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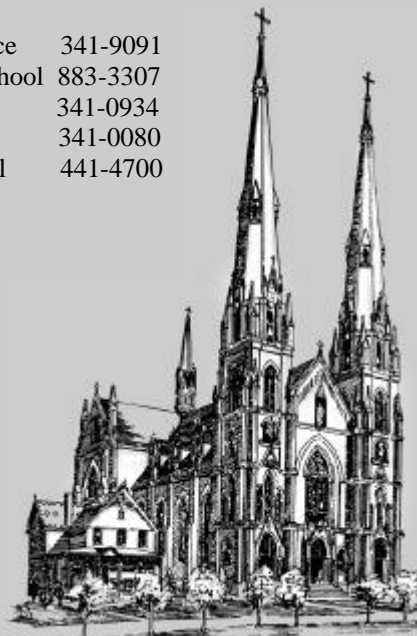
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www.ststanislaus.org



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

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Masses: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM
 Sunday Vigil: Saturday 5:00 PM
 Sunday English Masses: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM
 Sunday Polish Mass: 10:00 AM
 Holy Day English: 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM
 Holy Day Polish: 5:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 PM or upon arrangement with any of the priests.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Ordinarily on Sundays at 1:00 PM. Pre-Baptism instructions necessary in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

All arrangements must be made with one of the priests of the parish six months in advance.

FUNERAL:

Please make arrangements at the rectory in advance of public announcement.

INQUIRY CLASSES:

(R.C.I.A.): Contact any member of the Pastoral Team.

OFFICE HOURS:

Weekday appointments with a member of the Pastoral Team may be scheduled between the hours of 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The office is open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM for all ordinary business.

CHURCH HOURS:

The church is open 1/2 hour before and after services. For tours or private prayer please call the rectory.

MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 26 Września 2004

Sat	5:00 PM	+Adam & Frances Zaborowski
Sun	8:30 AM	+Sophie Zerucha
	10:00 AM	+Kopec Family
	11:30 AM	+Margaret Marunowski
Mon	Sept 27	St. Vincent de Paul , priest
	7:00 AM	+Eleanor Blados
	8:30 AM	+MaryAnn Zdunczyk
Tue	Sept 28	Weekday St. Wenceslaus , martyr
	7:00 AM	Sp. Int. Claudia Straub
	8:30 AM	+Roman Lesniak
Wed	Sep 29	Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael archangels
	7:00 AM	Sp. Int. Trudy Surufka
	8:30 AM	+Frank & Stanley Papa
Thu	Sep 30	St. Jerome , priest
	7:00 AM	+Charles Choromanski
	8:30 AM	+Jan Ciborowski
	Oct 1	St. Therese of the Child Jesus , virgin
	7:00 AM	+Leo A. Orey
	8:30 AM	+Michael & Mary Kozlowski
Sat	Oct 2	Guardian Angels
	8:30 AM	+Joseph Sr., Joseph Jr., and Timothy Jr. Bartoszek

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 3 Października 2004

Sat	5:00 PM	+Stanley & Lucy Depta
Sun	8:30 AM	+Florence Galicki
	10:00 AM	+Clara Kroszkewicz
	11:30 AM	+Celia Kopec

MUSIC – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENGLISH MASS

Processional: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #322
 Offertory: We Are Called #219
 Communion: O Lord, I Am Not Worthy #277
 Recessional: Now Thank We All Our God #314

POLSKA MSZA ŚWIĘTA

Procesja: Kto się w opiekę #291
 Ofiarowanie: Cóż Ci Jezu damy #179
 Na Komunię: PrzydŹJezu mój #141
 Zakończenie: My chcemy Boga #274

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Mon	6:45 PM	Bingo in the social center.
Tue	7:00 PM	Finance Council meets in convectory.
Wed	6:00 PM	Polish Choir at Harmonia Chopin Hall rehearsal.
	6:30 PM	Youth Group meeting in the all purpose room.
	7:00 PM	English Choir Rehearsal in church.
	8:00 PM	A.A. & Al-Anon in the social center.
Thu	3:30 PM	Church Cleanup Crew works until 5:15, followed by fellowship.
	2:00 PM	Blessing of Animals in front of the church.
Fri	4:00 PM	Polish Festival Starts —see schedule on news page of this bulletin.
Sun	4:00 PM	Transitus in church.
	6:00 PM	LiveBroadcast on WERE 1300 and Grand prize drawing until 8:00 PM.

