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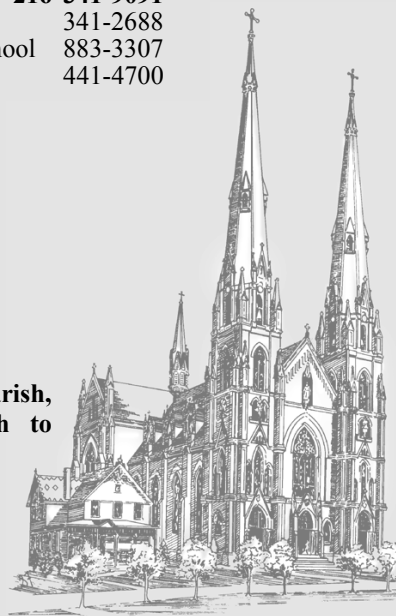
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TO CONTACT ORGANIZATIONS:

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 8:30 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.

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 call the rectory.

MASS INTENTIONS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 28 *Listopada* 2010

Sat 5:00 PM + Ted Watkins
Sun 8:30 AM + Anotija Rozman
10:00 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners
11:30 AM + Adeline Long

1:00 Baptism of Brody Douglas Hill

Mon November 29 Weekday
7:00 AM + Daniel Witczak
8:30 AM + Sandra Wittrich

Tue November 30 St. Andrew
7:00 AM + Ralph Walk
8:30 AM + Martin Klaus

Wed December 1 Weekday
7:00 AM + Norbert J. Bunsey
8:30 AM + Josephine Galczewski

Thu December 2 Weekday
7:00 AM + Norbert Bunsey
8:30 AM + Franciszek Gręda

Fri December 3 St. Francis Xavier
7:00 AM + Colin Boland
8:30 AM + Świątek & Sokolowski Families

Sat December 4 Weekday
8:30 AM + Walter Kuzak

Happy Anniversary of Ordination, Fr. Placyd!

SECONDSUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 5 *Grudnia* 2010

Sat 5:00 PM + William Davis
Sun 8:30 AM Sp. Int. Parishioners
10:00 AM + Tadeusz Plutecki
11:30 AM + Dr. David & Julias Ray Zackowski



We pray for the soul of
Ralph Zwierzykowski.
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him!



Bread and Wine Offering for November:
“Our walk together with God into eternity is now a gentle
whisper of your angel wings. Chris, you are my angel in
eternity! 3-30-09”

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sun 10:00 AM R.C.I.A., rectory.

3:00 PM Godzinki

6:00 PM Vespers

Tue 7:00 PM Finance Council meeting, rectory.

Wed 8:00 PM A.A. & Al-Anon, in Social Center.

Sat 10:00 AM Paderewski Polish Language School
ALL MASSES — SECOND COLLECTION
ST. VINCENT DEPAUL OZANAMN CENTER
SLAVIC VILLAGE

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3:00 PM Godzinki

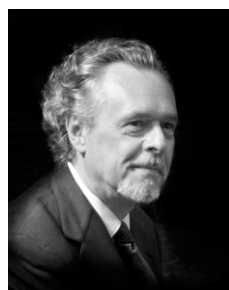
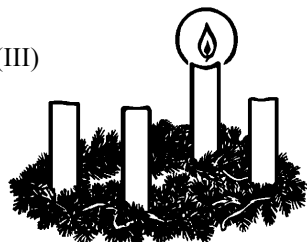
5:00 PM Lil Bros meting, rectory.

6:00 PM Vespers

Wedding Banns

Zachery Young & Melissa Pukay (III)

COME TO GODZINKI
AND VESPERS
ON SUNDAYS IN ADVENT!



READY?

The wreath is up, the first candle lit, the narcissus bulbs are planted, the blue and violet ribbons are on the poles, the blue vigil lights are flickering, *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* is intoned...It must be Advent...again. Will this year be any different than last? Does is need to be? Will the story of Christ’s entry into our world have any impact on our everyday lives? Will His subsequent passion, death and resurrection touch us in a new way? Will the last Sunday of the liturgical year in 2011 see a mass of people filling the pews for the Solemn Vesper Service? I guess it all depends, doesn’t it?

