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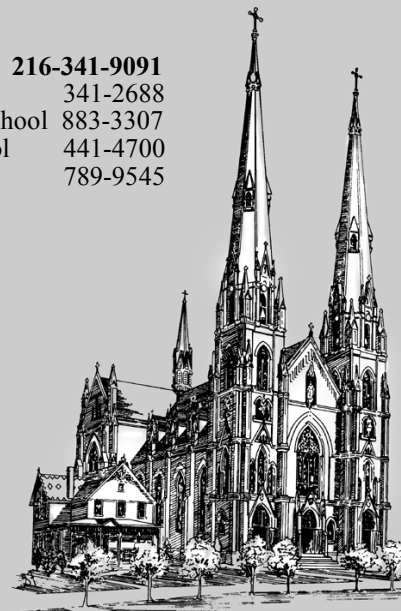
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The artist's sketch on the right depicts the original building with the spires. Corner Stone laid in 1886, and church dedicated in 1891.



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE

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

DEVOTIONS

Daily Morning Prayer: 8:00 AM (exc. Sunday)
Saint Anthony Novena Tuesdays after Mass
Rosary for Life Tuesdays and Fridays after Mass
Avilas prayer for vocations, second Monday of the month

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 by appointment.

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 made through the funeral home.

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 22 (Luty), 2009

Sat	5:00 PM	+Ted & Connie Luty
Sun	8:30 AM	+David O'Reilly
	10:00 AM	+Helen Kozlowski
	11:30 AM	Sp. Int. Parishioners of St. Stanislaus
Mon	Feb 23	St. Polycarp , bishop
	7:00 AM	+Pauline Kikta
	8:30 AM	+Fr. Agnellus Sobolewski OFM
Tue	Feb 24	Weekday
	7:00 AM	+William Shimelonis
	8:30 AM	+Jaroslaw Karwowski
Wed	Feb 25	Ash Wednesday
	7:00 AM	+Florence Bogacki
	8:30 AM	+Cecelia Tegowski
	5:30 PM	+Genowefa Malaczewska
Thu	Feb 26	Lenten Weekday
	7:00 AM	+John Bozich
	8:30 AM	+Michael Soltis
Fri	Feb 27	Lenten Weekday
	7:00 AM	+Beth Ann Kucinich
	8:30 AM	+Edward Racut
Sat	Feb 28	Lenten Weekday
	8:30 AM	+Stanley Mazur

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1, Marca, 2009

Sat	5:00 PM	Sp. Int. St. Stanislaus Parishioners
Sun	8:30 AM	+Walter & Harriet Rosinski
	10:00 AM	+Janina Stifanik
	11:30 AM	+Nancy & Wincenty Filipowicz

MUSIC – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

ENGLISH MASS

Processional	Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed #205
Offertory:	Your Hands, O Lord #196
Communion:	Draw Near #212
Recessional:	Make Us True Servants #229

POLSKA MSZA ŚWIĘTA

Procesja	Kto się w opiekę #164 (mszalik)
Ofiarowanie:	Kiedy jasną, spokojną, cicha noc #361 (śp.)
Na Komunię:	Jeden chleb (mszalik)
Zakończenie	Pod Twą obronę #299 (śp.)

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Tue	7:00 PM	Pastoral Council meets in the rectory.	Sat	4:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation in church until 4:45.
Wed	Noon	Ash Wednesday distribution of ashes in church.	Sun	11:30 AM	Rite of Sending at Mass in church.
	7:30 PM	CMA Concert in Church ‘Passio’		3:00 PM	Rite of Election at the Cleveland Convention Center.
	8:00 PM	A.A. & AI-Anon in the social center.		3:00 PM	Gorzkie Żale (Lamentations in Polish)
Thu	3:00 PM	Church Cleanup Crew works until 5:15.		6:00 PM	Vespers in church.
Fri	5:00 PM	Droga Krzyżowa in church.			
	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross in church.			
	7:30 PM	Adult Faith Sharing in the Rectory.			

The Little Black Lenten books will be available in the vestibule—donation \$1.00, Thank you!

