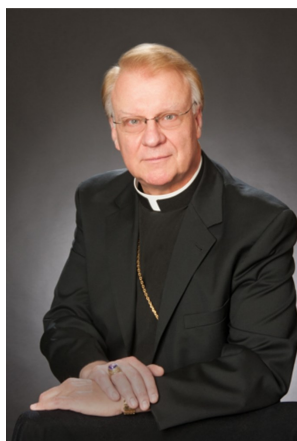




St. Stan's News



His Body, His Most Precious Blood, His Sacred Banquet

I'm sure you're aware that the Jewish Passover holiday centers on a meal called the Seder, shared at the family table. It's a meal that retells the story about God's saving His people from Egyptian slavery thousands of

years ago. This same Passover Seder was the setting for the Last Supper Jesus shared with his disciples. On the night before he suffered, he himself would be sacrificed once for all time, and for all, as the Passover Lamb. He himself would give his life on a cross the next day so that all people would be redeemed from the angel of death, which is sin itself, and be destined for life in heaven.

At the end of Jesus' Passover Meal, he surprised his disciples by deviating from the centuries-old tradition. After He took the bread, he took the cup, and with those immortal actions and words, Jesus set into motion an entirely new understanding of that ancient Passover story with regard to God's redemptive and saving hand. These are his words of promise and mystery and love:

He took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and said, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said, "This is the blood of the new and everlasting covenant, which shall be shed for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

As usual, it would be much later that the disciples would fully understand what Jesus was actually doing and saying that night: they would come to understand that this was the first Mass ever celebrated; and they would come to understand that they had just witnessed the birth of

the Eucharist, a special and holy union, communion, with their friend, and their Lord, and their Savior.

There was no way the disciples could have realized at that time how sacred and solemn that feast of remembrance would become!

It was just basic unleavened bread, and a cup of wine. That's all he used, just ordinary items familiar to every Palestinian household. However, from the hands of Jesus, those simple elements became infused with the very presence of God when they were blessed and given.

It was *his* own Body and Most Precious Blood that Jesus offered as a sacrifice for us on that Good Friday. *And we celebrate that incredibly loving act of his every time we attend holy Mass and approach the altar to receive Holy Communion.*

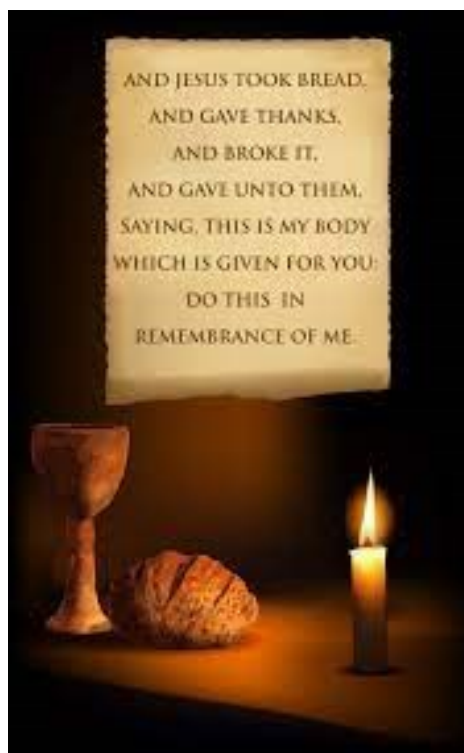
Furthermore, we come to communion not because we are worthy, but precisely because we are not.

We come to the Lord's table in exactly the same condition those first disciples came, not realizing

at the time that this holy feast leads to life eternal in heaven!

