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

### 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

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
**January 13, Stycznia 2008**
- Sat 5:00 PM +William P. Adams
- Sun 8:30 AM +John & Frances Lakota
- 10:00 AM +Stanley Ostrowski
- 11:30 AM +Stefania Wisniewski

1:00 PM Baptism Ryan Patrick Wojtkiewicz

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**
**January 20, Stycznia 2008**
- Sat 5:00 PM +Eddie J. Racut
- Sun 8:30 AM +Al & Jean Schultz
- 10:00 AM +Izydor Grodek
- 11:30 AM Sp. Int. Terrance and Ruta Kopania

*Congratulations Terrance and Ruta on your First Year Anniversary*
From River to Mount

As the Christmas season comes to an end this weekend we attend the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River, and we begin to hear Him begin His ministry in a very public way. The next three Sundays which will constitute ‘Ordinary Time’ between now and Lent will show Jesus moving from that river to the sea (where he recruits Peter and others) and finally preaching the Beatitudes on the mount. What a short time to get to know the Messiah before He is found again the following week in the desert and again on a mountain conversing with Satan. Together the arid desert, the high mountain, the river and the sea all provide wonderful stages for the unfolding story.

Water will soon be a major element in the rituals and traditions which will accompany us through the continuing story of salvation history. Jesus will refer the ‘living water’ in a few weeks in the middle of Lent. He will thirst on the Cross. When His side is pierced at the Crucifixion it will pour out along with blood. The feast of Divine Mercy (the Sunday after Easter) speaks of that water in a very special way. The rays which we have seen on the painting associated with the feast and St. Faustina’s visions denote both Blood and Water. In her diary, St. Faustina writes the words dictated to her by Christ as follows: “The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who dwells in their shelter for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him.”

Water will be most prevalent during the Easter season when it assumes a prominent place in our liturgies beginning with the great service on the night of the Resurrection, March 22. It will mix with fire and it will be filled with the Spirit as it is poured over the heads of the catechumens then baptized. It will be sprinkled on all the baptized at every Sunday liturgy during that same season. That ‘water which makes souls righteous’ will flow from the pierced heart and fill the pool with living water, with water which cleanses, blesses, renews.

That so much of the earth’s water comes from the mountains to create the many rivers and streams teaming with life may or may not have been on Christ’s mind when He used the hills as stages for so many of His actions. But we know the water which poured from the mount known as Calvary was certainly important.

When we look up at the Crucifixion scene which hovers above our Nativity scene, Jerusalem looking over Bethlehem, let us be reminded of that mountain, that water and the everlasting life which was its ultimate gift.

David Krakowski
What happened at Jesus’ Baptism?

Very often the question is asked: “Why was Jesus baptized?” With the asking of the question, there follows as if an objection to the question: “He didn’t have any sin, did he? After all, baptism remits original as well as personal sin in adults at baptism. Why should he be baptized?”

The answer to that question lies in understanding what baptism is: what is its purpose and consequently what are the effects of baptism. Unfortunately, a good number of Catholics narrowly equate baptism with sin. It is true that baptism remits sin. However, baptism has to do with more than that. It has to do with a declaration of being sons and daughters of God. In Jesus’ baptism a voice from heaven (supposedly that of God the Father) declared: “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Baptism is an occasion at which God declares us to be not only his creatures, but also that we are incorporated into the very life of the most holy Trinity of Persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — and in the unity of their infinite being. Jesus, who took on our humanity, has made possible our incorporation into the Triune God’s life through his suffering, dying, resurrecting and ascending into heaven. Jesus merited this generous gift for us, because we could not have merited (deserved) it by our good actions, no matter how many good deeds and of what great quality they might be.

God shows no partiality or favoritism when He shares His divine life with Jews and Gentiles alike. On the occasion of the baptism of Cornelius, a Gentile, the second reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:34b-35) makes this clear. The author writes: “I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him (namely, God) and acts uprightness is acceptable to him (namely, God).”

