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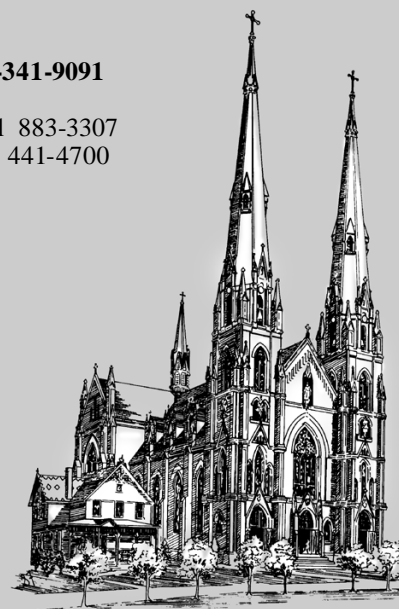
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The artist's sketch on the right depicts the original building with the spires. Corner Stone laid in 1886, and church dedicated in 1891.



## 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, 9:00 AM to 4:00 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

### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*September 6, (Wrzesnia), 2009*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+Stephen Palka
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Jan and Anna Kondziela
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Eleanor Lakota
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Regina Sokolowski

### Mon Sep 7 Labor Day

**9:00 AM** +Gerard Wisniewski

### Tue Sep 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**7:00 AM** +Wladislaw, Aleksandra, Stanislaw Klik

**8:30 AM** +Stanley Osowski

### Wed Sep 9 Peter Claver, Priest

**7:00 AM** +John & Sally Kowalski

**8:30 AM** +Amzycki & Eichler Families

### Thu Sep 10 Weekday

**7:00 AM** +Stanley & Bernice Osowski

**8:30 AM** +Irene Stecki

### Fri Sep 11 Weekday

**7:00 AM** +Poor Souls

**8:30 AM** Sp. Int. Ruth Smith

### Sat Sep 12 Weekday

**8:30 AM** +Evelyn Stano

### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*September 13, (Wrzesnia), 2009*

<b>Sat</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+John Depta
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	+Thomas Bernas
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	+Theresa Swierczek
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	+Loretta Sper

*1:00 Baptism Casey Marie Becker*

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Finance Update

We budget a weekly collection of \$6,000. At the end of August, we had completed 9 weeks into the budget year and had received \$45,597.53 (last year it was \$42,804.81). This is \$8,402.47 short of the goal. Remember, if everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot!

## Bread and Wine Offering

The bread and wine used for all Masses during the month of September is donated by  
Henry & Rose Kondziga  
In Celebration of 62 Years of Marriage

# SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

- Mon** LABOR DAY — Offices Closed.
- Wed 8:00 PM** A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.
- Thu 2:00 PM** Golden Agers in the social center.
- 3:00 PM** Church Cleanup Crew.
- Sun 1:00 PM** St. Stanislaus Alumni Picnic, Morgan's Hollow, E. 49th Street MetroPark

## Wedding Banns

Bret Roberts & Tammy Bogdanski (III)  
Ronald Szook & Karolina Kossakowski (I)  
Allen Paszt & Laura Hardy (I)

### War and War

Seventy years ago in the pre-dawn hours of September 1, 1939, World War II officially started with the firing of the German battleships onto the shores of northern Poland. (At first I thought of stating that it was really the Nazi forces who had initiated the conflict, but I changed my mind. After all, we don't say that the Republicans bombed Iraq or that the Democrats bombed Vietnam.) It was though that part of the world simply never ended the war started in 1914, and this was simply a continuation. There were wars all over the globe in those years—BIG wars.

Now in 2009 it seems some things have been allowed to be forgiven, some hatred forced to simmer. The allegations between those who remember history a specific way and those who would like to re-write history based on their experiences and perceptions continue to fly. Equating Hitler and Stalin to some people is incorrect. To others it make perfect sense. Equating the treatment given to American prisoners during the wars of the last century to the treatment given to our prisoners in this century are met with astonishment. Seeing the enemies we fight as human beings is always a tricky thing. It's much easier to see them as obstructions to our ideals making it easier to remedy the solution—eradicating them.

We send real people into fight these wars; real people with real families and real dreams and real fears. When one comes home in a casket we somehow are stunned. I can't imagine the human feelings of those who remain on the battle lines who have seen their buddies blown to bits. That anyone can return to a normal life after enduring the horrors of war is a miracle in itself.

