

ST. STANISLAUS STAFF

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

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM (no 7:00 on Sat.)
 Daily Morning Prayer: 8:00 AM (exc. Sunday)
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: 5:30 PM
 National Holidays: 9:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

The parish office is open from Monday through Friday, 7:30 AM to 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. 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 usually made in coordination with the funeral home of your choice.

INQUIRY CLASSES

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

CHURCH HOURS

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

MASS INTENTIONS

ASCENSION OF THE LORD Mothers Day, Saint Stanislaus Feast May 8, Maja, 2005

Sat 5:00 PM +David Mosinski
Sun 8:30 AM +Stanley & Catherine Sniegowski
10:30 AM +Mary Szewczyk
 +Hattie Wenglewski

Special Mass in Polish and English to Celebrate Saint Stanislaus
 Please note there is **No 11:30 Mass today**
1:00 PM Baptism of Ryan Joseph Maggard

Mon May 9 Easter Weekday
7:00 AM +Eddie J. Racut
8:30 AM +Sabol Family
Tue May 10 Easter Weekday (Bl. Damien of Molokai)
7:00 AM +John B³azniak
8:30 AM +Alice & Stanley Antos
Wed May 11 Easter Weekday
7:00 AM +Steve Szweda
8:30 AM +Rose Mary Trojanowski
Thu May 12 Easter Weekday (Ss. Nereus and Achilleus)
7:00 AM +Francis Olszewski
8:30 AM +Frances & Boleslaw Prosinski
Fri May 13 St. Mathias, apostle
7:00 AM +Mary Magalski
8:30 AM +Wanda Stachowicz
Sat ay 14 Easter Weekday
8:30 AM +Florence Galicki

11:00 AM Wedding of Bejamen Barczak and Tina Trivisanno
2:00 PM Wedding of Kevin Skizenta and Felicia Campbell

PENTECOST SUNDAY May 15, Maja, 2005

Sat 5:00 PM +Raymond Pietrzak
Sun 8:30 AM +Wanda Galicki
10:00 AM +Frank Kuzma
11:30 AM Sp. Int. First Communicants

MUSIC – ASCENSION SUNDAY

ENGLISH MASS

Processional: Sing We Triumphant Hymns #173

Offertory: We Have Been Told #203

Communion: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life #199

Recessional: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus #180

Responsorial Psalm: *Surrexit Christus*

Psalm: *Surrexit Christus*



O _____ The Lord is ris — en, al - le - lu - ia!
 O _____ Chry - stus zmar - twych - wstał, al - le - lu - ia!



O _____ Sing out and praise the Lord, al - le - lu - ia!
 O _____ Śpie - waj - cie Pa — nu, al - le - lu - ia!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Mon 9:00 AM Avilas pray for vocations in church.

Tue 7:00 PM PTU meets in the social center.

7:00 PM **Worship Commission** meets in the rectory.

Wed 6:00 PM Polish Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM English Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM Historical Committee 1st meeting in the rectory.

Thur 2:00 PM Golden Agers meet in the social center.

3:00 PM **Church Cleanup Crew** works until 5:15.

Sat 4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4:45.

Sun 11:30 PM First Holy Communion

7:00 PM Opera Circle "Mozart" Concert.



Benjamin Barczak & Tina Trivisonno (III)

Kevin Skizenta & Felicia Campbell (III)

Kevin Kmetz & Colleen McCormack (I)

Geraldino Feliciano & Rhowena Arceo (I)

The Book Is Closed

I usually compose this column on Sunday evenings before retiring.. Tonight as I sit her I'm thinking about all that needs to be done tomorrow in preparation for the evening Mass commemorating Pope John Paul II. I hope there will be a full church. I hope the choirs will perform beautifully. I hope the Krakowianki and Angels and servers all do an outstanding job. In the end, I hope for the best.

When we gathered together that early morning to watch and pray during the funeral Mass of Pope John Paul II, we noticed that even in Rome, all the planning in the world is at the mercy of things beyond our abilities to control or, perhaps, beyond our understanding. The strong winds, the cheering voices, the flowing tears were not a part of the script, yet the end effect was supremely beautiful, including the closing of the book of the Gospels over the heart of the Pope. The wind moved each page as if confirming that this man, Karol Wojtyla, had really and truly lived out those Gospels to the very last word. There was no question in anyone's heart that this had been done.