Whether or not this year is any different for us will depend on each of us alone. No matter what the priests say from the pulpit, no matter what we write in these bulletins, no matter what we hear in the readings at Mass, it all depends on us. Do we want to change? Do we want to get closer to God? Do we choose to grow in that relationship or keep it at the level we had in grade school? Are we open to change, to challenge, to sacrifice, to pain?

When your eyes open in the morning do you focus on life or do you focus on activities that keep you from honestly living? Do you become absorbed in the details of the royal wedding or do you work on your own marriage? Do you kvetch about Bristol Palin’s two left feet or do you plan on the journey your two feet will take during the day to live the life of a Christian? Do you read the newspaper looking for the latest tragedy while sipping on your morning coffee or do you read a line of scripture and feed your soul? Do you see the glass half full or half empty? It’s all up to you.

Advent ushers in our new liturgical year in a pretty quiet way but not without some rather intense warnings: *Be ready! Prepare the way for the Lord! Wake up!* Those are not exactly phrases we would simply whisper to one another. And, yet, each day those words can truly be whispered as we open our eyes and decide how to live, how to breathe, how to approach the challenges and crosses awaiting us. It’s up to each of us to be ready, to have our house in order, to have our bags packed for the ultimate journey home. Jesus is coming to get you! He’s knocking on your door every new day! Are you ready to open it and go with Him?

David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

Second Sunday of Advent, December 5 *Grudnia*, 2010

- Sat 5:00 PM Lector—Karen Neuman
Euch. Min.— Mike Potter & Stan Witczak, Marge & Andy Flock
- Sun 8:30 AM Lector – Sue Halamek
Euch. Min. — Sharon Kozak & Chris Luboski, Marcia & Don Stech
- 10:00 AM Lector— Asia Sychla
Euch. Min. — M. Śladewska & A. Jankowska, E. Ejsmont & W. Sztalkoper
- 11:30 AM Lector—Don Pieniak
Euch Min.— Diane Bulanda & Terry Kopania, Lars Wilks & Nancy Sontowski

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Sunday’s Collection

5:00 PM (85).....	\$1,307.00
8:30AM(77).....	1,153.00
10:00 AM (91).....	957.76
11:30 AM (65).....	838.71
Mailed In	1,560.00
Total	5,816.47

Remember, our weekly collection needs to average \$6,000 per week in order to meet our budget. Please remember your parish in a special way this month as you plan your Christmas offering.

We also remember the poor, those who depend on our goodness so that they may simply get by. Jesus came to us as a poor child...

Do Ciebie, Panie, wznoszę moją duszę, Tobie ufam, Boże, niech zawód mnie nie spotka. Niech moi wrogowie nie triumfują nade mną, nikt bowiem, kto Ci zawierzył, nie będzie zawstydzony.

To you, my God, I lift my soul, I trust in you; let me never come to shame. Do not let my enemies laugh at me. No one who waits for you is ever put to shame.



TO SEE AS JESUS SEES...

What do you think about, what do you pray about, when you are adoring the Blessed Sacrament? Are you preoccupied with a mundane concern? Distracted by a disturbance from someone in the next pew? Praying for the Browns to win?

Last weekend we gave praise and glory to the Lord Jesus, who is always present to us. Once a year, we set aside an afternoon to do nothing else except let God know how awesome He is! Of course, He already knows this, but we need to say it. No, not just say it, but shout it, sing it, march it, tremble before it.

For myself, there are not many events in the year that I treasure more. This day has a special meaning to the parish as a whole. It was the Feast of Christ the King, 12 years ago, that we rededicated the newly renovated church. It was 6 years ago, on this very same feast day, that we blessed and occupied the newly renovated rectory. I wondered, what would be the special grace this year?



Maybe I set my sights too high. To be honest, there were some disappointments and distractions that got in the way of my truly getting into the spirit of the day. On the one hand, everything was in place for a wonderfully planned celebration. The choirs had rehearsed, the church looked stunning. The rectory was redolent with aromas from the feast prepared for our clergy and religious guests. Two friar guests, good friends of ours, had come to spend the weekend.