War has been a part of the world since Cain and Abel. The direct consequence of sin, the battle between good and evil will rage on as long as we inhabit the earth. Sometimes powerful governments manage successfully to contain their sinful desires, but that is a fragile attempt. We believe that those same governments, were they to harness the same amount of energy, could truly overcome the urges for retribution or other antagonistic desires. The puissant often resort to methods of destruction and humiliation to execute their personal agendas; the weaker members of the human race are expected to follow in line and act accordingly.

Even as the commemorations in Gdansk this past week played out, verbal skirmishes remained with blame and knives of hatred being hurled back and forth by both old and new generations of those who remained standing. How we rationalize and how we color the past will forever haunt our desire for a peaceful present and future.

We pray for peace. We pray for peace. We pray for peace. May God hear our prayer so that no more flag draped caskets need to come home, no more children need to be left without families, no more human beings need to lose their blood, but instead use their lives to build a better world for all.

David Krakowski

# SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 13, Wrzesnia 2009*

- Sat 5:00 PM** Lector — Tom Krol
- Euch. Min. — Connie Aliff, Stan Witzak, Chris Wisniewski, Mike Potter
- Sun 8:30 AM** Lector — Susan Halamek
- Euch. Min. — Marilyn Mosinski, Sharon Kozak, Nicole & Mark Kobylinski
- 10:00 AM** Lector — Beata Cyraneck
- Euch. Min.— W. Sztalkoper, Ewelina Ejsmont, Marcie Sladewski, Tom Monzell
- 11:30 AM** Lector — Bill Bobowicz
- Euch. Min.— Marie Ostrowski, Ron Grams, Terry Kopania, Angela Revay

# PARISH SUPPORT

<b>Last Sunday's Collection</b>	
5:00 PM (78).....	<b>\$1,042.25</b>
8:30 AM (82).....	<b>\$1,482.00</b>
10:00 AM (87).....	<b>\$1,239.00</b>
11:30 AM (74).....	<b>\$879.40</b>
Mailed in (47).....	<b>\$920.00</b>
<b>Total (386)</b>	<b>\$5,562.65</b>
Catholic University (29).....	<b>\$845.00</b>
St. Vincent DePaul.....	<b>\$738.90</b>
Balance the Budget (119).....	<b>\$1,898.92</b>



### FEAR NOT, BE OPENED!

When we think of opposites, there are many usual pairs of words that come to mind — light/dark; life/death; good/bad; here/there; us/them; etc. But the reading from Isaiah, coupled with the Gospel this weekend, present us an unusual contrast: fear/openness. Each of these is a common part of our shared human experience.

The Lord Himself gave to the prophet Isaiah the responsibility to speak of the Lord's name. The Jewish People were in a situation where it seems as if God had abandoned them. Their land have been conquered by the Babylonian empire, and most of the elite were taken away in captivity. No more temple for worship, no more rulers form among themselves, and cast adrift in a foreign culture appealing to their children. What about the Covenant, where God promised to provide a land for them, and a heritage, their own rulers, and children for generations without end? It seemed as if God had forgotten them.

If the Covenant was broken, who broke it? The answer of the Prophet: It wasn't God, it was us. But it is God who will restore it. Hence the words of comfort from today's first reading: "Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!" Before the Lord could restore them to their former place, the one barrier that remained between them and their new future was their own fear.

But when their fear was set aside, not only did the Lord restore them to their former way — he made it even better for them. Their return to their own land was followed by some of the most glorious years in Jewish history. Indeed, most of the Old Testament as we know it was produced during this period, as was the establishment of many customs still practiced today. If all the people had wanted was a simple restoration to what they had already been familiar with, then they would not have come to know the brighter glory that lay in store for them.

The Jesus-event centuries later also called the people to a new kind of openness. Clearly Jesus set about to do something new, something that had not happened before. And the challenge to the disciples was to be open to whatever mystery lay ahead. They need to trust Jesus, even though they could not see or even imagine what that would be like. The man in then gospel today, who was healed by Jesus, is a good metaphor for us all. The man was not able to hear or to speak. Jesus healed him with the command: "Be opened!"

At times we are also people who cannot hear, will not speak. What keeps us from hearing clearly, from speaking boldly? Perhaps what keeps us closed is our own fear. Fear of the unknown. Fear of the "other" person. Fear of our own inabilities, our own secrets, our own past. Fear of those in authority. Fear of change.

