

St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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The First Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi

June 2, 2024



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

Fr. Tom and Carol Basta celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a blessing during 9:30 Mass. Following Mass, cake and refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are invited to share in this special occasion.

Thursday, June 6th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Saturday, June 8th

10:00 am – Confirmation class

11:00 am – First Communion class

Next Sunday, June 9th – Solemnity of the Word of God

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional **9:30 am** Contemporary

11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

***9:30 am – First Holy Communion**

The Chair – “What’s in a name? That which we call a rose/
By any other name would [still] smell as sweet.”

These are the desperate words Shakespeare places on Juliet’s lips as she attempts to convince Romeo his last name doesn’t matter to her, or at all. Of course, she’s wrong because he’s a Montague and she, a Capulet, both whose families are sworn enemies.

She could have tried to say the same about a chair, and she’d be equally wrong. After all, in her view, a chair is simply any four-legged platform, with or without a back on it, that bears the torso of the one sitting on it. Or to paraphrase Juliet:

That which we call a chair/

By any other name would [still] support the sitter. Actually, no.

Depending on who the sitter is, the chair will have very different names. The monarch? Has his *throne*. The bishop-in-charge? Has his *cathedra* (from which comes the name of his church building, the cathedral). The pastor? Has his *sedalia*.

Up to June 1st this year, Bishop Bernard sat on a chair called the *cathedra* since he was the Bishop Ordinary of the Central Diocese, the bishop-in-charge. From June 1st this year, Bishop Bernard occupies the same chair now referred to as the *sedalia* since from that same date the title of Bishop Ordinary and the authority accruing to that title reside in the person of the Prime Bishop who now holds two positions of authority in our Church, that of Ordinary and Primate. Bishop Bernard continues on as pastor of the Cathedral Parish. Hence, his chair is now the chair of a pastor, the *sedalia*.

Summer Events and Diocesan Subsidies

	COST	SUBSIDY	PARTICIPANT COST
Men's Retreat	\$125	\$125	\$ 0
Kurs Encampment	\$350	\$300	\$50
CONVO	\$400	\$350	\$50 (+ late fee after 6/15)

Our Diocesan Church Enlivening Program will subsidize Polish National Catholic member participants for these three summer events according to the schedule above.

The first event is the annual Men's Retreat with the theme "Iron Sharpens Iron" (Proverbs 27:17) to be held **June 12th through 15th**. Registration documents are available here at this website: <https://sites.google.com/view/ymsofrmensretreat/home>. Of special interest will be the presence of a nationally renowned speaker, SSG. Earl Granville, whose offering and insights will be most practical and uplifting.

The second event is the annual Kurs Youth Encampment for youth ages 8 through 17 which will take place **July 4th through 13th** at the Bishop Hodur Recreation and Retreat Center, Waymart, PA. Information and registration details are online at <https://www.kurscamp.org/>. The event will kick off with Holy Mass celebrated by Prime Bishop Anthony on Independence Day - a special day in the liturgical and historical life of our Holy Church. This year also marks the 95th anniversary of the dedication of Spojnia Farm. Prime Bishop Anthony will bless the new 'Great Hall,' part of ongoing renovations at the Retreat and Recreation Center. It is a truly beautiful and remarkable restoration. While the fees for PNCC youth will be covered by the Diocese as given above, costs for non-PNCC youth will not be covered.

And finally, the biennial Youth Convocation (CONVO) will be held **July 22nd through 26th** with a theme from 1 Corinthians 9:24 "Running the Race." Convo 2024 will be held at Mercyhurst University in Erie, Pennsylvania. Information and registration forms are available at the Convo website here: <https://www.convo2024.com/>. Participants will create a diocesan flag to be carried during the opening ceremonies, as well as displayed at Convo. Youth and young adults ages 13 to 27 may attend. The Diocese subsidy will cover PNCC youth, young adults, adult escorts, and clergy of the Central Diocese.

Calling All Graduates – We will be honoring all high school and college graduates from 2024 this year on **Sunday, June 16th** 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 or name of the college and degree, and their future plans. 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.

Let's 'Start the Party'! – Jesus gives us the most important reason to party! **'Start The Party' Vacation Bible School 2024 will be from 6pm until 8pm on July 29th, 30th, 31st, August 1st, and August 2nd!** Join us in the Youth Center to learn about friendship, belonging, forgiveness, abundant

life, and purpose while completing projects, engaging in fun physical activities, listening to stories, and jamming out to music. Light refreshments will be provided for children. Interested in joining us? Fill out the registration form located in the Parish Hall!

We look forward to celebrating Jesus and all his wonderful works together at 'Start the Party'!

Flea Market – Our Giant Flea Market this year will be on **July 19 and 20**. When you're Spring cleaning, if you find any unwanted but still usable items, please consider donating them to the Flea Market. Also, if you know anyone who is moving or downsizing and has good usable items that they no longer want, we would be happy to accept them for the Flea Market. **We'll take just about anything** except mattresses and clothing.

Pick-up can be arranged by calling the Parish Office at (570) 961-9231 any time between now and July 13. Also, items can be dropped off at the Youth Center July 7 through 13.

Altar Flowers – The floral pieces at the high altar today are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary offered by Father Tom and Carol Basta.

Altar Flower Fund – What a gesture of affection it would be to make a donation for flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one! To follow through on exactly that, please contact Connie Tellep at 570-222- 4409. A donation of \$60 would cover the cost for a Sunday. Of course, a donation of any amount to the fund is always welcomed. Simply 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 in bringing beauty in glorifying God.

YMS of R Grove Rental – Hurry, hurry, hurry, reserve your day at the YMS of R grove for 2024! If you would like to reserve the YMS of R Grove for a summer outing, **please contact Artie Golembeski at 570-575-5231 or via email at artbowl@msn.com**. Spots are filling up fast. So if you have a family reunion or a birthday party coming up, why not reserve the grove for the day.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday, June 3

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, June 4

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, June 5

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, June 6

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, June 7

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, June 8

8:00 am – Holy Mass

SAVE THE DATE

June is Clergy Appreciation Month

June 9th – First Holy Communion

June 12th – 15th Bishop Bilinski Memorial Men's

Spiritual Retreat in Waymart

June 16th Father's Day

Honor Graduates during 9:30 am Mass

July 4th through 13th – Kurs Week at Bishop Hodur Retreat Center

July 4th – Independence Day Mass at Spojnia Farm 11:00 am

Polish Picnic will follow.

July 14th – Annual Second Sunday Parish Picnic

July 7th through 13th – Flea Market Drop-offs

July 19th & 20th – Annual Flea Market