

December 25, 2011

The Shrine Church of Saint Stanislaus Bishop & Martyr

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The historic church in the heart of Slavic Village since 1873

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday English Masses 8:30am, 11:30am

Niedziela po polsku 10:00am

Daily Masses

7:00am (except Saturday) and 8:30am

National Holidays 9:00am



Merry Christmas to all!
Wesołych świąt Bożego Narodzenia!



Icon of Saint Stanislaus and Blessed John Paul II

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND OHIO

Most. Rev. Richard G. Lennon, Bishop

Staffed by Franciscan Friars

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Prowincji Matki Bożej Anielskiej — O.O. Franciszkanów Krakowie

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Mr. Dan Kane, Jr., Parish Business Manager

Mrs. Deborah Martin, Elementary School Principal

Mr. David Krakowski, Director of Liturgy and Music

Mrs. Denise O'Reilly, Elementary School Secretary

Mr. Fred Mendat, Maintenance and Social Center Manager

Ms. Patricia Murray & Ms. Patricia Otloski, Parish Receptionists

Mrs. Aries Jones-Irizarry, Elementary School Receptionist

ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. Ron Zeszut, Pastoral Council Chairperson
 Ms. Celeste Suchocki, Finance Council Chairperson
 Mrs. Dorota Tomaszewska, *Katechizacja po polsku*
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 Ms. Marilyn Mosinski & Mrs. Denise Siemborski,
 Polish Festival
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 Ms. Betty Dabrowski, & Mrs. Viviane Buchanan,
 Web Site Editors

To contact Organizations: Send an e-mail to the parish, with the person you wish to contact named in the subject line.

REGULAR SCHEDULE

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

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.

CHURCH HOURS

Church is open daily 30 minutes before and after all

NEW YEARS DAY

JANUARY 1, STYCZNIA 2012

Sat 5:00 PM Lector— Betty Dabrowski
 Euch. Min. — Mike Potter & Connie Aliff, S. Witzcak & C. Wisniewski
Sun 8:30 AM Lector — Nancy Mack
 Euch. Min. — Alice Klafczynski & Chris Luboski,
 Felicia Greczanik & Don Stech
10:00 AM Lector — Mieczyslaw Garncarek
 Euch. Min. — M. Śladewska, A. Jankowska,
 Teresa Cyranek & W. Sztalkoper
11:30 AM Lector — Jessica Alvarado
 Euch. Min. — Nancy Sontowski & Diane Bulanda,
 Marie Ostrowski & Stan Koch

Collection team: TBD

MASS INTENTIONS

CHRISTMAS DAY December 25 grudnia 2011

Sat	5:00 PM	+ Jan Jarmuziewicz
	Midnight	+ Cecelia Tegowski
Sun	8:30 AM	+ Br. Fidelis, OFM
	10:00 AM	+ Jan Boc
	11:30 AM	+ Eddie Racut
Mon	Dec. 26	St. Stephen, First Martyr
	8:30 AM	+ William & Irene Stech
	4:30 PM	Mass and Baptism of Kacper Krystian Sladewski
Tue	Dec. 27	St. John, Apostle
	8:30 AM	+ Ben Benowski
Wed	Dec. 28	The Holy Innocents
	8:30 AM	+ Mary Frances Watkins
Thu	Dec. 29	Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas
	8:30 AM	Sp. Int. Dean Mella
Fri	Dec. 30	Holy Family
	8:30 AM	Sp. Int. Parishioners
Sat	Dec. 24	Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas
	8:30 AM	+ Veronica Gnatowski

OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD January 1 stycznia 2012

Sat	5:00 PM	Sp. Int. Parishioners
Sun	8:30 AM	+ Peter & Alexandria Papa
	10:00 AM	Sp. Int. Anna Orzeł
	11:30 AM	+ Karen Malicki Buryanek



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

SUN	MERRY CHRISTMAS
MON	PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
WED	AA MEETING @ 8 PM IN SOCIAL CENTER
SAT	NO CONFESSIONS PRIOR TO THE 5 PM MASS
SUN	HAPPY NEW YEAR!
	SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND WILL BE FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