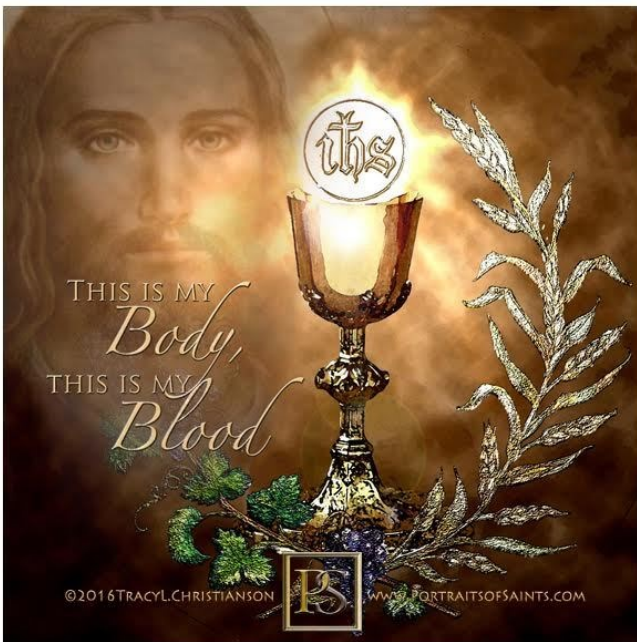
That's right, this holy banquet *leads you* to a table prepared in heaven, prepared for all those who present themselves here to eat and partake of the holy presence of God.

On those occa-



sions when you come to receive communion, come with awe, come with humility, for at this Sacred Banquet you are receiving the true Body and the Most Precious Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who feeds our souls, and whom we continue to adore in the Most Blessed Sacrament this Thursday evening at 7:00 pm on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ.

Bishop Bernard



Graduates of Splash

The Splash program is a Birth to Three Faith Formation resource which helps young children grow in faith from an early age, connects church to families for support and encouragement and provides fun and easy ideas for bringing faith into everyday life of young children and their families.



We have two graduates of this program which starts from Baptism.

The first is Gerald Joseph Coolbaugh, son of Gerald and Leandra Nasser Coolbaugh. The second is Adela Rose Tucky, daughter of Joshua and Ashley Nasser Tucky.

Gerald completed the program in March of 2023 and Adela in May of 2023. Gerald and Adela received a Certificate of Achievement and

was sent a Children's Bible from the School of Christian Living. The next step hopefully will be joining our preschool Sunday School class in September.

Welcome New Member

We wish to extend a warm welcome to Laura Ann Deluca as a "new member" of St. Stanislaus Cathedral. Laura Ann was a member of the Church of the Nativity Parish in Howell, NJ and with its closing has decided to transfer her membership to t St. Stanislaus



Laura Ann is the sister of Janet Meleski. She was officially accepted into St. Stanislaus at the May meeting.

Congratulations to Laura Ann and we are looking forward to worshipping and working with you.

Calling All Graduates



We will be honoring all high school and college graduates from 2023 this year on Sunday, June 25th during the 9:30 Mass.

Please contact the parish office (570-961-9231) or by email (office@saintstanislauspncc.org) with the students' name, name of the high school and future plans or name of the college and degree. You could also write the information on paper and place it in the collection basket.

Please let us know as soon as possible so we can make preparations for the day.

Scranton Seniorate Corpus Christi

The annual Scranton Seniorate Corpus Christi celebration will be held on Thursday, June 8th at 7:00 PM, hosted by St. Stanislaus. All are invited.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.



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Visitors Again

Once again, the Cathedral was host to a group of visitors. On Sunday, May 7th, the Scranton Places of Worship tour that was offered by the Lackawanna Historical Society in partnership with the University of Scranton and Scranton Area Ministerium as part of the University's *Scranton's Story, Our Nation's Story's* "Scranton's Religious Tapestry: Past and Present Theme, made a stop at St. Stanislaus Cathedral.

Architect Richard Leonori first spoke about the architectural design of the church. Because of previous commitments of Prime Bishop Anthony and Bishop Bernard, Lu Ann Kaszuba and Fred Aebli spoke to our guests about the beginnings of St. Stanislaus Polish National Catholic Cathedral, Bishop Hodur, and the unique aspects of our cathedral.



The guests were also given a booklet about the Polish National Catholic

Church and one about the Cathedral's stained-glass windows.



Everyone seemed to enjoy the beauty of St. Stanislaus and were pleased with the presentation. It was a pleasure to host such an event and share our history with others.

