

THE CHURCH OF ST. STANISLAUS BISHOP & MARTYR

AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK

Epiphany of the Lord

January 2, 2022

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Holy Days: As Announced
Daily Mass: Check bulletin for schedule

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of St. Stanislaus Parish is to perpetuate the message of Jesus Christ, which is to worship God and to bring the Good News of God's unconditional love to his people. We, therefore, commit our time, talents, and treasures to the love and service of all people by proclaiming and witnessing to the word of God through prayer and sacraments, evangelization, education, social action and outreach.



Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the pastor for preparation and arrangements. Baptisms should be scheduled for a Saturday at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., or 12:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the pastor at least 6-12 months prior to the proposed marriage date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Saturday of Month at 3:00 p.m., by appointment or by appointment at another time.

Pastoral Visitations

Please notify the parish office if a family member has been admitted to a healthcare facility or hospital.

Faith Formation and RCIA

A Faith Formation program for school-age children is held primarily during school year. Sacramental preparation and Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is available year-round as requested and appropriate for the background and age of a candidate.

Please call the parish office to schedule and plan a program.

SAVE THE DATES

The dates for our annual Parish Festival have been set,
July 9 and 10, 2022
 and the band for both days of the Festival will be
John Góra and Górale.

We hope you will save that weekend and plan to attend
 and/or volunteer to help at a booth or a game.

**THE MEANING OF EPIPHANY**

For many years in the English speaking world the feast of Epiphany has been overshadowed by that of Christmas. But unless we realize the significance of this great day, we see only one side of the mystery of the Incarnation. Now after contemplating the staggering fact that God has become a human child, we turn to look at this mystery from the opposite angle and realize that this seemingly helpless Child is, in fact, the omnipotent God, the King and Ruler of the universe. The feast of Christ's divinity completes the feast of His humanity. It fulfills all our Advent longing for the King "who is come with great power and majesty." We see that whereas Christmas is the family feast of Christianity, Epiphany is the great "world feast of the Catholic Church."

—Part 5: Feast of the Epiphany - Advent & Christmas Season - Catholic Online

THOUGHTS ON PRAYING WITH SILENCE
Dominican Retreat and Conference Center

- † Sit in a quiet space to spend time with God. Don't say anything to God. Just be in God's presence and let God love you—like sitting in a sunny spot on a wintry day.
- † Make time in your day for quiet—maybe just 5 or 10 minutes. Simply listen and allow God to feed your soul in the silence.
- † Take some time to be technology free—a self-imposed power outage. See what God has to say when all the distractions are muted.
- † Challenge yourself to be silent in a conversation where you really want to prove your point. Ask God to help you be quiet and really listen to the other person before deciding how to respond.
- † Ask God to help you know that silence is not something to be endured, but is a gift waiting to be unwrapped!

**CHRISTMAS WREATHS IN MEMORY OF**

Michael J. Braun, Sr.
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Anthony & Ann Kutchis
Nicholas Maphia, Sr.
Vincent Mulyca
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Pietro Russo
Stanley & Frances Tonko
William & Emily Tumidajewicz

REQUESTED BY

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 Granddaughter, Virginia
 Vinnie, Rob & Luca
 Children
 Jim & Dolores, Chris, Joseph & Daniel
 Jeanette Engle & Anne Marie Bertuch
 Daughter, Virginia
 Dad, Nick Jr. & Brothers & Sisters
 Wife, Barbara
 Sister & Nephews
 Family
 Russo & Aldi Families
 Patricia & Paul Tonko
 Mike & Linda Estep





Budgeted Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 are \$335,386. The average weekly collection needed to meet our expenses (including income from all other sources is \$6,450). THANK YOU.

Collection Weekend of Dec. 18-19 \$4,965.00

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| Weekly: | \$3,855.00 | Monthly: | \$105.00 |
| Votive: | \$96.00 | Cap. Improv.: | \$437.00 |
| Christmas: | \$360.00 | Flowers: | \$40.00 |
| Fuel & Util.: | \$26.00 | Sol. Of Mary: | \$10.00 |
| Imm. Concept.: | \$36.00 | | |

Epiphany Blessing

Epiphany (also known as Twelfth Night, or Three Kings Day), is marked in many cultures, including the Polish culture, by the tradition of "chalking the doors." You may notice this notation as you exit the main door of our church.

22+K+M+B+22

Here's what the chalked markings on the door mean: The "22" is for the first 2 numbers of the year, the 3 letters are the first initial of each of the kings (Kaspar, Melchior, and Balthasar) and the last 2 numbers are the last half of the year. The "K [or C], M, B also stands for the Latin blessing *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* which means "May Christ Bless this House". This inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.



† Altar Hosts for the month January have been donated in loving memory of
Stanislaus J. & Sophie M. Andrzejewski
at the request of Son, Edward & Daughter, Christine.

† Altar Wine for the month of January has been donated in loving memory of
Anna Garwacki
at the request of her Goddaughter, Dolores & Jim

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, Jan. 1, 4:00 p.m.- St. Stanislaus' Church
For Parishioners

SUNDAY, Jan. 2, 9:00 a.m.- St. Stanislaus' Church
Eugene Piurek, req. Christine Andrzejewski
Jaroslaw Lis, req. Mama, Jessica & Daniel
Maria Miroś, req. Wieslawa Swiderski
Mary Wojeski, req. Husband, Stan & Family
Linda Krupa, req. Nephew, Eric Brosch & Family
Frank Malec, req. Marcia & Joe Kryzak
Evangeline & Dominic Motyl, req. Sons & Daughters
Michela Speranza, req. Daughters

MONDAY, Jan. 3, 8:00 a.m.- St. Mary's Church

TUESDAY, Jan. 4, 8:00 a.m.- St. Mary's Church

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 5, 8:00 a.m.— St. Mary's Church

THURSDAY, Jan. 6, 8:00 a.m.— St. Mary's Church

FRIDAY, Jan. 7, 8:00 a.m.- St. Mary's Church

SATURDAY, Jan. 8, 4:00 p.m.- St. Stanislaus' Church
Sr. Mary Jeanette Piorkowski, C.S.S.F. (8th Ann.)
req. Niece, Susan

Clemons & Shirley Skowronek, req. Daughter, Elizabeth
Eleanor Piurek, req. Beverly & Greg, Barbara & Gerry
& Family

Florence Blomquist, req. Rossi-Meyer Family
Salvatore Boccio, Jr., req. Jackie Greco & Stan Dybas
Edward Archinal (5th Ann.), req. Mary & Barry Rouse

SUNDAY, Jan. 9, 9:00 a.m.- St. Stanislaus' Church
Sam Zurlo, req. Vince, Rob & Luca
June Sajdak (2nd Ann.), req. Husband Chet & Family
Edna & Bernard Majewski, req. Daughter, Barbara
Rosa Guida, req. Christine
John Sasso, req. Jim & Dolores

SANCTUARY LAMP



The Sanctuary Lamp will be burning
this week to the glory of Almighty God and

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Rev. Joseph Ciulik & Sister Ann Marie Ciulik, C.S.S.F.
req. Connie & John

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