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NEWSLETTER

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SO WE DO NOT LOSE HEART. THOUGH OUR OUTER SELF IS WASTING AWAY,
OUR INNER SELF IS BEING [REMODELED] DAY BY DAY.

Have you ever remodeled your home? Maybe you have rebuilt a car or truck? Maybe you changed the way things are done at work - improved them. In any event, consider what is involved in a remodel or re-do.

My wife and I are in the process of updating our home. We watched HGTV and saw lots of nice things we might like to do. Finally we pulled the trigger and embarked on the remodel.

Oh my... Well, it is nothing like HGTV. It will not happen in a weekend or in a sixty-minute episode. At each turn there is something unexpected, something one might consider frustrating. That, and the cost, the necessary investment.

You like that vanity and sink - it will be eight to twelve weeks. We got the bathroom tile in, but now need to shave down your door. The moulding is disintegrating - you will need new moulding. It goes on.

Here we are in Lent. Here we are in this season of spiritual remodeling.

Some parts of us may need a major redo, other parts, just a nice touch of paint. Nonetheless, we all need a remodel, a re-do in some measure.

As we enter Lent we might view it like an episode of the other HGTV - Holy Grace TV. We think we can get it done quickly, but then reality sets in. It takes grace and work.

Some of what we undertake is going to take time. Some of what we attack is going to require far more. Perhaps we need to bring in a consultant (a spiritual director, Holy Scripture, a good and proper Christian study book...).

As with any work we need to do, we must begin by taking account of what we are willing to invest. Our investment: What things we can sacrifice to make more time for our Lenten re-do (prayer, charity, holy reading, sacrifice, diligence).

Once we set to work we must fully expect the frustrations that will come along the way. It will not be easy, but wait till you see the result!

Let us then enter our Lenten re-do, our internal renewal without delay.

Our Lenten Journey Toward Holy Week



We begin our Lenten journey on March 2nd, Ash Wednesday, with Holy Mass at Noon and 7pm. Each Friday we gather to observe the

sacred tradition of Stations of the Cross at 3pm. Every Sunday we gather for Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm. These observances help us better understand the loving devotion Jesus had for us. Walk with Him in these devotions so that we may rejoice with Him at Easter.

Lent is time devoted to repentance, a turning away from the ways, events, and situations that are harmful to us.

Let us live Lent mindfully with prayer (Sunday and daily Holy Mass, Stations, Lamentations, private prayer, bible reading, our Seniorate Lenten retreat on April 2nd), sacrifice (fasting - no meat on Wednesdays and

Fridays), penance (recollection of and turning away from sinful behaviors), and charity (Lenten giving).

We ask you to participate in our annual directed giving campaign (see below) as an act of charity and almsgiving to offer up food and other things needful for those in our local community.

Passiontide begins April 3rd and Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on April 10th.

Please be attentive to our schedule and join us. There is truly no greater experience than the deep contemplation and sacrifice that leads us to the ultimate joy of Easter.

Directed Giving for Lent:



1st Week,
FEELING
FRUITY:
Canned
Peaches,
Pears, Fruit

Cocktail, Pineapple or Applesauce,
100% Juice in Cans.

2nd Week, VEGGIE MANIA: Canned
Corn, Canned Peas, Canned Beans,
Canned Potatoes, Canned Sweet
Potatoes.

3rd Week, DINNER IS SERVED:
Canned Beef Stew, Canned Pork and
Beans, Instant Potatoes/Stuffing

Mix, Macaroni and Cheese,
Spaghetti or other Pasta, Canned
Spaghetti Sauce.

4th Week of Lent, SCHOOL NEEDS:
Pencils and Pens, Folders and
Notebooks, Crayons, Tape and
Elmer's Glue.

Passion Week, BABY MAKES THREE:
Disposable Diapers, Baby Wipes,
Liquid Formula, Jars of Baby Food.

Holy Week, SPECIAL NEEDS DIET:
Low Sodium Soups, Canned Fruit in
Juice (not in syrup), Canned Tuna in
Water, Low Sodium Crackers,
Organic Applesauce.

Seniorate Lenten Retreat



Our Seniorate
Lenten Retreat
will be held on
Saturday, April
2nd at Sacred
Heart of Jesus/
Holy Cross
Parish, 206 Main

Street, New York Mills on Saturday,
April 2nd starting at 10am.

The retreat will include a Directed
reflection, Penitential Service,
Children's Confession, Holy Mass,
Lunch, and a very brief Seniorate
meeting.

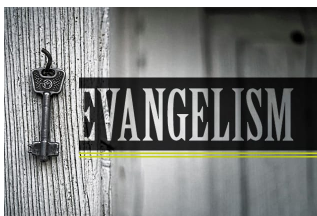
Please let Father Jim know if you are
attending (everyone is strongly
encouraged to attend) so proper
preparations of food and materials
may be made.

Our Annual Financial Meeting - March 6th



Our annual financial meeting will be
held on Sunday, March 6th in person
and virtually via Zoom. Please
attend and help decide on our
financial future.