The book is now closed. Tomorrow our commemoration will be like the wind motioning for us to move on and continue our pilgrimages through life now without John Paul II in the Vatican, but, rather, interceding for us at the foot of the Lamb, through the heart of His Mother, Mary, and through all the Saints and Angels. Now the torch has been passed to the remaining runners in the race, and we have the responsibility to continue passing that Light, that Truth to the rest of the world until our books are closed for the last time.

David Krakowski

SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS

Pentecost, May 15 Maja 2005

Sat 5:00 PM Lector — Betty Dabrowski
 Euch. Min — Linda & Carmen Vincenzo, William Russin, Mike Potter

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

10:00 AM Lector — Teresa Cyranek
 Euch. Min. — R. Drewnowski, Michael Buczek, Witold Sztalkoper, Tom Monzell

11:30 AM Lector — First Communicants
 Euch. Min. — Angela Revay, Hollie Revay, Jeanette Simcox, Marie Ostrowski

Last Sunday's Collection

5:00 PM.....\$1,359.00
 8:30 AM\$1,540.00
 10:00 AM.....\$876.05
 11:30 AM.....\$1,196.97
 Mailed in.....\$2,032.00
Total (498 envelopes) \$7,004.02
Children's Collection \$10.20

THANK YOU VERY MUCH



The Lord is Ascended into Glory!

"I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you . . ."

Ephesians 1:17-18a

Today is a rather odd day for us here at St. Stanislaus. There are so many events to celebrate — Ascension, Mothers' Day and the Polish calendar's Feast of St. Stanislaus — where to begin?

Let's begin with Mothers' Day. Happy Mothers' Day to all Moms, Grandmas, Godmothers, and all who have served as foster and surrogate Moms.

Our parish celebrates St. Stanislaus, bishop and martyr, our holy patron who suffered the sword in 1073 to maintain the integrity of the Gospel of Jesus in his native Poland.

The Lord Jesus ascends today into glory at the right hand of the Father, completing his earthly sojourn after the resurrection and preparing to bestow the gift of the Holy Spirit upon the Church at Pentecost (next Sunday!).

In each of these we are celebrating life — life that comes to us through a type of death and overcomes the power of death. This is uniquely so in the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Through our mothers God has given us the gift of natural life. Because of the Ascension of the Lord Jesus we have the promise of supernatural life which we celebrate in the holy bath of baptism — where we are born again of water and the Holy Spirit. St. Stanislaus laid down his life for the sake of Jesus and his Gospel when threatened by the wrath of King Boleslaus. The holy bishop was willing to lay down his life for his sheep, like Jesus the Good Shepherd who lay down his life on the wood of the cross so that we might have life.

In fact, Jesus is obedient to the Father unto death and death on a cross (Philippians 2:8). In so doing he gives life — just like a mother. Now this might *seem* weird at first, but please bear with me: Jesus is likened by some of the Saints to be a mother — he gives birth to the Church through his wounded side! St. Anselm of Canterbury and Julian of Norwich both call Jesus "mother" without changing his gender.

They both understood intuitively — centuries apart, by the way — the mystery of giving life through death. Certainly they understood this metaphorically and not literally.

However, they were on to something very profound and holy. In the natural world we know that the human mother "breaks water" and "spills blood" in order to give birth. So Jesus on his cross — blood and water are spilled when the soldier pierces his side with a lance. And our holy patron, St. Stanislaus, while certainly a spiritual "father", also is a kind of "mother" because through his bloody death, Poland is further evangelized into the life of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Through this use of metaphorical language, rather than literal, we can perhaps more deeply appreciate the beauty and majesty of God's mystery of life — through our death God's life is revealed. So may we grow in the hope of which today's Second Reading (above) refers, coming to know God more deeply, on his terms! *Peace, Fr. Joachim C. Studwell, OFM*

WNIEBOWSTAPIE

Kiedy uporczywie wpatrywali się w Niego jak wstępował do nieba, przystąpili do nich dwaj meżowie w białych szatach i rzekli: "Meżowie /.../, dlaczego stoicie i wpatrujecie się w niebo?"

