



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa

IN POLONIA

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PARISH CLERGY

DUCHOWIEŃSTWO PARAFIALNE

Father Mark Miller • Pastor.....fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com
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 You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non-emergency situations by calling the parish office number 715-600-6942 at any time of the day.

PARISH OFFICE

BIURO PARAFIALNA

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am–3:00pm
 Friday: 9:00am–1:00pm • Closed on Wednesdays
 • Please note that the parish office will be closed daily from 11:15-11:45am for lunch.

PARISH STAFF

PRACOWNICY PARAFII

Administrative Assistant.....Susanna Lepak ext. 100
 School Principal.....Dawn Cisewski ext. 160
 Basement Kitchen.....Barb Lepak (715-600-0396)
 Coordinator of Religious Ed.....Debbie Riske (715-340-4626)
CCD@sacredheartpolonia.com

CONFESSION

SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTE

Thursday: 7:30am–8:00am Friday: 7:30am–8:00am
 Saturday: 2:45pm–3:45pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

ADORATION

ADORACJA EUCHARYSTYCZNA

Thursday: 7:00am–8:00am
 Friday: 7:00am–8:00am at Saint Mary's in Custer
 First Friday: 8:45am–3:00pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CHRZEST

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism class and request a date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

MAŁŻEŃSTWO

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MSZE ŚWIĘTE

Monday, November 10 – *St. Leo the Great*

Tuesday, November 11 – *St. Martin of Tours*

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
 †Shannon Blanchard

Wednesday, November 12 – *St. Josaphat*

8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Avis Wysocki by Russell & Diane Wysocki

Thursday, November 13 – *St. Frances Xavier Cabrini*

7:00–8:00am Adoration—Sacred Heart
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—Sacred Heart
 8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
 †Dennis Groshek by Virginia Groshek

Friday, November 14 – *Feria*

7:00–8:00am Adoration—St. Mary's
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—St. Mary's
 8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Patsy Somers & Barb Grzywacz by Family

Saturday, November 15 – *St. Albert the Great*

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart (Collective Intention)
 †Richard Konkol by Edwin & Betty Damask
 †Stanley Wiza by Barb Wiza & Dennis Gagas
 †Myron Omernik by Tom & Julie Wanserski
 †Gladys Lepak by Family

2:45–3:45pm Confession—Sacred Heart

4:00pm Anticipatory Mass—Sacred Heart
 Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parish Families

Sunday, November 16 – *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Mass—Sacred Heart
 †Leo & Elizabeth Gagas by Larry & Elaine Gagas
 10:00am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Mr. & Mrs. Henry Klesmith by Dave & Kristine Glodowski

A WORD FROM FATHER

SŁOWO OD PASTORA



"If a tiny spark of God's love already burns in you, do not expose it to the wind, for it may get blown out. In other words, avoid distractions as much as you can. Stay quiet with God, do not spend your time in useless chatter." —St. Carlo Borromeo

Dear Parishioners:

For the past number of weeks, work has been done on the new heating system, and it will continue for a number of weeks. The workers need to have certain equipment in certain places. Please do not move or alter anything while the project is going on. This is for safety as well as ensuring that the job gets done correctly.

Also, I want to thank everyone who helped with the recent Steak Night: those who set-up, those who served and cooked the meal, and those who cleaned after the event. Thank you for your efforts! —Fr. Miller

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

POSŁUGI LITURGICZNE

Altar Server

November 15: 4:00 pm Gavin M. & Grant
November 16: 8:00 am Andrew, Ben & TJ

Hospitality

November 15: 4:00 pm Volunteer Ushers
November 16: 8:00 am Volunteer Ushers

Readers

November 15: 4:00 pm Michelle Lewis
November 16: 8:00 am Kent Lepak

Wellington

November 13: Carolyn McNamara

PRAYER REQUESTS

PROŚBY MODLITEWNE

Let us remember the following in our daily prayers:

Austin James, Brittany Olivia, JD Wysocki, Dave Grawey, Megan Rose, Jennifer Lepak, Agnes Milanowski, Ernie Kurszewski, Jerry Lepak, Theresa Pliska, Vanessa Lawson, Randy Schulist, Dorothy Gagas, Newton Family, Gail Tepp, Rhody Bushman, Leonard Schulist, Bruce & Patt Roberts, Taylor Groshek, Betty Kowalski, Karen Liebe, Kenny Rozek, Debbie Repinski, Patsy Filtz, Marilyn Sobish, Connie Lepak, Judy Zdroik, Todd Borski

If you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.

