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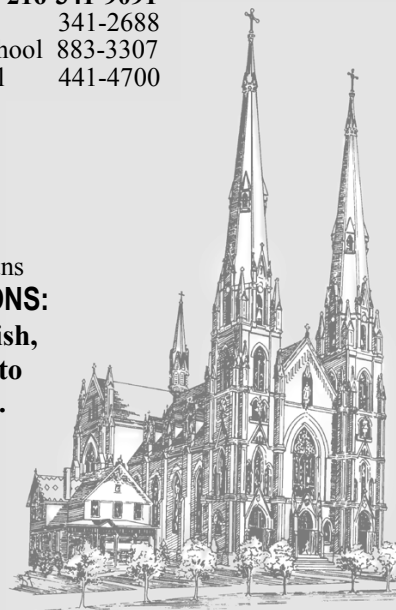
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TO CONTACT ORGANIZATIONS:

**Send an e-mail to the parish,
with the person you wish to
contact in the subject line.**

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 28 (*Luteo*), 2010

Sat 5:00 PM + Henry W. Kotarski
Sun 8:30 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners
10:00 AM + Antoni & Tatiana Trzaska
11:30 AM + Ruth, John Sr., John Jr., Douglas & Jim Truhlar



Mon Mar 1 Lenten Weekday
7:00 AM + Helen & Clara Nering
8:30 AM + Walter & Helen Kobylinski
Tue Mar 2 Lenten Weekday
7:00 AM + Casimir & Daniel Kin & Florence Ivanski
8:30 AM + Celia Blaszcak
Wed Mar 3 Lenten Weekday (St. Katharine Drexel)
7:00 AM Sp. Int. Helen Bell
8:30 AM + Fr. Humbert Korgie OFM
Thu Mar 4 Lenten Weekday (St. Casimir)
7:00 AM Edmund & Sophie Chrzanowski
8:30 AM + Deceased Members of the Tegowski Family
Fri Mar 5 Lenten Weekday
7:00 AM + William Spetrino
8:30 AM + Linda Occhionero
Sat Mar 6 Lenten Weekday
8:30 AM Edmund & Sophie Chrzanowski

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 7 (*Marca*), 2010

Sat 5:00 PM + Kenneth Krul
Sun 8:30 AM + Sandra Wintrich
10:00 AM + Jaroslaw Karwowski
11:30 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners
1:00 PM *Baptism Ella Millard*



Lent



We pray for our faithful departed
 Isobel Szubski
 Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.
 And let perpetual light shine upon her.

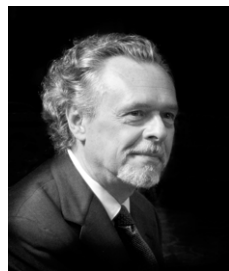


Bread and Wine Offering
 From Patricia and Marilyn Orzy in memory of
 their mother, Julia, their father, Alfred
 and their sister, Esther

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sun	All Weekend Masses Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul Ozanam Center in Slavic Village 10:00 AM RCIA 11:00 AM <i>Dobry Pasterz - Good Shepherd.</i> <i>Katechizacja dzieci</i> Adult Faith Formation, Rectory. 1:00 PM 3:00 PM <i>Gorzkie żale</i> 6:00PM <i>Vespers (Ron Zeszut, Reflection)</i>	Fri	1:30 PM 5:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Grade School Stations of the Cross Droga Krzyżowa Way of the Cross Adult Faith Formation, Rectory.
Wed	8:00 PM A.A. & Al-Anon meets, Social Center.	Sun	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 1:00 PM 3:00 PM 6:00 PM	RCIA <i>Dobry Pasterz - Good Shepherd.</i> <i>Katechizacja dzieci</i> Adult Faith Formation, Rectory. Gorzkie żale English Vespers (Lil Bros, reflection)
Thu	7:00 PM Parish Lenten Mission, Sacred Heart.			

