



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa
IN POLONIA*

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KSIĄDZ PROBOSZCZ

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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

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CONFESION

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, May 9 – Feria

Tuesday, May 10 – St. Damian de Veuster

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
†Edward Drefcinski by Conrad & Delores Lepak

Wednesday, May 11 – Feria

8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
†Butch Gagas by Marie Gill

Thursday, May 12 – Sts. Nereus & Achilleus & St. Pancras

7:00–8:00am Adoration—Sacred Heart
7:30–8:00am Confessions—Sacred Heart
8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
†Lillian Drefcinski by Connie & Delores Lepak

Friday, May 13 – Our Lady of Fatima

7:00–8:00am Adoration—Sacred Heart
7:30–8:00am Confessions—Sacred Heart
8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
†Felix, Regina, Frances & Conroy Soik by Myron Soik Family

Saturday, May 14 – St. Matthias

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart (Collective Intention)
†Glady Lepak by Family
†Shannon Blanchard by Karl & Brandy Kaminski
†Loretta Klesmit by Dennis Raflik
†Richard Orlikowski by Family
†Art Lepak by Adam Dombrowski
†Sophie Koziczkowski by Marie & Family
†Jerry Shroda by Lori & Family
2:45–3:45pm Confessions—Sacred Heart
4:00pm Anticipatory Mass—Sacred Heart
Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parish Families

Sunday, May 15 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass—Sacred Heart
†Emily Ramczyk by Randy Ramczyk
10:00am Mass—St. Mary's
†Darlene Kropidlowski by LeRoy

A WORD FROM FATHER

SŁOWO OD PASTORA



"It is right that you should begin again every day. There is no better way to complete the spiritual life than to be ever beginning it over again."

- St. Francis de Sales

Dear Parishioners:
We've completed three weeks of Eastertide. How has the Lord spoken to us during this time? In last Sunday's Gospel we heard how Christ appeared at that point three times to the disciples after the Resurrection. Have we allowed him to appear to us? Have we allowed him to enter our minds and hearts? Have we allowed this mystery to change us? Or, are we still in the upper room with the doors locked?

SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

ZASOBY DUCHOWE

Love your enemies

In the First Reading, Paul is preaching in Antioch, and things are not going well for him. His audience contradicts him and shouts violent abuse at him. They find Paul's Christianity an affront to their own religion, which they do not want to give up.

What would we expect Paul's response to be to these angry people in his audience? How about this?

Paul: "Oh, gosh! I see that I have offended you! I am so sorry! I want you to know that I do validate your point of view too. No doubt, we all believe in the same God! I wasn't for a moment trying to suggest that there is anything wrong about your religion! I do wish that you wouldn't call me names and shout at me when I am trying to talk to you, but it's OK if you feel you need to do so. I appreciate that I upset you, though I really didn't mean to do so."

But, of course, this is not what Paul says at all. By rejecting my preaching, he tells the angry people, you condemn yourselves and show yourselves unworthy of eternal life. This is a stern condemnation both of their religious views and of their rejection of Paul's preaching. What happened to meekness, to turning the other cheek, to love of your enemies?

Well, if your enemy is determined to walk off a cliff, what would you do? Validate his point of view and tell him that all paths near the cliffs are equally good? The only way to love your enemy in this case is to tell him vehemently that he will kill himself if he doesn't alter his path. There is no love for him in being meek or gentle when he is about to go over the edge.

In fact, all of us are headed for that cliff because of our post-Fall human nature. We are all unworthy of eternal life. But Christ suffered and died to save us—not from a wrathful God, but from ourselves. Our path to God lies through Christ and his cross.

And so, Paul's line to his audience is as stern as it is because, in their abusive rejection of him, they are racing towards destruction. Telling them that they are doing so is the best loving thing Paul can do for them.

—Eleonore Stump

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LAST WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

DAROWIZNY

Adults: \$5,152
Easter Offering: \$25
Youth: \$31
Offertory: \$200
Total: \$5,408
Vigil Lights: \$490
Boiler Fund: \$105
Special Needs: \$180

May Budget: \$24,180
May to Date: \$ 5,408

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

Last Week's Scrip Sales: \$3,435; Profit: \$120



Annual Appeal Goal: \$47,865
Committed: \$33,932 Balance: \$13,933

Automated Giving Program: Parishioners have the option to enroll in Direct Payments (ACH debits) as a means of sharing your financial gifts. Additional details are on the Authorization Agreement form available on our website: www.sacredheartpolonia.com.

