St. John Cantius

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday–Thursday .......................... 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE
Monday, Wednesday, Friday ................. 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday .......................... 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil ............................... 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ...................................... 9:30 a.m. (Polish) & 11:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday ...................................... 3:15–3:45 p.m

POLICY: Once a parishioner turns 18 years old be or she must register on their own. Only parishioners who are registered for at least six months and are active members may request Baptism, Marriage or Sponsor Certificates.

BAPTISMS: Before any detailed arrangements are made, prospective expecting parents must attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements are to be made at the Rectory in advance.

FUNERALS: Arrangements must be made with the Rectory before publication in the newspaper.

WEDDINGS: Arrangements are to be made in person at the Rectory at least six (6) months in advance. All couples planning to be married must attend Diocesan Pre-Marriage Instructions.

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY SCHEDULE
ROZKŁAD MSZY SW.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9
9:30 a.m.  Zofia & Stanislaw Pietrasz
11:30 a.m.  Larry Scribbick

MONDAY, AUGUST 10
6:30 p.m.  Diana Walker, Howard Curtis
           Miraculous Medal Novena

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11
8:30 a.m.  Waclawa Sodo

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12
6:30 p.m.  Giammarco Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13
8:30 a.m.  Helena & Jozef Stanisawczyk

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14
NO MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
1:30 p.m.  Wedding of
          Nick Fischietto & Rachel Putch
4:00 p.m.  Adrienne Ingebrigtsen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16
9:30 a.m.  Jacek Rapacz
11:30 a.m.  For Parishioners of S.J.C.

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK
Saturday 4:00 p.m.  $ 1,067.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.  $ 428.00
Sunday 11:30 a.m.  $ 942.00
Mail  $ 703.00
Offering  $ 400.00
Total  $ 3,540.00

PASTOR’S THOUGHTS

Saturday, August 15 we celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We also celebrate my second year being Pastor of St. John Cantius. I can say that these past two years have flown by. Everyday I thank God for being here and thank Him for all the love and support I have received from all of you. As we move forward soon into our 100 year anniversary of our church building, my goal is to have our church building fully restored to it’s original glory. With your continued support and God’s help, we will continue moving forward. Thank you.

This year the Assumption is not a day of obligation to attend Mass since it falls on a weekend. It is still a Holy Day, but there is no obligation to attend Mass. We will have our usual 4 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday August 15th. Historically it was on November 1, 1950 that Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of our faith. In his declaration he said, “We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory.” The Church has held belief in the Assumption as far back as the fifth century. In the midst of this unusual summer and year, let us all pause and recall the important role Mary has as a mediator of God’s grace to His people. St. Pope John Paul II said this about the Blessed Mother, “To succeed in your intentions, entrust yourselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary always, but especially in moments of difficulty and darkness. ‘From Mary we learn to surrender to God’s will in things. From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ, her Son and the Son of God…Learn from her to be always faithful, to trust that God’s Word to you will be fulfilled, and that nothing is impossible with God.” – Washington, D.C., 1979

I invite everyone to continue coming each Monday night for the perpetual novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. We had a great turn out this past week for the opening night. Our prayer is for an end to the COVID epidemic and world peace - plus any intention you bring for your novena prayer.

Fr. Roach

REST IN PEACE

Barbara Ann Ross
IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember the sick and infirm of the parish in your prayers: Craig & Sam Bak, Barbara Bak, Barbara Byers, Ted Blanda, Fr. John Bryk, Walter & Carol Buczek, Paul Bugala, Delores Cass, Teresa Cieslik, Susan Daly, Jean Elko, Roseanne Ewazen, Edward Falkowski, Ann Kilbane Friedl, Stella Fryger, Lloyd Gordon, Mieczyslaw Janczura, Anne Kalas, Diane Kearsey, Stella Kobak, Josephine Kohut, Fran Kopack, Henry & Rita Kozlowski, Ted Kusek, Theresa Lipka, Barbara Lishko, Larry & Pam Makowski, Greg Masevice, Toby Morgan, Edward Pieciak, Joyce Resek, Barbara Ross, Betty Ryba, Barbara Skalski, Jessie & Chris Stachurski, Albert & Irene Stepnowski, Alex Sutowski, Joshua Szymczak, Roberta Virzi, Adele Walczak, Emilia Wojcik, Hettie Wojtonek, Edward Zubel, and anyone you may have omitted.

HUMOR—HORSE SENSE

A gambler was at the horse races playing the ponies and losing his shirt. He noticed a priest step out onto the track and bless the forehead of one of the horses lining up for the 4th race. Lo and behold, that horse – a very long shot – won the race. Next race, as the horses lined up, the Priest stepped onto the track. Sure enough, he blessed one of the horses.

The gambler made a beeline for a betting window and placed a small bet on the horse. Again, even though it was another long shot, the horse won the race. He collected his winnings, and anxiously made a quick dash to the ATM to withdraw all of his life savings for the last bet of the day.

True to his pattern, the Priest stepped onto the track for the last race and blessed the forehead of an old nag that was the longest shot of the day. This time though, the priest blessed the eyes, ears, and hooves of the old nag. The punter knew he had a for sure winner. He watched dumbfounded as the old nag came in last. In a state of shock, he went to where the Priest was at the track area. Confronting him, he demanded, ‘Father! What happened? All day long you blessed horses and they all won. Then in the last race, the horse you blessed lost by a mile. Now, thanks to you I’ve lost every cent of my savings!’ The Priest nodded with great sympathy. ‘Son,’ he said, ‘that’s the problem with you non-Catholics, you can’t tell the difference between a simple blessing and Last Rites.’