Piano Music, Pussy Willows, Pisanki and Parades



This past Monday evening we celebrated the 200th birthday of Fryderyk Chopin, Poland's greatest composer of 'classical' music, the world's greatest composer for the piano. The embodiment of Romanticism in 19th century music, Chopin's music grew from a tradition governed by nature and natural events, love and longing, happiness and sadness, life and death. It was within the particular culture of the suspended Polish State that he found inspiration in the simple rhythms of dance and poetry. His national roots produced flowers of universal appeal for generations of human beings from all corners of the world. We celebrated the man and his music here at St. Stanislaus...*widoczne!*

In a few weeks we'll see the arrival of pussy willows as we commemorate Palm Sunday. Sure most churches use palms, but the heritage of this church and many of its members is Polish and Central and Eastern European, a part of the world where pussy willows are part of that solemn holiday! You'll see it here at St. Stanislaus.

The same can be said for the *pisanki*, the hollowed eggs brightly painted with various symbols and geometric designs which likewise are a part of those same cultures. In fact, Bernadette Zubel and Ray Vargas will be giving demonstrations as to the traditional decorating of Easter eggs at the Polish American Cultural Center on the corner of Lansing and East 65th on Saturday, March 13th at 11 AM. The decorated eggs brought to our church during Holy Week will grace the tomb of Jesus. Typical of the centuries old Slavic tradition, you'll see it here at St. Stanislaus.

Then there is the parade of May 3rd, commemorating the signing of the Polish Constitution of 1791, the first democratic constitution in Europe and the prime reason for Poland's dismemberment shortly thereafter by the surrounding despots whose thrones were threatened by such a revolutionary idea. Some people will follow those who chose to have a parade in Parma while others will remain here in Warszawa to continue the tradition. At the end of the day many people will also choose to join the traditional coronation of Mary, Queen of Peace, Queen of the Americas and Queen of Poland! Mary is a strong part of that tradition and her veneration is part of the fabric of Polish culture. Where will the coronation take place? Where else???—St. Stanislaus. Here we nourish the Polish traditions and customs. As the scores of ancestors who chose to remain in their land, in their homes with their traditions and beliefs and values, we're sticking it out, fighting to maintain the freedoms for which those same ancestors fought.

Jeszcze Polska nie zginęła.....Jeszcze Slavic Village nie zginęła! - St. Stanislaus, Immaculate Heart of Mary, the Polish American Cultural Center and the other national and cultural institutions in our noble hood are not pulling up stakes and leaving to escape the challenges of 'Warszawa.'
 David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

Third Sunday of Lent (7 Marca), 2010

Sat	5:00 PM Lector—Tom Krol Euch. Min. — Mike Potter & Stan Witzcak, Marge & Andy Flock
Sun	8:30 AM Lector—Susan Halamek Euch. Min. - Ron Grams & Sharon Kozak, Alicja Klafczyńska & Chris Luboski 10:00 AM Lector — Beata Cyranek Euch. Min.— E. Ejsmont & A. Jankowska, Tomasz Monzell & M. Śladewska 11:30 AM Lector— William Bobowicz Euch. Min.—Diana Bulanda & Stan Koch, Lar Wilks & Angela Revay

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Sunday's Collection	
5:00 PM (75).....	\$1,072.00
8:30 AM(82).....	1,514.00
10:00 AM (89).....	989.00
11:30AM(84).....	1,060.00
<u>Mailed in (50).....</u>	<u>1,380.00</u>
Total (380).....	\$6,015.52
Ash Wednesday.....	636.00



WHY GO TO CONFESSION?

Every year when Lent rolls around, we schedule extra times for confessions. This being a season of penitence and conversion, we want to give our people extra opportunities to encounter our Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Culturally, of course, different people have different ideas about the Sacrament.

Many people go out of their way to confess to a priest they do not know; others make sure to go to someone they do know. Some like to go to the same confessor, others like variety, and for others it doesn't really matter who is there. Some penitents remain anonymous behind the screen (by the way we really can NOT see through it!), and others sit face to face. Some like to talk an issue through, and others simply confess to God and await their penance.

Just as there are different ways that penitents approach the Sacrament, so also are there different ways priests celebrate it. Just about everyone has a story about a priest who was hard of hearing, or worse, hard of heart. But even more common are stories about people encountering the grace of God precisely through the graciousness of the priest. Most priests will say that celebrating reconciliation is often the most moving experience of their priesthood. It is humbling that God can use an imperfect and frail man to minister the immensity of his mercy.