Your support makes a difference in the life of our parish. Planned Giving is a wonderful way to remember Sacred Heart Parish as we prepare for the day we will depart this life and enter into the blessedness of God's eternal kingdom. Prayerfully consider a gift of stock, insurance, real estate, retirement plan or cash to ensure the continued future for our parish ministries.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

POŚLUGI LITURGICZNE

Altar Servers:

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| May 14: | 4:00 pm | Colten & Wyatt |
| May 15: | 8:00 am | Jonah, Quinn, Christopher, Isaac |

Hospitality:

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| May 14: | 4:00 pm | Volunteer Ushers |
| May 15: | 8:00 am | Volunteer Ushers |

Readers:

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| May 14: | 4:00 pm | Donna Zaborowski |
| May 15: | 8:00 am | Tom Glavin |

Wellington Place: May 12: Deacon Jim

PRAYER REQUESTS

PROŚBY MODLITEWNE

Let us remember the following in our daily prayers:

Robert Rozek, Colleen Kluck, Cristy Wiza, Theresa Prondzinski, Cecilia Rozek, Austin James, Jerry Kontney, Anthony Brzezinski, Dominic Kaminski, Brittany Olivia, Ernie Kurszewski, Michael J. Woyak, Theresa Arnsdorff, Vince Herek, Drew Glavin, Theresa Pliska, Leonard Schulist, JD Wysocki, Sr. Barbara, Dave Grawey, Elsie Fliss, Devon Kowalski, Bacon Family, Elaine Dombrowski, Peter Hagen, David K. Trzebiatowski, Newton Family, Carol Weinfurter, Vanessa Lawson, Dan Sekerka, Megan Rose, Theresa Glavin, Chester Eron, Gary Haessly, Lewis Zinda, Karen Liebe, Beverly Stanczyk, Greg Laska, Chad Wiza, Mark Worzalla, Leroy Milanowski, David G. Woyak, Michael L. Trzebiatowski

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

NAMASZCZENIE CHRÝCH

Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long time should receive the Sacraments. Please call the parish to make arrangements or to schedule a non-emergency visit for those who are sick or homebound.



Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers are extended to the entire family and friends of Angeline Wojtalewicz and Jerome "Jerry" Kontney. Angeline passed away on Friday, April 29th, and was laid to rest Tuesday, May 3rd. Jerome "Jerry" Kontney passed away on Wednesday, April 27th and his funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday, May 10th. May we continue to pray for the happy repose of their souls and for the comfort of their families during this difficult time.



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls
and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



Thank you to Father Miller, the servers, and the parishioners who were involved in the funeral Mass for Bob. Thank you to all the friends and family who sent cards and offered their condolences. May God bless each and everyone of you for your kindness. ~ *The family of Bob Zoromski*



The Knights of Columbus and the First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center would like to thank the parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish for your generous support of the baby bottle drive. We have over \$1,476 turned in to date which does not include the bottles received this week. We ask that all bottles be turned in. Empty bottles are needed for future drives. Thank for the support!

PCCW Bake Sale. Volunteers are needed to help make peanut squares on Saturday, May 14th starting at 7:30am! The sale of the squares will be on Saturday, May 14th from 3:00pm-6:00pm and on Sunday, May 15th from 7:00am-10:00am. The price will be \$4.50 per box of 3 large or 4 small. Proceeds from the sale will be used to help offset the cost of new freezers for the parish.

Please note. Copies of the PCCW meeting minutes can be found at the entrances of the church.



Attention Graduating Class of 2022. Sacred Heart Parish is proud to recognize those registered members of our parish community who are graduating from high school, college, or other professional programs. In addition to celebrating the 8:00am Mass together, the graduates, guests, and parishioners are invited to a donut social at the front entrance of the church after Mass on Sunday, June 5th. Graduates are asked to wear their graduation gowns to the 8:00am liturgy. Please contact the parish office by Friday, May 27th to let us know if you are planning to attend this Mass. Also, we would like to do a bulletin insert of our graduates. Please send us your picture and a short bio about yourself by Sunday, May 29th. It can be emailed to bulletin@sacredheartpolonia.com or dropped off at the parish office drop-box.

A Mother's Day Blessing

Blessed is the Mother who lets the Lord be her guiding hand, whose faith brings her family courage, whose wisdom comes from God, and whose children still stand and honor her. May the Divine Lord and His Blessed Mother reward you with the love, joy, and contentment you so richly deserve. Bless all the women in our lives who model for us the love of a mother. Protect and encourage them to love as you have loved us.