ANointING OF THE SICK

NAMASZCZENIE CHRYCH

If anyone is in need of spiritual care at your home or the hospital (e.g. confession, Holy Communion, or Anointing of the Sick) please call the parish to make arrangements. Father Miller is here for your spiritual and sacramental needs. Also, be aware that if you are in the hospital for an extended period of time, and would like a visit, please contact the parish. This is important because hospitals do not make us aware of these situations.

LAST WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

DAROWIZNY

Adults: \$6,345
Youth: \$2
All Souls: \$881
All Saints: \$529
Loose: \$322
Total: \$8,079
Vigil Lights: \$77
Sanctuary Lamp: \$100
World Mission Sunday: \$340
Boiler Fund: \$260

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." —Hebrews 13:16



Scrip: \$4175 | \$137



**2025-2026
Diocesan
Annual Appeal**

**Sacred Heart's Goal:
\$52,340**

SACRED HEART NEWS • OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE

Thank you. Numerous parishioners generously donated their time and talent throughout the weekend, resulting in another great parish steak dinner. In addition to expressing gratitude to everyone who offered their time, a public "thank you" such as this serves as a reminder that our parish benefits from each of our efforts. Job well done!

A big thank you to all the workers and to all who contributed to the Steak Night Raffle and Dinner. A special thanks to the PCCW ladies for all your time and hard work.
~ Holy Name Society

Attention. From the Steak Night Dinner, a few raw steaks are still available. Each steak cost \$20. Please contact Susanna at the parish office if you're interested. At the moment, there is just one single frozen package and six packages with two frozen steaks. All the steaks were purchased from Country Fresh Meats.

Flame of Love Holy Hour. We meet to pray a special Rosary and prayers **every** Monday at 6:30 pm, in the church at Sacred Heart. **We are pleased to announce that we will also have Eucharistic adoration during our Holy Hour every first Monday of the Month, starting November 3rd!** The **Flame of Love** is a powerful Movement of Grace that Our Lord requested to be spread throughout the world. Please join us and discover the powerful promises of the **Flame of Love!** Everyone is welcome. Please use the handicap entrance.



*The Virgin Mary said: During the month of November, at the recitation of each Hail Mary, **ten** souls will be freed from purgatory. Suffering souls must also feel the effect of grace of the Flame of Love of my Mother's heart.*



Just this past Sunday 13 candidates from Sacred Heart Parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation by the Most Reverend Gerard W. Battersby, Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse. Please pray for and congratulate our newly confirmed: Dominic Check, Aubrey Dombrowski, Leah Fenske, Dmitri Hilgers, Tyler Kluck, Marlee Krekling, Colten Kunst, Caleb Lepak, Kateri Parker, Camryn Printz, Trenton Sankey, Grace Zaborowski, and Jaedyn Zdroik

Spirit of God, grant them: The gift of wisdom to see the world through your eyes. The gift of counsel to make difficult decisions. The gifts of knowledge and understanding to use their minds to know you and to love you. The gift of fortitude to have the courage to live in the faith despite the difficulties and disappointments. The gift of piety to be able to express their special love And commitment to you, and the right kind of awesome fear that makes them pause to wonder and revere God's love. Amen

The Women's Book Club of Sacred Heart.

We will meet in the church basement from 7:15-9:00pm. Call or text Theresa Glavin with any questions 715-321-4464. The next meeting is Monday, November 17th. Come check us out!



BLINGO Senior Bingo. It will take place after the morning Mass on Thursday, November 20th. If you would like to stay for lunch, please call 715-600-0396 to get in touch with Barb Lepak.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS **AKTUALNOŚCI KATECHIZMU**

Wednesday, November 12th
Classes begin with prayer in the church at 6:15pm. Parents—please stay and join us in prayer!

