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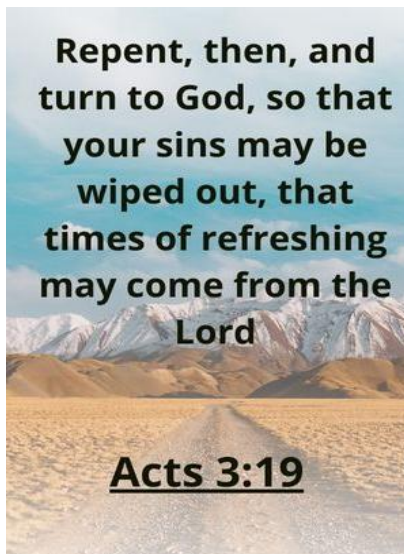
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Ms. Rebecca Elfman – Organist / Director of Music

Third Sunday of Lent March 23, 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

Tuesday, March 25th

10:00 am – Tonsure and Minor Orders

Wednesday, March 26th

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

Stations readers – Cathedral Chorale

7:45 pm – Tenebrae Singers rehearsal

Thursday, March 27th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Friday, March 28th

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

Saturday, March 29th

10:00 – Meal in the Upper Room – Scranton Seniorate Lenten Retreat, St. Stanislaus Cathedral

10:00 am – Confirmation class

11:00 am – First Communion class

Next Sunday, March 30th – Fourth 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 26th** – Cathedral Chorale; **April 2nd** – UYA;

April 9th – Parish Committee.

Meal in the Upper Room – A program of melody, meditation, and meal will be conducted in conjunction with the Scranton Seniorate Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 29, 2025 beginning at 10:00 am at St. Stanislaus Cathedral. The Lenten Retreat will also include our seasonal penitential preparations along with the opening meditation on the Upper Room Meal conducted in our lower Chapel preceding the Meal. *Reservations are required for this program due to limited seating. A few seats remain. Please call 570.961.9231.*

One Hot Meal Thank You – One Hot Meal would like to thank Arlene Swantek, her children, and grandchildren for their generous donation sponsoring a “One Hot Meal” in memory of Prime Bishop John Swantek. It is greatly appreciated.

Carol, Linda and Debbie

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.

ANS Coffee Hour – "We are BACK!" At our ANS meeting on March 9th we voted with pleasure that the Society will once again sponsor "Coffee Hour" the last Sunday of each month as per 2024. However, there is one adjustment because of the Bunny Breakfast on March 30th. We are hosting today's coffee hour and will resume our usual schedule for the remainder of 2025.

Once again, it's time for another Kolachi (filled-roll) fundraiser for Easter. So please stay tuned for updates in future bulletins. Sign-up sheets will be forthcoming with an order pick-up date tentatively set for "Palm Sunday". We look forward to your support in purchasing & spreading the news of the sale of this traditional Polish Delight!!!

Thank you,
Kathy Michalina
President of the ANS

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

PROCLAIM LIBERTY
Christ Sets Us Free

<i>Sunday</i>	Anointed to bring good news	Isaiah 61:1-3
<i>Monday</i>	Free in Christ	Galatians 5:1-6
<i>Tuesday</i>	A year of jubilee	Leviticus 25:8-12
<i>Wednesday</i>	The law of liberty	James 1:22-25
<i>Thursday</i>	Free indeed	John 8:31-32
<i>Friday</i>	Proclaim the Gospel	Romans 10:14-17
<i>Saturday</i>	Live as free people	1 Peter 2:13-17

2025 YMS of R Bowling Outing – Holy Cross Polish National Catholic Church in Hamtramck, MI will host the PNCC/YMS of R Bowling Outing on May 16-18, 2025. We are very excited as we try out a new format to this long-standing event. The registration information is available in the Parish Hall or through contacting the Parish Office (570-961-9231 or office@saintstanislauspncc.org). The deadline is March 31, 2025. The Bowling Outing will feature a new format that includes: a team event, children's bowling (free for 3-17year olds), an awards dinner and most importantly Holy Mass followed by Christian fellowship. Featured will be a 50/50 raffle with the proceeds earmarked for the "Clergy Pension Fund".

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 24

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, March 25

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, March 26

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Thursday, March 27

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, March 28

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, March 29

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 25 10:00 am – Seminarian Elevations

March 29 10:00 am – Scranton Seniorate Lenten Retreat – Meal in the Upper Room

April 13: Palm Sunday

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

April 20: Easter