#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish is a community dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through Word, Sacraments and Service while preserving and sharing the cultural roots of the Parish. Kostka Church

Parafia Świętego Stanisława Kostki jest wspólnotą, której celem jest głoszenie Ewangelii Jezusa Chrystusa według nauki Kościoła Rzymskokatolickiego. Misją parafii jest głoszenie Słowa **January 28, 2018** Bożego, sprawowanie Sakramentów oraz służenie St. Stanislaus innym w zachowaniu

tradycji kulturowych.

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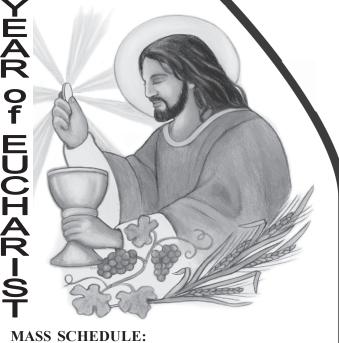
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Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Secretary

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 PM. Evenings by appointment



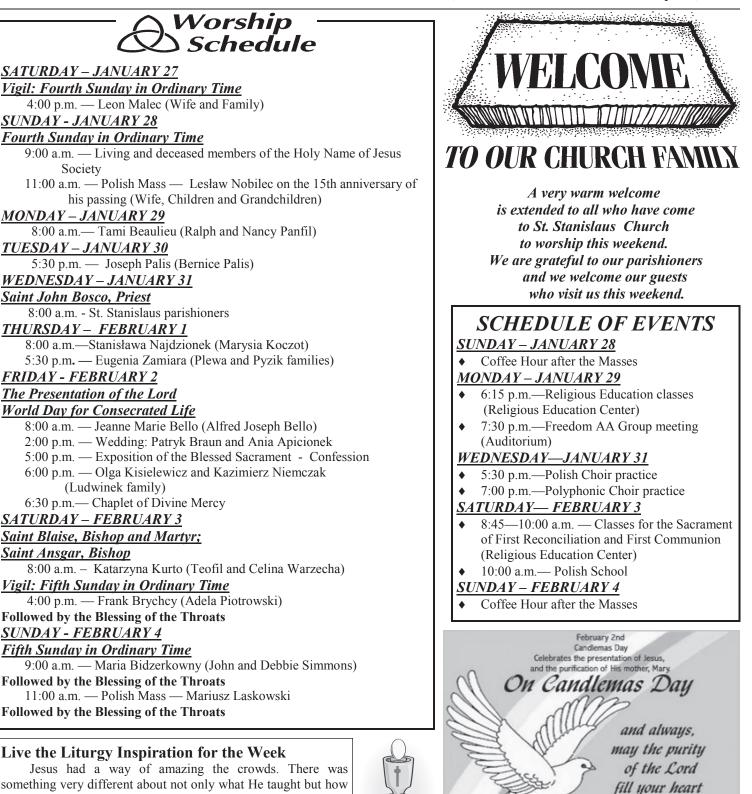
Saturday: 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (English) 11:00 a.m. (Polish) Weekdays: Monday 8:00 a.m., Tuesday 5:30 p.m., Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Friday 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Confession at 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour at 5:15 p.m. and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Saturday: 3:00–3:40 p.m. or by appointment

Please remember the ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY (our legal title) considering bequests, endowments, memorials or other special contributions when making out your will. All donations are tax deductible.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Sundays at 12:15 p.m. or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples are asked to contact the office at least six months before marriage is to take place. NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please stop at the Rectory during business hours and introduce yourself. We would like to get to know you. CARE OF THE SICK: Inform staff when relatives are confined to home so that we can arrange to have the Eucharist brought to them. Please notify us of family members living in nursing homes or institutions.