Yet we still have so many who simply have stopped going to confession. The reasons are across the board, from mere laziness to well thought-out positions — and many, many unanswered questions. “Why can't I just confess to God? Won't he forgive me if I ask?” Yes, but the priest does not forgive, he absolves. Absolution is a setting free, the proclamation of release, removing the power of sin to hold us in its grasp. “But why do I have to say it out loud to another human being?” Because when we sin, we not only offend God, we also hurt another human being. The wound of sin is not only personal, also it is social. Since we cannot apologize to each and every person we hurt, we make amends through the priest, who represents the church — the People of God.

“Won't the priest think differently of me if he knows what I've been doing?” No, almost every priest I know has a well developed sense of amnesia. If he listens attentively to dozens of confessions, by the end of the session the last thing he wants to do is remember what people have said. Unless the penitent is in an ongoing confessor/penitent relationship, it is very unlikely that a priest will remember what you have said.

Most importantly, it is a great gift given to us by Christ himself, and passed along through the ministry of the Church, so that we might hear again and again that we are forgiven and set free. Isn't that worth hearing from time to time?

Please make a point of attending the lenten services this week, and listen for the voice of God calling out to you.

Fr. Michael

Przemienienie Pana Jezusa

Dzisiejsza Ewangelia zabiera nas z Jezusem na „górze wysoką” - górę, na której Pan Jezus przemienił się wobec Apostołów, Piotra, Jakuba i Jana. Ci trzej byli dopuszczeni do tego, aby już tu na ziemi oglądać rąbek chwały Pana Jezusa, którą On jako Syn Boży posiada. Apostołowie zobaczyli przemienionego Pana. Rozmawiał on z Mojżeszem i Eliaszem o *Jego odejściu, którego miał dokonać w Jerozolimie* (Łk 9, 31).



Słowo przetłumaczone na polski jako „odejście” zostało wybrane świadomie przez Ewangelistę. W języku greckim jest użyte w tym miejscu to samo słowo, które w Księdze Wyjścia zostało użyte na opisanie wyjścia Izraela z Egiptu. Przez swoją śmierć i zmartwychwstanie Pan Jezus zapoczątkował nowe wyjście, wyprowadzając na wolność nie tylko naród izraelski, ale każdy naród i rasę; nie z niewoli egipskiej i poddania faraonowi, ale z niewoli o wiele okrutniejszej czyli z niewoli grzechu i śmierci. Celem nowego exodusu jest już nie Ziemia Obiecana, jak o tym czytamy w pierwszym czytaniu, ale nasza Prawdziwa Ojczyzna, czyli niebo, jak o tym pisze św. Paweł Apostoł w Liście do Filipian, którego fragment usłyszeliśmy w drugim czytaniu.

Mojżesz był tym, który dał Prawo ludowi wybranemu Starego Przymierza. Eliasz zaś był prorokiem Pana Boga. Tylko oni w całym Starym Testamencie byli dopuszczeni do tego, aby na górze usłyszeć głos Pana Boga i oglądać Jego chwałę. Czytamy o tym w Księdze Wyjścia 24, 1-3 i w Pierwszej Księdze Królewskiej 19, 8-18. Scena przemienienia Pana Jezusa, o której słyszymy w dzisiejszej Ewangelii przypomina bardzo objawienie dane Mojżeszowi, który podobnie jak Pana Jezus wziął ze sobą trzech towarzyszy i którego twarz świeciła blaskiem (zobacz Wj 24, 1; 34, 29). Jednak w momencie, kiedy boski obłok znika, Mojżesz i Eliasz odchodzą. Zostaje sam Pan Jezus.

Można to tłumaczyć, że po odejściu Starego Testamentu, o którym Pan Jezus i Żydzi mówili „Prawo i Prorocy”, symbolizowanego przez Mojżesza i Eliasza, nastaje czas Nowego Przymierza i Nowego Exodusu. W Panu Jezusie wypełniły się wszystkie prorocтва Starego Testamentu. *On nie przyszedł znieść Prawa i Proroków, ale je wypełnić* (por. Mt 5, 17). To Pan Jezus przynosi pełnię Objawienia o Bogu. Pan Jezus objawia Boga, jako Tróję Świętą: Ojca, Syna i Ducha Świętego.

