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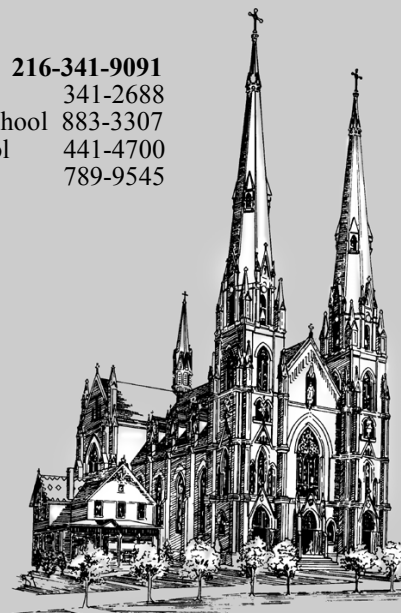
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The artist's sketch on the right depicts the original building with the spires. Corner Stone laid in 1886, and church dedicated in 1891.



## 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

### *SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER /DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY* *Apr 19, Kwietnia, 2009*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+Leona Dropik (Sadowski)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	Sp. Int. for the Parishioners of St. Stans
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Zdzisław Mitkowski
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Wierszlow Family
	<b>2:00 AM</b>	For God's mercy on those that suffer.
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Apr 20</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Florence Bogacki
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Stanley & Alice Smoron
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Apr 21</b>	<b>Easter Weekday (St. Anselm, bishop)</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Stawiarski Family
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Sr. Coletta Creps SJSM
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Apr 22</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Cecelia Tegowski
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Velma I. Sumegi
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Apr 23</b>	<b>Easter Weekday (St. Adelbert, bishop)</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Ed Kucia
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Walter & Helen Kobylinski
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Apr 24</b>	<b>Easter Weekday (St. Fidelis, priest)</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	+Beth Ann Kucinich
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Adele Kucia (Crum)
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Apr 25</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Regina & Clarence Greczanik

### *THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER*

*April 26 (Kwietnia), 2004*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+Stanley & Catherine Sniogowski
		<i>Congratulations Mike and Jean Potter on your 25th Anniversary</i>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Sp. Int. Parishioners of St. Stanislaus
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Sp. Int. Stanisław Swierczek
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Richard Sprungle
		<i>1:00 PM Baptism of Filip Sebastian Woda</i>

## MUSIC – EASTER SUNDAY

### ENGLISH MASS

Processional Jesus Christ Is Risen Today #299  
 Offertory: Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise #270  
 Communion: Litany, "Jesus, I Trust In You"  
 Recessional: Sing With All the Saints #184

### POLSKA MSZA ŚWIĘTA

Procesja Wesoły nam #151  
 Ofiarowanie: Nasze plany i nadzieje (główny chór)  
 Na Komunię: Litania, "Jezu, ufam Tobie"  
 Zakończenie Zwycięzca śmierci #153

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

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sun 2:00 PM Mass for Anointing of the Sick  
 3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 4:00 PM Chopin Recital in Church  
 Wed 8:00 PM A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.  
 Thu 3:00 PM Church Cleanup Crew  
 Sat 6:30 PM Night at the Races (Social Center)  
 Sun 3:00PM MasterSingers Concert in Church



Michael Hanrahan and Veronica Criswell (I)

### DIVINE MERCY

One week ago on Saturday night we celebrated the most important liturgy of the year, when the sin of Adam and Eve was redeemed by the mercy of God in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. Evil was conquered and Good triumphed. The love of the Father was evidenced in the person of Jesus and His glory. It was the act of that fatherhood which flowed from the side of the Savior in the sacraments, the opened arms to all prodigal sons and daughters, love, the essence of God, surpassing the justice which framed the tablets of Sinai, the consequence of that fatherhood.

Today's scriptural choices breathe that spirit of mercy. The First Reading speaks of those to be cured. The Psalm repeats 'His mercy endures forever!' The Second Reading shouts to us with the command 'Be not afraid,' leading us to the source of life.

Finally, the Gospel shows the extent to which God will go to give each of us some 'slack,' initiating the sacrament of Reconciliation. Within that Gospel we see the drama of the famous doubter, Thomas. When Jesus placed the doubter's hand to his pierced side the mercy of God must have dropped on Thomas like a ton of bricks. There was the unbelieving Apostle face to face with the Master, that doubt virtually piercing the Sacred Heart anew.

One might think each sin committed still does the same! Yet no sin will stop the flow of mercy from that Heart as the Father will never turn his back on the prodigal son or daughter. The gifts of the Spirit and the sacraments can never be returned since God's sacrifice sealed the new covenant with us forever.