Memorial Day Services

It was a beautiful day to honor those who died in the Nation's wars. Memorial Day Mass was celebrated at St. Stanislaus Cathedral Cemetery. During the Mass, The Blue Angels flew overhead as they took off from the Avoca airport. Many commented on how appropriate that the flyover happened during the Memorial Day service.



Many took the time before this day to prepare the cemetery and graves for such a special day. Memorial Day, originally Decoration Day, is to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. May God bless their souls and may they rest in peace.



Thank you to the YMS or R for hosting refreshments after the Mass.



Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday

It was a beautiful day on Sunday, May 28th, when 8 young ladies and gentlemen received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Stanislaus. Ava and Brooke Kalteski, Patryk and David Mays, Braelyn Reed, and Austin, Ethan, and Lucas Stankowski were confirmed by Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky, assisted by Fr. Janusz Lucarz.



Each of the confirmands took part in the Mass. Ava sang the responsorial, Brooke and David read the Lessons. Ava, Patryk, Braelyn, Lucas, Ethan and Austin took turns reading the intentions. After their confirmation, Austin, Ethan and Lucas were altar servers for the rest of the mass.



Prime Bishop spoke to the confirmation class on the importance of this day and their responsibilities in living their Christian Faith. He also spoke to the congregation

about their responsibilities to the new confirmands and how we as a parish should support, help and encourage these newly confirmed young people.

A coffee hour with cake and refreshments followed in honor of the confirmands.



Congratulations to Ava, Brooke, Patryk, David, Braelyn, Austin, Ethan and Lucas and may the Holy Spirit guide you through life.



St. Stan's News

Spring Has Sprung!

The Adoration of The Most Blessed Sacrament Society is excited to announce our beautiful Spring Has Sprung Basket Raffle! With over 44 baskets to pick from, there is surely something for everyone to enjoy.



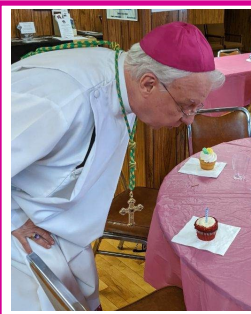
Polish pottery, lottery tickets, wine, kid baskets, spa items, pasta, pet items, and SO MUCH MORE can be found in the various raffle baskets. The baskets will be on display in the Parish Hall from May 28th until June 25th. Tickets are 2 for \$1, 12 for \$5, and 26 for \$10. For any questions, please email ans@saintstanislauspncc.org.



Dozens of businesses and individual donors contributed to the fundraiser with donations of time, money, and/or baskets. A huge thank you to all the individuals/businesses that helped to make it possible: June Sarnowski, Kathleen Michalina, Jessica Notari, Tammy Jo Lagoey, Linda Seliga-Vitcavage, Anthony Gach, Debbie Godek, Darlene Notari, Debbie Dubiac-Kane, Sierra Evans, Laura Osborne, Nicholas Cordeiro, Alexis DeJesus, Shirley Golembeski, Eve

Hughes, Lu Ann Kaszuba, Tera Jean Notari, Gabe's, Oriental Trading, Gertrude Hawk, Applebee's, TGI Friday's, Granteed's, Manning Farm Dairy, Target, Schiff's Marketplace, Gerrity's The Fresh Grocer, Redner's Markets, Jitty Joe's, Terry's Diner, Edible Arrangements, Lynn Sandy's Bakery, Arcaro and Genell, Price Chopper, Nibbles & Bits, Wegmans, South Side Floral, and Weis Markets.

Scan the QR Code to check out the baskets on our Instagram page! See you May 28th-June 25th for the Spring Has Sprung Basket Raffle!



Bishop's Birthday Bash

On Thursday, May 24th, during Bible Study, the participants celebrated Bishop Bernard's birthday with a treat of cupcakes for the occasion. Happy Birthday, Bishop and Sto Lat!!!

Annual Church Picnic

The annual Church Picnic will be held at the YMS of R Park on Sunday, July 9th, starting with Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m. Keep the date for fellowship and fun. Details will be sent to all parishioners.