Na górze Tabor słyszymy głos z nieba: *To jest Syn mój, Wybrany, Jego słuchajcie!* „Słuchać Pana” to znaczy ufać Jego słowom. Tak czynił Abraham, który miał nadzieję wbrew nadziei i dlatego poczytano mu to jako sprawiedliwość.

Nie przypadkowo słyszymy o scenie przemienienia Pana na górze Tabor właśnie teraz, w czasie Wielkiego Postu. Pan Jezus chciał przygotować wybranych Apostołów, aby przygotować ich na zgorzniecie Krzyża. Cierpienie różnego rodzaju, wątpliwości w wierze, a w końcu śmierć będzie udziałem nas wszystkich. Dlatego trzeba nam często przypominać sobie cel, do którego zmierzamy: *Nasza bowiem ojczyzna jest w niebie*. Tam już jest Pan, *który przekształci nasze ciała poniżone, na podobne do swego chwalebego ciała* (Flp 3, 20-21).

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Shrine Church of ST. STANISLAUS

A TALE OF FORGIVENESS FROM A PARISHIONER

During last Sunday's homily, Fr Mike asked, "When do you remember someone forgiving you?" I immediately thought of my Mom. Years ago, I had made some choices that were hurtful to my family. It was the only time we 7 kids saw my big 6 ft Dad, a Cleveland policeman, cry. Years passed; lots of pain for all.

Mom was now in her 80's and I knew she would soon be gone from this earth. I was so embarrassed to bring up the topic, but I knew what I needed to do. I nervously sat down next to her on the sofa and apologized. We shed some tears together. She placed her tiny wrinkled hand on my knee and said these simple words I will never forget, "Oh honey, I forgave you a long time ago." What a moment of grace!

Coincidentally, or "God-incidentally," I happened to be wearing the wedding ring my Dad gave her in 1940. As Father spoke those words, I touched her ring and thanked her for reminding me of just a taste of our Lord's Divine Mercy so readily available for all of us. Mom had a great devotion to St Faustina and the Divine Mercy Novena and I share that with her today. To make it even more special, Jesus first appeared to St Faustina on my birthday, Feb 22.

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT



ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT by Rob Jagelewski. One of our neighboring parishes since the founding of St. Stanislaus in 1873 was St. Wenceslaus Parish which began in 1867. This was Cleveland's first Czech Catholic Parish. The church was initially located along Kingsbury Run at Arch Street (now East 35) near Woodland Avenue. The church was relocated in 1899 to East 37 and Broadway Avenue where it was located until 1963. The church was demolished during the construction of I-77. Many of our parish organizations, especially the Boy and Cub Scouts, attended the final Mass at this church. In 1923 Bishop Joseph Schrembs established the St. Wenceslaus Mission in Maple Heights for families who moved from the East 35 location. The mission was elevated to parochial status in 1924. This parish was closed in the last few years. Some of their members have joined St. Stanislaus Parish.

SENIOR CORNER

Dear Seniors,

Well I think winter is almost over. I hope the snow is anyway. **Mark your Calendars!** It's time we all got together again! It's been two months since we have had our Golden Agers Meeting. Our next meeting is coming soon. It will be on **Thursday, March 11th at 2:00PM in the Social Hall.** We would like to invite all those who have not been to our meeting for a while, and we would like to welcome any new members who would like to join us. We have a good time. We play Bingo, we have a raffle, and we have a great lunch.

Do you need a ride, no problem, I have a person who has volunteered to help me bring you to and from the meetings. All you have to do is call the parish office and leave me a message and I will call you back. Please be sure to leave your phone number when calling.

I wanted to also make you aware that Sacred Heart of Jesus on East 71st Street will be having their Anniversary Mass on Monday, March 1st at 11:00AM. They will begin in Church with Mass and than have their usual meeting and lunch.

And don't forget about their Famous Fish Fries on Friday's during Lent. They serve from 11AM—7PM. They have take-out available and they are handicap accessible.

Did you know that there is a New Tree and Gutter Assistance Programs for Cleveland Seniors. Eligible Cleveland seniors can now access assistance with hazardous tree and branch removal and gutter cleaning. These two new programs are being offered on a short term basis through the provisions of stimulus funds.