That we could write 'Jesus, I trust in YOU' so many times onto the shroud which reaches from the tomb to the pool of cleansing water is an affirmation of the belief which Thomas could not muster up. But, you know, we're no better than Thomas in most cases, and our written words could change as easily as Peter's convictions did when he denied being a friend of Jesus. We all know how fragile our faith can be, how easily we lapse into bouts of disbelief, hopelessness and apathy. It doesn't take much for the cock to crow three times in today's world. Our faith and commitment is put to the test at every turn.

The mercy which is extended to us neither humiliates nor weakens us. As Servant of God John Paul states in his encyclical *Dives in Misericordia*, "It confirms the recipient in his or her human dignity." The blood which flowed from the side of Jesus feeds us with the Eucharist and the water which flowed out cleanses us and renews us. Gods' mercy is stronger than both sin and death and, therefore, we know we are always welcomed back into the arms of the merciful Father.

David Krakowski

## SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

*Third Sunday of Easter, April 26, Kwietnia 2009*  
 Sat 5:00 PM Lector — Betty Dabrowski  
 Euch. Min. — Chris Wisniewski, Connie Aliff, Michael Wilks, Mike Potter  
 Sun 8:30 AM Lector — Susan Halamek  
 Euch. Min. — Marcia & Don Stech, Alice Klafczynski, Marilyn Mosinski  
 10:00 AM Lector — Teresa Cyraneck  
 Euch. Min. — Ewelina Ejsmont, W. Sztalkoper, Tom Monzell, A. Jankowski  
 11:30 AM Lector — Bill Bobowicz  
 Euch. Min. — Diane Bulanda, Stanley Koch, Frank Greczanik, Ron Grams

## PARISH SUPPORT

Easter Sunday's Collection  
 Vigil (49).....\$1721.50  
 6:30 AM (39).....\$838.31  
 8:30 AM (146).....\$4,137.00  
 10:00 AM (86).....\$1,906.00  
 11:30 AM (140).....\$4,101.42  
 Mailed in (65).....\$3,457.00  
 Total (525 envelopes) \$16,161.23

THANK YOU



### I WON'T BELIEVE UNLESS...

Recently the Lord has sent across my way a few young adults who are struggling with questions about faith. These were not simple inquiries about why we believe such and such, or where a certain tradition came from, or wondering about something pertaining to the Bible. These were the deep down, God-stuff kind of questions that indicate some serious doubt about God, religion, and what it is all about anyway.

It is normal and wonderful for young people to search out the deeper meaning of what they had been taking for granted since their childhood. It is a sign of maturity when someone wants truly to understand something and not simply to accept it only because someone else said so. In fact, adults should continue to grow in all areas of life, including their faith. After all, if the boss at your job demands more than an eighth grade level of education in order for you to perform well, why should your faith be any less advanced?

But it is one thing to grow in the faith you already have, and quite another to wonder whether you have faith at all in the first place. This is what is going on in the Gospel story today. Thomas needed to see proof before he could believe what the others had been telling him. And for this simple reason, he would be branded through all of history as the “doubting Thomas!” But what was so unreasonable about his request? After all, the others got their proof — why couldn't he have his?

Jesus understood Thomas completely. Instead of berating him, Jesus obliged him by offering him exactly the kind of “proof” Thomas needed. It was as if Jesus were saying, “OK, whatever you need in order to come to faith, I'll do for you.” When Thomas saw that Jesus was so ready to help move him into truly believing, that was enough for him to exclaim, “My Lord and my God!”

So, just what exactly was going on here in this encounter between Thomas in his doubt and Jesus in his presence to him? First of all, Thomas was genuinely seeking, not simply rebelling or rejecting just for the sake of it, or being lazy. He wasn't looking for reasons to dis-believe, but to believe. On Jesus' part, it was his genuine openness to Thomas's question, and his patience with meeting Thomas on his own terms, that helped Thomas be ready to receive the gift of faith.

Many parents wonder and despair why their own children, whom they had raised as devout Catholics, would seem to leave behind what they had been given. Good parents always want the best for their children, and it hurts especially deeply when their children seem to turn their backs on one of the most precious gifts their parents give them. Certainly, some people (young and old) are simply lazy and couldn't be bothered about the deeper questions of life, death, God, and eternity. But others have genuine journeys of the mind and heart. This kind of search asks of others that the attitude of Jesus prevail — respect for the question, patience with the search, and willingness to meet the seekers on their own terms.

Remember: faith is a gift, and God — not Mom & Dad, not a teacher, not the priest or sister — is the giver.

*Fr. Michael*

### Zmartwychwstanie i chrzest

W tym roku, jak nigdy wcześniej, zdałem sprawę z tego, jak bardzo Wielkanoc jest połączona z naszym chrztem.