There are many things changing in our world right now. As I get older, I see now how hard it is to allow change to happen. I like things to be just as they had always been. But that fear is what keeps us from being opened. It is exactly what bars us from an even better future for ourselves than we can possibly imagine on our own. *Ephphatha!*

Fr. Michael

### Maryja Arka Przymierza (2)

To rozważanie jest kontynuacją tego sprzed tygodnia. W uroczystosc Wniebowzięcia NPM Kościół daje do odczytania w czasie Mszy św. jako pierwsze czytanie fragment z Apokalipsy. Oto początek tego czytania: *Potem Świątynia Boga w niebie się otwarła, i Arka Jego Przymierza ukazała się w Jego Świątyni, a nastąpiły błyskawice, glosy, gromy, trzesienie ziemi i wielki grad. Potem wielki znak się ukazał na niebie: Niewiasta obleczone w słońce i księżyc pod jej stopami, a na jej głowie wieniec z gwiazd dwunastu. A jest brzemienna. I wola cierpieć bóle i meki rodzenia* (Ap 11, 19 - 12, 2).



To ostatnie zdanie mówi o bólach brzemiennej i rodzącej niewiasty. Czy można odnosić je do Matki Pana? Teksty biblijny nic nie mówi o bólach Maryi rodzącej Jezusa. Długa tradycja chrześcijańska mówi, że Maryja urodziła swego Syna bez bólów. Jak więc wytłumaczyć te trudności?

Kiedys czytałem książkę o Matce Bożej. Jej autor potwierdza te tradycyjne opinie: Maryja nie cierpiała rodząc Jezusa, cierpiała natomiast pod krzyżem widząc cierpienie Syna i nie mogąc Mu pomóc. Według tego autora Maryja cierpiała bóle porodowe stając się duchową matką Jego braci. To właśnie z krzyża Pan daje swej Matce umiłowanego ucznia za syna, a jemu daje swą Matkę za matkę. Ten godzinny pod krzyżem to bóle porodowe Matki rodzącej nie tylko „umiłowanego ucznia”, ale każdego wierzącego w Jej Syna. Kościół od starożytności widział w umiłowanym uczniu każdego wyznającego wiare w Jezusa. Maryja nie cierpiała rodząc Jezusa, Ona cierpiała „rodząc” nas.

Ale to nie wyjaśnia trudności związanych z odniesieniem cytowanego tekstu z Księgi Apokalipsy do Matki Pana. Bo trochę dalej czytamy: *I porodziła Syna - Mężczyznę, który wszystkie narody będzie pał różgą żelazną. I zostało porwane jej Dziecię do Boga i do Jego tronu* (Ap 12, 5). Z kontekstu widac, że chodzi o narodziny Jezusa. Jak to wyjaśnić?

Mysle, że poniższe tłumaczenie wyjaśnia ten problem. Maryja nie cierpiała rodząc Jezusa w Betlejem, ale cierpiała pod krzyżem. Po śmierci i zmartwychwstaniu Pan przychodzi do uczniów i mówi: *Wtedy Jezus podszedł do nich i przemówił tymi słowami: 'Dana Mi jest wszelka władza w niebie i na ziemi'* (Mat 28, 18). Jezus otrzymał władze w niebie i na ziemi, kiedy oddał swe życie w ofierze za nas i kiedy je odzyskał przez zmartwychwstanie. Jest to wypełnienie się słów proroka Izajasza: *Spodobalo się Panu zmiadzić Go cierpieniem. Jeśli On wyda swe życie na ofiarę za grzechy, ujrzy potomstwo, dni swe przedłuży, a wola Pańska spełni się przez Niego. Po udrekach swej duszy, ujrzy światło i nim się nasyci. Zaczny mój Sługa usprawiedliwi wielu, ich nieprawosci On sam dźwigac będzie. Dlatego w nagrodę przydziele Mu tłumy, i posiadzie mozných jako zdobycz, za to, że Siebie na śmierć ofiarował i policzony został pomiędzy przestępców* (Iz 53, 10-12).