To qualify, applicants need to meet income eligibility criteria, must be 60+ years of age or an adult 18-59 with a disability and must own and reside in a single or two family home.

The Cleveland Tree Assistance Program for seniors is offered in partnership with the Department of Aging, Parks, and Recreation. Call the Cleveland Department of Aging at 216-664-2833 to request an application for either or both programs.

Keep Warm,

Your Pastoral Associate Diana Lipfird

LENTEN MISSION
at Sacred Heart of Jesus
 Thursdays of Lent
 7 PM, Mass and Mission Talk
 Mar. 4th: Grace for Today
 Mar. 11th: Protection from Evil
ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Opowieści Poli Negri
Polsko-Amerykańskie Centrum
Kultury
Niedziela 28 Luty, 2010
Godz. 7 PM



Pisanki Class!!!

Come learn how to write/decorate Polish style Easter eggs (*pisanki*). This takes place at the Polish American Cultural Center on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at 11 AM. For information please call Bernadette Zubel at 440-842-1592. Eggs (hollowed) will be provided, but you may bring more if desired. For who wish, their eggs will be included at Jesus' grave this year as part of the decorative theme! Please consider contributing an egg from your family to this tradition.



Infants/Toddlers of Slavic Village

Christ gave food to the hungry and drink to the thirsty. Christ continues His work through us—your donations to the infants and toddlers of Slavic Village continue to feed His children. Please keep them in mind and fill our baskets. Drawing for a coupon book worth hundreds of dollars in savings will be Feb, 28th. Your donation entitles you to enter. It need not be a net full of fishes....a jar of baby food will do!

Did You Know?

Parish Pastoral Council meetings are normally held the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm and are open to the public. If you have comments or concerns and are unable to attend a meeting yourself, feel free to speak with any council member, call the rectory and ask that a council member return your call, or send an email to ststans@ameritech.net with "Pastoral Council" (or a specific member's name) in the subject line. Current council members are Susan Halamek (chair), Frank Greczanik (vice chair), Fran Conductor (secretary), Alice Klafczynski, Nancy Mack, Pat Murray, Vicky Williams, Ron Zeszut, and Matt Zielenski. A group photo is posted in the vestibule.

Chcesz skontaktować się z członkami Twojej Rady Parafialnej?

Możesz to uczynić wysyłając do nich email. W jaki sposób? Wysyłając email na adres parafii: ststans@ameritech.net a w linii "subject" wpisać "Attention: Parish Council." To proste!

A NOTE FROM THE POLISH HERITAGE ALLIANCE

The May 3rd Polish Constitution Day Parade will be celebrated in Slavic Village, the heart of Polish tradition, as it has been in recent years. Organized by the Polish Heritage Alliance, this is a most notable event, commemorating an important date in Polish history, the celebration of the first democratic Constitution in Europe in 1791 (the second in the world after the US Constitution).

The newly formed group met under the direction of Dr. M. Klymiuk-Wieczerski. At their meeting Attorney Ted Sliwinski was appointed Chairman of the organization designated to organize the parade. Other Polish organizations were in attendance at the meeting. The next meeting will be held on March 3, 2010 @ 7 PM at 6966 Broadway Avenue.

Informacja od POLISH HERITAGE ALLIANCE

Pochód 3-cio majowy, w rocznicę uchwalenia Konstytucje 3-go Maja odbędzie się w Slavic Village, w sercu polskiej tradycji w Cleveland, jak to było przez ostatnie lat. Organizuje go Polish Heritage Alliance. Pochód ten upamiętnia ważną datę w polskiej historii - uchwalenie pierwszej demokratycznej konstytucje w Europie w 1791 r. (drugiej w świecie po konstytucji Stanów Zjednoczonych).

Nowo utworzona organizacja spotkała się pod kierownictwem dr M. Klymiuk-Wieczerskiego. Na spotkaniu organizacyjnym, w którym wzięli udział przedstawiciele licznych organizacji polskich, adwokat Ted Sliwiński został mianowany prezesem organizacji i odpowiedzialnym za organizację pochodu. Następnego spotkanie odbędzie się 3 marca tego roku o godz. 7:00 wieczorem przy 6966 Broadway Avenue.

DON'T FORGET YOUR MANNA CARDS