

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.

Parafia Świętego Stanisława Kostki jest wspólnotą, której celem jest głoszenie Ewangelii Jezusa Chrystusa według nauki Kościoła Rzymskokatolickiego. Misją parafii jest głoszenie Słowa Bożego, sprawowanie Sakramentów oraz służenie innym w zachowaniu tradycji kulturowych.

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



MASS SCHEDULE:

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 5:00 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.

**SATURDAY – DECEMBER 1****Vigil: First Sunday of Advent**

4:00 p.m. — Deceased from Zamiara family, Elżbieta Kadzikiewicz and Tamara Pusławski (Rzepa family)

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 2**First Sunday of Advent**

9:00 a.m. — Susan and Bobby Nezelek (Wendy Budi)

11:00 a.m. — Polish Mass — Kazimiera i Edmund Labecki w rocznicę śmierci (Rodzina)

MONDAY – DECEMBER 3**Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**

8:00 a.m. — Irena Mokrzan (Staff)

TUESDAY – DECEMBER 4**Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

5:30 p.m. — Mariusz Laskowski

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 5

8:00 a.m. — Steve Gudnecht (Jim and Sonja Stenclik)

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 6**Saint Nicholas, Bishop**

8:00 a.m. — Sally Chwiecko (Mary Okoniewicz)

5:30 p.m. — Maria Juśkiewicz (Agnes and Wiesław Czerw)

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 7

8:00 a.m. — Saint Stanislaus parishioners

4:30 p.m. — Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Confession

Vigil—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:30 p.m. — Andrzej Jurkowski (CMA Committee)

7:00 p.m. — Polish Mass—Krystyna Kiljan (Rodzina Kiljan)

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 8**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 a.m. — Maria Hudackova—Happy Birthday

Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 p.m. — Henry Voelinger (Wife and Family)

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 9**Second Sunday of Advent**

9:00 a.m. — Henryk and Helena Kwaczyński and Marta Grzegorek (Lidia and Bronisław Grzegorek)

11:00 a.m. — Polish Mass — Elżbieta Kajosz w 20 rocznicę śmierci (Córka, Ewa Kajosz)

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week

As we begin our Advent journey in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Birth and in anticipation of His coming again in glory, we are reminded of our need to be vigilant and prepared. This short season of Advent can be a mini-retreat for us who find ourselves living in a world that is often counterproductive to developing mature, focused, and meaningful relationships with God. Being a Christian and standing firm in our faith requires a strength that can only come from prayer. These four short preparatory weeks can help us look back to what God has done in history, to what God continues to do in our lives today, and to what God promises for the future. May we use this Advent time wisely, calling us to greater holiness.



We would like to thank Leib family for providing the bounty of Thanksgiving to decorate our church for our Thanksgiving Day Eucharist. We also would like to thank members of the Social Concerns Committee and everyone who helped with preparing and serving the very delicious traditional Thanksgiving Dinner for all who came to spend this day within our parish family. We thank you!



*A very warm welcome
is extended to all who have come
to St. Stanislaus Church
to worship this Sunday.*

*We are grateful to our parishioners
and we welcome our guests
who visit us this weekend.*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**SUNDAY – DECEMBER 2**

- ◆ Coffee Hour after the Masses
- ◆ After Polish Mass: Polish Self Support meeting (Bingo Room)

MONDAY – DECEMBER 3

- ◆ 6:15 p.m.— Family Advent Night
- ◆ 7:30 p. m. — North East Freedom AA Group meeting (Auditorium)

TUESDAY—DECEMBER 4

- ◆ 6:30 p.m.—Knights of Columbus (Parish Hall)

WEDNESDAY—DECEMBER 5

- ◆ 5:30 p.m. — Polish Choir practice
- ◆ 7:00 p.m. — Polyphonic Choir practice

FRIDAY—DECEMBER 7

- ◆ 10:00 a.m.—Prayer Shawl Ministry (Religious Education Center)

SATURDAY—DECEMBER 8

- ◆ 8:45 a.m.—Preparation classes for the First Holy Communion (Religious Education Center)
- ◆ 10:00 a.m.—Polish School

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 9

- ◆ Coffee Hour after the Masses

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Blessed Virgin Mary, conceived without sin, stands before us today as an example and inspiration. Her unique place in salvation history was announced to her by the angel Gabriel: "Hail Mary, Full of Grace! The Lord is with you... Do not be afraid." These words helped Mary embrace her unique mission. They can also help us. God's Grace, His Presence, is within each one of us. God is with us! There is no need to fear, especially those things that are not within our control. In the end, all things are possible with God. We, like Mary, need to trust.