National Mission and Evangelism Conference



The Twenty-
First Mission &
Evangelism
Workshop,
*Being a
Eucharistic
People*, will be

held Friday, April 1st through
Sunday, April 3rd at Resurrection
Parish in Temperance, Michigan.

Our parish will provide support for
one or two people to attend (travel,
lodging, fees). We would love a
volunteer or two to step forward.
The deadline for registering for the
Workshop is Monday, March 21st.
Please see Fr. Jim.

The Basket Social is BACK.

There is a sign-up sheet for baskets. Free baskets are available if you need them. This year's Basket Social (along with GREATEST BESTEST Polish Food) will be held on Sunday, April 24th at the spacious and beautiful South Schenectady Firehouse, 6 Old Mariaville Road, Schenectady.

Join us for everything Easter



We so look forward to seeing you for Passiontide (the remainder of Lent starting on April 3rd) as we join together in fellowship to

pray, sacrifice, fast, increase our charity, and forgive.

April 10th is Palm Sunday marking the start of Holy Week. See our schedule online or in next month's Newsletter. We reach the high point of the year's joy on Easter Sunday, April 17th with our Solemn Resurrection Holy Mass at 8am and a second Holy Mass at 10am.

Walk with Jesus in the days and

weeks of Lent so as to rejoice with Him in the eternal celebration of His resurrection.

Outrageous Valentine's Raffle Winners!!!

Congratulations to all who have won in our Outrageous Valentine's Raffle. Thank you to those who re-donated their winnings as a special blessing. We set a record this year in terms of raffle participants and money raised for youth participation in parish, diocesan, and National Church events.

The winners are: Denise Broza, Christine D'Amico (2x), Dianne Baldwin, Gary Weglinski (3x), Robert Maliszewski, Audrey Becker, Renee Konicki, Pete Battaglia, Gayle Clas, Gina Rodriguez, Walter Weglinski, Shirley Maliszewski, Alan Boulant, Theodore Zawistowski, Mary Ann Gardinier, Alyssa & Kyle Carlson, Victoria Konicki, Avery Opalka, Mary Rainey, George Sykala, Kim Russo, Mike Chelkowski, Greg Brzoza, Casey Carroll, Jenna Burns.

Thank you, Merci, Dziękuję, Āčiū, Gracias, Mahalo, Grazie!

To all who attended our annual meeting. To all who ran for office and were elected. You honor the sacrifice of our ancestors who built this democratic model of Church

and keep their hope alive by your participation.

Thank you for your Souper Bowl Sunday generosity. \$156 (the largest yearly amount ever) was collected and donated locally.

Thank you to Traviss for his service at the altar. Thank you to our organist and choir director Liz Battaglia and Mike Emanuele for his musical stylings.

To every parishioner, visitor, and member -- you are a blessing and a treasure. Thank you!!!

HARMONIA CHOIR



Our parish has a very rich and nationally recognized choral history. If

you would like to join the Harmonia Choir, please do. See Fr. Jim or Liz Battaglia with any questions.

Milestones to Celebrate:

Birthdays

9 Rebecca Kopec, Marianna Zemken
13 Christopher Maliszewski
14 Paul Zebrowski Sr., Deborah Kusek
16 Steven James
18 Justyne Rios
19 Justin Smith, Stanley Podkulski, Danielle DeMidio
21 Susie Spooner, Gary Podbielski, Matthew Zembrzuski
23 Erin Pross
24 Amber Houser
26 Elizabeth Battaglia, Nylyse Rios,

Sarah Limmer
27 Skyler Dee
28 Frances Pawlowski, Lilianna Kalnaus
30 Susan Malinowski

Wishing you all many years!

Year of Discipleship - March Focus



March 2022 – Importance of the Holy Eucharist

Scripture: John 6:51-58; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Reflection and Action Item: In the PNCC the moment of receiving Holy Communion is sacred and holy. Our practice is that only those men ordained to Holy Orders may distribute the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Their hands are consecrated as are the Chalice, Paten and Intinction used during Holy Mass. Following the words of consecration, the priest keeps his thumb and index finger together as he has touched the divine. Communion is administered with reverence under both species – the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are received by the

faithful. A beautiful and precious moment. Let us reflect this month on just what this moment means by recalling some of our catechism questions.

362) Why does Christ give us His Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist?

Christ gives us His Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist:

1. *To unite us with Himself in Holy Communion.*
2. *To remain ever on our altars, as a proof of His abiding love for us.*
3. *To unite us with our heavenly Father.*

364) What is Mass?

Mass is the Sacrifice of the New Testament, in which bread and wine is consecrated into the Mystical Body and Blood to God through the ministry of a priest, for a perpetual commemoration of Christ's Sacrifice upon the Cross, offered once and for all time.

365) When was the Sacrifice of Mass instituted?

The Sacrifice of Mass was instituted at the Last Supper, when Jesus commanded His Apostles to do what He had done, that is, to change bread and wine into His Body and Blood. And having taken bread, He gave thanks and broke, and gave it to them, saying: "This is My Body, which is being given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In like manner He took also the cup after supper, saying: "This cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which shall be shed for you." (Lk 22:19-20)

366) What is the place of Mass in the Polish National Catholic Church?