Ich bin ein Berliner.....or..... I am a pączek

As Lent creeps nearer and nearer many people throughout the world continue to celebrate the tradition of *CARNIVALE*, a season of revelry that begins after the feast of the Three Kings and ends in Shrove Tuesday, also known in our culture as *Mardi Gras* (i.e., *Fat Tuesday*). I'm sure many of us of European descent also celebrated last Thursday, *Fat Thursday*, as it is known in Polish and German cultures, amongst others! In fact, most Christian cultures extend the pre-Lenten party well beyond the day preceding Ash Wednesday. Even though we often hear the Tuesday preceding Ash Wednesday referred to as 'pączki day,' that really is an American invention as in Poland, people begin celebrating that holiday 5 days earlier! In Germany, what we know as a *pączek* is called a *Berliner*. So, when President Kennedy said that famous phrase back in the early 60's at the Berlin Wall, some people thought he was incorrectly referring to himself as a jelly donut! Well, actually, he was not... He really did mean, in the context of his speech, that he considered himself a citizen of Berlin!

It's amazing how our world has often baptized pagan rituals of the past turning them into something meaningful to people of today's world. You may recall how I mentioned the feast of Lupercalia last week when referring to the origins of Valentine's festivities. Well, we seem to be able to trace the origins of this carnival period back to that same Roman holiday. Possibly. The baptism of the holiday into the term *CARNIVALE* (farewell to things of the flesh) is a sort of preparation for the approaching season of fasting and penitence and almsgiving which we know as Lent.

So, what's the deal with all the discussion about 'FAT'?? Well, in days gone by, in preparation for the season of fasting, it was customary to rid the household of lard etc... People of all backgrounds cooked up all sorts of treats in preparation for the great fast ('*wielki post*' in Polish)! Thus, the appearance of the pączek, berliner and all other jelly donuts by any other names, formed, fried in fat and consumed, all prior to Ash Wednesday! Soon the powdered sugar which fell upon the breasts of hungry revelers will be replaced by ashes falling from their foreheads! The tasty treats which filled our bellies during the past season are soon to be replaced by a few noises of hunger from within those same bellies if we celebrate the season of Lent with sincerity. Yes, at the risk of offending the dessert lines at all the local 'fish fries,' Lent is a time for fasting, not gorging on treats.

So, enjoy your pączki, be a Berliner for a day, and then get serious! Enter the season of Lent and pray the words of our seasonal psalm: *A clean heart create in me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not our from Your presence, and Your Holy Spirit take not from me. Give me back the joy of Your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me, I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall return to You! For You are not pleased with sacrifices; should I offer You a holocaust You would not accept it. My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit; a heart contrite and humbled, O God, You will not spurn.*

David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

First Sunday in Lent, March 1, Marca 2009

Sat	5:00 PM	Lector — Tom Krol
		Euch. Min. — Stan Witezak, Chris Wisniewski, Mike Potter, Marilyn Mosinski
Sun	8:30 AM	Lector — Nancy Mack
		Euch. Min. — Chris Luboski, Ray Tegowski, Sharon Kozak, Alice Klafczynski
	10:00 AM	Lector — Mieczysław Garmcarek
		Euch. Min. — Marcie Sladewski, Ewelina Ejsmont, A. Jankowski, W. Sztalkoper
	11:30 AM	Lector — James Seaman
		Euch. Min. — Marie Ostrowski, Terry Kopania, Angela Revay, Larry Wilks

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Sunday's Collection

5:00 PM Vigil (95).....	\$1,338.50
8:30 AM (59).....	\$961.00
10:00 AM (81).....	\$889.00
11:30 AM (64).....	\$1,144.67
Mailed in (47).....	\$1,158.00
Total (346 envelopes)	\$5,491.17

Thank You for your generosity.



UBI CARITAS

“Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found.” These are the words to an old hymn from the Latin Mass days, often sung during Lent (which, by the way, is coming up soon!) as a reminder that we draw close to God when we draw out of ourselves and reach toward others who need us. Top on the list will always be those among us who are poor and who

suffer. As our economy continues to slide, there are more and more who fall into that category.