1st Sunday in Advent

During Advent, we anticipate a celebration of Christ's First Coming. There is a quiet stillness about our waiting, or at least we try to encourage that in ourselves. Perhaps we have an Advent devotional or we take time to pray together as a family around the Advent wreath.

But Jesus did not come only once into history. During Advent, we remember that He will come again. You may remember the rapture craze in the early 2000s, when a series of books and movies envisioned a future where Jesus was coming soon and all the true believers had been whisked away. Everyone else had one more chance to repent before things really went to hell...literally, in this case!

But is that what Jesus is talking about here? The truth is, we don't know what Jesus' Second Coming will be like. The actual return of Christ - though sudden and perhaps frightening to some - should not frighten us. Despite all the stories we may have heard about the apocalypse, the advice of Jesus is not to hang our heads or cower in fear. "Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." In a certain sense, we are already living in the end times. We already encounter great tribulation. We all find it easy to get distracted or discouraged in the grind of daily life. Today's Gospel reminds us that vigilance for God's presence is needed now.

Why Do We Do That? Catholic Life Explained

Question: What significance does the Advent season have for our Christian faith journey? What are we joyfully anticipating and expecting?

Answer: Advent is a season of joyful anticipation and expectation. But for what specifically? Certainly not for the birth of the Christ Child - that occurred more than 2,000 years ago. This season links us with all those who lived in the era of longing for the coming of the Messiah. But He has come and lived among us. Some are joyfully anticipating the many gifts that they will buy and share with others, along with the many gifts they will receive in return. Others enter into the overblown commercialism - decorating, partying, writing cards, and all the endless customs that go with the season.

What if the anticipation and expectation were to focus on how we can continue to make present the living Christ in each and every moment of our daily lives? Yes, Jesus came among us 2,000 years ago. But how do we continue to make that presence real in our world? Jesus Himself set the agenda for us. We are to proclaim Good News to the poor and give liberty to captives, sight to the blind, food for the hungry, shelter for the homeless, and freedom for those who are oppressed and abused. What would the Advent season look like if this, rather than materialism, was the main focus of our joyful anticipation and expectation? Try it and see what results. It may surprise all of us.



Christmas Flowers

In the December envelope pocket a Christmas Flower offering was included. The Christmas Flower Collection helps us to purchase flowers to decorate our Church for Christmas Liturgies.

Please return the envelopes with your Sunday collection next week or to the parish office during business hours.

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, Marylu Balacki, Ruth Banaszak, Mary Ann Ballou, Arlene Bialaszewski, Dolores Biddle, Leonard Brozak, Ian Joseph Bruckhaus, Teodozja Brychey, Eugene Cherkis, Joseph Camptone, Carol Capidone, Krystyna Ciejek, Edward Ciejek, Baby Maxwell Ciotoli, Norma Coleman, Carl Conde, Marcia Cote, Linda Cranston, Nolan Cybulski, Veronica Czerniak, Melanie Etter, Lee Daly-Homa, Casimera Francione, Phyllis Gardiner, Eleanore Golomb, Madeline Gotham, Kathy Gustyn, Joan and Mary Kay Hausladen, Joanne Hawkes-Orman, Veronica Hajecki, Kim Harvey, Ruth Hoffman, Jan Hoholuk, Richard Hurysz, Kathy Przyklek-Jedrzejek, Helena Jurczuk, Wieslawa & Henryk Juśkiewicz, Connie Kawka, Dave Kolupski, Nick Legonelli, Tony Leib, Chris Lennox, Irene Lichwiarz, Marcin Lukowiak, Beth Lynch, Mark Mahany, Theodore McCracken, Kathleen McHugh, Jim Mills, Deacon Ray Mielcarek, Vicki Mielcarek, Justina Montanez, Baby Michael Moretter, Iwona Muszak, Emily Nakas, Steve Nowak, Susan Oberle, Thomas I. Orczyk, Brenda and David Ortiz, Cristine Paradowski, Gloria and Bernie Penssek, Quinn Pomroy, Colleen Parsons, Mary Ann Pembroke, Jan Quist, Genevieve Rodgers, Zofia Robaczyński, Fabian Rogalski, Joe Rogers, Shirley Rojek, Trudy Rosolowski, Rick Rosser, Tom Schramil, Sharon Smith, Marian and Irene Sobolewski, Emily and Joe Straszyński, Gary and Michele Stenclik, George Swartz, Bernard and Trina Weeg, Irena Wiśniewski, Stefania Wnuk, Paul Wojciechowski, Janet Zienkiewicz and Ann Zukosky. 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 would like Fr. Roman to visit or anoint a loved one who is in the hospital, nursing home etc. you should call or preferably text him at 585-705-7142. Leave the name of the person, name of hospital, nursing home, room number and if it is an emergency/impending death. You may still call the rectory 467-3068 with this information.