Ten biblijny opis wniebowstąpienia Chrystusa jakos dziwnie prowadzi moje myśli ku wydarzeniom ostatnich tygodni. Oczywiście, szukanie prostych porównań byłoby obrazoburcze, ale pewne podobieństwa same się nasuwają. Chrystus wstąpił do nieba odebrać swoją chwałę, ale także przygotować miejsce dla każdego z nas. On również zesłał nam Pocieszyciela. On na koniec czasów przyjdzie ponownie w chwałę. Nie można tego wszystkiego odnosić do Wielkiego Papieża-Polaka; zaczęlibyśmy go w ten sposób ubóstwiać, a tego czynić nam nie wolno.

Wolno jednak nam domniemywać, że jego droga wiodła prosto do nieba, że zajął przygotowane dla niego miejsce w domu Ojca Niebieskiego. Wierzmy także mocno, że mimo, iż nie jest publicznie ogłoszonym (potrzeba na to czasu i specjalnego procesu), to jednak jest wśród świętych. Stąd właśnie tak bardzo podobają mi się słowa wypowiedziane na pogrzebie, przez jeszcze wówczas kard. Ratzingera: *Nasz ukochany Papież stoi dzisiaj w oknie domu Ojca, widzi nas i błogosławi nam.* Przed Bazyliką św. Piotra powiewały wówczas transparenty: SANTO SUBITO! - Święty od zaraz! A Jan Paweł II wygłaszał swoje ostatnie niezwykle rekolekcje. On sam ocierał nasze łzy i, pewnie, ciepło się uśmiechał.

Jak pamiętamy, miliony przybyły do Rzymu na te „ostatnia audyencje”. Nie tylko Kościół, ale cały świat zegnał swojego Pasterza i Ojca. Młodzi zegnali niezawodnego Przyjaciela, Polacy największego Rodaka, który rozślawił Ojczyznę, Rzym swojego Biskupa powołanego z dalekiego kraju. Ilu było tam obecnych sercem? Mówi się, że ponad miliard. Trudno zliczyć. Każdy przeżywał ten czas bardzo osobście, wręcz intymnie. Tym trzeba się zachwycać i długo będziemy jeszcze to robić.

W tym miejscu warto zastanowić się nad drugą częścią biblijnego tekstu przytoczonego powyżej: **dla czego stoicie i wpatrujecie się...** . Chodzi o to, aby zachwyt nad wielką osobowością Papieża przerodził się w konkretne działanie. Wówczas to jego „rekolekcje” będą bardzo owocne. To prawda, że już dokonał wielkiego cudu: ucichło wiele wasni i sporów. Na jego pogrzebie podali sobie ręce: prezydenci Syrii i Izraela, Lech Walesa z Aleksandrem Kwasniewskim; kibice sportowi w Polsce nie rozrabiali, ale razem się modlili. Nigdy się pewnie nie dowiemy ile rodzin pojednało się, ilu wrogów podało sobie ręce. Pozostanie to piękna tajemnica.

W tym miejscu trzeba jednak, aby każdy zapytał samego siebie: jak owocne dla mnie osobście były te „rekolekcje”, a jakie owoce przyniosą w wymiarze społecznym? Czym były dla Polski, dla Polonii, także clevelandzkiej? Kiedy ruszymy z miejsca zarówno w wymiarze religijnym jak i społecznym, tak aby nie do nas odnosiły się słowa: **dla czego stoicie i wpatrujecie się?**

Nie ulega wątpliwości, że Jan Paweł II, Papież-Polak zostawił nam wspaniałe dziedzictwo; ale też zostawił swoisty testament: milujcie Boga, kroczcie śladami Ewangelii i bądźcie jedno. **ks. Jerzy**



NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The election at last weekend's Masses for the new Parish Pastoral Council had great participation from all segments of our parish community. The Council is made up of nine members, six elected and three appointed. Each year, two of the six elected members end their terms. The appointed members are named by the pastor to serve for one year. The parishioners elected to serve for a three year term Scott Adler and Bill Bobowicz—Congratulations! Fr. Michael has also appointed Nancy Mack, and re-appointed Kathy Djukic and Jim Flock to serve for one year. Many thanks to the outgoing members of the council who have served their parish in such an outstanding way this past year : Sharon Kozak, Matt Zielinski and Judy Doricott . We are deeply grateful for the sacrifice of their time and talent.