Pan Jezus przez narodzenie w Betlejem stał się jednym z nas - "Bogiem z nami". Królem, Tym, który „różgą żelazną będzie pał narody” stał się dopiero przez ofiarniczą śmierć (do której odnosi się bóle porodowe Niewiasty z Ap 12, 2) i chwalebne zmartwychwstanie.

o. Placyd

## Less than 30 days until the Polish Festival! October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

**BASKETS, BASKETS!** Please remember to start bringing in your filled baskets to the rectory or bring them and give them to either the ushers or priests after mass. We need all filled baskets by September 28<sup>th</sup> to use them for this year's festival.

**PRIZES:** We are also looking for donations for raffle prizes. Children and Adult prizes (small and large), afghans are still needed to help with our raffle games. Please bring them to the rectory by September 28<sup>th</sup>

**VOLUNTEERS:** Sharon Kozak, our volunteer coordinator, will be in the vestibule after all Masses next weekend (September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>). She will be there to sign up volunteers to work the festival. We also will need volunteers to help with the setup starting on Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm and continue that entire week. If you can't help during the weekend, please come down to help us setup the hall for the weekend. We especially need workers on Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions or would like to get your 1<sup>st</sup> choice of volunteer jobs you can contact Sharon at 330/467-8532 or e-mail her at [sharonkozak@yahoo.com](mailto:sharonkozak@yahoo.com).

You can also use the coupon below and drop it in the basket after any of the masses.

### WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!!!!

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Please remember to return your **SOLD** raffle tickets either in the collection basket, drop them off at the rectory during office hours or put them in the mail. There are additional raffle tickets available to purchase or sell, please see one of the priests after mass or stop by the rectory. **Our sweepstake raffle is the major part of the financial success of our festival!**

**BAKERY 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and through out the festival weekend.

#### **Polish Festival Adult Volunteer Sign up**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Day(s) That you can volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours that you can volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

Specific area in which you would like to volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **GOLDEN AGERS MEETING**

The Saint Stanislaus Golden Agers will meet this Thursday, September 10, at 2:00 PM at the Social Center on Baxter Avenue. *Please note the time change, back to the schedule for the school year.* A brief meeting will be held, followed by a small lunch, raffle, and games.

#### **FREE PROGRAM FOR SENIORS!**

The Cleveland Department of Aging is offering ACCESS YOUR BENEFITS for Cleveland residents 55 years of age and older adults with disabilities. This is a free, confidential service for seniors to learn if they are eligible for numerous federal, state, and local assistance programs that may pay for some of their costs of health care, utilities, prescription drugs, and other essential items or services.

An eligibility survey is done quickly on a computer program developed by the National Council on Aging. It will report on all the programs that person is eligible for, and there will be help in applying for these benefits. Call the Project Director, Theresa Merriweather, at 216-664-3418 for more information.

#### **BREAD AND WINE OFFERING**

The response for the monthly Bread and Wine Offering has been very positive. Parishioners and friends can share in daily Mass in a special way by donating the bread and wine used at the altar for an entire month. The donor can dedicate the donation in memory of someone, or for some special intention. The dedication will appear in the bulletin each week of the donated month. Also, the donor can write a small piece for the bulletin about the person or intention they are dedicating for. Call the rectory if you would like to make a dedication for a given month.

### Potrzebujemy piekarzy!!!

Jak mogliśmy o tym przeczytać w ostatnim „Biuletynie”, nasi przyjaciele z kościoła św. Jacka proszą o pomoc w przygotowaniu posiłków na spotkanie w sobotę 19 września po Mszy św. o godz. 5:00 wieczorem. Proszą nas o upieczenie ciast. Oczekują ok. 300-500 uczestników, dlatego potrzebujemy bardzo, bardzo dużo wypieków oraz chetnych do pomocy w czasie wspomnianego spotkania (w sobotę 19 września) oraz do odbierania wypieków. Więcej szczegółów w „Biuletynie” za tydzień.

### BAKERS NEEDED!!

As you read in last Sunday's Bulletin, our friends at St. Hyacinth have asked for our help with a social they are planning after the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday, September 19th. They have asked if we can bake for the social. Since this is their last Mass at St. Hyacinth they are expecting as many as 300 to 500 people to attend, so we will need to do a LOT of baking! There are plans to have someone here at St. Stan's earlier in the day on Saturday so those who are not planning to go to Mass at St. Hyacinth can bring their bakery to St. Stan's. Our parishioners are known for their generosity - not to mention their delicious bakery - so if you can, please plan to bake for our friends at St. Hyacinth. There will be details in next Sunday's Bulletin as to who to contact if you can bake or are willing to work at the social, as well as what time someone will be available here to receive the bakery. Thank you in advance for your generous response.