The Fresh Grocer Cards Are Here

Gerrity's Fresh Grocer gift cards are here in the Parish Office for sale. You can get your \$25 gift card during the week by calling the parish office (570-961-9231) and arranging to pick them up or you can stop in the parish office on Sunday.



The Fleas are Returning!!!!

On Friday, July 21st and Saturday, July 22nd, the annual Flea Market will be held. We are going to be in need of volunteers to help set-up starting June 26th, volunteers to help the days of the event including kitchen help, and volunteers to help clean up after the Flea Market.

If you can help a little or a lot, please contact the parish office at 570-961-9231. To those who have already called, thank you very much.

Drop off for items will begin on Monday, July 10th. Start cleaning out your closets!



6th Annual National YMS of R Bishop Bilinski Memorial Men's Spiritual Retreat

We are quickly approaching the warmer summer months, and that means our Men's Spiritual Retreat is just around the corner. The retreat this year will be held from June 14th-17th, at the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA.

Go to the United YMS of R Facebook page and use the link there to access the retreat website, where you will find all the information needed including registration forms, what to bring, and a tentative retreat schedule. In-Person attendance is \$125 (3 nights) or \$100 (2 nights). This fee includes:

- ✦ 4 Day, 3 Night stay at the retreat center.
- ✦ All meals, beverages, and snacks.
- ✦ Retreat materials and printouts.

Retreat gift bag.

Paper registration form (linked above) and check made out to the "United YMS of R" for \$125 or \$100, can be mailed to: Andrew Humphreys - 1054 Hamlin Highway, Lake Ariel, PA 18436

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the retreat!



We Need Help!!!

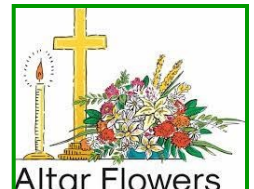
We need help with sponsoring and working the Sunday coffee hour during the summer. It could be individuals or a church group or organization. If anyone is interested, please sign up in the Parish Hall.

If you enjoy the goodies and socializing after church each Sunday, please consider helping in this endeavor.



Altar Flowers

If you are interested in making a donation for flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact Connie Tellep at 570-222-4409. The donation would be \$60 to cover the cost for a Sunday. If you just want to donate any amount to the fund, you can send a check made payable to ANS Flower Fund, to the Parish office or just drop the envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your help.



Honor Your Father

We pray for all fathers both lay and clergy, past and present, to express our gratitude, remembrance, and love for all they have done for our families and for our Church.

For continued support of our Clergy Pension Fund and to acknowledge ALL FATHERS, we will publish in the June issue of God's Field — Rola Boza your name and the name of the father you wish to acknowledge or remember.

For each acknowledgement or remembrance, we are requesting a minimum donation of \$25.00, payable to the Clergy Pension Fund P.N.C.C.

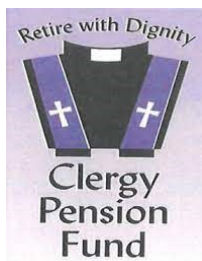
We feel that this will have a two-fold affect, by acknowledging or remembering OUR FATHERS, LAY OR CLERGY, for all they have done for us and also to bolster our Clergy Pension Fund in order to show our continued support for our Clergy/our Church Fathers who make so many sacrifices each day in service to our Church.

All donations received go toward the Clergy Pension Fund of the Polish National Catholic Church. Please complete the form on the last page and submit it prior to June 1, 2021, along with your minimum donation of \$25.00 per name, to:

Clergy Pension Fund
1006 Pittston Avenue
Scranton, PA 18505

Please make checks payable to the "Clergy Pension Fund P.N.C.C."

