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The First Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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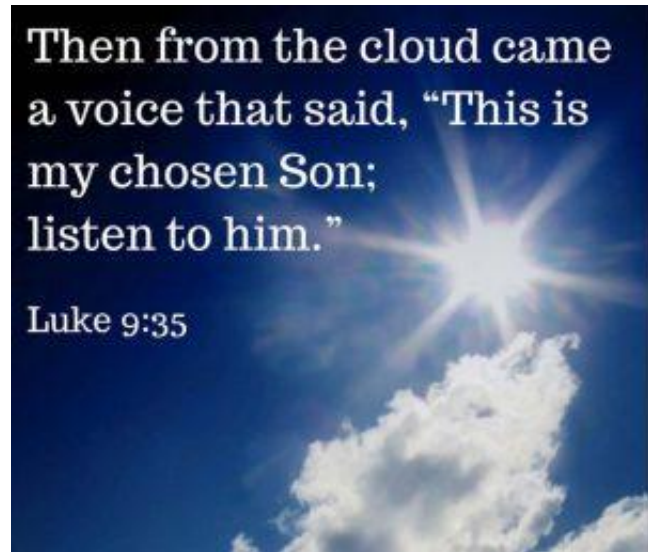
The Right Reverend Bernard J. Nowicki, DD, pastor – bishop@saintstanislauspncc.org

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Ms. Rebecca Elfman – Organist / Director of Music

Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025



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

10:45 am – SOCL Class

Wednesday, March 19th

7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross with Exposition and Benediction

Stations readers – YMS of R

Thursday, March 20th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Friday, March 21st

12:00 noon – Stations of the Cross, lower Cathedral Chapel

Saturday, March 22nd

10:00 am – Confirmation class

11:00 am – First Communion class

Next Sunday, March 23rd – Third Sunday of Lent

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

11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

Schedule of Readers for Stations of the Cross – **March 19th** – YMS of R; **March 26th** – Cathedral Chorale; **April 2nd** – UYA; **April 9th** – Parish Committee.

Calling All Tenebre Singers and Wannabe Tenebre Singers – To the Men of our Parish: We'll be rehearsing small sections of this Good Friday service (*not the entire service each week*) every Wednesday evening after the Stations of the cross. This way, in short sessions, we'll refamiliarize ourselves, or learn it, in small and regular increments each Wednesday till Good Friday. If you miss a small section, it'll be repeated and you'll review it then.

The dates of the Tenebre preparations will be Wednesdays, March 19th, 26th, April 2nd and 9th. Please plan to join us to sing the Tenebre once again, or for the first time.

One Hot Meal Thank You – The March One Hot Meal was sponsored by the Stankowski Family: Susan & Samuel Raub, Leon (Mac) & Jo Ann, Mari Jane (Mage), Jake & Mary Ann in memory of Leon and Charlotte (Suzie) Stankowski.

Thank you for your kind support.

Carol, Linda, and Debbie

Lectors:

3/16 – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski

9:30 – Dave Seliga

11:15 – David Rychleski

3/23 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina

9:30 – Eve Hughes

11:15 – David Rychleski

Tonsure and Minor Orders – On Tuesday, March 25, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at 10:00 am, the first-year seminarians, David Dudzinski, Todd Godwin, Jon Johnson, and Joel Smith will receive the Tonsure and the first four Minor Orders of the Church. Please keep these seminarians in your prayers as we continue to pray for Vocations.

A man who is to become a priest first receives the "tonsure" -- i.e., he is received into the clerical state by being given a cassock, surplice and clerical collar, and by having hair shaved away at the crown of the head (ancient practice) or today, by having a lock of hair snipped from his head. With the tonsure, he becomes a cleric, but still has not received the Sacrament of Orders.

The tonsured cleric is then ordained to each of the four Minor Orders (Porter, Reader, Blesser, Acolyte), one at a time, receiving the power of each office, and later, ascending up through the ranks until he is raised to the dignity of the priesthood, at which time he receives the fullness of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

There will be a small luncheon following Holy Mass. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the parish hall if you wish to attend.

Scranton Seniorate Lenten Retreat, 2025 – The program, *Meal in the Upper Room*, will be the main feature of this year’s retreat and will take place from 10:00 am to noon on Saturday, March 29th. The St Stanislaus Cathedral will serve as the venue for this year’s program which will begin in its lower chapel and continue in its Youth Center.

A limited number of seats is available so reservations are essential and must be made through the Cathedral Parish office at 570.961.9231 no later than March 21st.

The *Meal in the Upper Room* is a program of penitential preparations, melody and meditation offered within a meal setting that many in years past have found meaningful and uplifting. Include this event among your observances of Lent. *A freewill offering will be taken and used towards the Meal expenses.*

Breakfast Buffet with the Easter Bunny sponsored by Branch #1 of the YMS of R takes place **Sunday, March 30th** after 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Youth Center. **Tickets are: Adults - \$10.00; Children age 4-12 - \$5.00; Children ages 3 and under: Free.** Please make reservations in the Parish Hall after 9:30 am Mass on Sundays or call Frank Gerardi 570-587-3672. A *limited* number of tickets will be available at the door, so please make your reservations by **Thursday, March 27th.**

The FOUR LENTEN DISCIPLINES – Praying, Fasting, Almsgiving and Daily Bible Readings

Let’s live Lent as People of the Resurrection.....

...following our Saviour as he takes up his cross. We repent of our sins. We live Lent knowing the end of the story. Our sins are forgiven, washed away in Jesus’ blood. The promise of the empty tomb is the promise of paradise!

THE PEOPLE OF GOD

We Are Your People

<i>Sunday</i>	The sheep of your pasture	Psalm 79:8-9, 13
<i>Monday</i>	Lost and found	Luke 15:8-10
<i>Tuesday</i>	Reconciled to God	2 Corinthians 5:17-21
<i>Wednesday</i>	The sheep of his hand	John 10:27-30
<i>Thursday</i>	The Gospel for all nations	Luke 24:44-48
<i>Friday</i>	The promise for all	Acts 2:37-41
<i>Saturday</i>	Save your people	Psalm 28:6-9

Easter Flower Donations – As Lent begins, please consider donating **\$30.00** or more to the ANS Flower Fund in honor or memory of loved ones. Your donation will help beautify our Altars for Easter. Please make checks to ANS Flower Fund and drop in Offertory Basket or mail to 529 E. Locust St. Scranton, PA 18505 **by April 12th.** Please include names of loved ones. Any questions please contact Connie Tellep (570) 222-4409.

THIS WEEK’S LITURGIES

Monday, March 17

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, March 18

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, March 19

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, March 20

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, March 21

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, March 22

8:00 am – Holy Mass

Church Dates Ahead

DURING LENT:

Wednesdays – Stations of the Cross with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 pm – Cathedral

Fridays – Stations of the Cross,

12:00 pm – *Lower chapel*

March 25th 10:00 am – Seminarian Elevations

Saturday, March 29th – Scranton Seniorate Lenten Retreat, *Meal in the Upper Room*

(please see bulletin item given above)

April 13: Palm Sunday

April 15: Holy Tuesday – Chrism Mass 2:00 pm

April 20: Easter