of it? We replace old stuff with new stuff. We save the old stuff just incase we’ll need it later. Sometimes we lend or sell stuff to others. The stuff with which we surround ourselves seems to define our taste, our status, who we think we are, who we wish others would think we are.

Then, on the day we die, the stuff is still here. It doesn’t follow us into the ground (in most cases) and it certainly doesn’t surround us as we stand in judgement before God. He really doesn’t care where we shopped or what we bought. His eyes aren’t impressed by Nordstrom or Macy’s, Target or Silverman’s. The anchors we attach to ourselves will have already helped form the being which will stand before Him. In the end, all our stuff will have created a picture which He will be able to sort through in the blink of an eye….and then look back into our eyes and wonder: “Why?”

Does your stuff define you? Of course it tells people that you have or lack ‘taste.’ It tells people that you have or lack ‘expendable income.’ Stuff may be the result of inheritance or gifts or theft. We are all surrounded by it and even take out insurance to protect it, alarms to notify us in case of loss or ruin. Stuff becomes so very important to so many of us that reality becomes nicely hidden.

The hearse will pull away and leave the coffin or ‘container of choice’ to be buried in the ground. The body will sooner or later return to dust. Our stuff will probably outlast us all, but it won’t matter. The U-Haul truck will only move it to another house or another city or another state or to a junkyard or dump. Boy! After all that work, all that saving, sacrificing, spending, worrying, insuring, cleaning and worshipping our stuff will be worthless to us.

The day after you die (if not sooner) when the relatives rummage through your belongings you won’t be there to protect them or justify their significance. Bummer, huh? The garbage bags and boxes will fill up quicker than you could imagine. The money will dissipate, evaporate and flow through slot machines, credit card company coffers and cash registers and the economy will get a boost. Unfinished projects will either cease or be passed on to someone else, like it or not. Hmmm…...In the end, did all that stuff help or hinder our growth as a baptized Christian? In the end, will the stuff have mattered? The absence of the U-Haul behind your hearse might give you a hint.

David Krakowski

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**SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS**

**Sat**
5:00 PM Lector — Tom Krol
Euch. Min. — Stan Witeczak, Michael Wilks, Holly Revay, Marilyn Mosinski

**Sun**
8:30 AM Lector — Jim Sadowski
Euch. Min. — Marcia & Don Stech, Adeline Nadolny, Yolanda Kane
10:00 AM Lector — Mieczys³aw Garncarek
Euch. Min. — Marcy Sledowski, A. Jankowski, Ewalina Ejsmont, Tom Monzell
11:30 AM Lector — Mike Leahy
Euch. Min. — Larry Wilks, Frank Greczanik, Art Sprungle, Angela Revay

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**PARISH SUPPORT**

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Catholic League (33) $160.00
Monthly Budget (65) $958.00

Thank you for your generosity!
Wisdom and Foolishness

Generally, no one wishes to be called and considered a "fool." Generally, everyone wants to be acknowledged and treated as "wise." In view of Sunday's readings, what is the difference between one and the other?

In the gospel selection a "fool" is like "the rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest and who asked himself, 'What shall I do?'" This is a characteristic of the "fool": he/she asks the self. The "fool" does not ask God or others. The "fool" centers one's life on self and considers only oneself. In the parable, the rich man wishes to build bigger and better barns for oneself, rather than share the bountifulness with others. The "fool" stores up treasure for oneself.

Another name for the "fool" is "greedy." The "fool" or "greedy" person wishes more and more for self and does not want to share one's inheritance with one's brother. Each of us has inherited —through no merit of our own—from God our Father gifts of varied kinds, which are meant to be shared with others.

This "fool" and "greedy" self is also the "fearful" self, who worries about storing things, building bigger and better barns to store for oneself, because one does not know what tomorrow will bring. This "fearful fool" demands the security for the future against having anything go wrong. There may be famine or drought and consequently lean years or no crops. The "fearful fool" does not place one's trust in God, the provider, who looks after the lilies of the fields and the birds of the air, and even more so after human beings.

The "greedy, fearful fool" thinks about living forever on this planet earth and does not give thought to hearing the words: "You, fool," this night your life will be demanded of you and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?" In the words of the first reading from the book of Ecclesiastes one "must leave property." and another will take over what one did not labor over. There is so much focusing on the NOW AND THE TEMPORAL (not that it doesn't deserve attention) to the disregard for the HEREAFTER AND THE ETERNAL.

What about the "wise" person?

The second reading from the letter to the Colossians says, in effect, that the "wise" person is the one who thinks of and seeks "what is above,— where Christ is seated at the right hand of God— and not what is on earth." The "wise" person puts "to death the parts of the self that are earthly: such as immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry." The "wise" person has died with Christ and one's life is hidden with Christ in God, so much so that Christ has become one's life. For the "wise" person "Christ is all and in all." The "wise" person has "put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator." The "wise" person expects to appear with Christ when he comes in glory.

The words of this Sunday's Responsorial Psalm (90) can serve as a prayer in view of our reflection about the "foolish" and the "wise" person: "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart." Fr. cam
By now most of our parishioners should have received their raffle tickets in the mail. If you didn’t please call the rectory 216-341-9091.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU to our volunteer ticket stuffers who spent Monday and Tuesday of last week to prepare the mailing of nearly 1600 envelopes. We appreciate the giving of your valuable time for this most important part of our Polish Festival. May God Bless All of You.

Pictured above from left to right are Pauline Kikta, Donna Ciborowski, Rita Golubski, Adeline Nadolny and Marie Bobowski.

ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT by Rob Jagelewski.