LOLLY THE TROLLY AND CORPUS CHRISTI

Lolly the Trolley will be available for anyone unable to walk the entire route of our annual Corpus Christi Procession on May 29th, but we ask that you reserve your seat in advance by calling Chris Luboski at (216) 407-1144 as soon as possible, as seating is limited to 38 people. A name tag will be mailed to you for you to wear as you board the trolley, which will arrive in front of the church at 11:00 AM. The procession should begin around 11:30 AM. If you are attending the 10:30 AM Mass that day, please make your way to the trolley immediately after the Mass. If you are attending the procession only, you may board the trolley after it arrives at 11:00 AM.

BRING A FRIEND ON PENTECOST

Share the gift of faith! No other gift is as valuable as the gift the Holy Spirit bestowed on Christ's Church on that first Pentecost nearly 2000 years ago. At all the Masses this Pentecost. May 14th and 15th, let us each make a commitment to bring to church either someone who is Catholic and has been away for a while, or someone who is searching for a church community. There will be special music and decorations. Let's bring someone back to Jesus!

2006 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

Those who wish to reserve Masses for wedding anniversaries and anniversaries of deaths in 2006 can do so in person on Thursdays and Fridays, from 9:30 AM until 4:30 PM. Because of the time necessary to produce our weekly bulletin which must be completed by Wednesday every week, we ask that you come to the office with your Mass intentions on Thursday and Fridays only. You may also mail your Mass intentions or drop them into the collection basket along with the customary stipend and your requested dates. *Please do not phone as we cannot accept phone reservations.* We will make every effort to reserve the dates you choose, but if your requested date is not available, we will accommodate your request with the closest date possible. The amount of Masses may be limited per person, so that others may have an opportunity to reserve dates also.

WANTED: STEEL SHELVING for storage in the rectory basement. If you know someone who is able to donate or discount used steel shelving, please call the rectory.



May Crowning 2005

Our May Crowning this year was exceptionally beautiful with the addition of the newly donated statue of Mary. (Thank you!) Those asked to crown the image included Harriet Luboski and her son, Chris, Sharon Kalinowski and Angela Revay with child. And the petals fell nicely....

GOLDEN AGERS ANNUAL MOTHERS AND FATHERS DAY DINNER

This special event is scheduled for Thursday May 12, at 2:00 PM in the social center. Call Agnes Frankowiak 216-341-4092 for tickets and information. New members are always welcome! The next club social will be June 19.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Parishioners are reminded that the 2005 Catholic Charities Annual Parish Appeal is going on now. The 2005 Parish Appeal weekends are April 30th/May 1st and May 7th/8th. The Catholic Charities Annual Appeal helps support 176 programs that serve 470,000 people in need each year. Your gift can make a difference. Please join thousands of others across the Diocese and give generously to Catholic Charities this weekend. To find out more about the people served and how you can help, visit www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org or call 1-800-869-6525, ext 1910

“BÓG ZAPLAC” ZA MSZE “PAPIESKA

W miniony poniedziałek czyli 2 maja celebrowaliśmy w naszym kościele św. Stanisława uroczystą Mszę Świętą w 30-ty dzień po śmierci Papieża Jana Pawła II. Liturgia wyglądała bardzo okazale. Wierni wypełnili niemal cały kościół, a ołtarz otoczyło jedenastu polskich i pochodzenia polskiego kapłanów. Dwugodzinna celebrowanie ku czci Wielkiego Rodaka-Jana Pawła II upłynęła w bardzo podniosłej atmosferze. Wielkie słowa uznania i wdzięczności należą się wszystkim, zarówno uczestnikom jak i organizatorom tych uroczystości. Jednak szczególnie trzeba podziękować organizację - Davidowi Krakowskiemu, który zatroszczył się o oprawę liturgiczno-muzyczną. Wszystkim raz jeszcze serdeczne „**Bóg zapłać**”.

ROCZNICA URODZIN JANA PAWŁA II

18 maja mija 85-ta rocznica urodzin nieodwołanego Papieża Jana Pawła II. Z tej okazji Centrum Kultury noszące Jego imię organizuje wystawę i program poświęcony Wielkiemu Rodakowi. To wydarzenie będzie miało miejsce w siedzibie Centrum (6501 Lansing Ave) w niedzielę 15 maja; początek o godz. 1:30 po południu (bezpośrednio po obiedzie).