Votive Candles for the Month of December

- ♦ **Sanctuary Light** is burning in loving memory of Tomasz Kaczówka, offered by Mom, Dad and brothers.
- ♦ **Votive Candle on the Sacred Heart altar** is burning in loving memory of Nikodem Laskowski, offered by his daughter Terry.
- ♦ **Votive Candles on the Blessed Mother altar** are burning:
 1. In loving memory of Doris Barge, offered by Kathy and Marion Warchol and family.
 2. In loving memory of Elżbieta Kajosz on the 20th anniversary of passing, offered by daughter Ewa.
 3. In loving memory of Stanley and Rose Pietraszkiewicz, offered by daughter Rosemary Frenzel.
- ♦ **Votive Candle by the statue of Saint Theresa** is burning in loving memory of Theresa Babiarz Campbell, offered by her brother Frank Babiarz.

Holy Fathers' Prayer Intention for December

Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith
That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Pierwsza Niedziela Adwentu

Adwent głosi nadzieję i napelnia ufnością, że powróci Ten, który już raz do nas przyszedł. Ale potrzebna jest nasza czujność w modlitwie, czujność ożywiona miłością do Boga i bliźniego.

Całe nasze życie jest bardziej lub mniej świadomym oczekiwaniem na przyjście Pana, a więc nieustannym Adwentem. Jednak oczekiwanie to nabiera szczególnego charakteru w czasie najbliższych czterech tygodni. Postarajmy się przeżyć ten czas tak, byśmy już tutaj – poprzez Sakramenty i Eucharystię, poprzez miłość okazywaną bliźnim i przez nich odwzajemnianą – mogli zakosztować cząstki nieba.

Adwent rozpoczynają słowa Ewangelii mówiące o modlitwie w każdym czasie. Modlitwa przygotowuje nas na – POWTÓRNE PRZYJŚCIE Pana w końcu czasów. Człowiek odrzucając Boga zginie, bo tylko ON przynosi zbawienie. Nie dajmy się porwać i pochłonać przez przemijające, ziemskie sprawy. Idźmy za głosem Kościoła, który teraz zachęca nas do głębszej refleksji nad tajemnicą Chrystusa. Wejdźmy w czas Adwentu z duchową czujnością, aby lepiej przyswoić sobie przesłanie Słowa Bożego. My, chrześcijanie, musimy być przygotowani na to przyjście, byśmy mogli przyjąć Chrystusa nie tylko jako Dzieciątka w Żłobie, lecz również jako Tego, który nas poprowadzi do innego, wspaniałego życia w Jego Królestwie.

Panie, w tym czasie Adwentu daj nam zapragnąć wyłącznie Ciebie. Nie jest to łatwe w dzisiejszych czasach konsumpcjonizmu, który zagłusza naszą duchowość i sprawia, że wciąż gnamy za dobrami materialnymi. W tej modlitwie prosimy Maryję, by wzmogła nasze pragnienie Boga i radosne oczekiwanie na Jego przyjście. Chcemy z całym Kościołem wołać z wiarą: „Przyjdź, Panie Jezu! Czekamy na Ciebie!”

Kwiaty na Boże Narodzenie

Koperty na kwiaty do dekorowania naszej świątyni na Boże Narodzenie były wysłane do wszystkich z niedzielными kopertkami. Prosimy zwrócić je w niedzielnej tacy w przyszłym tygodniu lub do biura parafialnego. Dziękujemy bardzo!