PARISH MEETINGS **SPOTKANIA PARAFIALNE**

 **Holy Name Society.** Sunday, November 9th @ 9:00am—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

 **PCCW.** Monday, November 10th @ 1:00pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Let us remember in a very special way our family and friends who have passed away this past year (Nov. 2024-Nov. 2025)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace.

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| Beverly Stanczyk (12-1-24) | Theresa Prondzinski (5-3-25) |
| Clarence Gibbs (12-10-24) | Patricia Kluck (6-5-25) |
| Dale Wierzba (12-20-24) | Caroline Kizewski (6-18-25) |
| Alice Wierzba (3-21-25) | Germaine Bigus (6-21-25) |
| John H. Eisner (3-24-25) | Dale Shulfer (7-7-25) |
| Ronald Trzebiatowski (4-25-25) | Paula Shulfer (7-7-25) |

Looking Ahead. Thanksgiving is quickly approaching Thursday, November 27th. Because we alternate locations, this year Mass on Thanksgiving morning will be held at 9:00am at St. Mary's-Custer. Please also note that the parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving and the day after; therefore if you have any submissions for the November 23rd bulletin please submit them to the parish office by noon Friday, November 21st. ~Thank you

- **Please Note:** There will not be confessions or Exposition on November 27th. Also, on November 28th there will not be confessions, Exposition or Mass at Sacred Heart or St. Mary's.

SANCTUARY LAMP **WIECZNA LAMPKA**



The Church prescribes that the sanctuary lamp should shine permanently near the tabernacle in the church. By it, the faithful are reminded of the presence of Christ and the light itself is a profession of their love and affection. This week, the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of:

Gladys Lepak

SCHOOL NEWS **WIADOMOŚCI SZKOLNE**



What is going on at Sacred Heart School?
This week to celebrate November and the Month of the Poor Souls', our students prayed a rosary each day this week in the cemetery for all the souls' in purgatory.

Reminder that the pick up date for Butter Braids will be on Friday, November 14th.

Vande Walle Candy Bars. Most Sundays following Mass, the candy bars will be sold at the church's front entrance. The candy bars cost \$2 each. Also, candy bars can be delivered in the Polonia area by Becky, please contact her at 715-340-5361.



Fundraising while you shop is an easy way to support Sacred Heart School and Parish!

Gift Cards. Earnings that Add Up. Fundraising Made Easy.

Plan ahead with your shopping for Thanksgiving and Christmas by using scrip! Purchase scrip after some weekend Masses or please stop by the parish office during the week. Scrip forms are available by the entrances of the church. These forms will show what we carry on hand from Kwik Trip, Wal-Mart, Metro Market, Festival Foods, Fleet Farm etc... Also, remember we can always do a special order on cards that we do not carry on hand as well. Thank you for supporting the scrip program!



MAGNIFICAT Subscriptions: The parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Immaculate Conception are again extending an offer to parishioners to sign up for, or renew, an annual subscription to receive a monthly copy of the MAGNIFICAT for a reduced price. The renewal period will be after the January 2026 issue.

The standard price for an annual subscription is \$49.00; however, your price will be \$39.00. Each month your copy will be available for pickup at the parish. If you would like to reserve or renew your subscription, please complete the order form located below and return it to your parish office with your \$39 payment made payable to Sacred Heart Parish by December 3rd. St. Mary's parishioners should submit their payments to St. Mary's and make their checks payable to St. Mary's by December 3rd.

MAGNIFICAT ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Parish: _____

Qty: _____

Enclosed: \$ _____
(Please return this form to your parish office by December 3rd)

AREA EVENTS • WYDARZENIA LOKALNE

St. Adalbert CCD Program is hosting a BINGO on Sunday, November 9th. Doors open at 11:30am & BINGO begins at 1:00pm. Additional Activities: 50/50 Raffle, Basket Raffle and Concession Stand. All proceeds from this event will go to support the St. Joseph Seminary, Diocese of Batticaloa, Sri Lanka.

St. Bronislava Holy Name Society's "All You Can Eat Breakfast" will be held Sunday, November 9th, from 8:30am to 11:30am at St. Bronislava Catholic Church located at 3200 Plover Rd in Plover. The Menu includes buttermilk & potato pancakes, French toast, breakfast sausage links & ham (Limit 4 in combo), milk, juice & coffee. Cost is \$10.00 for ages 13-adult, \$4 for ages 5-12 & Free for ages 4 & under. The meal is cooked by the men of Holy Name and table service is provided by St Bron's Boy Scout troop #201. Proceeds from the breakfast go towards the Parish, School & Youth Needs. Thank you for your support!