*We pray for the soul of
Ann Marie Kenik;
May eternal light shine upon her!*



Bread and Wine Offering for December:
*“In Thanksgiving for
all the living and deceased members of
St. Hyacinth Parish”*

PARISH SUPPORT LAST WEEKEND

5:00 PM (64).....	\$ 1,145.00
8:30 AM (77).....	1,518.00
10:00 AM (83).....	1,005.00
11:30 AM(60).....	1,145.20
Mailed in	1,311.00
Total.....	6,124.20

Remember... we need to collect \$7,000 per week to meet our budget. If we do not meet our budget, some part of our ministry will have to stop. What should it be?

* Christmas *
* Greetings to *
* all from the *
* Friars and *
* Staff at the *
* Shrine Parish *
* of *
* St. Stanislaus! *



The WORD
Was made
flesh...
and dwelt
among US
...and
continues to
dwell
among US.



Seasonal Responsorial Psalm:
Sing to God with cheerful voice! Praise the Lord forevermore!
Śpiewajmy Pana radosnym sercem! Chwalmy Pana na wieki!

One song that we sing exclusively during Christmas time is *Joy to the World*. The first verse is familiar to all of us: "Joy to the Word, the Lord is come. Let earth receive her King. Let every heart prepare Him room. And heaven and nature sing..."

Can our call at Christmas be this simple, and yet profound, namely to prepare Him room? It seems to me this was all God asked for that first Christmas night. God was looking for a place of welcome, a space and place and room in order to be born into our world. Remember there was no room in the inn so Joseph and Mary had to continue to look for a place for Jesus to be born.

So this Christmas, let every heart prepare Him room, room in ourselves to hear anew what God has to say to us through Jesus and His Word. Let us reserve room in our busy lives for prayer, for some quiet time in which to engage in a lively and prayerful dialogue with our God as we bring "the stuff of our lives" into our daily conversation with God.

The more we welcome and make room for God, the more God will "rub off on us." We become God's hands, feet, ears, and voice as we say more and more with our lives, "let it happen in me, through me!" The incarnation is the occasion in which God took on flesh and dwelt among us in the person of Jesus. This incarnation of God continues in us.

God is still looking to take on flesh in and through humanity. We become God's hands, feet, ears, and voice as we say more and more with our lives, "let it happen in me, through me!" It is God living and loving in us and through us. We cannot tell where God's love begins and our love stops, or where our love begins and God's love stops. They are one and the same. We now make God's love, kindness, compassion, justice, etc. real and visible. Our ordinary acts of goodness in effect become extraordinary.

Let us echo Mary's response to the angel Gabriel when he presented Mary with the great possibility of being the mother of Jesus. Mary responded, "Let it be done to me." Let it happen in me and through me. Let it happen in us and through us! Mary's response was a simple allowing, a welcoming though she did not know the total outcome.

This Christmas, we make room for our Lord and Savior more fully into our lives, into our hearts, into the ways we see, think, hear, live and love, give and forgive and welcome and make room for others as well. Personally, since I arrived here at St. Stanislaus December 12th, I have been warmly and wonderfully welcomed by the parish staff, by my community of friars, and by the people of St. Stanislaus church and school. I am most grateful that you have made room for me here. At this Christmas season, may you know and experience His peace and presence, and may you feel His joy!



Jedna z amerykańskich piosenek, które śpiewamy w okresie Bożego Narodzenia jest „Joy to the World”. Pierwszy wers w tłumaczeniu brzmi: „Radość Świata, nadszedł Pan. Niech Ziemia otrzyma swego Króla. Niech każde serce przygotowuje mu miejsce. A niebiosa i natura niech śpiewa...”