Jesus had a way of amazing the crowds. There was something very different about not only what He taught but how He taught it. He brought an authority to what He said that gave it a credibility that was not experienced elsewhere. His words were not only prophetic but rang true to the experience of the people, especially those who were poor, marginalized, victimized, lost, or forgotten. Do Jesus' words ring true to you? The Gospel message transcends time and space and has a profound relevancy in every generation. Jesus is still trying to point us toward our truth and have us see and accept who we are in God. Are you ready to hear this? We are asked to bring credibility to this same Gospel Message by how we live our lives.

#### Saint Blaise – Blessing of the Throats

This year the Feast of St. Blaise is on Saturday, February 3rd and we will have a Blessing of the Throats after the 4:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses next Saturday and Sunday, February 4th and 5th.

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#### **Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture** Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

#### "The people were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes."

Those gathered in the synagogue where Jesus taught had never heard anything like this before. They were used to the preaching of the well-educated scribes, but Jesus possessed something that those men lacked: authority. Instead of merely interpreting the laws of the prophets. Jesus presented a new vision, indeed, He shared the Good News of the Gospel with His listeners.

We do not have the opportunity to stand in the presence of Jesus in the same way that those first-century Jews did, but nonetheless we can also stand in awe of His authority. His teachings are available to us through the sacred Scriptures that the Church has preserved and through the sacred tradition that the Church carries on. And in a special way, Christ's authority continues to inspire and guide us through the ministries of the papacy, episcopacy, and priesthood that Jesus established on our behalf while He was yet on earth.

As Catholics, we have a special share in the astonishing authority of Jesus through the hierarchy of the Church. Although this structure is often misunderstood or misinterpreted, it is actually an authority rooted in service and modeled after Christ who told His apostles, "The greatest among you must be your servant" (Mt 23:11).

This humble exercise of authority is contrary to the worldly search for power. And whenever we find ourselves in a position of authority, we too should strive to lead and direct others in the true spirit of Christian love and service. Chances are, if we truly imitate Christ in this way, people will be astonished at what they see.

#### Why Do We Do That? **Catholic Traditions Explained**

Question: Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary? Answer: February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple. Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification. The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the Liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes. Simeon's praver concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a Light for Revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.

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There is something about children that makes people smile. Their innocence, hopefulness, and amazing and amusing things they say and do bring out good qualities in people. Bring a child into a nursing home and watch people light up. Or walk into a store with a 2 year old and see people smile. Or watch when a dad carries a toddler on his shoulders and even people driving by smile. Simeon must have smiled at Jesus. He

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saw more than just an infant smiling and proud parents. He knew he looked upon the hope and promise of Israel. He saw his "Heir Apparent," the priest, prophet and king who would bring the message of salvation to the world. Simeon no doubt smiled as he gazed upon the infant so many had longed to see. Joy is a very important part of faith. Knowing the Lord and sharing in His life should bring us a sense of joyfulness and peace, if we really believe in the promises of Jesus. Too often people leave Church the same way they leave root canal!! We know and have seen for ourselves the great work of love and hope that God has done. We are His heirs!

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#### Please Pray for ...

Please pray for all those in hospitals, who are ill or recovering from surgery, and all those ailing at home, in hospice or in nursing homes.



Please keep in your prayers: Linda Adams, Kathleen A. Adams, Phyllis Adamski, Marylu Balacki, Ruth Banaszak, Arlene Bialaszewski, Dolores Biddle, Tracy Britton, Leonard Brozak, Ian Joseph Bruckhaus, Eugene Cherkis, Joseph Camptone, Carol Capidone, Norma Coleman, Carl Conde, Marcia