Happy Mother's Day!



St. Isidore Blessings: Father Miller plans to do the blessings of seeds, plants, machinery, etc. outside the front entrance of the church after the 4:00pm Mass this Saturday, May 14th. If you have farm machinery, please drive up to the front. Holy cards of St. Isidore will be available at the entrances if the church.

SANCTUARY LAMP

WIECZNA LAMPKA

There are many openings for \$100 donations to have the sanctuary lamp burn for a week in memory of a departed family member or members. Please call the parish office to select a date and make a donation.

SCHOOL NEWS

WIADOMOŚCI SZKOLNE

Job Posting: Full-Time Classroom Teaching Position Available. Sacred Heart Catholic School in Polonia is accepting applications for two full-time teachers for 2022-2023 school year. Information may be found on our website at www.sacredheartpolonia.com/employment.

Please note. Vande Walle's increased their prices on candy bars. Now Sacred Heart Home & School will be selling candy bars for \$1.50 a piece. The next weekend that candy bars will be sold is May 21st and May 22nd.

CCD NEWS

AKTUALNOŚCI KATECHIZMU

CCD classes will begin on Wednesday, May 11th starting in the church with prayer at 6:15pm.

PARISH MEETINGS

SPOTKANIA PARAFIALNE

 **PCCW.** Tuesday, May 10th @ 6:30pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Rosary will be prayed at 6:00pm at the Shrine of the Unborn, weather permitting.

Parish Council. Thursday, May 12th @ 6:30pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

 **Holy Name Society.** Sunday, May 15th @ 9:00am—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

St. Isidore Breakfast Meeting: Sunday, May 22nd @ 9:00 am— Sacred Heart Parish Hall.



SCRIP NEWS. When you purchase a scrip gift card you will receive the full value. Plus the brand gives back in rebates so there is no extra money coming from your pocket. There is endless potential to help earn for the school and parish. Please consider purchasing scrip. Scrip will be sold at the weekend Masses! Also, during the week you can purchase scrip through the parish office. Thank you for supporting our scrip program!



Last Senior Bingo until September. Senior Bingo will be Thursday, May 19th, following the morning Mass. If you plan on staying for lunch, please contact Barb at 715-592-6103.

Reminder. If you have a change of address, phone number, or other status changing event please be sure to contact the parish office so that your parish record can be updated.

There will be a Synod in Vatican City State this coming Fall. To prepare for that all dioceses around the world were asked to compile data to be sent to the national conference which will be forwarded to the Synod. In our diocese each parish is being asked to participate. What I would like all of you to think about (and please if you would like to respond, do so - young or old, man or woman, boy or girl), and forward your comments to the office. I will compile the comments and send them on. I would like these by **May 28th**. Here are some questions for your consideration (this is by no means exhaustive; it's just some starting points):

In our diocese and parish, who are those who "walk together"?

Who are those who seem further apart?

How are we called to grow as companions?

What groups or individuals are left on the margins?

What facilitates or inhibits our listening?

How well do we listen to those on the peripheries?

How is the contribution of consecrated men and women integrated?

What are some limitations in our ability to listen, especially to those who have different views than our own?

What enables or hinders speaking up courageously, candidly, and responsibly in our diocese, our parish, and in society?

When and how do we manage to say what is important to us?

How does the relationship with the local media work (not only Catholic media)?

Who speaks on behalf of the Christian community, and how are they chosen?

CORRESPONDENCE • KORESPONDENCJA

Come Follow Me! When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. He was minding his own business, when Jesus approached him and asked him to put his nets out into the deep water for a catch. Although hesitant, he did as Jesus asked him and caught an over-abundance of fish! When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, "Come, follow me..." and Peter did. In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him. Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? Perhaps this is the Lord's invitation to follow Him. To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!



Missionary Sisters of the Divine Image GIFT SHOP is a great place to find unique gifts. We carry Wisconsin maple syrup and we have a selection of books as well. Please ring the doorbell at the FRONT entrance of the convent and Sister will be happy to direct you to the gift shop. Or, call Sister at 715-592-4213 to set up a time to visit. **Now available** First Communion dresses, veils, and invitations.

