

ST. JOHN CANTIUS CHURCH

906 College Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44113

October 18, 2020
29th Sunday In
Ordinary Time



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday (Miraculous Medal Novena), Wednesday ..6:30 pm
Tuesday, Thursday 8:30 am
Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am (Polish) & 11:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45 pm
Sunday (Polish) 9:00-9:30 am

BAPTISM: Baptisms may be scheduled at most anytime. Please call the rectory and speak with the Pastor to make baptismal arrangements.

FUNERALS: We request that you first contact your funeral director before contacting the parish. This will insure that your requested date is available for both the funeral home and the church. After the date has been chosen, the funeral director will contact the parish with all the details to set up the funeral. Finally, a representative from the parish will contact you about planning the Mass or parlor service for your loved one..

WEDDINGS: Wedding arrangements are made by contacting the pastor. There is a 6 month minimum wait from the day you contact the pastor and your actual wedding date. This allows for proper wedding preparation and instruction. Please call the pastor if you wish to inquire further about details on having your wedding at St. John Cantius.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY SCHEDULE ROZKLAD MSZY SW.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:30 a.m. Health & Blessings for
Bronislawa Ferenc
11:30 a.m. † Stanley Streiner

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

6:30 p.m. † Stanislaw Janczura
Novena following Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

6:30 p.m. NO MASS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

NO MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

4:00 p.m. † William & Mary Falkowski

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:30 a.m. † Barbara Ross
11:30 a.m. † Stanley Streiner

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,027.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	\$ 355.00
Sunday 11:30 a.m.	\$ 418.00
Mail	\$ 650.00
Eoffering	\$ 635.00
Total	\$ 3,085.00

THE HISTORICAL FLIGHT TO EGYPT

Terri asked her Sunday School class to draw pictures of their favorite Bible stories. She was puzzled by Kyle's picture, which showed four people on an airplane, so she asked him which story it was meant to represent. "The flight to Egypt," said Kyle. "I see ... And that must be Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus," Ms. Terri said. "But who's the fourth person?" "Oh, that's Pontius-the Pilot" said Kyle.

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

"Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that He said to them, "Then render unto Caesar what belongs to Caesar and render unto God what belongs to God." These words from today's Gospel revolve around taxes. Taxes always seem to stir up mixed feelings, reactions and emotions. Some tax moneys go for good causes and others toward endeavors and projects that we do not spiritually and/or morally agree with.

The Gospel is all about the Poll tax. The "Poll Tax" was a required tax that all Roman citizens paid. It didn't matter if you were an atheists, a Jew, a Christians, or a non-Roman citizen. Everyone living in a Roman province paid the tax. According to some historians, the tax was as much as 21% of earnings. Much like our total payroll tax bill today. The Jews present to Jesus a question in an attempt to trap Him as they still don't believe He is the Messiah. The Jews ask Jesus is it lawful to pay taxes to the state if the state is using tax money for things that violate human rights and beliefs? (Tax moneys often went to fund and build pagan temples which violate the First Commandment). There were also Herodians present in the crowd who were a Jewish public political party that rejected Jesus. They would have turned Jesus into the state immediately if he told the Jewish people not to pay the taxes. Clearly, Jesus is in the middle.

If Jesus responds to the Jews (a Jew Himself) and says to pay the tax then He is somehow in their minds, advocating the support of the tax moneys funding pagan endeavors and would be a violation of the 10 commandments. If he says don't pay the tax then the Herodians present will turn Him in for a violation. So Jesus carefully presents the following statement to both groups and to us today, "Render to Caesar what is his, but render to God what is His. . ." Jesus refuses to get pulled to any side about the tax issue or entrapment. Today, there are those who will try and back us into a corner with persuasive arguments, dazzling vocabularies, and sometimes non-truthful statements. Our job is to isolate issues as objectively as possible and to think. Jesus then asks us to apply the two greatest commandments to every situation we encounter. The first, is to Love God. The second, to Love our Neighbor as ourselves. I can not think of any more clear direction than these two Great Commandments. 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, Delores Cass, Teresa Cieslik, Susan Daly, Jean Elko, Roseanne Ewazen, Edward Falkowski, Ann Kilbane Friedl, Stella Fryger, Lloyd Gordon, Mieczyslaw Janczura, Anne Kalas, Diane Kearsley, Stella Kobak, Josephine Kohut, Fran Kopack, Henry & Rita Kozlowski, Ted Kusek, Theresa Lipka, Barbara Lishko, Larry & Pam Makowski, Greg Masevice, Toby Morgan, Philip Parente, Edward Pieciak, Joyce Resek, Betty Ryba, Barbara Skalski, Jessie & Chris Stachurski, Albert & Irene Stepnowski, Alex Sutowski, Joshua Szymczak, Janice Tkacz, Roberta Virzi, Adele Walczak, Emilia Wojcik, Hettie Wojtonek, Edward Zubel, and anyone we may have omitted.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Differences are inevitable in family life. But don't be like the Pharisees in today's gospel who were trying to trap Jesus. They didn't care about the truth. They just wanted to win! To be right!! Peace can exist only when we pursue the truth with love without ulterior motives.

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Questions: 440-823-5141 Vicky Follen, Choose Life! Program

ZIARNO SŁOWA BOZEGO

„Oddajcie Cezarowi to, co należy do Cezara, a Bogu to, co należy do Boga”. Oto reguła życia dla każdego człowieka, która może przynieść więcej dobrego, niż mądrość wszystkich mędrców i prawa wszystkich państw. Trzeba wszystko postawić na swoim miejscu i oddać każdemu, co mu się należy, zarówno Bogu jak i ludziom. To przykazuje Jezus wszystkim ludziom, szczególnie dzisiejszemu człowiekowi, który zawzięcie broni swojego i jeszcze wyciąga ręce po cudze. A co nie należy do Boga? My sami i wszystko co mamy należy do Boga. Właściwie niczego nie możemy zabrać Bogu, bo wszystko jest Jego. Przede wszystkim oddać Bogu co mu się należy. Jakże często jest zupełnie inaczej. Zbyt często zapominamy, że nasze życie, każdy dzień, każda nasza praca ma być służbą dla Boga. Gdziekolwiek się znajdujemy, tam również znajduje się ołtarz, na którym składamy ku czci Boga prace i trudy, radości i cierpienia. Niestety, zbyt często chciwymi rękami wydzieramy wszystko Bogu i oddajemy Jego i naszemu nieprzyjacielowi szatanowi. Sw. Paweł poucza chrześcijan w Rzymie i zaleca im, aby sumiennie wypełniali swoje obowiązki wobec społeczeństwa i państwa. „Oddajcie każdemu to, co mu się należy: komu podatek – podatek, komu cło – cło, komu uległość – uległość, komu cześć – cześć”.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

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