Cote, Linda Cranston, Nolan Cybulski, Veronica and Florian Czerniak, Lee Daly-Homa, Hania Ferenc, Casimera Francione, Phyllis Gardiner, Eleanore Golomb, Madeline Gotham, Joanne Hawkes-Orman, Veronica Hajecki, Kim Harvey, Ruth Hoffman, Laura Ippoliti, Kathy Przyklek-Jedrzejek, Connie Kawka, Hanna Knapik, Joan and Nick Legonelli, Norma Leblanc, Irene Lichwiarz, Theodore McCracken, Kathleen McHugh, Jim Mills, Vicki Mielcarek, Justina Montanez, Baby Michael Moretter, Iwona Muszak, Helena Nadworniak, Emily Nakas, Maria Nawrocki-Dzyban, Mary Nowak, Susan Oberle, Thomas I. Orczyk, Brenda and David Ortiz, Cristine Paradowski, Vincent Parks Jr., Walter Pawlak, Gloria and Bernie Pensek, Quinn Pomroy, Mary Ann Pembroke, Jan Quist, Genevieve Rodgers, Zofia Robaczyński, Fabian Rogalski, Joe Rogers, Shirley Rojek, Trudy Rosolowski, Paul Russello, Rick Rosser, Elaine Scalzo, Tom Schramil, Sharon Smith, Sonja Stenclik, Emily and Joe Straszyński, George Swartz, Bernard and Trina Weeg, Irena Wiśniewski, David Wojdag, Janet Zienkiewicz, Ann Zukosky and Józef Zawitkowski.

To add a loved one's name to this prayer list or to take someone off the prayer list, please call the parish office at 467-3068. If you or a family member is admitted to the hospital and would like Fr. Roman to visit and/or administer the Sacrament of Healing, please call the rectory (467-3068).



#### Ofiarowanie Pana Jezusa – Święto Matki Bożej Gromnicznej

#### Święto Matki Bożej Gromnicznej zostało ustanowione na pamiątkę ofiarowania Pana Jezusa w świątyni, gdy miał 40 dni. W Jerozolimie obchodzone je już w 5 wieku. Pierwotnie święto było obchodzone tylko na cześć Jezusa. Od 5 wieku w Jerozolimie prowadzona była w ten dzień procesja ze świecami na pamiatke, że starzec Symeon nazwał Jezusa "światłem na oświecenie pogan". W Kościele zachodnim święto przyjęło się w 7 wieku. W naszej Polskiej tradycji, święto to ma charakter wybitnie Maryjny. Nazwa Matki Bożej Gromnicznej pochodzi z ludowej wiary, że Maryja gromnicą, która symbolizuje Jezusa, odpędzi wygłodniałe wilki od siedzib ludzkich, uchroni domy od piorunów, a w godzinę naszej śmierci nie dopuści złego ducha i przyniesie nam zbawienie wieczne.

Msza święta z poświęceniem gromnic i procesją odbędzie się w Piątek, 2 lutego o godzinie 6:00 wieczorem.

#### Światowy Dzień Życia Konsekrowanego

W dniu 2 lutego obchodzimy również Światowy Dzień Życia Konsekrowanego ustanowiony przez Jana Pawła II w 1997 roku. Niech nasze modlitwy obejmą również tych, którzy swój dar życia poświęcili Bogu.

#### Uroczystość Świętego Błażeja

Błogosławienie gardeł przez wstawiennictwo św. Błażeja będzie w naszym kościele po Sobotniej i Niedzielnych Mszach św. w przyszłym tygodniu 3 i 4 lutego.

#### Jedzenie dla Potrzebujących

W tym roku mamy dość srogą zimę i dla tych którzy nie mają dość jedzenia jest ona jeszcze bardziej ciężka. Zwracamy się do wszystkich o pomoc dla tych którzy są w potrzebie.

Przy wejściach do kościoła są pudła na ten cel abyśmy mogli podzielić się z potrzebującymi. Dziękujemy!

#### Wykaz Donacji dla Kościoła

Wykaz dotacji (\$250 lub więcej) na kościół za rok 2017 będzie wysłany przez pocztę przy końcu miesiąca.

#### Votive Candles for the Month of February

- Votive Candle on the Blessed Mother altar is burning in loving memory of Eleanor Kawka, offered by her loving sister Connie Kawka.
- Votive Candle by the statue of Saint Theresa is burning in loving memory of Theresa Babiarz Campbell, offered by her brother Frank Babiarz.
- Votive Candles in Our Lady of Częstochowa and Saint John Paul II Shrine are burning :
  - In loving memory of Maria Juśkiewicz, offered by Maria and Zenon Mrozek.
  - In loving memory of Barbara Smagin, offered by Teresa Laskowski.
- Votive Candle on the Sacred Heart altar is burning in loving memory of Nikodem Laskowski, offered by his daughter Teresa Laskowski.