On the other hand, I wondered where the people were. Visiting priests were impressed with the prayerfulness of the worshippers, but secretly I was upset that there weren't more of them. Did the Browns trump Jesus again? If it were not for the children who participated (therefore bringing their parents), or for the invited guests (over 30 guest clergy and religious), or the non-parishioner visitors who come every year (dozens, to be sure), it seemed that there were actually not many parishioners. I am embarrassed to say that, while I was carrying the Lord in the monstrance, my thoughts were not entirely pious.

So I changed my prayer. I asked Jesus, Please let me see this church the way YOU see it. Not the way I see it." Then things changed. I actually looked at the church, and all our people, literally through the glass of the monstrance. All I can say is, a change in perspective can mean everything. My prayer was answered, and my love for Jesus — and His Church — deepened. That's why Christ is my, our, King.

Fr. Michael

Być gotowym

Zaczęli nowy rok liturgiczny. W pewnym sensie Kościół jest do przodu względem świata, ponieważ cywilny nowy rok zaczyna się za więcej niż miesiąc czasu. Ale nie o to chodzi, żeby być „do przodu”, czyli zaczynać nowy rok miesiąc czasu wcześniej. Chodzi o coś innego. O tym dowiadujemy się z czytań dzisiejszej niedzieli. Jest to streszczenie przesłania całej Ewangelii: Być gotowym na przyjście Pana. Być gotowym w każdej chwili, i wraz z całym Kościołem wołać: „Przyjdź, Panie Jezu!”



Pan Jezus przyszedł już raz. Było to dwa tysiące lat temu, kiedy to stał się Człowiekiem i narodził się z Maryi Dziewicy. Wyznajemy wiarę, że przyjdzie na końcu czasów, by sędzić żywych i umarłych. Ale pomiędzy tymi dwoma przyjściami jest jeszcze trzecie: On zarazem jest już obecny i jednocześnie wciąż przychodzi do nas. Na różne sposoby: w drugim człowieku, w swoim słowie, który czytamy sami w Piśmie św. lub słyszymy w czasie Mszy św., w Eucharystii.

Pierwsze Jego przyjście było ukryte, tylko nieliczni Go rozpoznali. To drugie przyjście na końcu świata będzie jawne i zobaczy Go każdy człowiek, nie tylko ci, którzy w Niego uwierzyli i oczekiwali, ale także ci, którzy nie uwierzyli w Niego i nie chcieli Jego królowania. Przyjście czy przyjścia pomiędzy tym pierwszym i drugim na końcu czasów, są sakramentalne, tzn. rzeczywiste, ale ukryte. Dostępne tylko przez wiarę, nadzieję i miłość. Nie wszyscy chcą Go dostrzec.

Liturgia słowa dzisiejszej niedzieli podkreśla przyjście Pana jako Sędziego, i wzywa nas do czujności, do gotowości na Jego przyjście. On przyjdzie, czy tego chcemy czy nie. Ale to od nas zależy, z jakim uczuciem na Niego czekamy. Jeśli będziemy żyć w łasce uświęcającej - będziemy pragnąć Jego przyjścia; jeśli bardziej niż Boga, kochać będziemy grzech, zwlekając z nawróceniem - sami myśli o przyjściu Pana będzie napawać nas strachem. Będziemy się źle czuli. Wszystko zależy od tego, czy Kochamy Pana Boga ponad wszystko, czy też jest coś innego, co Kochamy bardziej; wszystko zależy od tego, gdzie jest nasze serce.

Św. Paweł wyraża to w bardzo praktyczny sposób: *Odrzućmy więc uczynki ciemności, a przyobleczmy się w zbroję światła. żyjmy przyzwoicie jak w jasny dzień: nie w hulankach i pijatykach, nie w rozpuszczeniu i wyuzdaniu, nie w kłótni i zazdrości. Ale przyobleczcie się w Pana Jezusa Chrystusa i nie troszczcie się zbytnio o ciało, dogadzając żądzom.* Słowa te wzięte z jego Listu do Rzymian usłyszeliśmy w pierwszym czytaniu mszalnym. To te właśnie słowa przypieczętowały nawrócenie Augustyna. Kiedy przeczytał te słowa, usłyszał w nich głos Pana, który mówił do niego. Zapłakał, i odtąd jego życie było już inne.