Czy wezwanie na Boże Narodzenie może być tak proste i jednocześnie dogłębne? Dosłownie: przygotować mu miejsce? Wydaje mi się, że właśnie o to prosi nas Bóg w noc pierwszego Bożego Narodzenia. Bóg szukał miejsca powitania, pomieszczenia czy pokoju, w którym może narodzić się dla naszego świata. Pamiętajmy, że nie było miejsca w gospodzie, więc Maryja i Józef musieli szukać gdzieś miejsca aby Jezus mógł się narodzić.

Więc na te święta niech każdy w sercu przygotowuje Mu miejsce, miejsce w nas samych aby usłyszeć na nowo, co Bóg mówi do nas przez Jezusa w Jego Słowie. Zarezerwujmy miejsce w naszym zajęтым życiu na modlitwę, na czas ciszy, w którym zaangażujemy się w żywy i modlitewny dialog z Bogiem, włączmy naszą powszedniość w codzienną rozmowę z Bogiem.

Im częściej witamy Boga i robimy Mu miejsce w naszym życiu, tym więcej Bożej łaski udziela się nam. Stajemy się Bożymi rękami, stopami, uszami i głosem świadcząc coraz bardziej naszym życiem „niech się stanie we mnie, przeze mnie!”. Wcielenie jest wydarzeniem, w którym Bóg przybrał ludzką postać i zamieszkał między nami w osobie Jezusa. To Boskie wcielenie jest kontynuowane w nas.

Bóg wciąż przybiera ludzką postać we wszystkich ludziach. Stajemy się Bożymi rękami, stopami, uszami i głosem świadcząc naszym życiem „niech się stanie we mnie, przeze mnie!”. To Bóg żyje i kocha w nas i przez nas. Nie możemy określić, gdzie zaczyna się Boża miłość a kończy się nasza, lub gdzie nasza miłość się zaczyna a kończy się Boża. One są jednością i tym samym. Możemy teraz uczynić Bożą miłość, dobroć, miłosierdzie, sprawiedliwość itd. realnymi i widzialnymi. Nasze wspólne akty dobroci w efekcie stają się nadzwyczajne.

Powtórzmy odpowiedź daną aniołowi przez Maryję, kiedy objawiał jej możliwość bycia matką Jezusa. Maryja odpowiedziała: „Niech mi się stanie według słowa Twego”. Niech się to stanie we mnie i przeze mnie. Niech się stanie w nas i przez nas. Odpowiedź Maryi była zarówno przyzwoleniem i przywitaniem, choć nie wiedziała Ona jakie będą jej skutki.

W to Boże Narodzenie w pełni przygotowujmy miejsce dla naszego Pana i Zbawcy w naszym życiu, w naszych sercach, w sposobie w jakim patrzymy, myślimy, żyjemy i kochamy, dajemy i przebaczymy, jak również witamy i przygotowujemy miejsce dla innych. Osobiście, odkąd 12 grudnia przybyłem tu do Św. Stanisława, zostałem ciepło i serdecznie przywitany przez obsługę parafii, moich współbraci zakonników, szkołę parafialną i ludzi od Św. Stanisława. Jestem bardzo wdzięczny, że przygotowaliście tu miejsce dla mnie. Życzę Wam, abyście w tym okresie Bożego Narodzenia poznali i doświadczyli Jego pokoju i obecności, jak również poczuli Jego radość.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve: 5:00 PM
 11:30 PM Carols/*kolędy*
 Midnight Mass/ *Pasterka*

Christmas Day: 8:30 AM English
 10:00 AM *po polsku*
 11:30 AM English

December 26 Parish Offices Closed

New Year's Eve: 5:00 PM

New Year's Day: 8:30 AM English
 10:00 AM *po polsku*
 11:30 AM English

January 2 Parish Offices Closed

Epiphany: Sat. 5:00 PM
 Sun 8:30 AM
 10:00 AM *po polsku*
 11:30 AM Multi-lingual
 Fr. Mike's Final Mass