Join us for the 12th Annual Pacelli Catholic Schools SHREDDING PARTY! Community Service & Fundraising Event Hosted by Schulfer & Associates, LLC Wealth Management on Thursday, May 12th from 3-6pm 1417 Main Street, Stevens Point. BRING YOUR SECURE DOCUMENTS TO SHRED. Donations will be accepted and are greatly appreciated for secure, confidential shredding services provided by Express Recycling Solutions, Inc. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 towards a Lü Interactive Playground system for our elementary schools which promotes cross-curricular and active learning. *No early drop off. For more than 10 boxes, please call ahead!* FEATURING SHREDDED FOOD FOR SALE \$3 Shredded Chicken Sandwiches, \$1 Shoestring Potato Chips, \$2 Cupcake, \$6 Meal, \$1 Soda/Water. RSVP to 715.343.9600, www.schulferandassociates.com, or by email to schulferandassociates@lpl.com to receive a FREE "What to Shred/What to Keep" guide! To learn more, visit pacelicatholicschools.com/shreddingparty.

The annual First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center's Walk for Life will be held at Lake Wazeecha on May 14th. This family friendly run/walk will begin at the South Wood County Shelter House at 10:00 am with registration beginning at 9:00 am. Fun raffles and concessions will be available. Please join us to help raise \$25,000. All area parishes/individuals are welcome to walk with the St. Gianna Walkers for Life (The team captain is the Rubenzer Family). To register, donate and find more information go to the First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center's website: <https://www.firstchoiceprc.org/walkforlife>. If you have any questions, feel free to call Lauren Rubenzer – 608-234-8502.

FANCHER RUMMAGE SALE: 3995 Hwy. K. May 27th & 28th. 8:00am-6:00pm. May 29th. 9:00am-12:00pm. Church basement. Too many items to mention. Free will offering, unless marked. All proceeds go to repair & painting of statues.

St. Bronislava Parish is having Holy Thunder, 3rd Annual Motorcycle Blessing and Faith Run, Saturday, June 5th starting at 1:30pm. For more info and to sign up go to www.stbrons.com.

Event in Bevent at St. Ladislaus Parish 173141 State Hwy 153 on Saturday, June 26th and Sunday, June 27th.

Adventure Camp: June 26th-July 1st, 2022. We are excited that Adventure Camp is happening this year! This is for all students in grades 6-12. Cost: • Registration after May 1st, 2022 is \$440 per person. • Please know \$100 per person is nonrefundable. This deposit is due ASAP to hold spots for your campers. More information and online registration go to diolc.org/yfa/youth-opportunities/adventure-camp/.

The Deacon III

It is official! I have been assigned to serve as Deacon at Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart Parishes. For this, I am most grateful.

This is the third in a series of articles on the role of the deacon in the Church today. The ministry of the deacon is threefold. Strengthened by sacramental grace, the deacon is dedicated to the People of God in the service of the liturgy, of the Gospel, and of works of charity. Last week we looked at how the deacon is at the service of the Word or Gospel. This article will discuss in what ways the deacon serves in the liturgy. The primary focus of this article will be to look at what a deacon does or can do at Mass and various other liturgical roles. In a future article, I hope to come back to why the deacon is ordained to assist in service to God's People and his Church in these ways.

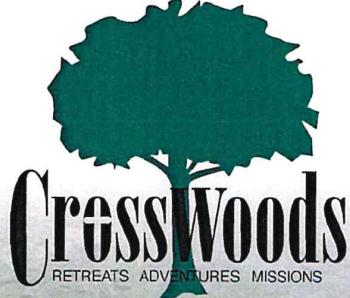
During the celebration of the Mass, the deacon may participate in specific penitential rites (Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have Mercy). As we discussed in the last article, he proclaims the Gospel and may preach the homily. He voices the needs of the people in the Universal Prayer (Prayer of the Faithful). The deacon assists the presider and other ministers in accepting the offerings and helps prepare the altar and the gifts for sacrifice, with special care for the chalice. He may extend the invitation of peace and serves as an ordinary minister of Holy Communion. At the conclusion of Mass, after the final blessing, the deacon dismisses the people using one of the formulas from the Roman Missal such as "Go forth, the Mass is ended".

Other liturgical roles a deacon is authorized include solemnly baptizing, witnessing marriages, bringing viaticum to the dying, and presiding at funerals and burials. The deacon can preside over Liturgies of the Word and communion services in the absence of a priest. He may officiate at celebrations of the Liturgy of the hours and at exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. He may conduct public rites of blessing, offer prayer services for the sick and dying, and administer the Church's sacraments as designated in the "Book of Blessings".

Next time we will look at the deacon's ministry of works of charity.

God Bless you all!

Jim Sniadajewski



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