"That Man Is You" men's group is every Tuesday. Starting with breakfast at 6:00am, followed by a video presentation and small group discussion, ending at 7:30am. The meetings will be held at the usual location, Sacred Heart Church in Polonia, just east of Stevens Point.

St. Casimir Parish—Stevens Point Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 16th. Serving from 8:30am to 12:00pm. All-U-Can-Eat Homemade Potato & Buttermilk Pancakes, Sausage, Applesauce, Juice, Homemade nut breads & bars. Adults—\$12.00, Ages 6-12—\$6.00, Preschool Free.

St Adalbert Harvest Dinner, Saturday November 22nd Serving 4:00pm to 7:30pm Menu: Homemade Chicken Soup, Baked Chicken, Ham, Kielbasa & Sauerkraut, Rolls, Glazed Carrots, Dressing, Potatoes, Gizzards and Gravy, Dessert, Coffee, and Milk. Cost is \$18. Additional Activities: Bar, Harvest Raffle, Pull Tabs, Bake Sale, 50/50 Raffle, Candy Bars, and December Calendar Raffle.



Gazebo/Convent Gift Shop. Convent GIFT SHOP HOLIDAY SEASON HOURS:

The INSIDE Convent Gift Shop will be open 1-3 pm for your shopping the 4 Saturdays before Christmas -- 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20. Take advantage of this opportunity by entering the front Convent entrance where a volunteer will assist you from 1-3 pm these Saturdays. Check out locally hand-made items plus many unique gifts. NOTE: The GAZEBO Gift Shop remains open daily dawn to dusk.

- **Convent Chapel.** The MSDI invites you to participate in Vespers Service (evening prayers beginning with rosary) every Sunday at 5:00pm. **The inside Convent Gift Shop can be accessed immediately before or after the Sunday Vespers Service as well as before or after First Saturday morning Mass.**
- **Carpenter and Painter Needed.** Two areas in our convent are leaking water, and we need a carpenter to fix them. We're also looking for a painter. In exchange for your service, we will compensate you.



Special Invitation

The congregation of THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE DIVINE IMAGE (MSDI) Catholic Diocese of Bomadi

Cordially invites you

To the

FINAL RELIGIOUS PROFESSION OF VOWS of her beloved sister

Sr Mary Justina Ifeyinwa OSUMUNE

By His Excellency MOST REV. GERARD W. BATTERSBY, D.D. Bishop of The Catholic Diocese of La Crosse

DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2025

VENUE: SACRED HEART PARISH POLONIA, USA.
MASS: 10:00AM

R.S.V.P

Sr Rosemary Essien **Mother Ugochi**
Med. Dr. Louise Smyth **Vivian Ozurumba**
Tel: 7153402006 (Call or text) **Foundress (MSDI)**



Congratulations to the 2025 Holy Name Society Steak Night Raffle Winners!