This weekend is the annual appeal for the Catholic Charities campaign. At every Mass in every church in the diocese, everyone will receive a pledge card to indicate how much they intend to give toward the appeal. Last year, the parishioners at Saint Stanislaus tripled the previous year’s giving. Let’s hope

If everyone gives a little, no one has to give a lot. If everyone bends a little, no one will break.

Jeśli każdy da trochę, nikt nie będzie musiał dawać wiele. Jeśli każdy nagnie się odrobinę, nikt się nie złamie.

pledge money during these hard times. People are losing jobs and homes, and those who have good and stable jobs are still worried about the future. People who rely on their investments to provide for charitable giving have seen their assets erode, making them less inclined to give as they had in the past.

I am also aware that there are pressing needs right here in our own parish. A few weeks ago, when I shared our financial report, I said that in order to meet our budget, we need every household to contribute \$2.25 more each week, or an extra \$10 a month. Many have responded, but not nearly all, and our budget worries continue. In addition, our people continue to be extraordinarily generous to the monthly St. Vincent DePaul collection, which is a testament to the charitable instinct of our people.

Remember: If everyone gives a little, no one has to give a lot. If everyone bends a little, no one has to break.

Of all the special appeals, the annual Catholic Charities appeal holds a special place. All of the money raised in the diocese stays in the diocese, caring for the poor right here among us. In our own parish, there are several Catholic Charities programs that have been of benefit to our people. Also, Catholic Charities enjoys a fine reputation for honest and efficient administration of funds and programs.

Finally, we give because Jesus calls us to. If you read the gospels, you would be surprised about what Jesus does not say about certain moral issues that are important to people today. And you would be surprised about what he does say — mostly about the need to care for the poor. When you get your pledge card, ask: WWJD?

that this year we can at least maintain the level from last year, and perhaps even raise it a bit.

To be honest, it is difficult to ask people to

Z grzesznika na dziedzica

Ewangelia dzisiejszej niedzieli mówi w wyraźny sposób o tym, co było zaznaczone tylko w symbolach w ostatnie niedziele. Mianowicie, że przez uzdrowienia chorych i wyrzucaniu złych duchów, Jezus objawia Boże przebaczenie dla grzeszników.

W pierwszym czytaniu słyszymy słowa Boga skierowane do ludu wybranego. Pan Bóg skarży się, że Jego lud zadaje Mu przykrość swoimi grzechami i zamęcza Go występkami. Pomimo tego, Pan Bóg obiecuje nie pamiętać jego grzechów.

Grzech w Piśmie św. łączy się często z chorobą (por. Ps 103, 3). Takie samo połączenie grzechu z chorobą widzimy w dzisiejszym Psalmie responsoryjnym. Słyszymy bowiem w drugim wersecie:

*Pan mu pomoże na łożu boleści,
Podczas choroby poprawi mu posłanie.
Mówię: „O Panie, zmiłuj się nade mną,
Uzdrow mnie, bo zgrzeszyłem przeciw Tobie!”
A Ty mnie podtrzymasz dzięki swej prawości
I na wieki umieścisz przed Twoim obliczem.
Błogosławiony Pan, Bóg Izraela,
Aż po wszystkie wieki. (Ps 41).*

Brzmi on jak zapowiedź sceny, którą opowiada dzisiejsza Ewangelia. Paralytyk zostaje uzdrowiony, jego grzechy są przebaczone, a on sam zostaje uzdolniony do stanięcia przed Bogiem.

W scenie ewangelicznej poznajemy, że dla Jezusa zdrowie duchowe ma większą wartość niż zdrowie ciała. Pan Jezus najpierw przebacza najpierw grzechy paralytyka, a dopiero później przywraca władzę w nogach i rękach sparaliżowanego.

Kiedy Pan Jezus wypowiada słowa: „Synu, odpuszczając ci się twoje grzechy”, uczeni w Piśmie gorszą się. Wiedzą oni, że tylko Pan Bóg może przebaczyć grzechy i dlatego w sercach uważają, że Jezus bluźni. Wydaje im się, że stawia się na równi z Bogiem. Nie wierzą w Jezusa.