Thank you for your support.
P.N.C.C. Clergy Pension Fund Committee



The dates for Kurs 2023 are July 1st through 8th. Kurs 2023 Registration is now open. You may register your children starting now and until June 25th. The Registration form and instructions are online at kurscamp.org

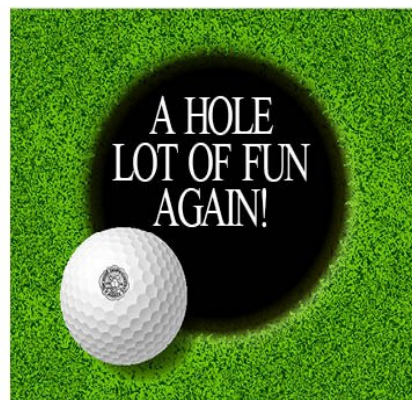
The cost for campers whose families are members of the Polish National Catholic Church is \$350. The cost for campers who are members of other churches, or no church, is \$450. A \$25 fee/child is due with your registration. The balance can be paid along with completed registration forms or on the day camp begins.

We look forward to seeing you.

SAVE THIS DATE!! FOR THE 9TH ANNUAL YMS of R GOLF TOURNAMENT!

August 25TH, 2023 at Briarwood Golf Course

2737 W. Edgerton Rd. Broadview Heights, OH 44045



MORE INFO COMING!



*Those who trust in the Lord
will find new strength.
They will soar high on wings like eagles.
They will run and not grow weary.
They will walk and not faint.*

Isaiah 40:31

Mark Your Calendars!

Here are some of the upcoming events, so mark your calendars to keep them in mind.

June is Clergy Appreciation Month

June 2nd – 4th – 76th Annual YMS of R/PNCC Bowling Tournament in Waymart

June 3rd - One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m.

June 8th – Solemnity of Corpus Christi Scranton Seniorate observance 7:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Cathedral, procession and homily, refreshments afterwards

June 14th–17th - Bishop Bilinski Memorial Men's Spiritual Retreat in Waymart

June 18th - Father's Day

June 26th – Beginning of set-up for the Flea Market

July 1st - One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m.

July 1st – 8th - Kurs Week at Bishop Hodur Retreat Center

July 1st -Independence Day Mass at Spojnia Farm 11:00 am Polish Picnic will follow.

July 9th – Annual Church Picnic starting with Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m.

July 21st – 22nd - Annual Flea Market

Aug. 9th – 11th - National United Choirs 36th General Convention/28th Music Workshop in Dupont, PA

Aug. 15th – Solemnity of the Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Mass at Noon

Aug. 25th —National YMS or R Golf Tournament in Broadview Heights, Ohio

Sept. 10th – Solemnity of Brotherly Love

Oct. 8th – Solemnity of the Christian Family

Oct. 18th – Boscov's Friends Helping Friends



June Birthdays

June 1 – Jennifer Bogdanski
Eve Hughes

June 3 – Dolores Conte

June 5 – Robert Niedzielski

June 7 – Judith Snyder

June 8 – Dylan Hughes
Ella Coolbaugh

June 10 – Lorraine Pacheco

June 11 – Shirley Golembeski
June Sarnowski

June 13 – Stacy Zygmunt
Mooney

Michael Matza

June 14 – Toni Ann Meleski

June 18 – Cheryl Barlow

June 19 – Bernice Zahorsky

June 20 – Timothy Stankowski

June 23 – Kathy Kotula
Ann Ankerway

June 24 – Frances
Owcarz

June 25 – Jeannie Lynn
Kowalski

Kathy Annacarto
Kimberly Lucarz

June 27 – Laura Ann Deluca



June Anniversaries

June 2 – Richard &
Mary

Berezinsky
John & Hermina
Koshinski

June 6 – Paul & Donna Gorgol

June 11 – John & Kathy Kotula

June 15 – Joseph & Teresa
Rothka

Lorne & Tera Jean
Notari

June 19 – Bp. Bernard &
Barbara Nowicki
Edward & Christina
Thomas

June 22 – Edward & Janet
Meleski



New Procedure for Cemetery Administration

All cemetery needs and questions will now be handled through the Parish Office at 570-961-9231. The parish office will then forward these questions and needs to the new cemetery administrative committee to attend to and remedy as may be required. This new procedure has been put into effect to ensure that such cemetery questions and needs are dealt with in the best possible way. There is no other person to be contacted than the Office Manager to begin the process of dealing with any cemetery needs and questions.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness

Galatians 5:22