### Visiting Nurse Association — Volunteers Needed

Could you help make one of life's most challenging moments easier for people in your own community? You're invited to explore the possibility of becoming a Hospice Volunteer with the Visiting Nurse Association! A wide range of volunteer skills are needed, from spiritual companionship to sewing hospital gowns, creating seasonal decorations and gifts for patients, office/clerical assistance, patient visits, bereavement assistance, school and group service projects and many other possibilities. Volunteer trainings take place Tuesdays September 22-October 20. Call now to register: 216-902-7352 or email [ssvolunteer@vnaohio.org](mailto:ssvolunteer@vnaohio.org) for more information.

**ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT by Rob Jagelewski.** Since the high school football season is now in full swing, let us remember a season of our beloved Panthers of St. Stanislaus High School. It was the fall of 1968. This senior class of 1969 would be the last graduating class of St. Stanislaus High School. In the fall of 1969 Cleveland Central Catholic would begin its journey as an educational institution. The varsity football Panthers of 1968-69 would not have a great season. They would have an overall record of 2 wins and 7 losses. Their ledger on the season showed seven losses to the North Olmsted Eagles, 58-8; the Lorain St. Mary Fighting Irish, 47-18; the Elyria Catholic Panthers, 26-6; the Lourdes Central Crusaders, 18-6; the Hawken Hawks, 44-0; the Byzantine Buccaneers, 28-6; and the Padua Bruins, 30-14. The two wins came against the Fairport Harbor Skippers, 14-6 and the St. John Cantius Jayhawks, 34-0.

### FAREWELL FROM SR. JANE FRANCES

Several months after the passing of her mother, Sr. Jane Frances Malaczewski, CSFN moved out of the home on East 55th Street, in which she had been living as she cared for her elderly mother. After many years of service to our community, she is continuing to serve the People of God in Pittsburgh at a pre-school run by her community. Although she had formally retired from full-time teaching a few years ago, she continued to help at the school as a Polish teacher and in preparation for the Sacraments. We already miss her dearly. She left behind the following greeting:

*“Dear Friends in Christ, Farewell and thank you! It's hard to say good-bye to all the wonderful people I had the pleasure to know for the past 24 years. I will remember you (God willing) for years to come. May the Holy Family guide and protect you.”*

She can receive letters sent to: 285 Bellevue Road, Pittsburgh PA 15229.

### HOLY NAME CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Holy Name Church is celebrating its 150th year of service to Cleveland's Southeast area with a Mass on Sunday, September 20, at 11:00 AM. Bishop Richard G. Lennon will be the main celebrant. A reception in the school auditorium will follow the Mass. All are invited to attend and help celebrate this milestone. The parishioners of the Shrine Church of Saint Stanislaus congratulate our neighbors to the south!

### DON'T FEED THE CATS!

Six years ago, our parish was “adopted” by a beautiful tabby cat named “Cinnamon.” She has been the best fed and welcomed street cat in the City of Cleveland. Many parishioners offered gifts of cat foods to help care for her. Since then, too many other stray cats have discovered the “Country Buffet” for cats at St. Stan's!

Lately there have been piles of cat food laying around the parish grounds. This has led to an unsafe condition. With food and empty tins laying around the campus, skunks and possums have been attracted here at night. Also, school children like to pet these cats when school lets out, risking scratches and bites.

### INFANTS AND TODDLERS OF SLAVIC VILLAGE —

Thanks to the many who continue to share and care for the poor infants and toddlers in our community. Times are tough for so many people, but the little kids, who perhaps suffer the most, certainly did nothing to deserve their lot in life. These children are in need of baby food, juices, boxes of cereal (Cheerios, etc) canned foods, peanut butter, jelly and we always need disposable diapers. Please be thoughtful of their needs and demonstrate what it means to be a follower of Jesus. The drawing for the framed poster of Jim Ptacek's Gate 5 of the old Cleveland Brown's Stadium will be held on September 20th.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Before a family may schedule the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, parents must attend a class to prepare themselves. Slavic Village parishes share this responsibility with each other. The next class will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Sunday, Sept 13, at 1:30 PM. Please call at 641-2829 if you plan to attend.