W pierwszych wiekach chrześcijaństwa, chrzest był przyjmowany raczej przez dorosłych niż przez dzieci. Sam obrzęd chrztu był poprzedzony długim okresem przygotowania. Katechumeni uczestniczyli w szeregu katechez przedchrzcielnych. Chrzest był przyjmowany w liturgii Wigilii Paschalnej, czyli w liturgii, która rozpoczynała się w Wielką Sobotę po zachodzie słońca, czyli w Wielką Noc. Nazwa ta została zachowana w polskiej nazwie Świąt Wielkanocnych. Podstawowa struktura tego obrzędu jest i w naszych czasach taka, jaka była na początku rozwoju chrześcijaństwa.

Neofici, czyli nowo ochrzczeni, otrzymywali w czasie chrztu białą szatę. Ubrani w tą szatę uczestniczyli przez całą oktawę Wielkanocy w codziennej Mszy św. i dopiero na zakończenie oktawy zdejmowali ją. Od tego obrzędu bierze swoją nazwę II niedziela wielkanocna, zwana „Niedziela Białą”. Od niedawna doszła jeszcze jedna nazwa - „Niedziela Miłosierdzia”.

W modlitwach Mszy św. w czasie Oktawy Wielkanocy uderza odniesienie do zmartwychwstania Chrystusa i do naszego chrztu św. Zmartwychwstanie Chrystusa jest początkiem nowego stworzenia, zaś przez chrzest św. wierni otrzymują udział w tym nowym stworzeniu, które zostało zapoczątkowane przez zmartwychwstanie Pana.

To odniesienie jest jak najbardziej biblijne. Biblia bowiem używa tego samego słowa, które odnosi się do zmartwychwstania Jezusa i do chrztu św. Tym słowem jest „nowe zrodzenie, czy „odrodzenie”. Zmartwychwstanie Chrystusa jest „nowym narodzeniem” czy odrodzeniem upadłej natury; chrzest jest sakramentem, który daje nam udział w zmartwychwstaniu Pana, czyli czyni nas nowymi stworzeniami, stajemy się dziećmi Bożymi i dlatego również jest „narodzeniem na nowo”.

Oto kilka przykładów z Pisma św.: Św. Paweł Apostoł w Liście do Rzymian: *Czyż nie wiadomo wam, że my wszyscy, którzyśmy otrzymali chrzest zanurzający w Chrystusa Jezusa, zostaliśmy zanurzeni w Jego śmierć? Zatem przez chrzest zanurzający nas w śmierć zostaliśmy razem z Nim pogrzebani po to, abyśmy i my wkroczyli w nowe życie - jak Chrystus powstał z martwych dzięki chwale Ojca. Jeżeli bowiem przez śmierć, podobną do Jego śmierci, zostaliśmy z Nim złączeni w jedno, to tak samo będziemy z Nim złączeni w jedno przez podobne zmartwychwstanie* (Rz 6, 3-4). Apostoł pisze, że chrzest włącza nas w śmierć i zmartwychwstanie Chrystusa. Jest to dla niego punktem wyjścia do stwierdzenia, że przez chrzest umarliśmy dla grzechu, aby żyć w wolności dzieci Bożych dla Chrystusa.

I dlatego: *Jeżeli więc ktoś pozostaje w Chrystusie, jest nowym stworzeniem. To, co dawne, minęło, a oto wszystko stało się nowe* (2 Kor 5, 17).

Zmartwychwstanie Chrystusa jest początkiem nowego życia. Niech Pan nas wspomóż swoją łaską, aby życie wszystkich ochrzczonych było życiem w tej nowości. Amen.

*o. Placyd*





### 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 has made it an annual tradition to have a special Mass for our "homebound" parishioners. We will celebrate this special Liturgy this Sunday April 19, at 2:00 PM. If there are any parishioners that need assistance in getting to church please call the rectory 341-9091.

### DADS' CLUB HAM RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners of the \$20.00 gift certificates from Dave's Supermarkets: Jane Bielawski(2), Mildred Dudl, Dolores Mosinski, Melissa Dousch, John Sklodowski, Alice Smoron, Sally Davis, Joe Calamante, Ed & Irene Rybka, Terri Johnson, Marilyn Brenkus, The Sisters of St. Stanislaus Parish, Fred Stevenson. Gertrude Grodek, John Tulcewicz, Julia Skowronsky, Lillian Brzoski, William Lieber, and Agnes Bartoszik.

The Dads Club also donated a gift card to our priests and also a card for our Nuns. Thank you to the Dads Club members, friends of the Dads Club and all those who bought and sold tickets.

