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Monday-	Closed
Tuesday-	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Wednesday-	1:30 pm-6:30 pm
Thursday-	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Friday-	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday-	Closed

Sunday Masses

Saturday- ENGLISH	5:00 pm
Sunday- ENGLISH	11:00 am
POLISH	9:30 am
POLISH	12:30 pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday- ENGLISH	6:30 pm
Wednesday- POLISH	6:30 pm
Thursday- ENGLISH	9:00 am
Friday- POLISH	6:30 pm

First Fridays- BILINGUAL 6:30 pm (Adoration and Confessions from 5:30-6:30. First Friday Devotions at 6:30, Holy Mass to follow)

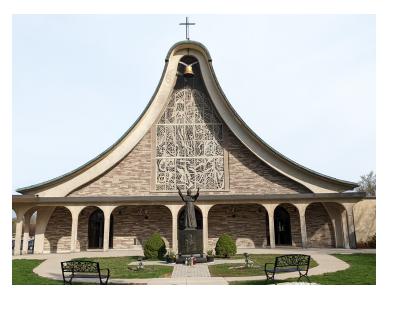
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Adoration

5:30 pm-6:25 pm Fridays-

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tues. & Wed	6:00 pm - 6:20 pm
Thursdays-	8:30 am-8:50 am
Fridays-	5:30 pm-6:20 pm
Saturdays-	4:00 pm-4:50 pm



New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish community! Parish registration simplifies the process of receiving sacraments such as baptism or marriage, obtaining any documents you may need, and receiving a tax receipt for your contributions. Registration can be completed at the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Those wishing to have their child baptized should register at the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Anyone wishing to marry at our church must contact the Parish Office one year prior to the wedding. See our website for more details.

Funerals

Please contact the funeral home of your choice to make the arrangements. The funeral home will then contact us.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you have a seriously ill family member, friend or a loved one in hospital, a Catholic priest is available on call 24 hrs per day. Requests should be addressed to nursing staff.

Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick are also available to all who are ill or housebound. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 23rd & 24th, 2024

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24- PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am ADORATION OF THE BLESSED **SACRAMENT/LENTEN LAMENTATIONS** POLISH 9:30 am Parishioners and benefactors

POLISH **ENGLISH**

11:00 am ++ Giuseppa Libonio Fucale, Maria Leonardo Campione, Maria Cicarello 12:30 pm + Wacław Żeleziński, 4 rocznica śmierci

POLISH

TUESDAY. MARCH 26

NO CONFESSIONS

6:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:30 pm **ENGLISH**

++ Janina & Czesław Cerajewski

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

NO CONFESSIONS

6:30 pm POLISH

 O Boże błogosławieństwo i opiekę Matki Bożej dla członków Żywego Różańca

- O łaskę zdrowia i Boże błogosławieństwo dla Bożeny Góreckiej

O Boże błogosławieństwo i opieke Matki Bożej dla Agnieszki i Izabeli Lis oraz

dla Magdaleny Krzyszkowski

+ Janina Chwałek

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

NO CONFESSIONS

7:00 pm EN / PL

For vocations

ADORATION TO FOLLOW UNTIL MIDNIGHT

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

NO CONFESSIONS

3:00 pm GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY **ENGLISH**

6:00 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS EN / PL

7:00 pm **GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY**

POLISH ADORATION TO FOLLOW UNTIL MIDNIGHT

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30

NO CONFESSIONS

9:00 am BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL 10:00 am BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL 11:00 am BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL 12:00 pm BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL 1:00 pm BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL 2:00pm BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD IN PARISH HALL EN /PL

8:00pm - For the elect in our parish that will be EN /PL received into the Catholic Church

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

EASTER MASS WITH PROCESSION Parafian i dobrodziejów **POLISH** - Parishioners and benefactors 9:30 am **ENGLISH** Parishioners and benefactors 11:00 am

ENGLISH 12:30 pm – Parafian i dobrodziejów

POLISH

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 1

NO CONFESSIONS

11:00 am + Mirosław Konarski EN/PL

OFFERINGS MARCH 16th / 17th

Sunday Offerings \$5,171.00 \$1,771.80 Share Lent collection **Preauthorized Payments** \$959.50

Thank you for your support of our parish!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday, March 28th until Monday, April 8th. We wish you a happy Triduum and Easter Season!

No coffee, donuts and danish sales this Sunday.

The Friends of Oblate Missions are selling Easter baked goods after each Sunday Mass today. Proceeds will go towards funding Oblate Mission initiatives in Madagascar.

