

# ST. JOHN CANTIUS CHURCH

906 College Ave.  
Cleveland, OH 44113

January 30, 2022  
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time



## PASTORAL STAFF

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday ..... 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

Mon (Miraculous Medal Novena), Tues, Weds ..... 6:30 pm  
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.

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME  
LITURGY SCHEDULE  
ROZKŁAD MSZY SW.**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 30**

9:30 a.m. † Genevieve Ryncarz  
11:30 a.m. † John & Helen Moysey

**MONDAY, JANUARY 31**

6:30 p.m. † Ed Ryan  
Novena following Mass

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

No Mass

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

6:30 p.m. † Florence Sutowski

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

8:30 a.m. Atonnement

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

No Mass

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

4:00 p.m. † Stanley Schrembeck

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

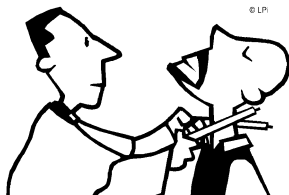
9:30 a.m. † Teresa Cieslik  
11:30 a.m. † John Saplak Sr.  
John Saplak Jr.

***COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK***

<b>Saturday 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>\$ 1,593.00</b>
<b>Sunday 9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>\$ 185.00</b>
<b>Sunday 11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>\$ 323.00</b>
<b>Mail</b>	<b>\$ 195.00</b>
<b>Eoffering</b>	<b>\$ 1,285.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,581.00</b>

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**

The traditional blessings of the throats will take place next weekend February 5 & 6 after each Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise.

**PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS**

St John Cantius is blest with many weddings each year. Couples are asked to choose their own readings for their wedding celebration. Many opt to choose the one from Saint Paul often called "love chapter" by some. This second reading for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Paul's call for the Church to prioritize love and to take love within a larger meaning to the Christians living in Corinth. For the Corinthians, there was a disconnect between the way they were taught about Christ and how they lived out their faith in the practice of daily life. The community at Corinth argued over the type of pastoral leadership they needed, quibbled over moral issues, and often lacked being accountable for their actions. Paul speaks about these issues in this letter but culminates their concerns in chapter 13, the "love" chapter.

Having the right disposition of love is essential in the mission of Jesus. We must allow ourselves to do things for the right reasons. There is no greater time in our world when love needs to be practiced, appreciated, embraced, and shared. The gospel this weekend talks also about breaking down walls of family, friends and moving outside the box as love means we are responsible for anyone in need - not just those who we know and like. Look around and see who may need your love outside your circle of family and friends. I share a quote from St. Mother Teresa, "If you judge people, then you have no time to love them." "So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love." (St. Paul) Fr Roach

**HUMOR: Gone Fishing**

There was a new family that had just moved into town. Their son came to Sunday School but seemed upset. His teacher asked him if anything was wrong. The boy replied no, that he was going to go fishing but his dad told him that he needed to go to church instead. The teacher was very impressed with the boy's parents and asked the boy if his father had explained to him why it was more important to go to church than to go fishing. The boy replied, "Yes he did. My dad said that he didn't have enough bait for both of us."



**IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Please remember the sick and infirm of the parish in your prayers: Craig & Sam Bak, Barbara Bak, Barbara Byers, Walter & Carol Buczek, Delores Cass, Eileen Chase, Susan Daly, Roseanne Ewazen, Edward Falkowski, Ann Kilbane Friedl, Stella Fryger, Lloyd Gordon, Mieczyslaw Janczura, Anne Kalas, Diane Kearsy, Stella Kobak, Josephine Kohut, Fran Kopack, Henry & Rita Kozlowski, Ted Kusek, Theresa Lipka, Barbara Lishko, Larry & Pam Makowski, Greg Masevice, Edward Pieciak, Lou Potokar, Joyce Resek, Betty Ryba, Stanly & Victoria Ryncarz, Barbara Skalski, Jessie & Chris Stachurski, Albert & Irene Stepnowski, Joshua Szymczak, Janice Tkacz, Roberta Virzi, Virzi Family, Emilia Wojcik, Hettie Wojtonek, Edward Zubel, and anyone we may have omitted.

