

St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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The First Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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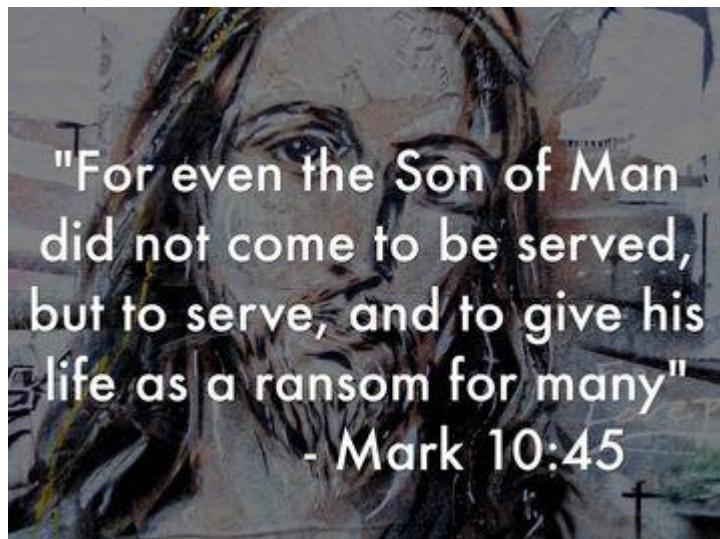
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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary time

October 21, 2018



Masses: 8:00 am – Traditional Holy Mass **9:30 am** – Contemporary Holy Mass
11:15 am – Traditional Holy Mass, Cathedral Chapel, Our Savior, Tripp Park

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TODAY

12:30 pm – ANS Fall Dinner – Take-outs 10:30 – 11:45 am

MONDAY, October 22nd

6:30 pm – Bible Study, Chancery conference room

THURSDAY, October 25th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

SATURDAY, October 27th

12:00 noon – Chicken Barbecue (see announcement)

NEXT SUNDAY, October 28th, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30 am** Contemporary **11:15 am** Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

SOCL – Due to the involvement of so many youth and teachers in the ANS dinner, the School of Christian Living Classes are cancelled today and will resume next week at the regular time.

HOLY SYNOD – So, at the risk of sounding like a riddle printed on a Bazooka bubble gum wrapper, I offer the following:

QUESTION: why is speed dating like the XXV Polish National Catholic General Synod convened this month in Belleville, IL?

ANSWER: both are ‘turbo’ events.

Turbo-dating / Turbo-Synod are concepts that fit both these events aptly for their speedy and efficient approach to their respective goals: maximal results in minimal time at minimal expense.

Belleville certainly achieved those ends. We the delegates, lay and clerical, traveled to and from the retreat center, the cite of the Synod, on Sunday and then on Thursday. We began on Monday at 7:00 for breakfast, convened at 8:00 and continued straight through with our Holy Synod to Wednesday at 3:00 in the afternoon. On each of the three days we started at 7:00 with breakfast, had evening sessions Monday and Tuesday, the latter of which concluded at 11:00 that night. We all of us were prepared to participate in an after-supper session on Wednesday should it have been necessary. The secret of a turbo-confab lay in the expeditious handling of the many reports presented to the Holy Synod. With time limits on discussion, and an informed body of parish representatives, disposition was made with some ease except, of course, for those areas of concern requiring greater consideration. Some of these included proposed changes to the PNCC constitution (none were accepted but one), financials (multi-faceted and broad ranging) and the election of a prime bishop for the next eight years (we have one).

The bulk of the time spent at Holy Synod was devoted to the work of the Church, *i.e.*, matters relating to the work of the Future Directions Subcommittee of the Supreme Council. We repeated the brainstorming process from Erie, PA, four years ago, as we reviewed past activities and assessed them for improvements going forward and for advancements in new areas of focus within the five broad themes: Growth and Membership, Increase Spirituality, Lifelong Learning, Sacred Vocations and

Community Involvement and Presence. The small groups considering these areas reported their plans to the Holy Synod with the knowledge that their efforts will be coalesced into the working plan for the next four years.

The delegates' labors were intense, and everyone applied himself and herself diligently to the tasks and debates at hand. An uplifting and beautiful opening liturgy was celebrated in the stunning worship space which the chapel of the Our Lady of the Snows Retreat Center afforded us. Our Prime Bishop's message to the Holy Synod on that occasion was inspiring, and his exhortation, together with the beauty of the ceremonies fed us deeply in our spirits and in our lives.

The exultant phrase, "Lord, it is good for us to be here," (Mt 17:4) was a constant refrain in my heart as the work of Holy Synod XXV unfolded before us. In many ways, our work was blessed. May that work be a blessing for God's Kingdom through the Polish National Catholic Church until the next quadrennial is convened in our own Diocese in 2022.

Bishop Bernard

ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCES – Wypominki – Please begin preparing your lists of loved ones for inclusion in the reading of the names of departed loved ones on the weekend of November 1st and 2nd. Wypominki envelopes will be available in the lower narthex of the Cathedral.

ALL SAINTS and ALL SOULS DAYS – Thursday, November 1st is All Saints Day and will be celebrated with Mass at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral. On Friday, November 2nd All Souls Day Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon at the Cathedral and the cemetery ceremonies will be conducted at 7:00 pm. WYPOMINKI – remembrance names – will be read at each Mass on All Saints Day and also at the Mass of All Souls Day.

The full list of names of our departed loved ones that will have been submitted will be read in its entirety twice:

- (1) at the conclusion of the 7:00 pm All Saints Mass; and
- (2) at the 12:00 noon All Souls Day Mass.