RECTORY COUNTDOWN
 Days until we move back into
 the rectory:
 56

Amount still to be raised:
 \$125,360.01

To all who have made a donation or pledge to this vital project, thank you. If you have not yet made a commitment to our future by helping rebuild our parish house, please pray about whether and how you are called to help.



Nicholas Philippe and Kristy Morgan (II)
Wojciech Skonieczny and Cathy Prusinski (II)

“Let Them Eat Cake”

We've all heard that phrase attributed to the French aristocracy on the eve of the French revolution.

A small percentage of the world probably finds that a bit funny. We are so accustomed to seeing starving people on the TV news and in print that we seem to become numb to their reality and begin to treat them like all the rest of the fiction exhibited in those media.

Flies all over children; People with extended stomachs; African elders hunched over in huts; Who stages these things? They really should be fired because they are simply not convincing. These photographs definitely haven't convinced us of one thing other than the creativity of some photojournalists. I mean if those things actually were real, if people in the world actually were starving, if families and cultures were wiped out because of sandstorms and lack of water, well... really now!

Well, really now – you don't fall for those things, do you? I mean, really??!! Oh, and if there are a few people out there in those so-called “countries” well, the government is responsible. Our borders are there to keep our belongings safe. Their borders should keep their people away from our stuff.

I don't know where Jesus got all of his information but it seems the media got to him as well regarding this poverty and disease thing. He just loved to preach, preach, preach about the poor, the lame, yadda, yadda yadda... Well, what can we say? Nobody paid attention then so why should we change things now.

Let the newscasters do their thing with their tearjerker videos, etc..., they are just so off base anyway.

We all know the truth. We don't need to think about it, let alone be confronted by it. Betty Crocker and Duncan Hines can take care of them all – let them eat cake!

What? Am I wrong? It doesn't seem like it. Look into your heart and ask yourself – honestly!

David Krakowski

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 3 Października 2004

Sat 5:00 PM Lector — Betty Dabrowski
 Euch. Min. — Rebecca O'Reilly, Mike Potter, Marge & Andy Flock

Sun 8:30 AM Lector — Karen Neuman
 Euch. Min. — Marcia & Don Stech, Adeline Nadolny, Chris Luboski

10:00 AM Lector — Ursula Skotnicka
 Euch. Min. — Gertruda Markiewicz, Tom Monzell, Witold Sztalkoper, Sr. Jane Frances

11:30 AM Lector — James Seaman
 Euch. Min. — Joanne & Ron Grams, Emily Galish, Frank Greczanik

Last Sunday's Collection

5:00 PM.....\$1,202.00
 8:30 AM\$1,306.00
 10:00 A.M.....\$1,353.10
 11:30 AM.....\$1,595.60
 Mailed in.....\$1,049.00
Total (436 envelopes) \$6,505.70
Children's Collection (6) \$7.80

THANK YOU

Confessing our Faith

“Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.” 1 Timothy 6:12

Confession? The original understanding of the word “confession” in the early Church meant to admit what one believed. While it also meant the

confession of sin, which is mentioned in the New Testament (cf. James 5:16), it primarily was the confession of faith — namely, Timothy professing what he believed.

Prior to baptism, the catechumen would be asked to renounce sin and Satan and then to affirm one’s faith in God the Father, in Jesus Christ and in the Holy Spirit and the Church. This evolved into creeds (e.g. Apostles’ Creed). We still hear this in the Rites of Baptism and Confirmation. “Do you renounce Satan?” . . . “Do you believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?” In the New Testament we have the beginnings of professions of faith, or creeds.