Paralytyk i jego przyjaciele widzą oczami wiary, co umyka uwadze uczonych w Piśmie. Pan rozpoznaje to. Ewangelia mówi, że przebaczenie grzechów paralytykowi jest bezpośrednią reakcją Pana na ich wiarę: „Jezus, widząc ich wiarę, rzekł do paralytyka: ‘Synu, odpuszczając ci się twoje grzechy’”. Pan objawia się im jako „Syn Człowieczy”. Tytuł „Syn Człowieczy”, który Pan stosuje do siebie, jest aluzją do tajemniczej wizji z Księgi Proroka Daniela. W tej wizji Syn Człowieczy zostaje wprowadzony przed Przedwiecznego i zostają Mu powierzone panowanie, chwałę i władzę królewską nad całą ziemią (por. Dn 7, 13-14).

Jezus jest Synem Człowieczym, tzn. jest Królem całej ziemi. Do Niego należą panowanie, chwała, moc i władza królewska. Pan Jezus jest miłosiernym Królem, zaczynającym swą władzę od przebaczenia grzechów. Nie przyszedł On do sprawiedliwych, ale do grzeszników. Aby ich uzdrowić, bo nie potrzebują lekarza zdrowi, ale ci, którzy się źle mają. On nie odrzuca tych, którzy do Niego przychodzą, wyznając swoją wiarę, nawet jeśli przychodzą jako grzesznicy. Przeciwnie, daje im udział w swoim królestwie.



TRANSFIGURATION SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE MARCH 1

The scholarship is available to parishioner-students who attend a Catholic elementary school, Catholic high school, or Catholic college, and who meet the following qualifications:

1. PSAS (Private School Aid Service) application for Diocesan Tuition Assistance must be submitted (college students excepted unless they have younger siblings for whom the PSAS application would be submitted).
2. Member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish or Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish or St. Stanislaus Parish.
3. Good academic standing of student, but preferably not a top scholar.
4. Demonstrated financial need.
5. Student must be of Eastern European-ethnic heritage (examples: Bohemian, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, etc.- but not British, Dutch, German, Irish, etc. - mixed heritage acceptable).

PSAS and Transfiguration Scholarship applications are available at the rectory during normal office hours 7:00AM to 5:00PM Monday thru Friday. The deadline for submission of all applications is Monday March 1, so don't delay!

ST. STAN'S HISTORICAL FACT

by Rob Jagelewski

Anthony Michael Pilla was the first son of our Diocese to be named Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland in 1981. He was the ninth Bishop of Cleveland and succeeded Bishop James A. Hickey. Bishop Pilla was born on November 12, 1932 and ordained a priest on May 23, 1959. Bishop Pilla was named the president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1995. As President of the National Conference, Bishop Pilla fought for peace and economic justice. Bishop Pilla was the longest serving Bishop in the history of the Diocese as he retired in 2006. He was instrumental in the Church in the City initiative and Vibrant Parish Life. Bishop Pilla was a friend of St. Stanislaus Parish. He guided our people through a change in Franciscan Provinces, sorrowful times in the death of Father William, and declaring St. Stanislaus Church a Diocesan Shrine. Bishop Pilla also was instrumental in the new construction at Cleveland Central Catholic High School. Bishop Anthony Michael Pilla is remembered in our church in the mural of the Sermon on the Mount in the west transept. He is in the crowd along with Bishop Edward Pevec and Fathers William Gulas and Alcuin Mikulanis.



Sermon on the Mount Mural — St. Stanislaus Church West Transept above the doors

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2009

Every Mass is celebrated for the sake of the whole Church community, and each person attending brings his or her own prayerful intentions to Mass. The intention of the priest is listed publicly so that everyone else may also join in his intention as well. WE STILL HAVE MANY OPEN MASSES FOR MARCH, and APRIL AND MAY as well as the other months of the year. If you have a special intention or would like to remember a deceased relative or loved one, contact the rectory to reserve a date.

INFANTS AND TODDLERS OF SLAVIC VILLAGE —

Nancy and Mike Sipko will be purchasing a Manna Gift Card of their choice as winners of our drawing Feb. 14th. Thank you for always thinking of our needs and being so generous in your donations!

