Upcoming Events at Saint Stanislaus

DECEMBER 13TH - 7PM - COMMUNAL PENANCE

Prepare a place for the Lord in your life by joining us at our Communal Penance Service. Many guest priests will be available to hear confessions in both Polish and English.

DEC. 23RD & 24TH - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

We bring our Advent time of prayer and preparation to s fulfillment at our 5PM Vigil Mass on Saturday and the 8:30AM, 10AM Polish, & 11:30AM Masses on Sunday.

DECEMBER 24TH - CHRISTMAS EVE

Celebrate the birth of our Savior at our 5PM Vigil Mass. The traditional "Pasterka" or Shepherd's Mass, will be at 12 Midnight. All Christmas Masses feature our full St. Stanislaus musical accompaniment.

<u>DECEMBER 25TH – CHRISTMAS DAY</u>

Solemn Christmas Masses will be offered at 8:30AM, 10AM in Polish, and 11:30AM. "O Come Let Us Adore Him". MERRY CHRISTMAS!

DEC. 30TH & 31ST - FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

We celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph – the model for all family life - at our 5PM Vigil Mass on Saturday and our 8:30AM, 10AM Polish, and 11:30AM Masses.

JANUARY 1, 2024 – NEW YEAR'S DAY

Get the New Year off to the right start by joining us in celebrating the Feast of Mary, Mother of God. Masses will be at 8:30AM, 10AM in Polish, and 11:30AM. A BLESSED AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

JANUARY 6TH & 7TH - FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Journey with the wise men as they find the newborn King. Solemn Masses will be offered at the 5PM Vigil on Saturday and the 8:30AM, 10AM Polish, and 11:30AM on Sunday. The 11:30AM Mass will feature our full St. Stanislaus musical accompaniment. Blessed chalk and prayer cards will be available to take for those who wish to bless their home.

JANUARY 20TH & 21ST - SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Introduced by Pope Francis, this observance focuses our attention on the beauty, richness, and inspiration which comes to us in the Sacred Scripture. Saturday Vigil Mass will be at 5PM and Masses on Sunday are at 8:30AM, 10AM in Polish, and 11:30AM.

FEBRUARY 1ST & 2ND – PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Our 40 days of the "extended" Christmas Season draw to a close with this feast – the last time the Gospels depict our Lord as an infant. Also known as "Candlemas Day", candles used in church and homes are blessed this day and made available. These are closely associated with the Polish customs surrounding devotion to "Matka Boska Gromniczna". Vigil Mass in Polish will be at 7PM on Thursday. Masses on Friday will be at 6:45AM and 12:15PM.

FEBRUARY 14TH – ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent arrives a little early this year and this day of fast and abstinence supersedes the observance of St. Valentine's Day. Masses with the blessing and distribution of ashes will be at 6:45AM, 8:30AM, 5:30PM, and 7PM in Polish. Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes will be at 12 Noon.

FEBRUARY 16TH & ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT – STATIONS

On Fridays during the Lenten Season, Stations of the Cross will be offered at 1PM with our School Children, 6PM in English, and at 7PM in Polish. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

FEBRUARY 18TH & ALL SUNDAY IN LENT – GORZKIE ZALE

The hauntingly beautiful melodies of *Gorzkie Zale*, or "Bitter Lamentations" – a unique and integral part of Polish Lenten devotions, are sung immediately following the 10AM Mass on Sundays and include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. English translations are available for those who wish to experience this devotion and then remain for the 11:30AM Mass which follows.

FEBRUARY 29TH - THURSDAY - "LEAP DAY" No matter where you are or what you're doing, be sure to celebrate LEAP DAY today...that once-every-four-year treat when we get one extra day in the year to keep our calendar on track. What will you be up to...?