ALL SAINTS DAY: A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION – Our holy days of obligation are our most important feast days. In addition to all Sundays as holy days of obligation, they are the principal liturgical feasts that honor the mysteries of the Lord, the Virgin Mary, and the saints. The best way to celebrate them is to celebrate Holy Mass. We call these feast days *obligations* because celebrating them is a part of the minimum level of commitment to worship in the Catholic faith.

CHICKEN BBQ – Our 5th and final Chicken BBQ of the season **has been rescheduled to Saturday, October 27th, from Noon til sold out.** Menu includes; 1/2 chicken, baked potato w/butter, vegetable, roll w/butter, dessert and bottled water. Cost \$10. Ample parking and drive thru service. Advance order sheets are available in the lower church hall, or call Paul and Sylvia Kowalski @ 570-842-8812.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA – As a community service project, St. Stanislaus UYA is partnering with Wreaths Across America to support their mission to Remember, Honor and Teach about America's veterans. **On December 15, 2018, we will have a wreath-laying ceremony** at our cemetery on Kane Street in conjunction with ones occurring at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 1,400 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

We will be selling wreaths now through November 30th so that each veteran at rest in our cemetery will be honored and remembered. We have started the task of counting and identifying each veteran's marker. To date we have counted well over 250 graves, and we know there are more. Please help us by sharing your loved one's names with us so they can be counted. **We hope you will support this effort by donating \$15 to sponsor a wreath in honor of or in memory of an American hero** and show our veterans and their families that we will not forget.

You can **contact Maria Hughes or any UYA member for more information.** To read more about Wreaths Across America's mission, go to wreathscrossamerica.org. Thank you in advance for your contribution to this important project.

2018 EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMISSION RAFFLE – The Education & Youth Commission of the Polish National Union of America is once again hosting a raffle to benefit our College Stipend Program. **The raffle will be held on December 6th, 2018 @ the PNU Home Office, 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, Pa.** Donations for these tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 tickets for \$10.00. **First Prize – \$400 cash; Second Prize – Fitbit Charge 2; Third Prize – Google Home Speaker**

We greatly appreciate your support and generosity as we continue to support the ministries of this commission to benefit our youth. Monetary donations are always graciously accepted towards the funding for this stipend program, and can be mailed directly to the following address: **Education and Youth Commission of the PNU, c/o Mary Ann Stankowski, 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, Pa 18505**

(checks made payable to Education and Youth Commission).

Thank you, if you have any questions or inquiries please contact Mary Ann Stankowski @ 570-341-0986 or eyc@pnu.org.

2 JOB OPENINGS at PNU – The Polish National Union of America (PNU) is seeking a qualified candidate to fill the position of Marketing and Insurance Administration Assistant. The position is a full time position with health insurance benefits as a part of the PNU staff based in Scranton, PA. The position requires the ability to balance marketing and insurance administration tasks assigned by management. Two years' experience in marketing, current social media technology and the insurance industry is a plus. A bachelor's degree is preferred. Applications are available at the home office and can be submitted along with resumes to the Chief Financial Officer C/O the PNU 1006 Pittston Ave, Scranton, PA 18505. Additional information concerning the responsibilities of the position have been posted on INDEED.com

The Polish National Union of America (PNU) is seeking a qualified candidate to fill the position of Customer Service and Claims Assistant. The position is a full time position with health insurance benefits as a part of the PNU staff based in Scranton, PA. The position requires the ability to provide friendly customer service and complete claims processing responsibilities assigned by management. Two years' experience in the insurance claims industry is a plus. A bachelor's degree is preferred. Applications are available at the home office and can be submitted along with resumes to the Chief Financial Officer C/O the PNU 1006 Pittston Ave, Scranton, PA 18505. Additional information concerning the responsibilities of the position have been posted on INDEED.com

LIFE LINE SCREENING – will be here at St Stanislaus Polish National Catholic Cathedral on Monday, October 29, 2018 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the flyer in the church hall to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease.

There is no time like the present to take action!

Three ways to register:

- **Call toll-free: 866-229-0469**
- **Online:** www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle
- **Text:** the word **circle** to **797979**

FOOD PANTRY – Please bring **canned soup** on Sunday, **October 28th** for our One Hot Meal Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued support of this important project.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday, October 22

8:30 am – Mass of the day

Tuesday, October 23

8:30 am – sp. Carolyn Wilk Seliga
by Roger Seliga

Wednesday, October 24

8:30 am – Mass of the day

Thursday, October 25

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, October 26

8:30 am – sp. Robert Schuster, Sr.
(birthday) by Eleanor Schuster

Saturday, October 27

8:30 am – sp. Mary Blakiewicz by
family

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY – **Oct 23** – Robert & Joan Bogdanski

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – **Oct 21** – Patty Golembeski; **Oct 24** – Frank Gerardi; **Oct 25** – Joan Bogdanski; **Oct 27** – Joyce Pietrzykowski

FRIENDS in the HOSPITAL – **Oct 12th** – *Mt. View: Rosalie Aebli, Amelia Liska, Paulette Wincovich;

FRIENDS RECOVERING at HOME – Annette Cimino, Jean Cwynar, Joann Edwards, Ceil Gorgol, Josephine Kwiatkowski, Helen Lukasiewicz, Bob Matylewicz, Chester Nezelkewicz, Stanley (Ozzie) Ocwieja, Jean Sherman, Jake Stankowski. Please pray for them.