### ST. STAN'S HISTORICAL FACT

*by Rob Jagelewski*

This coming Tuesday, April 21, 2009 will be the 100th Anniversary of the tornado of 1909. At that time there was no fair warning of such a storm. There was no doppler radar in 1909. One warning system would have been the ringing of the church bells. That was not possible because of the action of the tornado on our church. Our church steeples, which housed our bells soared over 200 feet into the sky. People could see our church steeples from Public Square in downtown Cleveland. The tornado totally destroyed both steeples and blew the 5,000 pound Holy Trinity and the 2,500 pound Sacred Heart bells into the schoolyard. The storm caused damage to the front part of the church. Stain glass windows, the church organ, the front roof, and some side windows were damaged. One little boy, seven year old, Arthur Niedbalski was killed by flying debris. Six others were killed at various sites throughout the southeast side of Cleveland. One man, afraid of the storm killed himself by drinking carbohic acid. Electric power was out for weeks. Pastor, Father Theobald Kalamaja OFM, at the urging of the bishop, bought cyclone insurance two years earlier. The church was rebuilt within a year.



ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH, CLEVELAND, OHIO.  
WINDSTORM, APRIL 21, 1909.

Welcome to our newly baptized and confirmed parishioners. Linda Todorovich and Hector Alvarado II. They received the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass. May God bless them and guide them now and in the future!

## A WAY TO BRING HAPPINESS

Do you enjoy hosting social gatherings and preparing festive meals? If you do, we need you!! We are forming a Hospitality Committee to plan and host – from food prep to cleanup – our annual parish picnic, Donut Sundays, welcoming of new parishioners, and other social events as requested by the friars. This worthwhile ministry will bring parishioners together for the celebration of special parish events and for mutual support and enjoyment. If interested, please contact Susan Halamek at 216 573-1243, or speak with any other member of the Parish Pastoral Council.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE  
FOLLOWING RECENTLY  
DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

Elsie M. Jablonski

Let the Perpetual Light shine  
upon her.



**JULIA KOCIUBAN— WINNER OF THE 2008 NATIONAL CHOPIN PIANO COMPETION TO PERFORM HERE!**

The Northeast Ohio Chapter of the Kosciuszko Foundation will present its last event of the 2008-2009 season with a piano recital by Julia Kociuban on Sunday, April 19, at 4:00 P.M. in the Shrine of St. Stanislaus, 3649 East 65<sup>th</sup> St., Cleveland, OH.

Ms. Kociuban appears in cooperation with the International Chopin Foundation of the United States in Miami, Florida. Tickets purchased at the door are: \$10 KF members and seniors, \$15 adults, \$5 students. For further information see the website, <http://www.northeastohio.thekf.org/events> or contact Mary Kay Pieski, President of the Northeast Ohio Chapter of the Kosciuszko Foundation.



**THE MASTERSINGERS RETURN!!!!**

Once again, on Sunday, April 26, we will be honored to have an Easter Concert by the wonderful MasterSingers, Inc.! Under the artistic direction of J.D. Goddard, this group of dedicated singers and instrumentalists will provide an afternoon of great sacred music, including two newly commissioned works and two Romantic Era Latin Mass Settings. Soloists will include some well known faces to St. Stanislaus (Joanne Uniadowski from St. John's Cathedral and Scott Skiba from opera Circle). The entire group loves performing at our Shrine Church- and it shows! Please come!

**INFANTS AND TODDLERS OF SLAVIC VILLAGE —**

April is a time of new hope ----- let it be a time of "new hope" for the infants and toddlers of Slavic Village. We are always in need of food items for the children, diapers, baby foods, cereals, etc. Please make a donation. This week we will draw TWO \$25. Manna gift cards. You can be a wiiner too! Fill the baskets! Let them feel the love and compassion of the parishioners of St. Stan's!

**ST. STAN'S DADS CLUB**

—will present *"A Night At the Races"* at the St. Stanislaus Social Center on Saturday, April 25. 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. For tickets, to buy a horse, to place an Ad in the Race Booklet or for more info please call Frank Krajewski — 441-4258, or John Hey-ink— 341-2019.

**Four Eagle Award**

The Four Eagle Awards Banquet and Silent Auction is quickly approaching. We've already asked you to save the date for Friday, May 8, 2009. In the next few weeks, you will be receiving an invitation. This year we are proud to honor the area funeral homes as recipients of the Four Eagle Award: Bican Brothers Funeral Home, Fortuna Funeral Home, Golubski Funeral Home, Komorowski Funeral Home, and Mosinski Funeral Home. Please join us in recognizing their special ministry and commitment to the St. Stanislaus Community.

**DON'T FORGET YOUR MANNA CARDS**

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Sunday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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