“*Jesus is Lord!*” (1 Cor. 12:3) and “*Jesus Christ is Lord!*” (Phil. 2:11) are most likely among the earliest creeds of the Christian community of the 1st century. At the time of Jesus’ earthly ministry and the Twelve Apostles, the Roman emperor was called *Ho Kyrios* (“The Lord”). This was a both a religious and political title. To call Jesus the Lord was a political statement and countered the prevailing Roman belief that the Roman emperor was divine — he considered himself a god! Christians were persecuted for treason against the state for their proclamation that Jesus was Lord.

In the early Church the profession of faith in Jesus Christ separated a Jewish person from the synagogue and separated a Gentile from pagan society as he or she had previously experienced it. The profession, or confession, of faith was a deliberate and very real change. The newly baptized believer could no longer relate to the world as she or he had done before. Rather, one had to face a potentially hostile society and to prepare for potential suffering for being a Christian.

We make our profession of faith Sunday after Sunday and on major feasts called solemnities (e.g. Christmas). I would ask you to consider that when we make our weekly profession of faith that we are in solidarity with the thousands upon thousands, who through the centuries, shed their blood for Jesus and his Church. Likewise, we stand in solidarity with those who **today** suffer for their profession of faith in the Lord Jesus — in southern Sudan, in several parts of India, in southeastern Asia, in Egypt and in other parts of the world.

The divinely inspired author of today’s second reading exhorts Timothy to “*fight the good fight of the faith.*” This good fight is faithfulness to our confession of faith. Simply put, it means that in the daily activities of life, especially in the difficulties and struggles, we live out what we profess with our lips at Mass.

We probably have all heard the adage, *actions speak louder than words*. So it is with our faith — what good is it to profess “faith” with our lips if, in fact, we do not follow through with our actions? Are we ready to put our life on the line just like our ancestors in the faith did and our brothers and sisters do today?

Peace, Fr. Joachim C. Studwell, ofm

DOWODY WIARY

Dzisiejsza Liturgia Słowa raz jeszcze potwierdza prawdę, że w świat wiary nie wchodzi się na zasadzie dowodów. Najistotniejszym jest zawierzenie Bogu.

Wielu ludzi ciągle sądzi, jak ów bogacz z ewangelicznej przypowieści, że doświadczalny kontakt ze światem, w który wchodzi umarli, wpłynąłby w sposób zasadniczy na nasze życie. *Gdyby kto z umarłych poszedł do nich, to się nawrócą* (Łk 16,30). Chrystus przestrzega przed tym złudzeniem: *Jeśli Mojżesza i proroków nie słuchają, to choćby kto z umarłych powstał, nie uwierzą* (Łk 16,31). Słowa Jezusa są odpowiedzią dla tych wszystkich, którzy twierdzą, że uwierzyliby w życie pozagrobowe, gdyby ktoś stamtąd wrócił i przekonał ich. A patrząc jeszcze szerzej na problem, jest to wyjście naprzeciw tym, którzy nieustannie szukają sensacji w wierze, którzy ulegają różnym opiniom i tłumaczeniom, “podniecają się nienaturalnymi zjawiskami”, we wszystkim widząc Boży znak, a nie chcą wierzyć temu, co jest podstawą naszej wiary i wiedzy o Bogu. A przecież to wszystko zawarte jest w Słowie Objawionym czyli na kartach Pisma św. Jest tego wystarczająco dużo, aby człowiek mógł to poznawać, medytować, a co najważniejsze wcielać w życie. Oczywiście, nie sugeruję tu, iż nie trzeba wierzyć w możliwość nadzwyczajnych Bożych objawień, cudownych interwencji. One mają na pewno miejsce i przesłania z nich płynące przyjmować trzeba. Ale nie ma tych zjawisk tyle, ile rozpalony umysł ludzki i związane z tym emocje chciałyby widzieć wokół siebie. Dlatego należy z naciskiem przypomnieć: Bóg objawia nam siebie najpełniej i najszerzej poprzez swoje słowo zawarte na kartach Pisma św.