ST. STANS HISTORICAL FACT *by Rob Jagelewski.*

The arrival of Father Bob Konopa OFM to be Administrator of our Parish until July 2012 brings to mind the last time St. Stanislaus had an Administrator. In the late 1970's Pastor, Father Clarence Korgie OFM took a sabbatical year and went to study theology at the Catholic Theological Union (CTU) in Chicago, Illinois. During that year Parish business was handled by Father Charles Potocki OFM, who was an Associate Pastor at St. Stans and was named Administrator. During the early 1900's when Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (which was not a Catholic Parish when it started) was brought into the Diocese of Cleveland as a Catholic church, they did not have a Pastor. Parish business was handled by a Franciscan Friar from St. Stanislaus. Father Methodius Kielar OFM was named Administrator of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in 1908. Father Kielar was succeeded by three more Administrators. Immaculate Heart of Mary did not get a full time Diocesan Pastor until 1912.



Rev. Bartley from the Village Grace Mission Church brought along Santa and a sleigh full of volunteers on Monday. All of the students received shoe boxes filled with candy, toys, gloves, and hygiene products. What a great way to start the Christmas school week!!! Ho, Ho, Ho!!!! (picture above)

KINDERGARTEN CAROLLERS

The "vonTrapp/Hinz Carollers" from the St. Stan's Kindergarten made their rounds this past week serenading all with whom they came into contact! We are blessed to have so many good children in our care. Above they sang 'pójdźmz wszyscy'.



HAPPY THANKFUL FACES

Take a look at these extremely happy and thankful faces after having received the gifts given them by parishioners participating in the 'giving tree' tradition. All of the children were so excited to have received these gifts. Thanks to those parishioners who delivered them to the children on behalf of Santa. The gifts were distributed by Parish Council Chairman, Ron Zesut and St. Vincent de Paul Society person, Matt Zelinski.





FR. MICHAEL'S FAREWELL GATHERINGS

The time is coming quickly to say thank you and good luck to our Pastor, Fr. Mike. There will be two events that will be happening that you will be able to thank him for all that he has done for our parish community.

An evening event will be on Friday January 6, 2012 from **5PM until 11PM**. This event will be held at the Polish Cultural Center which is located at 6501 Lansing Avenue. The cost of this event is \$15 per person which will include appetizers, desserts and coffee. Cash Bar will be available. Reservations are welcome and you will be able to pay at the door. You can contact the rectory at 216.341.9091 and speak with Pat Murray or you can email Marilyn Mosinski at marilyn73165@sbcglobal.net to make reservations.

Then on Sunday, January 8th Fr. Michael will be celebrating his last mass at 11:30 AM followed by a dessert and coffee reception hosted by the Parents of St. Stanislaus and Central Catholic High School. If you would like to bake for this event it would be greatly appreciated. Someone will be down at the hall starting at 10:00 AM to receive your bakery.

Again, if you have any further questions or concerns regarding either event please feel free to contact the rectory at 216.341.9091 or email Marilyn Mosinski at marilyn73165@sbcglobal.net



INFANTS AND TODDLERS OF SLAVIC VILLAGE

Make one New Year's Resolution -- to donate needed baby foods, cereals, etc...to the Infants and Toddlers of Slavic Village at least once every month. Your small donations help feed numerous hungry children! What greater gift could you give our Lord this Christmas season? Please open your hearts to their needs. On January 22 you will have the chance to win a free haircut and style donated by Legacy Hair Studio in Middleburg Hts.! There will be two winners.

Tim Michaels won the Christmas basket on December 18th. Congratulations, Tim...and THANK YOU!



DECORATORS

Pictured here are just a few of the many people who donated of their time and talents to make this church so beautiful for the celebration of Christmas. Our thanks go out to everyone who contributed in any way to help us make God's house this lovely!



PIEROGIES FORSALE

O.K....now sing-a-long:
Who likes pierogi? We like pierogi
And Polish sausage too!!!



Many orders have been placed but we still have some pierogi up for adoption! Please place your order this Sunday for pick up on Friday, December 23rd between 2 and 7 PM at the Social Center! Treat yourself to some great food and help the parish in the meantime!