To be declared a son or daughter of God at baptism is not only to be given an honorary title but also to be given a mission. The mission of the baptized — including that of Jesus — is to realize that he/she has been chosen as a servant of God, who is Lord. In the words of the first reading from Isaiah (42:1-4,6-7) it consists in God putting His spirit in us to bring about “justice to the nations.” In the Biblical use of the word, “justice” means that God wills to make right Himself the human being who has veered from God’s ways. It is mainly God’s activity and initiative rather than the work of the human being. In other words, God wants to have a right relationship with human beings, even when they have sinned and God is willing to make that happen through the suffering and death of Jesus, God’s beloved Son, Jesus, who fulfilled his baptismal mission throughout his lifetime by his obedience to God, even to the death of the cross. Whatever Jesus did in his private life (up to the age of 30) and thereafter in his public life, he was always attuned to God’s will; especially, when the cup of suffering and death was being placed before him: “Not my will, but your will be done.” And he taught his disciples (you and me) to pray and will the same. “Your kingdom come, Your will be done.”

The baptized (you and I) are able to accomplish Jesus’ mission, because the Lord has called us, grasped us by the hand, formed us and set us “as a covenant of the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.”

Peace and Good! Fr. Cam
**SUPERBOWL PARTY**

The Father William Gulas Scholarship Fund Super Bowl Party will be on Sunday, February 3rd at 4:00 in the Social Center. A $50.00 donation includes a square on the main board, a chance to win a TV, dinner, snacks, beer and pop. Only 100 tickets sold! Over $2000.00 in cash & prizes! For more information or tickets call Rick Sutich 216-883-4904, Denise Siemborski 216-398-5764, Frank Grezanik 216-441-0552 or John Heyink 216-341-2019.

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

One of the biggest population centers in this area in the nineteenth century was Newburgh. It was more prominent than Cleveland. Newburgh was organized as a township in 1814. At this time it was bordered by Cleveland on the north, Warrensville Township on the east, Independence to the south, and the Cuyahoga River to the west. Mills built at Mill Creek spurred economic prosperity. An old coach road was cut through the Township, which became Broadway Avenue. Fertile soil promoted farming and waterpower enticed industry. The biggest industrial complex was the Rolling Mill where many of our parishioners found employment. In 1873, when our parish was founded, the center of Newburgh was Union Avenue on the north, East 93 on the east, and Cleveland on the west and south. Cleveland annexed portions of Newburgh in 1878, 1893, and 1894. Newburgh Heights was incorporated and South Newburgh became Garfield Heights in 1904.

**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.

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**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.
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!

Spotkania Komitetu “Ewangelia Życia” beda odbywac sie w kazdy pierwszy czwartek miesiaca, poczawys od 6 grudnia. Poczatek 6:00 wieczorem. Zapraszamy wszystkich zainteresowanych!

MANNA CARDS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER MASS

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS.
The next class will be at Immaculate Heart on February 3, 2008 at 1:00 PM. Call 216-341-2734 for more information.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
St. John Nepomucene
Altar & Rosary Society
SUNDAY JANUARY 20TH, 8AM-1PM
Tickets at the door.
Adults $4.00 Children $2.50
All you can eat pancakes!

NIGHT AT THE RACES
Slavic Village Development
SATURDAY, FEB 9, 6:00PM
$15.00 ticket includes food, beer and refreshments. Only 250 tickets will be sold! Reserve yours today!
Call Keith Johnson 216-429-1182

HARMONIA CONCERT
Sunday afternoon, January 27, 3:00 PM
The Cleveland Music School Settlement
Universuty 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

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 330-659-3778 or email: alumniststanislaus@yahoo.com

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 — Come in and Browse

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May the best man win! New this year!

The Slavic Village Snowman Contest!

All winter through March 20th 2008
Win a $50 gift card!
(or an honorable mention certificate!)
Snow is coming to Slavic Village! When that happens, to encourage creative, high-energy use of outdoor space, Broadway Public Art will award the builder of the biggest and best snowman in Slavic Village a $50 gift card to their favorite store in the Village or in Steelard Commons. All ages eligible.

Snowmen will be judged on height and creativity. Judging will take place in March, from photos taken throughout the winter. Call 216-469-4806 to submit your entry.