Bogacz z ewangelicznej przypowieści sądzi, że wiara i uczciwość życia oparte są na przekonujących dowodach. Prosi więc Abrahama, by tych dowodów dostarczył jego braciom, nie liczącym się z Bożym prawem w obecnym życiu na ziemi. Abraham, ojciec wszystkich wierzących, przypomina, że bracia bogacza doskonale znają słowo Boga przekazane przez Mojżesza i proroków; jeśli więc ono do nich nie trafia, to żadne inne dowody im nie pomogą. Cud przemawia jedynie do ludzi otwartych na mowę Boga.

Doskonałym potwierdzeniem tej przypowieści jest zachowanie faryzeusza po wskrzeszeniu Łazarza, który na słowo Jezusa powstał z grobu. Oni jednak i tak nie uwierzyli w Chrystusa. W tym i innych przypadkach, również bliskich naszemu życiu, przejawia się zdumiewająca tajemnica “odporności” ludzkiego serca na działanie Boga. Biblia nazywa to “zatwardziałością serca”. Skąd ona się bierze? Odpowiedź jest dosyć prosta. Przyjęcie wartości moralno-religijnych pociąga za sobą konieczność zmiany postępowania. Jeśli dowiadujemy się, że najwyższy budynek świata jest o 10 metrów niższy niż dotychczas podawano, to przyjęcie tej prawdy nie napotyka w nas na najmniejszy opór; nie ma to bowiem wpływu na nasze życie. Jeżeli jednak dowiadujemy się, że istnieje dość ścisły związek pławienia się w bogactwie na ziemi z nieszczęściem po śmierci, to normalną reakcją powinno być podzielenie się z potrzebującym. Ponieważ jednak nie jest to takie łatwe - lepiej jest nie przyjmować prawdy o cierpieniu bogacza po śmierci.

Nawet najgłębsze przeżycia nie są w stanie zapalić serca do brem, jeśli ono nie jest podatne na umiłowanie prawdy. *ks. Jerzy*

POLISH FESTIVAL IS HERE!!!!

The week we all have been waiting for has arrived. Final preparations have started for this year's festival. We have listed for you each day what will be happening at our social center.

Please bring your homemade desserts down to the social center hall starting Friday and Saturday after 2:00pm and Sunday after 10:00am. Any questions please contact Linda Vincenzo at 216-271-2090.

If you have not yet, but would like to still like to volunteer please feel free to contact Diane Bulanda at 440-439-7323. We need people to setup during the week and breakdown the festival booths on Sunday night of the festival. Please give us a couple hours of your time.

This is the last weekend to receive raffle prizes, afghans, and themed baskets for our festival. Anything that is received after Monday, September 27th will be used for our 2005 festival.

The committee would like to thank all that have donated such wonderful baskets, raffle prizes, liquor and beautifully handmade afghans. We believe that this years prizes are the best over all.

All this week and the weekend of the festival you can return your **SOLD** raffle tickets. Please bring them to the rectory during the week, put them in the collection basket at mass or drop them off at the gazebo located at the entrance to the dining hall of the social center the entire festival weekend.

Here is a list of times and activities that will be happening this week for festival preparations.

Sunday, September 26th

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Our festival co-chair's Joe Calamante and Marilyn Mosinski and Pastor Fr. Michael will be on the Polish Radio Program, WERE1300AM with Prime Time Polka's.

Monday, September 27th

7:30 am

WMJI 105.7 FM will be promoting our Polish Festival on the morning program.

Tuesday, September 28th

2:00pm-

6:00pm-11:00pm

Preparation of Cabbage and Noodles in Social Center

Construction of festival booths in social center hall. We need anyone who can help us bring our festival booths out of storage and into the hall. We will be cleaning and painting the booths. Please bring with you hammers, electric screwdrivers, or any type of building tools if you have them available to you.

Wednesday, September 29th

2:00pm

6:00pm-11:00pm

Preparation of Cabbage and Noodles in Social Center.

Continue construction of booths, begin decorating the hall with lampposts, lights and other decorations.

Thursday, September, 30th

4:00pm until finished

We will be cleaning tables and chairs, setting up the hall for dining and upstairs for dancing. We also will be putting final decorating touches on the hall.