**CANDLEMAS DAY**

On February 2nd we celebrate the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. On February 2, exactly 40 days after Christmas, we commemorate Mary’s adherence to the Mosaic law as she entered the Temple for the ritual purification, as explained in Leviticus 12:2-8. Also, forty days was the time when a firstborn was brought to the Temple to be dedicated to the Lord (Exodus 13:2-12). The Gospel reading for The Feast of the Presentation describes the scene: “And when the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.” The story continues as Simeon holds the baby in his arms and says that Jesus will be a light for the Gentiles (Luke 2:22-32). This day is often referred to as Candlemas Day - the Child Jesus is the light. So, a tradition arose within the church to bless candles on this day.

In the Polish tradition, the legend relates that Mary, the Mother of God of the ‘Blessed Thunder Candle’ (Matka Bosnia Gromniczna), watches over the people on cold February nights. The thunder candle wards off deadly wolves and protects peasants from harm. Many today take these blest candles (Gromnica) and keep them in their homes to light during storms, lightening, and any inclement conditions. In Poland, the dying are often given the Gromnica to help light their way to eternity.

These blest candles will be available for purchase for \$5.00 per set of two after all weekend Masses February 5/6.

**ZIARNO SLOWA BOZEGO**

Dobrze wiemy, że Pan Jezus zawarł całą swoją Ewangelię i prawo w jednym przykazaniu miłości: Będziesz miłował Boga nade wszystko, a bliźniego swego jak siebie samego. Bóg jest największym Dobrem i samą dobrocią, dlatego najważniejsza dla Niego jest miłość. Każdy człowiek jest dzieckiem Bożym, podobnie jak my: Bóg go miłuje podobnie jak nas: Chrystus przelał za niego swoją krew, podobnie jak za nas. Stąd wypływa obowiązek miłowania Go jak siebie samego. Jest to bardzo wzniosłe i piękne, ale bardzo trudne.

Bracia i Siostry! Dzisiejsza Ewangelia jest jeszcze jednym wezwaniem do chrześcijańskiej wspaniałomyślności i miłości, do braterstwa i jedności w Chrystusie. Świat jest tak boleśnie rozdarty przez egoizm i nienawiść, co jest wyraźnym znakiem, że zaparł się Chrystusa, podeptał Ewangelię, gdyż egoizm i nienawiść jest Ewangelią szatana. Chrześcijanin jest tylko o tyle chrześcijaninem, o ile swym sercem i postępowaniem miłuje Boga i bliźniego. Tylko wtedy jesteśmy braćmi Chrystusa i dziećmi Bożymi, gdy jesteśmy braćmi nawzajem dla siebie w Bogu i w Jego miłości. Nasza wzajemna miłość jest legitymacją chrześcijaństwa. Przyjrzyjmy się dokładnie legitymacji naszego życia. Prawdziwa chrześcijańska legitymacja nieraz bardzo drogo kosztuje.

**OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE**

3 lutego przypada święto Sw. Błażeja Biskupa i Męczennika. W tym dniu w tradycji kościoła święci się gardła specjalną świecą zwaną Błażejki. W dniu 5 i 6 lutego po wszystkich Mszach będzie poświęcenie gardła w kościele.

**TAX CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you file tax and need a copy of your yearly 2021 parish contributions, we ask you to fill out the portion below and deposit it in the collection basket. We ask if you could please utilize email (pdf) as your first choice or picking up the statement at the rectory or we can bring it to Mass with a phone call. The most expensive way is US Mail.

**2021 Financial Statement Request**

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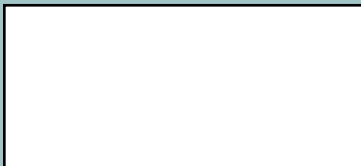
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