Pawłowe słowa dzisiaj są skierowane do nas, do każdego z nas. Ma rację ks. Mariusz Jedliczka pisząc: *W pierwszą niedzielę Adwentu czytania zachęcają nas do porzucenia myślenia kategoriami doczesności. Przed nami otwiera się wieczność, w którą wkroczymy – tak czy inaczej. Właściwie już to czynimy – każdym naszym czynem, myślą lub brakiem dobrego czynu, zaniedbaniem.*

o. Placyd

Shrine Church of ST. STANISLAUS

ADVENT GIVING TREE

This year we will continue the tradition of an 'Advent Giving Tree' set up in the vestibule of the church. On the tree you will find ornament tags, one for each student in our parish school, kindergarten through third grade. The tags indicate the gender of each child as well as their age and grade. If you want to partake in the fun, please take one of the tags, purchase a NEW gift for the particular child, wrap the gift, securely attach the ornament to the gift, bring the gift back to the vestibule and place it under the giving tree no later than Sunday, December 20th. The gifts will subsequently be distributed to the children prior to their Christmas break on behalf of our parishioners and Mr. And Mrs. Claus' participating in the lovely event. There are over 100 students in the grades mentioned, so we'll need plenty of help to make this project a roaring success.

Need a gift idea? Suitable gifts could include solid red or black sweat pants (part of the school's Winter uniform) or other cold weather clothing. Age appropriate toys are fine as well. If you are unable to shop, then cash donations or gift cards (hint hint MANNA) are welcome. The 'Advent Giving Tree' presents a wonderful opportunity for each of us to experience the joy of giving of ourselves during this Christmas season.



OPLATKI

The traditional Christmas Eve wafer known as *oplatki* is now available after all Masses in the vestibule of the church. Sr. Marietta will be there (possibly dressed as an Angel) asking for a donation of at least \$2.00 for a packet of 4 wafers. They will also be available, while supplies last, at the rectory.

The tradition of sharing *oplatek* with one another on Christmas Eve is one of the longest lasting traditions which has remained over the generations. The Sisters of Nazareth have provided this service for many years, and we thank them for their contribution to maintaining and promoting this little slice of Polish culture.

GOLDEN AGERS NEWS

The St. Stan's Golden Agers are going to have their annual Christmas Party on Thursday, December 9th at 2 PM at the Social Center. Tickets for this event are \$10.00 and members are asked to purchase them before Nov. 28th in order to give an accurate head count to the caterer and to allow Santa sufficient time to pack his sleigh with a sufficient number of goodies. To make reservations please call 216-337-3155. Members are also asked to bring along a \$5 exchange gift!

ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT by Rob Jagelewski. In 1858 the tone of public school education in the Diocese of Cleveland was hostile to Catholics, and Catholic children were sometimes subject to ridicule or abuse because of their religion. The public schools were operated in close cooperation with the local protestant churches. The Catholic Church in the United States deemed that the building of Catholic schools was as important as the building of new churches. The bishops declared that the funds collected for public education from all taxpayers should be used for all schools and that Catholics should not be doubly taxed for their own schools and the public schools. Our first school in this parish was finished in 1881. It was a two story wood structure with a school on one floor and a church on the other floor.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Okay, we're never too proud to beg! Please be generous when stuffing your 'flower donation' so we can once again have a gloriously decorated church this Christmas Season!

For those of you who will be able to help deck the halls this year, the process will begin after Sunday Vespers at about 6:30 PM, December 19th. We'd like to be 99% done with things by the Communal Penance on the evening of December 22 to allow for a little rest before the big weekend and time for each of us to do our personal holiday preparations at home.