#### Marriage Banns

Patryk Braun and Ania Apicionek

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#### The Rochester Catholic Women's Conference

The Rochester Catholic Women's Conference proudly presents The Power of the Eucharist, Glorifying God and Sanctifying the World, Saturday, March 10, 2018, 8:00 am at the Aquinas Institute in Rochester. The day will include Mass with our Bishop Salvatore R. Matano, national speakers Dr. Edward Si and Danielle Bean. Catholic devotions, local vendors for shopping, and a delicious lunch. Please visit the website at Rochestercwc.org/ for complete details. On-line registration now open!

## It's Cold Outside so....Warm the 'Insides' of those in Need!

Typically after the holidays donations to the Food Cupboard

drop. Hunger never 'takes a holiday'! Help provide the 'fuel' for the bodies of those in need with food this winter. This month the foods most in need are: juice, pasta, tuna fish, cereal, rice. Always remember that if **EVERYONE** 

<u>(including children)</u> brought in <u>JUST ONE FOOD ITEM</u> each week we would feed hundreds of people.

#### Extraordinary Ministers - Lectors - Commentators — Altar Servers – Ushers Schedule for Saturday and Sunday: February 3-4, 2018

Mass	Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Lector	Commentator	Altar Servers	Ushers	
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	Gerry Wilson Chris Button	Andrew Smagin	Andrew Smagin	Jenna Taha, Tiziana Sostre Karina/Lucja Rzepa Jessica Kowalski	Gene Golomb, Bill Brand George Madden	
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Sister Barbara Al Bello Mike/Mary Yackiw	Sister Francella	Kristina Batt	Amanda/Philip Procaccini Altar Servers needed!	Don Williams, Stephen Zielinski, Eugene Chmiel Sr., Ken Gustyn	
Sunday Polish Mass	Cecylia Tryt Krystyna Lizak	Polska Szkoła	Anna Mroszczak	Emily Bodzon, Jan Wnuk Jan/Maria/Małgorzata Makula Jakub Wyrozebski	John Knick, Mark Sewhuk Maciej Kostecki Bronislaw Suchodolski	

Yearly Budget 7/1/17-6/30/18: \$315,400.00

#### Our Gifts to God For the Work of Our Church For the weekend of January 13-14 Offering: Attendance:

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,160.00	61
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 798.00	115
	11:00 a.m.	\$ 802.00	135
Rectory		\$ 430.00	
Utilities		\$ 462.00	

#### For the weekend of January 20-21, 2018 Offering: Attendance:

	Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,126.00	80
	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,368.00	134
		11:00 a.m.	\$ 1,023.00	179
	Rectory		\$ 335.00	
	Vigil lights		\$ 269.00	
	Utilities		\$ 357.00	

As of Jan. 21 \$167,467.00

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Thank you for your continued generosity!

#### **Contribution Statements**



#### Annual contribution statements for year 2017 will be mailed out to everyone by the federal deadline of January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Whoever contributed to the parish \$250 or more during the 2017 calendar year will be receiving one.



In your Christian charity you are asked to remember in your prayers **Irene Czerwiec**, whom God has called to eternal

rest. May she rest in peace, and may the risen Lord strengthen her family at their time of loss.

#### **Upcoming Events in Our Parish:**

- <u>Weekend of February 10-11:</u> Annointing of the Sick after the Masses
- February 10: Spaghetti Dinner
- **February 14:** Ash Wednesday and Lent begins
- March 11: Polish School: Soup and Naleśniki
- <u>March 14:</u> Day of Penance (Diocesan wide)
- March 17-21: Lenten Mission by the Oblates

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