You have a chance to win an Entertainment Book 2009 in the drawing on March 22nd. Just by putting your donations in the baskets and filling out an entry form!

Please give generously items of food, diapers, clothing, etc. Thank You, God's blessings.

2009 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL THIS WEEK

The 2009 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal Pledge Commitments begin this weekend. Our Catholic Charities is one of the most comprehensive health and human services organizations in the nation.

An in-pew commitment process will take place at all Masses. All who have not received the mailing, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the envelope where you can indicate that you responded by mail.

This is not a "special collection." Each of us is encouraged to consider a pledge of support that will be billed over several months.

The theme of the Appeal is taken from the Readings of the Day. We ask that each parishioner consider the plight of those served by Catholic Charities. Then reflect upon the gifts God has given each of us. Determine how much you will return for the gifts you have received.

Please pray for the success of this appeal.

DON'T FORGET YOUR MANNA CARDS

**CONVENT DEMOLITION
BEGINS MARCH 2**

After all the delays, inspections and permits. The asbestos abatement is completed. We are now clear to start demolition of the convent on Monday March 2.

In order to provide a solemn farewell to this grand old building, we will begin with a Mass at 8:30 AM followed by a short prayer service to bless the work and honor the history of the convent and it's former occupants. Please join us for this occasion.

**EXPERIENCE
TETELESTAI**

An invitation from
Broadway United Methodist Church
5246 Broadway Ave.

The Easter musical passion play "Tetelestai" will be performed at Broadway United Methodist Church next weekend (February 27, 28 & March 1). We would like to extend a special invitation to your parish and especially to all of the youth in the area to come and see this contemporary presentation -- it's a great way to prepare for Easter.

The play is ecumenical and is based on all 4 gospels. It is free of charge (free will offerings are accepted at the end -- and we really mean "free will" - no pressure is applied!). St. Stanislaus has been a wonderful host for this ministry on several occasions!

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS.
Next Class will be on March 1, 2009 1:00PM PM at Holy Name Church on Broadway Ave. call 271-4242

**THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART
A performance for the ears, eyes and soul
"Passio" by Arvo Pärt**

Wednesday, February 25, 7:30 p.m.
Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus

"If great art can be made without a conspicuous display of ego, this is it." --*New York Times*

From the composer of the most profound and austere and gorgeously vocal music of our time comes a setting of the Passion According to St. John. Owen Burdick conducts the soloists of New York City's Trinity Choir and the Oberlin College Choir in this Ash Wednesday performance.

For ticket information call 1-888-CMA-0033.



*Slavic Village Winter 2009
Snow & Ice Festival
Saturday Feb. 28th*

Food Stations, staffed by the Tri-C Metro Campus Culinary Arts Program, include:

The Americana Café
DeNobile's Restaurant & Tavern

*Art, caricature design, & editorial cartoon displays. See the newly released 'Rainbow Windows' -- a gorgeous print rendition of the Saint Stanislaus edifice -- presented by 'mkstudios', among quality work on display at the Americana Cafe, offered on consignment by artist **Milan Kecman**, most recently highly recognized editorial drawing & cartoon artist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

- * Ice sculpture "Walk along" @10 a.m.
 - * Dog walk -- @ 10 a.m.
 - * Softball -- @ 11:30 a.m.
 - * Muni-Football -- @ 1 p.m.
- All at Morgana Park Field # 1

- * OSU Ext. 'fruit tree trimming class' -- 2-4 p.m. at Morganic Gardens.
- * Baseball/Softball/T-Ball Clinic -- at CCCHS "Ironman Ctr."
- * Tours of the Saint Stanislaus Shrine Church - 2:00 to 4 p.m

PLUS MUCH MORE

**VISIT
ST. STANISLAUS
SHRINE SHOPPE**

Tel: 216-206-4947
Saturday 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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Are you doing anything on Friday, May 8, 2009? That's the date for our Sixth Annual Four Eagle Award dinner and silent auction. Join family and friends in attending this event where we recognize the outstanding commitment of individuals or groups in the St. Stanislaus community. So, mark your calendar and plan to attend. It will be so much fun that you'll want to attend every year!