KOMITET HISTORII PARAFII

Wśród naszych parafian powstała inicjatywa zawiązania Komitetu Historii parafii św. Stanisława. Pierwsze spotkanie chętnych do pracy w tym komitecie odbędzie się 11 maja, w środę o godz. 7:00 wieczorem w plebanii. Zadaniem tego komitetu będzie zbieranie i katalogowanie materiałów historycznych o naszej parafii, a także poszukiwanie takich w innych parafiach i miejscach, jak również w przyszłości organizowanie wystaw poświęconych historii parafii. Zapraszamy na pierwsze spotkanie nie tylko chętnych parafian, ale wszystkich „historyków”. Więcej informacji o tym komitecie można uzyskać dzwoniąc do Roberta Jagielewskiego pod numer 216-883-4271.

PARISH HISTORICAL COMMITTEE. A St. Stanislaus Parish Historical Committee is being formed and will have its first meeting on May 11, 2005 at 7 PM in the rectory. This Committee will catalogue all archival materials that belong to the Parish and will search out historical materials from our Parishioners and other sources as well as hold Parish historical exhibits from time to time. If you would like to be involved in this kind of fascinating work, just enjoy history, or are looking to get involved in a Parish activity come join us on May 11! For more information regarding this Committee call Rob Jagielewski at 216- 883- 4271.

MANNA IS SO EASY TO USE

In speaking with the manager at Giant Eagle recently, the word is your Manna gift cards are the same as cash anywhere in the store. Not only can you purchase your groceries, you can rent a video, pay for your meds at the pharmacy, pay for your photocopying or dry cleaning, and even pay for gas at the Gas-and-Go stations Giant Eagle sponsor. It's so easy. Just order your cards and go shopping. Your card is like cash and our church profits from your purchases. Order today. Remember, Manna costs you nothing but the time it takes to plan and order

ST. STAN'S REVERSE RAFFLE

A Reverse Raffle for the Father William Gulas Scholarship Fund will be held on June 4, 2005 in the Social Center. Doors will open at 6:30 PM. Dinner will be served at 7 PM. The Grand Prize is \$2,000. Tickets are \$35. Only 200 tickets will be sold. For tickets or more information contact Kevin & Denise Siemborski at 216- 398- 5764, Frank Greczanik at 216- 441- 0552, or John Heyink at 216- 341- 2019.

JENNINGS CENTER OPEN HOUSE. Jennings Center for Older Adults on Granger Road in Garfield Heights is sponsoring an Open House on May 14, 2005 from 10 AM- 2 PM. This vibrant centrally located senior campus offers residential and community based options for older adults and their families. In addition to tours, information will be given concerning community resources, free screenings, and two special presentations. Call 216- 581- 2900 for more information.

JOHN CARROLL GRAD SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE. John Carroll University in University Heights will host a Graduate School Spring Open House on May 9, 2005 from 5-7 PM. The Open House will take place in the Dolan Center for Science & Technology. The purpose of the Open House is to provide information for individuals interested in advanced degrees, licensure, or certification in business, education, communications, and in the arts.

**ON TO GERMANY
TO SEE THE NEW POPE!**

“Well, I guess the World Youth Day is still on!” Talk about stating the obvious! The next WYD had long been planned for Cologne, Germany, for August 2005. Many had wondered if John Paul II would be able to make it, and if not, what would happen to the event? With the new Pope Benedict XVI hailing from Germany, you can bet the event will be packed. A group of our own young people are planning to go, and they have been busy raising and saving money for the trip of a lifetime.

You can help them. The Southeast Cleveland Council of the Knights of Columbus has generously offered to share proceeds from their annual raffle with our Lil Bros and youth group. Please consider buying a couple tickets from them as they greet you in the vestibule of the church. The tickets cost only \$5, and the prizes are great. What would you do with almost \$50,000.00 as the first prize winner? Well, we know what you can do with five bucks now, and the reward will be instant — that happiness of a young person, and the knowledge that you did something good.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

The following parishioners are serving our country and ask for your prayers. **Paul Trickett** in Baghdad, and **Kevin Preseren** is serving with the Navy.

St. Stanislaus Polish Festival — Oct. 6,7,8
Mark your calendar!