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

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.

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.
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY SCHEDULE
ROZKŁAD MSZY SW.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
9:30 a.m.   Josephine Czerapowicz
11:30 a.m.   Wyderka Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
6:30 p.m.  Presiders Intention
Novena following Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
8:30 a.m.  Presiders Intention

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
6:30 p.m.  Presiders Intention

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
8:30 a.m.   Leona Cross

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
NO MASS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
4:00 p.m.   Emily Trela

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
9:30 a.m.   Wladyslawa Trojanowski
11:30 a.m.   Agnes Norris

**COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK**
Saturday 4:00 p.m.  $ 865.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.  $ 336.00
Sunday 11:30 a.m.  $ 479.00
Mail  $ 634.00
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Total  $ 2,669.00

REST IN PEACE
Edward Lusnia

**Scripture Study**

“Do not conform yourselves to this age.” “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself...” Surely these words aren’t meant for us! Every time I go online I get a pop-up for some product or other that very much wants me to conform myself to this age. These messages are definitely not about denying oneself. Rather, one is to indulge oneself! But it –even if you can’t afford it. It’s what the entire credit card industry is built on and it’s a message we start teaching our children almost as soon as they’re able to say “plastic”. Check out the back-to-school ads and you’ll see what I mean. And it doesn’t end there. As adults we become even more adept at rationalizing why we need what we [think we] need. So what if the cost of gasoline is up and they tell me that the climate is changing? What harm can one little car do? True, there may be some environmental and/or justice issues involved, but I really need this car. Besides, I’m a good person –I deserve to have some of the good things in life, don’t I? (“What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world [or perhaps just a shiny new car] and forfeit his life [or the lives of generations to come]?”) “You duped me, O Lord...” I thought that “following Jesus” just meant going to Church on Sunday and generally trying to be a nice person. Taking up the cross of moral responsibility can be downright uncomfortable, not to mention time-consuming. For instance, I don’t have time to check out the corporate ethics of every company I buy from or own stock in. In today’s tight economy, as long as the price is low and the return high, that’s all I care about (“...thinking not as God does, but as human beings do...”). Jesus’ words might have made sense two thousand years ago but this is 2020. We’re good Christians; we live good lives. Surely, God’s not asking us to sacrifice and be transformed, is He? Surely these words aren’t meant for us... (Vinal Van Benthem ofs)

**PARISH PICNIC UPDATE**

We need an RSVP for the parish picnic slated for Sunday September 6th as this is a catered event. The cater will not consider anything less than 50. If we cannot get more responses we will not be able to have the picnic as planned on 9/6. I understand many are choosing to remain at home and social distance during this current pandemic as it is affecting people’s decisions to attend large gatherings. If the picnic doesn’t pan out, then we can do a small coffee and desert social in the small hall to help host our parish raffle drawing on Sunday September 6th after the 11:30 AM Mass. RSVP 216 781 9095 X2. Thank you for your understanding. Fr. Roach
IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember the sick and infirm of the parish in your prayers: Craig & Sam Bak, Barbara Bak, Barbara Byers, Ted Blanda, 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, Betty Ryba, Barbara Skalski, Jessie & Chris Stachurski, Albert & Irene Stepnowski, Alex Sutowski, Joshua Szymbczak, Janice Tkacz, Roberta Virzi, Adele Walczak, Emilia Wojcik, Hettie Wojtonek, Edward Zubel, and anyone we may have omitted.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Today’s gospel challenges families: are we living by God’s standards or by human ones? Families today are assailed by a consumer culture that tells us, “we are what we own”. To us Jesus responds: “What profit would there be to gain the whole world and forfeit his life”? Think long term and sacrifice for that which is eternal. Don’t shortcut effort or short sell time with your family.

News from AM 1260 The Rock!

AM 1260 The Rock is pleased to support The Seven Sisters Apostolate. This Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of your pastor or a specific priest. Learn How to Start a Group at Your Parish! Please go to www.am1260therock.com and click on the “Archive” tab and then choose “Special Recordings” to find the audio recording of the Seven Sisters Apostolate Info Session. We were blest to have the foundress of this Apostolate, Janette Howe, on this zoom call. Hear how other parishes in Northeast Ohio have started their Seven Sisters Apostolate and are currently praying for their Parish Priest! To receive a special Seven Sisters prayer book, or to find out more about this Apostolate please call Bernadette Boguski at (216) 227-1260.

ZIARNO SŁOWA BOŻEGO

„Jeżeli kto chce pójść za mną, niech się zaprze samego siebie, niech weźmie krzyż swój i niech Mnie naśladowuje”. Tych słów Jezusa, podobnie jak apostołowie, niechętnie słuchamy. Proponują nam bowiem krzyż, domagają się ofiary i wyrzeczenia, człowiek zaś zyczyłby sobie wszystkiego innego, tylko nie tego. Twarde są te słowa Boże, twarde ale nieuniknione, zarówno dla Jezusa Chrystusa, jak i dla nas. Aby wypełnić wolę Ojca i dokonać odkupienia swoich braci, Chrystus musiał się zaprzeć samego siebie i pójść drogą życia ludzkiego, która jest drogą krzyżową: musiał skosztować całej goryczy ludzkiego życia i śmierci, wypić do dna kielich cierpienia, dopóki nie zaświtał poranek zmartwychwstania i wiecznego życia w szczęściu i chwale, Chrystus jest zarazem przykładem i wezwaniem, ponieważ dal nam przykład jak zaakceptować krzyż własnego życia, wyrzec się wszystkiego, utracić wszystko, żeby wszystko otrzymać, i wzywa nas do pójścia za sobą drogą Golgoty do Boga.

PRAYER FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF HELEN PELCZAR

Lord Jesus Christ, since early childhood you led your humble servant, Helen Pelczar, on the difficult and thorny path of Your Cross. You likened her to You by marking her body with five piercing wounds. By sharing your suffering she could plead for the conversion and salvation of many. We humbly ask for the grace, that our Holy Church may swiftly recognize her holiness and honor her on your altars. May she become our model in life and an intercessor with you Jesus, crucified for us. Sorrowful Mother, whom Helen loved and honored, intercede for us... Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be... Servant of God, Helen Pelczar, pray for us!

Humor about a Priest and the Dying Man

The priest was preparing a dying man for his voyage into the great beyond. Whispering firmly, the priest said, "Denounce the devil! Let him know how little you think of his evil!" The dying man said nothing. The priest repeated his order. Still the dying man said nothing. The priest asked, "Why do you refuse to denounce the devil and his evil?" The dying man said, "Until I know where I'm heading, I don't think I ought to aggravate anybody."
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