In the Polish National Catholic Church Mass is the central point of worship and life, in perfect continuity with the teaching of the Apostles and practice of the primitive church. The Sacrifice of Christ upon the Cross is the supreme act of love. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that, whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (Jn 15:13)

When we take part in the Mass, we are called upon to offer ourselves with Christ to God, through our own acts of faith, love and sacrifice. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." (Jn 15:13)

376) Why do we offer the Sacrifice of the Mass?

We offer the Sacrifice of the Mass:

1. *To adore God.*
2. *To thank Him for all the benefits He bestows upon us.*
3. *To ask His blessing.*
4. *To obtain His mercy for the living and the dead.*
5. *To apply the merits gained on Calvary to the Church in general, and to individual souls, in particular.*

390) Why does Jesus Christ come to you in Holy Communion?

Jesus Christ comes to me in Holy Communion so that He may:

1. *Unite me with Himself.*
2. *Strengthen me in the practice of good works.*
3. *Strengthen the divine life which I first received in baptism.*

Stay Tuned

We are planning a baptismal renewal Sunday, inviting back all adults and youth who have been baptized in the parish. Letters will be sent out. We would love to see you. There will be special gifts too.

Get Your Blessed Polish Easter Basket



We will once again be offering baskets full of a variety of homemade and imported Polish food items to share with your family on Easter morning. Fr. Jim will perform a blessing of the baskets prior to pick up.

Stay tuned to your weekly bulletin and our website/Facebook page for details.

Important:

- Pre-orders ONLY.
- No substitutions.
- Must pick-up on date/time specified.

Planning For:

Holy Mass each Sunday at 10am and Noon unless otherwise noted. Daily Holy Mass is held Monday through Friday at Noon unless otherwise noted.

- Mar. 2: Ash Wednesday. Holy Mass with Distribution of Ashes at Noon and 7pm.
- Mar. 3: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.
- Mar. 4: Commemoration of St. Casimir. Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.
- Mar. 6: 1st Sunday in Lent. Annual Budget Meeting follows Holy Mass at 10am **ONLY**. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.
- Mar. 7 - 11: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.
- Mar. 11: Stations of the Cross at 3pm.
- Mar. 13: Solemnity, Institution of the PNCC. Daylight Savings Time Begins. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.
- Mar. 14 - 18: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.
- Mar. 18: Stations of the Cross at 3pm.
- Mar. 19: Solemnity - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Mar. 20: 3rd Sunday in Lent. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.
- Mar. 21: Daily Holy Mass with Anointing of the Sick at Noon.

Parish Committee Meets at 7pm.

- Mar. 22 - 23: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.
- Mar. 24: Feast - St. Gabriel the Archangel. Holy mass at Noon.
- Mar. 25: Solemnity - Annunciation of the B.V.M. Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.
- Mar. 26: Diocesan Council meets in Scranton, PA.
- Mar. 27: 4th Sunday in Lent. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.
- Mar. 28 - 31: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.

Sława Ukrajini!
Слава Україні!
Chwała Ukrainie!
Glory to The Ukraine!



As this newsletter was being prepared we received news of the evil and unprovoked invasion of The Ukraine by the Russian State.

This is a serious time, one in which the slightest mistake, on top of the vast folly undertaken by Russia's corrupt and evil dictatorship, can plunge the world into war.

Since then we have heard of vast human rights abuses by Russian troops, the use of weapons such as cluster bombs on civilians, and the bravery of the Ukrainian people in the face of it all.

We stand with the Ukrainian people and the vast humanitarian effort undertaken by Poland and other states.

Pray diligently each day for the defeat of evil and a return to peace.

Lord Jesus, light of the world, and true God, We beg Your mercy for the delivery of The Ukraine from evil Russian aggression. Bring disaster upon the aggressors and bring healing to this land so that it may develop as a nation that values truth, justice, and freedom, rooted in the goodness of God. We ask all of this in Your most Holy Name.

Święty Boże, Święty mocny, Święty a Nieśmiertelny, Zmiłuj się nad nami!

Od powietrza, głodu, ognia i wojny, Wybaw nas Panie!

Od nagłej i niespodzianej śmierci, Zachowaj nas Panie!

My grzeszni Ciebie Boga prosimy, Wysłuchaj nas Panie!

Confirmation and First Communion Classes

Classes are currently underway. If any adult or youth would like to participate, please let Fr. Jim know.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Commemoration, St. David of Wales. Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Ash Wednesday. Holy Mass with Distribution of Ashes at Noon and 7pm.	Commemoration of St. Casimir. Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1st Sunday in Lent. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Lector: Larry Panfil. Annual Financial and Budget Meeting. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.	
Day Light Savings 13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Solemnity of the Institution. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Commemoration – St. Patrick of Ireland. Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.	Solemnity – St. Joseph, Spouse of the B.V.M.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
3rd Sunday in Lent. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon with Anointing. Parish Committee Meets at 7pm.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Feast - St. Gabriel, Archangel. Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Solemnity – Annunciation of the B.V.M. Daily Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm	Diocesan Council Meets in Scranton.
27	28	29	30	31		
4th Sunday in Lent. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.	Daily Holy Mass at Noon.		

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