In 1914 Pastor, Father Wenceslaus Krzycki OFM proposed the idea of an adult Parish Band. The purpose of the Band was wholesome recreation and enhancing religious and civic celebrations of the community. The Band Leader was Father Protase Kuberek OFM. By Christmas of 1914 there were 35 members coming twice a week for practice. The first public appearance was leading the First Communicants to church. The Band grew to become a Parish institution. They played at Music Hall downtown, City parks, and baseball stadiums. Performing at a Nationality Program in Public Hall in the 1930’s brought recognition from fellow musicians and music lovers and initiated a reputation for excellence throughout the City.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Make sure to check your mailboxes, no not for the Publishers Sweepstakes but for the Polish Festival Raffle tickets. All registered parishioners should receive 6 books of tickets totaling $30 to be purchased by the parishioner or sold to neighbors and friends. We have additional books of tickets available to be sold in the rectory offices or in the sacristy of the church. Our raffle ticket sales are the major part of the financial success of our festival!

VOLUNTEERS: Sharon Kozak, our volunteer coordinator, is starting to recruit volunteers to work the weekend of the festival. We need volunteers to help with the setup starting on Monday, October 1st at 6:00pm and continue that entire week, if you can’t help the weekend please come down to help us setup the hall for the weekend. We especially need workers on Thursday, October 4th starting at 5:00pm until we get it all together! We need a group of volunteers to breakdown the decorations starting at 5:30pm on October 7th. If you have any questions or if you want to beat the crowds in signing up please contact Sharon at 330-467-8532. WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!!!!

BASKETS, BASKETS! In the main entrance of the church this weekend we have available empty baskets for parishioners to take and fill with items for our basket booth. Our themed item baskets are a hit with our guests to the festival.

PRIZES: We are still looking for donations for raffle prizes. Children and adult prizes are needed to help with our raffle games. If you have new stuffed animals (the type that don’t require feeding or walking) or other prizes please bring them to the rectory.

We will need all donated prizes and filled baskets to the rectory by Monday October 1st so we can use them for this years festival.

BAKERS NEEDED! Start finding those recipe cards for those fabulous pastries that we sell at our festival. Our bakers are the best from East to West! This is one thing that keeps our guests coming back each year. We can use any type of cake, strudels, pies, bread, cookies you are willing to donate. Bakery can be dropped off at the Social Center anytime on Friday, October 5th and throughout the festival weekend.

If you have any further questions regarding the festival please feel free to call

OSE MANNA CARDS TO SHOP FOR SUMMER COOKOUTS!

Think of many instances for using your Mana Cards and helping the Parish during the summer months. Place your order, and pick up your cards one week later. That’s how easy it is.
COMMUNITY NEWS

ST. STANISLAUS ALUMNI PICNIC
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Where: Morgan’s Hollow Reserved Picnic Shelter 4524
Whittlesey Road on East 49th Street
RAIN OR SHINE!!!!!!! COVERED PAVILION AVAILABLE

Arrival: As early as 12:30 p.m.
Mass: Celebrate Mass with fellow alumni at 1:30 p.m.
(Please arrive before Mass begins).
Bring written Mass intentions to place on picnic table altar
FREE—Free will offering accepted and appreciated
For more information, call Rita at 330-659-3778

Cleveland Public Theatre
comes to the Warszawa Music Festival to perform
(Never) Heard From Again
A new telling of Reds and Wolves with drums and dance
Plus: the dynamic voice and instrumentation of Humble-g
Monday evening August 6th at 7
( Never) Heard From Again is based on a classic children's story,
highlighted with high-energy percussion and a cappella music.
This is a free, outdoor production of Cleveland Public Theatre's STEP Program (Winner of the 2007 Charter One Bank Champions in Action Award). STEP engages teens from all over Cleveland in a rigorous theatrical journey that focuses on excellence in performance, writing and production. At St. Stanislaus Plaza, Forman Ave. at 3649 East 65th St. In the Warszawa Historic District. The street will be closed off at the steps of the Shrine Church. This is a one-time venue change for the Warszawa Festival. Call 216-469-4806

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME Tuesday, August 7th, 6-8 p.m.
East 65th Street south of Fleet Ave. will be the 2007 focus of the Slavic Village celebration of this annual event. The Hosmer Block Club will join clubs from Fullerton, Gertrude, and other streets to organize a cookout at Golubski’s Funeral Home parking lot at East 65th and Fullerton. Hot dogs and other food will be served. If anyone knows of games to entertain children, please contact Mr. Purdy at 216-664-3294

ST. STANISLAUS SHRINE SHOPPE

The Shrine Shop is open:
Friday 6:00 PM to 10 PM
Saturday 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Tel: 216-206-4947

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GODDEN AGERS MEETING.
The St. Stanislaus Golden Agers will have a meeting on Thursday, August 9, 2007 at Noon. This will be a meeting and a light lunch with games. A speaker from the Cleveland Department of Aging will give a short presentation after the regular business meeting. New members are always welcome in our air-conditioned St. Stan’s Social Center. If you need more information please call Sophie Wasielewski at 216-524-8737

ST. STANISLAUS PLAZA
FORMAN AVE. AT 3649 EAST 65TH STREET
IN THE WARSZAWA HISTORIC DISTRICT. THE STREET WILL BE CLOSED OFF AT THE STEPS OF THE SHRINE CHURCH. THIS IS A ONE-TIME VENUE CHANGE FOR THE WARSZAWA FESTIVAL.

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BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS. The next class will be at St. Stanislaus Church on Sept 9, 2007 at 1:00 PM. Call 216-341-9091 for more information.