PALM SUNDAY

The Polish Scouts are selling European style palms after each Sunday Mass today.

PALM SUNDAY

John's Gospel tells us the story of Jesus's journey to Jerusalem as Passover approached.

On the next day, when the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out:

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, [even] the king of Israel." John 12:12-13

When the Gospel makes mention of Jesus riding on a colt or ass, it fulfills the prophecy from Zachariah:

Exult greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, Humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Zechariah 9:9

As Jesus prepared to celebrate Passover, we celebrate Palm Sunday as we prepare for Easter.

HOLY THURSDAY

Holy Thursday begins the Easter Triduum-the three days leading up to Jesus' Resurrection. Its formal name is Mass of the Lord's Supper, which was the first celebration of the Eucharist. Notable at the Holy Thursday service is the washing of the feet, in which the priest washes the feet of several parishioners. Jesus did this to demonstrate to his disciples how they are to serve others through selfless love. At the end of Mass, as incense fills the church, the priest, donning a special garb called a humeral veil, takes the Blessed Sacrament and processes to the area depicting the Lord's tomb for adoration.

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday is the only day in the entire year in which no Mass is celebrated. It's a solemn day that calls for fasting and abstinence. The main service on Good Friday consists of reading the Passion, and the Eucharist (already consecrated on Thursday) is distributed. Veneration of the Cross and solemn intercessions—a set of shared prayer intentions offered universally on this day-are other unique elements to the Good Friday service.

THE BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

The blessing of the Easter Basket containing the food for the first meal of Easter has been a beloved Catholic ritual for centuries among families of European origin. This tradition has since been adopted by people of all ethnic backgrounds, who enjoy its rich symbolism. On Holy Saturday morning, families prepare their Easter Baskets and fill them with symbolic items. The baskets are later brought to church to be blessed. After attending Easter Sunday Mass, each family and their guests share the blessed food and exchange good wishes.

Traditionally, the baskets are filled with: decorated hardboiled eggs (representing Christ's Resurrection); lamb-shaped butter or sugar (representing Christ as the "Lamb of God"); bread (reminding us that Jesus is the "Bread of Life"); meats, such as ham (symbolic of great joy and abundance), salt (symbolic of prosperity and justice, and reminding us that we are "the salt of the earth"); horseradish and vinegar (symbolic of the Passion of Christ and the bitter herbs of the Passover); and wine (symbolic of the Blood of the Lord).

HOLY SATURDAY

The Mass on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil. It ends the Triduum and begins the Easter celebrations. The service begins once the sun has set. Outside the church, a fire lights the Paschal

candle, and the flame is shared throughout the church to individual handheld candles. The Liturgy of the Word begins in darkness. The readings demonstrate the connection between the Old and New Testaments and how Jesus fulfilled Scripture and achieved salvation for all humanity.

The Liturgy of Baptism, which follows the Gospel and homily, marks the culmination of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. Catechumens, who have been preparing to enter the Church, are baptized, confirmed, and later receive their first Holy Communion. The Easter Vigil is a joyous, celebratory liturgy, filled with rich songs and symbols.

EASTER SUNDAY "RESSURECTION MASS"

The Resurrection Mass is a long-standing tradition in the Church in which we follow in the footsteps of the disciples who came to the empty tomb and then went out to proclaim that Jesus was risen from the dead. The Mass begins in darkness at the tomb in the Church – the priest leads the faithful in singing "Christ is Risen" and then the Eucharist is brought in procession outside the Church while Easter songs are sung. On Easter Sunday, we invite all parishioners to come dressed in their traditional ethnic clothing.

FUNDRAISER FOR MADAGASCAR

The Friends of Oblate Missions Group invite you to participate in their fundraiser for the people of Madagascar. "Give the Malagasy people a fishing rod instead of a fish" is the fundraiser motto. Your gift will help to purchase seeds, farming tools or farm animals and kitchen equipment for families in Madagascar. If you would like to contribute to the fundraiser, please speak to Missionary Group MAMI representative today (March 24th) in the Narthex of our parish.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

On April 7th, the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. This feast focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified." Please join us for a Divine Mercy Devotion with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, scripture readings and praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet in English and Polish at 3:00 pm on Sunday April 7th. Afterwards, you are invited for refreshments and a video in the Parish Hall.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY BRUNCH FUNDRAISER

Join us for a wonderful brunch fundraiser after all Sunday Masses on April 7th, 2024. Adult tickets: **\$15**; Children up to age 10: \$7. All proceeds will go towards replacing the leaking roof of the parish hall. Tickets are available after the weekend Masses in the narthex of the Church.