WE NEED A LOT OF VOLUNTEERS ON THIS NIGHT, PLEASE COME DOWN AND HELP US FOR ONE HOUR!

Friday, October 1st

4:00pm to 10:30pm

Start of Polish Festival. Music by Majestic Sounds.

Saturday, October 2nd

4:00pm to 11:00pm Food will be served from 4pm to 9pm and music with Change of Pace from 7:00pm to 11:00pm.

Sunday, October 3rd

12:00pm to 8:00pm

Food will be served from 12:00pm until we sell out. Dance to the music of Ethnic Jazz with a live broadcast with Prime Time Polka's 1300AM from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Our sweepstakes drawing will be done during the live broadcast.



Pat Calamante breading the Beef Rollups just before placing them in the oven. The Beef Rollups are always delicious and one of the most popular items on our Polish Festival Menu. Be sure to try one or two—but don't wait long they sell fast! The Polish Festival begins next week on Friday. Along with the Beef Rollups, there are many other mouthwatering items to delight your palette.

BUS TRIP TO HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH FESTIVAL

The annual fall festival for our Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, is on Sunday, October 17th, in Bellevue, PA. (just outside of Pittsburgh) This festival benefits the elderly Sisters. Each year St. Stanislaus sends a bus of parishioners and friends. The bus would leave after 8:30 am Mass and return to Cleveland around 6:00pm that day. It is a fun filled day of food, games of chance and fellowship. Take the trip to enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Manor.

If you are interested in going please contact the rectory at 216-341-9091 to register. We need a minimum of 25 people for the bus to make the trip. Cost of the trip is \$30.00 and includes a continental breakfast. Book early! Reservations must be in by October 5.

CELEBRATE WITH OUR FRIENDS AT ST. HYACINTH

With our own annual Polish festival around the corner, it's easy to forget that our good friends up the street are having their festival the week before. Make sure to stop in at St. Hyacinth, have a bite to eat, and play some games. There are lots of fun things for kids, too! That's Sunday, September 26, from 1:00—6:00 PM.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS. The next class will be Oct 3, 1:00 PM, at Holy Name Church, If you are planning to baptize your child, call 216-271-4242 to register.

Welcome to the Catholic Church!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

This year's RCIA classes will begin on Monday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Building (aka Convectory).

Each year, throughout the Catholic Church in the world, people from all different kinds of backgrounds and faith traditions seek to enter the Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Our parish joyfully participates in this very rich and rewarding experience every year.

Who can participate? Anyone who wants to seriously follow Jesus Christ as a member of his Body, the Church! We welcome those who are not baptized, those baptized in other Christian communions and Catholic adults who have not completed their sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and first Holy Communion).

For further information, please call Fr. Kim Studwell, OFM at the parish offices: 216-341-9091.

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please take advantage of the opportunity to register to vote or fill out an absentee ballot application the weekend of 9/25 & 9/26 after Mass.

You must register to vote if:

1. You changed your address
2. You changed your name
3. You will be 18 years old on or before Nov 2, 2004

Applications for absentee ballots are required if:

1. You will be out of town on election day.
2. You are 62 years or older.
3. You have a personal illness or physical disability.
4. You are away at college.

Oct. 4 Voter registration ends for the General Election

Oct. 25 Absentee ballot applications are due to the Board of Election.

November 2 — General Election Day.

FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP 2004

As we approach the elections of 2004, we renew our call for a new kind of politics—focused on moral principals not on the latest polls, on the needs of the poor and vulnerable not the contributions of the rich and powerful, and on the pursuit of the common good not the demands of special interest.

PEACE GARDEN MEMORIAL BRICKS are still available for \$100.00 each by contacting the rectory office. Some of those already donated have already been installed, others will be added to the garden as requests are submitted.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVED SUFFERED A LOSS, St. Stanislaus will be holding a series of bereavement support and consolation sessions for those who are experiencing the pain of Sister Death. The sessions provide those suffering from the pain of loss with comfort and support in their time of need, and are open to all. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, October 6 at 7pm in the convectory, with subsequent sessions on October 13, October 20 and October 27. For more information, please call Matt at 216-589-9776