INFANTS / TODDLERS OF SLAVIC VILLAGE

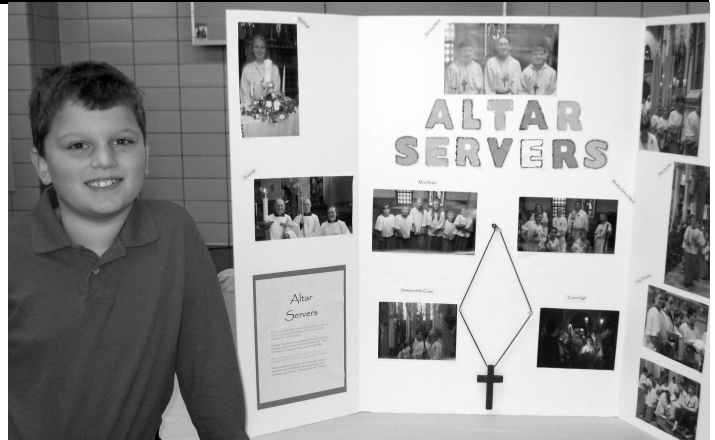
This Christmas season, many of us will watch a version of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." Who cannot be moved with compassion for Tiny Tim, the innocent poor boy who, in spite of his illness and hunger, remains hope-filled and happy? Our neighborhood is filled with many such Tiny Tims. Let's all try to help them to be able to say, "God bless us all, everyone!" Bring to the vestibule a little food, some gently used clothes or toys — all these will be small signs of goodness to people who await a sign that the Christ-child is adored even still.

ATTENTION MINISTERS!!!

Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Cantors, Choir members, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers will need to reschedule our December meeting due to a conflict in scheduling with our guest speaker. With Christmas approaching we will try to reschedule this event after the holidays when people have more time. We will keep you posted! We apologize if anyone was inconvenienced. When we do meet in mid-Winter, we hope all our ministers are energized and ready to take up the challenge for excellence!



Peggy might be too old to attend the Good Shepherd Catechesis, but Jane is happy to show how it's done.



Anthony is proud to serve at the Altar of the Lord at 8:30 Mass on Sunday. See if you find his picture anywhere else in this bulletin. (Hint: two other places!)

From the Stewardship Committee

This Thanksgiving weekend is a good time for the committee to express gratitude to all the ministry groups who created such wonderful displays for the Ministry Fair and spent hours during the Fair being available to all those who came. We have so much to be grateful for here at our parish and in our personal lives. That is what stewardship is all about: gratitude for every gift and talent we've been given that spills over into sharing those gifts with others. Time, Talent, and Treasure – gifts that about at St. Stan's!!

With grateful hearts from the Stewardship Committee!

DON'T FORGET YOUR MANNA CARDS
...they help fund our parish ministries!

Polish Women's Alliance of America, District 7
and
The I.J. Paderewski Polish Language School

Cordially Invites the Public to Attend
A Special Sunday Dinner and Children Presentation:
Celebrating Chopin's 200th anniversary

"Chopin as seen through the eyes of a child"

When: Sunday, December 12th from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 pm.
Menu: Delicious home-made Polish food including stuffed cabbage, perogies, kompot, and dessert with coffee and tea

Location: Alliance of Poles Hall, 6966 Broadway Ave., Cleveland

Tickets: \$12 for Adults; \$ 6 for Children under 14
To reserve tickets, and/or for more information, please contact:

Barbara (216) 491-8730 or,
Grace (216) 316-6165, or
Irene (216) 226-5496

This is a fund-raising benefit for the **I.J. Paderewski Polish Language School**, located at the St. Stanislaus School in Slavic Village.



School principal Mrs. Martin can still smile for guests, even after a hard week at school! Donna is impressed...

Dobry wieczór, Monsieur Chopin

Niedziela, 28 listopada

godz. 7:00 pm w Polsko-Amerykańskim Centrum Kultury
Teatr z Toronto

Obsada: Maria Nowotarska, Agata Pilitowska, Piotr Pilitowski
Scenariusz: Maria Nowotarska, Joanna Sokołowska-Gwiazdka
Reżyseria: Maria Nowotarska