Oplatki

Oplatki są do nabycia w biurze parafialnym w godzinach urzędowych a także po Mszach św. w kościele.

**The Annual Jesse Tree Project:
November 17 thru December 9th**

We have the names of **40 children- ages 5 months to 4 years old** who are chronically ill, developmentally or physically disabled and receive services from Catholic Charities. Please put a smile on their face and twinkle in their eyes this Christmas. Take a heart from the Jesse Tree. **To allow time for us to check that all the children have gifts and all are wrapped ALL GIFTS MUST be under the Jesse Tree or dropped off to the rectory by Sunday, Dec. 9th. Catholic Charities will be picking them up on Tuesday, Dec. 11th.**

**Luminaries...Remember Loved Ones...
Living or Deceased in Prayers**

This Christmas Season remember your living and deceased loved ones. Let them surround us with their 'light' as we place luminaries to remember them throughout the church. We will pray for them at each Mass during the Octave of Christmas. PRAYERS are the BEST GIFT to give...they NEVER END!

Available after Mass or at the rectory.

Suggested donation:

\$5 each

or

\$10 Gift Set (for the living)

(includes 2 red luminaries, 2 flameless candle: 1 bag for the church and the other to give to the family member or friend to decorate his/her home.)

Last day to request: Dec. 17th



In your Christian charity you are asked to remember in your prayers **Michał Bielec**, whom God has called to Eternal Rest. May he rest in peace, and may the Risen Lord strengthen his family at their time of loss.

Oplatki/Christmas Wafers

Oplatki can be purchased in the rectory during business hours 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m., and also after the Masses in the church.

**Extraordinary Ministers - Lectors - Commentators — Altar Servers – Ushers
Schedule for the weekend of December 8-9, 2018**

Mass Time	Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion	Lector	Commentator	Altar Servers	Ushers
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	TBD	Sonja Stenclik	Sonja Stenclik	Chloe/Matthew Parsons Altar Servers Needed !	Gene Golomb Bill Brand George Madden Tom Struzik
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Al Bello Bernadette Trox Chuck/Jan Vorndran	Sister Francella	Sister Karlien	Altar Servers Needed !	Don Williams Stephen Zielinski, Eugene Chmiel Sr. Ken Gustyn
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Polish Mass	Anna Bachner Adela Piotrowska	Małgosia Juśkiewicz	Kasia Juśkiewicz	Maria/Małgorzata/Jan/Józef Makula	John Knick, Mark Sewhuk Maciej Kostecki Bronislaw Suchodolski

**Our Gifts to God
For the Work of Our Church
For the weekend of November 17-18, 2018
Offering: Attendance:**

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,150.00	76
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,444.00	111
	11:00 a.m.	\$ 993.00	184
Rectory		\$ 380.00	
Vigil Lights		\$ 356.00	
Garage Sale		\$ 1,149.00	

**For the weekend of November 24-25, 2018
Offering: Attendance:**

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,563.00	92
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,451.00	129
	11:00 a.m.	\$ 904.00	163
Rectory		\$ 225.00	
Vigil Lights		\$ 223.00	

**Thank you for your continued generosity
to Saint Stanislaus Church and Parish!**

**Charitable Contributions
for Your Financial Planning**



The year 2018 is coming to an end and soon we will have to file our taxes. Contributions to the church are tax deductible. Please consider the charitable contribution to St. Stanislaus Kostka Church as part of your financial planning. This is something that will benefit both the church and the donor. To take the advantage of the tax write off for 2018, the contributions have to be made by December 31, 2018. Thank you for your consideration and generosity always.

**Help the Sr. Regis Food Cupboard
FILL a Christmas Table**



We filled over 50 Thanksgiving tables for those in need thanks to your VERY generous donations. Now the Christmas tables need to be filled. Can you help put 1 or 2 items on a table? We need: RICE, BEANS (black, green, kidney), CHICKEN GRAVY, CHICKEN STUFFING, CANNED CORN, TOMATO SAUCE, CANNED FRUIT, COOKIE/CAKE MIX, CANNED FROSTING, **CEREAL is a year round need.** ***Just one food item helps to feed the hunger pains of the poor.***

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