18-Gun Fireproof Gun Safe	Jeff Brown
Henry Golden Boy 22 Mag.	James Dombrowski
Savage Pro Axis Camo 30-06	Betty Parnham
Ruger American 350 Legend	Dennis Stevens
Savage Axis XP 6.5 Creedmoor	Greg Kelch
Mossberg M590 Persuader	Doug Klesmith
Mossberg M500 Turkey Combo	John Kraft
Savage Semi-Auto 22 Mag.	Betty Parnham
Mossberg M500 20ga. Slug	Linda Wolloch
Savage Bolt Action 350 Legend	Craig Woody
Savage Bolt Action 243 Win.	Cathy Fitzgerald
Savage Bolt Action 30-06	Ron Baumann
Savage Bolt Action 308 Win.	Chris Sekerka
12 Gun Fireproof Gun Safe	Gerald Zoromski
Ruger 10/22 Semi-Auto 22LR	Paul Rossi
Winchester Pump Marine Defender	Dan Strojney
Henry 22 S/L/LR	Jason Kurzinski
Winchester SXP 12ga. 28"	Alaina Groshek
Winchester SXP Defender	Randy Hillman
Ruger 10/22 22LR	Betty Parnham
Stoeger 12ga. Coach Gun	Brad Block
Heritage 22LR 6-Rnd Cyl.	Ernie Becker
\$250-Germaine Zoromski (In Memory of Bob)	Jim Jaworski
\$250-Germaine Zoromski (In Memory of Bob)	Lucy Retzke
Bushnell 10x42 Binoculars	Chad Gagas
Bushnell Spotting Scope	Dave & Sandy Feltz
\$200 - Green Meadow Turf	Marge Bigalke
\$200 - Betty Ostrowski (In Memory of Clarence)	Dirk DeFord
\$100 - Twin City Monuments (Neenah, WI)	Cole Fochs
\$100 - Platta Construction LLC	Lori Richter
\$100 - Ryan Lepak Advance Plumbing	Jacob Maccott
\$100 - Pisarski Funeral Home	Dennis Gagas
\$100 - Ernest & Carol Kezeske	Mike Witkowski
\$100 - Sheet Piling Services	Kevin Furger
\$100 - Louis Wysocki (In Memory of Avis)	Mike O
\$100 - Shuda Funeral Home	Ken Pavelski
\$100 - Dan Zaborowski (In Memory of Fran)	Danielle Garvey
\$100 - Conrad & Delores Lepak	Shawn Szalewski
\$100 - David & Judith Zdroik	Carson Warner
\$100 - Dennis Gagas	Mike Burant
\$100 - Ed & Letty Shamrowicz	Paul Bomberg
\$100 - Ray & Ramona Biadasz	George Sankey
\$100 - Lawrence Gagas (In Memory of Rosemary)	Jordan Matysik
\$100 - Frank & Dianne Cegielski	Mark Daniels
\$100 - Edwin & Betty Damask	Riley A. Helbach



Sacraments Will Change Your Life Today!

Why Holy Mass Matters

You may ask yourself occasionally why it is necessary to go to Mass every Sunday, or on Saturday evening. Here are a few compelling reasons.

An Opportunity to receive Guidance: In order to live a joy-filled life, you want to listen to the Word of God and apply it to your life. The readings from the Bible proclaimed at Mass are God's personal words to you. The priest will "unpack" these words for you in their homily. Receiving the words of Scripture become like a "compass" for your life and putting these words into practice allows you to live better, Christian, more joy-filled lives.

A Time to receive Strength/Peace: The Holy Eucharist is Jesus Himself. When receiving Holy Communion, you are literally united with Him. He wants you to talk with Him and also listen to Him. He will strengthen you to face life's difficulties and He will give you His peace.

A Time for Healing: You will grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ along with the parish family in ongoing attendance at Mass. In this process, hearts can be healed, marriages saved, relationships restored, families made whole again, addictions overcome, anger abated, joy renewed, hope built up, and love enkindled.

God's Gift of Grace: As you encounter Jesus Christ in His Word and in Holy Communion, He invites you to grow as His personal follower – disciple. Receiving God's own Life – sanctifying grace – will help you to make good decisions and to be strong against temptations.

God's Gift to You: Our loving Father gave us the Third Commandment to "Keep Holy the Lord's

Day." Sunday is the day that Jesus rose from the dead. That is why we celebrate the "Lord's Day" on Sunday and participate in the Holy Eucharist, which is at the heart of the Church's life.

The Best Occasion for Thanksgiving: Every good gift comes to you from your Heavenly Father Who loves you more than anyone. Eucharist means thanksgiving. After you receive Jesus, and He is truly present in your heart, talk with Him and thank Him for all the gifts of your life.

A Time to Worship God: To adore God is to acknowledge that you would not exist but for God. During Mass, You want to praise and adore Him with humility because nothing on this earth gives more glory to God. Worshipping the one true God sets you free from turning in on yourself, from the slavery of sin and the idolatry of the world.

Asking for what You need: Jesus wants you to ask Him for the desires of your heart. He cares about your every need. Jesus said, "Ask and it will be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). Jesus will give us what is good for us.

Jesus said: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His Blood, you have no life in you... He who eats this Bread will live forever" (John 6:53, 58).

